

ing happiness? At present, they seldom think about the benefits they are procuring for us and others by their useful labor: but were their circumstances ameliorated, their miseries relieved, their minds expanded, their moral powers cultivated and improved; were they to behold the various branches of the human family for whom they are laboring, exerting every nerve to promote their moral improvement and domestic enjoyment, it would produce many pleasing emotions in their breasts and in the midst of all their toilsome labors would lead them to reflect that their exertions are the means of distributing numerous comforts and conveniences among men of different nations, rank, and languages. Their minds would take a more extensive range among the various races of mankind with which they are connected; they would learn to trace the remotest consequences of every branch of labor and of every mechanical operation in which they are engaged, and would thus feel themselves more intimately related to every individual of the great family to which we belong.

EXCHANGES.

THE March No. of the *Eurhetorian Argosy* has reached us, fraught with interesting articles. "On Measuring Character," and "A trip up the Mediterranean" are especially interesting.

JUST as we were going to press we received the *Dalhousie Gazette* of March 13th. Its medley of editorials will receive due attention in our next issue.

Personals.

OUR Professor of Natural Science has evinced his interest in the ATHENÆUM, by enclosing \$5.00, to the Secretary. We tender our sincere thanks for the encouragement thus given as a guarantee of sympathy and support.

THE following sons of Acadia are now prosecuting their studies at Newton Theological Institute: J. F. Kempton, A.B., '62; G. E. Tufts, A.B., '66; W. A. Newcomb, A.B., '70; H. Morrow, A.B., '71. Also J. T. Eaton, A. W. Eaton, and J. McLean, formerly students here but non-graduates.

H. W. RAND, A.B., '73, is at present Principal of the Grammar School at St. George, N.B. We learn that his services are highly appreciated by both scholars and parents.

F. H. EATON, '73, and S. McC. Black, '74, now studying at Harvard, have lately been afflicted by severe attacks of Measles. Mr. Eaton has quite recovered, and Mr. Black is convalescent.

ON the 15th ult., Prof. Charles F. Hart of Cornell University, the well known South American explorer, started *via* Europe, for Rio de Janeiro to continue for a few months his scientific researches in Brazil. His aim is to make a reconnaissance of the gold and diamond region north of Rio, concerning whose Geology and Physiology little is known.

Prof. Hart goes out under the auspices of Cornell University, aided by one of its trustees, Col. E. B. Morgan, of Aurora, N. Y., but he has received important contributions from the Peabody Museum, of Cambridge, Mass; from Prof. O. C. Marsh, of Yale College, New Haven; the Metropolitan Museum of Art of New York; from Mr. Hiram Hitchcock of Hanover, N. H.; and Dr. J. C. Rodrigues of the *Novo Minds* newspaper. (*Christian at Work*.)

Prof. Hart graduated at Acadia in 1860 and took the degree of M. A., in 1863.

Items.

Professor.—What is Natural Selection?
Student.—It is the *natural liking* which individuals of different species have for one another.

Professor (smilingly)—Well, your answer is, I suppose, quite pardonable in a young man.

Deceased.—The lofty aspirations of one of the Freshmen, who now dejectedly sings.—"Thou art so near and yet so far!"

Junior, (Geology class)—One genus of vegetation that flourished in the Devonian period was the *Campbellite* (Calamite.)

Professor.—It occurs to me that your *Theological* and *Geological* terminology are becoming slightly *mixed*.

Aspiring Freshman.—"What are the Honor studies in Greek this year?"—On the Professor informing him that Lucian's *Dialogues of the Dead* would be one, the Freshman, who had been lately reading in Shakespeare of the sheeted dead squeaking and gibbering in the streets, asked with no little solicitude and deep emotion: "Will five times the quantity in any other be accepted as an equivalent?"

Mathematical Problem.—Given,—the "*departure*" and "*distance*" of a Semnarian—to find the "*course steered*" by a Sophomore immediately afterward.

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