

Seminary, are to be congratulated on the wisdom and vigor of their administration, as exemplified by results.

The usefulness of these schools has been very much impaired in the past by lack of funds. They have always been in financial straits. Probably since their foundation in the early years of the last century there has never been a Saturday night when there was enough money in the treasury to effect the current liquidations, to say nothing of enlargement to meet present needs. Few people have any adequate conception of the worry and anxiety that has been endured by those immediately responsible for these institutions of learning during the past seventy or more years. Now a new era seems to be approaching.

On November 30th, 1902, President Trotter announced the successful completion of the first forward movement, and that \$75,000 in cash had been placed in the hands of the governing board. But this was not enough, and forthwith he sets about to further augment the resources. Now a second forward movement is in full progress, which when completed will add \$200,000 more to the available funds of the institutions. Already, after only about three weeks of effort, he reports pledges to the amount of \$30,000, and this generous sum from only twenty-one persons. The president has every reason for his confidence that this movement will be carried speedily to a successful issue. Thus far, during his administration, President Trotter has devoted his time and thought to the material side of the work here. The enlargement and enrichment of the internal affairs of the college will receive his attention hereafter.

During the present vacation some of the buildings are to undergo repairs, and the heating and ventilating systems are to be improved, and other changes made that will greatly add to the comfort and efficiency of the schools.

The outlook for students was never brighter than today. As many students as can be accommodated are expected at the reopening next term.

A B.A. diploma of Acadia qualifies a student for admission to the senior class of Yale or Harvard without examination. As a proof that this recognition is well merited we may point to the splendid record of the seven graduates of Acadia who entered Yale University the past year. One entered the graduate school and six took the work of the senior year. One of the heads of departments recently stated that Yale never had a better delegation from any college than this group of Acadia men. As a result of the year's work, four have been appointed to fellowships, one has received a scholarship, and the sixth has been appointed assistant in the psychological department for the year. The financial aids thus bestowed by Yale upon these six men for next year aggregate two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars. They will all proceed with post-graduate work.

Mt. Allison Institutions.

The closing exercises of the various Mt. Allison institutions were held from May 30 to June 2. All branches reported a very successful year. The attendance has been good and students have pursued their various courses with interest.

At the Academy twelve students were prepared for college, nine of whom expect to enter on their course at Mt. Allison in the autumn. Ten were awarded diplomas in the commercial department, and ten, certificates of having completed the course in shorthand and typewriting. The majority of these were young ladies, which suggested that music and fine art were not engaging the attention of all the occupants of the Ladies' College. One or two others were given certificates of proficiency in penmanship. Dr. Inch, who had not been at the closing exercises for several years, was present and made a short address. Mr. Elmer Colpitts, who has been during the past year Principal Palmer's head assistant, expects next year to take a post-graduate course in mathematics at Harvard. Mr. Davidson, of the commercial department, and Mr. Worrell will continue their work. The other two assistants who were members of the university graduating class, have resigned their positions.

The Ladies' College had a large number completing courses; twelve in the literary course; one, the first, in elocution, and five in music. The inadequacy of the present building has long been felt, and now a new ell is in progress of construction, to be ready by September. It is to be of brick, with stone trimmings. It will contain a dining-room to seat two hundred and fifty persons, a hospital equipment, and a number of students' rooms. In the high and well-lighted basement will be a part of the space and plant required for the new department of domestic science. The building will cost about \$40,000. During the summer Dr. Borden will make an appeal to the friends of the Ladies' College to give aid in this undertaking. For the staff of the Ladies' College there will be a few changes. Miss Few, who has been so popular a vocalist, goes to Paris to resume study. Miss Gifford, the second vocal teacher, and Miss Aldrich, first assistant in the art building, will also not return. Dr. and Mrs. Borden, with several members of the musical conservatory staff, start at once for a trip to Newfoundland. Several concerts will be given in St. John's and the other important towns.

The University at its convocation sent out a class of twenty-one. The class contained some fine young manhood, physically, as well as intellectually. Some enter upon the study of law and medicine, some go into the church, some into business. Two or three expect to return for advanced work in some department. The conditions under which, some time ago, Ex-Gov. McClellan made his offer of \$5,000 have been met, and various advances in the science work are anticipated. New assistance will be obtained and new courses prepared. The "Lodge," the building formerly occupied as a dormitory, will be recon-