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ng on work is no more than a whetting

of the faculties of the mind so as to fit

them for doing the work to be done, in

the best manner. They have habits of mind

that have been acquired, and now the

study is entered on in order to reach re-

sults. Some results have been reached,

but that was by the way. In the nature

of things a man cannot help reaching re-

sults during a course of ten years in school

and college. But the main object was the

obtaining control over the mind so as to

work that instrument with good effect in

the time to come. The fields of know-

struction is still more to be pitied.

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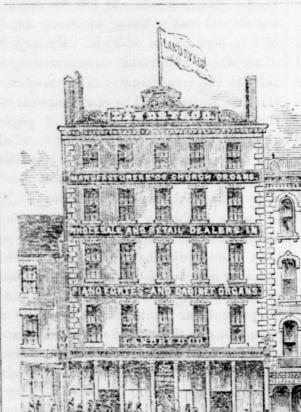
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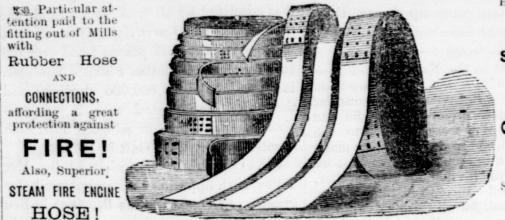
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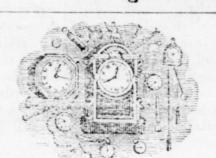
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CHATHAM THURSDAY, AUGUST, 15 1878 LITERARY AND THEOLOGICAL REPORT.

The following is the inaugural address for the first regular meeting of the Literary and Theological Institute of the Presbytery of Miramichi, delivered on Monday evening 5th inst., at Bathurst, by Rev.

Samuel Houston M. A :-Our Church in all lands is identified with an educated ministry. From the time of John Knox downwards, and his ecclesiastical and doctrinal descendants are now found in all quarters of the world, it has been and still is required that the men who minister in spiritual things to the Christian people be thoroughly equipped educationally for their work. There have been and there are temptations to relax the regulations in that respect. In the mother country the temptation is not so strong as in newer countries such as that in which we live. But there as well as here attempts have been made frequently to decry learning as a necessary equipment of him who preaches the gospel. The objection is sometimes put in a very ingenious way, in a way that savours almost of dishonesty, though I would be slow to impute conscious dishonesty. Learning and piety are contrasted, the latter is found to be of far greater importance, and then the conclusion is arrived at that the former is a useless and cumbrous pendage. And the argument does not always stop short there. Learning is often associated with doubt, scepticism, infidelity, and then the inference is drawn that learning is a bad thing, an evil rather than a good. The logic that is used in reaching such conclusions is of a somewhat singular kind, but it is a logic which if not found in books is found to be in use with the common people. And yet it is found in books. In many treatises on the science of logic there is a chapter on fallacies and the mode of argument used to decry learning in the ministry is found to be described in the chapter referred to, most likely in more than one subdivision. Our Church never has divorced learning and piety from one another, never put them in contrast, so as to raise the one at the exposed of the other. She does not now do so. It is her aim, her requirement,

that every minister be both a learned and months at a time and ere long the very a pious man. Both are necessary. characters cease to be very familiar to There is a practical way in which an him. Dagest forte, Hiphil and Piel reeducated ministry is decried and with cede away into the distance. Even the considerable effect. As is well known Latin and the Greek become rusty in prothere are denominations that send broadcess of time. In his seminary days manucast over the land ministers of inferior or scripts was a word of every day use, and of no culture. The product is easily there was then a charm in them. The remanufactured, it is cheap, it is abundant. lative values of Aleph, of A. B. C. D. and Being of inexpensive production it can be so on were knowledge of a common place furnished more cheaply, and that is a great kind. He could tell where each was to consideration in a country where populabe found as easy as he could tell the position is sparse and is much divided by tion of the great cities of the O. T. But sectional peculiarities; and also where with the rust that gathers on the classic means are not very abundant or, at all, tongues the Manuscript and the partievents, the hearts of the people are not culars about them fade from the memory. very large. Those that demand a better When the word Uncial is heard, he stops manufactured and so a dearer article, and and asks what it means, and he is not being better and more expressive it is to uite sure about it. Without use the be expected that there will be less of it, organ becomes useless. The department are naturally placed at a disadvantage of theology proper including Polemics is sometimes. Because of this, our church one that is not allowed to drop; the others is outstripped in the race at some points, are not as a rule cultivated to any great at least apparently. Perhaps the greater extent. And as to Church history the durability that characterises our members, events in the history of our own Church the stable element that is found to be the together with a few and somewhat vague result of our more cultured ministrations notions about the Reformation in Europe, as well as of the thoroughly logical and and for this thanks to the pictorial pages scriptural system of doctrine taught, more of D'Aubigne, are about all that the mathan compensate for the apparent disadjority can lay any claim to being famliar vantages that appear to lie in our path as with. The Canons of Hermeneutics have compared with those who do not require become as misty as a page of Chrysostom so high a standard as to culture in their Turretin. Not but we were once ministry. But we are vindicated in the reminded to read a few verses in each position we have always occupied in this tongue every day and to keep up in the matter, and our vindication comes from a same way the studies which the Professors very unexpected quarter. In the history took such pains to initiate us into during of the denomination referred to there has the years that we spent in the class-room. been a marked tendency of an even growing How few attend to those rules, alas! that character to approach nearer and nearer to it is so. A very few have, but pity it is the position which we as a church always that they are so few. It requires strength occupied. As denominations they cannot of will and perseverance more than comafford to depreciate learning, they dare mon to carry out, in the face of the many not assume such a footing. The tendencalls that are made on the time of a pastor, cies of this age forbid such a course. If a course of study. If there be any artifithere was a time when any respectable decial stimulus that we can apply, we need nomination with explicity or implicity it all, and it will be well if with all we looked with disfavor on an erudite minis can accomplish anything. And we can try that time has passed away. The only and we will. I do not indulge in this difference between them and us is that jeremiad as if it were a despairing wail, I they do not, as we do, make college trainwas sending forth, I have only tried to ing a sine qua non. They aim at an edpicture things as they are in order all the ucated ministry and so far as they have better to suggest a remedy. By stimulatsucceeded in their aim they are proud of ing one another, by healthy and good it. We welcome the conversion of our natured competition and rubbing one brethren of other denominations to the another we will not only overcome the views that have always been common with difficulties of pioneer work but ere long us. In this, as in other respects, John we shall taste of the sweets and revel Knox is amply vindicated by the logic of events in these modern times. He not selves will grow. And after the toil the

