

The Philosophical Society held its first meeting last week. Dr. W. Boche gave an interesting address on "Student Life at Chicago University."

The Tennysonian club, which is composed of first and second year Arts, organized on Tuesday afternoon. The following officers were elected: President, A. F. McNeil; vice-president, E. Fair; secretary-treasurer, A. McKerricher; editors of the *Argosy*, J. R. Coutts, A. B. Mann; councillors, A. J. Welch and R. E. Sayles. The first meeting will be held Friday evening of next week.

C. H. Schutt, M.A., B.Th., president of the McMaster A.A.A., 1897-98, was a welcome visitor at the Hall last week.

Old M. D. has returned as "unctious" as ever.

Emerson, '99, dropped in the other day before leaving for his missionary station. It is to be regretted that he will not be with his class this year.

The genial face of F. Brophy, of last year's century class, appeared around the hall recently. He is the same old wag, and his fund of jokes has somewhat increased after his experience on the survey last summer. He has thrown in his lot with class '00 at Varsity, and his classmates here wish him every success.

The Literary and Scientific Society met on Tuesday to consider the report of the Reading Room Committee. The report was adopted, and a motion made affecting the future management of this department.

#### OSGOODE BRIEFS.

The law school is in working order once more. The attendance shows a decrease this year. Christmas examinations in the second and third year are just eight weeks off.

Eddie Gleeson is a great favorite in the law school. He will be reinstated at a special meeting of the A. A. A. of C. in Toronto on October 22nd.

John L. Counsell is one of the new students in the second year, and is proving a hard working law student. He is in Barwick & Co.'s office.

The A.A.A. bye-elections in the first year will be held shortly.

D'Arcy McGee, of the second year, is one of the best known and most popular men in his year.

Pat Johnston thinks the legalites will win the O.R.F.U. championship.

Frank Slatery is busy these days. The Young Liberals want him to run for office in the Young Liberal Club election.

Walter Kingsmill is one of the most popular men in Osgoode. He is in the first year, and is playing a great game at half.

"Eddie" Beatty is becoming well versed in legal lore. He is proving the right man for a Q. C. quarter, too.

John D. McMurrich was rash last week. He went and got married.

Barrister Harry Kingstone has entered the office of Kingstone, Wood & Symons.

Quiz? Quiz? Quiz??? are being asked on contracts of the unfortunate members of the first year.

A. J. R. F. Hassard, B.C.L., has opened a law office in the Board of Trade building.

Thomas L. Church has formed a law partnership with Mr. James M. Reeve, Q.C., under the style of Reeve & Church. The new firm's offices are in the new Dineen building, cor. Yonge & Temperance.

Osgoode practices are getting better. Thirty-four men were out yesterday. Eddie Gleeson is the coach of coaches.

#### SCHOOL OF PHARMACY.

The students of the O. C. P. will not yield to innovation this year, but will keep up the time-honored custom of spending Halloween night at the Grand. Arrangements are already being made by the committee, and it is expected that the full student body of some other of the faculties will also take up their position in the "gods" of the Grand, and contribute to the fun.

Pharmacy met Trinity on the diamond last week. Although the day was wet and chilly, a warm game of ball was put up, resulting in Trinity's victory by 9 to 5.

The class society for the year has been organized with the following list of officers: President, H. B. Collier; 1st vice-president, A. H. Waldon; 2nd vice-president, R. O. Forrest; 3rd vice-president, E. N. Potter; treasurer, D. P. Garrow; secretary, George Evans.

The faculty of the college have under consideration an important change, which is of keen interest to the students. An extension of the course to two years is contemplated, and the consequent enlargement of the

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building. Many considerations, of course, are involved, and it will be some time before this knotty problem will be solved, but there is much probability of its going into effect next year.

When the class society next meets, the subject of selecting a correspondent to COLLEGE TOPICS from the society will be taken up.

#### TRINITY UNIVERSITY.

The annual fall Convocation of Trinity University will be this year on Oct. 25th, 26th and 27th. The three days' programme will be as follows: 25th.—Granting of Honorary Degrees. 26th.—Business meeting. Evening, Grand Faculty, Graduate and Undergraduate Dinner. 27th.—Annual general meeting of the Corporation of Trinity. The following are to receive the honorary degree of D.C.L. on the 25th: Bishop of Algoma; Dr. Parkin, of U.C.C.; Dr. Osler, Director of John Hopkins Univ.; J. A. Wadell, Q.C., Chancellor Diocese of Toronto; J. T. Lewis, Chancellor Diocese of Ottawa; Edw. Fisher, of the Conservatory of Music, will receive the degree of Mus. Doc., and that of D.D.S. will be conferred upon C. V. Snellgrove. It is intended to further add to what Richard Harding Davis calls "the miscellaneous disarrangement of the alphabet" at the end of His Honor the Lieut. Governor's name, by conferring upon His Honor the Degree of D.C.L. at a special Convocation to be held in November.

