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BY DUGALD STEWART.

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen :

So little difference is there between the experiences of the students of one year and those of another, and so similar are the feelings of all when the presentation of the scrip gives assurance that the last and hardest plugging and examination season has been successfully passed, and when they are ready to bid farewell to scenes that are dear and friends who are dearer, that my story to-day is no new one, but the same old story to which from this stand you have listened year after year. Yet, even at the risk of being monotonous, I must not break away from a time-honored and well established custom. Our experiences must briefly be told, our feelings briefly alluded to.

By a process of the simplest mathematical reasoning and a knowledge of the ways and doings of students, you would come to the conclusion that Dalhousie's old and dingy walls first reverberated to our music, if such it could be called, in the autumn of '82; and you would not be wrong in your conclusion. We were a stout and stalwart class, large in numbers, large in bodily proportions, and somewhat large in feeling. A few days shoulder to shoulder experience showed our fellow students of more advanced years that the laws which previously had governed Freshmen must be repealed. But a greater enemy, sessional examinations, soon closed with us and before we were through with it, we were reduced in numbers, reduced in avoirdupois, and greatly reduced in our opinion of ourselves. Successive years have been no less

rude in their treatment, and to-day we stand before you, fourteen sober, modest graduates, the relics of some thirty conceited Freshman.

The years we have spent here have been pleasant indeed. We have worked hard, but good, honest, faithful work is always accompanied by the most substantial pleasure. We are glad that we have reached the top rung of the baccalaureate ladder, and though old associations press themselves strongly on us to-day our joy outweighs our sorrow. Not even the prospect of spending a winter in the new building would make any of us wish that we had been plucked. We trust, we *feel*, that our time has not been spent in vain. That the mere knowledge of the facts and figures which we have learned will be of much use to us in the "struggle of life" we doubt; but the processes to which we have been subjected in the acquisition of that knowledge will be of incalculable benefit. Our minds have become stronger, our views more liberal and enlightened. Habits of industry and prudence have been acquired, and we feel that we are better able to face the stern realities of life.

The past year has been prolific in changes in and about the College. The first mentioned must be the death of Dr. Ross. It was his fortune to be born in a new and undeveloped country, where men, able and willing to devote their energies to their country's weal, are scarce. Of the stuff of which patriots are made was he made. Educated as liberally as his circumstances and the times in which he lived permitted, endowed with talents of no inferior order, with unswerving integrity and unbending patience, every task he undertook he completed, every position he

occupied he graced. Only a few months ago he breathed his last, having spent a long life-time in the service of his country and his God. By his many friends he will long be remembered as a kind, considerate, and truly good man. In the minds of Dalhousians he will ever live as a capable Principal and painstaking professor, as the chief director of the destiny of the College in troublous times.

Of the gentleman who succeeded him and who now for the first time presides over our closing ceremonies, we would say a few words—a few words of encouragement and congratulation. We congratulate him on the notable success which has already attended his energetic efforts on behalf of the college; and we believe that it will be encouragement to him to know that the students fully appreciate his vigour, and look forward with confidence to what it bids fair to achieve. We need not remind him that his personal influence and weight is now indissolubly connected with the standing of this institution. We feel assured that the achievements of his first year of office are only a foretaste of what the future has in store.

But we are now compelled by a necessity we keenly regret to refer to the most serious loss our University has sustained for many a year—the retirement of Dr. Schurman. We say the most serious; for it was not till a fullness of years and service had secured for Dr. Ross his well-earned rest that a gracious Providence saw fit to remove him. We have now, however, to lament the removal of a man in the very flower of youth and vigour, one whose reputation we fondly hoped would increase with and shed lustre upon Dalhousie. But we have paid the price of distinction; and all that is left us is to extend to Dr. Schurman our sincerest appreciation of what he has already done for us, our heartiest congratulations on the prospects that are opening up before him, and the assurance that we will follow his future course with feelings of confidence and pride. We look upon ourselves as especially identified with his career here. We came in with him and we are going out with him; and we now wend our several ways feeling gratified by the coincidence, and knowing that

in addition to the benefits we have received from him in the class room, the influence of his unflinching energy and commanding abilities will remain with us for many a day.

Concerning the changes in the curriculum, our space does not permit us to say anything except that they are numerous and important and on the whole satisfactory.

To the ocean of literature which has already accumulated around the unfortunate events which have led to the collapse of the Medical school, we will not attempt to add. We will only give utterance to a philosophic sigh over the littleness of human nature, and express the hope that the blasts of passion and prejudice which now agitate the bosom of the above-mentioned ocean may ere long be lulled to rest, and may be replaced by the quiet breezes of harmony and peace. Let all true seekers for progress unite to this end, and soon amongst other results our College will again be put in possession of a vigorous Medical school.

Turning aside from this unpleasant feature, we can surely say with especial emphasis, that the prospects of the College, as a whole, were never brighter than at this moment. Those in authority have at last aroused themselves from what outsiders were inclined to call torpidity, idle lamentations have given place to active work, the city has in part performed her neglected duty, our revered old friend, Sir William Young, has again placed the College under a deep debt of gratitude; other wealthy citizens, we feel sure, are only waiting till proper representations are made to them, the public press has stirred up the feelings of the people, more than ever before the sympathy of the country is with the College. It needs no prophet's tongue to foretell her destiny. Dalhousie must go ahead. The erection of suitable buildings, added to the other superior advantages which she offers, will in the course of a few years,—a very few years let us hope—place her in the undisputed possession of her inevitable supremacy. But her prosperity, we feel sure, will not lessen her desire for union; and we trust that before long every institution throughout these provinces, which has really at heart the cause of higher education, may come to

see eye to eye with her concerning the steps by which that cause is to be best advanced.

Citizens of Halifax:

You owe a duty to Dalhousie—a duty which within the past month you have only partly performed. Great scope yet remains for the exercise of your philanthropy. You support many noble institutions, for which you are deserving of great credit, but in the cause of higher education you have hitherto done very little. Dalhousie is now ready to receive your surplus cash. She can make good use of it all. Her governors are trustworthy and will not squander a cent of it. You cannot invest it in any way that will bring you greater satisfaction. Dalhousie, Halifax, the whole country, honours the names of George Munro, McLeod, and Sir William Young. Follow the example which they have set and “generations yet unborn will sing your praises.”

Mr. President and Professors:

To part without addressing a few special remarks to you would be ungracious, and would not be expressive of our real feeling toward you. We have never been very intimate with you, have never made “chums” of any of you, for reasons which none know better than yourselves. But our feelings towards you have always been warm; we have ever given to you that respect which your positions, characters, and well-known abilities commanded. At times, no doubt, we have annoyed you, but with no evil intent, and we feel satisfied that you understand us, and that we have your full and free pardon. For your kindness and generosity towards us and the evident interest you have always manifested in our welfare, you have—no doubt a small recompense, but it is the best we can give—our sincerest thanks.

