## PERSONALS.

Miss M. Curlett, in attendance during Michaelmas Term, is teaching in Brantford Ladies' College.

James Ashton, an undergraduate of long standing, is a member of the law firm of Hooker & Ashton, Tacoma, Washington Territory.

W. Hutchinson, Com., has a lucrative situation as bookkeeper in Winnipeg.

James Burdett, B.A., '80, is a student-at-law in the office of O'Suliivan & Kerr, Toronto.

P. L. Dorland, B.A., '71, late head-master of Newburgh High School, and Examiner in English for some years, has graduated in law at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

R. B. Carman, M.A., '68, barrister, has lately been appointed Junior Judge of the Counties of Dundas, Stormont and Glengarry.

## GENERAL COLLEGE NEWS.

The oldest existing college literary society in the United States is at Yale, and was organized in 1768.

Miss Helen Gladstone, daughter of the premier, has accepted the vice-superintendency of Newnham College, Eng.

England has 1,300 colleges, the United States 358, and Canada 40. In 170 of the colleges of the United States both sexes are admitted.

All the English Cabinet save Mr. Chamberlain are University men-seven Oxford and six Cambridge.

So far as is knewn, the *Dartmouth Gazette*, published in 1800, is the pioneer of college journalism in America. Its first volumes are memorable for articles from the pen of Daniel Webster, who graduated in 1802.

The Seniors of Kansas University have secured Col. Robt, G. Ingersoll to deliver an oration on commencement day.

Mr. Robertson Smith, the great biblical scholar, has accepted the professorship of Arabic in the University of Cambridge, vacated by the death of Prof. Palmer.

Sanford Fleming donated upwards of \$3,000 on his reelection to the position of Chancellor of Queen's College, Kingston.

The gymnasium at Vassar is to be turned into a theatre, with stage, dress rooms, etc., for the use of the students' societies in dramatic entertainments.

Harvard College Observatory has become the centre of astronomical information for the United States.

Asbury College will hereafter be known as DePau University, in honor of W. C. DePau, who has donated \$1,000,000 to that College.

A motion is pending in Toronto University to do away with the Residence, which meets with strong opposition from the students.

A gift of \$250,000 is reported from the citizens of Cambridge to Harvard College for new dormitories, the rent of each of which shall not exceed \$50 a year.

An innovation has been introduced into the curriculum of Michigan University. A line is drawn at the end of the second year between secondary and higher education. The rest of the course is devoted to the pursuit of chosen favorite studies, under the guidance of a committee of the faculty; and at the final examination the degree of Bachelor or Master is granted, according to proficiency.

The cost of producing the Antigone in Toronto University last year was twenty-eight hundred dollars. Subscriptions to the amount of five hundred dollars were received, and a surplus of sixty dollars was left on hand; as one hundred had been subscribed conditionally, part of it was returned.

## ITEMS.

It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinion; it is also easy in solitude to live after your own; but great is he who, in the midst of the crowd, keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.

Adversity has ever been considered as the state in which a man most easily becomes acquainted with himself particularly, being free from flatterers.

Consider how much more you often suffer from your anger and grief, than from those very things for "which you are angry and grieved. — Marcus Antonius.

Lecture upon the rhinoceros. Professor—"I must beg you to give me your undjvided attention. It is absolutely impossible that you can form a true idea of this hideous creature unless you keep your eyes fixed upon me."

Nebuchadnezzar ate grass, my son, because he was living at a college boarding house and had to fill up on something, and grass seemed to combine more nutrition and cheapness than anything else on the bill of fare.

A freshman hesitates on the word "connoisseur." Prof. —"What would you call a man who pretends to know everything?" Freshman answers—"A Professor."