



The Institutions at Wolfville



ACADIA SEMINARY.

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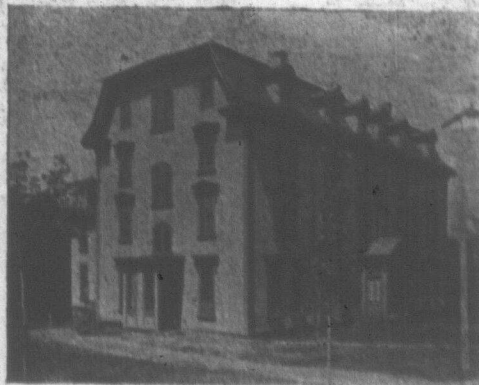
It will, perhaps, be a matter of surprise to many to learn that our own Horton Academy, with the single exception of Hebron Academy, Maine, is the oldest Baptist Preparatory School in North America. Founded in 1828, it has just entered upon the seventieth year of its history, and already the Academy Residence is filled with students. Its first Principal was Asahel Chapin. His successors have been John Pryor, M. A., Edward Blanchard, Charles D. Randall, M. A., J. W. Hartt, M. A., T. A. Higgins, M. A., J. F. Tufts, M. A., and, since 1888, I. B. Oakes, M. A.

Horton Academy stands for Christian Education. The Bible is one of its text books. Frequent manifestations of spiritual power have marked its life and progress. Every year candidates for the Christian ministry find access to its classes. Its courses of study prepare students for the University, for teaching and for general business life. Its Manual Training Department provides courses in Carpentry, Wood Turning, Forge Work and Drawing. In the well-furnished Academy Home reside the Principal and Mrs. Oakes and other teachers, ministering to the life of the school. Over three thousand young men have received instruction in this Academy, scores of whom have risen to prominent positions in the various professions. Over sixty young men who have studied at the Academy during the last ten years are now preaching. Twenty-five of these are already ordained and the others still in the process of preparation. During this decade the number matriculating and entering college (nearly all at Acadia) is one hundred and eighty-two. Its average annual enrolment for this period has been eighty-one.

Horton Academy has no endowment, but deserves and needs it.

Acadia Seminary.

Acadia Seminary was founded for the benefit of young women in the Baptist families of the Maritime Provinces, its object being to provide for a full and



CHIPMAN HALL—COLLEGE RESIDENCE.

harmonious development of all their faculties.

Its situation combines healthfulness with rare beauty of scenery, commanding an extensive view of the Basin of Minas, the Promontory of Blomidon and the broad dykes of Grand Pre.

The building is modern, well furnished and in every way thoroughly adapted to the requirements of a young ladies' school.

Four courses of study—collegiate, piano, vocal and art—are offered by the school and are so arranged as to lead to definite results in preparation for usefulness or for entering upon higher studies. Graduates from the Collegiate Course are admitted on certificate to the second year of Acadia University,—

from the Course in Piano to the last year of the New England Conservatory of Music.

The teachers employed are accomplished, experienced and loyal to the highest interests of the school. Specialists have charge of the work in music, art and elocution.

The spiritual and social influences of the home life of the school are very refining and wholesome. Special religious exercises, held daily, develop a spirit of reverence and thoughtfulness, while the opportunity of becoming acquainted with the young people representing many of the best families of the provinces is, of itself, a rare privilege.

The health of the students is carefully guarded. Regular exercise is taken in

the gymnasium under the charge of a competent instructor, and the services of a trained nurse have been secured for the coming year, who will reside in the building and attend to all cases of illness.



ACADEMY RESIDENCE AND MANUAL TRAINING HALL.

The College.

The College, lately styled the University, is the crown of the educational system at Wolfville. It receives young men and women from the Academy or Seminary, or from any other institution throughout the country, who desire to proceed to the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and are competent to undertake the work. It has already graduated about five hundred persons. Several hundreds of others have taken partial courses in its classes. There are ten professors, all of whom are Christian men. The Christian aims and spirit which characterize the life of the Academy and Seminary, are equally characteristic of the life of the College.

The College building, which is situated on the brow of College Hill, and commands a magnificent view, is a large, substantial, admirably designed building, containing many class-rooms, an assembly hall, library, museum, chapel, chemical laboratory, physics department and president's office. In this building the varied work of the College is carried on.

Connected with the College is Chipman Hall—the College residence and boarding house. This building, while not large enough to accommodate all the collegians, makes provision for sixty or seventy of them to live together as a college community, and thus to obtain that additional intellectual and social culture which the attrition of life in a well-conducted college residence is peculiarly calculated to secure. The President and Faculty have the oversight of the residence and are responsible for the life and order maintained.

A third building, connected with the College, is the gymnasium. This is well equipped and in connection with it regular instructions are given to the students both of the College and Academy in gymnastics.

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