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The first issue of COLLEGE TOPICS for this term suggests what our readers may expect for the year '98-'99. To publish all the college news of interest in this city is our object, and owing to increased facilities for gathering news, etc., we can promise our readers this year a newspaper which will prove superior to many of its kind and second to none.

During the coming year we intend to introduce several new features in the way of special articles which we feel assured will claim the attention and demand the interest of every student.

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Miss M. McBean, '99, will take her first term out this year.

George Sellers, '97, is on the staff of the University of Chicago.

On Monday next Class '02 elects its officers for the ensuing year.

Miss Helen Johnston, '98, is teaching moderns in a Delaware Ladies' College.

J. R. Howitt, '98, is in the law office of Coffey & Buckingham, Guelph.

Bert Ansley, of the century Arts Class at Varsity, is this year a freshman Med.

Professor Hutton and family passed the summer at Colorado Springs.

"Billy" Martin, B.A., '98, is at the School of Pedagogy, Hamilton.

"Jack" Inkster, the great foot-ball manager, is in the Crown Lands department.

There is considerable talk around Varsity of reorganizing a Glee Club.

Lorne Robertson, B.A., '98, is a first year med. at McGill.

R. E. B. Scarfe, '00, has entered upon a business career in Brantford.

C. McQuestion '98 is writing press notices for the Copp, Clark Company.

John M. Ross, of the Varsity class of '99, is finishing his Arts course at McGill.

"Bob" Coates, B.A., '96, is on the staff of *The World*.

N. R. D. Sinclair, B.A., '98 is taking up theology at Knox.

"Walkie" Stevens, B.A., is in second year medicine at Ann Arbor.

"Clemmie" Keys, B.A., '97, is on the staff at Bishop Ridley College, St. Catharines.

Hammie Hill, '98, has just returned to his home in Ottawa, after a six weeks' visit in Philadelphia.

F. G. Millar, B.A., '97, is expounding Classics in the Warton High School.

Murray C. Tait, '99, and Frank C. Harper, '98, are room mates at Knox College.

"Nick" Hinch, B.A., '98, is now on a fair way to become a pedagogue. He is at the School of Pedagogy, Hamilton.

"Banelero" Mackay, the famous Glee Club soloist, is a member of the Metropolitan Grand Opera Company.

James Orr, of St. Thomas, is one of the scholarship men of '02 who is sure to make a name for himself at Varsity.

"Art" Jackson, B.A., '98, the popular soloist of the Glee Club, is in a Philadelphia law office.

H. H. Narraway, B.A., '98, has chosen the West as his field of labor. He is now in a law office in British Columbia.

"Mat" Cameron, '99, spent the summer in Europe and has many interesting tales to tell.

"Jack" Hobbs, B.A., '98, Varsity's famous quarter-back, has entered business with his father in London.

John Gunn, B.A., '98, who so ably occupied the editorial chair of *The Varsity* last year is hard at work pursuing forensic ways in a London law office.

Lieut. Storey, Q.O.R., who was at Osgoode Hall last year, took a course of instruction in maxim gun practice at Wolseley Barracks during vacation.

Miss H. Rumball, B.A., '98, is spending the fall and winter in the south. She is visiting friends in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

"Lexie" Isbester, '01 Varsity, is telling some thrilling stories of adventure in Crow's Nest Pass, where he roughed it for several months this summer.

John Dunfield and Aubrey Kilbourne, '01, who were unfortunate last May, are now preparing for senior matriculation for next spring.

Sidney Oldorff, an old Upper Canada College boy, left New York city last week with a party of explorers who intend to make a walking trip around the world.

A. E. McFarlane, '98, is at his home in town doing literary work. Mac possesses an easy pen, and has a style which is sure to lead him to success in the world of letters.

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J. T. Shotwell, B.A., '98, who has become so favorably known in Canada through his literary work, is now taking a post course at Columbia University.

Bob Patterson, A. J. Poynter and R. D. Moorhead, composed a party of '99 men who made a trip to England and the continent during the summer.

James Hunter, '99 Arts, was on the staff of the *Sentinel Review*, Woodstock, the past summer. Jimmie graced the editorial chair for a time, and did excellent work.

Dingman, '97, has entered business in Ottawa. He is a member of the firm, Bourbridge & Dingman, dealers in general merchandise.

On Monday a fire broke out in the basement of Varsity residence, caused by live coals accidentally getting into the ash barrels. It was extinguished before any damage was done.

A very important and interesting question in seniority has been engaging the attention of a couple of Varsity residence men for some weeks back. It would be difficult to say who will triumph in the discussion.

