

served that his course here was taken at an exceptionally early age ; but even then his work was executed with great brilliancy, which gave abundant promise of the superior ability which has since been evinced. Before beginning advanced study Mr. deBlois made an extended tour in Europe. On his return he took a course in graduate studies in History and Philosophy at Brown University, taking the degree of M. A. in 1888 and that of Ph. D. in the following year. He was made a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society by special election in 1889. During the last year of his graduate studies at Brown he completed the full first year's work at Newton Theological Seminary, studying at a later time at Newton and in summer schools. The year 1890 and a part of 1891 he spent in a second trip to Europe with his bride when he studied in Berlin and Leipsic making a specialty of Philosophy.

In September, 1891, he became Vice-Principal of the Union Baptist Seminary at St. Martins, N. B., and in the following year he became Principal. This school enjoyed its greatest prosperity under his administration during the next two years, and the number of students greatly increased. He was also pastor of St. Martin's Baptist Church during the latter part of his residence there.

In September, 1894, his connection with St. Martin's Seminary was severed that he might accept the presidency of Shurtleff College, Upper Alton, Ill., made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Kendrick. Here his work has been crowned with marked success, and "Old Shurtleff" has been thrilled with new vigor under his direction. His administration is kind, but firm, resolute and inspiring, and even in so short a time Dr. deBlois has become greatly endeared both to the educational and religious world of the West. He carries forward his work with the earnestness of youth, the enthusiasm of manhood, the ripeness of scholarship, the ardor of unbounded determination, the thorough knowledge of modern appliances, and the whole-souled consecration of christian principle. Acadia may justly be proud of her son.