

French and German, and E. A. Stone, Professor of Civil Engineering, have severed their connection with the University. The Senate appointed Professor A. J. Uppvall, to the Chair of French and German. The other chairs will be filled, it is said, at the special meeting of the Senate called for June seventeenth, when the question of increasing the salaries of members of the faculty will also be taken up.

The Valedictory address, delivered by J. B. McNair, in behalf of the graduating class was admirable. McNair was recently appointed Rhodes scholar by the University and will go to Oxford next September to continue his studies there. He has received word from Dr. Parkin, of the Rhodes Commission, that he will be entered as a student at New College, which, by the way, was "new" some hundreds of years ago.

The M. A. degree in course was conferred upon Miss Edith Allen, Miss Edith Davis, Mr. Locksley McKnight and Mr. H. R. McGill. The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon Principal B. C. Foster, of the Fredericton High School, as a recognition of his long service in the cause of education and his high standing and reputation in the teaching profession.

Acadia University.

The Commencement Exercises of Acadia College and affiliated institutions began with Baccalaureate Sunday, June 4th, and closed on Wednesday evening of the 7th. This year the weather was nothing short of perfect from start to finish, and the enthusiasm of the College community and the visiting friends ran high.

The year just closed has been marked by some memorable features. The total registration in the College has been 230, or 29 in excess of all previous records. The graduating class numbered 35, of whom 26 graduated in Arts, 9 took the Bachelor of Science degree, and 5 were granted Engineering certificates. Six received, in course, the degree of Master of Arts. Honorary degrees were conferred as follows: the degree of Doctor of Civil Laws upon E. D. King, Esqr., K. C., of Halifax; and upon W. E. Roscoe, Esqr., K. C., of Kentville, N. S.; the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon Rev. J. H. McDonald, of Fredericton, N. B.; and the degree of Master of Arts upon Mr. E. C. Spinney, of Chicago, Ill.; upon Mr. Lenfest Ruggles, for the

past year house master at Horton Academy, but now about to take the principalship of the McDonald Consolidated School at Middleton, N. S.; and upon two women of literary fame, Mrs. Grace Dean McLeod Rogers, of Amherst, N. S., and Miss Marshall Saunders, of Halifax, author of "Beautiful Joe." This giving of honorary degrees to women is an agreeable innovation in Acadia's history.

The registration at Horton Academy has been 158, or 31 beyond any preceding year. The Senior Class numbered 46. Mr. A. DeW. Foster has been made house master in the place of Mr. Ruggles; and Mr. A. G. G. Hirtle, who has been Principal of the Schools at Lockeport, N. S., has been added to the teaching staff. The graduates from the Ladies' Seminary were 36. Work at this school was broken in upon by sickness about Easter time. Seldom indeed has there been occasion to make reference to any such interference as this, so notably healthy is the locality of the Wolfville Institutions. It is with regret that Mrs. Redden's resignation has had to be accepted as Vice-Principal of the Seminary.

The early part of the college year was signalized by the formal inauguration of President Cutten. Leaders in educational work and in the government affairs of the Maritime Provinces, were present and shared in the events of the day. An address was made by Professor George T. Ladd, of Yale, upon "The University and the State," and Dr. Cutten delivered an inaugural, setting forth the function and importance of such an institution as that over which he had been called to preside.

The year 1910-'11 will be especially remembered as the one in which the so-called "Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Fund" was realized. The task, undertaken ten months ago, was this: To obtain from Acadia's friends, by June 1st, 1911, pledges to the amount of \$150,000 (to be paid in by June 1st, 1913), and thus to secure \$50,000 from Mr. John D. Rockefeller. To many this undertaking seemed impossible of fulfilment, and as the expiration of the time for obtaining the pledges drew near, it looked as though the effort must fail or an extension of time be granted. But on the 30th of May, when \$21,400 was yet necessary, a generous friend came forward with the requisite amount. Of course, President Cutten, after his splendid activity, made this public announcement with satisfaction, and no wonder that it was