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HEARD IN THE HALLS.

This will be the last issue of COLLEGE TOPICS for this term.

The Women's Residence Association of University College gratefully acknowledge the following additions to their building fund:—A subscription from Dr. and Mrs. A. H. T. Barbour, of Edinburgh, £25 sterling; cheque from Ladies' Glee Club, \$19; proceeds of the Kipling lecture, \$118.

W. P. Cohoe, B.A., instructor in Moulton College and demonstrator at the School of Pharmacy intends to take a post course at Harvard next term.

A very largely attended meeting was held in Guild Hall, McGill Street, last Friday evening, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor and Students' Volunteer Unions of the city, to listen to reports of delegates who attended the recent Student Volunteer Convention held in Cleveland. Addresses were delivered by Mr. H. Warren of Victoria University; Mr. F. W. Anderson of University College; Miss Dr. Skinner, of Women's Medical College; Mr. R. J. M. Perkins, of Wycliffe College; Rev. R. P. McKay, of the Presbyterian Board of Missions, and Rev. Elmore Harris, of the Bible Training School. A student quartette supplied very suitable music for the occasion.

On Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock a meeting of the girls of '99 was held to elect three of their number to represent them on the '99 Year Book Committee. Miss B. Jamieson, Miss L. K. White and Miss A. Morrison were chosen.

A most enjoyable At Home was given by Mrs. J. F. McCurdy, Saturday afternoon, from 4.30 to 7, to the University students. Mrs. Fraser and the Executive of Women's Literary helped Mrs. McCurdy to entertain her guests. The room was prettily decorated in blue and white. Mrs. Fraser, Miss Salter, Mr. and Mrs. Brebner, Mr. De Lury, Dr. Needler and Dr. Toews represented the faculty.

The affairs of the Modern Language Club will be in the hands of the following committee during the coming year:—Hon. President, Prof. Fraser; president, W. A. K. Kerr; 1st vice-president, B. A. Simpson; 2nd vice-president, Miss Alexander; corresponding secretary, J. B. Hunter; recording secretary, M. Millman; treasurer, Mr. Irwin; assistant treasurer, Miss Cole; second year representative, Miss Hutchison.

Mr. T. M. Martin gave a very entertaining talk Friday evening on "Art in Education" at the Ladies' Presbyterian College. The lecture was much enjoyed, as was the musical programme, rendered by the following:—Miss Muriel Bickell, Miss Ethel Johnston, Miss Margaret Nasmith, Miss Annie McCowie, Miss Mabel Chew, Miss Jessie Stevenson. Mr. Yeigh fulfilled the duties of chairman in a very satisfactory manner, and after the programme refreshments were served.

"The Development of Vocal Method" was the title of a very interesting lecture given by Dr. C. E. Saunders to the students of Moulton College on Friday evening. Dr. Saunders discussed the Italian methods, introductions of science, and our modern systems, and in doing so gave many valuable hints to those interested in the subject. This lecture was the last of a series of very entertaining lectures which have been given at the college during the season.

In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of May.

Varsity men are reminded that exam fees are to be paid before next Saturday.

C. C. Bell, B.A., of Toronto Meds leaves shortly for a trip to Jamaica.

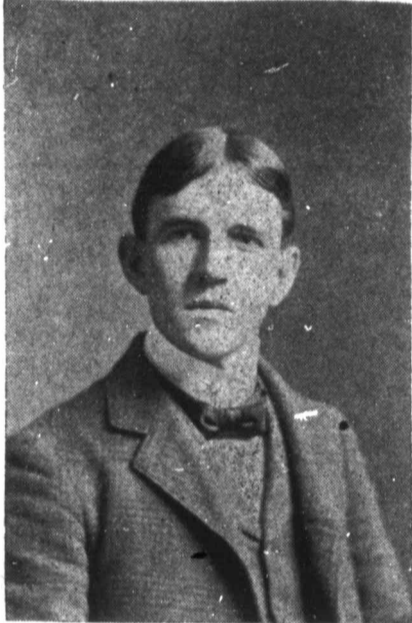
Charlie Cowan, '99 Arts, went home on a short visit last week.

CANDIDATES ARE CHOSEN.

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pertained to the Literary Society. One of these was concerning the business society which he considered impracticable, and the other was the movement to erect a chapel.

