

valuable to us, but we must rely on our own judgment for the final decision. Do we not see how weak and foolish it is to be continually conforming our actions to outside customs, popular though they may be, while our own hearts point to a different life a nobler course perhaps; which, if we would avoid inward strife and be true to ourselves, we must unseveringly follow? Self-consistency is a demand of our nature. We despise the man of policy, so smooth to everyone, whose very words and actions are an apology for his existence. We honor the man who, by true reliance on his individuality of mind and integrity of character, does honor to himself, and honoring himself praises the Master whose workmanship he is. Our confidence can be placed only in the man who has the self-reliance to show forth his convictions in actions. He who would live true himself, he who would seek to make the lives of others purer and better must not conform to popular standards, because they are popular, but must substitute as a guiding principle the law of his own consciousness. Every man is his own hero in the individual drama of his own life. "Trust thyself! every heart vibrates to that iron string."

"But know, that nothing can so foolish be  
As empty boldness; therefore first essay  
To stuff thy mind with solid bravery;  
Then march on gallant, get substantial worth:  
Boldness gilds finely, and will set it forth."

### HOW?

To-day we are Students. To-morrow we are not, yet we are, for each day presents its problems which are not determined by a blind sequence, but require a solution. This very idea reveals a working of the mind. The magic call *ad gradum baccalauræi in artibus* does not signify that the man has attained to such a stage that he is a master of knowledge. He is still an inferior. To receive a college education is but to lay the foundation upon which to build. When we go forth from the halls of our *Alma Mater* there is a problem before each of us: How shall I take my proper place in the world? At times we do not apprehend this in its proper bearing. Not without cause do we sometimes see such caricatures as the student in a blaze of glory on graduation day and, on the next page, another scene ten years later—teaming mules in Texas. How natural it is to suppose, when all things are lovely, that they will continue so. A hurrying world will not handle an A. B. gently, solely on account of the possession of such letters. So strongly utilitarian are we, that we look for something practical from each man. Yet we modify our demands here, and call for, not only the common products of brain and muscle, but also for "thoughts that breathe and words that burn." The man of action does more than sway his arms or delve. He may be a leader of men and guide to a higher plane. But what of our question of preparation for our proper sphere? No cast-iron rule can be laid down. Let us keep it before us as students, and it may be that through our oft-conning, we may derive benefits unthought of.

THE Inter-Collegiate Lecture Bureau has, we are sorry to say, not proved of very much benefit to Colleges interested in it.

No doubt the fact that the work was commenced rather late in the Fall was a hindrance; but the principal trouble lies in the fact of the management being too cumbersome, and the absence of union between the colleges for the carrying on of the work.

It seems well nigh impossible to secure men of the stamp, it was the intention of getting under the Bureau, to come to the Provinces during the winter.

It may be possible to make the Bureau valuable, if the lecturers are arranged with and dates made during the summer.

FOR many years Wolfville has been in that condition usually denominated "dead." This state of affairs was of course greatly deplored by the inhabitants thereof, and many of them were not slow in expressing the opinion that the presence of the College and Seminary was having a very depressing effect upon the general health of the community. However that may have been, quite a lively boom has struck this highly respectable and hitherto conservative village, and for this there is no doubt that the presence of the educational institutions are responsible.

About a year ago building operations in different parts of the village commenced on quite an extensive scale, and with little interruption during the winter months, is still continuing in full blast. Those who visit Wolfville after a couple of years absence will find many changes awaiting them. The first thing the returning student will miss will be the old station house, where on cold winter mornings he jostled the Seminary girls as together they pushed their way through the crowd to buy the tickets that would take them home for the Christmas holidays. It has been replaced by a new and more modern building, clean and comfortable.

On the vacant lot south and east of the station, the Skoda Manufacturing Co. have built a large four storey building, to be used as a laboratory and warehouse for the preparation and distribution of their famous medical discovery.

The appearance of Main Street has greatly changed during the year. From the college campus to the chapel steps there is scarcely a vacant building lot, and the presence of the electric lighting wires and poles gives it quite the air of a city.