

## UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE NEWS.

All reports from Societies must reach us by noon on Thursday to ensure insertion.

Mr. W. Hird is at Strathroy Training Institute.

Mr. W. Steven is at Hamilton Training Institute.

Mr. D. Maclean is in Guthrie's law office in Guelph.

The committee appointed by the Fourth year has decided to hold the entertainment for the First year on Tuesday evening next in Moss Hall.

The Modern Language Club met in the Y. M. C. A. building on Monday. Heine was the author under discussion. An essay was read by Mr. J. N. Dales, and readings were given by Messrs. A. H. Gibbard and F. J. Steen. There was a good attendance. Some time was spent in German conversation. Ruskin's works will be taken up on Monday next.

The Engineering Society of the School of Practical Science held its first meeting this year in Prof. Pike's lecture room on the 21st of October. The President, Prof. Galbraith, opened the meeting with his inaugural address, taking for the subject, "The Disposal of Sewage." A paper on trench-marks and reference points was read, being the contribution of J. H. Kennedy, C.E., and proved the source of much useful information. A large number of applications for membership were received, proving the interest being taken in the Society. The next meeting will be on the 9th inst.

On Tuesday, the 26th, a very important and interesting meeting of the Knox College Student Missionary Society was held to discuss the practicability of sending out, in conjunction with the alumni, a missionary to the foreign field, and supporting him while there. The scheme was entered upon with enthusiasm, and a committee was appointed to canvass the students, and the subscription list has mounted up to about six hundred dollars, which is a very promising sum to begin with. The gentleman has not been actually chosen, but the next thing to it, and he is one very suitable for the life work he has selected. The field is to be China, but the exact post is not known as yet.

The Games Committee met on Tuesday last at 5.30 p.m. in Moss Hall. It was then decided to hold the cross country race about the 24th or the 25th of the month. The course will be the same as that on which the Canadian championship race was run on the 30th of October last, viz.: from Rosedale Grounds, via Taylor's Mills, to Oulcott's Hotel, Eglinton. The distance is about 5 miles. The first prize will be the Windrum cup, valued at \$20. Other prizes will be given by the Committee. It is expected that about forty or fifty will enter for the race. A supper will be on the cards at Oulcott's at the conclusion of the race. The exact date, with particulars of the course, rules, and number of prizes, will be published as soon as final arrangements are completed. The committee have decided to charge an entrance fee of 25 cents. Entries should be made at once to the Secretary, Mr. F. B. Hodgins.

The Glee Club organized for the season on Friday, the 29th ult. Mr. W. E. Haslam, the conductor, was present, and tried the voices of the members, for the purpose of ascertaining their power and compass. About fifty names were enrolled. The Club is in great need of tenors, and will be most happy to welcome any accessions to this section of the chorus. After some preliminary practice the chorus "Brigadier" was sung. The Club has now in rehearsal "The Winds Whistle Cold," a glee by Bishop, from the incidental music to the opera of "Guy Mannering." Practices will be held every Friday at 4 o'clock sharp in the West end lecture room. It is hoped that every member will be regular and punctual in his attendance, as it is only by such co-operation on the part of the members that the Club can hope to achieve that success which it deserves and which it can attain. The annual fee is \$1.00, and should be paid as soon as may be to Mr. T. Nattress, the Treasurer, in order that the Club may meet necessary current expenses.

The Mathematical and Physical Society met on Tuesday afternoon last at 4 o'clock in lecture room No. 8, the President, Mr. T. J. Mulvey, B.A., in the chair. An interesting paper on "Units" was read by Mr. I. E. Martin, B.A. Experiments in Electricity were performed by Mr. W. J. Loudon, M.A., Demonstrator of Physics. Mr. T. Gill, of the second year, read a paper on Des Cartes, his life and works, after which a discussion was carried on by Messrs. Loudon, Mulvey, Bowerman, and others. Mr. J. G. Wilton was elected Corresponding Secretary of the Society. Mr. W. McTaggart was elected to represent the First year on the Committee. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, the 16th of the

month, when a paper on Newton will be read by H. R. Moore; also one by J. M. Clark, M.A., on a subject to be hereafter announced. It is the intention of the Society to have a paper read at each meeting on the life and works of some eminent mathematician. This new departure will be a most interesting feature of future meetings.