Fellow Students:

Though we go out from amongst you to-day we will not forget you nor the pleasant intercourse we have had with you. Everything that savours of Dalhousie will claim our attention and we will watch your career with anxious eyes. Your success depends on your own efforts. Aim high, but not too high. Be content to take your proper places. “Quit yourselves like men!

Be strong, and the exercise of your strength to-day will make you stronger to-morrow.”

The various societies, religious, literary and athletic, in connection with the College, are all worthy of your support, and hearty participation in the exercises, business and enjoyments of these will make you better men. The GAZETTE, of late years, at least, has not been a true index of the standing of the University, and no efforts should be spared to improve it. This is a work for us all, graduates as well as undergraduates. The Waddell and McNaughton prizes will do much towards securing vigorous and healthy contributions next session. The Senate, so liberal in many directions, is very conservative in this; but constant agitation will at last melt their hard and stony sympathies, and those privileges and exemptions which the leading universities of this continent have seen fit to grant to the editors of their respective journals, will also be accorded to those who conduct the students' mouthpiece in this university.

After a few months vacation, or rather, work in other places, you will return to resume your studies here. You will find that the part of the path you have yet to tread is as rough and thorny, possibly more so, than that over which you have passed, but diligent pacing and plenty of patience will bring you safely through and secure you the looked-for prize.

LAW VALEDICTORY.

BY A. G. TROOP.

Mr. President:

In saying farewell this afternoon, the graduating class of the law school, while sincerely regretting the severance of their connection with the University, feel that they have many reasons to congratulate themselves.

Since we began the study of the law three years have passed. During that time we have endeavored to accumulate some knowledge of the complex systems of English and American jurisprudence. Through fortunate circumstances we have been permitted to pursue and complete our course. We congratulate ourselves upon this and upon the special advantages we have enjoyed. We rejoice in the prospect of the continuous

of these advantages to the students who shall come after us, and in the general benefit which such a school promises to the profession at large. We rejoice in the credit which it reflects upon our provincial educational institutions, and in the hope of its becoming even more useful and more successful as it grows in wealth, honor and experience.

What trials and tribulations law students had to endure before the establishment of the Law School! We recall to-day the opening before us when we first thought of entering upon the pursuit of legal studies. We were told then that the difficulties in our way were almost insurmountable, and that it would require a determined perseverance in a course of systematic study to make ourselves familiar with the principles of the law. We were informed that it would be necessary to construct and follow a plan of reading, that the great writers must be studied, that text-books must be perused and re-perused, that cases without end and decisions without parallel must be digested, that we must adopt the Revised Statutes as our Bibles, and withal, that we should master the complicated practice of the Courts.

We commenced to advance with slow and cautious steps. We soon found ourselves enveloped in a cloud of volumes whose titles no mortal man could remember, and there were a thousand reports from the tribunals of both hemispheres, and all of them authoritative. We discovered that the great writers were partly obsolete, that there were a dozen text-books on every subject, no two agreeing, and each one better than the other, that cases were continually over-ruled and decisions were constantly explained away, that the Revised Statutes, not exceedingly interesting, were frequently amended, and that it would take a life time extending through the ages of eternity to read through the volumes on the practice of the Courts.

There was then no course of instruction to attend, except in American colleges. The student groped in the dark. He generally became acquainted with office work, sometimes learned a point in practice, was told how to issue a writ, and once in a while emancipated some unfortunate indigent debtor. It is marvelous, yet instructive to us that so many lawyers, in spite of their difficulties, have attained celebrity in the Maritime Provinces.

After a time the Law School of Dalhousie University was founded. We immediately enrolled ourselves amongst its students. The innumerable text-books were superseded by the lectures of eloquent and learned professors. Under their direction useless and obsolete law

was left upon the shelf. A large and valuable library was placed at our disposal; at our hand were the reports cited constantly and appropriately. Every department of law was embraced in the curriculum, and we travelled over the whole realm of jurisprudence with the certainty of definite and invaluable results.

This afternoon we recall to our minds the line of study we have followed. We recall the beauties of Anson, the wit and wisdom of Bigelow, the peculiar phraseology of Williams, and the long and exciting foot notes of Taswell—Langmead. How eagerly we dived into the mysteries of the criminal law of Canada! Most unfortunate will be the Stather or Cadby who falls into our hands! Never did authors have more earnest readers than Snell and Cartwright. Our silver-tongued lecturer on Evidence in the midst of his parliamentary duties will sometimes, we hope, recollect the days when we puzzled him with unanswerable questions. The banks of our cities will be astonished to hear that Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, forged or unforger, are familiar to us as the faces of our watches. We believe that under the guidance of Benjamin we could effect a sale which would cause our friends to sew up their pockets. We would be happy to accept a retainer to prove that the steamship *Oregon* is not actually a total loss. We long ago settled the international fishery trouble and have decided that Canada deserves an extra indemnity for the illegal and unsupportable assertions and demands of our Southern neighbours. It has been proved to our satisfaction as a moral demonstration, that Blackstone knew nothing about Adam and Eve and the family compact, that Abraham was a despot under the guise of a father, that Isaac was nothing more than a slave, that the story of Ruth becomes infinitely more beautiful when we understand that she was the daughter of her husband and that by the ties of ognation and cognation we are all closely related.

The development of amateur eloquence in the debating clubs has led to deep inquiry into the perplexing questions of social and political life. Woman's rights and manhood suffrage, the faults and failings of judges and juries, imperial federation, and inter-provincial relations, we have dogmatically discussed. We recall these debates to-day, the struggle of the hour, and a hundred pleasant evenings. Moot courts, sleigh drives and lectures, midnight dinners and speeches, examination papers and reading-room athletic performances, are all incongruously mixed together in our reminiscences.

But with all our remembrances to-day and co-extensive with them there arises within us a

feeling of gratitude difficult to express but none the less deeply felt. We are saying farewell to those whose efforts on our behalf have ever been ardent, generous and self-sacrificing. When the Law School was founded by Mr. Munro's liberality it was determined to proceed at once with its organization. The assistance afforded by the people of Halifax, the encouragement given by the judges and the barristers, and the funds and books so univervally subscribed, were testimonies of a most cheering character. But to those gentlemen who at a great personal inconvenience so generously came forward to assume the arduous tasks of the lecture hall, the graduating class owe a special debt of gratitude. To the gentlemen of the Faculty we return our warmest thanks. When in the future we look back upon their endeavors and contemplate the amount of work they performed, we will only in a greater degree than here to-day, acknowledge our ever increasing obligation. We are conscious that through our own negligence we have not derived all that advantage from their labors which it was in our power to derive, yet we are aware that without their advice and lectures we should have covered only one-fourth of the work and that in a desultory and ineffective manner. We say farewell, knowing that the students who shall hereafter attend the Law School will appreciate their help and counsel as we have appreciated them and letting our hearts rise upward for them and for the future of the institution with which they are connected.

