

of the serene sky, and the snowy softness of the slowly moving cloud. The mountain in the distance, clothed to its summit with the dark verdure of the spruce and pine or with the lighter green of the maple, is at times hidden by the drift of sea-fog or crossed by scurrying shadows, or becomes a hazy purple bank as it catches the good night rays of light from the livid western sky. All nature joins the songs of the birds as they carol of the good things that are to follow these "days of clear shining."

In the autumn, when the songs of birds have a subdued note of farewell, when the maples proudly flaunt the dying glory of their scarlet and gold, and sadness comes over our spirits as the dead leaves flutter to our feet, we know that rich harvests have been gathered from the fields now lying bare and sear, and that the spring-time promises of the pink and white blossoms in the orchards have been fulfilled in abundant fruitage, and the scene before us rests and satisfies.

"When the mesmerizer Snow
With his hand's first sweep
Puts the earth to sleep,"

then meadow and mountain become a dazzling white expanse by day while by night the thousands of tiny snow crystals sparkle diamond-like in the frosty star light.

Throughout these changing seasons, the tides ceaselessly swirl about Blomidon as it stands in sleepless vigil assuring us that the beauties of Acadia Land in the varying scenes of summer, autumn, winter and spring, will ever claim the appreciation of beauty-loving spirits and

"Clear from marge to marge shall bloom
The eternal landscape of the past."

Is College Training Sufficiently Practical?

PERSISTENTLY this question continues to enter the arena of public consideration and magazine discussion without fear of successful banishment until certain reforms have been effected. It may be difficult to formulate the changes that seem to be needed. That there are requirements, however, which must be supplied before the college curriculum will be in a position to contribute as effectually as it ought, towards adaptability to the practical concerns of life, few will be prepared to refute. After enumerating a number of conditions which business men claim are real, the *Success* asks the following question (for answers to which there is sufficient desire to lead to an offer of cash prizes for the best replies): "What changes would you recommend in the average college curriculum, to render it of greater practical value to those contemplating a business career?" A similar tendency of thought is exhibited in the writings of a number of current magazine contributors. The discussions are not confined to