

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Tupper.

MUSIC

by a selected choir from St. John and Fredericton N. B.

Orations by Members of the Graduating Class.

The Arabians in Spain—Arthur W. Armstrong, Wolfville.

Law, the Product of Public Opinion and the Creator of Public Opinion—Henry B. Ruggles, Bridgetown.

The ancient or the Modern Languages in Education—Charles D. Rand, Canby.

The reign of Constantine—Ralph Hunt, Dartmouth.

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The Influence of Locke's Philosophy—H. Albert Spencer, Mira, C. B.

The developments of Science—Willard P. Shaffner, Williamstown, Annapolis Co.

The study of Greek Art, necessary to a proper conception of the Life and Thought of the Greek People—Horace L. Beckwith, Halifax; (excused).

The French in America—Frederic A. Hobart, Windsor.

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The Relations of Free Trade and of Protection to National Prosperity; a Discussion—Granville B. Healy, Round Hill, Annapolis Co.; Adoniram J. Denton, Waterford, Digby Co.

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The Old Roman Priesthood—G. Ormond Forsyth, Greenwich, Kings Co.

The Duty of the Scholar to the Public—Rupert G. Haley, Yarmouth.

The Compensations of the Student's Life; Valedictory—Charles K. Harrington, Sydney, C. B.

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These were omitted.

The omission of the Discussion was a great disappointment to many, but it had been decided by the lot cast and that decision was final.

The orations were all excellent and given with much freedom of utterance, showing that the speakers had made themselves masters of their themes. All were pervaded with a fine manly tone and Christian spirit. Without being directly religious, it was evident that they were conceived under the influence of religious feeling and with deep reverence for God and the truths of divine revelation. We can make no preferences were all were so good. But without disparagement of any others we may say that the Valedictory was given with an ease and grace which showed that the speaker was intended for an orator, who with due care and cultivation must if spared take a prominent stand as a public speaker amongst his fellowmen.

The ceremony of initiation to the first degree—Bachelor of Arts—was quite impressive especially when returning with their distinguishing hoods to receive the address from the President. His words were soon spoken, but they will not be easily forgotten, especially the emphatic paternal parting blessing pronounced upon them.

President Sawyer announced that the degree of M. A. had been awarded to Mr. Benjamin Rand of Cornwallis an alumnus of the College.

Honor Certificates were presented to Mr. H. Moore and Mr. A. J. Denton.

B. H. Eaton, Esq., Secretary of the Alumni Association then gave the prizes awarded, 1st Matriculation Prize of \$20 to Mr. L. H. Chute, and a 2nd prize to Mr. G. Andrews.

The President's prize of \$20 to the best man in all respects was given to Mr. C. K. Harrington. Mr. Eaton explained that this was the result of the marks obtained all through the four years of study in all the classes and for deportment—supposing, 1000 represent perfection in every recitation, conduct &c., Mr. H., had reached the number 839. This although so high was but little over that of Mr. A. J. Denton, who had succeeded in getting 831 marks.

The music, supplied by a select choir from St. John and Fredericton, N. B., as follows:

Soprano—Mrs. Lawton, Mrs. Dr. Curry, Miss Alice Foster, Miss Henderson.

Alto—Miss Lizzie Smith, Miss Hea.

Tenors—Mr. T. H. Hall, Mr. J. March.

Basso—Mr. M. S. Hall, Mr. H. S. Bridges, with the addition of Mr. Burpee Witter, of Wolfville. The pieces performed were:

Pilgrim Chorus—Je Lombardi..... Verdi.

Jehovah's Praises—(Anthem).

I was glad—(Anthem),..... Woodbury.

How Lovely is Zion—(Obligato Solo and Chorus)..... Root.

Thy Marvellous Work—Creation Hayden.

THE ALUMNI DINNER

was a great success. It was attended by a host of ladies and gentlemen and the supply was equal to the demand. The after dinner speaking was excellent, Dr. Welton, Dr. Hall, Dr. Rand, Dr.

Sawyer, J. W. Longley, Esq., Rev. J. S. Coffin, Rev. J. E. P. Hopper, C. K. Harrington, and Rev. G. M. W. Carey, of St. John. In addition to these an original Poem written for the occasion entitled "The Old and the New Acadia" read by Mr. Lockhart was greatly admired and enjoyed. We shall give it to our readers in our next.

THE CONCERT OF MUSIC

in the evening was a great treat. Every piece was finely rendered by the New Brunswick choir. The pieces were

PART I.

Glee—'Happy and Light,' from the Bohemian Girl.....F. C. Cowen.

Song—'It was a Dream,'.....Miss Alice Foster.

