

Skaife, Dougall and Dr. Kelley and Dr. Craik, gave a full and satisfactory account of their work in the corporation during the past year. A general discussion followed, in which questions affecting the University were taken up and discussed with moderation and earnestness. The tendency of it was in the direction of encouraging the raising of the standard for matriculation and of introducing the teaching of Canadian history into the University.

A sub-committee was appointed to collect statistics of the number of students in attendance at all the Canadian universities.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring representatives, and the following were nominated: For medicine, Dr. T. Wesley Mills; for Science, Mr. Wilfred Skaife; for Arts, Mr. J. R. Dougall; for Law, Mr. M. Hutchinson.

DELTA SIGMA SOCIETY.

The meeting of the Delta Sigma Society, delayed from February 7th to February 14th, owing to the intervention of Carnival festivities, was an unusually jolly one, although the attendance was excessively small. Miss McLea read an essay upon "The Discovery of the World and Natural Science," in which she treated a wide subject in a clear and interesting manner. Miss MacFarlane followed with a carefully prepared essay on "The Discovery of the Universe, grouped around Copernicus."

Miss Derick acted as critic.

The Impropru Debate—"Resolved, that a wealthy leisure class is an evil in a community"—was somewhat hurried, owing to the lateness of the hour. Nevertheless, there was good speaking on both sides. Miss Hunter, in particular, carried her audience with her. The affirmative won by a very large majority.

The debaters were—Miss Abbott and Miss Hunter on the affirmative, and Miss Williams and Miss Inez Botterell on the negative.

The Society met on Thursday, February 21st, at 4 p.m., Miss Botterell, vice-president, in the chair. The debate—"Resolved, that patronage is conducive to the free play of genius," was opened by Miss Williams in a telling speech, decidedly the best of the afternoon.

The debaters were—Miss Williams and Miss MacDonald on the affirmative, and Miss Ross and Miss Henderson on the negative. The vote was taken in favour of the affirmative. Miss Inez Botterell delivered a short criticism.

There was no after discussion of the subject among the members.

Two songs from the Glee Club brought the proceedings to a close.

THE UNIVERSITY LITERARY SOCIETY.

The weekly meeting of this Society was held in the University Club-rooms on Friday evening, the 22nd February, Mr. A. A. Oughtred in the chair. The subject of debate—"Is it the duty of the Dominion Government to disallow the Jesuit Estates' Act 1"

which has given rise to such heated discussion, especially by theologians in Ontario, and the Evangelical Alliance in this city, was discussed in a very temperate and logical manner. Professor McGoun led in the affirmative by a very impressive speech, and was supported by Mr. F. Topp, and for the negative Mr. R. C. Smith, who vigorously denied the right of veto of the Dominion Government in this matter, in which he was supported by Mr. J. W. Ferguson. After some discussion by the members present, the question was decided in the affirmative.

The regular weekly meeting of this Society was held in the University Club-rooms on Friday evening, 1st March, Mr. A. R. Oughtred in the chair. The subject of debate—a somewhat one-sided question—"Is modern civilization superior to ancient?"—was opened on the affirmative by Mr. F. W. Hibbard, supported by Mr. A. G. Cross; and Mr. LeRossignol, in a neat, well prepared address, led the negative, followed by Mr. Oughtred. The meeting decided in the affirmative. The public debate is fixed for the 22nd March, when it is expected that a debate on some important subject will take place.

UNDERGRADUATES' LITERARY SOCIETY.

Feb. 15th. The meeting was opened in due form, the president in the chair. Among other items of business, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. J. R. Dougall, M.A., for his kindness in presenting the petition of the Society to the Corporation of the University at its late meeting.

G. Moore opened the literary part of the programme by a philosophical essay on the history and character of "Empiricism."

The reader, Mr. Archibald, favoured the Society with a selection from "Sketches by Boz."

The subject appointed for discussion was—"Resolved, that Imperial Federation is practicable." Messrs. Kinghorn and Ryan maintained the affirmative, opposed by Messrs. Henderson and Hall, who contested their views. Decision was given by the Society in favour of the negative, in spite of the brilliant efforts made by the affirmative.

The Glee Club gave a selection, and A. G. Nicholls, the critic for the evening, closed the programme with a short criticism.

Feb. 22nd. The regular meeting of the Society was held this evening, the president in the chair.

The programme was opened by a descriptive essay by F. M. Fry on "A 75 mile Canoe Trip." The essayist showed scenic powers of a high order, and was complimented by the Society's critic.

S. W. Mack, in his energetic style, followed with a reading.

The debate for the evening was—"Resolved, that judges should be elected by the people." The affirmative was supported by Messrs. S. Moore, Kolmyer, and Trenholme; the negative by Messrs. W. Rogers, W. Le Rossignol, and Ryan. After an animated, and in some respects strong discussion, the question was decided in favour of the negative.

W. D. Gibson, of the graduating class, closed the