

EVIDENCES OF CHRISTIANITY. Having contemplated the course of Moral Philosophy, the above-mentioned class proceeded to the study of the Evidences of Christianity. Dr. Paley's well known treatise (Religious Tract Society's edition) was the text-book employed, and lectures were delivered, embracing many topics which are but slightly discussed, or altogether omitted, in that work.

RHETORIC AND ELOCUTION. Blair's Lectures have been the basis of the instruction in Rhetoric, and once a week exercises have been conducted in reading or declamation

ESSAYS. The students have written essays on various subjects, literary, historical, &c., which have been examined and criticised, with a view to improvement in composition. Seventy-six essays have been prepared during the Terms; twenty-eight by the senior class, and forty-eight by the junior.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT. The President regrets that so little has been done in this Department. Having been compelled to undertake the duties of the Classical Professor, he has been unable to give attention to theological instruction, except to a very limited extent. This evil, it is hoped, will be speedily corrected.

An exegetical exercise on the Greek Testament has been attended to once a week, in which all the students have shared. Matthew ii.—xxvi. inclusive has been thus studied.

A Hebrew class has been formed. After studying Gesenius' Grammar (a portion of which has been recited twice,) the class commenced translation, first in the Reading Book, and then in Genesis, of which book the first three chapters, and chapters 4 to 11 inclusive, have been read.

Sermons or skeletons of sermons have been prepared every week by the theological students, and submitted for examination.

Lectures on preaching and church government have been delivered, but Theology and Ecclesiastical History have been entirely neglected, for the reason above mentioned, with the exception of the delivery of an introductory Lecture.

The Greek Testament has been read at morning prayers, from Peter to the end of the Testament, and from Matthew i.—xvi.

Four Quarterly examinations of the classes on the branches above mentioned have been conducted, in the presence of the Governor and other friends of the College.

A public literary exhibition took place on the part of six of senior students, at the close of the first Term of the Collegiate year, and nine of the students delivered orations or essays on Anniversary day, at the close of the second Term.

During the year also, public lectures of a miscellaneous character have been delivered monthly by the undersigned, intended to interest the students and others in various branches of knowledge.

The undersigned have great pleasure in stating that the diligent and persevering attention of the students to their respective studies as well as the general propriety of their conduct, have been highly gratifying.

It may be added that several persons have been engaged on Lord's day stations in this vicinity, and the same is acceptable.

Acadia College, June 5,

While the Board are, in the management of the College, they in state of the finances. The sole source of supply, and the expense and difficulty, and even not yield a sum sufficient for the number of Professors. It must be unless the educational wants of well-qualified instructors in Natural and Science, the Institution is unable of making such arrangements satisfactory to their friends and patrons. It presents an insuperable obstacle, and does not appear possible to overcome. I know not how to secure that without a permanent fund. Having endeavored to secure such connexions and bearings, the continued success, nay, the very existence depends on the accomplishment of the resolution, passed at a meeting of the Board, in March last, expressing their views

“That however desirable in support for the College be found by experience that the precarious and insufficient, and consequent irregularity in the conveniences, which are serving of the Institution, will become required for an increase reasonably looked for without rent,

That in order to place the College securing an adequate amount of the sum of not less than £1000 in approved securities, and together with tuition fees applicable to Theological Education may continue to be real pointment of a suitable number That in the opinion of this Board are fully able to raise the same