

the work of the year, which has been very successful, and he referred specially to the manual training department, which, under the management of Principal McKinnon, has made excellent progress. The closing exercises of the Seminary took place in the evening. The deep interest that is taken in this institution was proved by the large and cultured audience that gathered to hear the exercises, which consisted of the reading of essays, music, presentation of prizes, and addresses by Miss True and Mr. G. U. Hay. Excellent work is being done by the accomplished principal, Miss True, and her staff.

The College convocation was held on Wednesday morning, the president, Dr. Trotter, presiding. There were thirty-two graduates in arts, of whom eleven were young ladies. Three received the degree of M. A. in course. The honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred on Rev. S. McCully Black, and Master of Arts on Rev. J. D. Freeman of Fredericton. The Governor General's gold medal for the highest standing was awarded to Miss J. Blanche Burgess of Dorchester, N. B. The addresses to the graduating class by Rev. Dr. Sawyer and Dr. Butler of Colby were scholarly and thoughtful.

New Brunswick University.

Encoenia at the University of New Brunswick took place on Thursday, June 2nd, in the presence of a large number of interested visitors. The ordeal through which the University has passed during the past year had the effect of bringing together its friends to make the occasion as spirited and brilliant as possible. The result showed the warm interest that these feel in its behalf. The meeting and dinner of the Associated Alumni on the day previous gave an opportunity for the graduates to say some good things for their alma mater and to rally vigorously to its support.

The address of Chancellor Harrison at the Encoenia contained a vigorous protest against the proposal to withdraw the grant from the University. He referred to the influence that it had exerted in the life and civilization of the province, and referred to its many illustrious graduates who had won distinction in the province and elsewhere. He outlined a plan by which the University might be brought into touch with the farming interests of the country, and recommended that a chair in agricultural chemistry be established. The professor, in addition to lecturing, might give attention to the agricultural interests of the province in various helpful ways.

The Douglas gold medal was awarded to Frank J. Bayfield for the best English essay on *The Actual and the Ideal in Political Life*. The Brydone Jack memorial

scholarship—a cheque of \$60—was awarded Fred. L. Daye for proficiency in physics.

The degree of B. A. was conferred upon nineteen candidates, of whom three were women, and a diploma in civil engineering was given to Bruce E. Burpee.

The M. A. degree in course was conferred on H. C. Henderson of Fredericton, Prof. W. K. Hatt of Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., and Horace L. Brittain of Moncton.

The degree of Ph. D. (honorary) was conferred upon Prof. Wm. F. Ganong of Smith College, Northampton, Mass., in absentia.

Mt. Allison Institutions.

The closing exercises of these well-known institutions began on Thursday, May 26th. As usual, hundreds of visitors gathered from all parts of the Maritime Provinces, and the proceedings this year were, if possible, more than ordinarily attractive and interesting, reflecting credit on the zeal and application of the students, the attainments and ripe experience of the faculty, and the excellent system and methods of training that are practised at these institutions.

After various preparatory exercises, such as the college sports, the elocution contest, class banquets, the ground was ready for the more solid part of the work. The Academy closing took place on Monday afternoon, May 30th. The work of Principal Palmer and his associates has been very successful during the year, and its practical character is especially marked. An interesting feature of the exercises was the reading of an essay by Gustavo Gispert, a young Cuban, on the question that is now of such absorbing interest in that country.

The closing of the Ladies' College was one of the most attractive features of the occasion. The essays were of a high order of merit, and the subjects admirably well chosen—"Myths of Plant Life," "Heroines," and "Tennyson's Women." The music was of a high standard. Principal Borden stated that the year had been a successful one. Especially had they reason to be pleased at the success attained in the musical department, and the programme, so admirably carried out, gave abundant evidence of the excellence of this training.

Tuesday evening, May 31st, witnessed the convocation exercises at the closing of the college. The degree of D. C. L. was conferred on His Honor Lieut. Governor Albert Reid McClellan, who was a student at the institutions in their first year, and the first president of the Alumni Association. His Honor gave an able address, in which he reviewed the success of the work at Sackville. President Allison in his address paid a warm tribute to the benefactions of the late George Bowser.

The degree of B. A. was conferred on twenty graduates,