The third regular meeting of the Literary Institute will be held on Friday, Oct. 21st. The subject of the debate is pertinent to a great question in the Dominion to-day, but if decided in the affirmative by the boys it will be as hard for them to follow as to practice what they preach. The subject stands,—Resolved, That the practice of treating to alcoholic liquors should be abolished.

The following are the lately chosen captains for the different year teams: Code, captain of Divinity team; Griffith, third year; Strathy, second year; Duggan, freshmen.

#### VETERINARY COLLEGE.

The Ontario Veterinary College opened its doors to the students on October 12th, a little earlier than usual, the introductory being read by our Honorary President and Prof. A. Smith, F.R.C.V.S., which was attended by a good majority of senior and junior from different parts of the world. Since the opening of college both classes have been gradually increasing.

On Friday evening the Medical Meeting was called to order with Dr. Smith in the chair. The following papers were read:—

ESSAYS: Progress of Veterinary Science, by Mr. Jerome; Bacteria, by W. Goff; Thermometer Aid in Diagnosing, by C. Baker; Examination for Soundness, T. J. Kirwan

COMMUNICATION: Neurectomy, J. L. Shorry.

Mr. V. J. Andre has been appointed associate editor of COLLEGE TOPICS for the present year.

#### U. C. C. NOTES.

The attendance this year is very much larger than last year. There are now 128 boarders, and about 160 day boys. The increased attendance and increased fees are placing the college in a better financial position than it has been in for years. Various improvements are taking place on the grounds. A lodge is in course of construction at the entrance gate, and a new hospital building, the gift of Mr. W. H. Beatty, president of the Old Boys' association, is being erected in rear of the main building. Besides these, the construction of a number of other buildings is mooted.

As usual, football is flourishing. Both the first and third teams played matches on Saturday. The first team, accompanied by Messrs. Peacock, Walker and Rutter, went to Peterborough and easily defeated the junior team of that town by a score of 16 to 1. The college team was heavier and better trained than the home team. It was principally a scrimmage game, and the inside college wings found no difficulty in breaking through the opposing line and pouncing on the quarter before he could pass back to the halves. The college team was: Back, Morrison; halves, Jackson, Morrison and Waldie; quarter, Proctor; scrimmage, Boyd, Billings and Trafé; wings, Moffat, Wallace, Leacock, Still, Martin, Rutter (captain) and Britton. The third team was also successful, defeating the Rosedale by 34 to 1. Their excellent combination and strong work behind the line were the most powerful factors in their success. The team was: Back, Ellis; halves, Glasco, Nelson and Bradburn; quarter, Constantine; scrimmage, Kelly, Davidson, Gibbs; wings, Lockie, Dunn, Russell, Kingston, Ross, Reynolds and Cook. Rutter makes a good captain. Captain Kelley of the thirds, is working his men into good form. Morrison and Billings won their colors for distinction in Saturday's game. Britton, of last year's Gananogue team, and Martin, are showing up well in the practices.

#### WYCLIFFE COLLEGE

The college colors—purple and white—have arrived from the Old Country. They are exceedingly attractive.

The Rev. A. B. Farney, of Gorrie, who has been spending a few days in our midst, returned to his home last week.

Messrs. J. H. Gibson and W. H. Hunter were delegates at the Christian Endeavor Convention held in Hamilton last week. These gentlemen report a very pleasant and profitable time.

The wearing of the college gowns is "booming" once more. Of late years this commendable custom has fallen rather into abeyance. The undergrads are therefore to be congratulated for its restoration.

The first meeting of the Mission Society for the year '98-99 was held in the easy lecture hall on Friday, the 14th inst., for the receiving of reports, and the election of a representative from the incoming year; Mr. Hiltz, B.A., was appointed to the position.

Wycliffe Halls are once more the scene of activity and animation. Although naturally regret is felt at losing the graduates of last year, there is every hope and expectation that the incoming students will not prove themselves unworthy of those who have gone before them.

Dr. Sheraton has been unable to lecture during the past week, being incapacitated through illness. He has the hearty sympathy of one and all of the friends of the college, and none will be more pleased than the students themselves to have their revered Professor with them again.

A squad of men from Wycliffe College has joined the recruit classes of the Queen's Own Rifles. The military step in the corridors has been already perceived by the inexperienced freshmen. With the number of officers already in the college, it is hoped that Wycliffe will be able to supply a company to the University battalion.

The alumni meetings, which are held during the opening week, were more successful than ever before. Large audiences, intensely interesting addresses, helpful committee meetings, and encouragement in all directions were characteristic of all its proceedings. The only regrettable feature in connection with these meetings is that they come but once a year.

