Y.M.C.A. NOTES.

There was a poor attendance at the first regular meeting on Thursday afternoon, when Principal Hutton delivered an earnest and thoughtful address. A Wycliffe College quartette rendered a selection very effectively.

Since last Thursday was Thanksgiving Day, Mr. Gandier's address on "Student Responsibilities," was postponed till the first Thursday in November. Instead, there was a short Thanksgiving Service at 9.30 o'clock on Thursday morning at which Mr. R. S. Laidlaw, who has just returned from Glasgow, gave a short address.

Every man is invited to spend an hour on Sunday morning in one or other of the three Bible Classes. Dr. McCurdy teaches Graduates and Third and Fourth Year men in the Y.M.C.A. building, Dr. Sheraton, First and Second Year men in Wycliffe College, and Professor Angus, S. P. S. men in the Y.M.C.A. parlor.

On Friday evening, October 3, an informal reception was tendered to the Freshmen in Arts. Professor Young and Principal Hutton welcomed the new students on behalf of the Faculty, and Messrs. Chardsey, Gillies, McGuire and Burton represented, respectively, the Union, "The Varsity," the Lit. and Athletics. On the following Friday evening a similar reception was tendered to the men of the S. P. S.

UNDERGRADUATES' UNION.

The Union enters upon its second year under very promising conditions. As the most widely representative undergraduate organization it has been entrusted with the publication of the University paper. Its membership, already larger than that of last year, continues to increase. The interest taken by all Colleges and Faculties is rapidly growing, and its position as a University influence may be considered as assured.

Arrangements are being made by the Committee for a reception on the evening of Wednesday, the 29th inst.

Some generous donations of books have been made to the Union during the summer. Mr. Walter Barwick, K.C., has given a set of Parkman's historical works on Canada. To Mr. W. E. McPherson we are indebted for a Phillip's Atlas, and to Mr. W. T. Jennings, for a copy of Capt. Chambers' "History of the Q. O. R."

The Union has just put in a fine stock of notepaper and envelopes for the use of its members. The stationery is kept in a neat, new locker in the cloakroom, and can be secured on application to the attendant.

A frequent source of complaint around the Union at night is the inadequate lighting of the rooms. It is hoped that this will soon be remedied.

The following papers and magazines have been added to the reading room: Blackwoods, Quarterly Review, Fortnightly Review, Smart Set, The Moon, Fliegenden Blatter, London Weekly Times, Farmers' Sun, Supplement of The Scientific American.

Members may both receive and post their mail at the Union.

The membership fee is only \$2 per year, and for this small outlay no Undergraduate can afford to miss the opportunities which the Union affords.

A CITY PASTORAL.

In candent ire the solar splendor flames; The foles, languescent, pend from arid rames; His humid front the cive anheling wipes, And dreams of erring on ventiferous ripes.

How dulce to vive, occult to mortal eyes, Dorm on the herb with none to supervise, Carp the suave berries from the crescent vine, And bibe the flow from longicandate kine!

To me, alas! no verdurous visions come, Save you exiguous pool's conferva-scum— No concave vast repeats the tender hue That laves my milk-jug with celestial blue!

Me wretched! Let me curr to quercine shades! Effund your albid hausts, lactiferous maids! O, might I vole to some umbrageous clump, Depart—be off—excede—evade, erump!

-Exchange.

UNIVERSITY GOSSIP.

J. M. Bell, B.A., '02, has been appointed Lecturer's Assistant in Chemistry at Cornell.

Messrs. Rutherford and McGregor, of last year's graduating class, visited the University College last week.

Dr. Sheraton, the Principal of the College, spent the summer vacation at Beaumaris, Muskoka.

- F. S. Wrinch, a member of the Faculty last year, is now Demonstrator in Psychology at Princeton.
- T. J. Bragg, M.A., Classical Master at Bowmanville, C.I., visited the University Building Friday.
- R. E. Gaby, '03, is in the hospital at Winnipeg laid up with typhoid fever. He is now on a fair way to recovery.
- C. R. Jamieson, '04, writes from Cranbrook, B.C., that he has just returned from a two months' prospecting trip in the mountains.

Charles Garvey, '00, has left Osgoode and gone into electrical engineering.

Do not fail to hear Registrar Brebner speak on "Student Difficulties," on Thursday afternoon at the Y.M.C.A.

J. R. Roebuck, B.A., '02, is Demonstrator in Chemistry at McGill, with Dr. Ruttan, who is also a Graduate of Varsity.

Misses Cunningham, M. A. Macdonald and A. M. Smith and Mr. Dickinson must be added to the list of last year's graduates at Normal College.

- C. C. Smith, B.A., '02, is another of the Mathematical men on the Civil. Service at Ottawa. He is employed in the Surveyor-General's Office.
- A. M. Manson, '05, who was reported to be running a farm in Kansas, has returned to 'The Varsity a vigorous protest against the calumination.
- "Biddy" Barr, the well-known excaptain of the Varsity rugby team, and a graduate of Wycliffe, was married during the past summer.
- W. C. Bray, B.A., was in Marburg, Germany, on October 1, where he is taking up German preparatory to the beginning of the winter Semester at Leipsig University on November 1.
- R. M. Stewart, B.A., of the Chief Astronomer's Office, Ottawa, spent Thanksgiving in Toronto. His assurances despatched all fears of the Freshmen as to the outcome of the eclipse.
- F. J. Fox, B.A., who, in May last, graduated from Varsity with highest honors in Orientals, will complete his work at Wycliffe. Mr. Fox has also been appointed Lecturer in Hebrew at Trinity University.

The residence is actually crowded. The ordinary rooms are not only occupied, but special measures have had to be taken to provide for the increased demand. The representation of Arts men is also increased.

President Loudon leaves Thursday for Princeton, where he will represent Toronto at the installation of Woodrow Wilson, as President of Princeton University. Woodrow Wilson is a name quite

- Prof. L. F. Barker, Vice-President of Chicago University, represented the University of Toronto at the installation of Edmund Janes James as President of the Northwestern University, at Evanston, Ill., on the 19th, 20th and 21st inst.
- W. T. Green, B.A., has given up Normal College after a short sojourn there. The reason of his desertion was the offer of a good position in the Surveyor-General's