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## Editorials.

### NOTICE.

THE annual meeting of the shareholders of the MCGILL UNIVERSITY GAZETTE will be held on Monday, the 2nd. of February. Only those who have paid for the shares they have subscribed for will be allowed to vote.

### A CORRECTION.

In our last number it was announced that the Revs. Canon Norman and James Barclay were appointed Governors. This statement was made upon the authority of a member of the Corporation who, it now appears, was in error, since by the terms of the constitution none but laymen can hold the office of Governor. The two gentlemen were appointed Fellows. Such criticism of the policy of the authorities as was based on the supposed appointment is not, however, untrue. Our graduates have altogether too insignificant a share in the management of college business, and the sooner they wake up to a knowledge of that fact the better it will be for McGill.

### A STUDENTS' DINING HALL.

THERE is a rumor that the authorities are bestirring themselves to secure a dining hall for the students. We heard the same rumor last year, and pointed out then that the Registrar was occupying a suite of rooms which could be used for the purpose. It is wrong and absurd that, when space is so much wanted, a large part of it should be occupied by an official whose presence, except in office hours, is not essential. For years students have been forced to get their meals in all sorts of places, in various parts of the town, often at a great distance from their lodgings. Now and then students living in airy rooms have been stricken with typhoid fever—contracted at an eating house. Still nothing was done, though after every new outbreak of fever, a whisper would get abroad that at last the authorities were moving. What a distance they must have travelled! To the uninitiated in red tape, the matter does not look difficult. Given the room, the next thing is the caterer. As McGill has nearly five hundred students, one would fancy that many purveyors would compete for the profit of furnishing three meals a day to this small army. What then can be the difficulty? Perhaps one of the powers that be will kindly endeavor to explain.

### A GRADUATES' DINING HALL.

A MODIFIED form of last year's Club scheme is now being mooted among the graduates. It is proposed that those of them who dine down town should make arrangements with some caterer by which they could dine in one place and by themselves. The expense of such an arrangement to each participant would not it is said exceed \$10 a year. The advantages of this scheme, if carried out, would be many. Old fellow-students would meet more frequently than now, and the graduates would become known to each other. Any non-resident McGill man coming to Montreal would know where to seek his old friends, and better than all, some sort of *esprit de corps* would be awakened. Our graduates are often blamed for their lukewarmness with regard to University matters, yet circumstances are so strongly against them, that it is no wonder their loyalty to McGill is not ardent. Still many have long felt that a little more energy on their part would perhaps have placed them in a better position, as regards their *alma mater*, than they at