

ried away by the resistless torrent of words which rushed from the lips of one of its supporters. The judges (gentlemen) again decided in favor of the affirmative.

DECEMBER 1.

At this meeting only one item of business was brought up. The committee appointed to arrange for the class photo gave the report of their work. On their recommendation the Executive decided to allow Mr. Morrow the honor of immortalizing this class. A vote of thanks was then tendered to the members of this committee.

The programme of the afternoon consisted of piano solo by Miss Bauer; recitation, Mr. Reid; vocal solo, Mr. Johnson, of New York; address, Mr. Macpherson; piano solo, Miss Baker. Mr. Johnson's solo was greatly appreciated, and he had to respond to an encore. In his address, Mr. Macpherson gave much helpful advice to the teachers-in-training on the practical side of their work.

The attendance was very good, considering the thirst for knowledge evinced by the students at this particular season of the year, and it is safe to say that those who were present were none the losers.

OPEN MEETING.

On the evening of December 8, the following programme was presented to a large and appreciative audience gathered in the auditorium of the Collegiate Institute:

Mandolin and banjo selection (en-cored), Messrs. Robinson and Eager; address, "Reminiscences of School Life," Dr. McLellan; piano solo, Charles Willis; vocal solo, "Alone on the Midnight Sea," H. Loucks; presentation of Spectator cup; instrumental solo, Miss Wood; O. N. C. Male Quartette, "Old Kentucky Home," Messrs. Reid, Robertson, Saunders and Stickle. The Drama-

tic Club followed with the presentation of the farce, "The Fatal Mess-age," with the following cast: Mr. Thaddeus Perkins in charge of curtain, E. Coons; Mrs. Thaddeus Perkins, cast for Lady Ellen, Miss Dowler; Miss Andrews, cast for maid, Miss Bailey; Mr. Ed. Bailey, an understudy, E. Young; Mrs. Ed. Bailey, cast for Lady Amaranth, Miss Evans; Mr. Robert Yardsley, stage manager, K. McKenzie; Mr. Jack Barlow, cast for Fenderson Feather-head, D. Eagie; Mr. Chester Henderson, an absentee; Jennie, a professional waitress, Miss Kyle. President McDougall was chairman.

The Principal's address proved very interesting, looking back as it did over a school experience of over half a century. In opening he referred to the large amount of "nonsense" talked about the educational system of to-day. Going then to his own school days, he vividly described the character of the old schoolmasters, the materials they presented, their methods, and the general results on their pupils' minds. In those days the teacher had great scholarship but no training and his method was empirical. Books were rigidly adhered to and the acquisition of knowledge hastened by the birch rod. But there were among them those whose rugged exterior concealed a kindly heart, and from such an one the speaker had received the first words of encouragement that started him upon the work to which he had ever since devoted his best energies. A teacher's pay, as at present, was small, often only \$150 a year, and his life outside the school attended with much that was unpleasant and trying. The Doctor related several amusing incidents in his experience both as pupil and teacher, and closed with a stirring reference to the old school-boys who had gone out to South Africa to do battle for their country.

The presentation of the Spectator cup was made by Rev. C. E. Whit-