

that institution. He acquired the distinction of Bachelor of Civil Law in 1855, and Doctor of Civil Law, about four years afterwards.

It will not be out of place here to record that Trinity College is a University, situated on a property, which in the early days of York, had a certain celebrity, from the fact that Captain S. Smith, while once President of the Province, selected this property as his residence, and that "Gore Vale," so named in honor of Governor Gore, runs through the property. Doctor Scadding, in his "Toronto of Old," is quite enthusiastic in his description of the College and grounds. Referring to the Smith lot, he says:

The southern half of this lot now forms the site and grounds of the University of Trinity College. Its brooklet will hereafter be famous in scholastic song. It will be regarded as the Cephissus of a Canadian Academus, the Cherwell of an infant Christ Church. The elmy dale which gives such agreeable variety to the park of Trinity College, and which renders so charming the view from the Provost's Lodge, is irrigated by it. The cupola and tower of the principal entrance to Trinity College will pleasantly, in however humble a degree, recall to the minds of Oxford men the Tom gate of Christ Church.

Mr. Harrison became a Student of the Law Society in Hilary Term, 1850. As soon as he was admitted he entered upon his studies in the office of Messrs. Robinson & Allan. Mr. now Sir Lukin Robinson was the senior member of that firm, and Reporter of the Queen's Bench. Mr. Harrison was a diligent student, ready for any kind of hard work in the line of the law. He had only been two years in the office, and was but eighteen years of age, when he conceived the idea of publishing a digest of all the cases in the Queen's Bench and Practice Courts in Upper Canada, from 1823 to 1851. He undertook the work under the supervision of Mr. Robinson. The book came out under the name of "Harrison & Robinson's Digest," and was published in 1852. This Digest was a very valuable hand-aid to practitioners of large practice, placing in their hands a ready reference to all decisions during a period of nearly thirty years.