

Dr. Hutchinson's Lecture.

The opening lecture, which was unavoidably postponed at the beginning of the college year, was delivered on Wednesday evening in College Hall. In spite of the disagreeable state of the weather there was a good attendance, every seat in the body of the hall being occupied. Colonel Vince, of Woodstock, N. B., one of the Board of Governors who have been in session here this week, presided. Prayer was offered by Rev. S. W. Campings, of Amherst, after which the president introduced Dr. Archibald, the new professor of mathematics. Dr. Hutchinson was then introduced as the lecturer of the evening, and for nearly an hour he held the closest attention of the large audience. The address was earnest, eloquent and forceful, and as on all other occasions where the new president has appeared before a Wolfville audience he won the golden opinions of his hearers.

Dr. Hutchinson's subject was "The Value of an Education." He said in part:

Why is an education worth while? It involves heavy expenses on the part of parents, communities and nations; it consumes many of the best years of youth. Does it pay? Is there an adequate return for all the outlay?

Our fathers who built this College believed in education. So when in 1855 it was decided to establish an institution of learning, 'Money,' so the historian tells us, 'was contributed at once for the purchase of a property. The sacrifice thus begun has been continued since with increasing gifts, because our people believed that of all investments Christian education is the one that pays best.

What, then, are some of the benefits accruing from higher education?

1. An education means larger usefulness. We often confuse success with mere money-making, but it is something very much higher. True success means the largest usefulness to society. This will often be attended by financial prosperity, but the latter is not the essential thing in success. The time has gone by when the man who cannot sign his name or who keeps his books with a system of private hieroglyphics can succeed in business. It is education which fits for a successful career, and above all which fits one to be a blessing to society.

The education which increases usefulness must be both of the head and of the hand. Germany was for decades the recognized leader in the education of the head; but recently much attention has been paid to technical training, so that now articles 'made in Germany' are to be found in all the markets of the world. In the United States special attention has been paid to the training of the hand, but now the pendulum has swung the other way and men who can 'teach thinking' are everywhere in demand. Is it too much to hope that in Canada the just balance between the two may be maintained and so the highest results reached?

2. An education means greater happiness.

Even if education did not enrich one dollar in money, yet if it made life happier, it would be worth while. It comes largely from the atmosphere which pervades an institution. Oxford and Harvard are more than certain books and buildings and men—they are Oxford and Harvard. Acadia College is very fortunate in her surroundings. The men who selected the site recognized its marvellous beauty, but they could not foresee that it would be the place in the Maritime Provinces most celebrated in literature. Longfellow's 'Evangeline' has woven a spell about this spot which is of incalculable value as a means of culture.

Culture brings intellectual pleasure, which is one of the highest forms of happiness. A life of mere amusement cannot be enduringly happy. The happiest family and the happiest individual are those having intellectual resources and pursuits. The daily occupations may seem sordid, the conditions of life may appear very poor, but if the mind is well furnished, there are unending sources of happiness. Music and art and literature and the knowledge of nature sweeten many a bitter cup. In an important sense it is true that

"Science and poetry and thought
And the things they make the lot
Of the dwellers in a cot,
Such they crave their Maker's lot."

3. An Education means higher ideals.

Every college stands for certain ideals. President Garfield said that his conception of a true college was a log with a student sitting on one end and President Mark Hopkins sitting on the other. But a solitary student can never be a college—there must be some companionship of students to beget the college spirit and true college ideals. From the standpoint of our own college I spoke of an Acadia spirit. Every true institution has a spirit, an ideal, working as a formative force.

Our ideals determine our character. As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. In a college course we live, with the great sages and think their thoughts. Plato is dead, but his thoughts can never die. Hence the value of Christian education, for Jesus of Nazareth gives us the highest ideals. If you miss Him, you miss the best. If any man had embodied in himself all that was to be known of any science, of any art, of any

branch of knowledge, would we not study that man and his ideals? What is the most important thing to know? Not mathematics, or science, but how to live. 'The glorious master piece of man is to live.' And how to live is the one thing which has been perfectly revealed, because it has been set forth in the life of a perfect man. Hence culture without this highest ideal must lack the most important element.

Balzac tells of an artist who toiled for years to paint a master piece. It was to be a picture of a woman more beautiful than any woman who had ever lived. Hence he would have no model, but wrought out his imagination alone. The only standard was within himself. And when at last he thought it was perfect and admitted his friends to see it, they found nothing but an ugly blotch of paint. He had retouched and improved it, as he supposed, until there was no beauty left. Having no standard or model, measuring himself by himself, his fancied success became tragic failure. So it must be with culture which has not Christ as the model of perfect manhood.

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A High Compliment.

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During his residence here, Mr. Masters has attained much prominence in social and business affairs, and is one of Boston's best known and most popular citizens. He was one of the organizers, and for several years president of the very successful Canadian Club of this city, which has entertained so many public men of Canada.

The British Charitable Society has been in existence over 90 years and has done an immense amount of philanthropic work among the British and Canadian-born residents of the city. Many Canadians residing here are members of it.

From an extended article on the death of Hon. Dr. Parker in the Dartmouth Patriot of last week we copy the following:

"In his death this town loses one of its best citizens and a man of a fast disappearing type, honorable, true, tender, courtly and unafraid. Howe, Johnston, Tupper, Young, Doyle, Halibarton were his friends and contemporaries. They have written a large page, not only in the history of Nova Scotia but of Canada and three at least of their number have won Imperial fame. They were a country great service. To have been associated with such men is much, but in his sphere of life, in his sympathies and in his activities, he was quite their peer."