Fellow Students :

To-day we end our college course. It is the end of one, it is the beginning of another. We are still only at the beginning. The survey has been wide, let us hope it has also been thorough. We have investigated and compared. We have settled principles to guide us. We must now build upon the foundation laid. The particular place in which we reside, the particular branch of law that we practice, the particular disposition of our minds will all, in varying degrees, influence our future. If our aspiration be for an acquaintance with and a knowledge of the best and the noblest juridical works of England and America, the toil of procuring this acquaintance and the task of acquiring this knowledge, will be more than amply repaid by the satisfaction and delight received from the acquisition.

The study and practice of the law, considered in its theoretical aspect, is ennobling and patriotic. The exercise of the duties of the advocate and of the judge has at times approached the altitude of moral sublimity. The whole history of England and America is filled with the names and

the deeds of the members of the Bench and the Bar. As they have been exalted so they have been and can be debased. Against this tendency it will be our duty to strive. Whatever is lawful, enlightened, and just, it will be our duty to pursue. Practical ideals and honorable methods must be followed. Ever keeping in mind the associations of college life, the wisdom and the strength of the counsel received, the end and the aim of all labor, let us press onward into the hidden life of the future, always seeking equal law, advanced legislation and inviolable justice.

COLLEGE NEWS.

ALUMNI MEETING.—The largest meeting of the Alumni that has been held for years met in the Physics Room Convocation evening. The retiring president, D. C. Fraser, read a carefully prepared paper on the peculiar statutes that had been passed in this province. The drift of the address went to show that no better index could be found of the growth of a people than its laws. The executive was instructed to offer a prize for a history of the College.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year:

President—Principal A. H. MacKay.

Vice-Presidents—E. L. Newcombe, J. G. McGregor, James Forrest, W. Crowe, D. A. Murray.

Secretary—H. W. C. Bank.

Treasurer—J. A. Selgwick.

Executive Committee—W. B. Wallace, C. H. Caban, Alfred Whitman, J. P. McLeod, Hector Melrose.

The last meeting of the Literary Society was held in class-room No. 1, on Tuesday, April 27th. The report of the Treasurer was read and accepted, and was followed by the election of officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected:

President—Joseph C. Mack
Vice-President—E. J. Mack
Secretary—J. E. Cameron
Treasurer—R. C. Mack
Executive Committee—Professor, Stewart, R. C. Mack, J. J. Stewart, E. Fraser.

The Secretary kindly wishes all who purport attending in subjects, that the names of those subjects must be on his hands on or before June 1st. This is the only notice that will be given on this point. The Secretary's address will be, Murray Stewart, P. E. I.

GENERAL STUDENTS' MEETING.—The closing general meeting for the present session, was held in Class Room No. 1, on Tuesday the 27th ult, President Stewart in the chair. The principal business was the presentation and discussion of Committee Reports.

N. F. McKay, on behalf of the *Reading Room Com.* stated that the Students' deposit of \$5.00 had been devoted to the defraying of the cost of repairs in the Reading-Room. The Report after considerable discussion was adopted.

E. McKay presented the *Postal Committee's* bill for expenses incurred, viz., \$2.00. He could not recommend the continuance of the same arrangement. The Report was adopted.

Mr. Brown presented the Financial statement of the *Munro Celebration Com.*: Receipts, \$88.50; Expenses, \$91.70; Deficit, \$3.20. Report adopted.

A. W. Macrae stated that the *Lecture Com.* had been unsuccessful in their effort to arrange with Dr. Schurman for a Lecture under the auspices of the students, owing to their inability to guarantee a sufficiently large sale of tickets. The lecture course of the preceding term had, however, been entirely successful, as a balance of \$28.14 in the Committee's indicated. On motion it was resolved that the "Report be adopted, all deficits at present existing to be paid out of the surplus and the balance be employed in defraying the cost of a *new cover* for the GAZETTE."

W. R. Campbell reported that "the *Gymnasium* stands just as it was when last Report was presented."

The *Music Com.* having only "the same old story" to report, it was resolved that a new committee, with *definite* instructions, be appointed. M. J. MacLeod, Geo. MacLeod, and W. R. Campbell were duly elected to said Committee, with instructions to make an effort toward the compilation of a College Hymnal during vacation and present their selection for approval at the next General Students' Meeting.

The meeting then adjourned.

The Committee of the D. A. A. Club wish to announce to the Students that their third annual sports will be held as soon as possible after the opening of college term. The programme will consist of the following sports:

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| 100 yards dash. | Hop, step and jump. |
| 220 " " | Putting shot. |
| Quarter mile run. | Kicking football. |
| Mile run. | Throwing cricket ball. |
| Standing broad jump. | Throwing Hammer. |
| Running broad jump. | Pole vaulting. |
| Standing high jump. | Half hour go as you please. |

The sports will be conducted under the rules of the "National Association of Amateur Athletes

of America" and prizes awarded in the same way as last year.

W. A. CAMPBELL,
Secretary D. A. A. C.

The third annual meeting of the Dalhousie Amateur Athletic Club was held in the mathematical class room of the college on the evening of the 26th ult., with a full attendance of officers and members.

After a few introductory remarks by the President and the reading of minutes, reports were read by the officers which showed the society to be in a prospering condition. About thirty new members have been added to the roll and an increased interest taken in athletics. The Treasurer reported that a small amount was still in fund after paying all expenses for the year.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:—

- Honorary President... PRIN. FORREST, D. D., (re-elected.)
1st Vice-President... J. E. CREIGHTON, (re-elected.)
2nd Vice-President... HECTOR McINNIS.
Secretary... W. R. CAMPBELL.
Treasurer... W. G. PUTNAM, (re-elected.)

The officers, with A. A. Mackay and J. K. Henry, were elected a committee of management. On motion, Messrs. Dugald Stewart, B. A., and John Calder, B. A., were elected honorary members of the club.

The President, in a brief speech, commended Mr. Stewart, the retiring Secretary and Captain of the foot-ball team, for the active part which he had always taken in athletics during his College course,—being in fact the founder of the Athletic Club, and Mr. Calder, on behalf of the club, presented him with a gold scarf pin as a token of their appreciation of his valuable services. Mr. Stewart replied in suitable terms.

The meeting instructed the Committee to tender Sergeant-Major Bailey the unanimous thanks of the club for his untiring efforts and valuable assistance in making their Assault-at-Arms such a decided success.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

At the close of the meeting the Committee waited on Sergeant-Major Bailey at his rooms and presented him in the name of the club with an address and a silver headed cane. Sergeant Bailey replied briefly, thanking the club for the many acts of kindness which they had shown him and assuring them that his best wishes will ever remain with Dalhousie.

