

THE ACADIAN.

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Last year we commemorated the Jubilee of the reign of our gracious Sovereign, Queen Victoria, and this year we celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of an institution which has become a household word throughout the Maritime Provinces, and is held in veneration not only by the adherents of the religious denomination in whose particular interest it was founded, but also by the many students of other sects who have studied within its walls.

Acadia College, which was founded in 1838, is a power in the church to which it is attached, and has sent from its halls no less than two hundred and fifty ministers of the Gospel, many of whom are now preaching with acceptance to large congregations. The command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel," has been heard in Acadia and no less than fourteen of its students have left home and friends to enter the mission fields of India and Burmah. Not in theology alone has grand success been achieved, for Acadia College with its adjuncts, Acadia Seminary and Horton Collegiate Academy have sent forth many young men and women of brilliant minds who have won prominence in their varied occupations. It would take more space than we can spare at the present time to give even an outline of the "struggles and triumphs" of this well-regulated temple of learning, as our readers will in this issue look for an account of the closing exercises of the year which were held during the present week.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

A large audience gathered on Sabbath morning in Assembly Hall to listen to the Baccalaureate sermon by President Sawyer. After preliminary exercises, conducted by the Rev. T. A. Higgins, D. D., the text was announced, as follows, "And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and all discernment."—Phil. 1:9. The true life was shown to express itself in righteousness. There must be more than a reverent attitude toward God. The Scriptures everywhere demand right behavior toward man. Religion is practical. Its prohibitions and commands relate chiefly to this present world. In order to live this true life excellently, knowledge is necessary. The relation of man to man must be understood. Truth, and duty, and human dependence upon God, must be comprehended. But knowledge, being a guide only, is not sufficient alone. Ardent, impulsive self-forgetting love, carries the soul forward to fitting deeds and sacrifices. Both love and knowledge are needed—the one as a motive, the other as a guide. There is a theory of human life which makes it the result of inexorable laws—laws which human purposes are unable to affect. But this is not the theory of life according to which we form our judgments of men; it is not the theory of life revealed in the Word of God. Noble characters do not appear like blossoms in spring-time, obedient to the working of indiscoverable forces. Noble impulses, guided by true knowledge, are alone sufficient to produce a Shaftsbury, a Livingstone, or a Judson. If the young men now about to leave these halls of learning for the exacting duties of life are to attain to true nobility, they must seek, as did the wise king of old, not first of all, long life or riches, but that higher wisdom which is from God; they must seek that love which abounds "yet more and more in knowledge and all discernment."

HORTON COLLEGIATE ACADEMY.

The annual closing exercises of the matriculating class of Horton Collegiate Academy were held in the Assembly Hall on Wednesday afternoon commencing at 2:30 p. m. After prayer by the Rev. D. H. Simpson the following programme was carried out: Piano Solo, Miss Buttrick. Essay, England's Colonial Empire. Ernest M. McLeod, Brooklyn, N. S. Essay, John Milton. Richard R. Hutchison, Douglasstown, N. B. Essay, H. W. Longfellow. Archibald Foot, Mahone Bay, N. S. Music, Vocal Solo, Nazareth, Gounoud. Mr H. N. Shaw. Essay, Manliness. Percy Huntley, Billtown, N. S. Essay, Labor. George Baker, Fairville, N. B. Essay, Chas Haddon Spurgeon. Wm J. Routledge, Lowell, Mass. Essay, United Action. Archie Tingley, Sackville, N. B. Music, Vocal Solo. Miss Hattie Wallace. Essay, The Ancient Greeks. Avar Pines, Church Street. Essay, Foundation Work. Arthur Newcomb, Wolfville. Essay, Popular Delusions. Miss May Bishop, Greenwood, N. S. Essay, "Go to the Ant." Miss Lillian Bishop, Greenwood, N. S. *Excused.

Mr McLeod handled his subject remarkably well. Mr Hutchison proved himself well versed in the life and works of the sublime poet he chose for his theme. Mr Archibald Foot's theme was well written and showed careful study. Mr Huntley's "Manliness" was a splendid effort and was well delivered. Mr Routledge's "Charles Haddon Spurgeon" was undoubtedly the best essay of the day. It was well delivered and showed careful preparation. Mr Arthur Newcomb's "Foundation Work" proved that he had carefully studied his theme and acted on it. Mr N. is a fine speaker. Miss Lillian Bishop's essay was one of the best of the day and was exceedingly well delivered.

