

Because of what has already been afforded them only limited space can here be used to discuss the influence of the late Seniors upon the college life.

In numbers the class was the least of those graduating since '95. Only twenty-three answered to roll call on Class Day. In personnel there was a wide range embracing both those who maintained high standards of living towards which they faithfully and persistently urged themselves, so lifting the class, and those who being of the fraternity were helped upward. Ten of the class were students looking toward the gospel ministry of whom two were then and three have since been ordained to that calling. Most of the other members were assigned to one or other of the professions only one or two having apparently no clearly defined purpose in life. Two ladies were in the class ranking with the best in intellectual attainments; and possessing in large measure that womanly dignity and noble Christian character which, often exemplified in those of their sex, students here, have done and are doing so much to ennoble our community life.

With so fair a proportion pledged to the public services of the christian faith, and with almost all the remaining members avowed disciples of the same order it is but natural to look for healthy and vigorous moral and spiritual influences to issue from the class and be felt in all departments of the college life. Such there were. Throughout their four years with ever-enlarging radius of influence representatives of this class lived among us lives characterized by a deep and noble piety. Their religion was not the spurious issue of weak minds over-excited, which, stringing together into miscalled sermons the plagiarized thoughts of good men along with misapplied portions of Holy Writ, so exhausts itself in vacation that its existence is not known during the school year; nor that which is seen openly only when in the midst of revival services fear of punishment overshadows the more ordinary manifestations of selfishness; but theirs was the deep abiding spirit life, which moulding their own character after an excellent type afforded heartening, strength and grand ideals to all who saw its manifestation. Also '99 gave to our Y. M. C. A. one of the most able and devoted Presidents in a line of singularly consecrated and efficient men. To him and to those of his class so faithfully associated with him in christian work is due the grateful recognition not only of the student body, but also of the friends of our college. Surely this work is of prime importance. Honors achieved in athletic or forensic contests will avail little if there be not maintained as the significant characteristic of our school that noble christian faith in which the fathers laid broadly and well the foundations of Acadia College.

And the class as a whole ever displayed a creditable earnestness in advancing in all possible ways the interests of our literary society. Both the lectures by the faculty and the public debates by the