

are sound foundations for life, and find their best expression in Christianity.

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There is nothing in College so conducive to good fellowship among students as the prayer meeting. Social gatherings are admirable in their way, but one is apt, when at them, to show only the surface of one's character, without thinking it at all necessary to be thoroughly real and frank. But in the quiet and blessed hour of the week, when only those come together who desire to be real and to have reality, then depths of feeling are shown almost unconsciously in our characters of which we have hitherto been scarcely aware. There we can express our aspirations, and feel assured of sympathy and help.

The two last meetings have been more than usually encouraging. On the 15th inst. Miss Fowlds spoke of the virtues, candour and charity, extolling both as beautiful, but giving the precedence to charity, inasmuch as, without it, candour would be un-Christlike. At the following meeting Miss Cryan read an interesting and instructive paper on "Sincerity," which proved a very fitting sequel.

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At the regular meeting of the Y.M.C.A. on Friday, Nov. 8th, S. Fee gave a very interesting address on Christian service, following out the line of thought suggested by the text from Matt. XXV. 40, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

Instead of taking up the prescribed subject for the next regular meeting, viz., "Our Honan Mission," H. Carmichael read a thoughtful paper on "Christ and the World." The leader pointed out that the one great purpose of Christ's existence was to set before men in His own person a life which at once would be the condemnation of sin and a revelation of the true principle of life. It was not to minister to men's selfishness that He called them unto Himself, but that they like Himself might be servants of their fellowmen and of God. Hence, he said, the true Christian life is not one of isolation but identification with mankind, one that is forever striving to utter itself in blessings to all men, thus showing the infinite capacity of the human heart for self-sacrifice to the common good.

"Thanksgiving" was the very appropriate subject for the meeting following that day, and E. Edmison took the chair. He regretted that in being thought of as a day of feasting the true purpose of Thanksgiving Day was overlooked. Our failures

we are ever ready to attribute to God and for our success we take the credit ourselves. But if we regarded God as the author of our being with all its capabilities, we would be truly thankful to Him under all circumstances.

"To Thee, from whom we all derive
Our life, our gifts, our power to give,
O may we ever with Thee live
Who givest all."

So far all the meetings have been exceptionally successful, but even yet there is room for improvement in the way in which the discussion is conducted. Something brief and definite might be prepared by several students, no matter what year standing they hold, and in this way many an awkward delay might be avoided. It would seem too from the monotonous regularity with which it is given, that our usual round of applause has through time grown into a habit and become a dead letter that might be dropped without loss.

THE LEVANA.

The meeting of the Levana on Nov. 20th was very enthusiastic, owing to the stirring report Miss Smith gave of the visit of the committee to Principal Grant. At a previous meeting resolutions had been passed appointing a committee to wait on the Principal to represent to him that the position of the lockers, necessitating so much crowding and jostling, was fatal to the possibility of courtesy; that the inefficient manner in which the College was cleaned each week, and the lack of ventilation in the class-rooms and halls were not only prejudicial to the development of womanly and æsthetic instincts, but unworthy the dignity of Queen's. Dr. Grant received the deputation most kindly, granted all their requests, and gave them a liberal check from the gymnasium fund towards paying for the piano and "for æsthetics instead of gymnastics." With this as a nest the members of the Levana entered most heartily into plans for raising a fund to furnish the Levana room. It is hoped that before the Christmas holidays our reading room may be redeemed from its present barren appearance, and become an artistic room, adapted to its purpose as a club room for ladies, and having in all its apartments the work of womanly taste.

The programme was very good. The ladies' glee club, which is making encouraging progress under the efficient leadership of Miss Dupuis, delighted the Society with its rendering of a pretty glee, well adapted to ladies' voices. Miss Gober's solo was a great treat to all lovers of music. Other members contributed to a varied programme, causing the members to decide that it had been one of the pleasantest meetings of the session.