Several short addresses were delivered at the close of the exercises. Rev. D. H. Simpson was the first speaker. He regretted that he had not applied himself more closely to his studies during his four years in college. Speaking particularly to the matriculants, he informed them that the years spent in college would be in many respects the grandest years of their lives, as on the use they make of that time will largely depend their success in life. Rev. Atwood Cohoon congratulated both teachers and students on the success of the exercises. He had no confessions to make; he had always done the best he could. He advised the students not to be contented with well enough, but remember that it is the extra that pays and told several anecdotes to prove it. In closing he gave these two mottoes to consider during recess: "Dare to do right"; "Labor has sure reward." Dr Hall of the Normal School spoke briefly and in a somewhat humorous vein. He said that one of the most pleasing memories of his college life was the fun he had there, and thought that fun in its proper place would help rather than hinder studies.

The total number of students enrolled during the year is 92—the same number as last year, which is much above the usual average. Sixteen students come from New Brunswick, one from Newfoundland, one from the United States, and the remainder are residents of this Province, of which nearly every county is represented. A new boarding-house which has been erected during the year at a cost of \$10,000 supplies a long-felt want. Two teachers and the most of the students reside in this building.

ACADIA SEMINARY.

Wednesday evening, long before the hour of opening, crowds of people began wending their way toward Assembly Hall, and at 7:30 p. m. when the doors were opened, there were nearly enough people before them to fill the hall, and long before the hour announced for commencing every seat was filled. Precisely at the appointed hour (8 o'clock), the young ladies accompanied by their teachers entered and took the seats reserved for them in the body of the hall. The exercises were as follows: Processional March Meyerbeer—With Rapid Keel, Chorus Chopin—Fantaisie Impromptu, Annie O. Margeson Mendelssohn—March Capriccio, Op. 22 Misses Seabourne, Vaughan, Wood, and Margeson Hilber a) Were I a Bird of Air Millard b) Arietta, Bessie Nelson Bach a) Prelude and Fugue, No 3 Mendelssohn b) Duetto, Bessie Vaughan Pinsuti—Good-bye! Beloved, Harriett E. Wallace Schumann—Andante and Variations, Frie D. Wood; 2d Piano, Miss Buttrick Wagner—Spinning Song, Chorus Beethoven a) Largo Sonata, Op. 7 Rubinstein b) Valse-Caprice, Harriett M. Eaton Verdi—Non Fu Sogno, Miss Vaughan Gottschalk, Tremolo Study, Miss Buttrick Essay, Toil, the Price of Excellence. Leonora G. Bradshaw. Essay, The Study of Nature. Katharine L. Ganong. Essay, The Private Sorrows of Great Men. Maude C. Graham. Essay, Magazine Literature. Annie M. Hickman. Essay, George Eliot. Annie M. Lovett. Essay, Jennie E. Rice. History in Words. Alice A. Pugeley. Essay, The Novel as a Moral Teacher. Alice A. Pugeley. Music, List-Spinneried. Jennie E. Rice. In the first part of the programme we expected a rich musical treat and were not disappointed: The graduates of '88 are in musical attainments fully equal to, we will not say superior, to their predecessors of previous years. We have often wondered why the college graduating class always go to the expense of bringing musicians from a distance for their annual concert when they have in their sister institution those that could with little difficulty provide a musical entertainment equal if not superior to many which have been given under its auspices. After the close of the first part of the programme, Dr Jones took the chair and announced that but one of the seven essays on the programme would be read. The young ladies of the class had selected Miss Alice Pugeley as their representative. Her subject was "The Novel as a Moral Teacher." We will not attempt to describe it. It was a literary gem, to which nothing but a verbatim report could do justice. In doing she made a short, earnest and

practical valedictory address in which she feelingly referred to two of her classmates who through affliction in their families were unable to be present. Dr Jones in a few well-chosen words, on behalf of the Principal and teachers, presented diplomas to the graduates, with the exception of Misses Ganong and Graham, who for reasons already mentioned were unavoidably absent. After which by request he made a short address, taking for his theme that portion of Miss Pugeley's valedictory in which she stated that the members of the graduating class had not finished but really only just begun their education. He was glad to notice that the term "finished education" had become obsolete, and he regarded it as a favorable sign of the times that young ladies who had graduated no longer considered themselves as finely polished articles of furniture or works of art fit only to become ornaments of the drawing-room, but that fresh from the hands of their instructors they fully realized the responsibility that rested on them, and that they must think and act for themselves. He explained the difference between knowledge and wisdom. Knowledge is proud, she knows so much; Wisdom is humble, she knows so little. The value of the diplomas awarded this evening depended entirely on the recipients. They give worth to the diplomas; the diplomas do not give worth to them. The highest compliment that can be paid anyone is that she has done what she could.

