

lished on a basis that will, under the Divine blessing, finally disappoint the hopes of their enemies, and reward the prayers and sanguine expectations of their friends.

The Rev. Messrs. Pryor and Crawley were appointed Professors by the Executive Committee, to conduct the College classes in Classics, Ethics and the Sciences, and competent Tutors engaged in the Academical Department. Subsequently Mr. Isaac L. Chipman, one of the Alumni of the Institution, received the appointment of Professor of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy. The College having finally been established and chartered by an Act of Incorporation of the Provincial Parliament in 1840, under the direct sanction of the Home Government, as signified in Lord John Russell's Despatch to the Lieut. Governor in that year, received into its classes a larger number of students than had ever entered at the commencement of a similar Institution in the Province. The numbers up to the present time have been kept up, and already several of our youth have passed creditable examinations, and assumed the usual honours of a Collegiate course, in having the primary Degree of learning conferred on them. In the mean time it has been highly satisfactory to find that the numbers of youth at the Academy have not been lessened, there having been on an average an attendance of about 70 Boys annually who have received instruction to a greater or less extent in that Department.

From the increasing number of Youth pressing into the Institutions for instruction, there soon arose an urgent necessity to enlarge the means of accommodation. A College established on so broad and general a scale, and comprising an enlarged course of studies, must naturally extend its influence beyond the immediate confines of our own Colony, and look for a supply for its classes far beyond its immediate vicinity. Thus especially it had always been considered by its founders, that many of the youth of our Sister Province, particularly those of the Baptist Denomination, would for many years to come, as a matter of course, in cases where a finished education was sought, resort to Acadia College. Thus far such expectation has been fully realized, as many of the students hitherto matriculated, have belonged to New Brunswick. In truth, so closely are the feelings of the whole Baptist body in the two Provinces united, and so closely intertwined are their interests in the promotion of Educational, Missionary, and other objects, that we cannot look forward to the time when such feelings and interests are likely to be dissevered. The Executive Committee could not, however, with the confined room which the College Buildings afforded, venture to extend their invitation to take advantage of the means afforded for obtaining Education, to distant places, and were under the necessity of attempting an enlargement of the accommodations. This as may well be supposed, at a time when a greater pecuniary pressure than was almost ever before experienced, prevailed throughout