

Messrs G. P. Payzant, of Windsor, and John Churchill, of Hantsport, who bore so large a part of the expense. Mr. Demaresque, who furnished the designs gratuitously, Messrs Rhodes & Curry, Contractors, for the dispatch and completeness with which the work was performed, the architectural beauty of the building is greatly increased and the interior of the hall is not only much more commodious but also greatly improved in appearance as well as in its acoustic properties. In consequence of this extension on the ground floor, the Science room is now twice its former size and affords ample space for work-tables in the laboratory department. Those who patronize the science room express tireless satisfaction with the new accommodations.

As a result of the Ladies' Seminary being thrown open to the guests, the young ladies now enjoy "Lovitt Hall" an elegant drawing room and library. The name is in honor of Mrs. Lovitt, of Yarmouth, through whose generosity this addition was made possible. Rev. H. F. Adams, also deserves mention in this connection.

In addition to these more extensive improvements, all the walls in the College building and in Chipman Hall, at least, were tinted and some paint applied. Most of the class rooms have been supplied with new settees. It is unnecessary to say that we all feel very thankful for these additional comforts, but let us manifest our gratitude in a practical manner, that is by taking great pains to keep the buildings looking as neat as possible.

How easy it is to find fault when things are not just as comfortable and convenient as we think they might be. No doubt if the Governors of the College had abundant means they would endeavour to keep things shining all the time. But let us remember that these improvements cost money and that the money was provided by those who cannot afford to put their means to an unprofitable use and that while we are permitted to enjoy what has been provided for us, we are, in honor bound to preserve it as the property of others.

Then from a sense of personal pride let us each try not to deface the buildings or furnishings. Nothing looks more dissipated or gives a visitor a more unfavourable impression of the occupants of a public building than to see its furniture all mutilated and the plaster marked over. If we must whittle and scribble let us carry a pocket full of chips and scribbling papers.—"*Verbum Sat Sapienti.*"

IT seemed odd at first to miss the accustomed faces of Mr. and Mrs. Keddy and a feeling of regret at their absence naturally arose in many hearts, but the evident care on the part of the new steward and matron to perform faithfully their duties has already made a favourable impression upon the inmates of the hall. It might seem premature at this period to use any very sanguine expressions, but our expectation is much amiss if under the new management we do not enjoy an exceedingly pleasant winter. Mr. and Mrs. Minard have our best wishes.

ONLY three members of the large freshman class are in Chipman Hall. The upper classes occupy every room even the long-disused ell on the second floor being filled to its utmost capacity. This fact reveals a happy and at the same time a lamentable condition of affairs. We rejoice that the current is setting in so strongly in the direction of Acadia. We regret that so many of the students are compelled to board in the village. The time we fear is not distant when that attachment to the hill which has been so strong, will be a thing of the past. The injurious effects of such a change in sentiment both upon the students and upon the college would be incalculable. The hearty interest and home-like love which the students grow to feel for their Alma Mater has been wonderfully intensified by the close associations they have hitherto enjoyed; and who shall limit the helpful influences which come to them through their daily commingling with each other, the knowledge of human nature gained, the cultivation of the social nature, the wearing away of peculiarities by the healthful friction of public opinion. For ourselves it would not seem like college life at all were we deprived of boarding on the hill.

We hope soon to hear the saw and the hammer enlarging the borders of the hall.

"A STUDENT having completed the work of the Freshman year should be able to pass a satisfactory examination upon the syllabus of grade B; a student having completed the work of the sophomore year should be able to pass a satisfactory examination upon the syllabus of grade A." Such was the sentiment of an advisory word spoken by our President toward the close of last term.