GRADUATES:

Leonora G. Bradshaw, St Martins, N. B. Katharine L. Ganong, St Stephens, N. B. Maude C. Graham, Antigonish, N. S. Annie M. Hickman, Parraboro, N. S. Annie M. Lovett, Kentville, N. S. Alice A. Pugeley, River Hebert, N. S. Jennie E. Rice, North Sydney, C. B.

Seventy-five young ladies attended the Seminary during the year, sixty-six of whom reside in this Province. Four came from New Brunswick, three from Prince Edward Island, and four from the neighboring Republic. A gymnasium has been fitted up during the year, which is much appreciated by the students. Mrs R D Balcom, the popular and efficient Matron, has resigned her position in the Institution.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

The closing ceremonies of the graduating class of Acadia College were held on Thursday morning beginning at 11 a. m. After prayer by the Rev. Dr Saunders, President Sawyer announced that a portion only of the orations would be delivered. Following is the programme: Canada as a Part of the British Empire, Horace L. Day, Yarmouth, N. S. *The Science of Human Life, James W. Armstrong, Kingston, N. S. Development in the Methods of Government, Harry W. Wickwire, Canning, N. S. MUSIC. *Education in Sparta, Oliver H. Cogswell, Morristown, N. S. The Spanish in America, Morley D. Hemmeon, Wolfville, N. S. *The Educational Influence of Westminster Abbey, Lewis J. Lovett, Kentville, N. S. Progressive Forces of Civilization, Walter B. Wallace, West Gore, N. S. MUSIC. *The Future of Africa, Herbert O. Harris, Canning, N. S. *At Eventide, J. Robert Hutchinson, Great Village, N. S. *The Common School as a Teacher of Morality, Harry S. Shaw, Berwick, N. S. The Anglo-Saxon in Australasia, Charles W. Eaton, Lower Canada, N. S. *Savonarola, Carmel L. Davidson, Gasperan, N. S. MUSIC. Essentials of Representative Government, Alfred E. Shaw, Avonport, N. S. Comparison between The Prometheus Bound of Aeschylus and The Prometheus Unbound of Shelly, Louis D. Morse, Nictaux, N. S. MUSIC. *Excused.

The orations were all of a high order and were much enjoyed by the large audience assembled.

HONORS

Dr Sawyer previous to reading the honor list stated that in several instances the honors now conferred had been earned previous years, but that there had been no opportunity to publicly confer them. The honors were then conferred on the several students in the following order: Name Class Subject J. E. Bars Freshman English J. E. Eaton Sophomore History C. B. Freeman " English Miss A. G. Jackson " English F. M. Shaw " Science H. F. Waring " History C. M. Woodworth " English H. T. DeWolfe Junior Logic W. H. Jenkins " Classics C. L. Davidson Sophomore English Senior Science C. W. Eaton Junior Pol. Econ. Senior History A. E. Shaw Junior Pol. Econ. Senior History H. S. Shaw Senior Pol. Econ. The degree of B. A. was then conferred upon the members of the class, and that of M. A. on the Rev. D. H. Simpson. Dr Sawyer then addressed the class on their duties and responsibilities in life, after which he called on the Hon W. S. Fielding, who briefly responded, thanking the learned Doctor for calling on him and excused himself from speaking owing to the lateness of the hour. Dr Sawyer

then announced that the graduating class had given \$25.00 to be expended in prizes in coming years.

Mr Seldon Cummings paid over \$300, guaranteed by the Alumni towards the support of the Chair of Modern Languages and History, and guaranteed on their behalf \$600 for the coming year.

The whole number of students attending College during the year is 115. Of these 14 are in the Senior, 20 in the Junior, 27 in the Sophomore, and 54 in the Freshman classes.

The annual expedition of the Junior class in charge of Prof Coldwell visited Margareville, Isle Haute, Blomidon, West Bay, Parraboro, and Springhill.

The Chair of Modern Languages and History recently founded has been ably filled during the year by Prof L E Wortman, M. A.

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