

sue an honour course in the departments of Classics or Mathematics, be required to pass, at matriculation, an examination in both French and German.

"All of which is respectfully submitted."

The motion elicited a long discussion, in which the mover and seconder, Messrs. Squair, Fraser, Bonner, Graham and others took part, and which resulted in a unanimous vote in favour of the petition. It is to be hoped that (when the changes consequent on the appointment of the new Professor in English come to be made) the Senate will favourably consider these propositions. It is self-evident that heretofore the Modern Language Course has not been placed on an equality with other courses even of less importance. The changes advocated by the Club seem to be in the interests of the Department and it is to be hoped that they will receive due attention.

NATURAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION.

A regular meeting, held March 28, in Dr. Pike's lecture room, was well attended. Two interesting and carefully prepared papers were read, one by Miss E. M. Curzon on "The Trachea of Birds," with special reference to the larynx in the production of voice. The paper was illustrated by several well-prepared specimens of this organ from various birds. The other paper was read by James Munro, and entitled "The Molecule," showing what chemists exactly mean by that term and the method of its determination.

The nomination of officers for '89-'90 took place, the following being elected by acclamation:—

President, A. B. McCallum, B.A., M.D., Ph.D.

1st Vice Pres., F. G. Wait, B.A.

2nd Vice Pres., W. H. Jenkins.

The election for the remaining officers will take place two weeks from this date.

THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY.

The Engineering Society held its annual meeting in the School of Practical Science on Saturday evening last, the President, Mr. H. E. T. Haultain, in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and approved. The report of the General Committee for the session 1888-9 was then read by the President. It showed that the Society was in a flourishing condition and since last session had made several new improvements, notable amongst which was the commencement of a library and placing Engineering periodicals on file. The report of the Sec.-Treas. showed an increase of 26 in the membership roll and that the Society was in a prosperous state financially. The Corresp.-Sec.'s report showed that 12 papers had been read before the Society during the current session, 2 of which were from graduates of the school. The following is a list of papers read: Sanitary Drainage, by E. F. Ball, '88; Scale Calculus, by T. R. Roxburgh, B.A.; Surveying in N.W.T., by T. R. Deacon; Timber Surveying, by Mr. L. B. Stewart, D.T.S.; City Surveying, by D. D. Ianns; History of Steam Engines, by Mr. D. Barnes (Fellow); Stone Foundations, by J. L. Morris, '82; Methods of Making Corrugations on Millstones, by J. L. Leask; Alloys of Steel and Iron, by Mr. F. W. Babington; Wire Gauges, by T. R. Roxburgh, B.A.; Water-Power, by W. H. Shillinglaw; Track-Laying, by T. S. Russell. The various papers read and discussions held were interesting and instructive to the members, as manifested by the large attendance at the ordinary meetings. The librarian's report showed that the newly founded Library contained some 150 books of reference, 5 weekly Engineering papers on file, besides numerous plans, specifications, etc. The Librarian reported also that the members were making good use of the Library. After the different reports had been read and adopted, the election of officers for next year's General Committee took place. The following is a list of the successful candidates:

President—J. A. Duff, B.A. (by acclamation).

Vice-President—E. B. Merrill.

Secretary-Treasurer—J. R. Deacon.

Corresponding-Secretary—F. M. Bowman.

Librarian—T. S. Russell.

Third Year Councillor—J. R. Pedder.

Second Year Councillor—M. Dunbar.

After the election the Society passed a vote of thanks to the retiring General Committee for their services to the Society. This concluding the business of the Society, the meeting was thrown open for discussion on various questions affecting the well-being of the Society and the School. The question of having school colours or other distinguishing badge was discussed at some length and finally carried over until next year.

The President then made a few remarks dealing with the questions of initiation, class organizations, prizes and prizemen. He recommended an initiation in the School; he was of opinion that Class Organizations as they exist now would be of little benefit to the Engineering students, and he brought up the question of whether the present system of ranking men in the class lists and the awarding of prizes as it existed in the School was beneficial. The subject of initiation was thoroughly discussed from every standpoint, and the majority were of the opinion that an initiation properly carried out would be of great advantage in many respects and not so disastrous to the bodies and souls of the initiators and initiated as held by the Non-Hazing Union. In the discussion regarding prizes every one (3 prizemen amongst the number) was of opinion that the students would be better without them. With regard to Class Organizations there was a difference of opinion, but the majority of the speakers held that they are beneficial rather than otherwise. Mr. F. M. Bowman (graduate S.P.S.) then spoke a few words concerning Canadian Engineers in the States. He stated that they were in demand, and where he had been working there were very few but Canadians employed.

The meeting then adjourned till October next.

THE CLASS OF '91.

A meeting of the athletic men of this class was held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall on Wednesday afternoon to discuss the athletic outlook of the year. M. Currie, Athletic Director, presided. It was decided not to organize separate clubs among the men of the Year, but to appoint one man to attend to each game, and, where possible, to assist the Athletic Director in arranging matches with other years. The following are the men chosen: for Rugby, Pope; for Association, Buckenridge; for Baseball, Scane; for Cricket, Moran; for Lacrosse, Northwood. The Class of '91 has thrown down the gauntlet with perhaps justifiable confidence but they may find their hands full when October comes round again, for '92 think, it is said, that they can "clean out" the college on every score; '90, moreover, may "get a move on" by that time, and who can guess the possibilities of '93?

MCMASTER HALL.

An address has been presented to Dr. Castle by the students of McMaster Hall, expressing their sympathy with him in his continued illness, and regret at his being obliged on that account to resign the principalship.

The appointment of Prof. McGregor to the position of President is a very popular one among those studying in the College.

W. N. Clarke, formerly Professor of Greek Exegesis in McMaster Hall, is expected to preach before the Fyfe Missionary Society of this college in the Immanuel Baptist church on the 28th inst.

CRICKET.

The cricket meeting for the election of this year's officers was held in Residence on Wednesday last. The voting resulted in the election of the following officers:

Hon. President, Professor Ashley.

1st Vice President, Professor Pike.

2nd Vice-President, W. P. Mustard, B.A.

Captain, E. G. Rykert, '89.

Sec. Treasurer, P. Edgar, '91.

Committee—H. McLaren, B.A., G. C. Biggar, '89, Theo. Coleman, '90, J. G. McKay, '91, W. Boulton, '91, W. H. Bunting, '92.