

The News

THE NEW SONG BOOK.

The Committee in charge of the publication of the new Song Book report that rapid progress is being made, and that the publishers, Messrs. Whaley, Royce & Co., are doing and will continue to do everything in their power to have the book issued by the first of April. The best of work is being put on the very best song material obtainable, and there can not be the slightest doubt that the book will be an excellent production, both as far as the quality of the music is concerned, and also in its artistic finish.

It is to be hoped that the students will liberally support the undertaking, and do everything in their power to second the efforts of the Committee in charge of the publication of the book. The price of it will be 75c. and \$1.

NOMINATION NIGHT.

Nomination Night this year was a veritable love-feast, where one party profusely scattered themselves with roses for what they have done and are going to do, while a few of the "honorable members of the Opposition," looked back on the time when they had the same opportunities in this direction and peered smilingly forward to the future when they would again secure the reins of government. It is difficult to raise much enthusiasm without opposition, and it may assuredly be said that there was no opposition whatever. Each party came prepared—the *Old Lit. Party* to nominate a straight ticket, and the *Alma Mater Party* to be spectators at the above-mentioned love-feast.

The first business transacted was the presentation of a motion by John McKay, to the effect that a committee should be appointed to arrange for the obtaining of memorials of the past graduating years. The form of the memorial suggested was that of a banner, and the committee appointed was John McKay, G. W. Ross, F. E. Brown and E. P. Brown.

Eric Armour next relieved the tension on many minds by announcing, with W. H. Alexander as seconder, the report of the Nominating Board, as follows: *Editorial Board*: 1900, Messrs. Fairchild, Good, F. E. Brown and Clare; 1901, Messrs. Fisher, McFarland, and Kylie; 1902, Messrs. Stewart, and Patterson. *Business Board*: 1900, Messrs. W. A. Smith and Kilgour; 1901, F. Aylesworth; 1902, J. Martin. The report was adopted, and the above men will administer the affairs of THE VARSITY for next year. The next occurrence was the nominating of next year's officers. W. H. Alexander, in a fitting speech, pointed out the excellent and conscientious manner in which Dr. Wickett had fulfilled the arduous duties of his office, and renominated him. R. V. LeSueur, in a very neat speech, seconded Mr. Alexander. In stating his inability to accept the nomination again, Dr. Wickett pointed out the advances made by the Literary Society in the past year, but modestly refused to acknowledge the large part he played in them, a matter upon which previous and succeeding speakers fittingly dwelt. There cannot be the least question, however, that the retiring President has carried out his ordinary duties faithfully

and well, and moreover been greatly responsible for many of the advances in the past year.

In event of Dr. Wickett's refusal to accept the nomination, John McKay, with commendable foresight, had ready another name, and he was assisted in the presentation of it by F. W. Anderson. It was that of Dr. F. J. Smale. The mention of this popular member of the Faculty evoked much enthusiasm, and the society is to be heartily congratulated on having such an able, experienced and well-known man at the helm for next year. To save repetition, it might be just as well to mention here that all of next year's officers slid into their berths along the well-polished planks of acclamation.

"Tommy" Russell next presented another version of "David and Goliath," in which he played the role of the latter gentleman, and in "straight-flung words and few," urged the Israelites to come and fight; but his taunts were of no avail, and assisted by S. A. Dickson, Mr. G. A. Cornish was lifted to the Vice-President's chair amid much enthusiasm—on the part of the Philistines. The latter then offered the following positions to the appended men, who straightway accepted them: Second Vice-President, Mr. Cassidy (moved by D. McDougall and A. H. Fairchild); Third Vice-President, A. E. Hamilton (H. McLean and R. Telford); Recording Secretary, H. Graham (Alexander and Good); Corresponding Secretary, E. V. Neelands (Patterson and Cassidy); Curator, R. J. Wilson (Groves and Grey); Treasurer, F. H. Wood (LeSueur and Elmslie); Sec. of Committee, R. B. Cochran (Brown and Smiley); Hist. Sec., H. Lang (B. A. Simpson and Ashworth); Fourth Year Councillor, A. McLeod (Kingstone and Wetherell); Third Year Councillor, J. A. Miller (Stewart and Martin, '02); Second Year Councillor, J. Cunningham (Kilgour and Davidson); Third Year Councillor, S.P.S., Masson (McMillan and McIntosh); Second Year Coun., Lockworthy (F. E. Brophy and Chapman). After the above had been honored by being elected by acclamation to their respective positions, the two parties decided to enlist the charms of music to calm themselves, before breaking up with "God Save the Queen," and "Varsity."

THIS WEEK'S VARSITY.

On account of issuing an especially large number of THE VARSITY, we were compelled by circumstances to delay its publication till to-day. The issue, we hope, will prove acceptable to our readers. Dr. Ellis contributes an intensely interesting article, which should especially appeal to us in that it concerns the fight of the University Company at Ridgeway. Lechmore Worall, of Christ's College, Cambridge, gives a vivid picture of the undergraduate life there. This article, by the way, was obtained through the kindness of Mr. J. C. McLennan, who is doing special work at Cambridge.

The undergraduate contributions also are very interesting. Mr. McNairn has an article on the Indian Sequoyah, and Mr. Fisher writes a timely letter on Party Government. Hugo, '01, gives special advice concerning the writing of Poetry.

The poetry in this issue will, we think, be found especially meritorious. And "College Girl" has an interesting page.