

feeling towards the elevation of higher education throughout the country. There was a feeling against the granting of exhibitions. Some said that a boy could come in from the country, take an exhibition, remain a year, and then pass on to a university as a college scholar. It was proposed to modify the system in order to meet that objection. The proposal was to grant a proportion of the exhibitions to grammar schools, so that a boy could come here and be examined, and if he obtained an exhibition he could return to his school and serve out his period there. He would not object to this. He was the last man in the world to place the slightest impediment in the furtherance of education, for his heart's desire was to see the higher education of the Province increased, and raised; and elevated. The principal then intimated, amid shouts of applause, that the College would be closed till the 1st of September. Three cheers were then given to the Lieutenant-Governor, and the meeting separated. A portion of the audience then betook themselves to an adjoining room where a fine collection of drawings were arranged on the tables. In the gymnasium, another portion of the visitors enjoyed themselves thoroughly; for there, under Major Goodwin, the boys went through a series of athletic exercises which, as a part of their curriculum, fully accounts for the remarkable hardy and vigorous appearance of the youthful philosophers.—*Globe*.

—TORONTO GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—The distribution of prizes took place in this School yesterday. The scholars did their best to make their schoolroom inviting to the visitors, by means of flags, mottoes, &c. Conspicuous among the latter we noticed "Canada," our "Dominion." During the presentation of prizes the happy recipients were loudly cheered, as is the wont on such occasions. This part of the programme being completed, Dr. Wickson complimented the boys on their good behaviour during the past year, and referred to the aims the masters had in the discharge of their duties, and claimed that under whatever management or regulation an institution of this kind was carried on, the Greek and Latin classics should form an important and prominent part of its studies. He also said that the boys of the Toronto Grammar School, at the late examinations held by the Toronto University, obtained seven first-class honours—six of these being first places; two second class. One of these pupils took the highest prize for proficiency in Oriental Literature in the fourth year; another gained a scholarship; while a third boy won the gold medal in mathematics, making the third time a mathematical medal has been taken by a scholar of this school within the last five years. His intention in making these observations was to impress on those at present in the school the high standing that the pupils of former days had taken and were now maintaining, in order to incite them to emulate, and if possible excel, those who had gone before them. Dr. Jennings congratulated the prize boys and those in the honour list, and hoped that next year many of those in honour list would be prize boys. Last year he had made the statement that that was most likely the last occasion in that building, but this year the Trustees on which the annual presentation would be made found themselves in the same position as last year. He sincerely hoped that this would really be the last time in the present building. Yet he would remind the scholars that the building was not at all the chief element in education, important and necessary as a good building was to the success and popularity of an institution of this kind. Much more depended on the masters and themselves, and from what they had seen and heard to-day, neither of these all important parts were wanting. In conclusion, he would just add that the matter of the building entirely rested now with the corporation, and also that the Trustees believed that a good substantial edifice in every way worthy of the City High School would soon be erected. J. J. Vance, Esq., on being called upon, said he fully concurred in all that had been said by his senior fellow-trustees. He was very happy to be present on this occasion, and as a further inducement for the boys to exert themselves, he would offer two prizes, one for proficiency in French, and the other in English Grammar and Reading. In his view, French was not taught properly in most schools, as the children were compelled to commit the principles

of the language to memory before they were taught to converse; he thought that this was a great mistake; principles ought to be pointed out in the acquiring of the language by conversation, not by rote from Grammars. He intimated his intention of being present at the examination for those prizes. The Revs. Messrs. Reid and Manly addressed the boys in congratulatory terms, and assured the trustees that they would be watching with interest their efforts to secure such buildings as would be a credit to the city. On the benediction being pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Thomas, and the Rector intimating that the vacation would last till the second Monday in August, the proceedings terminated.—*Globe*.

—PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL.—At the late Canada Presbyterian Synod, it was moved by Rev. Prof. D. H. McVicar, Montreal seconded by Rev. Principal Willis, Toronto—That the Board of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, be authorized to engage a qualified French lecturer in Theology for three years, and that French students be directed to attend his lectures, and such other classes as the College Senate may deem proper. 2. That an annual collection be taken up in all the congregations of the Church for the work of evangelization among the Roman Catholic population, especially in the Province of Quebec, and that the persons hereinafter named be a Committee to administer the money thus obtained, with instructions to make the payment of the French lecturer's salary, and of necessary aid to the French students, a first charge upon the fund; the balance to be applied to the furtherance of the work of colportage, as carried on by the French Canadian Missionary Society. 3. That in view of the outlay necessarily involved in the training of French students for the ministry, and also in view of the increasing opportunities for the circulation of the word of God and the enlightenment of the people reported by the French Canadian Missionary Society, the Synod urges earnest prayerfulness and large Christian liberality on the part of the Church in support of this work. The Committee embraced the names of 31 members, with Dr. Ormiston, Convener.

—CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE, MONTREAL.—During the recent Session of the Union, the College business was discussed—J. G. Robertson, Esq., M. P. P., was placed in the chair, and Rev. J. A. Dickson acted as Secretary. Prof. Cornish read the Annual Report. Ten students had been in training during the year. Two had this year completed their Theological course, and had been settled as Pastors over Churches. Very satisfactory reports were given of the proficiency, industry and general behaviour of all the students. The expenditure has been \$2,275. The Report was adopted and College Board elected for the year. Rev. E. Ebbs, of Ottawa, in moving a resolution expressing confidence in the work of the College, and recommending it to the support of the Churches, took occasion to say that there was a very great amount of practical infidelity abroad in the world, and even among the occasional and habitual hearers of the word; and an educated, and intellectually well-furnished Ministry is imperatively needed, to meet the insidious and ever-varying assaults of the enemy. He also recommended an association of all the *Alumni* of the College, for say three weeks every year to review their studies, and hear lectures. It had been found to work admirably, in cases where it had been tried in the United States. Several other Ministers spoke, with reference to practical methods of sustaining, and extending the influences of the institution. Mr. Ebbs' motion was carried, as also a resolution, moved by Rev. John Wood, of Brantford, asking the Churches to set apart the second Sabbath of October, for united prayer for the College. Rev. R. Wilson, of Sheffield, N. B., moved a vote of thanks to the Colonial Missionary Society, (England), for their liberal annual grant in aid of the College funds. Among other things he recommended to the Professors to discourage the reading of *sermons*, and the using of "*paper*" in the pulpit, among the students, during their College course.

—WESLEYAN FEMALE COLLEGE.—The midsummer examinations at the Wesleyan Female College commenced on Wednesday last. The first