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in this direction, but so far no one has remembered the Academy. Surely some kind friend will remedy this defect before June comes round again. We believe that a few judicious prizes would do much to insure better work in all departments of the school besides being an inducement to students to enter the Academy. The following account of the exercises have been taken from the Messenger and Visitor.

PROGRAMME.

1. March—"Militaire" Shubert. Misses Davis and Price.

- 2. Essay—"Defeat Contains the Seeds of Victory," Avard Giffin, Sable River, N. S.
- 3. Vocal Solo—"Ave Maria," Belle Menard. [with violin obligato], Mr. Burpee Wallace.
- 4. Essay—"The Advancement of Russia in the Nineteenth Century," Hovey Burgess, Wolfville, N. S.
- 5. Piano Solo—"The Dance of the Gnomes," Seeling. Miss Mabel Elliott.
- 6. Valedietory-Miss Greta Bishop, Wolfville, N. S.
- 7. Presentation of Diplomas.

8. Addresses.

ESSAYS NOT DELIVERED.

"Why is Wealth Desirable?"-Claude Peppett, North Sydney, C. B.

"Bobs,"-Edward McMullen, Truro, N. S.

"The Exploits and Character of Hannibal,"—Lorne McMillan, Isaac's Harbor, N. S.

"The Natural Resources of Nova Scotia,"-Robie Tufts, Wolfville, N. S.

"Sir John A. McDonald,"-D. McPherson, Murray Harbor Road, P. E. I.

"British Rule in India,"--Bruce Jonah, Turtle Creek, N. B.

"The Future Prosperity of Canada,"-Miles G. Tupper, Scott's Bay, N. S.

"Canada, a Sportsman Paradise,"-T. O. Calhoun, Calhouns, N. B.

"The Power of Mystery,"-Charles Parker, Yarmouth, N. S.

"The Antagonism Between Britain and France,"—Harold Ells, Canard, N. S.

"Gold Mining in Nova Scotia,"-Harold Sweet, Goldboro, N. S.

"Great Men Who Were Failures,"-Ernest Munro, Margaree Harbor, C. B.

"Lord Roberts,"-R. D. Colpitts, Forest Glen, N. B.

"Winter Sports,"-F. R. Bogart, Lower Granville, N. S.

"The Growth of the British Empire in the Nineteenth Century,"—Rolf Trimble, Petitcodiac, N. B.

"Longfellow's Evangeline,"-A. W. Warren, Tyne Valley, P. E I.

"When I Went A-hunting,"-A. H. Baird, Andover, N. B.

"International Yacht Racing,"-T. M. Patillo, Truro, N. S.

"The Life and Poetry of Burns,"—Robert Nicholson, Charlottetown, P. E. I. "Canadian Poetry"—Waldin Darrach, Kensington, P. E. I.

"What is Sometimes Done in One Day,"-Robert Hatt, Port Medway, N. S.

The essays delivered were of a creditable character, and no doubt many of the others, which there was not time to hear, would have proved equally good. Principal Brittain, in a brief address, spoke most encouragingly concerning the work of the school. The number of Academy students this year was 79, a very large increase over last year. There has also been a remarkable increase in the number of

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