

power, heart power, soul power. Life lives in him, and has its richest expression in a warm and biblical preaching, luminous with the gospel of the Son of Man who is the Son of God. He is a safe and wise man, quick with interpretative sympathy, loyal and true, incapable of betraying a trust, and delighting in open and manly thinking and living. As the recent head of the University, it may be permitted to me to say that no member of the Faculty responded more quickly and continuously to considerations involving the welfare of every side and phase of our complex organism than did Mr. Trotter. Nor was he quicker to perceive than willing to do. That he should, on resigning his chair last spring to enter upon the duties of the pastorate at Wolfville, have the satisfaction of knowing that he retired from an institution, which for its age and scope, is unique among the Universities of Canada in the elaborations of its courses and deft adjustment of educational means to ends, must in all justice be counted to his credit, as well as to the credit of those whom he left behind. His retirement was a sore loss to McMaster, but it is some consolation to know that it was a great gain to Acadia.

In the light of more recent developments and the call of Dr. Trotter to become president of our beloved University, these closing words contain almost a touch of unconscious prophecy. The "gam to Acadia" is destined to prove much greater than was dreamed of by anyone at the time the above words were penned. The conviction is general and gains ground daily throughout the denomination that the new president is the right man in the right place at the right time. It is true as he himself has said that the task set to his hand is herculean, but not hopeless, provided that with strong faith in God, we, as a denomination, strike hands with him and address ourselves in holy and Christlike self-sacrifice to the work before us. May we prove equal to the duties of the hour.

O sons of the fathers are we!

Are we worthy their daring and fame?  
Their daughters, so dowered and free!

Are we true to our mother's name?

Give Acadia beauty for ashes!

Lift her banners free in the air!

Give her the red ruby that flashes

When the heart's deep vault is laid bare.

Of trade, and winged commerce, and farm,

The loom, and all art new and old,

The forest, and mine, and sea-arm,

Let the Klondike give of its gold!

A life-temple we're rearing, and His

The Way, and the Truth, and the Life,

To equip for the battle that is,

And to fill the world with His strife.

Make life a ministry of love, and it will  
always be worth living.—*Browning.*

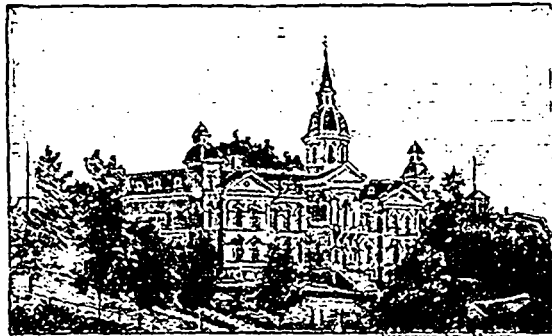
## Acadia, the People's College.

BY PRESIDENT TROTTER.

Such a description would not be true of every college. It is eminently true of Acadia.

Acadia was founded by the people. The Baptists of these Provinces had no Rockefeller with his millions, no McMaster with his munificence to build and endow their institutions. Necessity was laid upon them to do the thing themselves; and what Baptist boy or girl has not heard the story of how the fathers and the sons, how the mothers and the daughters, in those early days, hewed wood and gathered berries, and churned butter, and spun yarn, to the end that they might have a hand in the good work? It is still to the people that Acadia looks for enlarged resources to meet the necessities of her expanding work. Here and there a favored brother or sister will write a subscription in four figures, but all the people must help or our hopes will be disappointed.

The courses of study have been framed for the people. In the great Universities



ACADIA UNIVERSITY.

the courses are often of a highly specialized character, designed to prepare men in a special way for the various professional callings. The courses at Acadia are not without an element of specialization, but it is of a comparatively slight and incidental sort. The aim of the curriculum is to provide a broad general culture in letters and science, which will send forth men or women to whom all the leading departments of learning have been opened, whose various powers of mind have been well disciplined, and who are conditioned to take up in an efficient manner especial lines of advanced study, or to enter well furnished into any of the departments of practical life.

The education offered at Acadia is that broad and liberal education, which all young men and young women ought to aspire after, whatever their plans for after life.

The slight cost of an education at Acadia also makes good the designation "The People's College." It costs the Board of Governors about ninety dollars

a year for the tuition of each student in the college. But the prescribed tuition fee is only twenty-four dollars; and nearly half the students, by means of the scholarships which are in circulation, escape even from this fee. Surely a liberal education was never made more accessible to the people, the poorest of them, than in the college at Wolfville.

We trust the people will realize their privileges more and more and make the very most of them.

The installation of Rev. Thos. Trotter, D. D., as President of Acadia University will take place on Oct. 13th.

President Trotter writes us under date of the 30th Sept. "We opened yesterday with a fine attendance. Numbers will not be complete for a few days. Forty six freshmen are already enrolled. Probably there will be enough more to bring the class to fifty."

At the solicitation of a committee of the Brown University corporation Dr. E. B. Andrews has withdrawn his resignation of the Presidency, having secured his release from the Presidency of the projected Cosmopolitan University. While the latter by this action receives a serious check, its promoters are by no means disheartened. That there is a widely felt need for just such an institution as the new university promises to be, is abundantly evidenced by the fact that no less than 5,556 applications for enrolment as students have been received during the six weeks since its announcement was first made. These

applicants represent every state in the Union and every province in Canada, as well as nearly every profession and occupation.

In this jubilee year it is interesting to know that the British empire comprises three per cent. of the area of Europe, ten per cent. of Asia, nineteen per cent. of Africa, twenty four per cent. of America, and two-thirds of Australasia. More than one fifth of the world is ruled by Queen Victoria. The empire has extended during the last sixty years by the average addition every two years of territory equal to the size of the United Kingdom. For the three score years of Her Majesty's reign, the empire has annexed on the average a territory as large as New Brunswick every six months, or an area equal to Prince Edward Island every fortnight.—*St. John Sun.*

Riflemen use telescopic sights for firing at long range. Sharpshooters are scarce. So men with prophetic minds are men who see and aim beyond the common sight.