The McGill *Outlook* is agitating an inter-college field day. The plan proposed is to hold an annual field day, at which the best athletes at all the Canadian colleges would participate.

The social functions around Varsity this winter will miss a prominent leader in George Black, who is now lecturing in the Natural Science department at Clarksburg, Mo., University.

"Dug" Ruthven, '99, will be missed by the Glee Club, and in fact by everyone at Varsity this year. He intends to take a year out, and left for New York city last week to join an opera company.

There is some talk around Varsity of organizing a Golf club from among the faculty and undergraduates.

Varsity men are glad to welcome back J. B. Coyne, who was compelled to give up his work last year on account of his eyes. Coyne takes up Classics this year in '01, and will doubtless be heard from in that department.

Archie Mullin, brother of "Bob" Mullin, the popular fourth year Varsity man, is a member of class '02. Archie did some great playing with the Tigers last season and will undoubtedly prove a good man for Varsity's team this year.

The many friends of James Little, '00, Varsity, will be pleased to learn that he is enjoying life to the full in the wild and woolly west. "Jimmie" is at the mission fields near Edmonton and expects to return to take up his third year work next fall.

S. P. McMordie will be greatly missed in athletics at Varsity this year. On the football field especially, it will be exceedingly difficult to replace him, as everyone was counting on "Mac" as the star man this year. He is in business in Montreal.

C. D. Creighton, B.A., was the guest of B. K. Sandwell at the latter's home in Leightonstone, London East, during the past summer. B. K. is still dramatic and musical critic for the *Sketch* and other London magazines.

J. G. Merrick, '96, has been touring England and the continent for the past six months. When last heard from he was in Paris. His weekly letters in the *Man* are read with great interest by his Varsity and Osgoode friends.

The Varsity Women's Lit. has recently been the recipient of a very useful gift. Owing to the kind efforts of Miss Street, a number of their graduate friends have presented the society with an assortment of dishes and table ware for their receptions.

At the first meeting of the Varsity Lit., one member of Class '02 will be elected to the editorial board of *The Varsity*, one from Class '00 to replace J. Little, resigned, and one from Class '99 to replace A. H. Birmingham, resigned.

William Bray, of London, comes to Varsity this year in class '02 with the distinction of having taken six scholarships in mathematics and science. The London men speak highly of him, and he will doubtless be a leader in his course—mathematics and physics.

The first meeting of the Mathematical and Physical Society was held Thursday afternoon, at which the following interesting programme was carried out: Essay, Life of Sonya Kowalewsky, Miss E. Bell, '99; Reflections on certain Scientific Hypothesis, W. C. Good, '00.

The senior lady students of Varsity are much perplexed as to what more successful method they can adopt of setting a proper example to the incoming maidens. Last year the freshettes were put down as naughty ones, and this year it seems, alas, they are to be naughty twos.

The executive of the Varsity Political Science Club is considering the advisability of having a series of lectures by men well known in the world of political science and history, instead of papers prepared by the students. Mr. Johnston, Statistician for the Dominion Government, will probably be one of the first lecturers.

Sesame, the annual publication of the women undergraduates, will appear this year under the editorship of Miss C. C. Benson, '99. The business management is under the energetic control of Miss A. W. Patterson, '99. Last year's edition proved a decided success, as it well deserved from the excellence of its literary matter and the tasty form in which it was published.

Varsity was well represented at the military camp at London this year. Among others seen there were Lieut. J. R. Bone, of the 21st Battalion; Lieut. W. F. McKay, of the 22nd; Sgt. Dickson, of the 33rd; Sgt. Groves, of the 30th; Corp. Forbes, of the Hospital corps of the 28th; Lieut. Smallman, of the artillery, and Capt. King, of the cavalry. C. F. Errett, late of '99, was also there.

The Technical School building on College street is to be converted into a residence for the faculty of the University. Professor Fletcher has already taken up quarters in the west end of the building, but it will be some little time before any of the other professors take up residence there, as the lease of the Technical School does not expire until next year.

The Varsity Modern Language Society opens this year's work on Monday, Oct. 31st, with an open meeting, at which Prof. Alexander will lecture on "Jane Austen." The Classical Society holds an open meeting on the following day, at which Prof. Hut on will deliver a lecture on "The Tyrants of Greece." On Dec. 12th the two societies hold a joint meeting, when W. Rea, '99 will read a paper on "Hypatia," and Miss Burgess a paper on "Quo Vadis."

