

Prince of Wales College.

CLOSING EXERCISES—THE VALEDICTORY—REMARKS BY DR. ANDERSON, PREMIER M LEOD, SENATOR HAYTHORNE, REV. WALTER P. TAYLOR, REV. MR. GORDON AND REV. MR. SCHELLAND.

The closing exercises of the students of Prince of Wales College and Normal School were held yesterday. Among the interested spectators were Hon. Neil McLeod, Hon. G. W. Bentley, Hon. Senator Haythorne, Revs. James Carruthers, J. A. Gordon, David Sutherland, Walter P. Taylor, Dr. H. D. Johnson, Principal Miller, Principal Seaman, Charles Palmer, W. E. Dawson, H. J. Cundill, Alex. Kennedy, Esq., Mrs. George D. Longworth, Mrs. Nicholson and many other ladies and gentlemen.

The exercises consisted of readings from Shakespeare's play of "Julius Caesar," the reading of an excellent, original essay upon the life and character of Julius Caesar by Mr. Crafer, and the reading of the following valedictory address by Mr. William Bentley:—

VALEDICTORY ADDRESS.

It is with mingled feelings of pleasure and regret that we, who have completed our course, assemble here to-day to participate in the closing exercises, and bid farewell to our esteemed professors and friends.

Our connection with the College, it is true, has not been one of unalloyed pleasure; we have had our trials to endure and our difficulties to overcome; but under the able and kindly assistance and guidance of our talented Principal and his co-workers—to whom we would respectfully tender our sincere thanks and gratitude—we were ever able to surmount all obstacles, and are now in the highest degree satisfied with the results of our labors.

With respect to our course of studies for the year, we may say, that although it was difficult, we have every reason to feel grateful for the connection existing between the different subjects, whereby our work was made harmonious, and, on that account, far less dull than it might have been.

At the beginning of the year a football team was organized, as usual; but, much as we dislike to do so, we have to complain of the state of our football grounds, and we are, indeed, sorry to think that the admirable suggestion of our predecessors, of having the field stumped and leveled, has been entirely overlooked. But that, we confess, is but a small matter; and we would now respectfully call the attention of the same "powers that be" to the condition of our institution, for we certainly consider that there is room for improvement.

We would suggest that we have a chemical laboratory, a library and a gymnasium in connection with the College. We hope that the first of these will make its appearance on the advent of our Professor of Agriculture and kindred subjects, but we think that the two last are at least entitled to consideration, for they would certainly be hailed with acclamation by the students. The library would greatly assist them in their study of English Literature, and the gymnasium promote the health and vigor of the students.

When the inclemency of the weather prevented us from indulging in outdoor amusements, a Debating Club was organized, that those of our numbers who possessed oratorical genius might display their ability and eloquence; those who were not thus gifted, although at first its speedy fall was expected, it lived and flourished until the pressure of work compelled us to bring it to a termination, after having discussed some of the most important topics of the day.

We cannot pass without directing a few remarks to the death of the late Mr. Lepage. By his departure the students have lost a kind and talented teacher. Our staff of teachers has thus been reduced in numbers; but, notwithstanding this, we feel that we have suffered comparatively little owing to the highly commendable manner in which our earnest and energetic Principal and his assistants have conducted the work of training us in the paths of wisdom.

A short time ago another vacancy in the Educational Department of this Province occurred in the death of our Superintendent, Mr. Montgomery. We sincerely hope that his successor may fulfill the duties of his office with equal satisfaction.

And now, kind sir, we will bid you farewell, with grateful memories will we ever cherish the many kindnesses shown us by yourself and faithful assistant professors during the time of our tuition. Many of us, no doubt, will wander back from time to time to gaze on the old familiar surroundings, but also not on the old familiar faces. These will have gone their several ways to be tossed on the restless billows of life's ocean, and will have been replaced by new and unfamiliar ones; but let us hope that these kindly emulative spirit shall unite and render pleasant the memories of our successors as of ourselves.

