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TORONTO, FEBRUARY 7TH, 1899.

The present issue of College Topics is the last one for this term. In common with the rest of student kind the editors realize that the time is now here when increased effort must be made relative to the combat d'esprit in May.

In making our final bow at the close of the season of '98 and '99, we wish to thank our readers for their support during the year. We fully understand the many pecuniary demands made upon our fellow students in the course of the College year, and the greatest encouragement we have received has been the unstinted support they have given our enterprise. We have in turn ever endeavored to meet the expectation of our readers. Our motto is, and always will be, to make our journal something "brighter and newswier than has been."

Our readers will remember that TOPICS is but two years old, and, like all young enterprises requires a reasonable length of time for development. Its first appearance in the fall of '97 caused not a little speculation, and was received with even more favor than was expected. But the publication at that time faintly suggested the ideal which we had in mind and which we hoped some day to transmute into the real. We believed that the City of Toronto, with its many eminent seats of learning, and its thousands of students, afforded a singularly promising field for a bright newspaper devoted to the many interesting events of College life. With such a constituency of readers, most of whom are engaged in all forms of activity—literary, social and athletics—we felt that there was sufficient *raison d'être* for such a paper. And after an experience of two years we are now more convinced in our belief than ever.

The success which has attended our efforts during the present year is most encouraging, and we now feel that the next year we will be ready to present a more representative sample of the object we have in view.

Our intention next fall is to appear in quite a new rôle. The paper will be double its present size, containing eight pages, and will cover completely the news of all the Colleges in the city.

In addition to the news we intend to publish a series of literary articles, which we are confident will prove of the greatest interest to our readers. These articles will be written by prominent graduates and undergraduates, and will deal with topics of vital interest to the undergraduate. In publishing such a paper we believe that we are creating something that will be welcomed into the student circles of this city. We believe, too, that the number of our readers will increase year by year, and that our enterprise shall grow *velut arbor aëvo*.

Heard in the Halls.

COLLEGE TOPICS ends its season of '98-'99 with the present issue.

J. T. Shotwell, '98, is the editor of a religious paper in New York City.

Alex MacDougall says of something on his upper lip, that it is coming out all right.

A musical ride by the Highlanders may be one of the features of the Assault-at-Arms this year.

The annual conversazione of the Whitty Ladies' College will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 17th.

Freddie Smith intends going into law after he graduates, which he will probably practice in the glorious dominions of Uncle Sam.

Students can secure roses, carnations, etc., for the Conversat, at a very low figure at Simmons', the florist, 266 Yonge St. Tel. 8159.

Dr. Walter Maybury, formerly house surgeon at the General Hospital, is now a resident physician at the Carleton General Hospital, Ottawa.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the final debate of the Intercollegiate Debating Union to be given in Association Hall Friday evening of next week.

At a meeting of the Philosophical Society, held last Friday afternoon, a very instructive paper was read by Prof. Badgley on the subject, "God in Relation to Knowledge."

On Monday of this week, Dr. Needler gave a very interesting lecture entitled, "Notes on Modern Germany and its People," before the Modern Language Club.

The Political Science men of the Fourth Year have been having a foretaste of the final grind this week. They toed the line for an exam. in Economics last Tuesday afternoon.

The following representatives from the different years were elected to the Athletic Board last week: '00, R. Telford, J. J. Gibson, and W. G. Harrison; '01, W. Campbell, and A. Y. Aylesworth; '02, Mr. Biggs.

Billy Dromgole, '00, who has lost so much valuable time this year on account of sickness, has decided to give up his University course and go into business. He spent the week's end in the city, during which period he disposed successfully of his books.

W. T. Tamblin, '95, has recently received honorable mention for his thesis on Roman Occupation of Britain, which he wrote for his Ph.D. degree at Columbia University. Dr. Tamblin is now at the Hamilton school and is the editor of the new paper published at that institution.

A chapter of the Xi Psi Phi fraternity was established at the Royal College of Dental Surgeons last week. This fraternity was founded at University of Michigan, and has about twelve chapters among the Dental Colleges of the United States. The Toronto chapter is a very strong one, and starts out with every prospect of success.

The board of management of Sesame are to be congratulated on the financial success of its publication this year. It is said that the success attending Sesame this year far exceeds that of any previous year since its origin. Great credit is due Miss A. W. Patterson '99, who acted as business manager, and to whom the success of the publication is largely due.

The Hallowe'en Club has decided to produce a "Midsummer Night's Dream" at the annual demonstration next October. The committee is now engaged in selecting the cast of characters and it expects that several rehearsals will be held before the close of the present term. Among the ladies who will take part in the play will be Miss Florence McLay, sister of Mr. Franklyn McLay, the well known Canadian actor. Miss McLay is now a student at the Conservatory, and will make her debut on the stage in the leading role of this production.

