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they have left the class-room. That social activities are more numerous now than formerly may be freely admitted, but a common meeting-place for all members of the University is still wanting. On sentimental grounds most Graduates would wish to show personal sympathy with the Undergraduate whose feelings and tastes, one may presume, they have not forgotten. It is through the establishment of a Union that such sympathy can be most effectively shown.

According to general conception the Union is a building where the main social interests of the students centre. But while it exists primarily for the students, it should be a rallying point for Graduates and members of the staff as well. By promoting intercourse it serves a large number of desirable ends, among which may be mentioned the development of a corporate spirit and the entertainment of those who are friendless when they come to the University. In a word, the chief aim of the institution is to render the social life of the Undergraduates attractive. Here students of all years and ranks can meet together freely, not as members of their several Faculties but as members of the University.

"The Union," to quote from the first circular,\* "makes provision for relaxation, amusement and general intercourse. It is a building which contains a large assembly hall or living-room, a reading room, a restaurant or café, a billiard room, a trophy room, a hall large enough to be used for meetings of the Literary Society or of the Athletic Association, and several smaller rooms for chess, for the Glee Club, for the editors of the students' paper, and in general, for the smaller Undergraduate organizations." Architecturally it is made as beautiful as possible and its fittings are designed to have a certain educational value.

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At a meeting of Graduates held in the Windsor Hotel, March 4th, 1903, a large local committee was appointed to devise means for the collection of the \$65,000 required by the conditions already mentioned. This General Committee in turn appointed an Executive Committee, composed of Alexander Falconer, chairman, Prof. C. H. McLeod, Doctor J. Alex. Hutchison, Doctor C. W. Colby and Doctor H. B. Yates.

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\* As the mail service is not perfect, it may be stated that a circular on this subject was sent out in December, 1903, to every Graduate whose address could be ascertained.