John R. Bone, the Alma Mater party candidate for the office of vice-president of the Literary Society, is one of the best known and one of the cleverest men around the University. Before coming to Varsity he showed signs of the ability which he has ever since displayed. He matriculated from the London Collegiate Institute with the highest honors, capturing the first scholarship in mathematics and science. During his first year at Varsity he succeeded in maintaining his previously brilliant record, by standing first in chemistry and mineralogy, first in physics and chemistry, and second in



JOHN R. BONE.

mathematics, an achievement which he duplicated last year. His abilities have more than once been recognized by his classmates, who during the year 1896-97 bestowed upon him the office of class president, as well as various other positions which he has held at different times. He has now been unanimously chosen by the members of the Alma Mater party to head the undergraduate portion of their ticket in the coming Lit elections, and supporters and opponents alike acknowledge that no stronger candidate could have been placed in the field.

As to the latter he pointed out that there were a sufficient number of other chapels in the city at present which the students could attend.

In regard to the present condition of the society he thought it was very lax. He stated that last year only four men of the present executive took part in the programmes. During the whole term there were only fourteen members of the Alma Mater party whose names were on the programme while twenty-six men of the Old Lit party took active part in the debates, etc. He believed that the board of the Varsity should be strictly non-partisan and that the college paper should be controlled by the Literary Society. He denied that he had ever voted to throw the School of Science out of the society. In conclusion he nominated for vice-president John McKay. The mention of the name of Knox's orator brought forth a storm of applause from the Old Lit side of the house.

O. M. Biggar nominated for 2nd Vice, L. E. Jones. Mr. Biggar then made a rousing speech in defense of the platform of his party. He said a number of nice things about "Residence men," and believed that if they held a large number of offices it was because they deserved them. (Cheers from the men of Residence.) J. T. Shotwell followed and nominated T. E. Brown for 2nd Vice. He claimed that the two parties represented two classes—one endeavoring to keep in office—the other endeavoring to raise the standard of the Literary Society. He did not consider the platform of the Alma Mater party practicable and saw only two planks which applied to the society. These had been previously discussed. "Jack" Hobbs nominated R. Davidson for Recording Secretary. He also pointed out that the erection of a chapel and convocation hall was within the range of possibility. He believed that it could be brought about by the students themselves. The Students' Union, he said, was the result of student energy, and he did not see why the same force could not bring about the construction of a convocation hall, which he thought would be a great acquisition to the University.

Hugh Munroe named R. B. LeSeuer as the candidate for Recording Secretary of the Old Lit party. Hugh then discussed the "scrap" and ridiculed the boast made by the other party that the scrap was purely Canadian.

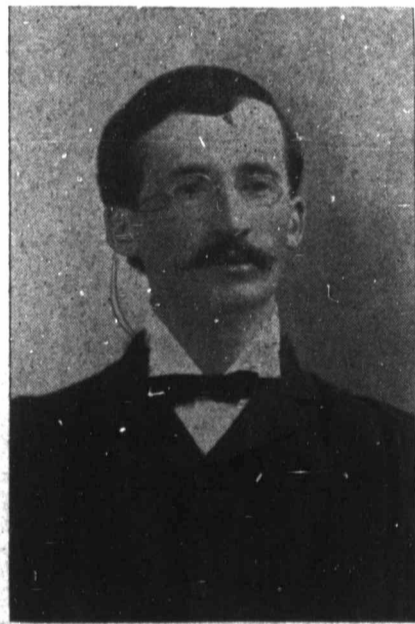
"We can claim as much for the Canadian thistle," said he. He, too, thought that the conversat should be a students' function. The management of the Lit last year he thought was poor.

The irresistible "Nick" Hinch nominated F. L. Hogg for 3rd Vice. "Nick" then then told how the "men of Residence" were reinstated after having resigned from '98 executive. He also exonerated the Lit executive of last year from all blame by reason of the decline of the mock parliament. He claimed that it was not managed by the executive. As to a reference made by a previous speaker that his party characterized the members of the Old Lit party as farmers he emphatically denied. He was a farmer himself and was proud of it. A. E. McFarlane named Walter Campbell for the office of 3rd Vice. In doing so he stated that Mr. Campbell would make as able a full back for the society as he had for the association team.

The speaker stated that the student body was gaged by the present partisan method of running the Varsity. He thought if the erection of a chapel was to be considered, the credit should be given to John Gunn, who first proposed the scheme, and not to the Alma Mater party. The plank in the other party's platform concerning a free access to the books in the library, he considered, could not but be favorable to the whole student body. He had always fought for it and felt that it would be a good thing.

