

combe, President of the Hamilton and district Football League. In a graceful address he showed the high place held by outdoor exercise in the building up of a strong national character. President Kennedy of the Athletic Society accepted the trophy. It was then handed over to the Principal and Vice-Principal by Captain Wren. There was frequent applause during these proceedings.

Space forbids a detailed account of the presentation of the farce. Suffice it to say that those taking part must have been rewarded for their hard work of preparation by the success they achieved and their appearance again on some future occasion will be eagerly awaited. The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

News from Santa Claus.

NORMAL COLLEGE,

December 11, 1899.

To the Editors:

While engaged in a day-dream anticipating the pleasures of Christmas time and of the many desirable gifts that would be mine, I received a few messages from St. Nicholas by wireless telegraphy. He took this means of answering some of the many appeals on his generosity from the O. N. C. boys and girls. By private cable, this morning I learn that his communications as to the other decisions were intercepted in their passage across South Africa by the press censors and will be detained for the customary seven days. I forward you for publication the dispatches to hand with the hope that they may allay unnecessary worry on the part of the fortunate ones.

"YOUR PRESIDENT :—Congratulations for the successful concert together with a promissory note guaranteeing no discussions re changes in the constitution"

"MONTHLY BOARD :—Applications requesting the privilege of

preparing articles during the vacation."

"W—N :—A foot-ball with the glowing inscription 'O. N. C. champions.'"

"R—B—T—N :—A small woolly animal which when lovingly caressed utters the familiar sound, 'Ba'."

"S—H :—A reminder that the day before Christmas is not the Queen's Birthday."

"MISS B— :—An instrument for ascertaining the exact position of heat in a warm poker."

"S—D—RS :—An automatic music-sheet collector."

"MISS L—W :—A city map and guide book." MARCONI.

Some of the shopping students were gazing rapturously at the toy birds exhibited in one of the city windows. "Oh, oh," said one in Bell-like tones, "do look at that Eagle. Wouldn't I like to have it." "Yes," said another thoughtfully, "but I prefer that little Wren. Isn't it cute? It has such a pretty top knot." A male voice here interrupted and with a Young accent said, "Any kind of a Bird will do me almost, the little Dickey bird up there, or else that little Wooster in the corner."

"Eh, mon Sandy, its nae muckle I'd be spierin' for masel.' Gie me some brose and a wee bit o' short bread and that'll dae."—SM—N.

Y. W. C. A.

At the opening meeting of this Society, Mrs. Davidson, (Hon. Pres.) gave an interesting and helpful talk on "College Relations," to which appropriate remarks were added by the President, Miss Gould. The subject for Nov. 27th, "Protection from College Temptations," was considered as follows: Prayer—Miss Forfar; Bible study—Miss McKenzie; Friendships—Miss Taylor.