Although Wycliffe students are on the whole hard workers, they recognize that mental training, commendable in itself, is not the only "desideratum." It is but natural therefore that athletics should play an important part in their curriculum. We have to record in this issue the formation of two societies, one the tennis club, with the following officers: President, Mr. J. Gibson; secretary-treasurer, Mr. W. E. Taylor, and curator, Mr. S. Wilson. The other society, the football club, under the following organization: President, Mr. Langfeldt; vice-president, Mr. E. Howe; secretary-treasurer, Mr. A. H. Adams; curator, Mr. Masters, and last (but by no means least) Mr. Carpenter, B.A., who was appointed captain by the unanimous vote of the meeting. Under such able guidance the club is bound to prosper.

#### RECEPTION TO FRESHMEN.

Held in Varsity Y.M.C.A.—Despite the Inclement Weather a Large Gathering Present.

How pleasant and enjoyable these receptions must be! Though the wind was blowing a hurricane on Tuesday night and the torrents of rain filled the gutters to overflowing, and the walks were like a series of inland seas, about one hundred and fifty intrepid heroes and heroines had the temerity to weather the gale, and, instead of empty parlors and "game postponed till further notice," one of the most successful receptions the Y.M.C.A. has given took place. The inclement weather had merely the effect of limiting the gathering to a number that could comfortably be entertained in the parlors, and the dismal exterior seemed only to increase the cheerfulness within. Miss Little, President of the Y.W.C.A., and F. W. Anderson, President of the Y.M.C.A., with their executive succeeded in making every one feel thoroughly at home.

An interesting musical and literary programme was carried out after Mr. Winch, president of the association in 1896, had led in prayer, and President Anderson had spoken a few words of welcome. J. McKay, '99, vice-president of the Lit., rendered in his usual good style, Spartacus' speech to his Gladiators. Miss Harris played a pretty solo, and then Professor McCurdy was called upon to say a few words. He pointed out that the best memories of a college career are not the memories of hard work, but of the men that are met and the associations that are formed. The Y.M.C.A. is so homelike, and the friendships formed there so pleasant and helpful, that he advised every undergraduate to become a member. A piano solo was rendered by Miss Mason and then came a recitation by Mr. Birch. He explained that he had come entirely unprepared; but it would have been hard to improve on his rendition of the two droll selections he gave. Prof. Ballantyne made a short address, and then President Anderson introduced the important part of the proceedings—the refreshments.

The remaining hours were spent in a delightful conversation. Among those present were noticed Prof. McCurdy and Mrs. McCurdy, Prof. Fraser and Mrs. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Chant, Mr. McCallum (S.P.S.), Mr. Keys, Mrs. Ellis, Misses Mason, Watt, Wegg, Harris, Pears, Fraser, Wooster, Cleary, Woolverton, White, E. M. Fleming, M. J. Fleming, Little, Lucas, Alexander, Sealey, Webster, Bell, King, Harrison, Little, Ross, Dickson, Moat, Dennis, Manson and Darling, and Messrs. Anderson; Harley Smith, Secretary of Inter-college Missions; Winch Burch, Robb, J. McKay, Woods, Orr, McDiarmid, Thompson, Hamilton, Hall, Gould, Wood, Sinclair, Martin, Pryor, Mullin, Martin Hutchinson, MacDougall, Cleland, Alexander Russell, Adams, Cleary, McPherson, Wilson, McPhedran, McAlpine, Martin, Good, Coleman, McBean, Monds, Kay, Bain, Simpson, Abraham and Patterson.

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## Personal Pencilings

There are only 180 students at Hamilton this year. A decrease of 25 compared with '97.

Burry Gahan, '98, is tutoring in Cobourg. Burry is thinking of continuing his History and English work at Varsity next year.

G. L. Wager, B.A., and T. A. Colclough, B.A., '98 men, are conducting preparatory classes for the University in the city.

N. T. Johnston and Percy Tom are both entered in first year medicine, Western University.

Dr. Kendrick will address the first meeting of the Natural Science Association Friday, on "Some Surface Phenomena."

George W. Hastings, '99, will be missed around Varsity this year. Hasty is finishing up at Trinity.

W. F. Shepherd, '00, Varsity, has given up classics and is taking a course in architecture at S.P.S.

"Billy" Fitzgerald, '98, is now assistant manager of the London and Lancashire Life Insurance Company, Montreal.

F. Brethour, who graduated from the Chicago Dental College last spring, is finishing his work at the Dental school.

"Pat" Daniels is greatly missed in football circles at McMaster. He is now in Manitoba.

F's numerous friends will be glad to see Elsie Carter again in the halls and on the campus.

Capt. Gauthier and Lieut. Towers are two Osgoode men who spent part of their summer soldiering at London.

