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doing his duty and all the time advancing in knowledge and in piety. Finally the time comes for him to leave his Alma Mater, he is to sever his connection with his teachers who have taught him both by word and example his duties to God and man. He is to part with his fellow-students with whom he has formed friendships which will never be broken.

We have followed him on in his course, we have watched him in his different positions, let us now see him at the close.

The commencement exercises are past, the boys are leaving for home. Our friend now a B. A. stands bidding farewell to his comrades. We stood here five years ago with him when he first entered college, we have followed him on in his daily routine, we have seen the training he has received and now we are able to judge how great a help a Catholic College education is to our young friend. Our young friend entered college a boy, but as he closes the door and walks from his Alma Mater he knows, he is, in the truest sense of the word, a man.

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The College Library has recently been the A PRINCELY recipient of a most munificent gift from the Lord Bishop. The addition made to the library by His Lordship's generosity consists of the Acta Sanctorum of the Bollandists, forming a series of sixty volumes in folio. The whole set is bound in calf. The work is most valuable to students of history, and is almost as rare as it is precious. Very few libraries in Canada can boast of such an acquisition and St. Francis Xavier's is to be congratulated upon this most valuable addition to its rapidly growing library. His Lordship has, during the whole of his episcopate, been placing the College under the deepest obligation to him, and this latest act of his generosity is a notable addition to numerous proofs which he has already given of his devoted friendship towards the leading educational institution of the Diocese. We feel confident that, at the present moment, while the people are being appealed to on behalf of the College, the shining example of generosity just given by the Bishop will find many desirous of imitating it to a certain degree.