

the bear had only a Sleight-hold-on-em, in Pullin the Kidd from him ; But Do Hart had ceased to beat.

The Day being now very nearly spent, he threw the kid over his shoulder and started for home. He had not gone far when he met the Dean who hearing his Storey commended him High-ly for his haman-ity and Christian conduct, and said he Morrirt-ed great praise.

Going a little further he met a baker wagon and being very hungry, he asked Duffet the baker for some buns. He told him he could not give him any until he first paid his Fee; whereupon he being a busi-ness man as well as a Christian politely answered, "My Cass-h is all Spenser, but you had better give me Som-er-by hokey I'll break your head with my sh-Lailey. Seeing that if he did not fork over he would get particular Fitz, he gave him all he had and then drove away, mut-tering to himself that "they should Put-a-man like that where he'd never get hungry."

Having Eaton his buns Simpson, feeling somewhat thirsty, decided to go Via-a-pond which was not far out of the Rowe-d and there quench his thirst. He drank copiously of this murky pool, and then sitting down under a tree on the Shore-y, thought of his day's adventures.

While sitting there a Scotchman, McKay, just new from the Land-o-Caikes, passed by, who remarked that he did not Kenn-a-day for a Lang time when it had been so hot. The next to pass was an Irish lad Mickie O'Hara, whom he asked to help to carry his game, but Mic, Phail-ed to see the point.

After having sufficiently rested himself he again set out, and this time Kipp right on until he reached home. Having Gon-in to his Hutt, he emptied the spoils of the chase on the floor, and asked his wife to Cook the evening meal.

When it was Dunn, they immediately fell too and ate all they could, and gave what was left to Thom their pet cat, who ate till their was no Moose Kidd left.

The King hearing of this mans wonderful deeds, sent for him and had him immediately Knighted; and now the Bard never ceases to sing of Sir A. E. Simpson.

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King (after eating half a large plum-pudding) — Were I even as large as Polyphemus I would not be able to eat enough of that pudd'ng.

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Student (in Horticultural Department) — I believe that Robertson is a Spy.

Gardener — No ; I think he is a Baldwin.

Exit, Robertson.

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" There is a noise which oft annoys
The peaceful slumbers of the boys ;
Loud steps along the hall we hear,
The glimmerings of a light appear,
The footsteps stop, a noisy rattle
Is followed by a call to 'cattle.'"

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The earth is covered with a mantle white,
The birds have journeyed southward in their flight ;
All vegetation has now ceased to grow,
The keen wind blows amid the icy snow,
The dogs and cats which warbled in the night,
Have disappeared as if by sudden flight.
Is it to regions with a milder clime
They're gone to pass away the winter time ! -
At tea-time seated in my easy chair
And scanning o'er the varied bill of fare,
Of rhubarb, prunes, and other dishes rare
A revelation struck me like a flash ;
These animals are quartered in the hash.

LITERARY SOCIETY.

BRILLIANT and inspiring as had been the opening of the series of meetings for the fall term, the closing one was not one whit less interesting or instructive. Much has been accomplished and much yet remains to be done ; but with the advent of the winter season, and the committee's promise of a series of debates beneing on subjects of universal interest, it is hoped that the next term will be even more successful than its predecessor.

The soft and melting strains of the "Braes of Bonny Doon" were delicately produced on the mouth organ by the Laird of the Society, and Mr. Duffet proceeded to interest the minds of his hearers by the story of a trip from Prescott to Toronto through the picturesque scenery of the Thousand Islands.

The spirited debate on "Country vs Town Life" was then formerly entered upon. Mr. Wheatley, the leader of the aff. endeavored to prove conclusively that, taking everything into consideration, the country was away ahead. He specially dwelt upon the facts of greater freedom, less worry in business, fewer temptations, and, even if the opportunities of social intercourse were less, they were more than made up by being of a better quality, owing to the greater freedom from aught but innocent and healthful amusements. Mr. Cook then arose with a determined air, and, although a country boy to the "backbone and three ribs over" he proceeded to defend the cause of his city cousins against the attacks of their ruthless foes. True happiness consisted in living an enjoyable life, and for his part he obtained the most enjoyment in the town a statement which no one in the least disputed. He had heard of the recreation of fishing as furnishing one of the most enjoyable amusements of the country, but he once had a friend who went fishing in the town, and besides the fish caught \$1500 to boot. He thought that was ahead of country angling. Mr. Mc-Phail laid stress on the fact of a greater standard of health in the country, while his opponent Mr. Kennedy, (W. D.) doubted the absolute correctness of this view.

This harassing and incessant fire was followed by the first appearance of the "Musee Wonder," the performance of which was immensely enjoyed, and heartily appreciated. It is hoped that the managers will not fail to secure this attraction for another exhibition. Several of the members discussed the much abused subject of the debate in a learned manner, among whom were Messrs. Sleightholm, Vipond, Thompson Wm. J., and Widdisfield. The first named gentleman thought that the country life was much freer from wear and tear, more home-like and natural, and as for the influence on the young, there was no comparison. The enjoyments were purer and of greater variety. Hat speeches were given by Messrs. Bruncau, Tye, and Smith P. B. after which Mr. Thompson sang a comic song, the critic reported, and the meeting adjourned.

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It has been the custom of the members of the Literary Society to give annually an open meeting for the benefit of their friends in the city and also the numerous farmers and ex-students who attend the meetings of the Experimental Union. Notwithstanding the very unfavorable state of the weather there was a large audience present on the evening of December 22nd, who listened with unabated interest to the several items which constituted the programme for the evening. Those in charge of the arrangements worked with untiring zeal in order to overcome the many difficulties which at the last moment unexpectedly presented themselves, and, with the generous assistance of the ladies, were enabled to make the time pass pleasantly for all. The thanks of the Committee of Management are due those from outside sources who so kindly consented, and acceptably fulfilled all that was requested of them.

At 6.45 p. m. Prof. Panton entertained a good sized audience in the lecture room of the Botanical Laboratory with magnificent views from his oxyhydrogen lantern, and at 7.30 the audience repaired to the Convocation Hall where the ushers with their characteristic politeness were in readiness to provide the incomers with scass.

The first object to attract the eye was the stag which was tastefully