

### Here and Away.

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THE same to you !

COLLEGE re-opened on January 5th.

THE students are all back to work—eighteen of them on the "home stretch."

J. M. GARDINER, '85, is laboring at Battleford, N.W.T. We are glad to know of his success.

JOHN A. ROSS, '85, has accepted the call from the congregation at Dundalk, where he has been doing successful work since graduating.

DAVID BICKELL, '82, Mount Forest, spent a day and a night with us this week. Our old students are always heartily welcomed.

REV. WM. BURNS, the indefatigable agent of the Endowment Fund, spent a day in Goderich recently and raised upwards of \$1,100. It was suggested in our last issue that the \$200,000 be raised before the close of '86. To assist in carrying out this suggestion, one recent graduate sent in a subscription of \$50.

THOMAS SCULAR, '80, for six years pastor of Erskine Church, Hamilton, left this week for New Westminster, B.C., to take charge of the congregation made vacant by the death of J. S. MacKay. It is a good thing to have such tried and worthy men at important points in that rapidly opening country. Our readers may expect an article on the work in British Columbia from Mr. Scular before very long.

A LARGE number of students went home to vote during Christmas vacation. They think one clause, at least, of the new Franchise Act an improvement. We do not see why students, who have studied Political Economy and are well acquainted with the affairs of the country, should not be as capable of casting an intelligent vote as scores of the "free and independent" who never were beyond their market village, know nothing of the principles of government, and have nothing to recommend them except the required property qualification.

THE first number of *Arcturus*, Toronto's newest literary journal, edited by John Charles Dent, appeared on Saturday, January 15th. It is a 16-page weekly, neatly got up; the letter-press and the paper are good. The primary object of those who are responsible for its birth, is to furnish the Canadian public with a weekly newspaper which, while preserving a high standard of literary excellence, shall deal with questions of general interest in a readable and popular manner. The contents of No. 1 is very inviting. The editorial and contributed articles are good. The other departments—Book Reviews, Correspondence, Poetry, Literary Notes, etc.—are well filled. One can scarcely foresee the future of a journal like *Arcturus*. If the fittest survives, we do not see why *Arcturus*, under Mr. Dent's editorship, should not have a long life.