

The ceremonies took place on April 24th, in the Academy of Music, as is usual. The graduating classes, though small, when compared with those of former years, made up in quality what they lacked in quantity.

After prayers by Ex-President Forrest, President Mackenzie gave his address. It was one full of hope and promise. He told of the raising of \$500,000 during the year that had passed. This had made further expansion possible and heightened the interest of the citizens of Halifax in the welfare of the institution. The new Dalhousie at Studley was now a reality, and only a few endowments, bequests or legacies from the philanthropic rich were needed to complete the work.

The graduating classes in Arts, Science, Law, Medicine and Dentistry then had their respective degrees conferred upon them, with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto. Of these, thirty-three graduates received their B.A. degrees, twelve their LL.B., nine their M.B.C.M., four their B.Sc., and one his D.D.S. Three Master's degrees were also conferred.

Notable among the speeches delivered was that of Rev. Dr. Mackintosh, of Edinburgh. Dr. Mackintosh had charmed the ears of many Halifax audiences during that week, but never was he heard to better advantage. His theme was the debt the Canadian graduate owes to the Old Country, and vice versa, the obligation of Old Country graduates to Canadians. Other speakers were Rev. Canon Llwyd, vicar of All Saints Cathedral, and Mr. Geo. S. Campbell, the Chairman of the Dalhousie Board of Governors.

St. Francis Xavier University.

The Commencement Exercises of the University of St. Francis Xavier took place in College Hall on Tuesday, May 13th, with His Lordship Bishop Morrison presiding. A good programme was carried out and the following prizes were awarded: Gold Medal for highest aggregate in freshman year. This prize was equally merited by Archibald Wilkie, Antigonish, and Michael McCabe, Newcastle, N. B.; Gold Medal for Sophomore year to Vincent MacNeil, Big Pond, C. B.; Gold Medal, junior year, to A. L. McDonald, Port Hood, C. B.; Gold Medal, senior year, to J. D. Keane, Newcastle, N. B.; ten dollars in gold for best paper in Zoology to W. F. Chisholm, Cambridge, Mass.; Gold prize for best paper, Sophomore English, to Vincent MacNeil; Gold prize for highest aggregate, Freshman Latin, to Edmund Fitzgerald, St. John, N. B.; Special prize for best essay on "The Future of Canada," to W. F. Lane, B.A., Bayfield, N. B.

The degrees were conferred as follows:— D.Lit. (Honoris Causa), Alexander Fraser, LL.D., F.S.A. Scot, Provincial Archivist, Toronto, Ontario; M.A. (Honoris Causa), Thomas Hanrahan Esq., Superintendent of Education, member of C.H.E., Newfoundland, Harbor Grace; M.A. (Examination

and Thesis), W. F. Lane, B.A., Bayfield, N. B.; D. L. Dwyer, St. Stephen, N. B.

Nine graduates received the B. A. degree.

After the distributing of prizes and conferring of degrees an excellent address on "The Future of Canada" was delivered by Mr. W. F. Lane, M.A., of Bayfield, N. B. Eloquent addresses were also delivered by Dr. Fraser of Toronto and Bishop Morrison, Chancellor of the University. His Lordship congratulated the graduates on the evidence of study and scholarship shown in their addresses and reminded them of their duties and responsibilities after leaving college. The baccalaureate sermon was preached at the cathedral at the close of the exercises by Rev. A. McD. Thompson, D.D.

Mount Allison University.

The closing exercises of Mount Allison this year were of more than ordinary interest, for not only was the graduating class the largest in its history, but it was also the jubilee celebration of its first graduating class of which Rev. Dr. Howard Sprague, dean of Theology of Mt. Allison, and His Honor Lieutenant Governor Josiah Wood, were the members. These two gentlemen graduated from Mount Allison in 1863. Both their careers have been full of the most glorious kind of success, and now that they have come to the fiftieth anniversary of their graduation they are found in labors most abundant. Students past and present wish them new lease of life and usefulness.

Lieutenant-Governor Wood and Dr. Sprague who were on the platform were presented with addresses — that to His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Wood by Rev. A. D. Morton, D.D., and that to Rev. Dr. Sprague by Dr. Allison. Governor Wood, in his reply, after paying a glowing tribute to Dr. Charles F. Allison, founder of the institutions at Sackville, and to others who were connected with its early history, referred to the advantages enjoyed by the students of the present day over those available in the days when he was attending the University. Rev. Dr. Sprague, in replying, said:—"Fifty years! What a half century they have made. For truth and facts and laws of nature discovered and used for the material advantage and social good of man, no fifty years since time began has equalled that of which we speak to-day." The speaker, after reviewing in glowing language his college days and paying high tribute to his teachers, closed with the following:—"I must congratulate the University and all who have played a part in its history on the steady development of fifty years under successive leaders, all capable, wise, energetic and faithful. I rejoice that the magnificent progress under Pickard, Inch and Allison is crowned by the success of the endowment movement under President Borden." This movement is a campaign for the raising of \$250,000 as an endowment fund. This amount