

— **WHAT OHIO IS DOING FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIES.**—The State of Ohio annually appropriates about \$82,000 to the purchase of school apparatus and books for her libraries. This large amount is raised by a tax of one tenth of a mill on the dollar of the entire property valuation of the State. Under this law the Hon. Anson Smyth, State Commissioner of Schools, concluded a contract last September with the Messrs. Appleton, of New York, to supply the State with library books for 1859. Accordingly all the free space on the floor of the immense salesroom at Appletons' is now occupied by a great mass of these books, piled solidly like bricks, ready for packing and shipment. In bulk they measure over twenty-five solid cords, and they weigh seventy-five tons. Piled on end, on a shelf, in the usual manner, and as closely together as possible, they would extend from the City Hall to Union Square, or a distance of two miles. We understand that the Messrs. Appleton have made arrangements to transport the entire mass by a special freight train, to be run straight through from New York to Columbus. The binding which is uniform, is beautiful and substantial. Each volume is lettered on the back with the title, the author's name, and the mark of the 'Ohio S. Library, 1859.—*N. Y. Paper.*

BRITISH.

— **COMMEMORATION DAY AT OXFORD.**—The annual commemoration-day took place at the usual time this year. The students indicated in their usual noisy style the likes or dislikes which they felt for particular individuals. Loyalty and gallantry united to produce loud and frequent cheers for "the Queen," but equal popularity did not seem to attach to Her Majesty's Ministers. Three groans were given for "Lord Palmerston," and Mr. Gladstone's name, which was continually given out by one side or the other, elicited a mingled storm of cheers and groans. Mr. Cobden was heartily groaned at, while Lords Derby and Stanley were cheered with much zeal. Groans were given for the Emperor of the French, and mingled cheers and groans for the Emperor of Austria. The most interesting part of the proceedings is always the presentation for the honorary degrees, which on this occasion was limited to six persons. Three of those were "Indian heroes"—Sir J. Lawrence, Sir A. Wilson, and Colonel Greathed—and to them the chief applause was accorded. Sir John's reception was—even among Oxford receptions—remarkable. The whole theatre rose—the doctors waved their caps like undergraduates—ladies clapped their hands—the area was a sea of waving arms—and the undergraduates cheered as young lungs only can. Sir Archdale Wilson received an ovation only second to this, and Colonel Greathed was heartily welcomed. The reception of the Lord Justice-Clerk, of Professor Boole, and of Mr. Panizzi was more of the ordinary cast.

IX. Literary and Scientific Intelligence.

— **ONE WHO HAS WHISTLED AT THE PLOUGH.**—Mr. Alexander Somerville, author of the memorable letters, above the signature "One who has Whistled at the Plough," during the Anti-Corn Law agitation, and, who since contributed so largely to useful, and highly interesting literature in Britain, is now resident in Canada, and is about to publish a volume, entitled a "Book of a Diligent Life." This book will embrace some of the most interesting incidents in this diligent man's life as Ploughman, Quarryman, Dragoon, Leader of the Grenadiers, Commissioner of Inquiry for newspapers, Analyst, and Author; as also the author's views on Canadian affairs and Canadian institutions. Mr. Somerville left England in the summer of 1858, with his wife and six young children with a view of settling in Toronto. His wife, after a long and painful illness, died at Quebec in May last; and Mr. Somerville is thus left with a large family, looking up to him for support. He is at present with his family at Quebec; being, from want of means, and his wife being bed-ridden for nine months, unable to pursue employment elsewhere. Mr. Somerville's writings have always been held in the highest possible estimation by both peer and peasant; and we have every reason to believe, that of the many volumes which he published, the forthcoming will be by far the most interesting. To the people of Canada it must prove valuable, as Mr. S. is to treat on those economic and financial principles which ought to prevail in Canada, and in British America, in order to meet, as far as possible, those periodic depressions, and insane monetary panics, which cause so much evil to the whole community. The volume will be published by the end of October, and delivered free, price \$1. When we state that our enterprising citizen, Mr. Lovell, is to print and publish the work, we say enough, as a guarantee,

that it will be done with his usual accuracy and good taste; and fit to occupy a place in any statesman's library. Subscribers should forward their names to Mr. Lovell without delay. It will be a pity if the people of Canada will not encourage "One who has Whistled at the Plough" to remain among them; and, the best way of rendering this encouragement is by becoming subscribers for his volume.—*Montreal Pilot.*

— **MONUMENT TO THE LATE GEORGE STEPHENSON.**—A meeting of the subscribers to the proposed monument to the late George Stephenson, was held in the Council Chamber, Newcastle-on Tyne, on Wednesday, Sir Geo. Gray, M.P., occupying the chair. The general feeling was in favour of a statue by Mr. Lough, a Newcastle man, and it was resolved that a model of a statue and pedestal should be executed by Mr. Lough for the consideration of a committee of subscribers, and that if the consent of the corporation could be obtained, the monument should be erected on a triangular piece of ground at the junction of Westgate and Neville-street, and nearly opposite the central station, Newcastle-on-Tyne. There is little doubt but that the corporation will cheerfully grant the site.

ERRATA.—In the *Journal* for July (page 104), the entry of the following School Teachers' Certificates, granted by the Chief Superintendent of Education, were erroneously printed:—No. 920. Atkinson, Edward Lewis, *should have appeared under the head of "Second Class, Grade B."* No. 925. Sinclair, John; and No. 926. Wark, Alexander, *should have appeared under the head of "Second Class, Grade C."*

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