Dr. Anderson then addressed the pupils. He said, in effect:—

In responding to your valedictory, we have to thank you for the terms in which you speak of your instructors, and for the assurance you give that you are conscious of having spent a very successful year in the Prince of Wales College. I can assure you that the work has not been light. The number of students is still up to the mark of former years, and the character of the work that has been done is good; but it is not advantageous for students or teachers that the energies of the latter should be overtaxed to the extent that has been the case during the past year. The loss of one of our number, and the delay in the appointment of his successor, not only prevented us from undertaking certain subjects, but brought to bear a pressure and strain which was healthful for neither body nor mind. That you might suffer as little as possible was the desire of your teachers, and the results to-day show that their efforts were not in vain. We reciprocate your sentiments on parting. Though laborious, the year has been pleasant. I scarcely expected that the senior class, from their acquaintances in the first half, would have acquired themselves as satisfactorily as they have done in the second half. Their diligence was always commendable, but accuracy, habits of attention and observation, and faculty of systematic work, had to be acquired. And it is my agreeable duty to have to state that such an improvement has taken place in these respects that I can conscientiously say that I feel heartily sorry to part with them. But though the relationship of teacher and student no longer assists between us, the intercourse which has been so confidential during the period of our connection, has begotten a warmth of feeling which I would not wish to let die; and, therefore, be sure that you will always be cordially welcomed at the Prince of Wales College, and that, go where you will, our best wishes accompany you. It is always a matter of great satisfaction to us to see so many of our students desirous of prosecuting their studies in more advanced educational institutions.

It is good to remember those who have gone from us under these circumstances—good for them, for us, and for those who occupy their places in these rooms. It is a powerful stimulus to them in their career to feel that they are remembered, and that we participate in the joy which springs from their success, it is a source of gratification to us to see the fruition of our labors, and it serves to arouse the ambition and quicken the energies of their successors to go and do likewise. We do not mention the names of former students who have done us credit, out of a boastful spirit, but we may be permitted to express our pleasure when we witness the fuller development of these faculties and tastes, of the possession of which they first became cognizant in these class rooms and under our care. It is a singular coincidence that the valedictorians at the conclusion of the college year just ended, at Dalhousie, Pine Hill, McGill and the Montreal Presbyterian College, were alumni of this institution. We also record the fact that medals at Dalhousie, McGill, (Medical and Science departments) and the Presbyterian College, Montreal, have been won by our former students. And we delight to add the names of F. McLeod, Schurman, McKechnie, Lea and Clay, not to mention others hardly behind them, to the long list of those who have gone before and who have done us honor. A good education is the greatest of all blessings where it is properly used. When it merely feeds the vanity of the individual it gives birth to a progeny, mischievous and baneful—envy, hatred, malice, treachery, self-seeking. But where it refines the character, purifies the sentiments, elevates the taste and ennobles the nature, we hail it as the most powerful instrument for good. A discussion has been proceeding for some time on both sides of the Atlantic respecting an article written for the New York Tribune by Mr. Carnegie, of Pittsburgh, the greatest captain of the iron industry on this side of the Atlantic, in which he avers that collegial education to the young man who has a business career in prospect, is rather disadvantageous than helpful. Mr. Carnegie said:—

"The total absence of the college graduates in every department of affairs should be deeply weighed. I have enquired and searched everywhere in all quarters, but find scarcely a trace of him. Nor is this surprising. The prize-takers have too many years' start of the graduate; they have entered for the race invariably in their teens—in the most valuable of all the years for learning anything—from fourteen to twenty; while the college student has been learning a little about the barbarous and petty squabbles of a far-distant past, or trying to master languages which are dead, such knowledge as seems adapted for life upon another planet than this, as far as business affairs are concerned—the future captain of industry is hotly engaged in the school of experience, obtaining the very knowledge required for his future triumphs."

I do not speak of the effect of college education upon young men training for the learned professions, but the almost total absence of the graduate from high positions in the business world seems to justify the conclusion that college education as it exists is fatal to success in that domain. The graduate has not the slightest chance, entering at twenty, against the boy who sweeps the office, or who begins as shipping clerk at fourteen. The facts prove this."

