

character. The whole number of students attending college during the year was 115.

THE twenty-third annual commencement of St. Joseph's College, Memramcook, took place on the 22nd of June. More than usual interest was attached to the occasion, because, for the first time in the history of the college, degrees were conferred. The degree of M. A. was conferred upon Rev. James McDevitt of Silver Falls, Hon. Pierre A. Landry, M. P., of Dorchester, Geo. V. McInerney, barrister, of Richibucto, and Hon. Pascal Poirier, Senator, of Shediac; B. A. on Frank O'Neill, St. Andrews, and Edward L. O'Brien, of Fredericton; B. L. on Daniel E. Corbett, of Milltown. The exercises were of a highly interesting nature.

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.

St. Francis Xavier College, Antigonish, is enlarging its accommodations this summer.

Acadia College is extending its already fine Convocation Hall, to accommodate the anticipated attendance at its forthcoming jubilee celebration.

King's College is having further changes made in the *personnel* of its teaching staff.

The Summer School of Science, Nova Scotia, will open in the Pictou Academy Convocation Hall, July 23rd. It is hoped that Sir Wm. Dawson may be present at the opening. Reduced fares are obtained on all railways and important lines of steamers from New Brunswick to Cape Breton.

Mount St. Vincent Academy held its fourteenth annual closing exercises on June 22nd. His Grace, Archbishop O'Brien, Dr. Allison, Supt. Education, the Attorney General, Stipendiary Motton, Supervisor McKay and other distinguished visitors were present, and spoke in words of high praise of the institution. It has been decided to add another brick and granite wing to the building—to cost about \$35,000.

The Convent of the Sacred Heart, Halifax, closed on June 28th. His Grace the Archbishop, Supervisor McKay and a number of other visitors were present. A very superior programme was gone through, a great number of prizes presented, and congratulatory addresses made by the visitors. In addressing the pupils, His Grace said: "Although living in relative seclusion, year by year, the grand work of training minds in literature and science, of developing character by high principles of conduct, of forming manners to refinement and elegance, and of moulding hearts

to a lofty ideal of Christian perfection had been going on here in quietness and almost obscurity."

The Convent of Stella Maris, Pictou, closed with a grand bazar for the benefit of the institution. It was held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of July, and was highly successful.

PERSONAL NOTES.

J. S. Trueman, B. A. of Dalhousie College, has been awarded a classical fellowship in the Johns Hopkins University. Mr. Trueman is a native of Carleton, St. John, and won the corporation gold medal for classics at the St. John Grammar School in 1875. Since that time he has been a constant student of the ancient classics.

Mr. James E. Creighton, a graduate of Pictou Academy and Dalhousie Colleges, and a native of West River, has won one of the eight fellowships awarded by competitive examination in Cornell University, New York. Mr. Creighton won the fellowship in philosophy out of a class of thirty candidates. This is worth \$400 a year, and good for one year at the least.—*E. Chron.*

Humphrey Mellish, Esq., B. A., mathematical master in the Pictou Academy, has tendered his resignation to take effect Oct. 31st. He is to complete his course at the Law School, Dalhousie College.

Inspector Lay, with indefatigable zeal, has made arrangements to hold a natural science institute in Amherst on Thursday and Friday before the teachers' examinations.

Under Professor Coldwell the scientific students of Acadia made their customary annual expedition in the Schooner *Ocean Bird*, visiting the wide famed mineralogical localities on the shores of the Basin of Minas.

Mr. John Montgomery, the efficient principal of the Albert School, Carleton, is at present on a visit to the north of Ireland. Mr. Montgomery has been connected with the schools of Carleton for over a quarter of a century, and in that time has witnessed great advance in educational methods, in which he has steadily kept pace.

Mr. D. H. Burbidge, principal of the Morris Street School, Halifax, has been for some time unable to attend to his duties through severe and protracted illness. We are glad to learn, however, that he is becoming convalescent.