

impossible to feel at home or comfortable in your pew when you are painfully aware that you were cleaning out the pig pens two hours ago, and also notice that the people immediately behind you are very busy with their handkerchiefs. Which derives the most benefit, the pigs having their pens cleaned or the boys getting to church to hear the sermon and meet somebody at the door afterwards? I think this model farm should show an example in all things to the community at large.

ONE WHO WORKS ON FARM CATTLE.

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Athletics.

THIS year's hockey team is now scattered in different parts of the country. But the boys seem to still stick to the game and improve in their play. N. F. Wilson, last year's captain and point, is playing forward in Buckingham team. This team is in the Quebec league and is expected to win the intermediate championship. D. J. MacPherson is playing with Lancaster's crack team which has already done such good work. He is playing forward with such men as Rayside, late of Queen's hockey team. G. A. Smith is trying to boom hockey at Cornell, but owing to lack of ice cannot accomplish much. J. Nasmith is at home in Toronto but is now out of the game, although he started the year as captain of the Orients (one of the junior teams in the city league). He had to drop out owing to business pressure. We have not heard of W. S. Smith so far this season, but he was too fast to go unnoticed, and we hope will show up yet in some good team. Elliott, last year's goal keeper, is still at school, and occasionally plays for the Royal City team down in Guelph. Tivy Robertson, who played in some of the games last year, is now playing for the same team as Elliott, and is their star forward. Parker is still at school and has been playing for the Victorias of Guelph (junior league team), but has now dropped out of the game for the season. Hockey is the best of the winter sports, and it is too bad that we have had no team for this season, but owing to a stress of work the rink has not been in shape and consequently we have had no place for practice.

On looking through the athletic notes of other and similar institutions we see that they make good use of their gymnasiums. Here we would almost forget that we had such a place if we did not see the building and occasionally, when we feel like it, go to drill. There are no students in the school who take regular exercise there. This may be due to the lack of an instructor, but even that is only part of an excuse as the caretaker will give instruction on most of apparatus. All work and no exercise makes the student a dull boy, so use the gimmy and benefit by a little judicious training.

Exchanges.

The water floweth,
The subscriber oweth,
And the Lord knoweth,
That we are in need of our dues.

So come a runnin',
E'r we go a gunnin',
This kind of dunnin'
Gives us the blues.—Ex.

TRUTHS FROM GREAT MENS.

A block head rubs his thoughtless skull.
And thanks his stars he was not born a fool.—POP.

Anger is like a full hot horse, who being allowed his way,
Self mettle tires him.—SHAKESPEARE.

Cultivation is as necessary to the mind as food to the body.—CICERO.

Miss Clara Brett Martin was called to the bar at Osgoode Hall recently. According to regulations provided by the Law Society, she wore a tailor-made coat, with skirt under the barrister's gown, and a collar and white tie, sans chapeau.

That enterprising publication, *The Massey Magazine*, has a good number for February. It contains a short historical sketch of the University of Toronto, by William Houston, M. A.

The idea of a provincial University for this Province had its origin with Lieut.-Governor Simcoe. The first land grant was made in 1798. But the charter of incorporation was not given until 1827. The Rev. John Strachan, D. D., was first Chancellor. As he had been chiefly instrumental in securing the charter, Dr. Strachan saw that the Anglican Church interests were not neglected. In 1837, however, the Charter was secularized so far that those connected with the College need not belong to the Anglican Church. King's College was established as a teaching institution in 1843, a college building having been erected in Queen's Park. Although the college was not entirely Anglican it had a Faculty of Divinity; this however was abolished in 1849 and the institution completely secularized. In 1858, the present University building was erected. It is said there is no building of a similar character on this continent,—that surpasses it in beauty, style and sight. When the Faculty of Divinity was abolished the name of the College was changed to the University of Toronto. Since then its progress has been remarkable. Its standard has been raised several times and the number of students in attendance has increased enormously. In 1887 the University was given increased powers and functions. It can now enter into confederation with other Colleges. Thus its sphere of usefulness is considerably broadened. As yet the Methodist University, Victoria College, is the only one that has availed itself of these privileges. But doubtless others will soon follow its example.