

In 1855 Dr. Jones entered Horton Collegiate Academy, which was then under the principalship of Mr. Hartt, father of the late distinguished Professor Hartt. He matriculated in 1856, and pursued an uninterrupted course at Acadia College graduating in 1860. Among his classmates were Professor Wells of Woodstock, Ont. Dr. Rand, Chancellor of McMaster University, Professor Hartt and Dr. Silas Alward of St. John.

In the same year Dr. Jones and his classmate Dr. Rand were appointed assistant teachers in Horton Academy. The latter having soon after been called to a position in the Truro Normal School, many additional responsibilities were laid upon the shoulders of Dr. Jones. He was called upon to give instruction in a wide range of subjects, including Latin, Greek and Roman History, Algebra, Practical Mathematics, Arithmetic, English Analysis, Surveying, Plane and Spherical Trigonometry, etc. In some of these subjects he had classes of over fifty in number. At this time the students of the Academy and Seminary took classes together.

In 1864 Dr. Jones was appointed by the Board of Governors of Acadia College to the position of Tutor in Logic and Rhetoric. In 1865 he was called to the chair of classics, which position he now holds. Subsequently he had obtained leave of absence to study at Oxford University, England. At this University he gave special attention to Latin, Greek, Philology and Sanscrit.

Dr. Jones has travelled quite extensively, having visited the English Lakes, the land of Burns, Glasgow, Edinburg, Isle of Wight and other places of note in Great Britain, as well as many of the English cathedrals. He has also visited Paris and other places in France, Germany, Italy and the United States. He is thus a gentleman of wide sympathies and extended information. In 1863 he received from Acadia University the degree of M. A., and that of Ph. D. in 1886. He was one of the examiners of the University of Halifax.

The scholarship of Dr. Jones is of the highest and most liberal type. From his earliest years he has been a student of the closest application. In the class-room he is a master of his art. By his genial manner and ready sympathy, he has allied himself with the never fading memories of all who have come under his instruction. His life has been full of those activities which yield the best and most lasting results, and should Acadia soon be called to part with one so intimately connected with the secrets of her life, the parting would be accompanied with the deepest regret.