

Oh, Arcady! sweet Arcady!
That used to stay the fleeting years,
That loved all joys and knew not tears—
Where art thou now, sweet Arcady?

Through the halls and flowery sideways—
While the music rose and fell,
Sweet to see and sweet to tell,
(Were they come from Arcady?)

Greeks and shepherdesses wandered
Looking, whispering love, as lo!
Once, a thousand years ago,
Once they did in Arcady!

Ah! my Arcady returned
Love 'twas made thee what thou wast!
And the human forms that past
With the years from Arcady.

This night I have lived to wander
With thy dwellers, O, most fair!
What Time brings me—do I care?
I have lived in Arcady!

H. C.

FOOT-BALL PROSPECTS.

It is arranged that some day next October Toronto University will play McGill University in the ancient City of Montreal a match at foot-ball—Rugby Union Rules. This match has to be played; there is no option in the matter. What are the prospects? Last October we were beaten, having probably as good a team as we usually play with; next October, unless we play with students in the Faculty of Law, we lose about half of last year's team, the bone and sinew. It was also noticeable last year that comparatively few neophytes played Rugby with any interest that would justify expectations of any increase in favor of the game. This is attributable to two things: First, the team for the last four years has consisted of those classes that matriculated in '77 and '78. They were the men who established the game in the University, and, although deserving all the credit that can be given to them, they kept men from the Junior Years off the team, consequently these juniors took no interest. Secondly, the game is one that calls for extra powers of endurance, not only in muscle but in bodily habiliments, for which potent reasons most of the freshmen have preferred the association game. Something must be done to make our undergraduates take an active interest in the game. There is no lack of it amongst outsiders; witness the number of spectators at the Britannia and McGill matches, as compared with those at the association matches, and there is no lack of strong, active and muscular undergraduates. While several of the Grammar Schools and Collegiate Institutes play Rugby—Upper Canada College, from which we get many students, and Trinity College School, Port Hope, from which institution Trinity College gets its complement of students each year. Most of the men who are to play on the team must learn the game while they are in their freshman year at the University, and the committee who are to be elected next month must strive, in the interests of the game, to encourage as many freshmen as possible to play, or succeeding years will chronicle defeats, when by a little extra exertion they could be changed into victories. The jerseys we play in are too expensive; we can't expect a man to buy an expensive outfit merely to try if he likes the game; some substitute must be got. I would advocate canvas jackets and knickerbockers. The Toronto Foot-ball Club will next year play in this costume. The jackets are untearable and inexpensive, while the unmentionables can be utilized in the winter in the gymnasium. The jersey uniform is very pretty, but its utility is questionable as compared with canvas. Besides, McGill and the leading clubs on the continent play in this costume, and experience has shown that in a first-class match canvas is preferable. Each year should have its team. We have tugs of war between the different years; why not foot-ball matches? They are nearly as exciting and much more easily gotten up than foreign matches. Out of over one hundred men in each year, surely fifteen strong enough and healthy enough can be found. Let the committee and next year's captain take hold of this idea; I'm sure they will find it practicable. Neither Knox, St. Michael's, the Baptists, or the P. E. D. School play Rugby, nor, in fact, any game. All those colleges must be aware of the advantage of out-door athletics; why should there not be a match between the Toronto Baptist and St. Michael's Colleges, as well as between Christ Church and Magdalen; or does theological training and study take all the muscular vim from man. Matches should be arranged for beforehand and played, sunshine or rain, hail or snow. Foot-ball is the only game that can be said to flourish in Toronto University, and if we are to be beaten at our own game and on our own ground always, we

had better give up at once. Let us stop the practice of electing popular men on the committee, and only put on those who will work for the club. The credit of the University is to a certain extent at stake; and remember "there is nothing succeeds like success." There are only about fifteen men available for cricket each year, and since the Cricket Club was re-established in May, 1880, out of ten matches we have only been defeated twice. Why? The committee have been energetic, and individually worked, rolled the crease, cut the grass, watered it, and attended the practices, and, hardest work of all, got the team together. Let the coming Foot-ball Committee take example by this, and there can be no doubt but that success will attend their efforts.

THE GEOLOGIAN.

A geologist went to sup
Upon a new mince pie;
He swore that all this nightmare talk
Was but within his eye.

That night he tumbled into bed,
Amid his household gods,
When, lo! across the counterpane
Crept fourteen decapods.

"Crustacean crawlers!" cried the sage,
"Have I been taking rods?"
But as he spoke his pillow swarmed
With tetradeapods!

Poor man! the perspiration pours
(The kind one never fans),
For now the headboard's hideous with
Nine entomostracans!

He leaps, that geologist,
He strides the cold bare floor;
His dream is gone, his mind restored,
He eats mince pie no more.

—Southern Collegian.

THE GREEK PLAY.

(Circular to the Graduates and Undergraduates of the University of Toronto.)

It has been decided to produce the *Antigone* in the original Greek in the Convocation Hall of the University, during the month of March next. The University Glee Club will sing the choruses arranged to the music of Mendelssohn, and the characters will all be taken by University men. The following gentlemen have been appointed to take charge of the matter: Professors Hutton, Pike and Wright, and Messrs. Vines, Kingsford, Pernet, Culham, Cameron, McCaul, Gwynne, Blake, Campbell, Lindsey, Osler, Bristol, Fairclough, Mackenzie, Boville, Wigle, Hamilton, Sykes, Vickars, Irving, Wishart, Wade, Macdonald, Gunther, Haddow.

It has been determined to give graduates and undergraduates the first opportunity of securing seats. The price of reserved seats has been fixed at \$1.50, ordinary seats \$1.00 each. The committee desire to know what support they may expect from University men, and you are requested to fill in the accompanying slip, and return the same at your earliest convenience to H. S. Osler, Esq., Secretary of the Finance Committee. There will be two representations, and you are requested to state for which evening you desire to secure seats. The securing of reserved seats will be arranged so that those who send in applications will have an opportunity of taking seats in priority to others.

MAURICE HUTTON,
Chairman of Committee.

January, 19th, 1882.

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF CONVOCATION.

The following circular, calling an extraordinary meeting of Convocation, has been issued by the chairman:

The chairman of Convocation, in pursuance of section 66 of chapter 210 of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, has convened an extraordinary meeting of Convocation, which will be held at the Canadian Institute, 46 Richmond Street East, in the City of Toronto, on Tuesday, the 31st day of January, 1882, at 8 p.m., for the consideration of the following matters connected with the University of Toronto, viz.:

1. The necessity of giving still greater publicity to the proceedings of the University Senate.
2. The desirability of increasing the number of Senators annually elected by Convocation, and of shortening their term of office.
3. The expediency of amending the University Act, so as
(a.) To give Convocation full control over its own organization, and the time and place of its own meetings.