

COLLEGE CONVOCATIONS.

University of New Brunswick

The closing week of the college year 1914-15 at the University of New Brunswick was opened by the preaching of the baccalaureate sermon to the Class of 1915, by Bishop Richardson, at Christ Church Cathedral, on the morning of Sunday, May 9th. On Wednesday, May 12th, the annual meetings of the Alumni and Alumnae Societies were held, and Thursday, May 13th, was the day of the Encoenia.

The exercises were more impressive than usual owing to the presence of the war in all thoughts. Of the graduating class, eight members, in England with the Canadian Expeditionary Force, received the degree of B. A. *in absentia*. A cablegram was sent to the Chancellor by these young men, wishing success in life to their classmates. Nearly all the addresses delivered contained some reference to the war, and telegrams expressing appreciation of the loyalty of the undergraduates who have gone on active service were received from the Hon. J. D. Hazen, and from Rev. Canon Montgomery of Calgary.

Thirty-five degrees were conferred. In the graduating class, eight students graduated in arts, fifteen in civil engineering, four in forestry, and two in electrical engineering. Three higher degrees were granted. Rev. Ralph L. Sherman and Mr. J. T. Hebert received the degree of M. A. and Mr. Henry F. Morrissey that of M.Sc.

Hon. Bonar Law, leader of His Majesty's opposition in the House of Commons, Hon. George J. Clarke, Premier of New Brunswick, and Sir Frederic Williams-Taylor, General Manager of the Bank of Montreal in Canada, were given the honorary degree of LL. D., and Miss Ella Thorne, teacher of English in the Fredericton High School, was granted the honorary degree of M. A. for distinguished services in Education.

The Douglas gold medal was won by Mr. George J. Marr; the Alumni gold medal by Mr. Dyson W. Wallace; the Montgomery Campbell prize for classics by Mr. Hugh C. Titus. The Brydone-Jack scholarship was awarded to Mr. Adrian Gilbert, and the Ketchum medal for highest standing in fourth year civil engineering, to Mr. Earle D. Oulton. Mr. W. Arnold Mersereau took the prize offered by the city of

Fredericton, and Miss Isabel St. John Bliss won the Alumnae Society's prize. Miss F. Louise Scott was given the William Crockett memorial prize, and Mr. Alonzo R. Stiles the prize presented by Mr. J. T. Jennings.

The address in Praise of the Founders was delivered by Dr. W. C. Keirstead, Professor of Economics and Philosophy, who gave an interesting sketch of the early history of the University and showed how the University had striven to carry out the ideals of her Loyalist founders. Rev. Ralph L. Sherman gave the Alumni Oration, his theme being "Some aspects of modern thought." The address to the graduating class was made by Sir Frederic Williams-Taylor, who in a forceful and stimulating speech pointed out some of the principal "rocks, shoals, currents and lighthouses" in the chart of life which experience had given him, and in his conclusion urged upon the class to consider their primary duty to their King and country at this crisis. The valedictory, including the class history, was delivered by Mr. Ewart C. Atkinson of Fredericton.

When the university opens next autumn, the Freshman class will enter without undergoing any form of initiation, and the Chancellor hopes that the elimination of this custom in 1915, is a step towards its final abolition.

King's College Encoenia.

The Baccalaureate Sermon of King's College was preached in the Hensley Memorial Chapel on Sunday, May 22nd, by Rev. W. S. H. Morris, Rector of Middleton.

On Monday evening, May 3rd, the Haliburton Club met in Convocation Hall. The annual meeting of the Alumni was held on Wednesday, May 5th, and the meeting of the Alexandra Society on the same day. The reports of both societies showed that excellent work for the college had been done during the year. At the meeting of the Board of Governors, the Rev. T. W. Powell, retiring President, read a full and interesting report of the work of the past year, and in his words of farewell thanked the governors for the support they had given him. A resolution expressing regret at Dr. Powell's resignation and an appreciation of his services was passed by a standing vote.