

to the full University Course those who have not completed the prescribed matriculation studies is a dangerous temptation to those at a distance to abridge their preparation, and to those on the ground to do the same, either by relaxing their diligence or by leaving the Academy, as many have been inclined unwisely to do before the close of the Academic year.

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One of the most enthusiastic gatherings ever held in the interest of Acadia College, was that on the occasion of the annual banquet of the New England Branch of the Alumni Association, which took place at the United States Hotel, Boston, on March 20th. Prof. Tufts who represented the faculty on that occasion, has just returned, and reports that it was a most interesting meeting. The *Herald and Globe*, two of the largest Boston dailies have devoted nearly a column each to a report of the proceedings, and the editors of both papers were in attendance at the meeting, one of whom, Mr. T. F. Anderson of the *Globe* enrolled himself as a member of the Association. This speaks much for the recognition which the Alumni of Acadia are commanding in New England. There were also present: President Whitman of Colby, who was the guest of the occasion, Rev. George E. Horr, editor of the *Watchman*, Rev. R. M. Hunt, of Jamaica Plains, President of the Association, Rev. C. A. Eaton, of Natick, Rev. Dr. Greene of Lynn, and Rev. Dr. Thomas of Newton Seminary, all of whom delivered interesting addresses. Over seventy were at the business meeting and over forty remained to the banquet. It was doubtless a fact, as Prof. Tufts said, there were more graduates of Acadia at that meeting in Boston, than one could get together in Halifax, St. John or Wolfville for a similar purpose. Acadia has given to New England a large percentage of her graduates. Many significant words were spoken and many significant facts were brought to the notice of the New England friends. A pamphlet has just been issued by the Association setting forth the standing of the college, the present circumstances, the need of finances and the facts concerning the influences which Acadia has exerted and which New England has received. It is time that a response was being made and it is being made. The outlook is exceedingly hopeful. Rev. C. A. Eaton had the pleasant duty of announcing at the banquet, in addition to the receipt of several checks from invited friends who were unable to be present, the highly gratifying fact that a prominent New York medical practitioner was preparing to place to the credit of the college \$30,000 to endow a professorship. In the pamphlet to which