

International XI.; H. J. Tucker ('93-'95) made a good showing at Philadelphia in July, while his brother, W. E. Tucker, is captain of Rugby football at Cambridge—a unique distinction for a Canadian school.

Our numbers are growing, and in a few months we hope to come within measurable distance of our usual numbers, and in a year or two to exceed them; and with this wish, Mr. Editor, I will subscribe myself,

Yours, etc.,
T. C. S.

CONVOCATION.

The notices calling the annual meeting of the Convocation this year have not been sent out as early as usual, owing to the wish to send out the report of the executive committee at the same time. First of the functions connected with the annual gathering is the service in the college chapel, to be held on Monday evening November 11th, at which the Ven. Archdeacon Evans, of Montreal, on whom the degree of D.C.L., pro honoris causa was last year conferred, will be the special preacher. On Tuesday, the 12th, at 11 a.m., the annual meeting will be held, and with an interval of an hour for luncheon will continue all day. A number of important questions are to be discussed at it besides the annual report, and several changes in the constitution of Convocation are proposed. One of them is concerned with the standing of Bachelors of Arts of four years standing or less, a matter discussed at the meeting held last March at Trinity of all the graduates in and near Toronto.

On Tuesday evening the annual dinner will be held in the Convocation Hall. An attempt is to be made to have the price of tickets less than formerly, and to that end it is proposed to charge \$1.50 and \$2.00 if wine be included, instead of \$2.00 and \$2.50 as was found necessary to avoid a deficit last year. The steward of the college has consented to look after the catering and an excellent dinner is assured.

It is hoped that the annual meeting and dinner will be a success in every way this year. It will be the official welcome on the part of Convocation to our new Provost, and a right hearty welcome we feel sure it will be. But it is a case of "the more the merrier," and we bespeak a good turn out this year on the part of all our members and associate members who can possibly attend. Invitations to the dinner have been sent to the Governor-General (who unfortunately is away in British Columbia at present), the Lieut.-Governor of Ontario, the Mayor of Toronto and the Minister of Education, and it is hoped that some of these distinguished gentlemen will be present.

In connection with the complaint that the younger graduates of Trinity do not take the interest they should in Convocation, it may encourage some of our friends to know that the graduating class of '95 has joined, almost to a man, and we hope to complete the number. This is not only due to their esprit de corps, but also to the changes proposed and carried into effect at last year's annual meeting. Attempts have been made, successful in some cases, to reach graduates of a little older standing, but it is always more difficult to get hold of a man who has turned his back on his college life than one who is just leaving with his memory dwelling on what the place has done for him. The example of '95 should be imitated by the years which come after, for after all the support which Trinity requires for her very life is the support of her own children. Other friends may help in the future, as they generously helped in the past, but no college which is not supported by the state can flourish unless she wins the affection of those who come to her and retains it after they have left. If she has their affection she will have as hearty a support in Convocation as in any of the other ways they are able to afford it.

A meeting in the interests of Convocation was held in

July at Prescott, the Rev. Mr. Patton, one of Trinity's graduates, recently appointed to the charge of the church there, worked up the meeting energetically beforehand. As a consequence it was very well attended indeed. The principle speakers were Archdeacon Bedford-Jones, Rev. A. L. MacTear and the clerk of Convocation, and the following morning several subscriptions towards Convocation were donated. The object of the meeting, however, was rather to rouse sympathy for Trinity in that town than to directly collect money. During one of the speeches the electric lights suddenly went out, and the speaker had to talk in the darkness while lamps were being brought in.

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COLLEGE CUTS.

THE FIRST YEAR.

The freshmen are a disappointment somewhat this year. Not intrinsically of course, for we have found them a first rate set of fellows, but in numbers. True the class is nearly as large as usual, but we expected a number more. We do not know how it is but the examinations proved fatal to many a good man last July. Several who intended to come up to Trinity have, in consequence, drifted into banks or law offices or other low places of that description. Poor fellows! Imagine a glorious career in Trinity blighted by an examination! Imagine being hurled from the dazzling position of a Trinity freshman (not to speak of undergraduate in general) to sit behind the bars of a banking office!

However, it cannot be helped, so with a sigh and a tear for the unhappy victims of the late exams we turn and console ourselves with those who have passed the dread trial. We are glad to see some scholarship among them. While many first rate men have come up of late years there has been just a little weakness in point of scholarship except in the case of a few. We hear with—with (we can hardly express with what feelings) that a certain Mr. Boyle of '98 took scholarships at matriculation in Classics, Mathematics and Divinity. We do not know in how many other subjects besides, but our imagination wanders in every department of human knowledge. We congratulate the fortunate Mr. Boyle and are grateful to him too—grateful that such success has attended, not some unknown outsider, but a man who is in residence in Trinity itself. We wish him success and honour throughout his course.

The East has sent up a large contingent of first year men. We are informed that Ottawa alone has contributed six. Upper Canada and Port Hope seem to have gone back on us this year. Men from these schools are generally first-class, all-round men in learning and athletics, so we are specially disappointed in their case.

We welcome the new members of the University and hope that, taking example by their seniors in standing, they will be, every man, full of a genuine college spirit and year spirit of loyalty and earnestness.

From all indications the prospects are bright for the re-organization of the banjo and guitar club, that erstwhile, flourishing institution set on foot by Algie Vernon of '93 fame. To be a member of the above requires that applicants not only possess musical qualifications of a high order, and that the novelty man have a strict idea of time and a ready manipulation of his instruments, but also a soul full of self-denial and charity, a disposition truly generous and gallant, and a digestion capable of absorbing anything.

For verily the banjo men are the foremost in the noble band who work for church and charity; it is they who tear themselves from their books, be take themselves to some