The increase in the Bank of England's discount rate to 7 per cent., with an increase in the rate by the Bank of France and a prospective increase by the Bank of Germany, should stop exports of gold to the United States, except where they are made to pay for goods bought and delivered. It will also tend to discourage stock speculation on borrowed money in European countries. Thus two influences that might be expected to strengthen the securities market on this continent will be curtailed. The day of the stock market bull is yet some distance in the future. — Montreal Gazette.

The funeral of Benjamin F. Congdon was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Elery C. Fisher. The services were conducted by Rev. Wesley L. Smith, pastor of the Baptist church. Mrs. Alice Wade Laird sang sweetly, "Lead, Kindly Light," "Some Sweet Day By and By" and "The Christian's Good Night." The interment was at Coweset cemetery, Marshall's corner, Brockton. — Brockton, Mass., Enterprise.

The King celebrated his 66th birthday on Saturday, 9th. Among his guests are the King and Queen of Norway. Presents and telegrams poured in from all parts of the world. The most costly present was the Cullinan diamond from South Africa, valued at \$750,000.

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What Other Papers Say.

A PERTINENT QUESTION.

(St. John's Evening Times.) Why does not flour decline in price in some proportion to the decline in wheat? When wheat goes up flour is never any appreciable distance behind.

THE WAY OF THE POLITICIAN.

(Toronto World.) Of course Mr. Bourassa will now be discredited by many who would have acclaimed him, had he succeeded in carrying Bellechasse. To be defeated in any contest, however trivial, seems to be a disgrace in Canadian politics.

THE REDOUTABLE "TEDDY."

(Montreal Herald.) There are two very positive opinions about politics in the States. One is that Roosevelt could beat all opponents, together or singly, and the other is that anybody outside the homes for aged and infirm could beat Roosevelt.

CONCLUSIVE PROOF.

(Halifax Chronicle.) The fact that our foreign trade has increased more in the last twelve months than in the whole eighteen years of the Conservative regime is striking evidence of the benefits of Liberal administration.

BORDEN NOT AFRAID.

(Halifax Herald.) The Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Borden, has given Mr. Pugsley and all his colleagues due notice that he will do all he can to give them an opportunity to have the election funds of both political parties fully investigated by a Royal Commission, but neither Mr. Pugsley nor any of his colleagues have so far intimated any willingness to admit so much light to the campaign funds of both parties. Mr. Borden has nothing to conceal; he wants nothing wrong concealed; after parliament meets the public will probably have a chance to see which of the party leaders it is who wants to keep in the dark respecting campaign funds.

FROM A LIBERAL POINT OF VIEW.

(Halifax Chronicle.) The Liberals of Colchester have made an excellent start in nominating a good candidate, and with a good cause also to fight for the result should never be in doubt.

PROHIBITION AND WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

(St. John's Sun.) Finland, the first country to grant full political rights to its women, is also leading the world in prohibitory legislation. Last week its parliament, in which nineteen women sit as members, passed a bill forbidding not only the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic intoxicants within Finnish borders but all the importation of any liquor into the country. If the Rus-

sian authorities permit the enforcement of the new law, which is said to be doubtful, and if the law is supported by public opinion, the whole may be given the novel spectacle of a system of prohibition which really prohibits.

TUPPER AND BELL.

(Montreal Herald.) If Hibbert Tupper has affirmatively answered Pictou's invitation to "take off his coat and fight," the news has been lost sight of in the anxiety caused by the rejected candidate's inquiry, "Why didn't you get a man from Hong Kong?" It is worth considering, Hong Kong as a possible field of supply for Conservative leaders didn't occur to many of us, but the territory between has been gleaned pretty bare.

DOESN'T LIKE THE PLATFORM.

(Halifax Recorder.) The Tory organ this morning has the following in bold-face letters: "Government stealing Borden's planks." It must be rafter our contemporary means. The planks, what there was of them, fell to pieces from dry rot long ago.

HARD TO SATISFY.

(St. John's Sun.) Opposition papers, which a few weeks ago were in a panic over the prospect of an early provincial election, the date of which they definitely fixed as the Tuesday preceding the opening of parliament, are now pretending rage at the possibility of another session. It seems impossible to satisfy that opposition.

WITH REGARD TO H. M. WHITNEY.


(Halifax Herald.) The Chronicle's candidate for the governorship of Massachusetts did not score such a success as to put the barnyard in a flutter.

HIGHLY ENCOURAGING.

(Yarmouth Times.) Hants county has always been closely contested and no person has been able to secure an abnormally large majority in it. The largest record was in 1878, when Allison, conservative, was elected by 251. Putnam, likewise conservative, on one occasion had a majority of 122. No successful Liberal candidate has ever received a majority as high as a hundred. The outlook for Mr. Hargright's election is highly encouraging.

At a meeting of the executive of the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association held at Berwick on Wednesday it was decided that the annual meeting be held on Wednesday, December 18th, at 2 o'clock p.m.

The Nova Scotia Agricultural College at Truro has reopened for the winter session. There are about twenty students attending this session, which is more than usual.



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