

one that this year no annual meeting has been held and that instead thereof a proposal has been made to amalgamate it with the Alma Mater Society. This was to be discussed at the Annual Meeting and doubtless will have been settled when this is published. The causes of this untimely decease it is rather difficult to get at. Since the time that Professor Mackerras was, on account of his health, compelled to resign the position of its president, it has been on a steady down grade and this, too, without any apparent fault of its officers, though we think we are justified in saying that its decease would have been indefinitely postponed had Professor Mackerras been able to continue to give it the benefit of his scholarly abilities and administrative talent. We regret its decease very much and feel that had the students generally appreciated the benefits derivable therefrom its meetings would have been better attended. It is to be hoped that if amalgamated with the A. M. S., as is proposed, it will aid in vivifying its elder brother and increase the interest in the meetings of that Society. This we think will be the case, as one cause of non-attendance at the Elocution Association was the disinclination to take up two evenings of the week with society meetings and giving their preference to the A. M. S. as the older Society.

SOME of our college contemporaries have recently, while giving the JOURNAL favourable notices, suggested that we did not devote sufficient space to purely literary matter. Now we acknowledge that the literary part of our Journal is not a prominent one, and we would occasionally be glad to get more contributions in that line than we do, but we submit that to obtain and publish literary articles is not the be-all and end-all of our journalistic existence. We desire first and foremost to be a college

newspaper, in which can be recorded many an item of news concerning our inner life, as well as items of public interest, and in which students generally can do something, which without us they would find almost impossible, and that is, venture opinions on matters of curriculum and government. These opinions when at all general are given a place ordinarily in the editorial columns, which to a certain extent accounts for the comparatively large space taken up by our Eds.

Besides acting as a newspaper, however, we do desire to receive a certain number of contributed articles, though these articles are to a large extent secondary: we would prefer to have articles on matters of college interest, or anything else the writing of which does not necessarily display deep learning; a careful reading of our exchanges has given us a horror (which we have before expressed) of these learned articles. We are glad to receive good poetry, well written accounts of personal adventure and travel, and articles on many subjects humorous or otherwise which require only ingenuity, common sense and a certain amount of knowledge of composition. These qualifications are we admit not common in their perfection, but we are not insane enough to ask for that. We only ask that the students when contributing should write on a subject which they are capable of discussing, and we know many who, would they but do this to the best of their ability, would get rid of articles which we would get out of our way to publish.

IT will be seen by an official notice in another column that the time for the election of a new Chancellor is rapidly drawing nigh. Nominations must be sent in in the manner pointed out by the notice referred to: the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar will then scrutinize the nomination papers, and in the event of only one candidate being nominated will declare him