

students who take away books from the reference libraries and periodicals from the Reading room. Nothing but the difficulty of securing reliable evidence prevents the court from taking action, and those students who know the guilty parties, and will not report them, are very justly regarded as accessories. It is too bad that some are so thoughtless and dishonorable as to thus inconvenience a large body of their fellows. The jury also deprecates the fact that so little opportunity for quiet reading is given in the Reading room, because of the persistent violation, by every class of students, of the rules requiring silence, thus forcing students wishing to study during vacant hours to seek less convenient places. We are not wanting in college spirit, but a little more might be turned on these points.

Oh, ye heroes of the black skull caps of former years! Would that ye were here to become honorary presidents of the Students' Baldheaded Club! We will not name the officers, but its objects are said to be these:

1. To hold the annual meeting on the day that the football team goes to the barbershop.
2. To secure bonuses for all hair-renewing companies.
3. To waylay all chrysanthemum-headed youths.
4. To severely discountenance any evidence of early piety among its members.

And methought the hair grew denser
As the lotion worked; and then, sir,
Out it shot in ringlets, curling
Round our reverend heads, and hurling
Skull caps spinning to the ceiling,
That once covered boundless lore.
Could we e'er describe the feeling?
Quoth the members; "Nevermore!"

"Going, going, —!" The annual auction sale of periodicals, under direction of the curators of the Reading room, was held on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 31st. A mixed crowd of bargain seekers was there, and the bidding was lively. Stray members of Archbishop Leitch's flock were among the goats, just to encourage Auctioneer Hunter as he administered successive knock-downs like an experienced pugilist, but incidentally to bid for the illustrated accounts of the havoc wrought by Cupid. The light reading, such as sermons and homilies and philosophical reviews, they generally left to the diligent Freshman, who bought most of them in at about 115 per cent. of the first cost. The man was there who always runs up the bidding on such things he doesn't want, and, as usual, he got caught. Illustrated advertisements of a hair restorative caused spirited bidding among certain unfortunates. The purchaser would still do for the first illustration in such ads. as "Before taking." On the whole, the sale was a great success, and the curators looked pleased.

PERSONALS.

DR. W. W. CARSON, of Detroit, paid a visit to Divinity Hall while in the city, and gave the boys some sound practical advice. He compared Queen's very favorably with the American seminaries he had visited.

C. F. Lavell, M.A., '94, is at present pursuing a post-graduate course in history in Cornell University.

Rev. T. B. Scott, B.A. '88, M.D. '92, has remembered us by sending a copy of the *Jaffna College Miscellany*, Jaffna, Ceylon, which we acknowledge with thanks. Our contemporary from the far east is in its fifth volume, and, though not as pretentious as Canadian College magazines, has many interesting points. Among these is a prize oration delivered by one of the B.A. class. T. B. has not lost his keen interest in college Y.M.C.A. work, as he is mentioned as one of the speakers at a series of college prayer meetings.

W. L. Grant, M.A., was always among the foremost in JOURNAL work while in Queen's. It is with pleasure that we call attention to his description of Oxford life. Contributions from graduates are like rays of sunshine in our oftentimes gloomy sanctum, and we would that others would follow his example. He has sent us, in addition, a recent number of the Oxford *Isis*, from which we copy a short but brightly-conceived poem. We have heard it said that Queen's was always too sober, but if the *Isis* is a good index of Oxford life they are not guilty there in that respect.

Rev. A. Gandier, M.A., B.D., is given first place by an eastern paper in its estimation of the popular preachers of Halifax. "Rev. Mr. Gandier came from Brampton, Ontario, and at once captured the hearts of his hearers. . . . His preaching is frank and straightforward. . . . He makes his points clear and forcible, and is impassioned and eloquent." His many friends will be pleased to know of his maintaining such a high standard of efficiency in so important a university city as Halifax.

While some of Queen's graduates make good ministers, others of them make excellent ministers' wives. On January 31st Miss Nettie Anglin, B.A., '92, was united in marriage to Rev. W. J. Sparling, of Easton's Corners, whom the older students will remember as a former pastor of Princess Street Methodist Church. The JOURNAL takes this opportunity of extending congratulations and wishing them the best that life can bring. If rumour is to be trusted, we shall soon have to record a further thinning out of the single ranks of '92.