Rejoinders, most vigorous and convincing, have been printed in the same paper, the settled conviction of such men as Chauncey Depew, Ex-Mayor Hewitt, President Low, may be quoted. Mr. Chauncey Depew, in reply to this statement, said:—

"It is only within a few years that the college man has thought that it comported with his dignity to go into business. In looking over annually the canvasses made by the members of the graduating classes it will be found that 99 per cent of them were destined for the professions, and in that I include journalism and teaching."

"Business and commercial success now so completely dominates the public judgment and imagination that it has dwarfed the Cabinet Minister and United States Senator so that their personality, movements and opinions are no longer potential and hardly influential. Even the leaders of the bar and the most eminent men in the public do not now have, comparatively, anything like the social position and leadership which they did a quarter of a century ago. The road to distinction, social consideration, and often wealth was formerly through the professions. Now it is through business. The great bankers, merchants, manufacturers and masters of transportation form the real leadership in every community, and the struggle it for their recognition and a place beside them."

"This is leading college men, in constantly increasing numbers each year, to turn their attention to business. Of course, if a man has not the 'grit' in him, and the nameless qualities which make success, it is of little account whether he is educated or not. The question, as I understand it, is whether, with equal health, talent, energy and special capacity for success, the boy who began sweeping the store or working in the shop at fourteen will beat in the end a boy who has the advantages of a college education. In other words, have the eight years passed in the preparatory school and the university, acquiring many things which would be useless in the factory or store, been thrown away? My observation leads me to directly the contrary opinion. The college-bred man, under equal conditions of capacity and health, has a trained intellect, a disciplined mind, a store of information and a breadth of grasp, with the fearlessness which it entails, that enable him to catch up and pass his rival. The technical schools, whose usefulness is admitted, are proofs of this. Trained ability takes the lead; and the technical school gives in a certain sense a university education."

"Hundreds of college graduates within the last five years have begun in the various departments of railway work at the bottom. They were firing on the locomotive, working in the machine shop, switching in the yards, keeping books in the treasurer's office, serving in the freight and passenger departments, and my observation of them for this period has demonstrated the value of a college education."

"I never met a self-made man in my life who did not firmly believe that he had been handicapped, no matter how great his success, by deficiency in education, and who was not determined to give his children the advantages of which he felt, not only in business, but in his intercourse with his fellow-men, so greatly in need. It used to be a popular theory that strong men who had won great places in the business world would have been ruined if they had been educated. The better belief is that, on account of genius and special capacity, they succeeded in spite of their disadvantages. It is the old story of the trained boxer, runner, athlete, debater, soldier, as against unskilled strength and courage. Whatever the popular delusion in the trials, there never has been but one result."

We have not space to-day for the remarks of President Low, referred to by Dr. Anderson, but quote the following statement made by Ex-Mayor Hewitt, in the course of an interview with a reporter for the Tribune:—

"I did not suppose," said Mr. Hewitt sharply in answer to the request for his opinion upon the value of an education for the business man, "that the value of an education was open to controversy. I most decidedly do not consider that the chief end of man is money getting."

"Do you think, Mr. Hewitt, that a man who obtains a college education can reach success as readily and surely as a young man who plunges immediately into business?"

"What do you mean by success? Certainly, I will not admit that mere wealth is success. In my own case I have tried all my life to do my duty. If in the course of that I made money, I rejoiced. If I lost it, and I lost money as frequently as I made it, I bore that with equanimity. I have given my children the best possible educational advantages. I am not trying to leave them wealth, nor do I care whether their education has aided or injured their ability to make money. I am satisfied to leave them thoroughly educated. Others may regard money-getting as success. I do not, nor will I discuss this matter upon that plane."

"If you ask my opinion upon the value of an education, quote me as saying this: If I were offered a fortune without education, or an education without fortune, I should unhesitatingly accept the education."

