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Professor Francis R. Haley was born at Yarmouth, N. S., August 4th, 1862. He received his early education at the Yarmouth Academy, in which school he prepared for the matriculation examination of McGill University. Owing, however, to a change in plan, he came to Acadia.

Prof. Haley's course at Acadia, according to his own statement was quiet and uneventful, unmarked by any special effort or special honors. After graduation he received an appointment as instructor in Mathematics at Horton Academy, which position he held one year. In the Autumn of 1885 he entered Harvard University, being the first graduate of any Provincial college admitted to the Senior year of that institution. During his course at Harvard he gave special attention to studies in Mathematics and Philosophy. Graduating in 1886 he received an appointment as Instructor in Mathematics at Freehold Institute, New Jersey, a large preparatory school for Princetown College. Two years later he was called to the instructorship in Mathematics and Physics at the Norwich Free Academy, one of the best of the New England preparatory Schools.

In the Summer of 1890 Prof. Haley was appointed Alumni Professor of Physics at Acadia College. Before undertaking the duties of this position he spent eighteen months in study and travel abroad. The Summer of 1891 was spent in the laboratory of Edinburgh University, working under the personal supervision of Professor Tait. The Winter of '91 and '92 was spent in Germany attending the lectures of well-known specialists,—Helmholtz, Wiedermann and others. He came to Acadia in the fall of 1892 and since that time has pursued his work at this institution. He received the degree of M. A. from Acadia in June, 1891.

Prof. Haley has been eminently successful in his work. In New England he earned for himself an enviable reputation as a teacher, and his return to his Alma Mater to occupy the responsible position which he now holds, has brought new life and fresh vigor to the work. By his efforts many improve-