

M'MASTER HALL.

A large audience attended the public debate of the McMaster Hall Literary Society held on Nov. 30th. Rev. Principal Caven presided. The programme was opened by the stirring glee, "Comrades in Arms," sung by the glee club. Mr. Woodruff then read an interesting *resumé* of his experience as a Freshman, but First Year men may have thought that matters have changed since his time. An oration on the "Light and Shadows of Student Life" was delivered by Mr. E. J. Harris, B.A. The debate was on the subject, "That the interests of Canada would be better subserved by independence than by British connection." The affirmative was supported by Mr. J. L. Gilmour, B.A., and Mr. J. G. Brown; and the negative by Mr. J. O'Neill and Mr. J. F. Mills. The speeches were bright, witty, and logical, and the debate from beginning to end was a well-fought contest. The chairman, after a brief review of the arguments, decided that the affirmative had won the debate.

Mr. K. Castle left on Wednesday for a short visit to Rochester.

Mrs. Townson, of Rochester, daughter of Dr. Castle, has been paying her father and mother a flying visit. On Monday evening she entertained the students of the college.

KNOX COLLEGE NOTES.

The 63rd public meeting of the Knox College Metaphysical and Literary Society was held in Knox College on the night of Friday, Nov. 23rd, Rev. Prof. Gregg in the chair. The programme consisted of a chorus by Gounod, rendered by the Glee Club; the inaugural address by G. Needham, B.A., the President; and a vocal trio, "Memory," by Henry Leslie, sung by Messrs. Nichol, Conning and Hamilton. W. J. Clark gave a reading entitled "A Terrible Ride," by Joaquin Miller, and the Glee Club ended up with "Riding Together," by J. Booth. The debate followed, the question being, "Resolved, that missionaries should be sent out only under the supervision of the church." J. Robertson and J. Crawford, B.A., supported the affirmative, and J. McP. Scott, B.A., and J. W. McMillan, B.A., the negative. All the speeches were good, but that of Mr. McMillan was generally esteemed the best, and contributed largely to the result of the debate—the triumph of those who desire that missionaries should go in other ways than under the supervision of the church if such ways present themselves. The meeting was a success in point of attendance, Convocation-hall being full to overflowing, and also in having a good programme well carried out.

Rev. R. Haddow, B.A., was inducted at Milton on Thursday, Nov. 22nd, by representatives of the Toronto Presbytery. The ladies of Knox Church, which is the one Mr. Haddow will be pastor of, gave a social in the Town-hall on Thursday evening, which was a great success. The members of the Quintette Club sang some songs in their usual good style. Mr. Haddow took a good course at the University and at Knox, and, as the *Globe* put it, is "a young man unmarried."

A certain photographer of the city intimated, a couple of weeks ago, that he would like to take the picture of the students and professors of Knox College all together, with Knox College as a background. He did so, the students consenting. A few days afterwards the pictures, two sizes, were brought to the college; they were good for such a large number taken together, and some of the students bought them, and also a picture of Knox College which the photographer had taken.

The Football Club of Knox has been active this year as far as practice has been concerned, though there has been but one match, which was played on the Varsity lawn with McMaster men, and resulted in a victory of 2 to 1 in favour of Knox. J. Robertson captained the team. Presdt. Wilson kindly lent his grounds for practising in, and they were an improvement on the Knox grounds, which are rather small and a bad shape for football.

Messrs. Innis and Small, of the second year, and Higginson, of the first year literary course, left for the North-West on the 31st Oct. The fields which are left vacant through the home-coming of the students in the fall are most of them unoccupied during the winter, but Rev. Mr. Robertson, Superintendent of Missions in the North-West for the Presbyterian Church, generally goes round to the theological halls and tries

to get some volunteers. He succeeded in getting the three gentlemen mentioned above from Knox, besides a few from the other colleges.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

The Rugby Club closed a short but successful season on Saturday, November 13th. During the season the first fifteen played 6 matches, winning 4, drawing 1, and losing 1; while the second fifteen lost 1.

Owing to the unfavourable weather which prevailed throughout the season, and also to the effect of the new regulations introducing challenge in place of tie matches for the championship, no contests with outside clubs, except the annual McGill match, were engaged in, and thus the interest in the game was not so great as during the previous season.

The following is the record of the matches, with their results, along with the figures of the preceding years:—

		WON.	LOST.
1888—Oct. 17th	Varsity vs. U. C. C.	25	0
Oct. 25th	" " Toronto	1	4
Oct. 27th	" " McGill	2	2
Nov. 1st	" " U. C. C.	32	0
Nov. 10th	" " Toronto	3	0
Nov. 13th	" " Trinity	10	0
		73	6
1888—Oct. 20th	Varsity 2nd fifteen vs. Toronto 2nd fifteen	0	10

1887—Won, 6; lost, 1.

1886—Won, 5; lost, 1; drawn, 1.

1885—Won, 5; lost, 1; drawn, 1.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

The return match between Residence and Outsiders was played on the lawn on Monday afternoon. The previous victory of the Residents put the Outsiders on their mettle, and the team representing them was, with two exceptions, the team that played at Norwood a fortnight ago. The match was the most interesting game played this year, and was very well contested, resulting in a victory for the Outsiders by 2 goals to 1.

An Association football match has been arranged with the boys of Victoria College.

The Association Club is to have its annual photograph taken to-day.

PERSONAL.

W. T. Ashbridge, '88, and C. N. Canniff, '88, are working at the office of the City Engineer.

A. B. Cameron, '82, and barrister-at-law, was married to Miss Alice Walker last week in St. Andrew's Church.

Mr. Bourinot, of Ottawa, the author of "Parliamentary Procedure and Practice in Canada," has been visiting Toronto during the past week.

Mr. Alonzo A. Stagg, the pitcher of the Yale baseball nine, and Mr. Reynolds, also a graduate of that University, will visit the Y.M.C.A. on December 8th, 9th, and 10th.

The committee which so ably and successfully conducted the publication of the "Varsity Song Book" last term, has commemorated the conclusion of its labours by the time-honoured device of getting its photograph taken.

Mr. Archibald Lampman, of Ottawa, formerly an editor of *Rouge et Noir*, and a frequent contributor to *Scribner's* and *The Century*, is about to issue a volume of poems. The book will cost one dollar, and a list has been placed in the Janitor's room, where subscriptions will be received.

The latest result of the generous action of the Library in proposing to act as agent for the students in the purchase of books, is that an enterprising undergraduate wants to use this machinery for purchasing cheaply the College Calendar, for which the Registrar has always charged \$20.00.

Mr. G. C. Creelman, B.S.A. of the Ontario Agricultural College, and brother of Messrs. A. R. and W. F. W. Creelman, barristers, of this city, has lately been appointed lecturer on botany and geology in the Mississippi Agricultural College,