

About the College

XMAS RECEPTION.

Holiday time brought quiet days to the Union, and the place wore a sleepy air in contrast with the air of bustle and hurry seen outside and due to Christmas preparations. As the building had been used by an average of three hundred students each day, the effect of a reduction to fifty was indeed noticeable, hence the air of quietness about the place. One pleasing event took place on the afternoon of Christmas Day, when Mrs. Peterson entertained at tea. The reading room was cleared of its ordinary furniture and changed into a serving room. The tables were decorated in red and white and with Christmassy effects and as candles furnished the sole means of illumination, the room gained a charm not visible on ordinary days. The lounging room was decorated by plants and clusters of holly and when filled with students and their friends presented a pretty sight. Principal Peterson received the guests with Mrs. Peterson and members of the various faculties were present.

ALMA MATER DANCE.

One of the chief social functions at the University for this month will be the Alma Mater Dance, which will take place at the Union on the night of January 20. This date was decided on at a recent meeting of the Students' Council, and the function will be under the care of that body. It is the intention to hold such a dance yearly to replace the Faculty dance, so called, and to widen its scope by interesting all classes and years in the affair. The promoters desire it to become the University dance and as such seek the co-oper-

ation and support of the general student body. As the affair is directly in control of the Students' Society, it is anticipated that it will secure a record attendance. Such information as is desired may be secured from the president, the members of the Council and the secretary and communications should be addressed to the latter at the Union.

UNION NOTES.

The Union has now broken all membership records. The institution has squared away for a new year with a total membership of five hundred and five, but even that number is not sufficient and should be far surpassed before the end of this term. McGill Union will soon have a library and preparations are now under way to that end. Works of a light character will be secured, the intention being to offer recreation and entertainment, rather than the solid matter which may be found in such abundance at the University Library. By next month it is probable that the library will be an accomplished fact.

Reception to Arts Students.

Students of the Faculty of Arts, including the Donalds, were guests of Mrs. Moyse and Dean Moyse, on Saturday night. The home of the Dean in West Sherbrooke Street was thrown open and the hearty invitation issued was accepted by a goodly number of students. A jolly time was spent and to such good effect that the friendly warning of the clock that a new day was at hand, arrived all too soon.