An account of the foot-ball match between Old and Young Dalhousie is crowded out of this issue. It took place on Convocation morning, was closely contested, and resulted in a slight advantage for the Undergraduates. The game was highly satisfactory to all and will likely prove an institution.

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WITH this issue the labors of the present management of the GAZETTE cease, and the editors herein extend their hearty thanks to all who have in any way aided them in their work. During the past year some slight changes have been introduced in the management, and have, on the whole, proved satisfactory to those concerned. Whether the result has been satisfactory to our readers we cannot say. We are indeed fully aware of the truth of the statement of this year's Valedictorian in Arts, that the GAZETTE "is not a true index of the standing of the University," and feel sure that all will agree that "no efforts should be spared to improve it." We claim that our University is the leading one of the Maritime Provinces; but we do not for a moment claim that our College paper occupies a corresponding position. That it should occupy such a position is certainly to be desired and expected; it never will do so until it shall have received two elements of power now lacking—1st, the hearty co-operation of the students; 2nd, the recognition and support of the Faculty.

The first of these is, we think, gradually coming. The Literary Society has already done much and will do more; the lengthening of the session will place more time at the disposal of the students; while prizes such as those offered for next winter will, we trust, be forthcoming in future years to stimulate their energies. The prospects for the obtaining of the second requisite, the support of the Faculty, are not so encouraging; and on this point we have a few words to say. It will be remembered that at the commencement of the present session a unanimous request was made of the senate by the students, to the effect that they would be pleased to grant a moderate exemption from regular work in favor of an editor-in-chief for the GAZETTE; which request the senate saw fit to refuse. The ground of that refusal we have not been favored with; and we will be pardoned if, in the absence of accurate knowledge, we choose to believe that the action of the senate is to be explained on the assumption that it has not fully considered the subject, or thoroughly grasped its importance. If the GAZETTE is worthy of existence in its present capacity, it is worthy of the countenance and support of the Faculty. The question then becomes, is it worthy of existence; and in this aspect it opens up a very wide subject, into which we cannot possibly go deeply at present. We will merely call attention to the fact that college papers have existed in America for over half a century; that at the present moment they are more numerous and powerful than ever before, and undeniably exert a vast influence over student life; that this influence is considered injurious by no college government on this Continent (or on any other, that we know of) as shown by the fact that no college forbids such publications; and lastly, that this influence is considered by some of the most advanced of the Universities, with Harvard at their head, to be beneficial, as shown by the fact that they encourage and support such publications. Is it outside the sphere of a University's work to take cognizance of, and, if possible, give preparation for, the journalistic profession? Harvard does not think so, as evidenced the other day by the institution of a Chair of Journalism. We would

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draw the attention of our Faculty to the recent assertion of an eminent authority, that "the best school of journalism in the world is the editorial board of a college paper." We would also ask it to consider the following extracts from a late editorial in the *New York Journalist*, a publication devoted to journalistic interests, and holding an undisputed position as the best of the kind in the country. It says: "That it is a fact that the ranks of professional journalism are being largely recruited from the editors of college papers is beyond a shadow of doubt. * * The training afforded by a year or more of active work on a college paper to a great extent supplies that practical training which many of our successful journalists of the present day have obtained at the case or in minor reporting. * * College journalism has come to a position of importance, as a factor in the journalistic world, which cannot be ignored." We think that these utterances ought to go far towards convincing the conservative members of our Faculty that they can no longer afford to look upon the college paper as child's play and beneath their serious notice.

We do not wish to believe that the Senate is totally indifferent with regard to the existence or value of some index of student life and opinion in this University, but we must confess that its attitude toward the GAZETTE is fostering such belief. If the GAZETTE ceases to exist, how are our Professors to gain any insight into the life of their students? Assuredly, if we may judge from the past, it will not be from personal intercourse. We are not speaking at random; the GAZETTE, as matters at present stand, is really in danger of a collapse. The members of the present board of Editors, as the students know well, were secured with great difficulty; and indications go to show that this difficulty will increase.

We believe that it has been objected to the proposed plan of exempting an Editor-in-chief, that it will not really prove to the advantage of the paper; that the other Editors will leave all the work to him and that he will be unable to do it. This objection, it seems to us, proceeds on the assumption that no outside help is at present

received. Such is not the case. The Literary Society supplies a good deal of material, a good deal is derived from other quarters; these sources of supply will always be available, and it is hardly to be supposed that half a dozen other men, having accepted the posts of assistant Editors, will systematically shirk their duties. The objection has indeed a certain degree of force, as the past has shown; for it is because the students leave too much to the editors, that we ask the Faculty to here step in and make some amends for the pressure of work that impels the students so to act, by allowing exemption to one man. This man would, in all probability, be one with the journalistic profession in view; he would consequently take an interest in his work, and the extra time he could put on it would enable him to do it well. The Senate might if it were thought desirable, superintend his work; and in fact we do not see why such a course might not be made equivalent to an Honour one. We will say no more on this matter, leaving to our successors the duty of pressing it; and will close with the prophecy that not until some such plan be adopted will Dalhousie possess a College paper at all commensurate with her position.

CONVOCAATION has this year been distinguished by the graduation in Arts, of what is, on the whole, probably the most brilliant and successful class ever yet sent forth by Dalhousie. But a short time since First Rank Honours were looked upon as among the things unattainable; this year no less than *five* members of the class, more than one-third of the total number, have carried off the distinction. The lowest average made by any member is, we believe, over 60 per cent. A glance backward through the years will show that this high standing is only a continuation of previous work. If our memory serves us aright, this was the first class that succeeded in winning all the Exhibitions, Junior and Senior. But apart from class distinctions the men of '86 will long be remembered for what we take to be a much more valuable index,—their weight among their fellows. Foremost in every undertaking, they established their

influence from the very first; and amongst all who came in contact with them will long survive the memory of their stalwart manliness, their genial fellowship. They leave behind them an example and tradition which will long prove a stimulus in Dalhousie; and we are much mistaken if the achievements of the class of '86 do not remain a high-water mark before the eyes of her students.

WE have great pleasure in congratulating our worthy and popular Principal upon the high mark of appreciation so recently accorded him by Queen's University. Principal Grant has again shown his remarkable faculty of doing the right thing at the right time, and we extend to him our hearty personal and representative thanks for the honor conferred on Prin. Forrest, and through him, on the University. We feel sure that in expressing our great satisfaction at this occurrence, we are voicing the feeling of every student; and we trust that Dr. Forrest may long be spared to enjoy his honours, and that this mark of esteem may prove but the herald of a wide-spread reputation.