stone of the schools, and all denominations now worthy of any observation shout It is almost unnecessary to remark that the leaders respectively of the two dispensations, of the old and the new, were men of learning, they were as pronounced as scholars as they were in other respects. All acknowledge Moses to be the most prominent man in all the Old Testament period, and all will accord the same position to Paul in the new. I do not know if any one will dispute the palm to this position in either the one case or the other. And both were men of learning, in the front rank in this respect, not only in their generation but also in the period in which each lived. In the days of Moses Egypt was a great seat and centre of learning, and we are told that he was learned in all the learning of the Egyptians. Paul was brought up in the schools of Tarsus,

only set up the school besides the Kirk,

he desiderated the University as the cope-

place the subjects embraced by a liberal education, and in the second place the If we did not believe the study required subjects which are usually taught in a to be wise and proper as well as needful Theological of Hall or Seminary. Those in it would be our duty to agitate for a the figureor are the branches which re- change, for a relaxation in the require-

be presented to the world. If as a church we prescribe a course of study to candidates for the ministry and after we have gone through that course fail to keep up our knowledge of the subjects studied and so do not avail ourselves of the benefit of those studies what is that but dishonesty on our part. Our Church claims to have a learned ministry, she stands before the world with a reputation in that matter, and we are not learned. Is not that specially bear on the interpretation of th a grave deception? It may be conscious sacred Scriptures. The course of study or it may be unconscious on our part, gone through in school and college does not but still it is a deception, we are in such as all know, complete a man's education, a case dishonest. Our congregations when it but gives a good start to it. It is not calling ministers to break the bread of results that are reached so much as prolife among them, call men that they becesses. It is a training of the mental lieve to be educated men, they are powers not an amassing of mental stores. taught to believe that the men who are The minister when he has got through all eligible to be called are men of culture, the years of college and has got a congretrained in literature, science, and theology, gation in which to work does not say to and if they assume what does not exist himself, now I have done laying up knowthen there is deception and dishonesty, ledge in my memory, now I have a store and we are not only abettors in that deto draw from sufficient to serve my purception we are the principals in the perpose for the years to come, now I can take petration of that crime. What! we are my ease, eat, drink and be merry. The teachers of morality, and we ourselves are man who imagines any such thing fails to immoral. We are men whose duty it is apprehend what the object of a college and to teach purity, and we do not seminary education means. And the practice purity. That be far from us, worst of all is that the store that is re-We must never allow such a charge to be garded as so ample is miserably meagre, The course of study preparatory to enter-

advocate it ex animo, we are thoroughy

persuaded that it is eminently proper and wise. We are therefore under a solemn obligation to see to it that an honest face

ledge to be cultivated have only been entered upon, an insignificant corner of each | tession of faith, a creed of a lengthened of them has been dug up and a crop put and minute nature, does not imply and n, and as the farm is contemplated it is never was meant to imply that we are in seen that the work to be done is the work | mental bondage or that our consciences of a whole life, no matter how long that are put under a ban. It is as intelligent life may be. And so it comes out that creatures and as responsible beings that the close of the college career is but the | we gave assent to that creed. We do not beginning of study instead of the end of sit down in a rest and be thankful it. But I need not enlarge on this aspect | because our fathers assumed to settle many of it, I assume that you all see this as very important points as to faith and docclearly as I do. The minister who does trine. In reality we call no man master. own way. We may not be very original but we do aim at being honest. And, speaking of honesty reminds us that we have consciences, and it is very desirable that these consciences be scrupulous, be tender, and to be so they must be treated with all honour and reverence. Here, again, is an inducement-a very great inducement-to study, to prosecute such studies as we propose to take up and pursue in connexion with these meetings. We need to satisfy ourselves as to what we preach, and to do that the processes, sometimes very laborious processes, must be carried on in our studies, in order to present results in a satisfactory manner to

