



A PIONEER SCHOOLHOUSE.

of Toronto, the Chancellor, Provost, and professors in arts of Trinity University, the headmaster of the school, and such other persons as may from time to time be added to it. The staff, according to the calendar for 1894, was the Rev. Dr. Bethune, the Rev. G. H. Broughall, Mr. W. H. Nightingale, Mr. A. W. McKenzie, Mr. E. M. Watson, Mr. F. W. Frith, Mr. F. N. Kenner, and Mr. F. H. Cooms. It is generally acknowledged that to the Rev. Dr. Bethune's untiring energy and great business ability is due in a great measure the continued prosperity which has marked the history of the school. During the last quarter of a century many well-known citizens of Toronto have passed through the school, and there have always been in attendance at it sons of many prominent Toronto families. Chancellor Allan's three sons have gone to it, and a son of Mr. Christopher Robinson has been recently attending there. Mr. J. A. Worrell, Q.C., is a graduate. Mr. John Cartwright, the Rev. Canon Cayley, Rev. A. J. Broughall, of Toronto; Mr. Edward Martin, of Hamilton; the Venerable Archdeacon Jones, of Brockville, have also sent children there. In some cases, also, the members of other denominational bodies have sent their sons there, recognizing the excellence of the tuition offered under the Rev. Dr. Bethune. The school is in an excellent financial position, being practically out of debt."

The picture of the school, which, through the kindness of the headmaster, we are able to give, shows the main building, with the chapel to the extreme right, all internally destroyed by the fire. The building on the left, with the two round towers, is the gymnasium. The house to the extreme right, on the same side of the street as the main building, is the residence of the headmaster. The small wooden house opposite it is a building used as a hospital for cases of infectious diseases.

The citizens of Port Hope showed great sympathy in this disaster. They are all justly proud of the school, which has been called "The Eton of Canada," and is one of the finest educational institutions in the Dominion. It is not only a fine ornament to the town, which is a place of about 4,000 inhabitants, but is a great

help to it in many ways. Every effort, therefore, will, no doubt, be made to rebuild the school on its present site at as early a date as possible. The walls being of brick, and of a substantial character, do not seem to have been very much injured, and it is probable that they will be utilized in the re-erection, in which case the outer form of the building will be as of old. The buildings were well insured, so that a sufficient sum of money will be on hand towards beginning the work of restoration. Improvements also will, of course, be made, and the newly-constructed school will have the latest appliances and facilities for the comfort, safety, and education of the boys placed within it. Rapid strides have, indeed, been made in school establishments and buildings since the pioneer days of "Upper Canada," not long gone by, when the sons of some of the highest in the land were educated in a small wooden building such as that once occupied by Dr. Strachan in his grammar school at Cornwall.

Of the present headmaster, the Rev. Charles J. S. Bethune, M.A., D.C.L., we learn the following facts from *The Canadian Album—Men of Canada*, published by Bradley, Garretson & Co., of Brantford: "He was born in the township of West Flamboro, Wentworth County, Ontario, on the 11th of August, 1838. He is the third son of the Rt. Rev. A. N. Bethune, D.D., second Bishop of Toronto, and Jane Eliza (Crooks) Bethune, who trace their lineage back to the early records of Scottish and French history. Dr. Bethune began his education at private schools in Cobourg, and continued it at Upper Canada College. After leaving the latter institution he entered Trinity College, Toronto, from which he graduated in 1859, taking highest classical honors. He obtained his M.A. in 1862, and received the honorary degree of D.C.L. from his *alma mater* in 1883, in recognition of his services at Trinity College School. He was ordained deacon in 1861, and priest in 1862, by the late Bishop Strachan, of Toronto. He spent the following eight years in the active work of the Church, part of the time as curate with his father, and latterly as incumbent of Credit, diocese of Toronto, when, in 1870, he became headmaster of Trinity College School, Port Hope. Dr. Bethune has given much attention to scientific pursuits, and is well known in the United States, Great Britain, and Canada as an entomologist. He was one of the founders of the Entomological Society of Canada, and was its secretary-treasurer for seven years, when he became its president. He was entomological editor of the *Canada Farmer* for nine years, and is now editor of the *Canadian Entomologist*. Dr. Bethune was married, April 21st, 1863, to Miss Alice Forlong, second daughter of Lieut.-Colonel Forlong, of Toronto."

In 1891 Dr. Bethune resigned the headmastership of the school, and became warden,