

by Messrs. Phipps and Brophrey. The evening's proceedings were much enlivened by the captivating wit of Rev. P. Charles McGregor, of Chilliwack, B.C., who officiated as chairman. After expressing its appreciation of the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Bessey, the party started homeward. The midnight air was bracing, and the drive seemed only too short. Soon "good-byes" were heard floating through the frosty air, and the sleighing party gradually dissolved itself into a thing of the past.

**STUDENT VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT.**—The regular meeting of the Literary and Scientific Society that had been arranged for February 18th was set aside, in order to give an opportunity to the travelling secretaries of the Student Volunteer Movement to address the students of McMaster. Mr. Mott, in a very systematic and comprehensive manner, set forth the attitude of students all over the world in reference to Christianity. It was pointed out that, as in other branches of progress, the educational centre is the strategic point in Christian work. To turn the student-world in the direction of missionary enthusiasm and enterprise is to turn the world, for the world's leaders must come mainly from the student ranks. The facts of the case unmistakably show that the tendency in the minds of students the world over, is far removed from the customary charge of scepticism. Instead, there is a most earnest response to Christian appeal, and the number of students who name the name of Christ becomes increasingly gratifying year by year. Students in every quarter of the globe are standing shoulder to shoulder, in solid phalanx-fashion, in their endeavor to foster and further this missionary interest.

The Inter-Collegiate Y.M.C.A. has been the means of organizing the Christian activity of the students of the world. Wherever Universities are found—America, Great Britain, Germany, the Scandinavian countries, India, China, and numerous other places, China being worthy of special comment by reason of its gigantic difficulties and unparalleled prospects—there the World Student Christian Federation has won its way. This great organization, numbering 33,000 students and professors, merely indicates the current of university thought. Regular private Bible study, in particular, has been greatly emphasized in this world-wide missionary movement.

Mr. Wilder, in a few suitable statements, drew attention to the spirit of union permeating the World Student Christian Federation—a unity, "not in dry, dead detail, but in active, living principle."

At the close of these inspiring addresses, the students present considered the advisability of accepting the proposal that McMaster University should identify herself with this movement. Though in no way regarded as final, a spirit of favor and unanimity was manifested in this informal conference.

**FYFE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**—The February meeting of the Fyfe Missionary Society was postponed until March 2nd. This arrangement made it possible for the society's delegates,—just returned from Cleve-