

and checking the demoralizing effect attending such a state of things. In estimating the benefits of the collegiate institute, the Doctor stated that, even during the period of their training, these *alumni* of Knox College, now Pastors of the Church, had been practising ministers or at least missionaries, supplying the lack of regular pastors. One Presbytery of the Church, he observed, had recently enjoyed the labour of eighteen students during the recess. He then took up the question whether the Church should depend alone on the ministers supplied from abroad or be provided with spiritual labourers at home. He held that both sources of supply were needful, and this itself was enough to vindicate the wisdom of those who decided to establish a local college that would prove a valuable supplement to the ministry otherwise supplied. Referring to the projected building of a College in connection with the Church in Lower Canada, he remarked that under the new order of things, it was right that the multiplication of our educational appliances should keep pace with the country's advancement. For his part, and he believed he could speak for his reverend colleagues too—he could say that they were unconscious of a spark of jealousy in respect to the intended erection of a Theological College in Montreal.—*Globe*.

BISHOP'S COLLEGE, LENNOXVILLE.—The Rev. R. Walker, M.A., has been appointed rector of the junior department of Bishop's College. Mr. Walker was a scholar of Wadham College, Oxford, took a first class in Mathematics, and a first in the Natural Sciences, and is now one of the professors at the Royal Military College at Sandhurst. He will enter upon his duties after Easter. His testimonials and the recommendation of the Most Rev. the Metropolitan, by whom he was selected from a large number of candidates, exhibit him as a gentleman in no way unworthy to be the successor in office of the Bishop of Quebec and the lamented late rector, the Rev. G. C. Irving.

— **VICTORIA UNIVERSITY.**—Almost a year ago, Dr. Harris resigned the Chair of Natural Sciences at Victoria College, having accepted a similar position at Beloit University, Wisconsin, U.S. Dr. Harris has won for himself the character of a faithful and efficient professor, both in this chair and in that of the Modern Languages, which he formerly held; and there is not a student whom he has conducted through the interesting subjects of the department of Natural Sciences but will regret the severance of his connection with the College. His estimable lady and himself carry with them the sincere good wishes of a very large circle of friends. The Board of this University have appointed the Rev. N. Burwash, a graduate, to the Chair of Natural History at Victoria College, and that gentleman will, at the commencement of next session, enter upon his labors. He has been engaged qualifying himself for his new duties for some months at Yale College, and will continue to prosecute his studies during the Summer. From the ability and energy which Mr. Burwash has always displayed, we think the friends of the College have great reason to expect the future success of the department.—*Cobourg World*.

— **WOODSTOCK INSTITUTE SURPRISES.**—About ten days since, the six members of the Senior class who expect to graduate in April next, took possession of Dr. Fyfe's lecture room, during the noon intermission, and changed its appearance very materially. At 2 o'clock, p.m., the hour for recitation, the Principal found the platform, on which his desk stands, covered with a new carpet, an excellent hair-covered, spring-seated chair, in the place of the old wooden one, and the desk itself nicely covered with green baize. And on the desk was the following note: "To R. A. Fyfe, D.D. Will you please accept this presentation as a small token of the appreciation which we, the graduating class of 1867, have of you as our Theological Professor." On the 23rd instant, at the same hour of the day as the preceding and, when Dr. Fyfe entered his class room, he found to his amazement that his highly-prized chair, so recently given to him, was gone. Soon after, he was asked to go into the chapel room, to aid the students in something they had to do. Very unsuspectingly he went in, and there he found all the students assembled, and "the chair" which had disappeared was on the chapel platform. After taking his seat, a succession of students came in, each one having something. A very affectionate and respectful address was then read, and a complete suit of clothes, including overcoat and hat, was presented by the male students. Of course for some days Dr. Fyfe knew that he was going to have a new suit given him, for he had gone to be measured, but he had not the remotest suspicion whence the clothes were coming from; if he had, he might have interfered to divert the donation to some other object. As it was, the spirit which prompted the gift and the address, will probably never be forgotten by

the students or by their teacher. On the same day, the ladies of the Institute surprised their highly-esteemed teacher of music, Mrs. Revel, by presenting her with a handsome inlaid stand and work-box. No teacher has taken a more hearty interest in the welfare of the school, and specially of her own department, than Mrs. Revel.—*Canadian Baptist*.

— **ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, RED RIVER.**—We learn from a correspondent that there are now twenty-eight students in the College and Collegiate School together. Ten of these are students of Divinity—three exclusively so—and seven attending the classes both of the Theological College and Collegiate School. Among the latter are three Indians who give every promise of future usefulness in proclaiming among their heathen countrymen the unsearchable riches of Christ. Some of the youths in the Collegiate School belong to families settled in the Red River district, others are the sons of gentlemen in the employment of the Honourable Hudson's Bay Company, in the interior of Rupert's Land. There is every appearance of the Institution being highly appreciated as the means of offering a sound religious and secular education to the youth of the North West Territory.—*Echo*.

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