

At the meeting of the associated alumni on Tuesday afternoon, a movement was set on foot looking toward an increase in the income of the society. The following officers were elected: President, W. F. Parker; Vice-President, Rev. G. R. White; Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. W. N. Hutchins; Directors, Revs. J. H. MacDonald, J. H. Jenner, W. M. Smallman, J. W. Bancroft, H. T. DeWolfe, G. O. Gates, Mr. Philip W. Bill, Prof. E. W. Sawyer.

Mt. Allison Convocation.

The closing exercises at Mt. Allison University, Sackville, this year attracted a great number of interested visitors, and more than usual enthusiasm was displayed in the various events connected with the close of the year at these favorite institutions of learning.

The male academy, which is so ably conducted by Principal J. M. Palmer, aided by an efficient staff, has had another successful year, the attendance being equal to that of 1901, which was the largest in the history of the academy. Seven students will enter the college for the next year.

Principal Borden, of the Ladies' College, made the gratifying announcement that the year has been one of the most successful in the seventeen years he had been connected with the institution. The registration for the year was 197, 57 of whom were day pupils. There were 172 in the literary department, 50 in the art, and 152 in the conservatory. The necessity for more room was becoming more and more urgent, and unless students are to be turned away additional space must be obtained.

Dr. Allison, president of Mt. Allison University, reported a pleasant and successful year. The attendance had been larger than that of the previous year. The valedictory address by Egerton Brecken, son of Rev. Ralph Brecken, of Toronto, was a clever production, and won much favorable comment. The degree of bachelor of arts was conferred on fourteen graduates as follows:

B. A.—Egerton Ryerson Morrow Brecken, Toronto, Ont.; Elmer Clifford Colpitts, Point de Bute, N. B.; John Kennetn Curtis, Blackhead, Nfld.; Cecilia May Hart, Sackville, N. B.; Edward Calvin Hennigar, St. John, N. B.; Frederick Robert Matthews, Queen's Harbor, Nfld.; Thomas Harrison McWilliam, Mill Branch, Kent Co., N. B.; Ralph Brecken Mounce, Avondale, N. S.; Walton Boyd Magee Parker, Granville Ferry, N. S.; William John Patterson, Moncton, N. B.; George Johnstone Trueman, Point de Bute, N. B.; Thomas Mitchell March Tweedie, Nappan, N. S.; Claude Vroom, Clementsport, N. S.; Edward Kenneth Wolff, Hamilton, Bermuda.

M. A. (in course)—Arthur Osborne Bigney, B. A. '01, Cambridge, Mass.; Charles William Squires, B. A. '00, Sound Island, Nfld.

The following received honor certificates: Clas-

sics—Hennigar, Brecken. Mathematics—Colpitts. Science—Patterson.

It would be impossible here to give even a brief detail of the various events which made up the four days of convocation exercises—the alumni and alumnae re-unions, class dinners, the elocution contest, the reception, recitals, the essays of graduates, the presentation to prize winners. Many of these events were of the greatest interest, especially to those who were leaving the college life for the sterner and more exacting work which lay before them in life.

The accomplishment of a faithful year's work by faculty and students, with nothing to mar the harmony which is so characteristic of the college life at Sackville, is in itself a great event. It calls for the well earned praise for those leaders who maintain, year after year, the honorable record that institutions at Sackville enjoy; and the wish will be heartily echoed that the future years have greater prosperity and usefulness in store for them.

TEACHERS' CONVENTIONS.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE AT WINDSOR, N. S.

The teachers of Hants and Kings, to the number of one hundred and twenty-five, met in the assembly hall of the academy building, Windsor, and held a very successful institute on Thursday and Friday, May 1st and 2nd.

After the usual enrolment, Principal J. A. Smith, of Windsor Academy, gave an address of welcome to the assembled teachers. Inspector Roscoe replied to the address, and took occasion to speak for a short time on the weighty responsibility resting upon the teachers. Each stood for the training and education of forty or fifty pupils. This was a great charge, even under the best of conditions. Often the attainments and natural aptitude of the pupils differed very much. It was necessary to group them in order to do the best work. The grouping or classification was made more difficult because of the fact that some learned one subject and liked it well, and had no taste or inclination for some other subjects. Then, too, the parents had preferences and criticised the teacher sometimes because too much work was done, and sometimes because too little was accomplished. Sometimes, too, parents magnify all the failures and minimize all the successes of the teacher, and sometimes they notice only the failures. Parents have a right to consult with the teachers, and even to criticize them, when they do it in a spirit of fairness. Mr. Roscoe reminded the teachers that they were members of the institute, and were expected to participate most heartily in the work and business that might come before the body.

Mr. L. D. Robinson, of Berwick, a teacher of many years experience, then addressed the meeting on "Teaching of Canadian History." He emphas-