A meeting of the University Rowing Club will be held this week for the election of officers and for the transaction of other important business. The same arrangements will be made with the Argonaut Club, whereby the members of the Varsity Club shall have full use of the former's house on the bay. All Varsity men interested in rowing should become members of this club and help to create a name for Varsity on the water as well as on the campus. The membership fee is \$5, which allows the members all the enjoyments the Argonaut Club affords, and provides for the training of all the members.

This year Harry Gooderham and W. Douglas will be eligible for the intermediate. Dr. Small, the veteran, will again take an active interest in the sport and the prospects are that the club will enjoy a very prosperous season.

The Stratford juniors made U.C.C. hustle for their money in the first game in the semifinals of the junior O.H.A. series at Stratford Monday night. When the smoke cleared away the visitors had one of the hardest fought and most exciting games ever seen there by the score of 7 to 5. The game, though a trifle rough, was extremely fast. U.C.C. forwards, one and all, played well, their combination being of the very finest. Their defence, however, was not so good. The Stratford forwards, especially in the second half, played a beautiful game, and kept the whole College team upon the defence. But whenever the speedy visiting forwards got away the Stratford defence went to pieces, and but for Woods' magnificent work in goal the score would have been much greater. Fraser, the star forward in the College team, played a fine game, but he was so closely checked by little Hern that most of his rushes were nipped in the bud. Morrison also showed up well, and Worts' shooting was of the grand stand order. For Stratford, Jimmy Rankin was the star. Time and again the clever little stick handler broke away from his check, and in combination with Hern, went up the ice like arrows. Schweitzer scored one of Stratford's hard-earned goals on one of the prettiest rushes ever seen on the local ice. Dillon and Poland exchanged places for the major part of the game, and the change did not strengthen the local defence. The score at half time was 4 to 2 in the visitors' favor, and the second half was Stratford all the way. College's goals being scored on brief but irresistible rushes by their forwards. Ed. Seagram was referee. The

teams lined up thus: U.C.C.—Goal, Temple; point, Proctor; cover-point, Henderson; forwards, Fraser, Moffat, Worts and Morrison. Stratford—Goal, Woods; point, Gifford; cover-point, Dillon; forwards, Rankin, Hern, Schweitzer and Poland.

The first game in the senior hockey semifinals was played at Peterboro Monday night, and was a regular whirlwind from start to finish, and Varsity came out of the battle winners from Capt. Hollingshead's swift seven, the score being 12 to 9 in the collegians' favor. The beautiful combination work of the Varsity forwards did the work, their rushes being fast and furious, and they made it so warm for Peterboro's clever goal man, Wasson, that he will have reason to remember Monday night's game as one of the hottest he has ever been in. The Peterboro forwards worked like demons, while their defence was perhaps not doing their very best work, although Captain Hollingshead made superhuman efforts to turn the tide. The pace was terrific. The Varsity team set it in the first half, while the home team seemed to be cutting it out for the last fifteen minutes of the second half. The play started with a whirl, a rush, and a goal. Varsity scoring in half a minute. The crowd, which numbered over fifteen hundred, hardly realized the thing was done when the score was tied by Peterboro scoring. Then Varsity cut out a dazzling pace, and scored four goals in rapid succession. The great crowd, which was wild with excitement, were surprised, and the team was bewildered for a minute. But the fight went merrily on, and when King and Davidson each scored a goal for Peterboro the crowd took heart again and cheered on the players. Every few seconds the Varsity forward line would shoot out from a mix-up like a streak of lightning and dash down the ice, and it required all the efforts of Peterboro's defence to check their assaults and prevent the score against them being piled up. Peterboro's forwards also made many sallies, but the Varsity defence was strong. The half ended with the score standing 8 to 5 in Varsity's favor. In the second half the same terrific pace was kept up, and in two minutes Varsity scored again; following this was another game in three minutes. Peterboro's seven, however were game, and now made a tremendous effort to turn the tide and Bellegem succeeded in scoring. Varsity got another and Peterboro two more. Each team scored one more and time was called, and the score for the second half stood 4-4, and the game 9-12 in Varsity's favor. Snell, Shepherd and Wright were stars, while Darling was strong at cover point. Mr. Jack McMurrich was referee, but he was very lax in watching off-sides. His weakness in this respect caused dissatisfaction. The teams were: Varsity—Goal, Waldie; point, Mackenzie; cover-point, Darling; forwards, Snell, Broder, Shepherd and Wright. Peterboro—Goal, Wasson; point, Reynolds; cover-point, Hollingshead; forwards, Crowley, King, Davidson and Bellegem.

