

Various prizes were announced and presented. The Graduating Class consisted of Messrs. Thomas Fraser Draper, Charles Whidden Brown, Francis Gordon Forbes, who received the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, and Mr. R. Fitzgerald Uniacke, who received the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering. The Degree of D.C.L. was conferred on Rev. H. Bullock, and that of B.D. on Rev. Mr. Partridge.

The most conspicuous ceremonial feature of the occasion was the conferring of the Degree of D.C.L. on His Excellency, Sir Edward A. Englefield, Admiral in Command of the British America Squadron. The President announced briefly (in Latin) the reasons for conferring the Degree, after which His Excellency was introduced to the President by Rev. Dr. Hill, Chancellor of the University, Halifax, Drs. Akins and Pryor, the last named of whom addressed the President in a Latin speech, of which we give a somewhat literal version:

"I present to you, illustrious President, the renowned Admiral of the British Fleet, Edward Augustus Inglefield, Knight Commander of the Bath, Fellow both of the Royal Society and of the Royal Geographical Society. He has seen much service off the Coast of Syria, and in the bombardment of Acre. For five years he has been head of the Dockyard of Malta. He has thrice, by ship, braved those Arctic regions which have proved so fatal to British navigators, nor did he leave those terrible shores until he had, with unwearied toil, untiring perseverance, and wonderful courage, prosecuted the search for the illustrious Franklin, the hero and also the victim of Arctic exploration. If his search was futile, we may add, in the words of the poet—

'Yet might was the attempt in which he failed.'

On account of his distinguished efforts in this service he was, on his return home, admitted by the Queen, who knows how fidely to recompense valiant services, to the order of Knight Commander of the Bath. How great were the sufferings of the Admiral and his companions in those frightful regions, how important were the additions they made to science by their discoveries, is known to the world; for Inglefield has shown a literary talent, trained and polished, in his very clear and correct account of his voyage. No man of taste who has read his narrative will refuse to acknowledge that a leader so distinguished by the power both of Mars and Apollo is worthy not only of civic honors, but also of the laurels which attend service in either."

His Excellency responded to the honor in a singularly appropriate speech of acknowledgment. Other addresses followed from His Honor the Administrator of the Government, Sir Wm. Young, His Lordship Bishop Buinney, and Rev. Chancellor Hill. The whole proceedings indicated a revival of interest in University education on the part of the friends of King's College.

The Senate of the University of Halifax held a session on Friday, the 27th of June. The business transacted was chiefly of a formal character. The learned Chancellor made the gratifying announcement that at the forthcoming First B.A. examinations, students would present themselves from all the affiliated Colleges of the University except Acadia. The growth of the University in the direction of Law and Medicine was also represented as gratifying. Hon. Mr. Stairs was unanimously re-elected Vice-Chancellor, and F. C. Sumichrast, Esq., Registrar. A committee consisting of the Chancellor, the Superintendent of Education, and the Hon. Senator Poner, was appointed to make arrangements for the formal presentation of candidates for Degrees at the Annual Convocation of the University in September.

The Annual Examination for Teachers' Licenses was held on the 22nd to 26th ult. Under the new and wholesome regulations of the Council of Public Instruction, the number of candidates is understood to have been much beneath that of recent years.

A Teachers' Association for the County of Kings, organized under the recent regulations of Council, is called for this month. The call is said to have been signed by every teacher in the county in actual work. Several other associations will be constituted during the summer and autumn.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The Government recently appointed Mr. John Murray and Mr. Peter Curran, Inspectors of Schools.

The closing exercises in the schools and colleges throughout the Province passed off with more than usual *eclat* at the close of the past session.

At the examination held by the Commissioners of the Inland

Revenue Department of the Dominion of Canada in Charlottetown, Messrs. John Andrew McDonald, District Inspector, and S. A. Nash, Collector, passed very creditable examinations. The subjects in which the candidates were examined embraced Mensuration, Computation of Commodities in bulk, Book-keeping by Double Entry, Inland Revenue Laws, Malting and Malt Guaging, use of Hydrometer, Slide Rule, Petroleum inspection, Distillation, &c.

