

between the English childhood and American manhood of those forced to emigrate? I suggested this to Mr. Clark and as I expected was instantly assured of his sympathy and co-operation. When he comes to America next summer I hope Acadia will have the pleasure and profit of a visit from him, while the University will without doubt make a substantial recognition of her new but loyal friend.

The word "College" in England is applied to Theological Seminaries, which fact needs to be borne in mind to prevent confusion. One bright morning I went with Dr. Lorimer to Spurgeon's Pastors' College. This institution has always seemed to me as a sort of short cut seminary, where zeal took the place of learning and the net result was a complete *spurgeonizing* of a number of little men. Let me hasten to recant and condemn that opinion. I was wrong. I have never seen a nobler appearing set of men together in any school than the company of professors and pupils who greeted us with such enthusiasm and christian courtesy in Spurgeon's College. If Professor Marchand and his colleagues exact from their students a tithe of the intense application to work which distinguishes their instruction, the College must be a hive of industry.

And now a word as to Acadia. I am forced to admit the justice of much of the adverse criticism which from time to time is directed against the school. This is to be considered a hopeful sign and ought to be hailed with delight rather than resented as a personal impertinence. Acadia like every other human institution needs the stimulus, drastic though it be, of a wholesome and bracing criticism. A few changes involving, doubtless, some self-sacrifice and grief would enormously increase the efficiency and prosperity of the University. All this I firmly adhere to. But there is another side. In full view of all her needs, abuses and deficiencies it is my calm and dispassionate conviction that Acadia gives as rich, true and complete a development of *character* as any institution of learning in America, and in this regard is infinitely in advance of Universities with twenty times her numbers and a hundred fold her wealth. I thank God for my four years at Acadia, and as earnest of the honesty of this declaration I do not hesitate to pledge in advance, to the best of my ability, a life-time of active interest in her welfare.

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Selections from the Prose and Poetry of Oliver Wendell Holmes

It is meet that we devote a share of our space to the remembrance of this artist of wit, fancy and imagination who has recently passed away. The following selections from his own pen will do him more justice than any elaborate review of his works.