THE ACADIA ATHENÆUM.

his own happiness. He who clinches his talking by giving, wields the thunderbolts of an unanswerable logic.

Old-Tight Fist may chuckle in his sleeve over the crazy recklessness of those who will invest without bond or note in schemes for sweeping away evil and cherishing good. In his sordid mind, walled up by avarice, never entered the truth that there is that which scattereth and yet increaseth.

Every department of benevolence needs not only the sympathy of lip, but also of pocket. Men of means great or small can make no more paying investment than to take shares in some enterprise whose object is to elevate the race, and whose dividends return ninety, yea one hundred per cent. not in gold and silver, but in riches that endure forever. We recognize with thankfulness the fact, that the streams of human charity are broadening and deepening. We are proud that the Baptist denomination can boast of men who give as well as talk. Still we have to lament that their number is so small. Ourl Educational Institutions have received but dimes where they should have received dollars. Yarmouth is doing a splendid work for Acadia, but where are Kings, Annapolis, Digby, &c.? We need the hearty co-operation of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

Let the whole denomination open its eyes to the inevitable and tremendous issues of the position we have taken respecting Acadia. The facts stare vs in the face. Let us beware of proving recreant to plain duty. Our endowment fund has precious claims upon our money. We may slight but we cannot weaken them. Let the example of our Yarmouth brethren stimulate us to more energetic action. But if we slumber on, burning defeat will sooner or later brand its excerable stigma upon us.

Horton Collègiate Academy.

Trues Institution has entered upon another year with encouraging prospects. The staff of teachers remains the same as last year, except that in the elementary department Miss Wile takes the place of Miss McGec. The Boarding department, in connection with the New Academy Building, is

under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Keddy. All the matters connected therewith are in an extremely atisfactory condition and we venture to assert that there are very few, if any, Boarding Schools in America which furnish such excellent fare at such moderate rates. The young ladies, we understand, are equally well provided for, so that parents need not fear in sending their sons and daughters to Horton Academy, lest they shall lack home comforts. The last twenty years have effected a great change in this particular and the meagre and poorly served fare which used to be inseparable from Boarding School life, has given place to tables which in their furnishing and in their plentiful supply of well-served wholesome food leave very little to be desired.

The attendance at the Academy is at present about one hundred. The class preparing for College already numbers twenty-eight, and more are expected.

We can scarcely over-estimate the importance of the work done at Horton Academy. As a feeder to the College it supplies us with nearly all our students; it trains large numbers for teaching and business, and gives to the young ladies who attend it a sound and useful education. From the last Annual Report of the Sup. of Education it appears that during the calender year 1875 there were in all 224 pupils. For the same period the *ten* County Academies report only 415. Horton Academy had in Latin 132, in Greek 69 pupils,—the ten County Academies had in Latin 119, in Greek 39. The other special Academies report 170 in Latin and 47 in Greek.

It thus appears that our Academy does considerably more classical teaching than all the county Academies and nearly as much as all the other special Academies. Notwithstanding this, we are informed, that, as a separate institution it does not get one dollar of provincial money, while Pictou and Yarmouth received \$2600.00 and the County Academies \$6000.00. This is certainly not payment by results.

Horton Academy, both in its male and female departments deserves the patronage of all lovers of a thorough, solid education; and we hope to see during the coming winter numbers of our young people availing themselves of its advantages.

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