

EVEN though this is the last year in the old halls still the old reading room might be graced with some spicy periodicals with which one might pleasantly pass away an hour. Who are the students elect. according to the conspicuous minute of the Senate to look after it? Are they not fit subjects for the Court?

WE would suggest the following to the students in the Chemistry Class. We have clipped it from the *Richmond College Messenger*:

A noble art is Chemistry,
Replete with information
Of how to fool with slops and things,
For our great delectation.

We learn to split all matter up,
With the greatest of facility,
But all the same we can't destroy
Its indestructibility.

CHO.—The Elephant now goes round, etc.

II.

Just split the small bacteria
By dozens, hundreds, trillions,
And still there'll be in half an inch
Four hundred thousand millions:

Or pick a drop of water up
And watch it half a minute,
You'll see the little Molecules
All skipping round within it.

CHO.—(idem.)

III.

And if you're smitten with a brick
By some enraged Mlesian,
Your head will break, but not the brick,
And this is called Cohesion:

But when you lift a schooner high
All flaming in convulsion,
Straight down your throat the beer
will fly,
And this they call Repulsion.

CHO.—(ad. lib.)

IV.

Oh, a noble art is Chemistry,
Replete with information
Of how to fool with slops and things,
For our great delectation.

Yet still our minds are overfull
With taking points on paper
And I long to be a Molecule
And skip around in vapor.

CHO.—(ad infin.)

WE deeply regret to hear of the death at Monzaffanagar, India, on the 18th Oct., of Frank Harkness, Esq., B.A., '62. Mr. Harkness was one of the most distinguished graduates of Queen's, and it is sad that he should thus be cut off in the midst of a brilliant career. He studied law in this city, but instead of practising his profession, much to the regret of his friends, his ambition led him to enter the Indian Service and going home he passed the entrance examination with the highest honors, coming out at the top of a long list of British students, among whom were several Senior wranglers. As a result of this he was appointed to a position in Calcutta; but by his brilliant talents he soon worked his way up and at the time of his death was Administrator of one of the N.W. Provinces. In this office he had supreme control over one million people.

If he had lived he would undoubtedly have made a great name for himself in Indian history. Mr Harkness was home on furlough about five years ago and again last year. The people of Kingston will remember him on account of the great musical abilities he displayed at the many public entertainments in which he took part. He was married to a daughter of the Rev. Canon Innes, of London. Mrs. Harkness and her children have our deepest sympathy for their bereavement in their far off Indian home.

COLLEGE WORLD.

THE Juniors at Cornell, instead of a ball, are to have an exhibition this year at which they may display their platform abilities. The *Era* urges that it be a creditable one, and that old traditions of tin horns, red pepper and policemen be disregarded.

THE Cornell authorities, after next June, purpose holding entrance exams., not only at the University, but also at Chicago, Cleveland and Boston.

THE Yale Glee Club make a tour during the holidays.

THE *Tyrol*, Woodstock Institute, has become a thing of the past.

A YALE junior has at last discovered one advantage in the faculty. He says they write to his parents so often that it saves him the trouble.

MAUD.—And now you've shown me all your favors, dear, do tell me who was there,—the men, of course, I mean?

ALICE.—O, let me see! There were lots of Harvard men, of course,—yes, and some *real* men.—*Lampoon*.

STUDENTS of Columbia are making an effort to have French and German introduced to their curriculum.

THE *Acta Columbiana* discountenances strongly co-education at Columbia.

GEO. MUNRO, of New York, has provided for a chair of Physics in Dalhousie College. Dr. McGregor, a graduate, has been appointed to fill the position.

TUTOR (dictating Greek Prose Composition)—Tell me, slave, where is thy horse? Startled Soph.—It—it's under my chair, sir: I wasn't using it.

AT Oberlin, tobacco and card-playing are prohibited. It has also a new telegraph college.

A GOLD medal is offered for proficiency in penmanship at Notre Dame University.

A COLUMBIA senior posted on the bulletin board a notice offering for sale a set of junior text books "*very little used*."

HARVARD has a bicycle club.

WE'VE seen a statement, to the effect that William and Mary College was about to close its doors, wandering among our exchanges for the last two years. We are not aware how long it was extant previous to that. It's our opinion that the above College closed its doors about 1849, A.D.

A FRESHMAN sends in the following, and swears it's original: "Why is a post graduate like a blind pig?" Because he is a p. g.—pig without an eye.—*Era*.

RUTGERS has conferred the degree of Ph.D. on T. A. Edison, the inventor.

THE McGill *Gazette* has "gone up" owing to lack of support from the Arts' students.