

read by Misses Nicol, Barr and Donovan, and Messrs. McDougall and McIntosh. President O'Shea read a carefully prepared essay on the poet's life and literary significance, comparing him in some respects with our poet—Burns. This paper was much appreciated, particularly by those who are now studying Heine in Class. An interesting programme in French is promised for Monday next.

#### Y.M.C.A.

The first meeting of the Y.M.C.A. this year was held on Friday evening, 8th inst. It was well attended and very interesting to all present. W. W. Peck, '93, was leader, and gave an admirable address. A number of other students also took part.

At the close of this meeting, D. R. Drummond, M.A., and A. Graham, were appointed as a committee to draw up a resolution of sympathy with the friends of the late W. J. Hayes, B.A., '90.

We understand a copy of the resolution has been forwarded to Drew Seminary, where Mr. Hayes has been studying for the ministry of the Methodist Church.

Mr. Hayes was a good student and a warm-hearted christian. We extend to his relatives our sincere sympathy in their deep bereavement.

The Twenty-Second Annual Convention of the Association of Ontario and Quebec will this year be held in London, on February 11-14.

We quote the following from the first announcement: "The Right Reverend Maurice Baldwin, Bishop of Huron, will deliver an address on 'Conversion of Young Men to Christ the supreme object of the Young Men's Christian Association,' and he will also give two Bible readings during the Convention." Mr. H. M. Clark, the experienced and successful State Secretary of Michigan, will, it is expected, be present and speak on "Bible and Training Class Work." Also "The College work will be accorded the prominence which its great importance demands, it is therefore hoped that there will be a large attendance of students and professors."

From an exchange we notice that five American Colleges have Association build-

ings, viz: Yale, Johns Hopkins, Cornell, University of Michigan and Dartmouth.

#### MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Missionary Association held its first regular meeting for this term on Saturday morning, 9th inst., when a goodly number of Divinities assembled to transact the business that had accumulated during the past few weeks.

In the absence of the venerable president, Mr. D. D. McDonald took the chair and announced the various items of business that were necessary to be disposed of.

Reports of the work done by the Association during the Xmas holidays were given by the several students who had received appointments, all of which proved very satisfactory to the Association.

Mr. John Boyd read a statement of the financial affairs of Pine Street Mission, and steps were taken to wipe off the existing debt on the church before the close of the present session.

Mr. Drummond gave an interesting account of the present assets and liabilities of the Association, which showed a considerable deficit in the treasury, while the claims were becoming more urgent every day. A number of students brought in large amounts from the congregations where they labored during vacation, but many more must be received to have a clean balance sheet in the spring. Arrangements were made to present the Foreign Mission claims before the students at an early date. Considerable surprise was manifested in the meeting when it was learned that only two new members had been received by the Association this session. This is not as it should be. The Association has direct claims on every student who has entered or contemplates entering the Theological Hall, that the new men may get into the working of the Society and then be able to take the responsibility which must surely fall on their shoulders at an early date. Our burdens are increasing every year, and it is only fair that every student who expects to receive any help from the Association should bear his full share of the work.

A committee was appointed to look after Mr. T. R. Scott's horse for the rest of the winter, after which the meeting adjourned for two weeks.