The Varsity games which were held Thursday afternoon were too late for this issue. A full account will be published next week.

J. Whillans, a second year man from the Western University, is a new addition to the '00 class at Varsity.

"Jack" Martin, B.A., '97, is now representing the Bell Organ and Piano Co. in the west.

Glenholme Moss, '00, has decided to discontinue his Varsity course, and has entered the Imperial Bank. Ronny Counsell, Tiny's brother, is also in the Imperial.

"Pop" Anderson, '98, still keeps up his acquaintance with Varsity friends and often entertains a select few of an evening at his comfortable quarters on Huron street.

H. M. Little, '97, the popular secretary-treasurer of the Rugby Football Club in 1896, is now studying medicine at McGill. During the summer he has been "drumming" for his father's firm.

E. P. Brown, '01, returned a fortnight ago from a bicycle tour in the British Isles and Europe. He concluded his summer's outing by witnessing the coronation scenes in Holland.

John McKay, '99, Vice-President of the University Literary and Scientific Society, spent a part of the summer preaching in Detroit, Mich.

The prospects for the Varsity Ladies' Glee Club this year are most encouraging. Since the men's club has disbanded, the ladies concert in December ought to be a huge success.

The Banker's scholarship has again, after several years, gone to one of the girls. Miss C. Macdonald, '01, captured it this year at the time of the supplemental examinations.

A number of Varsity freshmen have come up from Hamilton, among them, Gilbert, Wallace, Mullin, Thompson and Kapelle. Kapelle is winner of the 7th general proficiency scholarship.

Jack Richardson, '99, has been chosen as Multi of Varsity residence for the ensuing year. Richie not only took a high stand in the last exams, but is exceedingly popular in his year.

"Fizzer" Smith, '00, Arts, intended to take in the game at Montreal last week, but as the tickets had a time limit which would prevent him from extending his trip further in Quebec, he decided not to go.

The games have again been postponed, and poor Tommy Russell looks as if all the responsibility for rainy weather and disappointed sight-seers rested on his shoulders. "It never rains but it pours," was certainly the case on Tuesday. It was not till after the

vans and the drags, with their bright drapery and bunting, the tin horns with their lusty blowers, and the class yells with their indomitable owners, were nicely started that the first drops of rain began to fall. But long before they arrived at the athletic field, the rain was falling in torrents and a strong south wind was blowing it round so that neither umbrella nor water-proof could keep it out, and as the carriages that set out with such éclat rolled up to the athletic field, it was a sorry sight to see the bedrenched and disappointed appearance of their occupants. With the bandsmen of the 48th Highlanders and the officials who were to have been, they adjourned to the gymnasium and held a consolation meeting. Hence they straggled off by ones, by twos and by threes, as it gradually dawned upon their consciousness that the storm would not abate. It was suggested that the executive should postpone the games to "the next fine day," but they have decided to hold them instead on Thursday, D.V. The list of entries is as follows: Orton Irvine, Jarvis C.I.; H. G. Rose, Elora; R. Mackie, Jameson Ave.; R. M. Millman, A.; M. H. Gander, Ridley; A. Regan, St. M.; F. H. McCarthy, St. M.; A. Staley, St. M.; P. J. Donovan, St. M.; G. L. Sprague, McM.; E. J. Reid, McM.; J. Fairchild, McM.; J. McMillan, D.; W. Laker, D.; Dr. Jordan, Grad.; A. A. Devitt, D.; W. B. Amey, D.; C. Sutton, D.; A. R. Chapman, Vic.; A. F. McKenzie, Vic.; F. H. Dobson, Vic.; E. W. Edwards, Vic.; J. W. Davidson, Vic.; J. G. Davidson, Vic.; W. F. Shepherd, S.P.S.; J. A. Whillans, A.; A. N. Mitchell, A.; W. H. Alexander, A.; H. W. Evans, Har. C.I.; A. N. Woolverton, S.P.S.; W. Elwall, S.P.S.; F. K. Johnston, Grad.; J. H. Robinson, Phar.; R. J. Barton, Phar.; C. H. Mitchell, S.P.S.; B. Potter, A.; G. J. Reilly, Phar.; H. H. Doyle, D.; C. W. Darling, A.; A. H. McLeod, A.

#### VARSITY LITERARY MEETING.

The first meeting of the Literary and Scientific society will be held Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the Students' Union building. At a special meeting of the executive a program committee was drafted to prepare a weekly program for the Michaelmas term. The executive will engage the services of an instructor, and procure the use of a piano for the choral class.

The program for the first meeting is as follows: Chorus; recitation, Mr. Birch; piano solo, W. A. Sadler, '99; speech, "Oratory and Orators," W. H. Alexander, '99; song; speech, "College Sentiment," G. W. Ross, '99; chorus.

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