

THE passing years bring many changes to Acadia. Her history declares her to be, in deed and truth, "the Child of Providence," and never has she entered upon a year with brighter prospects or more hopeful outlook than the present. In Seminary, Academy and College their obtains a spirit of intelligent earnestness most gratifying and assuring.

The Seminary Faculty has undergone considerable change. On the resignation of Miss Wadsworth last June, the governors were fortunate enough to again engage as Principal Miss Mary E. Graves, whose former principalship was attended with such marked success. Her splendid education and great teaching ability, enriched by two years of European travel and study, places her among the first educationalists of our time. We are fortunate also to have with us again, as instructor in drawing and painting, Miss Eliza T. Harding, whose place her sister so ably filled last year. Miss Harding is a true artist, and a teacher of long and successful experience. The results of her recent studies in Germany, we doubt not, will be shewn in a renewed and deeper interest among students of Art in her department.

Miss Alice Fitch, B. A., takes the place of English Instructor, left vacant by the resignation of Miss Margeson. In a late number of this paper regret was expressed that we should lose so accomplished and successful a teacher as Miss Margeson, but accompanied by the hope that a worthy successor might be found to fill her place. In Miss Fitch, who is a graduate of Acadia College, a lady of high literary culture, and a teacher of experience we believe that hope to be fully realized.

This year sees the musical staff of the Seminary an entirely new one. Miss Helen M. Reeves, of Wellesly Ladies College, takes the position of Instrumental Teacher, in place of Miss Sawyer, who is pursuing her studies in England. Miss Reeves is a musician of high attainments and brings with her numerous testimonials of her ability and success as a teacher. Miss Harriet M. Eaton, a graduate of Acadia, is assistant Instrumental Teacher. Miss Eaton, as a former student and instructor, won golden opinions among us; and we have no doubt the future, in this respect, will be like unto the past. Mrs. Thompson, of Gardiner, Mass., brings with her a ripe experience and record of success enjoyed by few teachers in the

department of vocal music; and, judging from the enthusiasm with which she has already inspired her pupils, we believe that record will not be changed at Acadia.

The only instructors continued from last year are Madame Bauer and Miss Wallace. Their worth and proficiency are too well known to need further mention.

With such a splendid staff of instructors, and so genial and capable a matron as Mrs. Neily at the head of its home life, Acadia Seminary is advancing very rapidly in public opinion. There are already fifty-three pupils enrolled, with prospects of a large increase after Christmas. The Governors are to be congratulated upon securing for the Seminary so strong a staff, not only of accomplished and Christian women, but of teachers as well.

We notice with pleasure the advance made of late in the Academy. The standard of matriculation has been raised, and the lines between the different years more sharply drawn. This year their boarding hall is distinguished for the gentlemanly behaviour of its occupants. Over fifty students are already present, which number by Christmas will be increased to over seventy-five.

Principal Oakes is enthusiastic over his work, and backed as he is by so able a staff, we venture to predict greater growth and prosperity for Horton Collegiate Academy in the future, than it has known in its already bright history of over sixty prosperous years.

We are glad to meet again on the College Faculty, Professor Tufts, whose appointment to the Chair of History and Political Economy has been already announced through this paper. This appointment fills a long felt want, and is most acceptable to students as well as to all interested in the College.

Mr. F. M. Shaw, of the Senior Class, who took a grade "A" at the examination for teacher's license this summer, has been appointed tutor in science. This is a step in the right direction, and is held as a promise of what is to be.

This year elocution is recognized as part of the College curriculum, certificates being granted to those doing the prescribed work and passing satisfactory examinations. Mr. Shaw is to be congratulated upon