

methods of research and diagnosis necessary to his profession, and in his after experience he frequently meets with problems which his biological knowledge will help him to solve. The recent immense strides which have been made by Biologists and Physicians in the inquiries as to the causes and prevention of infectious diseases will render training in Biology a more essential preliminary than ever to Medical Education.

It is also most desirable that the theologian should be in a position to estimate the value of the truths which are now the irreclaimable property of science, and to detect the science falsely so-called of extremists on both sides of the discussions which are now-a-days so rife.

(To be concluded next week.)

Our Wallet.

A GRAVE-YARD IDYLL.

Towards the Northward, near to Rosedale
Lies a city of the dead,
Where the sighing breezes murmur
In the branches overhead;
Murmur'd softly as I rambled
'Neath their pleasant, soothing shade,
Thinking of those silent sleepers
Who in death's cold arms are laid.
For my friend had often told me,
'When each blossom sweetly blooms
Tis a goodly thing to wander,
Meditating by the tombs.'
Oft, he said, he loved to wander,
Marking Death's destroying hand,
And such walks had always drawn him
Nearer to a Better Land.
Thus, this pleasant morn I rambled
Through that city of the dead,
Where the sighing breezes murmur
'Mongst the branches overhead.
And I thought of yon fair country,
On whose far-off golden shore
Happy pilgrim forms aye wander,
Free from travail evermore.
Musing thus, the sound of footsteps
Brought my fancies to an end,
And, behold! I saw before me
Him, mine own familiar friend:
Yes, I saw that high-toned pilgrim,
As I saw the witching head
Of a strapping black-eyed nurse girl,
In that city of the dead.
But his thoughts were not of Heaven,
Nor about the Better Land,
For her lips were glued to 'his'n,'
And his arm her waist encompassed.
'Hum!' 'ahem!' I softly tittered,
And I smiled to see his haste—
And to see that look unconscious,
As he dropped his dear one's waist.
Ah! they looked two sickly pilgrims,
And methinks I see them still,
As they gather'd up their dry goods,
As they 'legg'd' it down the hill.

—H. K. C.

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Undergraduates who have engagements for next Sunday evening to accompany young ladies to church, are reminded that it will be necessary to pass a given point 17', 34" earlier than formerly, as the Standard Time comes into operation at noon on that day. It is equally important, however, to remember that for the sake of old times they may leave the family residence after church at 17', 34" later than the apparent time on the parlor clock, which the thoughtful small brother will doubtless set on the new method.

CORRIGENDA.

In 'Our Wallet' some printer's perversions afford our poet opportunity for profanity. He says:—

'Vex not thou the poet's mind
With thy shallow wit:
Mend not thou the poet's verse,
Though thou cans't not fathom it.'

Nov. 3, page 57, Ode XVI., § II., line 6, should be—
'Naught so the human heart,' etc.

Oct. 20, page 34, Ode IX., § I, line 5--
'With slower flow.'

Oct. 27, page 46, Ode XI., § IV., line 1--
'Be wise: quaff,' etc.

Communications.

To the Editor of the 'VARSITY.

DEAR SIR,—The letter of Mr. A. D. P., in your last issue, has at least called forth a few remarks from association players. Theoretically it is by no means impossible to play during the winter, but the players are yet to be found who will encounter the discomforts of a January day, when 'the wind blows cauld frae east to west,' to plow after the ball through snow drifts.

The few who at present do the work for the club might, without it adding much to their labors, see that 'the beautifully level field' is obtained for Mr. A. D. P. and his friends, and the sawdust sprinkling might be left to the President lest his office should be a sinecure. And all would go 'merry as a marriage-bell.'

Yours very truly,

ASSOCIATION.

THE UNIVERSITY CLUB.

To the Editor of the 'VARSITY.

DEAR SIR—I am greatly pleased to hear that a movement is now on foot for the establishment of a University Club. Such a proposal commends itself to all graduates who retain some interest in their Alma Mater, but more especially must it appeal strongly to that 'sacred few' who, during late years, have struggled to infuse some vitality into that moribund body, University Convocation, and have shewn to the world by their energy and activity that some vital spark still glows in the graduate body. I am satisfied that no difficulty will be met if the Club is established on a sufficiently broad and liberal basis. The doors should be thrown open to graduates of all Universities. Arts, Science, Medicine and Theology should be all represented on its membership roll. At the same time it should be distinctly a University Club, and a University degree should be a *sine qua non* to membership. If this cardinal feature is present it will give a tone to the institution, and a weight and influence to its opinions, which can scarcely be over-estimated.

There is no good reason why the Club should not in time prove the central point from which would emanate most of the rays of University life and activity.

In time we may hope to see as an outcome of this movement the establishment of a University Magazine, one that will represent the intellectual life of the Province. From a much smaller beginning, and under more inauspicious circumstances at the beginning of this century, arose an Edinburgh Review, which before many years moulded the opinions of a British people and influenced the destinies of a world.

If this seems fanciful and visionary, the scheme nevertheless has a very practical aspect. To the graduates residing in Toronto it will prove a convenient place to while away a leisure hour. To the county members it will be a rendezvous where kindred spirits are sure to be met, and where early friendship can be renewed and early scenes recalled.

More than this, meetings of Convocation can be held at the Club and a quorum of graduates always found. It should, and no doubt would, be the place of meeting of the Executive Committee of Convocation, and in time would come to be the recognized centre of University influence. I would advise that a circular should be addressed through the medium of the 'VARSITY' to all graduates of the University setting out the objects to be attained and means proposed for their accomplishment; the amount required to start the project, and the proposed method of expending it. A slip might be enclosed requesting the party addressed to fill in the amount he would feel disposed to contribute in case the idea can be carried into execution. In addition to this those throughout the Province who are interested in the scheme no doubt would take upon themselves to solicit subscriptions from graduates less deeply concerned in the matter. In this county we have quite a number of graduates, and as I propose sounding some of the more influential among them on this subject, I hope to let you know shortly what can be expected from

MIDDLEBURY.