

The Anniversary Exercises.

BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY.

May Thirtieth.



ESPIE the inclemency of the weather, the usual large number of worshippers assembled in College Hall to hear the Baccalaureate sermon. Special interest centred round the service, as the popular and eloquent ex-President of Acadia, Dr. Thos. Trotter, of Toledo, Ohio, was the speaker of the morning. The graduating class were Freshmen when he retired from Acadia, so it was most fitting that he should address them on Baccalaureate Sunday.

Miss Ida Rand and Miss Marjorie Barnaby furnished the music, while the officiants in the service and the graduating class marched in and took their respective seats in accord with the time honored custom. President Hutchinson presided. The invocation was offered by Rev. C. H. Martell, of Ohio, N. S. Rev. H. J. Perry, of Cambridge, N. B., read the scriptures. Prayer was offered by Dr. E. M. Saunders, of Halifax. The student choir rendered a pleasing chorus, and Miss Helen Knowles sang sweetly, "There is a green hill far away."

The President, in brief, appropriate words, introduced the speaker. Dr. Trotter's theme was "The World Without Christ," taking as his text the words of Jesus in John 15:22: "If I had not come."

The preacher stated that on the pages of history there are conspicuous figures from whose influence have issued effects so vast and far-reaching that it is difficult to imagine what the course of human life and the present status of the world would have been if these men had never come upon the scene; for example Charles Martel, Luther, John Knox, Abraham Lincoln. The text, however, put upon the imagination an even greater strain. What if Christ had not come?