He was supported by Mr. S. Cross, and opposed by Messrs. Mackie and Unsworth. The affirmative based their argument upon the searcity of gold and its consequent appreciation, trying at the same time to show that the fluctuation in the relative value of gold and silver is comparatively small. The opposition maintained that the fluctuation is considerable, or rather that the difference in value is constantly increasing, and that the impossibility of keeping relative value as fixed by law the same as that put upon them by the public, is a disturbing element in business, and an injustice to the wage earning class in particular. The United States Trade Dollar received the usual amount of abuse. The question was almost unaimously decided in the negative.

Messrs. Charles Barnard, Patterson and Topp were nominated as members.

At the usual weekly meeting on the 12th inst., the president, Mr. R. C. Smith, presided. The following new members were elected: Messrs. Charles A. Barnard, F. Topp and Wm. Patterson.

A very spirited debate took place on the question of the establishment of a Labour Bureau. Messrs. W. H. Turner and C. J. Doherty upholding the affirmative, and Messrs. McGoun, J. K. Unsworth and J. R. Murray, the negative. The decision of the meeting was in favour of the affirmative.

## UNDERGRADUATES' LITERARY SOCIETY.

At the meeting on Friday, October 29th, R. B. Henderson, the president, occupied the chair, twenty members being present. After a good deal of minor business, the question of having a piano was brought up—this was held over for consideration. Mr. S. R. Brown's recitation was the chief point in the evening's programme: nothing better has been heard by the Society for years. J. A. McPhail sustained the negative side on that most amusing subject,—"Resolved, that a course in Science is preferable to one in Arts." His speech was the only one worthy of the name, though Mr. Hunter is to be congratulated on his first attempt. The meeting, by a vote of three to none, decided in favour of the afirmative.

At the meeting on November 5th, the Secretary read a communication from the Literary and Scientific Society, University of Toronto, as to the advisability of arranging intercollegiate debates. A committee was appointed to consider and report. The Society decided to procure a piano for one mouth

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Essay:—"Is there not an Incompatibility between the Present Condition of Liberty and the State of the Human Soul." Needless to say, its author was Mr. Duke. Eliot read "The Battle of Naseby." Naismith sang Song 88, aided by a chorus. "Is Capital Punishment a Justifiable Principle." Hall, Naismith, Charters, on the affirmative, were opposed by Gerrie, Mason, Robinson. Decision was in favour of affirmative. Johnson read his criticisms, and the meeting adjourned amid a song.

At the meeting on Friday, November 12th, it was decided to ask the Faculty's permission to obtain a piano. A committee, among the members of which

were Johnson, Pedley, and Eliot, was appointed to try and make the programme more interesting. J. A. McPhail's Essay was on "Education." A. R. Johnson read to the members.

"Is prohibition a justifiable principle?" Messrs. Duke, Moore, and Sutherland, were successful in saying "Aye": while Messrs. Henderson, Truell, and Paton, spoke against the question.

## DELTA SIGMA SOCIETY.

A very successful and well attended meeting of this Society, was held on the 2nd November, '86, in the Donalda Reading Room.

The president, Miss Simpson, made a short address, heartily welcoming the new members. After important business matters had been discussed, a very amusing paper entitled "Various Girls" was read, followed by an interesting sketch of the life of Samuel Lover, enlivened by selections from his works.

OCTAVIA G. RITCHIE,

Sec.-Treasurer.

## Sporting.

## McGILL'S TRIP TO KINGSTON.

I was apprised of this excursion Friday morning, the 5th inst., and lost no time making arrangements to join the gallant fifteen, that, confident of victory, to join the ganale internations can be made a set out that evening for Upper Canada. We made a pleasant run to Sharbot Lake, and then took the "K. and P." for Kingston. It was here the trip began to be interesting. The men were not tired and Capt. Macdonnell, who behaved like a brick all through the excursion, turned out the lights and requested the team to wrap itself in slumber. But you couldn't sleep on that road even if Professor was lecturing on Ph -y, the cars rock so. Several waggish gentlemen, imagining they were still on the C. P. R, informed the conductor that "they were not used to such luxury" and called his attention to how "high they were living" and also ordered large helps of "good grub galore." Others wished to know why there was no track on the road, and amused themselves with a couple of banjos and vocal imitations of the air brakes which is done by hissing gently, and at length, the name of one of the team's forwards, thus :

The boys were consequently somewhat fatigued when they arrived at Kingston at 6.30 a.m. and immediately went to bed. In the morning, I went with a party to visit the Penitentiary, and there stole a door-knob, which is a really remarkable feat when you consider the site of the theft. In the afternoon the football match came off, but I shall spare my readers the details of this massacre, which terminated in our favour by 10 points to 1

We took the evening train for Ottawa, and the hotel-keeper was so sorry that he sent a man down to see us off; the man incidently collected an unpaid bill for five dollars from an absent-minded excursion-