

And it is in this reflection that the public instructor who has realized his function and has done his best to discharge it, finds his exceeding great reward. There are many 'last words' which it might be desirable to say on this occasion; but your intelligence does not require that I should say much. You know already, I think, the priceless value of that plastic and impressive season of life which you are now passing through, given to every man just once, an hour of grace never to recur. You know already that you ought every day to be aiming at the possession of other qualities than mere literary accomplishments; that to human knowledge you should be seeking to add, as the prayer daily offered in this Hall teaches you, another and a higher wisdom. I will only add, in parting, what will also be to some of you no novelty, but what to others will perhaps seem one more—the last—of my enigmatical sayings. Amidst all your gettings and strivings and propitiations, establish in your breasts a little shrine to Aidōs. I cannot compress more into one word than I do when I say this. Nor can I convey in any English word fully the idea of what Aidōs is. But you will discover for yourselves. A regard to this power or principle, or whatever you may call it, sincerely maintained and rendered habitual, is that which, in all ages, has made youth lovely, and has thrown over manhood, especially a cultivated manhood, an indescribable charm."

The following is a copy of a resolution by the Senate of the University of Toronto on the 13th of March last:

"That the Senate most sincerely regrets that physical infirmities should cause Dr. Scadding to resign the First Classical Mastership of Upper Canada College, which he has so long and so honorably filled. They cannot allow the present opportunity to pass without expressing their high sense of the thorough conscientiousness with which he has discharged the duties of that office, and the lofty Christian example which he has manifested in every relation of life, and which during the long service of nearly a quarter of a century has shed no mean lustre on the institution with which he has been so long connected."

Professor Wilson, on the part of the Senate, added a few words of the high esteem in which Dr. Scadding had been held, and expressed the hope, that though his official connexion had ceased, he would still take an active part in the institution.

The Principal, Mr. Cockburn, expressed his great regret at losing the assistance of Dr. Scadding, and pointed to his career as an example for the youth of the country to follow.

The proceedings were here terminated, and the company separated, the College boys leading the way and shouting with that peculiar vigor of our young days, all the *Io Pæans* incident to the commencement of a vacation, however short.—*Leader*.

— UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA COLLEGE.—It will be fresh in the memory of our youngest reader that before His Royal Highness the Prince took his departure from the shores of this continent on the occasion of his visit in 1860, he graciously signified his intention of giving to the several Universities in our Province a sum of money to be applied for the fostering of learning in such manner as the authorities of each should deem best. The sum total being equitably divided by the late Governor General at the close of the same year, the University of Victoria College was last year enabled to offer two prizes to the students who stood First and Second in Arts, the First Prize being given to that student who took the highest standing in all the prescribed subjects of the curriculum during the four years of the undergraduate's career. It was afterwards decided that the Prizes should consist of a Gold Medal for the "First in Arts" and a Silver Medal for the "Second in Arts," but as this determination was not arrived at in time to have the Medals manufactured before the Convocation of 1861, the Prizemen of that year received a donation of books with the understanding that they should receive their medals, as the first of the Prince of Wales Prizemen, as soon as they were prepared. These medals have at last been received by the authorities of Victoria College in company with those designed for the Prizemen of the present year, and as we have had the pleasure of examining them we will describe them to the best of our ability. The Gold Medal to be presented to Mr. Alexander Burns, (the First Prizeman last year) bears on the obverse an excellent likeness of Queen Victoria, with the usual tiara above her truly regal brow, and surrounded with the inscription,—"*Universitas Victorice Collegium fundata, A.D. 1841.*" On the reverse appears the name of the Prizeman, surmounted with the crest of the Prince of Wales, and his motto—*Ich Dien*. Below the name, if we remember rightly are the words "*Primus in Artibus.*" A beautifully executed wreath of maple-leaves surrounds the name and the inscription referred to, while surrounding the whole, is, the following

inscription—"*Premium a celcissimo Alberto Edwardo Principe Wallie Institutum A.D., 1861.*" The Silver Medal for Mr. Wm. McClive, the Second Prizeman for last year, is similar in design and execution. Both Medals reflect the highest credit on their manufacturer,—Mr. Frederick B. Smith, of New York, and the same may be said of the designer, whoever he may be. We especially admire the chaste, classic elegance of the portrait of the Queen, which reminds us of the happiest efforts of the late Mr. Wyon. Having mentioned Mr. McClive's name, we may perhaps be allowed to announce that he has accepted the office of Tutor in the University in which he graduated last year with so much honor, while at the same time he pursues his studies for the Bar. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and as such is a living illustration of the great fact that the University of Victoria College, though she is denominational is not sectarian.—*Cobourg Star*.

— UNIVERSITY OF MCGILL COLLEGE.—It will give much pleasure to the friends of scientific education and of the McGill University, to be informed that, at a late meeting of the Board of Governors, T. Sterry Hunt Esq., Sc. D., M. A., F. R. S., &c., was appointed to the chair of Applied Chemistry and Mineralogy, now created in the Faculty of Arts. While the eminent qualifications and high reputation of Dr. Hunt shed lustre on this new chair, the University has conferred an important benefit on the country, and especially on this city, in placing within the reach of young men entering on those professions in which a knowledge of practical chemistry is of importance, advantages which they have heretofore been obliged to seek abroad. There can be no doubt that in this great centre of manufactures and medical education, a large number of students will be found ready to avail themselves of the means of scientific training thus offered. It is proper to add that the University is enabled to extend its usefulness in this direction, chiefly through the liberality of two of its friends—William Molson, Esq., who has erected the Laboratory building; and another gentleman, who for the present withholds his name, who contributes the salary of the chair,—leaving merely the apparatus and incidental expenses to be provided for by the University. The present appointment does not interfere with the Professorship of Chemistry in the Medical Faculty, so long held by Dr. Sutherland, Dr. Hunt's duties being limited to the students in Arts and to special students in Practical Chemistry; while the removal of Mineralogy from the Chair of Natural History will enable Dr. Dawson to devote himself more exclusively to other departments of that extensive subject, thus rendering the course of Natural Science in McGill University one of the most complete to be found anywhere. Dr. Hunt retains his connection with the Geological Survey of Canada; and in adding thereto the function of a public teacher, only conforms himself to the established practice of the officers of the Geological Survey of great Britain.—*Montreal Gazette*.

VIII. Departmental Notices.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE JOURNAL OF EDUCATION.

In consequence of the number of Local Superintendents who, for various reasons, have declined personally to superintend the distribution of the *Journal of Education* in their respective townships, in the way suggested in the circular notice published in the *Journal* for February last, the plan then proposed has been abandoned. It is however suggested, that each Local Superintendent should make arrangements at the post-offices within the bounds of their respective fields of labour, for the prompt and regular delivery of the *Journal*. All copies not called for within a reasonable time, should be returned to the Educational Department.

SCHOOL REGISTERS SUPPLIED THROUGH LOCAL SUPERINTENDENTS.

School Registers are supplied gratuitously, from the Department, to Common and Separate School Trustees in Cities, Towns, Villages and Townships by the County Clerk—through the local Superintendents. Application should therefore be made direct to the local Superintendents for them, and not to the Department. Those for Grammar Schools have also been sent to the County Clerk, and will be supplied direct to the head Masters, upon application to the Clerk.