

At a special meeting on the 19th inst., Mr. H. R. Kirkpatrick was appointed delegate to 'Varsity conversazione on the evening of Feb. 22nd.

'96.

Sit fausta et felix.

'97.

The class of '97 has been vainly trying for some weeks to have a successful meeting. Programmes have been prepared repeatedly and meetings duly announced, but both have had to be postponed and postponed. On Tuesday, February 19th, a mere handful was present to hear a programme of music and readings rendered by Messrs. Carr Harris, Gordon and McKinnon. It was decided to hold a debate at a meeting to be arranged for early in March, and every member of the class—lady, gentleman or otherwise—is expected to spend at least an hour in the society of his fellow-collegians. A good general programme is also being prepared.

'98.

At the last meeting of this year the members indulged in the following debate: *Resolved*, that literature has a greater influence on the world than oratory. Messrs. J. A. Fraser and G. Edmison upheld the affirmative, and were opposed by Messrs. P. Monroe and M. A. Griffith. The debate was carried on in a spirited manner and judgment given in favor of the affirmative.

#### Y. M. C. A.

The Almuni Conference is over but its results are not yet forgotten. The graduates and friends of Queen's who come to attend its sessions are not the only ones benefited. Their visits tend in many ways to quicken college life and spirit. Those who were present at the meeting on the 15th of February will not soon forget the stirring practical words that were addressed to them by members of the Conference. The meeting, which was held in Convocation Hall, was largely attended by students. The president presided. After prayer by Rev. J. Cumberland, Rev. John Hay was introduced. He struck the right key-note of the meeting by emphasizing the closeness of the relationship which should exist between Christ and His followers. He took as the basis of his remarks John xv: 15 "Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth; but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you."

Rev. Salem Bland followed much along the same general lines, laying particular stress on the need of a living personal contact and connection with Christ. To follow Christ does not mean to be regulated in conduct by any fixed code of dead principles, but to come into contact with Christ as a personal friend and Saviour.

Rev. John Sharp who is still in very close touch with the students, brought his message in the words, "Be Whole." Holiness and wholeness have the same root meaning. The whole nature must be permeated and regulated by Christian principles. An all round development should be the aim of the Christian, and to ensure this, earnestness is indispensable; therefore "Be Earnest."

Rev. G. M. Milligan, D.D., took as his guiding-thread in a very forcible practical talk, the exegesis of 2 Peter 1: 5-7 "Add to your faith virtue; to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity." He dwelt on each of the ideas in turn and showed how they each supplied a necessary step in an ever higher development toward the complete life. Some of the special points mentioned were the need for knowledge, particularly on the part of those who were looking forward to the ministry, and that *now* is the time to get knowledge. Speaking of "temperance" he pointed out that Christianity supplied a higher principle than any other religion. It produced goodness not by principles of asceticism in destroying natural desires and appetites, but by giving a restraining and guiding power which destroys nothing, but ensures a fully expanded life.

A very enjoyable meeting was held on February 22nd. The attendance was good, the leader's paper what it should be and the discussion lively. Mr. J. Wallace led. The subject was "Christ the Life-Giver," John x: 10. This text, he said, struck the key-note of the gospel, and set forth well the mission of Christ. Christ came that we might have a richer and fuller life by the development of the better qualities of our nature, in accordance with his lofty ideal. By keeping in constant touch with Christ we learn what life in the true sense means, and may become life-givers ourselves.

#### Y. W. C. A.

The usual meeting of the Y.W.C.A. was held on Friday, when Miss Susie Chown gave a most interesting address on "The Levant; Its Missions." The text, "His blood be upon us, and on our children," was dwelt upon in connection with the history of the Jews since the death of Christ; and an address by a Jewish missionary, Miss Ben. O'Liel, added to the interest of the topic.

#### THE LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

This society held its first regular meeting on Friday, February 22nd, at 7.30 p.m. The first half hour was devoted to the consideration and adoption of the constitution, many clauses of which were finally agreed upon. The remaining clauses will be