

The prizes for summer essays in the Fourth Year have been awarded as follows :—

Civil Engineering	A. S. Dawson
Mechanical Engineering	{ Edward Darling J. S. Costigan J. H. Larmouth
Electrical	" F. H. Pitcher
Mining	" O. E. S. Whiteside.

With reference to the above, we have much pleasure in announcing that a "reunion" of the Fourth Year Mechanical students is expected at the Vienna Café, on a date to be announced.

The Glee Club practices are well attended, and some excellent work is being done. The first appearance of the season was made at the Victoria Armory, on the 22nd inst., when, in company with "all the leading musicians of the day," it gave an admirable account of itself.

A Fourth Year Civil is credited with the alarming discovery that the sun is two hours and forty-seven minutes fast, or that the Observatory clock is slow by the same amount. It is hoped that further investigation will show that the sun is at fault, and not the clock on which Old McGill prides itself.

A meeting of the Four years was held on the 16th inst., to consider Mr. Wilkin's resignation from the Editorial Board of the FORTNIGHTLY, the announcement of which was heard with much regret. It was agreed to fill the vacancy by transferring the representative from the Business to the Editorial Board.

The "At Home" was then thoroughly discussed. It was decided to leave the matter in the hands of a committee consisting of two members from each year, who are to ascertain the feeling of the students as accurately as possible, and confer with the committee already appointed by the Faculty.

The Faculty of Applied Science is to be congratulated on securing the services of Prof. Bamford, late of the Victoria University, Manchester. Prof. Bamford arrived on Monday, and will enter upon his duties at an early date. It is understood that he will lecture on Hydraulics, and assist Prof. Bovey with the course in Theory of Structures. The undergraduates unite in extending a cordial welcome to Prof. Bamford, with whom they hope to spend many happy and instructive hours.

FEATHERS FROM THE EAST WING.

The Juniors are all afflicted with French poetry on the brain. It is said that one of them, standing up to debate, involuntarily recited "l'Hymne de l'enfant à son réveil."

Another of less serious disposition was heard to murmur :

A l'examen que leur bonté mesure
Tout l'univers est convié
Nul Freshman n'est oublié,
A ce vengeance des professeurs.

Le Soph a l'avis amère,
Qui laisse envoler le professeur
Le Junior suit le discours,
Et le Freshy pleure pour sa mère.
There was more, but we will spare you.

A prize offered for an original story!!
Where is that Donalds who last year wrote not only a story for one of our leading papers, but also the editorials and important articles?
Let her step to the front.

Was it a zouave jacket?

Great power of discernment has always been considered as the quality *par excellence* of women. Perhaps co-education is displacing this with other things.

It was at a reception given for the "New Men" that a Donalds found herself face to face with a youth who had been introduced vaguely as "belonging to Science."

"And so you are really trying to matriculate into Science," she said, with anxiety in her tone, as though she thought the risk was great. And the young man, with the calmness that comes of long dealing with the uncommon, replied :—

"I am a senior in that faculty."

It is recorded as a matter for deep regret that Miss C. G. Seymour, Honors student of the Third Year, has been obliged to suspend her course because of failing sight.

As an ardent student and a prominent member of the college societies, Miss Seymour's loss will be sadly felt in her year. We can only hope that she may be ready to support it or another at a later date.

PRIZE COMPETITION.

The Editorial and Business Boards have decided to offer two money prizes for the two best original contributions sent in by undergraduates. The object of this is to encourage *original* literary work among the students, and induce them to take a more active interest in the University paper. The competition will be subject to the following regulations:

1. The competition is open to all undergraduates, who either are or shall be subscribers to the McGill FORTNIGHTLY, on or before the date of sending in their contributions

2. All contributions are to be accompanied by a sealed envelope, marked outside with some *nom-de-plume*, and enclosing the writer's full name and faculty, together with his *nom-de-plume*. This *nom-de-plume* is also to be marked upon the article.

3. All contributions must be written specially for the FORTNIGHTLY, and must not have appeared in any other periodical previously.

4. Every contribution must be in the form of a prose story, not longer than 4,000 words or thereabouts.

5. All contributions must be sent to the Editor-in-Chief on or before January 15th, 1894.

6. All contributions become the property of the Editorial Board, who reserve the right to publish any or all of them.