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[The following account of the proceedings at the installation of Dr. CRAMP, as President of Acadia College, on the 20th of June, 1851, appeared in the *Christian Messenger* and *Christian Visitor* :—

A large assembly filled the College Hall on Friday morning, the 20th. The proceedings commenced at eleven o'clock, when the Rev. Theodore Harding took the Chair, and implored the Divine blessing on the engagements of the day. Vocal music followed. The Rev. A. S. Hunt then read the Resolution of the Governors, passed in September last, inviting Dr. Cramp to the Presidency of the College, together with Dr. J.'s reply. The ceremony of installation proceeded in the following manner :—

The President elect entered the Hall, attired in College costume, and was introduced to the Chairman by the Hon. J. W. Johnston, and the Rev. William Hall, of Windsor.

Mr. Johnston then addressed the Chair in the following words :

Mr. Chairman.—The honor of presenting to you, for installation, the Rev. J. M. CRAMP, D. D., the President elect of Acadia College, having devolved on my Reverend friend Mr. Hall, and myself, we have great satisfaction in now fulfilling this duty.

I deem it unnecessary to comment upon the fitness of the Reverend and learned gentleman for the office which he is called upon this day formally to assume.

The acknowledged talents of Dr. Cramp, and his well known acquirements as a scholar and a theologian, attest the wisdom of the appointment made by the Governors of Acadia College, and offer the surest pledge that the interests of this Institution, whose welfare lies so near our hearts, will be promoted by the selection they have made. And, Sir, may we not accept it as a high augury of the future prosperity of Acadia College, that her foundations having been at the first laid by such wise master-builders as the Rev. Drs. Crawley and Pryor, and her earliest progress watched over, and led towards maturity through unnumbered difficulties, under the fostering care of men of their piety, talents, and attainments, the directing and completing the superstructure should be committed to one so