

it is desirable that the public should know that the persons who represented Queen's at the annual meeting of the O.R.F.U. last Saturday were not duly appointed by the students of Queen's and were not acting under instructions from them." The secretary was instructed to forward copies of the resolution to the Toronto papers and to the secretary of the O.R.F.U., after which the meeting adjourned.

### CONVERSAZIONE.

If any one ever had any doubts as to whether a conversazione could be undertaken and successfully carried out by the Alma Mater Society this year, they must have been dispelled on the night of the 17th, when that pleasant event of college life was brought to a most successful issue. The harmony and enthusiasm which characterized all the arrangements, in contrast with the conflict of opinion of past years, augured well for a successful event. The different committees worked well and the success which crowned their efforts was well-deserved.

The decoration committee spared no pains to make the halls and concert room look attractive. Considering the short time they had to do their work and the difficulty of securing material, they did wonders. The bicycles decorated with Queen's colors appeared to good effect in the long corridor, while the time-honoured bayonets lined the railing of the stairway again. The English class-room had undergone a complete change, and it was hard to believe that that cozy spot was the same place where prosaic lectures were delivered to weary students. It was in Convocation hall that the decorations appeared to the best effect, and it was a matter of common comment that the hall had never looked so beautiful before. The decorations were very tasty and well-arranged and showed that the work had been in the hands of a competent committee.

The recess in front of the ladies' cloak room was fitted up as a temporary reception room, where the guests were received by the ladies of the reception committee. The following ladies assisted in receiving:—Mesdames Mowat, Watson, Goodwin, Herald and Cappon.

Convocation hall was the point of attraction and the gallery was soon filled as well as the few available seats in the body of the hall. Shortly before nine o'clock President Shortt appeared on the platform along with Sir Sandford Fleming and Principal Grant. In a few words he extended a hearty welcome to the guests and invited them to partake of the hospitality of Queen's.

The following programme was then given:

#### PART I.

1. "Little Tommy went a-fishing" ..... *Macy*  
Queen's University Glee Club.
2. Solo—"He was a Prince" ..... *Lynea*  
Mrs. Mima Lund-Reburn.
3. Banjo Solo—"Darkies' Patrol" ..... *Lansing*  
Mr. C. A. Porteous.
4. Solo—"The Muleteer of Tarragonna" ..... *Henric*  
Mr. J. M. Williams.
5. Solo—(a) Cavatina, "Liete Signori" ..... *Meyerbeer*  
(b) Solo, "Loch Lomond" .....  
Mrs. Mima Lund-Reburn.

#### PART II.

6. "'Tis Morn" ..... *Geibel*  
Queen's University Glee Club.
7. Solo—"Father O'Flynn" ..... *Old Irish*  
Mr. J. M. Williams.
8. Piano Solo—Rhapsodie Hongroise No. 2 ..... *Liszt*  
Miss Norma Tandy, Mus. Bac.
9. Solo—"Good Night" ..... *Chadwick*  
Mrs. Mima Lund-Reburn.
10. Solo—"The Sailor's Grave" ..... *Sullivan*  
Mr. J. M. Williams.

The numbers were all well received and the singers had frequently to respond to encores. Good attention was given throughout, and on the whole the concert was well appreciated. The decision of the committee not to give out any promenade or dance programmes before the conclusion of the concert was strictly adhered to and much confusion was thus avoided. The hall was quickly cleared for the merry dancers while the corridors were thronged by happy couples, who promenaded to music supplied by an orchestra stationed in the rotunda of the library. The refreshment rooms on the third flat were well patronized and were not too crowded, as in former years. Thus the evening passed quickly and soon after one o'clock the last piece was played and the guests departed.

The following delegates were present from sister institutions: McGill, R. E. McConnell; Toronto University, N. E. Hinch; Victoria, B. A. Cohoe; McMaster, W. B. H. Leakles; Trinity, F. H. Lingwood; Osgoode Hall, J. M. Farrell.

The chairmen of the different committees, to whose efforts the success of the conversat. was mainly due, were as follows: Programme, W. F. Nickle; invitation, N. R. Carmichael; reception, J. S. Shortt; finance, Thurlow Fraser; decoration, R. Burton; refreshment, W. C. Baker.

The class picture of '97 has been put up in the reading-room and many critical opinions have been passed upon it. The photos of the A. M. S. officers and of the JOURNAL staff have also been put up in their proper places.