

By comparing the above with the reports of past years, it will be seen that, notwithstanding a depression, generally felt in the financial interests of the Province, the Institution continues to enjoy a good share of public patronage.

At the Examinations, during the year, your Committee could not fail to perceive that the pupils were making solid progress in a sound and well conceived Academic Course. Six of the pupils have recently matriculated, and some others expect to enter the College the ensuing term.

Your Committee are happy, in the assurance they strongly cherish, that the course of study, now pursued at the Institutions is practical, sound and judicious, and that the youth, enjoying the advantages of the school, can hardly fail in being well equipped for the various positions of life they may have to fill.

The Committee are assured, that with like confidence they may review the moral aspect of your Institutions, cases requiring severe discipline rarely occurring, while a willingness to submit cheerfully to established regulations at all times is distinctly manifest. Upon this subject Mr. Higgins reports as follows:—

The conduct of the pupils has been good. So large a number must of course include a considerable variety of character. Some irregularity and impropriety are to be looked for and dealt with. But by far the larger proportion of the pupils, have given the teachers every reason to love and respect them; and the government of the school has, upon the whole, been a very easy and simple matter.

RELIGIOUS ASPECT.

A considerable number of the older pupils are professors of religion. There has been no revival influences in the school nor in the community, but the meetings have been well attended and it can not but be hoped that through the united efforts of our pastor, the Sabbath School, Bible class, and personal christian effort seed has been sown which shall hereafter bring forth fruit. One member of the Female Seminary has been recently baptized and received into the church at Wolfville.

As on former occasions, your committee would again appeal to the entire Baptist Denomination of N. S., for the benefit of whose rising generation the friends of Education have labored with unflinching resolution, and solicit a yet more enlarged expression of a permanent and growing attachment to a cause, worthy the love of every christian man and true