IN this, our last number, we wish to say a few words about the North British Bursary. This scholarship is one offered by the North British Society to the undergraduate who stands highest in the sessional examinations at the end of his second year in Arts. But the winner must be one qualified at the proper age to become a member of this society. Now we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not, for a moment, seek to impugn the ability of the late winner of this scholarship; far from it. But yet we must express our emphatic protest against the principle by which prizes are given to men of, and only of, a particular race or a particular religion. We submit that it is most galling to a man of genius that one who has not shown such high attainments should, because of the land of his nativity, be marked with special honor, while the more able man is unmentioned. We claim that the principle of the whole thing is rotten to the core, and that it little becomes a University of the liberal spirit and progressive nature of

Dalhousie, to foster any of those narrow-minded distinctions between man and man which form the foulest stain on the fair escutcheon of many an institution of learning in the old world. We are very much obliged to the North British Society for the kindly interest which they have displayed in the welfare of our students, but we would rather see the prize unoffered than hedged about with the restrictions that now limit the number of candidates. We think that the senate would bring credit on itself by refusing to permit such a competition to take place as is necessitated by the conditions of this prize. In the past the qualifications of candidates have caused no small annoyance, as will be readily remembered by the competitors in 1884. That no rivalries be maintained in our college, we would urge again that this scholarship be offered on different terms, or not at all, in the future. We hope that the new Calendar will have a change and a notable one in this respect.

CONVOCAATION.

THE closing ceremonies of the Session of 1885-6 were held in the Academy of Music, Wednesday, April 28th. The audience was a large and brilliant one, and remarkable for its proportion of ladies. On the platform, besides the members of the Faculties, were seated many of the most prominent citizens. The programme was long, but proved remarkably successful, and the opinion of one and all at the close was that Dalhousie's latest Convocation was her best. The behaviour of the students, as Dr. Burns remarked, was characterized by "solemnity;" but as that jovial divine seemed to lament the change, we feel assured that the students will try and make it up to him on some future occasion. The unwonted quiet of this year was due, we believe, to previous requests on the part of some of the Professors. In his introductory remarks, Principal Forrest briefly referred to the favorable progress that the institution had made during the past year. The differences that existed between the University authorities and the city had not only been amicably adjusted, but the city had shown its deep interest in the University by donating lands for the erection of

the new college buildings. He expressed his gratitude to Sir Adams G. Archibald and Mayor Mackintosh for the assistance they had given in regard to this matter. The generous gift of \$20,000 from Sir William Young, an ever faithful friend of the College, would be, he hoped, but the first of many donations towards the erection of new and commodious buildings. He referred in words of deep respect to the late Principal, Dr. Ross, who had spent his life in advancing the educational interests of the Province. The death of a student, Mr. Goreham, was also alluded to as casting a shadow over the memories of the past year. He regretted that Dr. Schurman was about to leave for another University, and paid a high tribute to the character and attainments of that gentleman. He believed that the College was entering upon a new era of prosperity, and was sure that for the future the city would consider the University a part and parcel of itself.

The distribution of prizes occupied considerable time and was an interesting part of the proceedings. The names of the successful students are as follows:

HONORS.

- Classics.—First rank: Robinson, A.
- Mathematics and Physics.—First rank: Morton, S. A.; Stewart, D. Second rank: Nicholson, A.; Stewart, Annie A.
- Experimental Physics and Chemistry.—First rank: Mackay, E.; Mackay, N. F.
- English Literature and History.—Second rank: Smith, J. F.; Coffin, F. J.

MEDALS.

- The Governor-General's Gold Medal.—Robinson, A.
- The Sir Wm. Young Gold Medal.—Morton, S. A.
- The Mackenzie Gold Medal.—Mackay, E.
- The Governor-General's Silver Medal.—Mackay, N. F.

UNIVERSITY PRIZES.—FACULTY OF ARTS.

- Classics.—Fourth year: Robinson, A. Third year, (Latin), Shaw, J. C., (Greek,) Forbes, Antoinette. Second year: McLeod, G. First year: Laird, A. G.
- Hebrew.—Calder, J.
- French.—Third class—Nicholson, A. Second class—Allison, M. G. First class—McLeod, M. J.
- German.—Third class—Cornelius, Louise A. Second class—Macknight, Catherine K. First class—Shaw, H. C.
- English Language and Literature.—Second year: McLeod, G. First year: Henry, J. K.
- History.—Fourth year: Macrae, A. W. Third year: Shaw, H. C.
- Political Economy.—Allison, M. G.
- Ethics.—Ritchie, Eliza.
- Metaphysics.—Creighton, J. E.
- Logic and Psychology.—McLeod, G.

- Mathematics.—Second year: Stewart, F. J.
- Physics.—McLeod, M. J.
- Chemistry, Inorganic.—(Frazee, V. G., and Laird, A. G.)
- Organic.—McLeod, M. J.
- Botany.—Symonds, F. A.

FACULTY OF LAW.

- Constitutional History.—Buchanan, J. J.
- Constitutional Law.—Henry, W. A.
- International Law.—Chisholm, J. A.
- Conflict of Laws.—McDonald, E. M.
- Roman Law.—Carter, W. D.
- Evidence.—Rogers, H. W.
- Equity.—McDonald, E. M.
- Real Property.—Campbell, J. R.
- Estates less than Freehold.—Campbell, J. R.
- Contracts.—McInnis, H.
- Commercial Laws.—Thomson, W. K.
- Insurance.—Henry, W. A.
- Torts.—McCready, C. A.
- Crimes.—Ford, E. L.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

- The Avery Prize.—Allison, M. G.
- The Waverley Prize.—Stewart, F. I.
- The North British Society's Bursary.—Mackay, H. M.
- The Early English Text Society's Prize.—Coffin, F. J.
- The New Shakespeare Society's Prize.—McLeod, G.
- The Book Prize.—McCully, F. A.

Degrees were conferred as follows:

BACHELORS OF ARTS.

- Matthew G. Allison.....Windsor
- Charles H. Cahan.....Hebron, N. S.
- John Calder.....West Bay, C. B.
- Alex. J. Campbell.....Truro.
- Fulton J. Coffin.....Mount Stewart, P. E. I.
- Abner Wm. Lewis.....Central Onslow, N. S.
- Ebenazar Mackay.....Plainfield, Pictou Co.
- Neil E. Mackay.....West River, Pictou Co.
- Alex. Wm. MacRae.....St. John.
- Silvanus A. Morton.....Milton, Queen's Co.
- Alfred Nicholson.....Southport, P. E. I.
- Alexander Robinson.....Sussex, N. B.
- James F. Smith.....Halifax.
- Dugald Stewart.....Upper Musquodoboit

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE.

- Annie Amelia Stewart.....Pictou Co.

BACHELORS OF LAW.

- William Doherty Carter.....Richibucto, N. B.
- Joseph A. Chisholm.....Antigonish
- Walter Crowe.....Truro.
- William Alex. Henry.....Halifax.
- Hedley Vicars Jennison.....Walton.
- Albert Edward Milliken.....Moncton.
- James A. McDonald, B. A....Halifax.
- Henry McN. Robertson.....Barrington.
- Stanley R. Thompson.....Oxford.
- A. G. Troop, B. A.....Dartmouth.
- William Walter Walsh.....Halifax.
- William Woodbury Wells.....Point de Bute, N. B.

