

thanked the President and his colleagues in Science and Arts who had so freely assisted the medical staff. His remarks met with long continued and hearty applause.

The President then introduced Dr. Barber, of Edinburgh, who is at the present time visiting in the city. Dr. Barber in a neat speech complimented the Faculty on the high standard of medical education they had adopted, and on the evident facilities they now enjoyed. As a "freshman" in the country and the city he had been going around observing everything in the schools, and intimated that at present the buildings and furniture were scarcely second to those of Edinburgh. His droll illustrations and reminiscences of his student days called forth repeated applause. In closing he drew a beautiful comparison between the growth of medical science and that of a coral reef in the ocean. The President then dismissed the meeting.

CHANGES IN THE FACULTY.

All those who are interested in the progress of the University, and especially of the department of Philosophy, will be pleased to learn that Prof. J. G. Hume, A.M., Ph.D., who was appointed Professor of Ethics and History of Philosophy in 1889 with two years' leave of absence, has returned from Europe, and enters upon his duties with the opening of this session.

Prof. Hume's career has been a more than usually distinguished one. As an undergraduate in Toronto he not only stood very high in his own department, being at the head of his class two years out of the three, and being very highly spoken of by the late Prof. Young, but he also carried through the honor course in classics and won the Lansdowne gold medal for general proficiency. After his graduation in '87 he went to Johns Hopkins where he was spoken of by one of the Professors as "the best prepared man that ever came to the institution." Here he took a distinguished stand and was appointed to a Fellowship, standing first in his department and enjoying the high esteem of Prof. Stanley Hall, now the President of Clark University.

Mr. Hume also studied in Harvard under Prof. James where he won the Thayer scholarship in mid-year, and at the end of the year was appointed to the Rogers Fellowship in Ethics. Here he also took the degree of A.M. The last year and a-half Mr. Hume has spent in Freiburg, where is the Psychological laboratory of the celebrated Dr. Münsterberg. The degree of Ph.D. and very successful work, especially in the Kantian Metaphysics, are the outcome of his stay in Germany, and we feel that students of Toronto University are highly favored in having for one of their teachers so strong and well furnished a man as Prof. Hume. The department will certainly be an attractive one, supported as it now is by two such distinguished scholars as those who occupy the chairs of Psychology and Ethics respectively. Prof. Hume's inaugural may be looked for in a few days.

Mr. J. H. Cameron, the new lecturer in French, graduated from Toronto University in 1885, winning the silver medal in Modern Languages and the prizes in French and German prose. This high stand was due to the fact that, in addition to careful reading, he spent a considerable length of time amongst French and German people, and even at graduation was able to speak these languages fluently. On graduation he was appointed Fellow in Modern Languages and held the position for two years. He is still remembered by the students of those days as an enthusiastic and inspiring teacher, distinguished for his kindness and gentleness. At the end of that period he proceeded to Paris and spent over two and a-half years at the Sorbonne Collège de France and the Ecole des Chartes, studying under such distinguished professors of Romance Philology as Gaston Paris, Paul Meyer, Léon Gautier and Arsène Darmsteter. He then proceeded to Leipzig where he spent a year at the celebrated University of that city, perfecting his knowledge of his favorite subjects. Mr.

Cameron returns to his *Alma Mater* exceedingly well fitted to give instruction in his department, and in the name of the undergraduates we heartily welcome him, and hope that his career amongst us may be long and brilliant.

We are glad to see Mr. Fairclough back. We were afraid that the mountains and the waves and the wide, wild west would enchant and enchain him forever.

It must have been an experience to stand on a continent's edge; it must have been interesting to watch the gradual overlapping of the eastern and the western civilizations: but let the west have its experiences, its wildness and its wildness, we are glad to know that there is still something in the east to win back to us our Greek lecturer.

EXCHANGES.

The editor's table as yet displays no particular plethora of exchanges, but it will probably be well filled when it is known that the giant has awakened from his summer's nap.

All the old exchanges will be gladly welcomed, and the more thickly they come in the more will the editorial heart expand in kind feeling for his fellow toilers with the gray goose-quill.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

As yet we have no representatives from the Toronto Medical School on our staff. We hope that the Medicals will appoint the men who are to take charge of the columns of this paper that will be devoted to news from "The School" as soon as possible.

A glance over the advertising columns of the present issue will reveal many old names and not a few new ones. The reliability of the former has already been tested by our readers, and we need only say that the same care has been exercised in admitting the latter as distinguished the selections of last year. The establishments represented are the unquestioned leaders in their respective lines, and it is to be hoped that the students will unanimously join in patronizing firms who recognize the value of these pages as an advertising medium, and in so doing lay the foundation stones of our financial success.

Robert Mantell appears at the Grand Opera House this week in a strong repertoire of classical plays. No better lesson can be presented than a good actor such as Mr. Mantell. There will probably be a large attendance of students. The repertoire will be seen in our advertising columns.

The subscription lists of VARSITY are once more open. We hope that they will be even more closely filled than last year. We need not state here what we feel to be the advantages of a students' paper and the duties of students towards such a paper. The whole student body should become subscribers, and as many of the graduates as still preserve an interest in their *Alma Mater*. The rates remain unchanged, and the labor of publishing will be greatly lightened if payments are made promptly.

To our graduate and undergraduate friends alike we would extend an earnest request for contributions on any subject that may be of interest to our readers. It is upon them that depends the literary success of our paper. Many of our leading contributors are leaving college life, but we trust they will give us in leaving many a parting glance, or, as our flowery frater phrases it, "that we shall still see the gleams of their golden presence illuminating our lettered lines." To the undergraduates we make a special appeal, for they are breathing the full breath of University life. To them this paper essentially belongs.

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