pleasures that not only follow but also accompany the acquisition of knowledge. I will not attempt to solve the problem as to whether the pursuit or the attainment affords the greatest enjoyment, there is in both happiness of an intense kind. There are enjoyments of the highest kind as well as of the purest in the investigation of the problems presented in Literature, Philosophy and Theology, as well as in ascertaining the best methods of dealing with human nature from the standpoint which we occupy. The sphere of work which falls to us is indeed a sphere of somewhat ample dimensions, a circle to be touched by us and influenced at many points. We have to study both books and men, neither to be overlooked. We have holiness to promote as the outgrowth of faith in Christ, and not alone the holiness of those who compose our congregations but also that of our brethren every where on the face of the whole earth. We have methods to frame and apply, and to apply in all wisdom. Among other things as a means of sanctification we have to cultivate liberality in giving, in giving to Missions as well as in other ways. Pursuing these investigations both in the privacy of the study and in our public intercourse with the people, both for their own sakes as well as for the growth of the Church which we hold dear which we love with all our hearts, we drink of pleasures which are unknown to the careless stolid formal the flavour of the fruit which we our- people, to those who see nothing deeper and nothing higher than the going through the routine of a task which is set. The ideal which we should set before us and Scattered as we are in this Presbytery strain after with all our might, with a we cannot conveniently meet for this purburning unquenchable desire, is loyalty to pose alone apart from the time of our stat-Christ the head, loyalty ex animo, and for ed meetings. Nor is there any need that his sake loyalty to the work and plans of we should. When we meet for business our Church. Bringing that loyalty and devowhy should we not meet also for improvetion to lear on the work which we are ment? for comparing the results of simulasked to do both in the pastoral work and taneous and mutual study? When we in the support of our Church schemes, castgather together once a quarter is there ing from us, as far as possible, all selfish any good reason why we cannot spend and small aims, all envyings and jealousies two or three days together, say a day or a at the good of our neighbour, we will both day and a half in business and as long a in study and in work reach results, and time in reviewing the subject of study up. the deep joy that we will have in those on which we mutually agree beforehand? results as well as in the investigations will It is idle to say that we cannot spare be a perennial wellspring of satisfaction to three or four days, if need be, four times in us, now and in all time to come, in time the year. For such a purpose, in order

Taking all this into consideration, and this is not all by any means, there is motive enough furnished to undertake any work however arduous, in taking pains however great, in the better equipping of ourselves for the work which we have got to do. It is good to stimulate one another

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I need not here and now argue in favor of such studies as it is contemplated to as well as at the meetings when we come together. That our church has framed such a course of study for those that aspire to enter the ministry may be assumed to be argument enough in the premises.

fruit will be all the sweeter.

to carry out honestly the object contem-

plated, the time would not be lost were an

entire week spent by us. Our congrega-

tions ought not to grudge us the time, nor

And I may refer in a word or two to the

and in eternity.

Liver is King.

in brightening up the faculties with which we are endowed-as iron to iron.

udied to obtain a degree in | ments that are now and ever have been laid | that it is just what you want. in the second are what down. We not only acquiesce in the rule, we Dr. Pallen, Agent for Chatham.

made against us. We must be honest men, we must have consciences void of offence, and to be that and to have that, were there no other or higher reason, we must not lie under any pretence in the matter of being men of culture, especially of that culture that bears on the clucidation of the meaning of the Sacred Scrip-

In the circle of truth that we traverse in our pulpit teaching, a circle that embraces the whole of the revealed will of God, there are a great many questions to be dealt with which demand at our hands the highest exercise of our intellectual faculties. That we have subscribed a con-

not see it is to be pitied, and the con- If there be any so affected with intellecgregation that depends on him for intual indolence and so devoid of conscience as to take the confession on trust without any personal examination for themselves But the practical difficulty that preand then go and preach to the people for sents itself to the young minister is how a lifetime in a formal manner, they are to continue effectively the study begun in not to be envied, they are rather to be college. When settled over a congregapitied. We may well blush, however. tion, the preparation for the pulpit, the that our Church or any other Church visitation of the families of his charge should be burdened with such men, for together with other duties which cannot they are a shame and a scandal. For ourbe overlooked fill up his time pretty well. selves we most earnestly repudiate such a His Hebrew Bible is not opened for position. We claim to put the truths that we preach through our own mill so to speak, we subject them to our own mental processes. We make our own of these truths, we reach conclusions in our