

tablishing this college, and has also set an example to other merchant princes, which they would do well to follow. The Baptists throughout the Dominion are concentrating all their theological training in Toronto.

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY.

The Convocation for the present year commenced on Sunday, May 4th, and closed on the Wednesday evening following. On the Sabbath the Rev. W. R. Parker, M.A., preached the annual sermon of the Theological Union. In the afternoon a profitable fellowship meeting was held in Jackson Hall, which was conducted by Professor Shaw, from Montreal. It was delightful to listen to the testimonies of some of the older students of the benefit which they derived from their attendance at Victoria College, not only intellectually, but spiritually. The Baccalaureate sermon was preached by the Rev. D. G. Sutherland, LL.B. Dr. Nelles, President of the University, gave a few words of parting counsel to the graduating class. The services of the day were attended with a gracious influence of the Holy Spirit.

On Monday afternoon Professor Shaw delivered the annual lecture before the Theological Union in Jackson Hall. The subject was "Retribution," and was a sound, practical exposition of the solemn theme.

The Rev. W. R. Parker, M.A., was elected President of the Theological Union; Rev. A. M. Phillips, M.A., was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. Rev. F. H. Wallace, B.D., was appointed to deliver a course of lectures on preaching before the students during the year.

On Tuesday afternoon Professor Haanel delivered a masterly lecture in Faraday Hall on "The Physical Bases of Certain Mental Operations."

In the evening J. J. McLaren, Q.C., delivered a lecture before the Science Association, which afterwards formed the subject of a lengthened and earnest conversation.

Wednesday was the great day. The weather was very unpropitious;

nevertheless Victoria Hall was crowded to witness the conferring of the degrees. Principal Nelles presided in his own able style. Mr. W. Elliott delivered the valedictory oration on "Dr. Livingstone," which was well delivered and was greatly cheered. Thirteen young gentlemen received the degree of B.A. Miss Greenwood received the degree of B.Sc. The Senate conferred the same degree *ad eundem* on Mrs. Haanel. On Miss Greenwood presenting herself, she received a complete ovation. She is the first young lady who has received such degree in Victoria University. We understand that Mount Allison University, New Brunswick, conferred the first B.Sc. degree on a lady some years ago. It is a pleasing sign of the times that the seats of learning everywhere are throwing open their doors to women. J. B. Freeman, B.A., received the degree of B.D. He has been appointed to labour in Japan as a missionary teacher. The Rev. E. A. Stafford, M.A., B.D., received the degree of LL.B. Five gentlemen received the degree of M.A. Twenty-four medical students from Toronto received the degree of M.D. and C.M., and twenty-eight from Montreal School of Medicine received the degree of M.D., two C.M., and one M.B. Rev. B. Gregory, editor of the *Wesleyan Magazine*, England, received the degree of D.D., and the Rev. W. H. Dallinger, of Wesley College, Sheffield, England, received the degree of LL.D.

In addition to the gold medals donated in perpetuity by His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, the following gentlemen have also donated gold medals: H. Hugh, Esq., M.A., J. J. McLaren, Esq., M.A., LL.B., Q.C., W. Sanford, Esq., and the Rev. G. R. Sanderson, D.D. A great number of honour prizes were awarded to successful students in various branches of study. Six prizes of money were also awarded. In the Faculty of Theology a gold medal and the first-class honours in theology were awarded to the Rev. J. B. Freeman, B.A. A Macdonald Bursary was also awarded.