

day, Oct. 4th special sermons were preached in the Baptist Church, by the Rev. H. R. Hatch and Dr. Trotter, which were listened to by large congregations. On Wednesday, Oct. 8th the opening public lecture was delivered in college hall by Professor Chute, on the theme, "The New Book." This was a very noble lecture, a synopsis of which is given elsewhere in this issue of the ATHENÆUM. Professor Haycock did not return until some days after the opening, having been on the Pacific coast during the summer, in the employ of the Dominion government as a member of a geological survey. He returned bronzed and vigorous, and enthusiastic about his trip. Advantages from this trip will no doubt come to all the college.

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The attendance at the Seminary is for the Fall Term, the largest in the history of the school. Sixty-eight have been enrolled as resident students. More than fifty have been enrolled as day pupils. The new appointments to the teaching staff, nine in number, are: W. H. A. Moore, Director of Piano; Louise T. Churchill, Piano; Emma F. Denham, Piano and Violin; Mabel Marvin, Voice; Margaret Lynds, Elocution; Cora P. Archibald, Domestic Science; Josephine O. Bostwick, English; C. M. Baird, Stenography; M. Blanche Bishop, French and German. These teachers have already demonstrated their efficiency in their various departments. The date for the Teachers' Recital has been placed on November 14th. A programme of variety and interest, as well as of artistic and educational value is being prepared, representing the Departments of Piano, Voice, Violin, Elocution. A most cordial welcome awaits those whom we are to hear for the first time. The Department of Domestic Science is proving very popular. About fifty students are enrolled from the Public Schools of Wolfville, and twenty-five from the Seminary Students. Arrangements are being perfected by which several lectures shall be delivered before the students of the Seminary during the year.

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The outlook at the Academy is very hopeful this year. The enrollment to date is the largest in four years. There is a very marked improvement in the quality of the work done in the classroom, while the prayer-meetings and other religious exercises of the school are well attended. In athletics the school is able to give a very good account of itself. The staff has not so much difficulty as might be expected in arousing interest in this important department of educational work. Thirty students are preparing for college—a large number for the first term of the school year. That a large number of these are in the lower classes is a very hopeful feature.

The Manual Training Department is better equipped for work than ever before. Classes in Mechanical and Architectural drawing are about to begin. Opportunity has been given College students preparing for engineering to avail themselves of these classes.