

Old English ballads received excellent treatment from Miss Moffatt, who put a good degree of vivacity into her delivery.

Miss Hovey gave a careful review of the labors of Louis Agassiz. She spoke distinctly and with a well modulated voice.

Miss Page gave an interesting account of woman's work among the sick, and enumerated some of the qualities necessary for labor in such a sphere.

The next speaker, Miss Margeson, treated of art, especially of sculpture. She showed fine descriptive ability and an easy command of language. Her essay was artistically composed, and left a pleasing impression upon the audience.

Miss King presented her essay in German. German to it we might say, *Der Composition war grammatikalisch geschrieben und zeigte eine vollständige Erkenntniss der deutschen Sprache.* Miss King's *Ausprache* war tadellos. *Wahrscheinlich hat sie ein echtes Sprachtalent, welches sie durch Arbeit und guten Unterricht völlig ausgebildet hat.**

An interesting account of the Kindergarten was given by Miss Morse. Great pains must have been taken to gather the facts presented, and to put them in so attractive a form.

Miss Burnett dealt with her subject in a pleasing manner. Her essay contained many beautiful thoughts expressed in graceful language.

Miss Rich being of a poetical turn of mind was able to charm the audience with the musical flow of poetry. Her diction was polished and pure. She should cultivate her powers, for they are of no mean order. The valedictory was appropriate and rich in thought. It was distinctly different from what has been so often said on similar occasions, and well merited the high praise it received.

The music given during the evening was said to be of a very high order. Misses White, Young and King received enthusiastic applause.

Dr. Hall, of Truro, with a few fitting remarks, presented the diplomas.

Rev. A. Cohoon spoke for a short time of the needs of the Seminary and the plans of its directors. The National Anthem was then sung and the people dispersed.

*Readers will please not ascribe to the humble genius of the Sanctum this comment of our erudite, though respected, reporter.—Ems.

ACADIA COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

The morning of June 4th, with its clouds and rain, seemed to augur ill for the class of '91, about to take up life as members of the great outside world. As the hour for their graduation approached, however, nature assumed a more pleasant aspect; the rain ceased leaving the air cool and invigorating, while the green mantle of the surrounding country had become even more beautiful. Eleven o'clock found Assembly Hall, which had been tastefully decorated for the occasion, filled by the many friends of Acadia, whose expectant faces asked great things from '91. The Faculty, followed by the Governors, Alumni and Students, marching to music, now filled the seats appointed them and the exercises commenced.

After offering prayer Dr. Sawyer introduced to the audience the class of '91, remarkable as being more than twice as large as the largest class that had hitherto graduated from Acadia. The following programme was presented, those whose names are unmarked by astrisks, being excused from reciting:

ORDER OF EXERCISES:

Music.

PRAYER.

Orations by Members of the Graduating Class.

The present Outlook for Free Trade.

E. Allison Read, Lockeport, N. S.

The Effect of Socialism on Individual Character.

Horace G. Estabrook, Sackville, N. B.

*The Evolution of the University.

H. Y. Corey, Havelock, N. B.

A Jury in the time of Demosthenes.

Leo J. Inghram, N. E. Margaree, C. B.

The Applications of Electricity in Modern Life.

William J. Spurr, Aylesford, N. S.

*Canadian Highways and Waterways.

Luman B. Crosby, Hebron, N. S.

Napoleon III.

Henry T. Knapp, Sackville, N. B.

The Effects of the Suez Canal on Modern Commerce.

Arthur C. McLatchy, Grand Pre, N. S.

The Womanhood of Old Greece.

John L. Masters, Cornwallis, N. S.

Direct versus Indirect Taxation.

Thomas J. Locke, Lockeport, N. S.

*India's Indebtedness to England.

John H. Jenner, Cambridge, N. S.

Music.

The New Italy.

E. Ernest Daley, St. John, N. B.

Unsolved Problems in Geology.

J. Herbert Secord, Fredericton Junction, N. B.

Utility of African Explorations.

Frank R. Higgins, Wolfville, N. S.

The Might of Right. W. Norman Hutchins, Halifax, N. S.

*Spencer's Theory of the Development of Conscience.

Charles B. Freeman, Canning, N. S.