

Acadia now. Indeed object study has been the basis of our work throughout the whole course. Scarcely a day has passed that we have not had in the class-room, specimens illustrating our work. In the laboratory we have duplicates of nearly all the specimens in the museum; and apart from the study of these duplicates we have spent some time in the museum itself.

In regard to the statement about the one "thumbed and greasy text-book," we reply that the class have had access to, and have made use of such works as those written by LaConte, Dawson, Hugh Miller, Sir Chas. Lyall, Winehall, Crosby, and others. In addition to this the professor has supplemented his general teaching by various lectures concerning the different phases of our subject.

Besides our laboratory and museum study, we have made several excursions for field study in different localities; for the object lessons on stratigraphy we went to Horton Bluff; in surface deposits, drift material and glacial striæ, the University vicinity afforded a good field of study; a day at Wallbrook was spent in collecting sub-carboniferous fossils; and at the last of the term we spent several days in the vicinity of Blomidon and Cape Split, collecting trap minerals. Each one of these several excursions has been very interesting and of paramount benefit to the individual members of the class.

We have deemed it necessary to make the above statements, because we consider that Mr. Shaw's article misrepresents the amount and method of work done by our class, and therefore much of his criticism concerning Acadia is inapplicable.

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CLASS DAY OF '94.

THE preliminary of the closing exercises of the College was given by the Graduating Class in the form of a Class-day Exercise. The first on the programme was the Salutatory, wherein, with a few very appropriate words, Mr. Murray welcomed the audience and stated the object of the exercises. Next came the Roll Call of all members of the class, present and past, by Mr. Balcom. Then followed a Class History, a humorous, interesting and masterly production by H. S. Davison; and which our readers have the pleasure of reading in this number of the ATHENÆUM. Succeeding the history came the Class Oration, wherein Mr. Vincent, in his usually forcible and happy style, told what is meant by "Success, and how to attain it." The speaker