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The Sanctum.

Day of Prayer For Colleges.

THE Day of Prayer for Colleges was held at Acadia in common with all the colleges in America on Feb. 12th. If there is any value in prayer, it is very fitting that one day in the year should be devoted to special prayer for college students. The four years spent in undergraduate study mark the crucial stage in the development of an individual. During all that time he is keenly alive to new impressions, which are rapidly translated into conduct. The habits and opinions formed while at college are likely to last throughout life. It might be almost stated as a law, that as a student is when he graduates, so will he be in all the essentials in after life.

At no other institution of learning is the moral atmosphere better, or the principles of Christianity held more strongly than at Acadia, but even here we find influences which tend to wean the student from his earlier faith and teachings. The spirit of the true student is that of inquiry, of criticism; he seeks to know why certain things are so, and if the reasons given do not satisfy his judgment, he is not likely to accept them. It is often the case that a student enters college holding certain opinions in regard to the truths of Christianity, which opinions he has never thought of questioning, but as he engages in the study of philosophy and science his little system begins to go to pieces, and in his ignorance he fears the whole foundation of Christianity is being destroyed, when it is only his