Hon. Neil McLeod complimented the students on their readings and essays, as well as on the marks obtained by those who were on the honor list. These results proved that, though deprived of the valuable services of the deceased, Professor LePage, the students had made good progress in their course. All would, however, be glad to learn that the Government had appointed a graduate of McGill College, a gentleman highly recommended as fitted for the position, to give instructions particularly in that branch of education, which is of the first importance to this Province, viz: Natural Science and Agriculture. When the college classes were re-opened, the new professor would, he hoped, be here, and the students, while enjoying all the advantages now obtained, would in addition, be enabled to obtain higher instruction in the principles of agriculture than ever before. The success of students of Prince of Wales College was almost phenomenal. They took high rank in every university to which they went. Indeed, the character of the institution is such that no matriculation examination is required at McGill of those who go up from Prince of Wales. He recognized the importance of many sports in the curriculum of the College. Learning is of little use to those whose bodies are not strong and healthy. To obtain health and strength physical exercise is necessary. A sound mind in a sound body is most of all required. The Government would, therefore, bear in mind the hint contained in the valedictory and have the football grounds levelled so that they might be used. (Applause.)

Senator Haythorne congratulated the teachers and the students, and spoke at length upon the advantages of a higher education and the importance of scientific methods in agriculture.

Revs. Walter P. Taylor, J. A. Gordon and David Sutherland each made appropriate remarks.

After singing verses of "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the Queen," the visitors and students dispersed.

Religious Services.

Upper Prince Street Methodist Church to-morrow: 7 a. m., prayer meeting; 11 a. m., Rev. Ezra B. Moore; 7 p. m., Rev. W. W. Brewer; 2 p. m., Bible Class.

Don't forget the Railway Gospel Meeting to-morrow afternoon in McLeod's Hall at 4 o'clock. Strangers will always find a welcome. Lesson: Hebrews 10: 23. "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; for he is faithful that promised."

Services in Zion Church, to-morrow, will be conducted by the Pastor, at 11 a. m., and in the evening at 7. Morning prayer meeting at 10:15; Sabbath School and bible classes will meet at 2:30 p. m.

The regular G. M. meeting will be held in the upper hall of the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow afternoon, at 4 o'clock, and will be addressed by Mr. Lude. Subject, "The Experiences of a Blind Man." As Mr. Lude is blind, the collection taken will be for his benefit. A large attendance and a liberal contribution is solicited.

ABOUT ELOPEMENTS.—Wm. Oliver, who resides near Lawrence town, N. S., has eloped with a young woman named Romans. Oliver is a married man.

Porter, the Englishman, who eloped from New Bedford, Mass., with the 16 year old daughter of a man named Woodan, as narrated yesterday, has been arrested in St. John and is now languishing in jail.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.—A Halifax despatch of the 29th says: Five pounds of dynamite for use in a city sewer exploded while being warmed this afternoon, at the corner of North and Agricola streets, Duncan McLeod, aged 57, a city street was attending it at the time and was terribly injured, but may recover. He has 50 wounds on his back and legs. The shock was very heavy and could be heard nearly a mile away. Window glass in all houses and buildings within several blocks were completely demolished and small articles on mantels and shelves knocked to the floor. Strange to say no other person than McLeod was injured.

VERY MUCH MARRIED.—A Chicago despatch of the 29th says: The Rev. Frederick T. McLeod, formerly of Economy, N. S., was sent to jail to-day, the jury having found him guilty of bigamy. His second wife, being at home with a sick baby, was not disturbed, though she, too, was found guilty. McLeod's lawyer asked to have him admitted to bail, pending a motion for a new trial, but the judge said: "It won't hurt him. A minister of the gospel living with two women! A term in jail will do him no harm." McLeod married Mary Ann Moore in Economy two years ago. He was obliged to leave there because of trouble about a woman. He came to Chicago, and when his wife came to see him six months ago she found he had another wife and child.

—From a "Topic of the Time," on "The Influence of Athletics," in the June Century, we quote as follows: "At the close of the recent inauguration ceremonies of the new president of Columbia, a well-known professor in another famous college, himself a Columbia man, was expressing his high satisfaction with the impression the new president had made. 'But then,' he added with conviction, 'he was a great football player in his day.'"

