

COMPTON LADIES' COLLEGE.

CLOSING EXERCISES.

The Closing Exercises of Compton Ladies' College were held on the afternoon of June 26th and the attendance of parents and friends from a distance was very large. The year lately passed was a very prosperous one, and the work went on without a break. There was no sickness during the year, as was the case last year. The new boarding system is entirely satisfactory with Miss Fowler as Matron and the financial condition of the College was never better than at present.

In the morning Rev. Dr. Dumbell, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Sherbrooke, preached the annual Sermon in St. James' Church, giving in the course of an eloquent address good advice to the students who were leaving and to those who were coming back to the College. A luncheon was served in the College dining room to those from a distance, when about 60 sat down.

The sketches and paintings done by the pupils were on exhibition in the large room. The work was very good and much admired by all.

The presentation of prizes took place at half-past two in the large hall. The Ven. Archdeacon Roe, in the absence of the Bishop, who had left for the Labrador coast, presided, and with him on the platform were Rev. Dr. Dumbell, Rev. Canon Foster, Professor Wilkinson, Rev. R. C. Tambs, Rev. G. H. Parker, Rev. A. Stevens, Rev. T. L. Ball, Mr. Dowker, Quebec; Mr. Bailey, Cookshire; Mr. J. B. Bowen, Hatley, and others. A very fine programme was given by the pupils, which showed that much pains had been taken in their training throughout the year.

The Chairman then called upon Mrs. Brouse to present the Annual Report, in the course of which the Lady Principal said:—"The year just closing has been so uneventful that in looking back over it there seems to be little to report that will be of interest to any one outside the College. We opened in September with twenty-seven boarders and maintained that number until Easter, when one was obliged to leave, owing to a bereavement in her family. The number of day pupils has been more variable and somewhat smaller than

usual, only seven having been enrolled. Unfortunately, we can never hope to have a large attendance from the neighborhood. The work has gone on as usual, and, as a rule, the girls have been diligent and industrious, but as a number in the higher classes have taken only a partial course, we had fewer pupils than usual to present for the Government examinations. The result of these are not yet known. Last year our three A.A. candidates passed very creditably indeed, and we hope the two presented this year may also be successful.

A good deal of attention has been paid to music and prizes offered for diligence in practising have been gained by three pupils, none of whom missed a single practice hour during the year.

The health of the school has been remarkably good, and although there has been much contagious sickness all over the country, we have entirely escaped, and have not had a case of anything like serious illness.

The electric light, for which we asked last year, and which, through the kindness of some friends of the College, was put all through the building in the autumn, has proved a great convenience and added very much to our feeling of safety. Personally it has been a very great relief to me to have it in the College, and I should like all who contributed towards having it installed to understand how fully it has been appreciated."

The prizes were then distributed to those who had been successful, as follows:—

III Academy—Prize for general proficiency—Presented by Dr. Heneker—Mary Hitchcock, honourable mention, E. Stevens, C. Vernon.

II Academy—General proficiency—Prize presented by Hon. Senator Cochran—Evelin Von Pozer; honourable mention, M. Gadd, E. Fox, E. Briggs.

I Academy—General proficiency—Prize presented by Mr. J. A. Cochran—Marjory Briggs; honourable mention, E. Hyman.

II Model—General proficiency—Prize presented by Lady Principal—1 Lena Reynolds, 2 Clarine Stevenson; honourable mention, B. Austin.

I Model—General proficiency—1 A. Pomroy, 2 Flora Mathie.

Special Prizes—For Scripture History and Church Catechism, given by Professor Wilkinson—Academy Class—E. Stevens. Model Class—B. Austin.