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THE LITERARY SOCIETY.



THE Literary Society met as usual last Friday evening, with the President in the chair. It was the elections meeting with the elections left out. Everything was very quiet and sedate. The House Committee, however, had apparently been in fear of a popular uprising, or something of that nature, for they had convened the Society, not in its everyday Y.M.C.A. quarters, but in a hall down town, as is the custom in cases of great public emergency or danger, when the Society wants to elect something. The meeting was at the corner of Cecil Street and Spadina Avenue this time, in Cecil Hall, an oblong apartment of moderate size, with a canopy and a chair of state at each end, and the walls hung with lodge charters and impossible landscapes, composed mostly of clasped hands and torches and widows, and with pictorial representations of the shades of departed Most Worthy Grand Masters of some insane combination or other. The Society, in so far as it was present, sat in a weary row around the walls and listened to one committee report after another. It appears that these things come up regularly at every annual meeting. Heretofore we had not noticed their presence, owing no doubt to the distractions of the moment.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. The report of the General Committee was read. After some discussion the report was adopted. The report of the Treasurer was read. After some discussion the report was adopted. The report of the House Committee was read. After some discussion the report was adopted. The report of the Nomination Committee, to the effect that

Messrs. J. W. McIntosh, W. H. Bunting, D. M. Duncan, H. A. Moore, and W. E. Lingelbach, be the Literary Society representatives on the Athletic Association, was read. After some discussion the report was adopted. The report of THE VARSITY Directorate, appointing Messrs. J. A. McMurchy, '92, J. A. Cooper, '92, and N. McDougall, '93, directors, to fill up vacancies caused by appointments to offices of the staff, was read. After some discussion the report was adopted. The report of the Business Manager of THE VARSITY was read. After some discussion the report was adopted. At this juncture Mr. Cooper, struck no doubt by a certain sameness in the proceedings of the Society up to this point, attempted to create a variation by moving a vote of thanks to the staff of THE VARSITY. After some discussion the motion was adopted.

The gentlemen nominated for office at the last meeting were then declared elected by the President; and Mr. Irwin, the President-elect, was called upon for a speech. He addressed the meeting at some length and was received with enthusiasm. He was followed by Messrs. Perrin and Wheaton. Mr. G. H. Ferguson then introduced a resolution dealing with the Athletic Association question, and expressing the Society's desire to arrive at some settlement of the matter satisfactory to all parties concerned. After a few changes in its phraseology the resolution was carried unanimously and the meeting broke up with three cheers for Mr. Gibson, the retiring President.

THE DIRECTORATE.

The newly appointed Directorate of THE VARSITY met in the Sanctum to make arrangement for the management of this journal next year. G. E. McCraney, '92, was elected Chairman, and E. B. Horne, '93, Secretary. The following officers were appointed: Editor-in-chief, J. A. McLean, '92; Business Manager, W. J. Odell, '92; Assistant Business Manager, W. C. Clark, '93. The following were then appointed Associate Editors: W. H. Bunting, '92; S. J. Robertson, '92; O. P. Edgar, '92; R. H. Knox, '92; F. B. R. Hellems, '93; R. S. Strath, '93; D. M. Duncan, '94; S. J. McLean, '94; C. H. Mitchell, '92, School of Science. The medical editors will be appointed next term. To fill the places on the Directorate, rendered vacant by the election directors to other offices, the following were chosen: J. A. Cooper, '92; J. A. McMurchy, '92; N. McDougall, '93, and J. W. Baird, '94.

POLITICAL SCIENCE SEMINARY.

Prof. Ashley has favored us with the following report of the essays read during the winter in the Political Science Seminary:—Oct. 28: "Ancient Ideal Commonwealths," Mr. Brigg; "Modern Ideal Commonwealths," Mr. Buckingham; Reporter, Mr. Pope. Nov. 4: "Sir Henry Maine's Patriarchal Theory," Mr. Ferguson; "McLennan on the Patriarchal Theory," Mr. Dockray; Reporter, Mr. Rose. Nov. 11: "Mediæval Constitutionalism," Mr. Godfrey and Mr. Harris; Reporter, Mr. Ross. Nov. 18: "Hobbes and his Relation to Contemporary Politics," Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. MacKinnon; Reporter, Mr. Scott. Nov. 25: "Filmer's Patriarcha," Mr. Pope; "Locke on Civil Government," Mr. Rose; Reporter, Mr. Stuart. Dec. 2: "Rousseau and 'The General Will'" Mr. Ross and Mr. Scott; Reporter, Mr. Wilson. Dec. 9: "Bentham's Theory of Government," Mr. Wilson; "Bentham and Modern Reform," Mr. Stuart; Reporter, Mr. Briggs. Jan. 27: "The Agricultural System of the Middle Ages," Mr. Harris; Reporter, Mr. Wilson. Feb. 3: "The Trade of the Middle Ages," Mr. MacKinnon; Reporter, Mr. Ross. Feb. 10: "Craft Guilds," Mr. Rose; "The Manufactures of the Middle Ages," Mr. Stuart; Reporter, Mr. Harris. Feb. 17: "The Peasant Revolt of 1381," Mr. Kirkpatrick; Reporter, Mr. MacKinnon. Feb. 24: "The Enclosures of the 16th Century," Mr. Ross; Reporter, Mr. Pope.