

location; enterprise of her people; freedom from tyranny; the boon of an open bible; the inspiration of a literature marvelously rich, varied and influential; richness in agricultural, mineral and all material resources, and a country so eminently fitted by climatic conditions to be the home of a strong world-ruling race—as merely a matter of evolution and a survival of the fittest. “It is through no merely accidental combination of factors and forces that this result has been reached.” He was not disposed to accept “any theory of natural development by which God is eliminated or given any other than the supreme place among the forces that have given to the English people the illustrious position which it holds.” That it is a matter of evolution and a survival of the fittest he would not deny, but did not think it wise to divorce God from any problem—certainly, not from the problem of our national history. He would recommend a study of our national history that the hand of God might be traced therein. “We should recognize the fact that the English people are an *elect people of God*; chosen and distinguished from among the nations to occupy an illustrious place to receive larger degrees of enlightenment and richer measures of blessing, and to exercise prophetic and priestly functions to all the peoples of the earth.”

It was also pointed out, as matter for thanksgiving, that, during the year, the divine blessing had not been withheld from the various industries of the country, — ‘that, in all the manifold industries in which the people of this Dominion are engaged, there has been a fair, if not an abundant, return for labor and capital expended.’

Then attention was directed to the fact of the age of the world in which we live, as one which should call forth gratitude and praise from all hearts—that we live in this christian era, in the age which Paul characterized as “the day of Salvation.”

#### RECITAL.

A very interesting entertainment was given in College Hall, Friday evening, November 9th, by Misses Brown, Wallace and Williams.

Special mention should be made of Miss Brown's first solo, “Tell me my Heart,” a piece with much

execution, but so artistically rendered as to seem mere play. Her voice is mezzo-soprano and yet possesses both the richness of a contralto and the ring of a soprano.

Miss Wallace seemed equally at home in dialect, pathos, comedy and tragedy.

During Miss Williams' solo we were indeed “Down by the sea.”

The enterprise was a good one. If recitals equal to this could oftener be listened to, we think it would be for the benefit of the public.

#### AT HOME.

The announcement was made by the President of the College, a few days beforehand, that on Friday evening (23rd November) the Faculty would hold an “At Home” in Assembly Hall, to which all the members of the institutions were invited. At the appointed time a full representation from the hill and quite a number who had been invited from the village gathered at the College. Having visited the dressing rooms the guests were ushered up-stairs and into the library where they were introduced to the reception committee, composed of the President, members of the Faculty and their wives, and then escorted to the large hall from which most of the seats had been removed and where opportunity was afforded for the exercise of sociability. Several curiosities from the Museum, and historical maps which had been placed upon the different tables in the room afforded amusement for those who wished to sit. Others promenaded in a circle around the tables or gathered in groups about the room.

At intervals the company was called to order by Prof. Coldwell and selections of music were rendered by Misses Vaughn and Brown, Rev. Mr. Harris of the Methodist church in the village and “The College Quartette” led by Mr. Shaw. This feature in the evening's entertainment was especially enjoyable.

The general verdict, among the students, is that the affair was an unqualified success and we are sure if the Faculty know how much their endeavors to cultivate the social element are appreciated, this will not be the only reception of the kind we shall have the pleasure of attending this year.