

THE WOMEN'S LITERARY.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Literary Society of University College was held Saturday evening, Nov. 19, in the Y.M.C.A. Hall. As the President, Miss Lye, was absent, and the office of Vice-President vacant, Miss Jeffrey was appointed to take the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and corrected. The question of admitting members of affiliated colleges was again brought forward, but as there had been some confusion between the terms "affiliated" and "federated" the discussion was put off till the March meeting.

A motion by Miss Young to provide paper with printed headings for the Society was carried. Miss MacGregor moved that the Society pay half the expenses of the Glee Club. An amendment to this motion by Miss Bayne, which limited the expenses to a certain amount, was carried. Nominations were received for Vice-President and Miss Telfer elected.

As there was no more business on hand, the programme was commenced, the Glee Club being the first to favor the meeting. Then followed a recitation, "The Pride of Battery B," by Miss Coombe, '96, and a piano solo by Miss Smart, '96. Both numbers were well rendered.

The President then announced the debate: "Resolved, That poetry has more influence than prose." Miss M. L. Robertson, '94, opened the affirmative with the ease and fluency which might be expected of one of her many high attainments. She dwelt on the benefits of poetry, from Homer to Tennyson, supporting her arguments with fitting quotations from authorities past and present. Miss Lindsay, '93, the leader of the negative, then took the floor, attacking her opponent's statements with no small amount of vigor, and deducing her arguments in that logical manner which can only result from a mathematical training. Since the kind of influence in question was not defined, Miss Lindsay caused some merriment by summing up the good and evil influences of prose literature, something the affirmative were unable to do, so Miss Robertson said, since poetry had no evil influence. Miss Robertson was ably supported by Miss Hamilton, and the negative by Miss Johnston, whose quotations, commenting on the soundness of the poetical mind, caused considerable amusement. After some reflection the President decided that the affirmative had a slight advantage.

The meeting was then adjourned. So closed the best attended, the most entertaining and most instructive meeting the Society has had.

M. O'ROURKE,
Cor. Sec.

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE.

On Tuesday, 15th, the Engineering Society held its regular meeting in lecture-room No. 2, the President in the chair. After the ordinary preliminaries had been disposed of, a paper by T. Kennard Thompson, C.E., of New York, on "Bridge Specifications" was read by E. J. Laschinger, in place of the Corresponding Secretary, who was afflicted with a temporary loss of voice. The paper gave, in a clear and concise form, a description of the different types of steel bridges in use at the present day, with the general specifications necessary to insure their proper construction. J. A. Duff, B.A., and A. Lane, Grad. S.P.S., led the discussion which followed, and elucidated some of the points which were necessarily vague on account of the brevity of the paper.

A committee, E. B. Merrill, B.A., convener, was appointed to enquire into and report on the advisability of publishing fortnightly or monthly the proceedings of the Society, on the lines suggested in a letter by the writer of the above paper.

On Thursday, 17th, a mass meeting of the students was held to consider whether or not the annual dinner should be replaced this year by a conversat. It was decided after

a good deal of discussion, in which considerable debating ability was exhibited by some of the juniors, to stick to custom by having the usual—to them—debauch.

The clinching argument in favor of the dinner was brought forward by a merry-faced Fourth Year man, who said, "For myself I can enjoy a good dinner."

The following committee was appointed to carry out arrangements: Chairman, W. A. Lea; Vice Chairman, J. D. Shields; Secretary-Treasurer, H. T. Wood; Fourth Year Representative, A. T. Laing; Third Year Representatives, Messrs. McAllister and Laidlaw; Second Year Representatives, Messrs. Rolph and Lash; First Year Representatives, Messrs. Fitzsimmons and Cruise.

NOTES.

We are proud of our football team. Every member played well on Wednesday, but when a new man makes good play he deserves special mention. This is intended for our goalkeeper.

Overseer G—m is authority for the following: "The freshmen are an exceedingly well-belaved lot of youngsters." Now, boys, don't forget at Christmas. Is this good behavior due to feminine influence?

We are pleased to state that the gentleman of the First Year who received a contusion of the forehead while nobly assisting our guardians of the peace in upholding law, order and natural liberty against the hordes of Osgoode and St. John's Ward on Hallowe'en, has almost entirely recovered.

UNIVERSITY CALENDAR.

NOTE.—Notices under this head must be in the hands of the Editor before Monday night.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH.

Y.M.C.A.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 5 p.m.
Class of '96 Prayer Meeting.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 8.30 a.m.
Class of '94 Prayer Meeting.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH.

Literary Society.—Public Debate. S.P.S. Hall, 8 p.m.
The Varsity Glee Club.—Practice in Room 3, College Building, 4 to 6 p.m.
Ladies' Glee Club.—Practice in Room 3, College Building, 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH.

Victoria Literary Society.—Literary Society Hall, Victoria College, 8 p.m.
Jackson Literary Society.—Jackson Hall, Victoria College, 8 p.m.
Class of '95 Social Evening.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH.

Bible Class.—"The Portrait of Love," 1 Cor. xiii. 1-13. Rev. J. P. Sheraton, D.D., Wycliffe College, 3 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH.

Modern Language Club.—English meeting Burns.—Life, Essays, Readings. Room 12, College Building, 4 p.m.
S.P.S. Prayer Meeting.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH.

Class of '95 Prayer Meeting.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 8.30 a.m.
Y.W.C.A.—Y.M.C.A. Parlors, 4 p.m.
Classical Association.—Essays, Messrs. Hart and Sissons. Room 3, Main Building, 4.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH.

Bible Class.—Rev. Dr. McTavish's class for Bible training. Y.M.C.A. Hall, 5 p.m.

Daily, monthly and quarterly papers are to be published by the students of Chicago University. President Harper has himself undertaken to provide for their undertaking and continuance.—*Ex.*

The following American colleges have been represented in the office of President of the United States: Bowdoin, Dixon, Hampden, Kenyon, Miami, Princeton, Sydney, Union, West Point, Williams, and University of North Carolina. Both William-and-Mary and Harvard have supplied two each.—*Ex.*