

The catalogue of the Yale divinity school shows 107 students—10 graduates, 35 seniors, 34 middlers and 27 juniors. Special lectures will be given this year by Rev. Dr. Storrs, of Brooklyn; Rev. Dr. John Hall and Rev. Dr. Tyler, of New York; Rev. Dr. Burton, of Hartford; Professors Phelps, of Andover, and Professors Ladd and Sanford, of Yale. Rev. John E. Russell has been appointed to the chair of New Testament Biblical Theology.

Mr. E. R. Gould, B.A., a recent graduate of Victoria University, has been appointed professor of political science and history in the State University, Washington, D. C. Canadians seem to win honor more easily abroad than at home, though competition is as severe and requirement as enacting as anywhere else. "The powers that be," seem to prefer English importations. We trust that the day has gone by, however, when native industry and talent do not count for anything.

A discussion of the Greek question which should be memorable will take place in New York next month. On the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 24, President Eliot will address the Nineteenth Century Club on the important step lately taken by Harvard College in making the study of the classics elective to students in all classes. The debate following the exposition of President Eliot's views will be participated in by President Porter of Yale and President McCosh of Princeton.

THE Senate of the University of Toronto having affirmed by resolution the expediency of creating in the Arts' curriculum a department of political science, steps are being taken with a view to making the necessary changes to bring it into effect. The course, as it at present exists under the head of "Civil Polity," is most meagre and imperfect, and forms only a very subordinate adjunct in the final years to the department of mental and moral science. It is now proposed to make the course a comprehensive three-year one, and thus to encourage the study of a science which deserves more attention than it has hitherto received. In doing this, Toronto University will only be following in the steps of the great American universities, in all of which chairs of political science exist.

The Brown university catalogue, just issued, shows the total number of students to be 248, or twelve less than last year. The loss is wholly in the sophomore class; the number of juniors is the same, while the senior and freshmen classes show an increase. The number of special-course students is unusually large, twenty-three, against twelve last year, which is due partially to the faculty's strict enforcement of the rule adopted last spring, that a student failing in an examination shall not be considered as candidate for a degree until the examination has been made up. The curriculum is substantially the same. An additional French elective is offered in the first half of the senior year, so that French may now be studied three years. There is an additional elective in English literature in the second half of the senior year, and also a course in meteorology. Dr. Guild reports that 7200 volumes have been added to the library during the year, against 1750 last year. The library now numbers 62,000 bound volumes, besides many pamphlets.

Between the Lectu s.

THE CAPTIOUS CRITIC.

We commend the following pamphlets to the notice of the R. R. Committee.

Bear Hunting at Lake Tanicaming. By Father Mig, missionary to the Longfeet Indians near the source of the Ottawa.

As a literary production it is not equal to the Author's former works, there being too frequent a use of adjectives and adverbs. The narratives, are, however, entertaining.

Ten Years at McGill. By Shamus O'Brien, the celebrated author of *Skip the Gutter*,—*Meet me on the Plains of Philippi*, etc.

This writer is two well known to need any comment from us. We may say, *en passant*, that the pamphlet before us was specially prepared for the guidance of Seniors. Freshmen would not, we think, be benefitted by its perusal.

The following papers are likely to appear in the GAZETTE.

Down Microscopically Considered. From the German of Kerr (!) Gale.

Biliousness; Its Cause and Cure. By W. Lo-Chead.

What A Football Cost Me. By Flip Rob'son.

Lowering the Centre of Gravity in Tugs of War. By Tom, the Son of Gunnion.

Screech Owls; Wingless and Featherless. A new Species. By Hannibal Darray.

Tutor, to Freshman.—"Mr. T., what is a spherical angle?"

Mr. T.—"An angle formed by the intersection of two spheres."

Tutor.—"Mr. T., your answer is incorrect."

Mr. T. *after long silence*—"I accept your correction."—*Éc.*

The Harvard Faculty has drawn up and published a series of statements relating to the cruelties and abuses of foot-ball with a view to its abolishment. Strange how tender-hearted and thoughtful Faculties are! If it were not for occasions like this, students would appreciate it.—*Cynic.*

There was a young girl in Pat-hogne,
Who owned such a sweet little dog,
She made him a squeak.

Which protected his bacque
From the sun and the rain and the fogue.

But, alas, for this sweet little dogue,
While crossing a brook on a logue

With a sneeze and a cough,
He rolled suddenly ough,
And was frightened to death by a frogue.

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Then this maid of Eastern Long Island,
Jumped burriely off from the hisland,
Into mud soft as dough,
(She was heavy and slough)
So she never got back to the drisland.

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But the Patchoguers planted a tree called the yew,
Which waves o'er the maid—and her little dog, tew.
—*Adelphian.*