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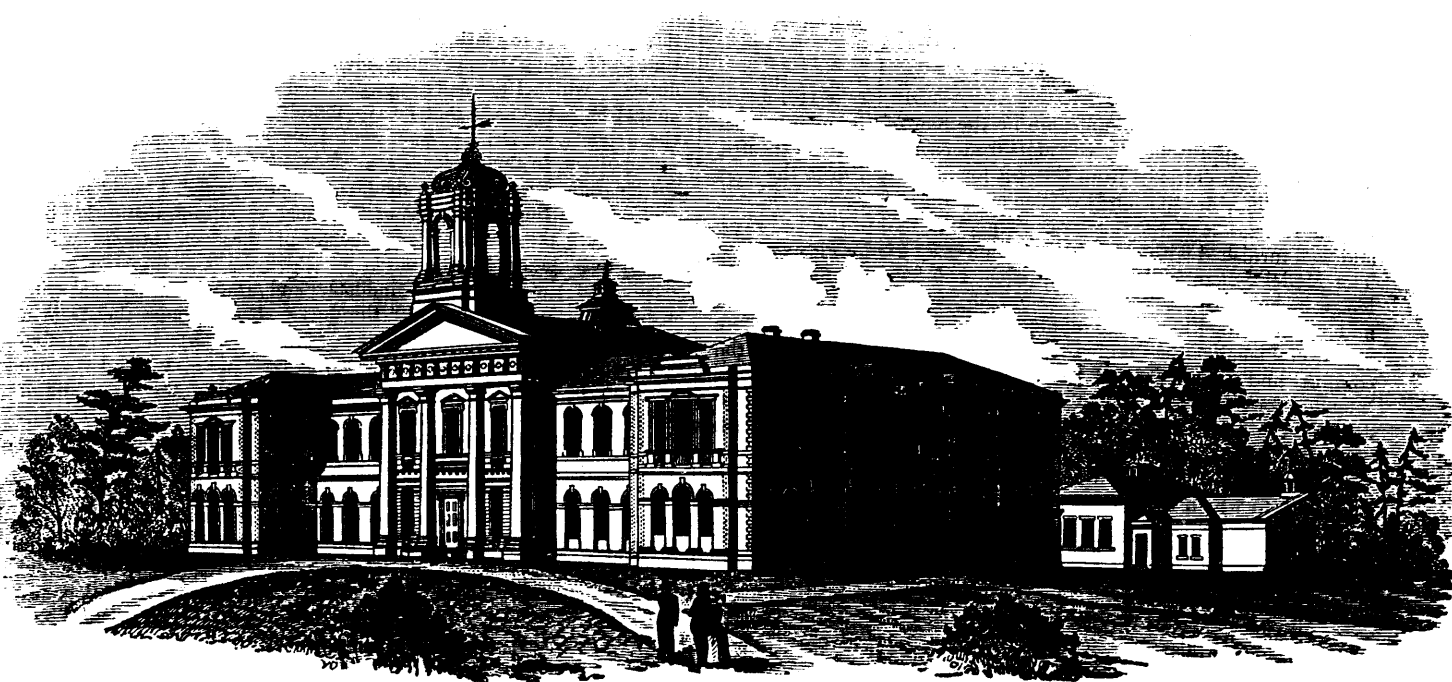
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FRONT PERSPECTIVE VIEW OF THE NORMAL SCHOOL, TORONTO, WITH THE MODEL SCHOOLS IN THE REAR.—INSTITUTED, A. D. 1847. ERECTED, 1852.

(IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION FOR UPPER CANADA.)

The entrance to the Education Offices is immediately in front, that of the Male Students to the right, from Church Street, and of the Female Students to the left, from Victoria Street.

CEREMONY OF OPENING THE NEW BUILDINGS OF THE NORMAL AND MODEL SCHOOLS FOR UPPER CANADA.

The ceremony of publicly opening the New Normal and Model Schools for Upper Canada, took place on Wednesday evening, the 24th ultimo, amidst the greatest interest and enthusiasm. The beautiful and ample theatre was filled by a large assemblage. The admission was by ticket, to prevent confusion, and as a necessary consequence, the greatest order and regularity prevailed. During the day the buildings were visited by hundreds of persons, some from the lively interest they took in seeing the structure so nearly completed, others with a view to obtain tickets for the evening ceremony. Numbers were disappointed in not obtaining tickets, as the demand was much larger than the accommodation could supply.

In connection with a detailed account of the proceedings at the opening, we present our readers with a Perspective View of this beautiful pile of buildings. They are an ornament to the city of Toronto, and will doubtless prove a blessing to the Province at

large. They have been erected on the most approved plan, and at the same time in the most economical manner. The entire cost, including the purchase of seven and a half acres of land in the heart of the city, will not much exceed £22,000. The land itself is worth upwards of £1000 per acre. The site is the centre of an open square, bounded on the east by Church Street, on the north by Gerrard Street. For the information of persons who may not be acquainted with these new streets, we would observe that this locality is a few rods east from Yonge Street, and about three quarters of a mile from the Bay. The elevated position of the buildings commands a fine view of the City, Bay, Island, and Lake; and, altogether, we do not believe a better or more convenient site could possibly have been selected.

The above cut represents the appearance of the Normal and Model Schools, as seen from Church Street, in a north-easterly direction. The Main Building faces Gould Street to the south. It has a frontage of 184 feet 4 inches, and is 85 feet 4 inches deep.