

THE FRESHMENS' RECEPTION.

The Freshettes have made their debut; the Freshmen have been initiated into the gentle art of conversation. In short, the annual Freshmen's Reception is over, and we trust with a minimum amount of damage to the hearts of all parties concerned. At first there was considerable jostling among the men in the halls. But that could only be expected in the crowd—nearly 400 strong—which surged into the German room, where the Freshmen were adorned with their customary carnations. After the crowd once got safely into Grant Hall and the usual rush for programmes was over, everything went off with admirable smoothness and precision.

The Freshmen were certainly "it" for the evening; and the Reception committee put forth every effort to introduce the new-comers all around and hunt up belated partners.

The refreshments were good and satisfying; and the Sophomores did their part most admirably in waiting on the hungry multitudes which flocked down stairs for refreshments from time to time.

The programme was a very full and excellent one in every way and the big English room was packed for every number. Those who promenaded or sought unfrequented seats in the gallery or around the shady parts of the halls, had a pleasant background of harmony—supplied by the students' orchestra—for their conversation.

It was the consensus of opinion that the reception was as successful as any that has ever been held. The Y.W. and Y.M.C.A. are to be heartily congratulated.

Alumni Conference.

The Alumni Conference is in session all this week. Among those who are to address the meetings we notice the following names:—Rev. John Hay; Rev. E. W. McKay, Rev. W. W. Park, Rev. S. H. Gray, Rev. W. M. Kanna-win, Rev. E. H. Drummond, Rev. Dean Bidwell, Rev. S. P. Rose, G. A. Brown, Rev. C. J. L. Bates, Tokio, Japan, and Professors Dyde, Skelton, Scott, Cappon and Morison. The meetings are held in the morning, afternoon and evening in Convocation Hall, and deserve a large attendance.

The University sermons are announced to begin with an address, by Rev. Principal Gordon, on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 7th, at three o'clock.