other and from Alma Mater. The author, a member of the class of '58, now fills an honorable place on the Nova Scotia Bench.

#### FAREWELL TO ACADIA.

Four years, my brothers! O how strangely swift their days

Have one by one gone down the winding ways

Of the dread past! Those days are all with Thee, great

God,--

Those sinful days,—O Father! spare the rod.
Four years into Eternity!—We marked them sink,
And, standing now \* \* \* upon the brink
Of the broad future, let us breathe a sad good bye,
And then go forth, to dare and do and die.

Farewell, our Mother! fare thee well! We feel this word,—
That, parting here, the lips can scarce be heard.
Good bye, my Mother, and my brothers! We must go,—
But going, linger oft with footsteps slow.
What though the years are rolling from beneath our

feet,—
Why sad that we on earth no more may meet.—

Why sad that we on earth no more may meet,—
Since through one Christ, who bled and died upon the
tree,

Our band shall yet again united be?

The birds are warbling forth a farewell on the Hill.

I would their voices for an hour were still;

For, as I go, it pains my heart that I must hear

Their mournful echoes die upon the ear.

The boat is off—The sails are filling with the breeze—

And I, if I but turn, my blood shall freeze.

But I must turn,—one long and lingering farewell gaze,—

A sigh—a tear—for dear, departed days!

A memorial tablet to the late Rev. Dr. Cramp was placed in position in the college library by the Alumni Society, during the anniversary season. The tablet is fixed to the north wall of the library, between the two windows, and has a very neat appearance. It bears the following inscription:—

#### IN MEMORIAM

John Mocket Cramp, D.D.,
President
of Acadia College
for many years.
Died at Wolfville, Dec. 9, 1881,
Aged SI years.
"The Second Founder of Acadia,"
First Elected President in 1851,
Ile continued his connection
with this College
upwards of 30 years,

Erected by the Alumni of the College.

If you would be pungent, be brief; for it is with words as with sunbeams—the more they are condensed, the deeper they burn.—Clip.

# '83-ANNIVERSARY SEASON-'83.

# A Grand Success.

The following is a general statement of the exercises, during the three days, June 5th, 6th and 7th:—

Tuesday, 8 p. m.—Lecture under the auspices of the Acadia Athenæum, by Silas Alward, Esq., of St. John, N. B. Subject, "Glimpses of the Eternal City."

Wednesday, 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.—Public Examinations of classes of Horton Academy and Acadia Semicary. 3 p. m.—Closing Exercises of Horton Collegiate Academy. 8 p. m.—Closing Exercises of Acadia Seminary.

THURSDAY, 11 a. m.—Anniversary Proper. Orations by members of the Graduating Class, &c. 2 p. m.—Alumni Dinner in Chipman Hall. 8 p. m.—Grand concert under the auspices of the Graduating Class.

As early as Monday, strangers began to pour into our little village, Wolfville, in numbers apparently greater than is usual even on such occasions. By Thursday, all the accommodation the village could supply was engaged, and the streets assumed a city-like aspect. In our reports of the many exercises of the week, we begin with what must be considered the most important.

### THE GRADUATION EXERCISES.

Long before eleven o'clock, Thursday morning, Assembly Hall was crowded to it utmost capacity. At sharp eleven, the procession, consisting of the Faculty, Senate, Governors, Alumni, Graduating Class and under graduates entered the hall, while an excellent processional march was being played by Misses King and Hanson, of the Seminary. The opening prayer was offered by Rev. Alex. Mc-Arthur, of Halifax, after which President Sawyer introduced the programme as follows:—

Literature and Life, T. Sherman Rogers, Amherst, N. S. The Future of the English Language W. C. Goucher, Truro, N. S.

Political Responsibility, \*I. W. Corey. The Idea of the Sermon, \* † J. S. Brown,

#### MUSIC.

The Value of a Variety of Industries in the Nation, H. R. Welton, Wolfville, N. S.

The Influence of Thought on Action, \*A. L. Powell, Amherst, N. S.

The Relation of Art to National Development, C. O. Tupper, Amberst, N. S.

Practical Education in the light of History, \*J. S. Lockbart, Lockbartville, N. S.

The English in India, Chas. W. Williams, Wolfville, N. S.

The Interdependence of the Sciences, Clarence W Bradshaw, Centreville, P. E. I.

Hildebrand, \*D. Spurgeon Whitman, New Albany, N. S. The Influence of the Invisible on the Greek, O. C. S. Wallace, Canaan, N. S.