

missionary meetings be henceforth held. Thus the main object of his visit is practically accomplished.

Mr. Cossum also had pleasant meetings with the Foreign Missionary Band and the Royal College Y. M. C. A.

The Rule in the Constitution affecting the point in question is as follows:—

"The President shall appoint

(4) A Missionary Committee which shall provide for monthly meetings in the interest of Home and Foreign Missions, select leaders and topics for these meetings, and endeavor to stimulate the students with a deep interest in the missionary cause."

The regular meeting on the following Friday afternoon was led by Principal Grant, whose theme was "Temperance." He dwelt upon the full meaning of the term, shewing that it is not abstinence from anything in particular but absolute self-control in all things. The address throughout was eminently practical, and very much appreciated by the crowded meeting.

The additions to our Roll this session consist of 32 Active Members and 21 Associate.

At our last service, led by Mr. Thomson, B.A., all the available space was occupied, and several were observed to turn away.

THE ARTS SOCIETY.

On Tuesday afternoon, (November 19), a mass meeting of Arts students was held to receive the report of a committee appointed some time ago to draw up a constitution for an Arts Society. Alt. E. Lavell, '91, took the chair, and N. Carmichael, B.A., '90, read the report of the committee. This was in the form of a resolution adopting a constitution which the committee had drawn up, and after some discussion the report was taken up clause by clause and unanimously adopted. The meeting then adjourned to meet on the following Tuesday for the nomination of officers. The object of the Society, as stated in the resolution, is that a more systematic and equitable mode of collecting money from students for students' institutions may be obtained, and that the payment of such money as is collected may be governed in an orderly way by men elected by those who stand the expenses of the various institutions. The membership fee is \$1.25, and this will go to defraying the expenses of the Reading Room, delegates sent from Queen's to sister institutions, and the expenses of the University Football Club. All outside the Society will be considered "barbarians and outcasts" as a junior mildly put it, and will of course be allowed no Reading Room privileges or any of those advantages generally enjoyed by students, as regards meetings, football, etc. This is a step in the right direction, and we hope that this Arts Society is here to stay. It has been needed for a long time.

A. M. S.

A most interesting meeting of the A.M.S. was held on the evening of Nov. 21st. It was distinctively a Freshmen's meeting. J. W. Herbison read an interesting paper on "The duty of students in relation to College institutions." The paper was well discussed, principally

by members of the first and second years. The fluency of the speakers, the earnestness, good sense and loyalty which characterized their addresses augurs well for the future of the Society and of Queen's. One excellent feature of the meeting was its freedom from the spirit of wrangling, a spirit which in the past has been detrimental to the Society. It is the intention of the JOURNAL, in order to add interest to its columns and to encourage the efforts of the A.M.S., to publish from time to time, either in whole or in part, the papers read in these meetings. It is hoped, therefore, that the essayists will do their best. The plan of asking each year to provide the programme for successive meetings is a good one, as it promotes a friendly rivalry. After the business part of the meeting was over, Mr. Fleming, of the first year, was asked to fill the chair, which duty he creditably performed.

The following extracts are taken from Mr. Herbison's paper:

Since the first establishment of colleges, I doubt much if there has existed one in which there were not peculiar institutions nowhere seen except in connection with college life. Such was the system of fagging so long in vogue in the English Colleges, such were the hundred and one peculiarities of English and Continental College life. In place of these now, however, are seen in the Old Country college institutions similar to our own, and to obtain a fair idea of these and all the existing institutions of to-day, we need but to examine those of the model University of America—Queen's, of Kingston. First of these let us take a look at the A.M.S. It is the society of the University. Through it is transacted all the business which concerns the students as a whole, and so it is the official or parent society of the College. But were this its only end, the scope of the A.M.S. would be small indeed. The discussions, debates and papers to be heard weekly at its meetings prove that it is more than a business machine. Here we see the elegant senior arise in all his confident experience and discuss the question in hand with the sageness of a Socrates. Here, too, is seen the trembling freshman as he first essays to express the burning thoughts which he feels within him. As says the poet—

"When first the college rolls receive his name,
The young enthusiast quits his ease for fame,
Resistless burns the fever of renown,

Caught from the strong contagion of the gown."

Closely connected with the A.M.S., and published under its management is the Q. C. JOURNAL. Full of breezy news, spicy paragraphs and philosophical discussions, it cannot fail to be of interest to the student alive to his own good and the welfare of the College. The first duty of the student to the A.M.S. is to attend its meetings. Not only does he owe this to the Society but also to himself. When we think of some one we have known who came into College unable even to move an adjournment, and then see the ease with which the same man now speaks upon any subject; when we hear the few trembling words of the maiden speech, and hear a few minutes after the eloquence produced by three or