A. Smith, of the School, named C. B. Gordon for Corresponding Secretary. W. G. Clendenning nominated John Patterson as the Old Lit party's candidate for that office. George Black nominated "Billy" Cleary for Curator. George told how advantageous it would be to have a large convocation hall where convocation, Saturday lectures, concerts, etc., could be held. He believed that if the agitation was started that inside of two years the hall would be erected. John Gunn, in a short but clever speech, nominated D. Macdougall for the office of Curator. "Freddie" Cleland was the next speaker, and nominated E. H. Cooper for Treasurer. "Freddie" then spoke on the management of the Varsity and said most emphatically that the Lit should control the paper. A discussion then followed between the speaker, Mr. McFarlane and ex-editor Gahan concerning the publication of a letter last term. In the midst of the discussion President Young asked what direct bearing this matter had to the Lit elections. As it apparently had none, the discussion was discontinued. "Billy" Alexander next took the platform, and his popularity was once more made apparent by the rousing reception which greeted his appearance. He spoke strongly against the partisan method of con-

John McKay, '99 the candidate of the Old Lit party for the office of vice-president, is known among his colleagues as one of the best fellows at Varsity. Before coming to College he acted for some time as substitute master in Owen Sound Institute. Later he graduated from the Model School at Goderich, and in his class stood *facile princeps*. He then taught school for two years at Holyrood, Ontario. He entered Varsity with the class of '98 in the Easter term; but despite the late date of his entrance, the first year exam. presented no obstacle to him. During 1895-96 he remained out of academic work, having charge of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Detroit, dur-



JOHN MCKAY.

ing that time. Returning to Varsity he stood first in the honor department of Philosophy in the Sophomore class. His progress and record since that time needs no description, being well known to his fellow-students. It may be added that while in Detroit, Mr. McKay took an active part in literary work, and acted as occasional reporter for the *Detroit Free Press and Journal*. As a public speaker he has few equals around Varsity. At the public debate last fall he distinguished himself admirably on the platform, and on various other occasions he has shown himself to be an able and forcible debater. His qualifications for the office to which he has been nominated by his party are therefore of a very high character, and he will, if elected, grace the chair which he may on occasions have to occupy.

ducting the Varsity, and discussed the policy of both parties in an able manner. He then nominated D. E. Kilgour for the office of treasurer. Billy Ross nominated F. G. Lucas

for Secretary of Committees. Billy took exception to the cry of the Old Lit party, that it was time for a change. The Tories claimed that, too, in the last elections, said he. "Tommie" Russell nominated E. M. Ashworth for Secretary of Committees, and at the same time made the best speech of the evening. He showed what the members of the Old Lit party did for the University. He claimed that only two men from Residence were members of the Gymnasium. He said that the erection of Students' Union was the work of the opposers to the Alma Mater party. The reason, he said, that the seven men were reinstated on the '98 executive was that they refused to go in the class photo unless a reinstatement was made. Don Ross, the next speaker, denied most emphatically that the men who had resigned from the executive refused to go in the photo. He attributed this charge solely to the opposite side. He claimed that the erection of the Students' Union was the result of efforts on the part of the old members of the Alma Mater party. Mr. Ross nominated G. C. King for historical secretary. R. H. Haslam nominated W. A. Groves for this office. For 4th year councillor J. H. Fisher nominated D. A. Sinclair.

The remaining nominations were as follows: A. Macdougall nominated J. Hogg, for 4th year councillor; A. H. Birmingham, A. C. Campbell for 3rd year councillor; N. R. D. Sinclair, W. J. Donovan for 3rd year councillor; W. F. Mackay, A. W. Greene for 2nd year councillor; W. A. Docker, M. A. Buchanan for 2nd year councillor; A. N. McMillan, C. D. Collins for 3rd year S.P.S.; T. Shanks, E. G. Yeates for 3rd year S.P.S.; H. G. Gregory, T. W. Thorold for 2nd year S.P.S.; and W. S. Davidson, J. C. Johnson for 2nd year School of Science.

NOTES OF THE ELECTION.

A few more days and the terrible contest will be over.

Both parties held enthusiastic rallies this afternoon. The candidates for presidents and a number of prominent undergrads addressed the meetings.

The cartoons of "I. Collier Downe" and Atkinson are the best seen around Varsity in a long time.

This year's elections are the hottest in the history of the present undergraduate body.

Fisher says "one party promises many things and does none of them. The other promises nothing and does it."

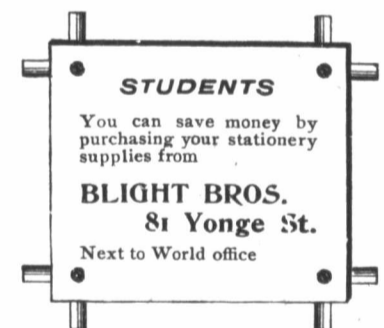
It is estimated that the undergraduate vote will be in the neighborhood of four hundred.

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