

at that time no seminary in the country where the Protestant youth could obtain a liberal education.

Such was the origin of the Cornwall School, which has deservedly acquired a wide-spread and high reputation in Canada. During the nine years which it was under the guidance of Mr. Strachan, it continued in the most flourishing condition; and as the average attendance was commonly between fifty and sixty, a large portion of the youth of both Provinces were benefited, and obtained such an education as enabled many of them to distinguish themselves in the several walks of life which they afterwards adopted. Among his pupils at this time were the present Chief Justices Robinson and Macaulay, the late Mr. Justice Jones, and several others, who have equally well sustained the credit of the School. Indeed the good fruits of the seminary have not only been universally admitted, but allowed to have been a blessing to the Province for the last forty years, and we fervently pray that they may continue to be so for many years to come.

In reference to this point, we quote with pleasure the following observations of one very familiar with these occurrences, and himself a recipient of his Lordship's care and tuition:—"In laying the foundation of the system of Common Schools, your Lordship, it is well known, took a prominent part; and at a still earlier period, as I well remember, it was at the suggestion, and upon the earnest instance of your Lordship, that the Statute was procured, to which we are indebted for the District Grammar Schools throughout Upper Canada; in which Schools alone, for more than twenty years, the means of obtaining