

MIDST THE MORTAR BOARDS.

The students of Victoria are making preparations for a grand conversione.

The Library was open from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. during the holidays and was well patronized by those who remained in town.

Mr. W. M. Davidson, '93, who broke his ankle last fall is again attending lectures but still finds it necessary to use crutches.

Mr. R. Russell Baldwin has presented \$100 to the library with the stipulation that it be expended in the purchase of German literature.

The Lieutenant-Governor has appointed Mr. Byron E. Walker as University Senator, in the place of Sir Casimir A. Gzowski, who lately resigned.

Quite a number of students had their ears badly frost-bitten by the severe weather of last week; a medico had both his ears and his feet frozen so badly that he has been unable to attend lectures.

The annual meeting of the Base Ball Club will be held on Friday 20th at 3.30, in the Y. M. C. A. Annual reports and election of officials; discussion of coming season's prospects. Everybody is invited to attend.

A large number of students turned out to hear Sir John Thompson and the other ministers at the Auditorium. The admission was limited and those who belong to the Young Conservatives were regularly besieged for tickets.

S. P. S.—The members of the class of '92 taking the fourth year were favored with a call from one of their number, Mr. Arthur V. White, on Friday last. Mr. White is now engaged as head draftsman in the Edison Electric Co.'s works of Peterboro.

Another instance of the recognition of Canadian merit was the high estimation in which Mr. MacGowan's mathematical ability was held at Clark University, which was duly attested by his recommendation and appointment as lecturer in Princeton University.

Mr. Jas. A. Maclean, '92, is making for himself an enviable reputation in Columbia College, New York. Testimony from such an authority as Prof. Seligmann is no mean tribute to his ability, and such testimony has been accorded in a private letter to a member of our society.

The subject for the inter-university debate with McGill, which takes place on Feb. 10th, is: "Resolved that Canada would be benefited by giving to women the franchise, and e presentation in parliament."—

Messrs. Bull and Hellemis, the Varsity representatives, will, of course, uphold the affirmative.

Mr. James Brebner, who has been acting for some time as Registrar, has been permanently appointed to that office at a salary of \$1000. Those who remember how efficiently he aided in the re-construction of the library after the fire will feel satisfied that a better appointment could not have been made.

The Classical Association met on Tuesday, 10th, with Mr. Fairclough presiding. Mr. Harvey read a paper on "The Chorus in Greek Drama," and Mr. Howells on "Ajax and Hamlet." Mr. Fairclough, who has rather made a speciality of Greek poetry, gave a very interesting and well-received comment on the subjects of the evening.

Basket-ball seems to be an even more vigorous game than Rugby. Last week Mr. Orton received an ugly cut in the forehead and now Mr. Craig is nursing a badly sprained finger. An exciting game was played on Friday evening between a Varsity team and the Y. M. C. A. Of course Varsity was victorious, the score standing 2 to 1.

Messrs. J. L. Hyland, '95, and E. M. Lawson, '96, have received the appointment of assistants for the library. Mr. Lawson will be on duty from 3 o'clock to 5 and from 7 to 7.30, while Mr. Hyland will be present from 7.30 to 10.30. They are both well thought of in their respective years and the appointment has proved a most popular one.

General regret is expressed at the departure of Mr. Harry Senkler, B. A., for British Columbia, where he intends continuing his studies in law. During his career both at Varsity and at Osgoode he distinguished himself in every branch of athletic sports and before his departure he was banqueted by the Osgoode Rugby Football Club, of which he was captain during the season of '91.

Several of the seminaries have been put in working order and a deep interest is being taken in them by the students. The seminary of Political Science has been placed under the charge of the 3rd and 4th year men who have promised to be responsible to Professor Mavor for the care and arrangement of the books. The seminary of History has procured a large number of historical documents and it is intended that much time shall be devoted to original research.

Mr. F. C. Brown, a graduate of Toronto University last year, is now editor of the Popular Educator, a monthly trade journal, published at Streator, Ill., to which place Mr. Brown emigrated a few weeks ago.

Mr. Brown is a bright, well-educated young man, who will do credit in his new home to his alma mater and his native land. While at the university he was for some years college correspondent of the Toronto Globe, and acquired his taste for journalism.

We are very sorry to hear that typhoid is so prevalent amongst our students. Mr. Myers and Mr. Tier, '95, who have been in the hospital since before Christmas, are both recovering; but Mr. Myers' eyesight has been affected and, as he is unable to study, he will lose his year. Last week Mr. D. D. James, '94, while down town, took a drink of the "pure and undiluted" city water and next day he, too, was suffering from the disease. He has been removed to the hospital and is progressing favorably.

It was stated in one of the Toronto papers that, after his examination this spring, Mr. G. W. Orton would go to New York and become a member of the Manhattan Club. When questioned concerning the matter, Mr. Orton said that he had heard nothing about it, but would get a paper and see if he were really going. He has received many offers from different athletic associations, such as free tuition at any American college and a European tour; but, tempting as they have been, he has, so far, refused them all.



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