

gling emotion; took off our hats and bade her a long farewell.

Long live Acadia. Long live our fellow students. We heartily wish those who return next October, the most prosperous year in the history of Horton. Our good-will for them is unalloyed. Fellow-students, we thank you for your acquaintance and friendship; we praise you for your nobleness and truth; we love you for your frankness and sympathy, and pray for you in strength of spirit, beauty of character and trust in God such imperishable riches as we cannot bestow.

COLLEGE MEN often hear the remark "anybody can get through college now-a-days." Well, all we can say is, the best thing "anybody" can do is "get." "Anybody" is usually nobody, but we have sometimes seen nobodies enter college and come out almost somebodies. There is a certain satisfaction (perhaps), at best there is a species of philosophy the chief attribute of which is to depreciate everything which it does not embrace. If riches have never poured their golden treasure into the laps of the devotees of such philosophy "riches are only a source of annoyance anyway, man is better without wealth;" if nature has not dealt kindly with them in the matter of comely appearance, beauty is only skin deep; if illiterateness is one of their prominent characteristics, "anything can get through college." It is a revised version of that very old but constantly new story about the "sour grapes, &c." Let no person take offence at people who are afflicted with this sort of mental dyspepsia. They are neither dangerous nor do they succeed in accomplishing much; next to eating they love to philosophize.

But suppose "any person" can succeed in "getting through" an institution of learning. No one denies the fact that a man of ordinary ability can, by fair application, obtain a degree from any seat of learning in this or any other country. Colleges are not founded in the interests of the few intellectual Sampsons who in many cases can kill their thousands with the veritable "jaw bone" be it of an ass or not. They have as an object the propagation and dissemination of knowledge; knowledge of a higher type than carrying mortar or even building a fence, but knowledge just the same. The wider this knowledge can be distributed the better it accords with their views

and wishes. They are neither aristocratic, plutocratic nor oligarchic, but in so far as possible democratic. Is there any reproach then in the truth, if you like, that "any person" (not a fool nor an ass, which limits the number after all), can "get through." Of course there is not. It is a truth the fullness of which can only be realized by those who have had the inexpressible and inestimable privilege of measuring its reality. It is one of the grandest facts of later civilization, it should be one of the proudest boasts of future generations.

After the curtain which has been up at long intervals for five years, drops upon the educational scene at Acadia forever, the main point, (after the sentiments and concerts), is, what have you got out of the course? What has it done for you? Is the game worth the candle, to speak eloquently. We think so. It is worth more than can be estimated in "candles." It is worth more than the dollars you paid for it. You ought to be able to put it in your pocket in a few years, but you certainly should in your head now. It gives a man a push which should never after allow him to be content with jog trotting. It opens up subjects which will afford plenty of material for thought as long as thought remains what it is. It gives a confidence, a reliance, a sympathy with high aims and achievements, a thousand attributes and qualities indefinitely as they are important. "Getting through" college is not to be sneered at; we are proud of it, and a well grounded pride is a phase of character by no means to be neglected.

PROF. TUFTS has resigned his position as principal of the Academy, under his able and excellent management the Academy is in a most flourishing condition. It seemed a few years ago as if demoralization had set in, and H. C. H. would ultimately collapse. Prof. Tufts took charge of matters and a speedy change followed. The class rooms, instead of having temporary gymnasiums, became places of study; students increased in attendance; the college felt the better of the change, until now a large class matriculates every spring. Prof. Tufts will still give his valuable services to the business matters of the institution while retaining his present position as lecturer in the college. The principalship of the Academy so far as we know, has not been