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Editorial.

THE friends of the Experimental Union who were not in attendance at its meetings will be pleased to know that this year's Re-union was a splendid success. The attendance was excellent, there being many of the old boys back, as well as a large number of interested visitors, mostly farmers who know the value of the information to be derived from these meetings.

The officers of the Union are well satisfied with the present membership. They report having more paid-up members on the roll already than they had altogether last year, which speaks well for the future of the institution. They are also well pleased with the various meetings, such a lively interest having been taken in them, and so much valuable and practical information having been elicited from the various speakers. In short the Union is progressing wonderfully and can look to a future full of bright promise.

THIS being the Christmas number of our paper, the staff has endeavored to make it especially attractive to our readers. Prof. J. B. Reynolds, our popular lecturer on Physical Science and English, has been secured as a contributor to our columns; also Prof. W. Lochhead, head of the Biological Department, who is filling the position left vacant by the death of our esteemed Prof. Panton, very satisfactorily. To their articles we would draw your special attention.

AT the last session of the Union a matter of business was introduced which should hold an interest for all friends of the College Literary Society as well as those of the Union. Since the room formerly used for the meetings of the Experimental Union is to be fitted up at once as an agricultural museum, it will be necessary for

another suitable meeting-place to be found. At present no such hall or room exists. It has been proposed that a hall be erected in conjunction with the new library and museum building, large enough to seat about three hundred and fifty, and at the same time suitable for the use of the Literary Society. Definite arrangements have been made to present the need for such a convenience to the Minister of Agriculture, and to urge the Government to act promptly in the matter. It cannot be claimed that such a hall is an absolute necessity for the existence of the Literary Society, because that Society is now in operation; but it can be claimed that for the very best results to be gained from its work such a hall is most certainly necessary. At present the meetings are held in the gymnasium, which is the only place at all suitable for the purpose. But everyone who has tried it knows how difficult it is to speak, sing, recite or read to a comparatively small audience in the gymnasium. We think all will agree that the Literary Society is one of the most useful organizations carried on by the student body, and as such should have every advantage possible that can be afforded. We believe that our ex-students are in a position to help on the good work to some extent. Could not each one of them use his influence with his representative in the Legislature, urging him to throw the weight of his voice and vote in the balance to favor a very worthy object? The experiment should be worth the trying.

ON account of the new regulation concerning postage on newspapers, our mailing list for next month is undergoing a general revision. It will greatly oblige the Secretary if subscribers will inform him if their copies are not coming to hand. He will then be able to rectify mistakes at once, and avoid further trouble.