The Valedictorians of the year were Dugald Stewart in Arts, and A. G. Troop in Law. Both

were unusually good, and were listened to with marked attention. They will be found in another part of the GAZETTE.

At the close of the regular proceedings addresses were delivered by Hon. Mr. Fielding, Provincial Secretary; Hon. Mr. Bell, Leader of the Opposition; Rev. Canon Partridge, and Rev. Dr. Burns. The last-named gentleman was in his happiest vein, and succeeded in rousing a tired audience to a high pitch of enthusiasm. At the close of his address Dr. Schurman was called out by the students and greeted with prolonged applause. He expressed his thanks for the kindness that had always been shown him, and declared that he would not endanger that friendly attitude by making a speech at so advanced a stage in the proceedings. The benediction by the Principal brought the proceedings to a close. The following is the general pass-list:—

PASS LIST.—(The names are arranged in the order of merit)

LATIN.

- Fourth Year.—Class I.—Robinson, A.; Allison, M. G.; Macrae, A. W. Class II.—Lewis, A. W. Passed—Calder, John; Campbell, A. J.
- Third Year.—Class I.—Shaw, J. C.; Coops, F. H.; Buchanan, J. J. Class II.—Creighton, J. E. Passed—Stewart, A. F.; Fraser, Donald; Putnam, G.; Campbell, W. R.; Calkin, W. S.; Crawford, J. W.
- Second Year.—Class I.—McLeod, G.; McKay, H. M. Class II.—Grant, D. K.; Fulton, W. H.; Sloan, D. Passed—Davison, J. M.; Stewart, F. I.; McDonald, Wm.; Harvey, McLeod; Matheson, J. A.; Robertson, T. R.; (Clark, D. McD.; Munro, John); McKenzie, J. W.; Allison, E. P.; Brown, Wm.
- First Year.—Class I.—Laird, Gordon; Putnam, Homer; Howatt, C. A.; Fraser, Alex.; (McDonald, R. J.; Henry, J. K.) Class II.—Fraser, J. K. G.; Fulton, Ed.; Fraser, V. G.; Brown, E. M.; Kennedy, J. Passed—McKay, D. O.; Laird, Alex.; Grierson, R.; Paton, Vincent; Burkitt, Rob.; Wilson, D. A.; Burns, C. B.; Crowe, Belle; McKenzie, Alex.; McLennan, A. K.

GREEK.

- Fourth Year.—Class I.—Robinson, Alex.; Lewis, A. W. Class II.—None. Passed—Coffin, F. J.
- Third Year.—Class I.—Forbes, Antoinette; Shaw, J. C.; Coops, F. H.; McNeil, Charlotte. Class II.—Coffin, Victor. Passed—Fraser, Donald.
- Second Year.—Class I.—McLeod, George; McKay, H. M. Class II.—Grant, D. K.; Fulton, W. H.; Sloan, D. Passed—Stewart, F. I.; Robertson, T. R.; Matheson, J. A.; (Clark, D. McD.; McLeod, Harvey); Davison, J. M.; McDonald, W.; Brown, W.; (Allison, E. P.; McKenzie, J. W.); McLeod, A. W.
- First Year.—Class I.—Laird, G.; Fraser, V. G.; Fraser, Alex.; McKay, D. A. Class II.—Putnam, H.; Henry, J. K.; Brown, E. M.; McDonald, R. J.; Kennedy, J. Passed—Laird, A.; Paton, Vincent; Fulton, Ed.; (Fraser, J. K. G.;

- Burkitt, Rob.); Howatt, C. A.; Stewart, A. F.; McKenzie, Alex.; Wilson, D. A.; Calder, H. F.

HEBREW.

- Class II.—Calder, J.; Lewis, A. W. Passed—Nicholson, A.; Smith, J. F.

FRENCH.

- Third Class.—Class I.—Nicholson, Alfred.
- Second Class.—Class I.—Allison, M. G.; Coffin, Victor; Calder, John; Morton, S. A. Class II.—Coffin, Fulton I.; Mackay, Neil F.; Campbell, A. J.; Macrae, A. W.; Stewart, Dugald; Munro, John. Passed—McLeod, A. W.; Mackay, E.; Smith, James F.; Robinson, A.; Burns, C. B.
- First Class.—Class I.—McLeod, M. J. Class II.—Coops, F. H.; Bowser, W. I.; Buchanan, J. J. Passed—Campbell, W. R. C.; Creighton, James E.; James, Sadie M.

GERMAN.

- Third Year.—Class I.—Cornelius, Louise A.; Stewart, Miss A. A.; Calkin, Wm. S.; Stewart, A. F.
- Second Year.—Class I.—Macknight, Miss C. K.; Ritchie, Miss Ella A.; Fleming, Miss Margaret. Class II.—Ritchie, Miss Eliza. Passed—Thomson, Miss Alice.
- First Year.—Class I.—Shaw, Henry C.; Forbes, Miss Nettie; Shaw, James C.; McNeill, Miss Charlotte. Class II.—Victor Coffin. Passed—Putnam, Graham; Fraser, Donald; Creelman, Miss Libbie.

ENGLISH.

- Second Year.—Class I.—McLeod, Geo.; (Sloan D.; McDonald W.) Passed—Mackay, H. M.; Clark, D. McD.; Robertson, T. R.; Mackenzie, John W.; Fulton, W. H.; Harvey, McL.; Stewart, F. I.; (Munro, J.; Brown, Wm.; McKenzie, Wm. J.); Davison, J. M.; Grant, D. K.; Matheson, J. A.; Allison, E. P.; also by special examination, McLennan, C. P.
- First Year.—Class I.—Henry, J. K.; (Laird, Gordon; Fulton Edward); Laird, Alex. Class II.—McDonald R.; Putnam, H.; Fraser, V. G. Passed—Brown, E. M.; Burkitt, R.; McKay, D. O.; Fraser, J. K. G.; Crowe, Belle; Burns, C. B.; McLennan, A. K.; Kennedy, James; Grierson, R.; Paton, V.; (Banks, H. H.; Bowser, W. J.); (Howatt, C. A.; McKenzie, A.)

HISTORY.

- Fourth Year.—Class I.—McRae, A. W.; Calder, John; Coffin, Fulton J.; Allison, M. G.; Smith, J. F.
- Third Year.—Class I.—Shaw, Henry C.; Forbes, Antoinette; Putnam, Graham; McNeill, Charlotte. Class II.—Coffin, Victor; Stewart, A. F. Passed—Fraser, D.; Campbell, W. R.; McLennan, C. B.; W. S. Calkin.

POLITICAL ECONOMY.