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

The month of February was ushered in with sad news to St. Michael's College, when four of her oldest and most worthy students, Messrs. S. H. O'Boyle, J. Kelly, J. Heffernan and J. Lynch received the order to leave for Baltimore Seminary. It is only necessary to mention their names to convince anyone who knows them of the void which their departure has caused. The first mentioned three have been residents at the College for the last seven years. They had come to look upon their Alma Mater as in reality a mother to them. Mr. Lynch, though this is only his second year in Toronto, had so endeared himself to all whom he met, that he felt his parting just as keenly, and will be missed just as much as the others. Their places will be very difficult to fill, and they will be a proud acquisition to any institution. As specimens of fine manhood alone, it would be hard to find their equal, all towering far above the ordinary in build and physique. Among four so well matched, it would be almost impossible to particularize. All were hard-working students from the time of their advent here. On the other hand, all took an interest in the many sports. Mr. Heffernan was Secretary of the Athletic Association. On his retiring from the football arena, it was found very difficult to secure a substitute. His hand-ball playing was undoubtedly the best on the alley. During his comparatively short stay here, Jim Lynch has obtained a great hold on the hearts of the boys. Outside of his genial good nature and generous witticisms, he will be chiefly missed by the Dramatic Society. On the stage, especially as a comedian, he had few superiors in amateurdom. His latest role, and perhaps his greatest, was the part of Dionysius in "Damon and Pythias." Joe Kelly's forte was classics. In this department he excelled all others. This poor pen can hardly begin to do justice to these men, and especially to Steve. Why, Steve has been a pusher ever since he first came to the house, nearly eight years ago. He is a natural actor, taking the heaviest parts, and acquitting himself as well as any first-class professional. His last achievement in this line was Pythias, in "Damon and Pythias." But his services did not end here. He was chief promoter, stage-manager, in fact, everything combined. In base-ball, he was just as noticeable. For several years he has been St. Michael's Assistant Editor to the College Topics. These worthy and much esteemed friends have gone where duty calls them; but although they are gone, we are consoled with the knowledge that their hearts are ever wandering back to their Alma Mater. The

best wishes of the Faculty and boys follow the "Big Four" on their way through life.

The Hockey team suffered their first defeat of the season on Wednesday last, at the hands of the fast Victorias. There is no need of going into details. The score (16-2), tells the tale. The light and dark blue boys were not in it for a minute. The combination of the enemy was beautiful (to an admirer of the team), while Amzy couldn't make it go. In extenuation of this complete slaughter, it might be said that the team went on the ice in a disorganized condition. By some misunderstanding seven men were on the ice before Kernahan made his appearance. This necessitated trying a new man. After much head-or-tailing, McAllister made his debut before the admiring throng with the pads on. About five seconds after the whistle blew, somebody shot one at Mac. The Cobourg man took this as a personal insult, and promptly dodged. Score, 1-0. But why go into those painful details? After the umpire at the north end had straightened up his hand for the ninth time, to notify the spectators that the visitors were one more behind, muttering, at the same time, dark threats about discontinuing his important position, unless they changed ends, then (mark well) Ambrose resigned his place at centre and replaced McA. He even basely insinuated that Mac had kicked two in himself "a purpose." The latter, on the other hand, finally avows that he was holding the fort against two teams. He acknowledges, however, it would have been better with no one in goal. With resignation worthy of the noble game, Regan determined that by using the psychological rational method he could stop some. He stopped one. At least one, by some mistake, struck his skate. George Roach, with tears in his eyes, and his hands rubbing his sore back, refused to believe the announcement that the score was 16. The testimony of the impromptu goalkeepers was taken. As they positively asserted that their lives were endangered by passing shot on an average of three times a minute for sixty minutes, the score could not be disputed.

The defeat of Wednesday was partially obliterated in Saturday's return game with the Britannias. They came up to win for sure this time, but "the plans of mice and men oft gang a-gley." The game was fast and intensely exciting from start to finish. At half-time the score was 4-0. In the second half College kept right on and made a total of nine. Final score, 9-2. Line up of St. Michael's was as follows: Goal, Kernahan; point, H. McKenna; cover, J. McKenna; forwards, Regan, Snider, Miller, Foy.

LIFTS

Harry, "bring up the T.R.C. or Varsity." Mc. "when you are shooting there is five feet of goal keeper and one foot of space. When you are in goal there is five and a half feet of space and six inches of goal-keeper, between the posts."

Read the last book on Hockey, edited by Messrs. R. and McA., entitled "A Different Way of Looking at Things."

After Wednesday's game "we need two hours' practice a day."

After Saturday's game, "Oh, that we were in the O.H.A."

Kernahan stopped some hot shots on Saturday.

Snider is invaluable.

MANDOLIN CLUB CONCERT.

Will be held in Guild Hall, Thursday Evening, February 23rd.

The Varsity Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club will hold its annual concert, on Thursday evening, February 23rd, in Guild Hall. This year the club has arranged an unusually interesting program, and it is expected that Guild Hall will be crowded to the doors on that evening. Among the numbers to be given, will be selections by the Toronto College of Music Ladies' Mandolin Club; reading, Miss Lilian Burns; solo, Miss Mae Dickenson; solo, Miss Warnock; selection by the Toronto Male Quartette, under the direction of Mr. A. L. E. Davies; banjo solo by Mr. George Smedley, and selections by Mr. Paul Hahn, the cellist. Miss Henrietta Shippe will be the accompanist.

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