Song—'The Sailor Boy,' Mr. T. H. Hall.

Duet—'A. B. C.'.....Mrs. Lawton and Mr. M. S. Hall.

Song—'.....Mrs. Dr. Curry.

Chorus—'Thy Marvellous Works,'.....From the Creation.

PART II.

Song (with invisible chorus)—'Ye Winged Winds'.....J. D. Thompson.

Song—'Ronald and I'.....Mrs. W. H. Lawton.

Duet—'Heavenly Father'.....Misses Alice Foster and Alice Hea.

Song—'Those Charming Bells'.....Mr. M. S. Hall.

Quartette—'Peace on the Deep,' Stockbridge—Miss Foster, Miss Smith, T. H. Hall, M. S. Hall.

Chorus—'Rainbow,' from the Hay-makers. 'Auld Lang Syne.'

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

After the Concert there was

A GRAND ILLUMINATION

of the College and Academy buildings. Transparencies in variegated colors covered most of the windows. One large one over the belfry window contained the names of the Building Committee. This brought the day to a close and completed the first anniversary in the New Acadia College.

DEATH OF THE REV. JOHN SHAW.

A letter from James Desbrisay, Esq., of Charlottetown, informs us of the death of Rev. John Shaw, of Three Rivers, P. E. I. He says, "I learn that he was much as usual till one o'clock, P. M., on Wednesday last, and at 9, peacefully entered into rest to be 'for ever with the Lord.'" Our good friend and brother Shaw was quite advanced in life, we believe near 80 years of age. The world has but few better men left in it. He was a stern Scotchman, deservedly held in high esteem by the churches on Prince Edward Island. His preaching was formerly highly popular, especially on the island of Cape Breton. We shall doubtless soon have a notice of his life more in detail than we can now furnish.

THE NEW CARDINAL.—On the 12th ult., Dr. John Newman was raised to the Cardinalate by Pope Leo xiii. He delivered an address on the occasion to a large assembly, principally composed of ecclesiastics, convened in the palace of Cardinal Howard. It was a miserable specimen of bigotry and uncharitableness. Cardinal Newman does not understand Protestantism. He can defame, and he would destroy if he could; but he knows not how to "think and let think." Cardinal as he is, he has much yet to learn.

A Tyrolese clergyman being called upon a few days ago to pay certain taxes, from which the clergy are not exempted, deliberately declined to comply with the fiscal summons, which considering the Austrian tax-collectors have a hard time of it at the very best, was repeated several times, and always couched in most respectful terms. At last, having been threatened with the legal dispossession of moveable goods upon his inviolable premises, he marched off to the nearest market-town his cow, his pigs, etc., with a cart-load of parochical turnips and potatoes, disposed of the lot to some sympathetic Christian buyers, at his own price, and sent the cash for safe keeping to a relation across the border. He then returned his steps home, where he found a fiscal officer in possession of his premises. After preaching to the latter for an hour or so, finding that his well-meant admonitions took no effect, he finally lost his temper and said that he would put out the intruder by force, regardless of any bodily harm that might come out of it. But the holy gentleman had evidently reckoned without his host, nor had he sufficiently inquired into the other's readiness to allow himself to be thus summarily taken off his duty, for, on advancing to collar the dutiful officer, he was himself seized by a pair of muscular arms, a rope was swiftly

slipped over his shoulders, and as quickly pulled down over the bend of his own helpless arms and tightened fast. In less than no time he was carried up to the tax collecting headquarters and gently deposited at the feet of the collector with all the respect due to his rank. In this interesting question our clergyman admitted that he had been rather hasty, and consented to give up the keys of his cash box, in which it was known he kept a trifle of public securities. Having been discharged by the collector, the cash box was brought in triumph to the office. But, on being opened and the papers taken out, it was found that the coupons had been removed, and that the remaining papers were worthless. As a new version of the famed parable relating to Cæsar, the clergyman's example will probably find some imitators.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Some brief notes from the Report of the English Baptist Missionary Society:—

"There are thirty-five Schools in Delhi, established among the lowest of the population, and partly subsidized by the government. Open air meetings are held in connection with nearly all of them. The bodily diseases of the people are treated by a medical mission, conducted by Dr. Carey, whose labors have been very successful.

Twenty persons have been baptized into Christ in Ceylon during the last year.

The Reports of the Missionaries respecting China are very hopeful. "Never have the people of China exhibited so much readiness to hear and receive the gospel."

In Italy and in Norway the cause of truth and piety is making encouraging progress. The Pope is the only one who mourns over it, and his distress arises from his want of power to shut up Protestant churches and schools, particularly in Italy.

