

VERILY we have fallen upon *grandays*, for "Sweet Violets" greet us on every hand, and at every hour of day and night soul-catching strains float through the corridors suggesting a performance of "FAUST" on some divinely grand "Aria" from the old masters. What a pity it is that "Acadia" does not furnish opportunity for the development of such unmistakable talent as that evinced by certain youthful musicians!

HISTORY repeats itself, with slight changes; hundreds of years ago Scotland had a national hero; he loved his country, was a thorough patriot, did noble things generally, and sad to say was at length—hanged. The scene is changed and now Chipman Hall claims the national er-ah-humbug. Sir Billy with important modifications has remarkable points of analogy to his great namesake, e. g., was born, has grown up, especially around the cheek, and not particularly about the brain; his traits seem to be a cross between clownish boorishness and puerile vagabondism, is not much of a patriot, but loves his dinner with the best of them; last but not least is not hanged.

ACCIDENTS have happened Freshmen before now. Jonah was not a Freshman that we know of, and Jonah was swallowed by a whale. Now Top Flat Jonah christened *The Baron*; unless the whale's taste has become thoroughly depraved, will never suffer this mishap; but several ways have been invented by which a cat may be made "to shuffle off her mortal feathers," and the same would probably apply to other animals, such as dogs or pups. The top flatter though may develop into quite a man sometime; he has no very strong points just at present unless it be his breath at certain times, but then appearances are deceitful, quid dies ferat etc., and this is exactly what we would like our Jonah to bear in mind—granting the latter.

THE following were elected as officers of the Athenæum Society for the second term of this college year:—R. W. Ford, Pres.; H. S. Shaw, Vice Pres.; F. C. Hartley, Cor. Sec'y.; M. S. Read, Rec. Sec'y.; J. L. Healy, Treasurer.

Executive Committee:—W. E. Boggs, (chairman), C. W. Corey, A. E. Shaw, A. W. Foster, D. Duncanson.

THE regular monthly meeting of the Acadia Missionary Society was held on Jan. 19th. A large number were present and the meeting was a success. The retiring treasurer reported that he had forwarded \$25 to the treasurer of the Foreign Missionary Board. Mr. G. P. Raymond read an original paper on "The church's local mission field and work." It proved suggestive and interesting. Rev. S. T. Rind, D. D., L. L. D., followed with an excellent address. He dwelt on his much loved topic of "Missions to our own Indians." The officers of the Society for the current term were elected as follows:—E. L. Gates, Pres'd't.; H. S. Shaw, Vice Pres'd't.; J. H. Jenner, Sec'y.; L. D. Morse, Treasurer; C. W. Corey, C. H. Day, B. A., and Hattie E. Wallace, Literary Com.

RECENTLY a senior during recitation was heard to affirm that the Saxons were in the habit of *throwing up ditches*; and again that "Caesar visited Britain 55 B. C., and again a century after. If he does not believe in ghosts we advise him to *throw up the sponge*."

SOME touching facts were lately *ellis* ited from a cad concern his departure from *somewhere* near his home at the close of the holidays. He evidently believes the poet's doctrine that

"You should not take a fellow eight years old
And make him swear to never kiss the girls."

FOURTH she walked variously,
In manner precariously,
Over the ice:
While gleamed it fallaciously,
Down she sat graciously,
Testing it twice.

ON mystery of mysteries,
How may we thee explain?
When geese and turkeys, chicks and hen
That once by man were slain,
Do test their naked wings and fly
Beyond the reach of ken
And candy, fruit and lemon pie
Go search for them in vain—
Oh how can we the riddle solve
And set men's wondering fancies free?
Sophs. still from window's will revolve,
And Freshmen still with them agree.

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PROF. KEIRSTEAD, \$1; W. A. Rose, \$1; C. H. Fielding, \$1; F. S. Anderson, \$2; J. D. Kaddy, \$1; J. H. Bishop, \$3.50; Dr. McLatchy, \$2.50; G. Payzant, \$1; S. McCully Black, \$2; J. B. Mills, \$2; Silas MacVane \$1; V. Masters, \$1.20; W. E. Pride, \$1; J. Ellis, \$1; J. Morse, \$1; L. Lovett, \$1; J. C. Archibald, \$1; B. W. Lockhart, \$3; J. W. Dewis, \$1; H. H. Wickwire, \$2; C. McIntyre, \$1; A. J. Wallace, \$1; O. C. S. Wallace, \$1; H. W. McKenna, \$1.10; H. Waring, \$1; H. T. DeWolf, \$1; F. S. Messenger, \$1; G. R. White, \$1; B. H. Bently, 50 cents; Rev. G. Goodspeed, \$1; Prof. J. F. Tufts, \$1; Miss Hitchens, \$1; E. A. Crawley, \$1; B. R. Crosby, \$1; Miss A. Fitch, \$1; Miss Crump, \$1; D. H. Simpson, \$3; H. Whidden, \$1; A. McNeill, 40c.; L. D. McCart, \$1; G. V. Rand, \$1; Mrs. Blair, \$1. H. L. Day, Sec.-Treas.

MARRIAGES.

RAYMOND-MARSHALL.—At the residence of James Staratt, Lawrencetown, N. S., Dec. 29th., by the Rev. J. W. Tingley, B. A., Evelyn W. Raymond of New York to Clara B. Marshall, B. A., of Lawrencetown, N. S.

BEST-ROCKWELL.—At the Baptist Church, Wolfville, Jan. 4th., by Rev. T. A. Higgins, D. D., O. F. Best, of Canso, and Bella L. Rockwell, of Wolfville.