

A truly patriotic meeting, by a slender majority decided in favor of the affirmative.

Mr. Tory then followed with an interesting critique. He criticized the general behavior of the audience for uncalled for and irregular applause.

He commended the reader and the essayist, but he thought that both spoke too rapidly.

Of the speakers in the debate, Mr. Tory stated that Mr. Howard expressed himself well, but said the leader's closing summary was especially worthy of commendation.

He praised Mr. Mullin for great eloquence.

Mr. Craig, Mr. Tory thought, made a wonderfully fine showing: indeed, Mr. Craig's speech was considered by the audience generally to be the speech of the evening.

The other speakers, while criticized for smaller faults, were praised for arguments.

Mr. Tory closed his useful critique by saying he was glad to be among "the boys" again.

On the motion of Messrs. Carmichael and Howard the meeting was adjourned until next Friday night.

So finished an evening eventful in the annals of the McGill Literary Society, though the happy notes of "What's the matter with Old McGill?" were borne by the breezes till some hours later. J. G. S. '97.

#### MCGILL MINING SOCIETY.

A meeting of the McGill Mining Society was held in the old Science building on Thursday evening, Oct. 4th. Prof. Carlyle in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

It being the first meeting of the Society this session, officers were elected. The elections resulted as follows:—

*Honorary President.*—Dr. Harrington.

*President.*—Prof. Carlyle.

*Vice-President.*—J. C. Gwillim.

*Secretary-Treasurer.*—W. M. Archibald.

Dr. Harrington, Prof. Carlyle and Mr. Gwillim were elected unanimously. Messrs. Rutherford and Archibald were nominated for Secretary Treasurer, and Mr. Archibald was elected.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered by the President to Mr. Hart, the retiring secretary, for the manner in which he had carried on the work during his term of office. Mr. Hart said a few words in reply, and promised to read a paper before the Society some time during the session.

It was moved by Mr. Gwillim, seconded by Mr. Askwith, that the night of meeting be changed to Friday; as required by the Constitution, this matter was laid over until the next meeting.

After a few remarks by the President on the future outlook for the mining engineer, the meeting adjourned until Friday, Oct. 19th.

#### VETERINARY ASSOCIATION.

##### ANNUAL OPENING MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The annual opening meeting of the Montreal Veterinary Medical Association, held in the lecture room of Faculty of Comparative Medicine of McGill University, was attended by an unusually large and enthusiastic audience. In the absence of Dr. J. G. Adami, President of the Society, Dr. D. McEachran occupied the chair.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

*President.*—Dr. J. G. Adami.

*1st Vice-President.*—Dr. M. C. Baker.

*2nd Vice-President.*—L. S. Cleaves.

*Secretary-Treasurer.*—E. C. Thurston.

The Honorary President, Dr. McEachran, in an address of welcome made a brief *résumé* of the work of the Society, than which no better incentive to earnest, successful effort in the future could be given. The ballot for new members resulted in the addition of twenty names to the list of active membership, a large number, and significant of an awakening interest in the Society and the profession to the advancement of which it aims.

Dr. M. C. Baker, upon invitation, addressed the Society in his usual entertaining style, more especially directing his attention to the new members. The cultivation of habits, of accurate observation and record was impressed upon those present. At the next regular meeting, to be held on the 25th ult., a paper, entitled "The Feeding of Live Stock," will be read by Mr. H. D. Clarke. Mr. E. C. Thurston will report an interesting case of "Laceration of the Muscles of the Neck" of a horse.

The following officers were elected at the opening meeting of the Society for the Study of Comparative Psychology, held on the 17th inst:—

*Honorary President.*—Dr. Duncan McEachran.

*President.*—Dr. Wesley Mills.

*1st Vice-President.*—Dr. M. A. Dawes.

*2nd Vice-President.*—Mr. Sherman Cleaves.

*Secretary-Treasurer.*—Mr. C. A. Boutelle.

*Corresponding Secretary.*—Mr. A. Cowan.

*Press Reporter.*—Mr. Harry Dell.

*Librarian.*—Mr. E. C. Thurston.

After the election, addresses were given by Dr. McEachran and Dr. Wesley Mills, and an exceedingly interesting paper, published recently in *Forest and Stream*, was read by Mr. C. H. Zink, describing the ability of a certain retriever dog to understand human language.

Dr. M. A. Dawes will deliver an address at the next meeting.