- Class I.—Allison, M. G.; Calder, John; Campbell, A. I.

METAPHYSICS.

- Class I.—Creighton, J. E.; Shaw, J. C.; Buchanan, J. J. Class II.—Fraser, Antoinette; (Fraser, D.; Shaw, H. C.); McNeill, Charlotte M.; McLennan, C. P.; Stewart, A. F. Passed—Coops, F. H.; Leck, C. A.; Crawford, J. W.; Campbell, W. R.

ETHICS.

- Class I.—Ritchie, Eliza; Brown, A. W.; Campbell, A. J.; Creighton, J. E.; Allison, M. G. Class II.—Smith, J. F. Passed—Coffin, J.; Buchanan, J. J.; Coffin, F. J.; Lewis, A. W.; Edmondson, A.

LOGIC AND PSYCHOLOGY.

Class I.—McLeod Geo.; Clark, D. McD.; Mackay, H. M.; Stewart, Annie A.; Fulton, William; Stewart, F. I.; Macdonald, Wm.; Harvey, McLeod. Class II.—Soloan, David M.; Brown, Wm.; Munro, John; Grant, D. K.; Matheson, John A. Passed—Allison, Edmund T.; Mackenzie, J. W.; Robertson, T. R.; (Mackenzie, W. J.; Davison, J. M.)

MATHEMATICS.

Second Year.—Class I.—Stewart, F. I.; Mackay, H. M. Class II.—Brown, William; McLeod, George; Fulton, W. H. Passed—Clarke, D. M.; Harvey, McLeod; Macdonald, Wm.; Matheson, J. A.; Munro, John; Soloan, D. M.; McKenzie, Wm. J.; Ritchie, Miss E.; McKenzie, J. W.; McLeod, Ambrose.

First Year.—Class I.—Frazee, V. G.; Putnam, Homer; Laird, Gordon; Henry, J. K.; Fulton, Edward. Class II.—McKay, D. O.; Howatt, C. A.; Paton, Vincent; Burkitt, Robert; Macdonald, Robert J. Passed—Kennedy, James; Crowe, Belle; Fraser, J. K.; Brown, E. N.; Laird, Alex.; Fraser, Alex.; Burns, C. B.; McKenzie, Alex.; Bowser, John.

GEOMETRY.

Second Year.—Robertson, T. R.; Davison, J. M.
First Year.—Calder, H. F.

TRIG. AND ALGEBRA.

Second Year.—Allison, E. P.; Grant, D. K.
First Class.—Fraser, John.

PHYSICS.

Third Year.—Class I.—McLeod, M. J. Passed—Stewart, A. F.; Calkin, W. S.; Campbell, W. R.
Fourth Year.—Class I.—McLeod, M. J.

ASTRONOMY.

Passed—McKay, E.; McKay, N. F.; Stewart, D.; Nicholson, A.; Morton, S. A.

INORGANIC CHEMISTRY.

Class I.—(Frazee, V. G.; Laird, Gordon;) Burkett, Robert; McDonald, Robert; McKay, Duncan O.; Fraser, Alex. Class II.—Crowe, Miss; Paton, Vincent; Fulton, Edward. Passed—Putnam, Homer; McLennan, A. K.; Burns, C. B.; Kennedy, James; McKenzie, A.; Brown, E. N.; Fraser, John; Howatt, C. A.; Henry, J. K.; Banks, H. H.; Fraser, J. K. G.; Calder, H. F.; Laird, Alex.; Bowser, W. J.; Stevens, D. J.; McLeod, A.

ORGANIC CHEMISTRY.

Class I.—McLeod, Malcolm; Calkin, Wm S.; Putnam, W. G.

CHEMISTRY (MEDICAL).

Class I.—Symonds, Frank A. Class II.—Fletcher, R. W.; Procter, James W. Passed—Clarke, James W.; Ross James.

PRACTICAL CHEMISTRY.

Class I.—Procter, James W.; Fletcher, R. W.; Morton, S. A.; Calkin, W. S.; Clarke, James W.; Symonds, Frank A.; Stewart, Dugald; Ross, James; Putnam, W. G.; Stewart, Miss.

BOTANY.

Class I.—Symonds, Frank A.; Crowe, Miss. Class II.—Fletcher, Robt. W.; Ross, James. Passed—Procter, James W.; Clarke, James W.; Banks, Herbert.

FACULTY OF LAW.—CLASS LISTS.

(Arranged in order of merit.)

INTERNATIONAL LAW.

Class I.—Chisholm, Carter, Campbell, A. J.; McRae, Thompson. Class II.—Henry, Jennison, Wells. Passed.—Crowe, Troop, Walsh, Robertson, Milliken, McDonald, J. A.

ROMAN LAW.

Class I.—Carter, Chisholm, Milliken, Thompson, Walsh, Crowe, Henry, Wells, Campbell, A. J.; Troop, McRae. Class II.—Jennison, Robertson, McDonald, J. A.

INSURANCE.

Class I.—Henry, (Chisholm and McDonald,) Carter, Thompson, Troop. Class II.—Robertson, Wells, Milliken, Walsh, (Crowe and Jennison)

EVIDENCE.

Class I.—Rogers, McDonald, E. M.; Carter, T. J.; McCully, Thomson, (Henright and McLatchy.) Passed.—Cluney, Mackinnon, Gregory, Russell, Lane.

COMMERCIAL LAW.

Class I.—Thomson, McDonald, Hanright, McCully, McLatchy. Class II.—Carter, Rogers, Mackinnon, Lyons. Passed.—Cluney, Lane, Russell.

EQUITY.

Class I.—McDonald, McCully, Carter, (Morrison and McLatchy,) Rogers. Class II.—Hanright, Cluney. Passed.—Mackinnon, Lyons, Lane.

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW.

Class I.—Henry, (McCully and McDonald,) Hanright, (McLatchy and Carter,) Thomson. Class II.—Rogers. Passed.—Lane, Mackinnon, Lyons.

CONFLICT OF LAWS.

Class I.—McDonald, McCully, (Carter and Hanright.) Class II.—Thomson, Rogers, McLatchy, Mackinnon. Passed.—Lane, Cluney, Lyons.

CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY.

Class I.—Buchanan, Allison, McInnis, McCready, Creighton, McLennan, Armstrong, McRae, Campbell, J. R., Campbell, A. J. Class II.—Campbell, W. R., Shaw, Jones, McKay. Passed.—Magee, Ford, Russell.

CONTRACTS.

Class I.—McInnis, McLennan, MacKay. Class II.—Campbell, J. R., McCready. Passed.—Armstrong, Jones, Magee, Russell.

REAL PROPERTY.

Class I.—Campbell, J. R., McKay, McInnis.—Class II.—(Magee and McLennan.) Passed.—McCready, Armstrong, Whitford, Jones, Ford.

