

been appointed Assistant Professor of Latin and English. Professor Haley, who left us in May to spend some months on the Continent of Europe—mainly in Italy, Switzerland and Germany—has returned from his travels bringing to his department of Physics and Astronomy, the benefits of his research and extended observation of University methods, and renewed vigor for the conduct of his classes in the lecture-room and laboratory.

Dr. Sawyer, who is now relieved of administrative duties, is bringing to his class-room exercises the magnificent fruits of his varied scholarship and ripe experience. They may indeed count themselves extremely favored who have the privilege of receiving instruction from him whose profundity of thought and marvellous powers as a teacher have won such wide recognition. The students of Acadia, past and present, unite with their feelings of the deepest veneration for Dr. Sawyer, sincere gratitude for the training and largeness of view secured at his hands. All are hearty in the wish that these days of relief from severe executive responsibilities may be the Doctor's brightest and richest seasons, that the fulness of the Master's presence may be his joy and that he may long continue to be a tower of strength to these Institutions to which he has given so much of his life.

And now we look to the future. The installation of a President has always been an auspicious event in Acadia's history. Few, indeed have been such occasions, for long and faithfully have the leaders of the past served her interests. The present is a critical period in the history of our Institutions. The warm and practical allegiance of every friend is imperatively needed. Never, possibly, was there a grander opportunity for protestations of friendship to take tangible shape. A forward movement has been inaugurated. The only alternative is retrenchment. The plans for raising \$75,000 and for the establishment of a Theological department at an early date are clearly presented in Dr. Trotter's inaugural address which will repay a careful perusal. Men of large means and generous hearts are coming to the front. Many more, it is assuredly expected, will remember Acadia by munificent gifts. Great faith is placed in the wisdom and enthusiasm of the leader in this movement. Now as the work of the new College year—1897-98 begins, there arises from all the friends of Acadia University—student and graduate alike—in token of our right hearty welcome to the new President, the united cheer, "Rah, Rah, Rah, Yah, Yah, Yah, Hurrah, Hurrah, Acadia."

As we go to press we are able to give the inspiring intelligence that Mr. John D. Rockefeller has signified his intention of donating \$15,000 to Acadia through the American Baptist Educational Society, upon the condition that \$60,000 is raised by Provincial Baptists.