John J. Gibson, familiarly known as Bill Nye, from his more than fancied resemblance to that illustrious individual, looks out through his spectacles benevolently upon all who come within his range of vision. He came from his Perth-place to our college, fully determined to face all obstacles, and to overcome each in its turn, and we know that success will crown his efforts where true merit is at par. John made a very eloquent speech at our dinner, in connection with the toast to the ladies, but we think that if any ladies had been present, he could not have been pulled into position by a clove-hitch and pulleys. We heard that in his second year the tendrils of his affectionate heart entwined themselves around the image of a lovely young lady in town, but alas for human hopes, the spell was rudely broken and he has been looking for balm ever since and we heard that he found it in the K.G.H. In spite of his excessive bashfulness and capacity for blushing, his head is chuck full of knowledge and that he is popular is shown by the fact that he is chosen valedictorian tor his class. Long life to him and we hope that his career will be as shining as his head.
W. George Malcolm comes next. He enter. ed college four years ago a mild-eyed youth and is so still unless his hair is stroked the wrong way, when he becomes wild eyed and vengeful. George is rather a good boy, and has not succumbed to any of the evil influences which surround the medical student. He is studying hard on the Bell system and sometimes does a little practice taking his pay out like the others. At our last dinner he did not care to respond to the toast of "the ladies" on account of an affection of the heart, so he said. Very peculiar, George, but we know how it is ourselves, even if we are not so bashful, and hope that your case is not incurable. He has held offices in the Escnlapian Society and the Y.M.C.A., has been a faithful and industrious student, and if his treatment of all diseases is as effective and radical as his treatment of diseases of the heart, he will, no doubt, get a large and lucrative practice.
C. W. Minchell, S.O.A., came to us in '9t from Trinity, where, having spent two years,
he learned everything worthy of note in that institution. Even in his boyhood down on the farm he showed a great aptitude for mechanics, and, it is said, so modified the ordinary plow that he frequently turned from twelve to fifteen acres of sod per day. Since entering college he has so modified Sheeps' Traction Forceps as to make them a great favorite with the boys. Although cautions and conservative in most things his treatment of ievers is heroic and bold. He strongly advocates half dram doses of Aconite frequently repeated. During the greater part of the winter he has acted as physician to the Asylum during the absence of the resident physician. C. W. has been a steady and faithful student as the results of his exams. show. Always good-natured and happy. He will be missed by both professors and boys next year.

## MUTATIONS.

Now that the Conference of Theological Alumni is a thing of the past, we thought that it would be interesting for our readers to have some account of the changes that have taken place in recent years, as they appeared to some of those who were, for a brief space, with us again.

In response to the Journal's request, Roderick McKay, B.A. i881, B.D. 1886, has kindly sent us the following expression of his views. Next week we hope to give those of some others :

I was about to write "tempora mutantur," \&c., but shrank from the certain response " chestnuts." Therefore let times mutate as they may, we shall notice a few of the mutations of Queen's during a brief seven years. Firstly, the little state-rooms, encircling hall and corridor, in which the students have the privilege for twenty-five cents a session, of locking themselves up daily, as to their gowns, caps, rubbers and books. A very excellent improvement upon the general cloak-room, in which gowns speedily become transformed into rags. Secondly, we notice the taste for English. In our times the languages of Tacitus and Herodotus, of Virgil and Homer were most sought after. Now Wordsworth and Browning, Carlyle and Ruskin, and even Scott and Dickens attract the students of