Upwards of 1,800 persons were baptized in 1878 in the ninety-eight churches composing the Jamaica Baptist Union.

The Normal School difficulties are causing some people to ask, whether it is best for the government to sustain an expensive Institution for preparing persons for their profession of teaching any more than for other professions. If the school does not accomplish its work it is of course useless and might be dispensed with. It should be made efficient or dispensed with.

EDUCATIONAL.

There are now thirty-five colored students in the theological department of Howard University, in training for the ministry. They represent five different denominations.

There are seventy-four female members of school committees in Massachusetts; they are said to be efficient in their work.

Corporal punishment has its enemies and its advocates. We have not gone so far, however, as the Chinese, who are sometimes quoted as models in educational matters. The following which lately appeared in *Land and Water*, may interest those who, although occasionally "lose their heads" on the day of examination, prefer to keep them on their shoulders:—"A cure for Dunderheads.—It is very fortunate for some of our idle and lazy public schoolboys that they do not happen to be subjects of the Emperor of China. In no country under the sun is educational discipline enforced with such rigour as in the Celestial Empire. A young Chinaman at an academy in Washington was exceedingly backward in his studies. The faculty of the school sent an official notification of the fact to the Chinese Government, at whose expense the dunces were being educated. The Government acted promptly and vigorously. Its instructions were brief and comprehensive.—Send him home and we'll head him!"—*Schoolmaster.*

The scandalous law of the Territory of New Mexico which gave the control of public education to the Jesuits has been, very properly, abrogated by Congress. The advocates of free and unsectarian education now demand a general school law; this the Jesuits oppose, and are holding the rod over the Catholic especially over the Catholic editors. The Vicar-General of the Catholic Church in the Territory has issued a notice to the press, in which he calls the public school system "the pampered and legitimate child of impiety" and the papers that advocate it impious. It is well for our people to learn the temper of the Church in a region where it has complete sway over

the popular mind. New Mexico offers an interesting study of Romanism.—*Harper's Weekly.*

Notices.

Baptist Anniversaries, 1879.

N. S. WESTERN ASSOCIATION will meet at Hebron, Yarmouth County, on Saturday the 14th day of June, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

N. S. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION is appointed to meet at Berwick, on Saturday the 21st day of June, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

N. S. EASTERN ASSOCIATION will meet at Goose River, Cumberland County, on Saturday the 12th of July at 10 o'clock, A. M.

N. B. WESTERN ASSOCIATION will meet at Rockland, Carleton Co., on Tuesday the 24th day of June, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

N. B. EASTERN ASSOCIATION will meet at Surrey, Albert County, on Tuesday the 8th of July.

P. E. ISLAND ASSOCIATION will meet with the Church at Long Creek, on Saturday the 5th day of July, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

N. S. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Delegates and friends who purpose attending the Central Association at Berwick, will please send their names at an early date, to our Pastor S. McC. Black, or to the Clerk.

In behalf of the Church,  
T. H. PARKER, Clerk.

UMBERLAND AND COLCHESTER MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE.

The next meeting of the Cumberland and Colchester Ministerial Conference will be held with the Baptist Church, at Advocate Harbor, on the 2nd Tuesday of June. The usual sermon preached by the Secretary on Tuesday evening, at 7 1/2 o'clock, P. M.

C. H. MARTELL, Sec'y.

Onslow, May 14, 1879.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Deerfield.—Mrs. M. C. Stubbert...\$7 00  
Mrs. Thos. Uhlman, Deerfield..... 4 00  
Deacon Enoch Crosby, do. .... 4 00

M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.

Halifax, June 10th, 1879.

ERRATUM.—In Luthardt's Discourse, p. 181, 2nd. col. 9th line, for "godliness and demons," read, goblins and demons.

HALIFAX BAPTIST CHURCH DIRECTORY.

GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M., and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. E. M. Saunders. Sabbath School in the New Vestry Spring Garden Road at 2.45 P. M. Prayer-meetings in the same place on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH, GOTTINGEN STREET.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. W. Manning. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

TABERNACLE, NORTH BRUNSWICK ST.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. J. F. Avery. Sabbath School at 2.30 P. M. Prayer-meetings on Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.30.

DARTMOUTH BAPTIST CHURCH.—Lord's Day Services at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Pastor, Rev. John Clark. Sabbath School 9.30 A. M. Bible Class at 3 P. M. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30.

Letters Received.

James G. Ross, \$4. Mrs. D. Webber, \$2. Jas. Lantz, \$4. W. H. Goudey, 1 sub. Rev. W. E. Hall, \$4. B. L. Telfer, \$2. Jas. Desbrisay, Esq., \$5, 1 sub. N. M. Nelson, \$2.25.

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