ESTATES LESS THAN FREEHOLD.

Class I.—Campbell, J. R., McCready, Mackay, McLennan, Ford. Passed.—Jones, McInnis, Armstrong, Magee, Whitford, Morrison, Macdougall.

TORTS.

Class I.—McCready, Mackay, McLennan, Armstrong, Campbell, J. R., Russell, McInnis. Class II.—Macdougall, Magee. Passed.—Whitford, Morrison, Jones, Ford, Burrii.

CRIMES.

Class I.—Ford, Armstrong, (McCready and Campbell,) McLennan. Class II.—McInnis, Morrison, Magee, Mackay. Passed.—Whitford, Russell, Macdougall, Jones.

EXCHANGES.

The following are on hand:—*Acadia Athenaeum, Bates' Student, Oberlin Review, Portfolio, Adelpian, University Mirror, King's College Record, Beacon, Pennsylvanian, University Monthly, Tuftonian, Brunonian, McGill Gazette, Niagara Index, Varsity, Week, Scholars Monthly.*

PERSONALS.

THE GRADUATING CLASS.

Below we give a list of the graduates and their present addresses:—

M. G. ALLISON goes home to rest from his academical labors—we expect to hear harrowing accounts of the ravages he will make upon the affections of the maidens of Windsor.

C. H. CAHAN will mould public opinion as a member of the staff of the *Halifax Herald and Mail*. We predict for Mr. Cahan success in an avocation for which he is so well fitted by nature and education.

F. J. COFFIN has entered the Home Mission Field of the Presbyterian Church, and is stationed for the summer at Mechanic's Settlement, King's Co., N. B.

J. CALDER will teach during the summer at Port Hawkesbury, C. B. He will next winter enter upon his theological studies.

A. W. LEWIS will be found at his home, Central Onslow, where he will rusticate preparatory to entering upon his professional studies next winter.

E. MCKAY will be found at his home, Plainfield, Pictou Co.

NEIL F. MCKAY will strive to win the heart of some Scotch lassie in West River. We feel confident that he will meet with the success he desires and deserves. His friends will be sure to find him either at Home, 'over at Mount Thom,' or 'up and down the Toney River.'

A. W. MACRAE will sojourn in the neighbouring province. Whether he will penetrate the forest primeval or take up his residence at the celestial city we know not. Certainly we expect he will turn up trump every time. Never mind Mac, "the five fingers take the Jack every time."

S. A. MORTON will be found at his home, Milton, Queen's Co., where he proposes to study for an Academic License.

A. NICHOLSON will spread the knowledge of scriptural truth through the region round and about the Shubenacadie.

A. ROBINSON will rest from his labors in Sussex Vale, King's Co., N. B.

J. F. SMITH will give the people of Escuminac, N. B., the benefit of his Philosophy and Theology.

D. STEWART has been appointed second teacher of North Sydney Academy. Mr. Stewart takes the place of Mr. Thompson (an old Dalhousie student) who has been appointed principal. Mr. R. M. Langille, B. A., '85, the late principal, has accepted Amherst Academy.

H. S. ADAMS, B. A., of the Class of '84, is at present a member of the teachers staff of the Jesuits College, Montreal. Mr. Adams is, we are given to understand, continuing his theological studies with his professional duties.

C. W. BLANCHARD, B. A. '80, is a rising young barrister of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

J. G. A. CREIGHTON, B. A., '68, is a most successful jurist. His offices are to be found in Montreal and Ottawa. He is at present Law-clerk of the Dominion Senate.

REV. S. MCNAUGHTON, M. A., of the class of '67, is pastor of a flourishing congregation in Preston, G. B. We have had this winter a substantial evidence of Mr. McNaughton's interest in the University in the offer of the McNaughton Prize.

REV. PROF. H. MCD. SCOTT, B. D., '70, of Chicago, has, with his colleagues, recently issued the 3rd vol. of the "American Summary of Progressive Theology." This book is invaluable to persons interested in the well-fare of American Theology.

W. M. THORBURN, B. A., '80, has recently returned to Madras after a years furlough in England. It will be gratifying to his friends to know that Mr. Thorburn returns to India with health recruited and in good spirits.

JOHN WADDELL, Ph. D., &c., has recently taken the degree of D. Sc., in Edinburgh University. Mr. Waddell, to win this degree, took a special course in chemical study, a pursuit to which he has devoted a great deal of time and energy with marked success in the past. We understand that Dr. Waddell's thesis was on "The Atomic Weight of Tungsten." It was a testing of the results of preceding chemists in a different way. After careful research and experiment Dr. Waddell confirmed the results previously obtained by Dumas, Roscoe, &c., namely, that Atomic weight of Tungsten is 184. We congratulate the learned Doctor on his new honours.

REV. JOHN WALLACE, B. A., '70, who has been for several years in Bermuda, has recently gone to San Francisco, where an important church falls under his care.

Of the students who finished their Theological studies at Pine Hill this winter the following were old Dalhousie students:—J. W. McLennan, B. A., '83. Mr. McLennan was the only student who took the degree of B. D. this year. Willard Macdonald, James Ross, W. L. McRae, H. J. Furneaux and W. Calder. Mr. McRae is about to go to Trinidad as a Missionary. The rest of the class will work in different sections of the Maritime Provinces.

THE old Dalhousie Students who were attending McGill Medical College the past year were most successful. G. G. Campbell, B. Sc., took first prize in Botany and Physiology. He was first class in everything, and in average marks lead the year. Mr. W. B. Taylor, B. A., '84, also took a very high first class position. T. H. McKinnon, also an old Dalhousie boy, stood very well.

OBITUARY.—Seldom have we been so often called upon to mourn with those that mourn as we have in the past year. Students, graduates, old students and friends have one after another lain themselves down to sleep the sleep of Death. And now once more we stand before a fresh-made grave and weep but not as those without hope. On the 1st of April, at Tunapuna, Trinidad, Rev. John W. MacLeod, M. A., died after a short confinement to his room. We knew that Mr. MacLeod was not in very

good health for some time past, but it was hoped that a short rest would enable him to regain his wonted vigour. For some years Mr. MacLeod has been a most successful missionary in Trinidad to which island he was sent by the Presbyterian Church of Canada. Mr. MacLeod was a man of noble aspirations united with a fervent love for the profession which he had adopted. He was a man of genial disposition and his high qualities of mind and soul endeared him to all who knew him. With his friends and family the GAZETTE sympathizes in their sudden bereavement.

ONE other thought. Let the student lay aside his book for a moment and ask himself this question, What is my object? We should each have an ideal—a high and noble ideal. The cherishing of a lofty ideal through all the vicissitudes of life, even though it be never attained, cannot but be of incomparable benefit to any man; keeping him from despair in the hour of misfortune, inspiring him with courage when fronted by difficulties, and saving him from all low and unworthy ends.—*Argosy*.

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