the appreciation accorded her efforts. To day her constituency has sufficient strength to place her on the way towards increasing prosperity-even the largest usefulness. In no college can superior advantages be obtained at so small expenditure of money. The aim is to put the charges at the lowest possible figure consistent with thorough and liberal advantages, in order to place the opportunity for an education within the reach of every ambitious youth. The religious influences are most helpful. The intellectual Splendid facilities for physical culture are are high. accessible to every student. The mission of Acadia is to give to those who seek her halls, the best at the least cost. Her constituency will assuredly place her beyond the embarrassment of financial problems; and thus conditioned, Acadia will offer still larger inducements to intending students, as she moves forward towards the attainment of increasingly high ideals in the fulfilment of her noble mission.

## Fund for Students.

NVEN though the expenses are so comparatively small at Acadia there are not a few of her students who need financial assistance in order to continue their course. They would not ask nor desire a gift. With honest care they would make repayment with interest at the earliest date. But in many cases having no security but their word of honor, they find it difficult to obtain loans from comparative strangers. Some are thus compelled to discontinue their studies, often never again to resume them. Now the suggestion the Athenæum has to offer is that the establishment of a fund from which loans should be made to students in need of present aid, would be a source of certain financial gain to the Institution and an inestimable favor to many whose pocket books are sadly light. Losses would be of less frequent occurrence than arise from many other forms of investment and a larger number of students would be enabled to attend the different departments of the University. He,who will donate an amount as a nucleus of such a fund will ensure fervent graditude from many who aspire to tread the hill of Knowledge, and will perform lasting good

## The Number System.

ROMPTED by a desire to have, if possible, a more fair examination of each student's paper, the faculty introduced among us for the first time, the system of numbering the students, instead of, as heretofore, allowing each candidate to sign his time to the paper which he has written.