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—Capel, British and Colonial Press.

IS ACADIA TO HAVE A FUTURE?

By Professor J. Alfred Faulkner '78, in The Maritime Baptist.

As a graduate of Acadia I think I have almost as deep an interest in her as any Baptist layman or minister in the provinces, and at some sacrifices have not withheld practical evidence of that interest. Would you allow me, then, to speak a word on the recommendations of the able fifty-page report of the Carnegie Committee, Drs. Learned and Sills? Their bulletin is exceedingly instructive, fair to all schools, but enthusiastic for only one. I do not blame them for this last, I speak of it only as a fact. When you analyze their recommendations, which they have worked out with admirable clearness even though they leave details for the future, what do they mean? What is their significance to the Baptists of the provinces?

1. The reduction of Acadia College, in effect, to a freshman school. It becomes an appendix to the new Dalhousie University to do one or two years work on the Dalhousie campus. That is the actual meaning of the report.

2. The destruction of the historic Baptist educational consciousness of the three provinces. For eighty-four years (nearly three generations) the Baptists have associated higher education with their own college, which has become part of their own life—"Dear as the light that visits these sad eyes; Dear as the ruddy drops that warm my heart."

The untold sacrifices of three generations have gone to build up a college on that glorious hill. Quebec and Ontario have not had the same history, and what could be done in Toronto can not so readily be done in these provinces, with longer recollections and deeper historic roots. The removal of Acadia College to Halifax and its dovetailing into a complicated overhead struc-

ture, of which it remains as an unessential subsection, would be so complete a rupture with the historic consciousness, memories, feelings, ambitions, dreams, of the Baptists of Eastern Canada that—Acadia College, as history knows it, would be dead and the educational enthusiasm of the Baptists would die with it. "Destroy the Whig party," said Daniel Webster, "and where shall I go?" The committee argue against this result, but their points have no hold. These gentlemen have not and in nature of the case can have no deep appreciation of the spiritual situation represented in the historic consciousness of the Baptists in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

3. No guarantee for the Christian education of Baptist young men. As soon as the student gets out of freshman or sophomore classes, he will be referred to university professors. Judging the future of such practically state universities from the past, one teacher will be an agnostic and teach him philosophy, another will be a Roman Catholic and teach him history, another will be a Unitarian and teach him religion. For a post-graduate this may be taken for granted, but for the under-graduate, the immature, the boy (and even the college graduate is hardly more than that) would Baptist fathers and mothers like that? Would they not prefer Bates and Colby?

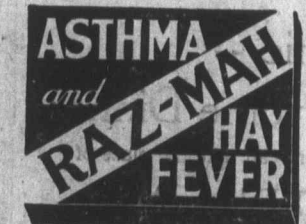
4. Except Dalhousie, of all colleges in the provinces, Acadia has the least need to make the New Departure. She has many wealthy alumni and former students in the other provinces and in the states; she has the resources of the Rockefeller benefactions to a greater or less degree; she has a strong, aggressive and virile church behind her; and the hearts of thousands of loyal friends. She is bound to lose very much if not all of this. What will she gain? Perhaps a small grant

from the provincial treasury, perhaps not. The chance to send her two upper class men to other colleges in and around Halifax to teachers perhaps in essential regards not more competent than her own. Does the gain compensate the loss? She may receive from the legislature legal warrant to take endowments given to build up a college at Wolfville to construct new buildings on or near Dalhousie campus to become a subordinate part of a more ambitious university scheme, but with few if any actual advantages over her present situation—but will she have moral warrant? To the Baptists of my old college I would say: My dear brethren, you have already made a strong school which is able to do and has done genuine college work; don't reduce it to a ladies seminary at Wolfville and a sophomore high school in Halifax, but build farther on what you already have and make it stronger. As for advanced study, not for two centuries—perhaps never—can these Maritime Provinces support a worthy university which will prevent earnest students from seeking the vast resources of Harvard, Yale, Columbia and of the historic seats of the old world, or even the lesser foundations in Montreal and Toronto.

CAUGHT WHALE IN AVON RIVER

Windsor, N. S. July 27—The Avon River waters have been visited by all kinds of deep water fish of late. Last week a 600 pound shark was caught in a shad net, and this morning at low water, D. Rafuse killed a 70 pound baby whale about a mile above Windsor. Mr. Rafuse had gone down to the Dyke to gather a load of hay, when on reaching the edge of the bank spied something splashing in the water, which had undoubtedly been stranded when the tide dropped, and arming himself with a pitchfork, Mr. Rafuse approached the fish and after sinking the prongs of the weapon into the spouter a number of times he was able to take the fish to his barn, some distance away. The whale was brought to town in a car and is now on exhibition in the window of C. J. Cochran's meat and fish market.

"Oh, Henry," exclaimed Mrs. Green, "Hannah tried to light the fire with gasoline!" "Gasoline," said Henry calmly. "Did she get it started?" "Get it started!" replied Mrs. Green. "Why, it blew her out the window!" "Oh, well," replied the philosophic Henry, "it was her afternoon out, anyway."



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FARM NOTES

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My stable lantern smokes. It does? Well, soak the wick in strong vinegar, dry and watch results.

It is better to keep the young cattle out of the hot sun during the day time.

More than one good cow has been killed by eating pieces of baling wire, nails, etc. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Are the weeds bad on your farm? Do you ever think what they will be a few years from now if you let them go?

When you plow an acre of ground you walk about eight miles. A tenderfoot told us after plowing his first acre, that he walked twice around the world.

When pasturing dairy cows on sweet clover, dairymen should be extra careful to remove the milk from the stable promptly and to cool it immediately. It is not wise to pasture on sweet clover and give the cows no other feed.

There are still many owners of poultry who apparently do not appreciate the advantages of the colony house for raising chickens. Perhaps some of our readers who have had experience in this line will write and tell us just how their colony houses were constructed and what their experience has been.

If the people whose inclinations seem to lie in the direction of violent action such as robberies, murders, assaults and other criminal activities were to take a turn in the hay field or at some other farm operation where they could have free scope for their energy, they would have less time and less inclination for their criminal tendencies. What is needed in the world today is work.

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I make a practice of interfering with nobody.

I am well on in life and very shortly I shall be no more.

I have grown white and frail in the service to which I am allotted.

I have a head that is as white as the down on the late autumn thistle.

And yet

I am cursed by men and by fair maids

who come as if seeking me. I have seen them come with quick step and pleasant smile as if the victors in a great quest.

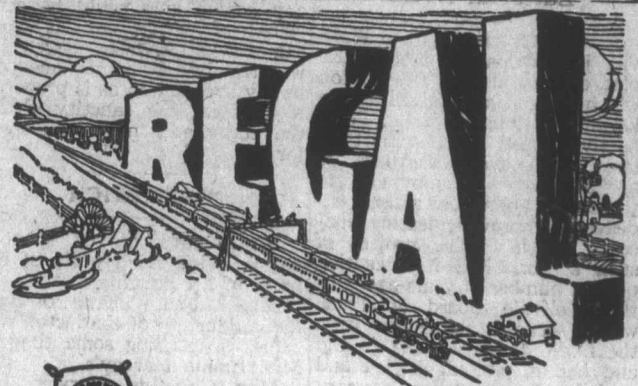
I have seen them come and bend over me and then mutter and grumble and strike at me.

I am pained, I am hurt, I do not comprehend it, for

I am frail, I am bent, I am aged, I am dying, I have white hair.

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