

MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATE ALUMNI OF KING'S COLLEGE.

On Wednesday, June 28th, the usual meeting of the Alumni took place in the College Hall; there were present about thirty-five members, though it is to be regretted that several times during the day there was danger of the business being stopped for want of a quorum. As it is generally only once a year that the Alumni have the opportunity of meeting to advise upon the welfare of the College, it does not seem too much to ask that one day should be devoted to that purpose.

The ill-health of the President (Nepcan Clarke, Esq.) preventing his being present, the chair was taken at about 10.30, A. M., by the Vice-President, Benj. Curren, Esq., D.C.L. The first business was the proposal of new members, when the Association was strengthened by the election into its numbers of Revds. J. Ambrose and A. Brown, and Messrs. J. W. K. Johnston and Wm. Hill. At this stage of the proceedings a discussion arose, as to the proper method of re-admitting members who had forfeited their privileges through non-payment of the annual subscription. As it appeared to a majority of the meeting that the law by which the Association is incorporated required the payment of all the back subscriptions as the only way of re-admission, until by some bye-law of its own, the Society should make some other provision, an important resolution was passed, which provides that if any member has not paid his subscription for three years, he shall cease to be a member, and can only be admitted by ballot in the same way as if he had not before belonged to the Association.

Next followed the reading of the Report for the past year; as this was adopted and will be printed, there is no necessity to refer to its details, further than to state that the transfer upon favourable terms of the principal and undrawn interest of the stock invested in the United States, has quite relieved the Alumni from their temporary embarrassments, enabled them to pay off the balance due upon the new Hall, to fulfil all their other engagements, and to start this year unencumbered with debt.

Upon the election of officers, Dr. Curren, the Vice-President, was chosen President; Rev. T. Crisp, M.A., Vice-President; Dr. Gossip, Dr. Cowie, Hon. S. L. Shannon, and Rev. James Uniacke, were elected members of the Executive Committee; but previous to this S. P. Fairbanks, Esq., had been re-elected, and Rev. G. W. Hill, A.M. elected, Governors.

P. C. Hill, Esq., D.C.L., then spoke at some length, calling the attention of the Alumni to the absolute necessity of an increase of the funds for the support of the University, if it was to maintain its present position, and hold its own against all competitors. He had made a calculation, in which, placing the number of Church families in the Province as low as possible, he still found that a quarter of a dollar per annum from each head of a family would bring in a yearly income of \$2000. He proposed a resolution embodying these facts, and requesting the parochial clergy, by annual collections, or any plan they might deem advisable to carry out its details; this resolution passed unanimously. This is an important subject and calls for the earnest consideration of all Churchmen. Upon the efficiency of the College depends not only the support of Clergy, but the supply of a body of Laity to the Church and Province, educated in sound learning and true religion; but the efficiency