Local Notices.

Great bargains in Boy's suits this evening: at J. B. Macdonald's.

Shredded codfish, just the thing for fish balls, for sale at Beer & Goff's. May 31 2i

Gentlemen, we offer to-night twenty suits at two dollars and fifty cents. This line is worth \$3. Sizes from 36 to 44.—Jas. Paton & Co.

Children's hose 6 cents a pair. Ladies' hose, 10 cents a pair. A large assortment at J. B. Macdonald's.

Fresh ginger-snap, honeycomb, orange and social tea biscuits, just opened at Beer & Goff's. May 31 2i

Boy's suits from \$1 up; summer overcoats from \$4.50 to \$10. Special line in black and silver-grey cord dusters at Jas. Paton & Co's.

Ladies' and Gents' Lawn Tennis Shoes, just received, at the Dominion Boot & Shoe Store.

Always the cheapest! Ladies' Leather Slippers, 40 cents a pair; Oil Pebble, \$1.50; Men's Laced Boots, \$1.10 at the Dominion Boot & Shoe Store.

Latest styles in ladies' and misses' colored shoes at Goff Bros. May 31

Gents all-wool suits from \$5 up. When we say "all wool" we don't mean "cottonade."—Jas. Paton & Co.

Great sale of boots and shoes to-night, (Saturday). Women's shoes, 50 cents; boys' shoes, new, 75 cents, at Goff Bros. May 31

Oysters, fried, stewed, raw or on the half shell, at the Bijou, John McDonald's, Great George Street. May 30 2i

Ladies, remember we keep a special line in boys' and youth's ready-made clothing. Largest and cheapest stock in Charlottetown at Jas. Paton & Co.

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Shoemakers—Our new English tops, laced and elastic, have arrived. We have a number of light, summer ones amongst them—they are fine. Goff Bros. May 31

The Wise Man's Verdict.—Every man who values money should buy clothing at Prowse Bros., the Wonderful Cheap Men, as they have the best goods and sell at the lowest prices.

Something Tremendous.—Prowse Bros. stock of children's and men's clothing.

Milk pans, Bean pots, Tea pots, Butter crocks, Cream crocks, Milk jugs, Flower pots in large numbers at the cheapest Crockery Store.—W. P. Colwill.

DIED.

At Crapaud, on the 2nd May, after a short illness, Clarence Heber, infant child of John and Jessie Hall, aged 6 months and 16 days.

PROSPECTUS.

The publication of an Independent Irish Catholic Newspaper, to be called

THE WATCHMAN,

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MR. STEPHEN COYLE, of this city, will call upon the citizens of Charlottetown at an early day to solicit subscriptions and advertisements; and a staff of Agents will be employed in all parts of the Island in a few days to canvass for "THE WATCHMAN."

M. TRAINOR, Secretary of Company. may31—dy & wky pat her guar jour pio

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BALDWIN'S STATION GROCERY STORE.

ALL GOODS usually kept in a Country Store can be had at this place, for Cash or Country Produce. SAMUEL FOWLER, Baldwin's Station. may31—wky 6m

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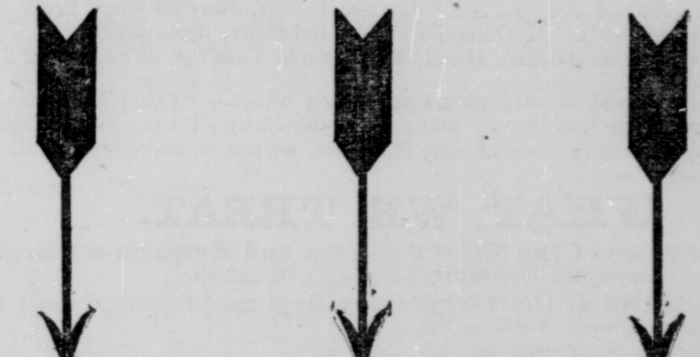
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