which comes but seldom in the year. We are aware that college songs, jokes and jollity are also enjoyed and we do not desire to suppress these, but we desire suitable ones. We can see neither joke nor enjoyment in the continual thumping of canes and boots on the floor, which causes annoyance to speaker and audience. Let us have something which can be enjoyed by all, but nothing which will prove irritating and annoying, and let it never henceforth be laid to the charge of the students that anyone has gone away dissatisfied.

## \*\*College Pews.\*

## A. M. S.

HE attendance at the Alma Mater Society has been very good, and what has been a novelty during the year, viz., "The Critic's Report," is still continued. However, he has a fruitful theme for criticism, during several meetings in the back seats, whose occupants were not all freshmen. The proposal that part of the evening be spent in singing and keeping up the remembrance of good old college songs, is a good one. College singing has been gradually dying out, but it is too pleasant a relic of olden days to let it go. Few indeed, nowadays, know "On the old Ontario Strand."

At first meeting the resignations of W. H. Davis, as Editor-in-Chief of the JOURNAL, of W. H. Bawden, as Secretary of Alma Mater Society, of W. F. Nickle, as member of Athletic Committee, were received and accepted.

Messrs. Carmichael, Fraser, Lavell, Grant and Shortt were appointed a committee to select a new editor. J. S. Rowlands, '93, was elected in Mr. Nickle's stead. Messrs. Thompson, Tudhope, Mowat, Rowlands, '93, and R. S. Smith were appointed a committee to arrange details regarding procession on the evening of University Day.

At the second meeting the resignation of J. W. McIntosh, as Secretary of the A. M. S., was received and accepted.

Messrs. Drummond, Sinclair, Peacock, Grant, Peck, Haydon, Thompson, Lavell and McDougall were appointed Curators of Reading Room.

At the fourth meeting a communication from Trinity University, requesting a delegate to

represent the students of Queen's, was read and referred to the senior year. Report re keeping order in the gallery was read and the matter referred to the senior year.

F. Hugo gave notice of motion that at the next meeting he would introduce a motion *re* a Debate with McGill University; also *re* the furnishing of the Ladies' Reading Room with suitable reading matter.

## OPENING OF THE MEDICAL FACULTY OF THE UNIVERSITY.

On the 14th of October last, the new Medical Department was formally opened in Convocation Hall. The audience down stairs was rather small, and while the gallery was at first fairly well filled with students, they gradually diminished in number till few were left to hear the last speakers.

The Reverend John Mackie opened the proceedings with prayer. Chancellor Fleming extended a warm welcome to the strangers who were present, and congratulated both the university as a whole and the medical students on the closer relations which had been entered into. He also spoke of Kingston's need of a free Public Library, and said that the city should endeavor to establish one, to which could be devoted the books now in the College Library, those in the Mechanics' Institute Library, etc. Dr. Fife Fowler, Dean of the Medical Faculty, and Dr. Williamson, told of the origin of the study of Medicine at Queen's, interspersing their accounts with interesting personal reminiscences. Sir James Grant, of Ottawa, then gave a long and interesting address, which we hope to quote from in a future number. Dr. Clark, of Peterboro', delivered a speech at once instructive and humorous. Mayor McIntyre and Hiram Calvin, M.P., also spoke. By this time the proceedings had become so protracted that the speeches delivered by Mr. Pense, Chairman of the Hospital Board, and by the Principal, though of special interest to medical students and graduates, were delivered to an almost empty gallery. Mr. Pense referred to the new morgue, constructed so as to enable students to assist at post-morten examinations, and to other additions to the Hospital. He also promised a new theatre for operations, and perhaps a maternity wing before next