

A GREAT improvement in the dining hall is neat wooden shutters in place of those dilapidated and untidy looking structures, which up till now have adorned (?) the windows.

MR. MURPHY wishes us to announce that his skating rink in the bull-shed is now ready. We expect to see a large attendance as the ice is kept in first-class order by being flooded every night.

THE 3rd. year have been straggling back ever since New Year's day, looking strangely dissipated and tired, for men who are just returning from a quiet holiday.

REMOUR reports that our old friend Faithfull, alias "Boots," was seen in Guelph on New Year's eve. As of old, he contemplated the world with his head on one side. His eyes have not yet lost their love-sick expression.

THE local editor begs to apologize for any imperfections which may appear in his department this month owing to an unhealed wound from cupid's dart. His heart and nearly all his thoughts are in the "Ambitious City."

A GREAT and necessary addition to the College, namely a hospital is now in course of construction. About half of upper Hunt st. has been set apart, and really comfortable sickrooms provided with bath, elevator, etc., is the result.

THE following conversation was overheard at the telephone recently. "Hello, are you there doctor?" Apparently the reply was satisfactory, for we next heard. "Well, put a blanket on your horse and stay there." And then the connection was rung off with unnecessary violence.

PROF. HUNT has left us for three months. We were all very sorry to see him go, for he has always taken a great interest in our football, Y. M. C. A., and other College institutions. However he has left an admirable substitute, and this, with the thought that his absence is to be of short duration somewhat consoles us.

PROF. DAVENPORT, of the Michigan Agricultural College, who was here on January 9th, expressed himself greatly pleased with this institution. He was loud in the praise of the stock, which he said were superior to those kept at his own College. As the Michigan College of Agriculture is said to be the best in the States, we cannot but feel highly flattered by his words.

Up till now every O. A. C. graduate has of necessity been skilled in the ways of sewing on buttons and darning socks. But now, through the thoughtfulness of Mrs. Craig, the students of this institution will no longer have to wield the darning needle nor don the thimble.

OUR old friend, Harris, is still alive. He reports that the agricultural problem he is now endeavouring to solve, is to find the most effectual way of preventing the pigs from upsetting the milk cooler in the creek. The equation is as follows: X pig 2 x milk-cooler 1120 x pig 2 = milk. Who will be the first to solve it?

CALLING upon our dear friend "Picador" the other day, we found him busily engaged in sorting his most valued treasures. Oh, ye gods and little fishes! but they were a heterogeneous collection, prominent amongst them were some 30 or 40 handkerchiefs, which, we were informed, had been filched from his fair charmers in various parts of this world. A tiny pair of gloves, such as very few ladies could wear, seemed to occupy the place of honour in poor "Picador's" heart.

A NEW and larger boiler has been put in place of the old one. That is very nice; but was it nice in consequence to be kept without hot water for three weeks? During the hot water famine a clever youth (2nd. year of course) discovered that by simply causing the steam from the radiators to pass into a jug of cold water, it was rapidly heated. This discovery is thought by the College students to be the most important one since the time of Columbus, for by means of it we were enabled to wash and shave in comfort, yea even to have a warm bath, in spite of the evident determination of the Government to the contrary.

DURING the holidays the dining hall was the scene of a lively steeple-chase, all the members of the 3rd. year taking part in it. It originated, we believe, in a challenge of Mr. S — 's to race anyone around the room. This challenge was promptly accepted, and the result was a general stampede. Job, who was gazing on the scene with astonished eyes, being fully convinced that the place was on fire, added his lusty voice to the unearthly din. Some members of the 2nd. year took the opportunity to improve their marksmanship and seizing buns, doughnuts, etc., took flying shots at the figures as they rapidly sped by.