Billy Greenwood is one of the '97 men who have made rapid strides since leaving Varsity. As business manager of the *Leamington Post* a year ago, his ability attracted the attention of a number of leading newspaper men throughout the province. Last spring the *World* secured him, and after a short period of special work he was given the city editor's desk. The marked improvement of the *World's* local news can be traced to Billy's ability and energy. That his success may continue on to the years is the wish of every Varsity man.

The election of officers in Class '00 Varsity, took place Wednesday afternoon, with the following results: President, A. N. W. Clare; 1st vice-president, Miss L. S. Wegg; 2nd vice-president, H. Lang; secretary, W. G. Harrison; poetess, Miss M. L. Wright; musical director, E. H. A. Watson; treasurer, R. M. Millman; orator, B. A. Simpson; prophetess, Miss M. R. Fleming; judge, H. D. Graham; critic, J. F. M. Stewart; athletic director, R. Telford; historians, Miss M. M. J. Baird and E. P. Flintoft; councillors, Miss M. M. Lang, Miss M. E. Mason, A. H. R. Fairchild and W. Elmslie.

The class of '98 is well represented at the School of Pedagogy this year. Among the aspiring pedagogues are: Messrs. J. H. Alexander, G. H. Balls, A. M. Burnham, C. M. Carson, R. M. Chase, J. H. Davidson, W. J. Elder, H. W. Gundy, W. F. Haunsford, J. V. Henderson, R. N. Merritt, J. G. Muir, G. M. Murray, J. M. McKinley, R. H. Rowland, J. W. Sifton, A. W. Smith; Misses A. E. Ashwell, E. Bowes, C. C. Crane, M. A. Harvey, M. M. Hawkins, A. K. Healey, E. M. Henry, F. E. Kirkwood, N. J. Lamont, E. G. Moore, M. I. Northway, B. Rosenstadt, and M. C. Rowell.

The senior class at Varsity held its annual elections of officers last week, and chose the following members of the class as the executive for the graduating year: President, A. McDougall; 1st vice-president, Miss B. M. Jamieson; 2nd vice-president, S. A. Dickson; secretary, W. H. McNairn; treasurer, A. J. Dickson; poetess, Miss M. F. L. Turner; orator, J. J. Monds; Judge, A. L. Burch; prophet, E. G. Robb; critic, G. A. Kingston; musical director, H. E. Abraham; athletic director, W. A. Groves; historians, Miss E. N. Dennis and W. Rea; councillors, Miss D. F. Wright, Miss C. C. Benson, R. J. Clegg, F. W. Halliday.

The class of '01 met last week, with M. H. Embree, the retiring president in the chair, and elected the following officers for this year: President, E. J. Kylie; 1st vice-president, Miss Hutchinson; 2nd vice-president, C. E. Rowland; secretary, A. H. Adams; treasurer, H. W. Irwin; prophet, H. M. P. Deroche; orator, F. G. T. Lucas; judge, A. F. Aylesworth; critic, J. B. Coyne; musical director, H. L. Lazier; athletic director, E. P. Brown; historians, Miss Cole and G. F. McFarland; poetess, Miss Forrest; councillors, Miss Watt, Miss Crane, P. A. Carson, and G. H. Wood.

The annual fall reception to the freshettes by the Varsity Women's Lit., was held on Saturday, Oct. 8th, and was in the form of an Autumn Tea. After the reception, at which many of the wives of the faculty and graduates appeared, the first regular meeting of the "Lit." was held. Short addresses were made by representatives of the different women's organizations. Miss S. Little, '99, spoke in behalf of the Y.W.C.A.; Miss J. M. Johnston, '99, athletic societies; Miss

N. Cleary, '99, Glee Club; Miss C. C. Benson, '99, press; Miss Amos, '02, the first year. The programme, moreover, was interspersed with several very entertaining instrumental, vocal and violin solos.

Billy Love, the popular singer of '97, had an exciting adventure last week in the mining districts of Mexico, where he has been whiling away the time during the past year. While sauntering along a lonely road one evening, his musings were suddenly interrupted by a greaser, who sprang upon him from ambush and demanded his money. Under ordinary circumstances Billy would not hesitate to comply with such a request, but the abruptness of the petitioner displeased him, and he refused. The fellow instantly drew a gun, expecting to use it as a persuader. Billy was equal to the occasion, however, and at once began to warble his famous ditty, Little Tom 'Tit, which so charmed his would-be assassin that the latter was held spellbound. While in this condition Billy removed the obnoxious weapon from his hand, and sent him on his way. When Billy told his story in camp there was great rejoicing over his marvellous escape, as the greaser was known to be the most dangerous in those diggings.

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