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my little plea to the host of others for the true privileges of a woman. Men, in their selfishness and conceit, think that the chief desire of a woman is to be admired by them. Simply because the majority of a species of human beings, who are commonly called men, prefer a pretty, weak, insipid "lady," they believe the present aims of womanhood will fail ! I candidly acknowledge that the first duty of a woman is towards her home if she has one, but if not what? The number of girls whose one object in life was to marry, are rapidly decreasing, and instead a new race is arising, who desire to work for themselves, instead of being dependent on a man. Woman is called the helpmate of man. Does that mean that she is to look up to him, to obey him? No! It means that she is to be on an equal footing with him in everything. Let the twain walk hand in hand, sharing each other's very heart; and while woman is thought inferior to man, this can never be. Ah! The time is coming when a pure woman can openly claim her true position in this world.

## PERSONALS.

The old students were pleased to see Mr. Keenleyside, one of our former science teachers, at the college last week.

Miss Hattie Woodsworth, of Woodstock, one of last year's graduates, comes to the college each Saturday for lessons in elocution and vocal music.

Last Friday the young ladies residing in the college spent a most enjoyable afternoon, the occasion being a sleigh-ride to Chedoke. Senator Sanford, the President of the Board, who always manifests a kind interest in the young ladies of the college, provided the afternoon's pleasure. He was assisted by a number of the young gentlemen of the city, who drove the young ladies to Chedoke. Here they partook of luncheon. After several hours very pleasantly spent the merry party drove home. On every hand were heard expressions of delight, showing how all appreciated the kind thoughtfulness of the worthy Senator.

We are sorry that owing to illness Miss Harris has been unable to resume her studies with us. She has our sympathy, and we hope she will soon return to her Alma Mater.

At a recent concert given in Orangeville, Miss Nettie Keams figured prominently as a soloist. We are always pleased to hear of the success of our former students.