The following candidates obtained certificates at the Midsummer Examination, 1879: First Class—Isabel McNeill, Minnie Larkin, Ernest Crawford. Second Class—James M. Campbell, Ellie Roberts, Belle Longworth, Grace Reed, Emma Haslam, Wallace Crawford, Harvie D. McEwen, A. P. McLellan, Frank S. Coffin, Wm. Montgomery, Emily Boswell, Elizabeth Bowen, Theodore W. Clarke, Christopher Munro, Norman A. McNeil, Alexander Campbell, Barclay Johnston, Owen McManus, George McLeod, Philip J. Wright, Angus A. McDonald, Patrick Cosgrove. Third Class—Caleb Schurman, Jesse T. Canfield, Hugh McDonald, Donald K. McKenzie, Kate A. McLeod, Donald Martin, Martin Martin, Alex. McLeod, Andrew Mooney, Mary Ada McNeill, Sylvanus J. Martin, Hannibal Moore, Patrick F. Doyle, John E. Buchanan, Frederick F. Haley, Charles Toper, James Morrison, Annie Murphy, Eliza J. McFarlane, Jane Warls, Clara, Kilbride, Maggie Kilbride, Annie Commiskey, Cecily Gleason, Bernard D. McLellan, Maggie Cosgrove, Janet Bears, Lizzie Flanagan, Marion McQuarrie, Isabella McAdam, Annie J. McDonald John Sheriff, Anna B. Mutch, John Bryenton, Donald Bears.

The schools of the city of Charlottetown are in a very efficient state. They exhibit, as the result of the work of the present year, a marked improvement. The number of pupils on the roll for the half year ending June 30th was 1,545, and the daily average attendance 1020.41. A great deal of emulation has been excited among the pupils by gold and silver medals offered for proficiency in the different subjects by Messrs. Longworth, Hodgson, DeBlois, Haviland, Brecken, and by Mrs. E. J. Hodgson. The competition for these medals and for other prizes was exceedingly active among both boys and girls. It is a curious fact, that in the competition the girls were the most successful. Miss Bella McLennan carried off the medal for proficiency in the English branches against all comers; and, in the endeavor to obtain other prizes open to both sexes, the girls proved themselves rather more than matches for the boys.

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There was a special meeting of the Protestant section of the Board of Education on Wednesday, July 2nd, for the purpose of taking action under the new clause in the school law which gives to each section of the Board of Education the power to divide the Province into inspectorial districts, and to appoint inspectors. The meeting adopted the following as the duties of inspectors:—

It shall be the duty of each of the inspectors appointed by the Protestant section of the Board of Education and he is hereby empowered:

1. To visit at least semi-annually each school within his inspectorial district; to examine the schools, school-houses and premises; to inspect the school register, and generally to ascertain if the provisions of the school law and regulations in force under it are carried out and obeyed; and to transmit to the superintendent a report of such inspections at the close of each school year, at least, and oftener if required by the Board.

2. To report to the superintendent any serious breach of the law or regulations.

3. To advise with the teachers of his district in all that may tend to promote their efficiency, and the character and usefulness of their schools.

4. To render any assistance that may be required at teachers' examinations; to aid the superintendent in carrying out a uniform system of education, and to do all that is in his power to give effect to the school law and the regulations of this Board.

5. To report to the Board when required in regard to the erection or readjustment of a school district, and visiting such district if necessary.

The following were then agreed upon as the Inspectorial Districts for the year ending January 31st, 1880, viz.:—

- 1st. The Counties of Selkirk and Ligar, and the sub-division of Marquette.

- 2nd. The sub-divisions of Portage and Westbourne.

- 3rd. The sub-divisions of Dufferin and Mountain.

- 4th. The County of Provencher.