

University of New Brunswick.

FREDERICTON, N.B., Dec. 7, 1877.

At a special meeting of the Literary and Debating Society of the University of New Brunswick, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:—

Whereas, Acadia College was destroyed by fire on the 2nd inst.; and

Whereas, by the destruction of the College building, and of the valuable museum and library therein, much loss has been sustained; and

Whereas, the undergraduates have experienced much inconvenience through loss of their personal effects and from the interruption to their studies;

Be it therefore Resolved,

That the members of the society express their deepest sympathy for them in their misfortune, and a sincere hope that the building will be restored at an early date, and that the College be even more prosperous in the future than it has been in the past; also

Resolved, That the Secretary place the resolution on the minutes of the Society, and forward a copy to the President of the Athenæum Society.

ACADIA COLLEGE, Jany. 19, 1877.

Gentlemen :

The resolutions of sympathy, passed by your Literary Society were brought before the regular meeting of the Athenæum last evening, and were heartily received.

Such expressions of feeling coming to us at this time of trying circumstances, from the students of a sister institution of so high a standing as that of the University of New Brunswick, are cheering, and tend to dispel the gloom.

We hereby present to you our high appreciation of your sympathy, with the assurance that, when our minds turn to this, kindly feelings towards you and your Alma Mater will ever be intensified.

By order of the Athenæum.

M. R. TUTTLE, ex-President.

TRUMAN BISHOP, President.

A. C. CHUTE, Rec. Secretary.

W. P. SHAFNER, Cor. Secretary.

Our thankful acknowledgments are also due to all the educational bodies which have extended to us their sympathies. In the future it will delight us to remember such things.

Corpus Christi College

was founded by the Bishop of Winchester, in 1516. According to the charter it was established "to the praise and honor of God Almighty, the Most Holy Body of Christ—whence its name—and the Blessed Virgin Mary His Mother." It has a spacious Quadrangle, which contains Turnbull's cylindrical sun-dial. The hall in which Mr. Palmer, the Corpus Professor of Latin, delivers his lectures, is a fine room, fifty feet by twenty-five, the timber roof of which is regarded as a fine sample of the perpendicular style of work. On the walls are the portraits of many eminent men. On the right of the Quadrangle are the scholar's rooms, in the front the President's lodgings and the Library. In the Bursary or Treasury of the College stands the Cista or University Chest. It is of iron, opened by keys which are in the possession of the Vice-Chancellor, the Dean of Christ Church, the President of "Corpus" and other heads of Houses.

"Anent the men who have issued from the Bee-garden, as Fox termed his foundation, a swarm of bees welcomed the entrance of Vives, (Vivens) the dramatist to Corpus Christi College, in 1520. Wolsey, who was no mean judge of talent, appointed Vivens Professor of Rhetoric. Bishop Butler said it was the incomparable sweetness of his eloquence that drew the bees to settle under the leads of his study, (west end of the Cloister) remaining there about 130 years. In 1630 the leads of the study were removed and an immense mass of honey taken. The bees were dislodged in 1648. Dr. Plot regretted their removal, stating that it seemed but congruous that the College ought always to have by them the thing whereof their whole house is but the metaphor."

Dr. Buckland, the Mineralogist and Geologist, was a student of Corpus Christi. In 1813 he received the appointment of reader in Mineralogy; in 1818, reader in Geology, at Oxford University. The following is a specimen of the eulogy on the Doctor, written by Abp. Whately:—

"Where shall we our great Professor inter,
That in peace may rest his bones?
If we hew him a rocky sepulchre
He'll rise and break the stones,
And examine each stratum that lies around,
For he's quite in element under ground."

Richard Hooker, that learned and pious divine, was a member of Corpus foundation, and in 1577, chosen Fellow of him, Pope Clement 8th. spoke thus:—This man, indeed, deserves the name of an author. His books will get reverence by age; for there are in them such seeds of eternity as will continue till the last fire shall devour all learning.