

requirements of the student. The Association organized here in 1888 has made steady progress, and has been fruitful of many pleasing results. It has received the sympathy—more or less marked—of the entire body of students. This year some important changes have been made in the public services. Hitherto our monthly public meetings have been held, with considerable disadvantage, after the other services of the sabbath. This tended to interfere with the evening worship in the churches of the village; and as, a result, was satisfactory neither to pastor nor student. Hence it was determined to change our hour of meeting from 8 p. m. to 3.30 p. m. Since this change but one meeting has been held, and if the attendance upon that occasion may be taken as an index, we think that nothing has been lost in numbers by the change, while we are certain that an afternoon service, finding the audience less exhausted, must be productive of more lasting effect.

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In the missionary meetings also, a change has been instituted. Two years ago the old Missionary Society of the College was merged into the Y. M. C. A. Though losing its identity as a society, it has yet been represented by a Missionary Committee of the Association, and once each month a public meeting in the interests of Missions has been held in College Hall. This year it is resolved to link the missionary interests of the College and the village Church in an effort to secure the strength of union. As now arranged, the missionary meeting each month is held in the village Church—at one time under the direction of the pastor; and the next under the direction of the students. The financial outcome of our efforts is to be equally divided at the close of the college year. We trust that the success of this change may warrant the hopes now entertained.

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The applications for Honors have been made, and as usual a large proportion of the student body aspire to this distinction—if such it may be styled. Commendable advance has been made by Acadia along general lines, but in the matter of Honor Courses she certainly is open to severe criticism. A review of the Calendars of the past four years shows that the number of aspirants to Honors has grown from twelve to thirty, while this year fully half the latter number may be found in the Senior class. Now this speaks one of two things:—either the general curriculum is too low and allows extensive outside work, or the student has discovered a way to *pull* an honor diploma without earning