The regular weekly meeting of the Historical and Political Science Association was held in McMillan's Hall, at the corner of Yonge and Gerrard streets, on Wednesday afternoon, the President, Mr. Houston, in the chair. After the transaction of the business, which included the election of ten new members and notice given of two or three important resolutions to be moved at next meeting, the Association listened to an able and interesting address by the President on "The place of Historical and Political Science in a Liberal Education." The aim and scope of the science was stated and the principal subjects included under it defined at length in their relation to one another. History and Political Science should be studied together, for one throws great light upon the other. Constitutional Law, International Law, Jurisprudence and Political Economy, too, form very important parts of this comprehensive science. The speaker then dwelt at length on the method in which these should be studied. The study of Political History should begin with our own times and our own country. International law should be studied in connection with the relations of Canada to neighbouring nations. Political Science should have a large place in a liberal education on account of the culture which the student derives from its study through the contact with great minds, on account also of its great value as an intellectual training and the toleration and broad sympathy it imparts. If we should study physical science because we are surrounded by a physical world, we should study Social and Political Science because we have such an environment. The next meeting will be held at the same place at 4.15 p.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 10th, the subject being "The Definition of Political Economy."

An unusually large number of students assembled at the usual meeting of the U. C. Y. M. C. A., on Friday evening of last week, to hear Dr. Wilson's address, the meeting having been postponed from Thursday in response to a request from the Sports Committee. The Doctor, at the close of an eloquent and instructive address on the Christian soldier, learning that there was a debt of \$200 on the building, expressed his regret that such was the case, and offered to pay one quarter of this sum if the students succeeded in raising the balance within six weeks. This generous offer, supplementing, as it did, a liberal subscription on the inauguration of the scheme, elicited such prolonged applause that before it subsided the Doctor had retired from the meeting. The students should respond to such an offer by promptly raising the amount required to clear off the debt.—This week the regular meeting was conducted by Mr. H. J. Cody. About one hundred students were present. The subject under discussion was "The Wages of Sin." Rom. 6: 23. This dark side of the picture was drawn by the young speaker in the most touching manner, and when the bright side was reached, where life was offered through faith in Jesus Christ, a real weight seemed to be lifted from the attentive audience. A number of others took part in the discussion, among whom was Mr. Fatt, of Wycliffe College, a well known Y. M. C. A. secretary. At the close of the meeting, the first of a series of missionary concerts was announced for Tuesday, 2nd Nov., at 4.45 p.m. The speakers, Messrs. Reid, McLeod, Scott, Sparling and Hart, are to discuss mission work in Inland China.—The work of giving instruction to the newsboys in their Lodging on Frederick St. is to be carried on this year as usual by the Association. The following gentlemen have charge of the work for next week:—Monday evening, Mr. John Crawford; Tuesday, Messrs. W. Gale and W. V. Wright; Thursday, Messrs. G. A. Wilson and W. G. W. Fortune.—The College Secretary, Mr. L. D. Wishard, of New York, who was present at the opening of the new building, and made so many warm friends among the students, will visit the College next week. As he can only stay twelve hours in the city, he will address but one meeting. This will be held on Thursday, Nov. 4th, at 4.30 p.m. Mr. Wishard being an out-and-out college man (Princeton), will no doubt meet a "packed house" on Thursday next.

During the last two weeks, several very interesting matches have been played by the association Football club, in all of which the Varsity team has been successful, except that played with the Aetnas on Saturday, 30th ult. This resulted in favor of the latter club, owing principally to the number of second eleven men which the committee were obliged to place in the field on account of the absence and inability of many of the first team to play. Tuesday, 26th ult., saw the teams of the Toronto School of Medicine and Varsity face each other on the lawn. The contest proved rather interesting, but resulted disastrously for the "Meds," as at the finish the score stood 5 goals to 1 in favor of Varsity. On Friday, 29th ult., a team journeyed east as far as Cobourg, and tried their strength against a representative team of Victoria University. After a very exciting contest, which was witnessed by a large and enthusiastic