

gave a recitation. The next item was a duet by Messrs. Walker and McDonnell. The chairman then called on W. C. McIntyre, the orator of '98, for a short address on inter-year relations. After a solo by Miss Brock, J. A. McCallum gave his very "dramatic" recitation, "The Lightning-rod Dispenser." R. Herbison, M.A., representative from '98 Divinity Hall, followed with an oration on the benefits which accrue from the Arts students and those of Divinity Hall studying in the same building. It makes the religion of the Divinity student more rational, while it also keeps the studies of the Arts student from being too mechanical. J. Shortt, B.A., as representative from '99 Divinity Hall, expressed his pleasure at being present and made many a "hit" by his witty remarks, "in fact it was good indeed." After a solo by Miss Knight, D. M. Robertson, critic for '99, gave his criticism. With cheers for '98 and '99, a meeting long to be remembered by these years came to a close. We think that other years might follow this example and thus bring the members of different years into closer touch one with another.

'99.

The Sophomore year had an interesting meeting on March 23rd. Miss Flossie Gardiner contributed a piano solo. The historian, J. F. McDonald, gave two biographical sketches, and the president read a humorous article from the *Edinburgh Student*, descriptive of the St. Lawrence rapids. Undismayed by the approaching examinations the year will meet again on April 5th.

1900.

On March 18th a regular meeting of the year was held. After the business of the year was concluded a splendid programme was rendered which was greatly appreciated by the large number present. Miss Tandy headed the list with a piano solo which was loudly encored. Mr. McKay sent everyone into raptures with an Irish recitation, with the exception of the critic who said Mr. McKay did not look like an Irishman. Mr. Munroe then gave a delightful selection on the autoharp and mouth organ combined. Miss Macpherson favored the audience with a masterly violin solo and kindly responded to a clamorous encore. Mr. Hagar then began, in his usual flowery style, an eloquent discourse on Canadian winter sports, but digressed so far from his subject as to finish with an enlogy on Tennyson. The critic then gave his report amid loud applause. The meeting was a model of order, except that on one occasion two of the senior members of the year were found pulling each other's moustaches behind a seat at the back of the room.

DIVINITY HALL.

MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

THE regular meeting was held on March 20th, the President occupying the chair. The report of the Treasurer showed a deficit still of \$157.27. The Executive reported the following appointments for the summer: to St. Joseph's Island, D. L. Gordon; to Arrow River, W. M. Kannawin, B.A.; to Golden Lake, J. Wallace; to Hargrave, if taken up, J. R. Conn, M.A.

The recommendations of the Executive were adopted. J. L. Millar, B.A., gave an interesting talk on his experience in opening up new mission fields. Rev. M. MacKenzie of Honan, at present home on forlough, gave an interesting address.

NOTES.

D. McG. Gandier and A. D. McKinnon occupied the pulpit of Knox Church, Ottawa, on the 14th and 21st inst. respectively.

We heartly sympathize with F. A. McRae, who has been detained at home for several weeks by the illness of his mother.

The death of Rev. John Mutch of Chalmer's Church, Toronto, was deeply felt by his many friends and acquaintances at Queen's. Our College was not his Alma Mater but he found in Queen's a spirit that responded to his own intense love for truth and when our Conference of Theological Alumni was formed, he registered as a member. We know of no one who strove more earnestly to keep in touch with the continuous advance of thought and to develop every talent with which he was endowed, and to say this is to accord him the highest tribute any man can receive. At the early age of forty-five he has been called to labour in another sphere; let us hope that his whole-souled consecration to all that was pure and true may inspire those who knew him to imitate his example and to carry on his work.

Of all the temptations which beset the student missionary or ordained clergyman perhaps none is more to be feared than the inclination to dabble in controversy either through the medium of the pulpit or of the local press. We should be grateful to our professors for their words of warning against apologetic preaching; if we have no positive practical theory of life to lay before a congregation we should step aside to make room for those who have. The preacher's office is not to awaken doubts but to teach men how to live. As to newspaper controversy, its tendency and results, so far as the settlement of religious questions is concerned, have surely been well illustrated in the Kingston press during the last