

The history begins with a brief sketch of the growth of Acadia from the earliest settlement in 1604 to the commencement of Minas in 1671, thence onward to the expulsion in 1755. A chapter on the Micmacs, the Geology of Minas, and the origin of Evangeline add greatly to the interest and value of the book a chapter is also devoted to the Acadians in exile and the English settlements of Minas.

Much important light has been thrown upon the history of the Acadians in the last ten years. Previous to this the authority of two or three writers was looked upon as final. Later investigations compel the reconstruction of the Acadian story. We are glad to learn that the English home government was not to blame for the cruelties of the Acadian expulsion. The deed found its origin in the brain of Lawrence, a governor of Nova Scotia. His persecution followed the people even after their dispersion among the people of New England, after every acre of their land had been taken and granted to English settlers.

Mr Herbin has devoted a great deal of time to this subject, and a careful perusal will repay the reader. He is already favorably known as the author of a volume of poems entitled "The Marshlands."

George E. Chipman, A. M., LL. B., Professor of Political Science in Shurtleff College, who graduated from Acadia in 1892 has just published a valuable manual on Modern International Law. The work is very highly commended and no doubt there will be a great demand for it as an introduction to a topical study of international law.

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The Month.

On Friday evening, Nov. 4th. the teachers and students of Acadia Seminary gave a reception to the Academy students. The guests were received by the Principal, Miss True, assisted by Miss Estabrooks, President of Pierian. The Seminary receptions are said to differ from other receptions because of the novelties introduced. Evidently, on this occasion, the hostesses attempted to keep up the reputation, and the attempt was, apparently, very successful. The entertainment for the evening consisted of "Progressive Crokinole" and, at the close of the game, prizes were awarded to the best and——(superlative of best) players. Miss Lyda Moffatt won the former while Mr. McDonald of the Academy was successful enough to carry the latter off in triumph. Refreshments were then served, and at this period attention was directed to the yellow and white draperies artistically arranged over the dining-room doors. The yellow trimmings of the waiters also bore witness that the Seminary girls had taken into consideration the fact that yellow is one of the Academy colors. Shortly after the refreshments were served, "God Save the Queen" gently reminded all that the evening's entertainment was at a close.

The same evening, Dr. and Mrs. Trotter entertained the Propylæum