

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The reading-room in the Y. M. C. A. building is now supplied with reading matter. On the tables may be found the Toronto dailies, several magazines and many periodicals of a religious nature.

An open meeting of the Y. M. C. A. will be held at five o'clock Thursday afternoon, and will be addressed by Mr. Keller, travelling secretary of the Students' Volunteer movement. All who are interested in missions and who know anything of the gentleman who is to address the meeting will make it a point to be present.

The annual reception in connection with the Association was held, as announced, last Wednesday evening. The decision of the executive this year to issue invitations to the new students only proved to be a wise one; the building was no more than comfortably filled, and the freshmen for whom the reception was held seemed to enjoy themselves much more than on previous occasions. Through some mistake the invitations addressed to the faculty were not delivered in time, and on this account very few were present; President Loudon was forced to absent himself on account of a severe cold. The students began to assemble sharp on time, and by eight o'clock the hum of conversation had almost reached its climax. The programme, not the least pleasing feature of which was its brevity, commenced with prayer and the singing of a hymn, after which the president, Mr. C. R. Williamson, in a short address welcomed the students of the first year to the University; he dwelt upon the methods and aims of the Association and requested the hearty co-operation of those present in its work. The address was followed by a solo from Mr. Knox, who rendered in his usual happy style the ever popular song "Calvary." Professor McCurdy then addressed the meeting at some length, calling attention to the great influence of the Association in fostering and developing a manly Christian spirit among the students of the University; he also spoke in uncompromising terms of the practice which the authorities put forth such efforts to stop last week, and we must say that we can see no cause for such proceedings. At the close of the programme Mr. Robinson, president of the first year Class Society, in a neat speech moved a vote of thanks to the Association for their kindness in holding the reception, which was carried amid loud applause. The assemblage then turned their attention to weightier matters and partook of the refreshments kindly supplied by the Women's Auxiliary, to whom in great measure the success of the event is due. The meeting then broke up and the students departed to their several homes (or some other person's home) convinced that the reception of '92 was not the least pleasant in the history of the Association.

MEDICAL NOTES.

A few of the class of '95 are not with us this year. Oakley has given up medicine, at least for the present, and is representing a wholesale drug firm on the road. Thomson is attending a medical school in Detroit. Shaver is detained at home by the serious illness of his father, Dr. Shaver, of Stratford.

There is exceeding great joy among the meds over the result of the games. Porter, Lawson and Agnew are worthy representatives of the school. The freshmen showed themselves capable of producing some good men, and, doubtless, when their seniors will have left the University they will have something to say about the championship.

The first and second years hope, through the intercession of Prof. Primrose, to have the announcement of Saturday operations at the Hospital posted up at the Biological Department every Saturday morning. Last year the boys were often compelled to walk two miles only to find that there was no operation "on." The

remedy is only a matter of a telephone message once a week.

Lo! the poor medical student! For him no gorgeous receptions are prepared. Ye arts man is fêted and coddled by the city churches, but ye wicked med is unhonored and unsung. Yea, even is he forced to conceal his profession when he goeth forth to seek a boarding-place—*miserabile dictu*.

A letter has been received questioning the fairness of allowing one section of the second-year students to commence dissecting nearly two weeks before the others. Since this came to hand all have been set to work, and all, it may be presumed, are now contented.

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE.

We are indebted to the kindness of Mr. V. G. Marani for the following correction: "The vacancy caused by the resignation of C. J. Marani, C.E., has not yet been filled. Mr. Merrill's position is that of Fellow in Mechanical Engineering."

Mr. R. W. Thompson informs us, that during his unavoidable absence his duties are being performed by Mr. J. R. Dobie. We are sure that the substitute is doing his work to the satisfaction of all parties concerned.—ED. VARSITY.

Work was suspended on Friday to allow the students an opportunity to attend the sports. A number of those who availed themselves of this opportunity would like to know where the School of Science combination went in the team race, but no information can be obtained.

A football match has been arranged between the S. P. S. Rugby team and a team from the second year Arts on Tuesday afternoon. The S. P. S. Association team has entered the inter-class series, and the first game will be with Residence. The date has not yet been arranged, but will probably be some time this week.

Mr. H. N. Gibson, the Treasurer of the Engineering Society, is on the war-path this week, and judging from his radiant smile the shekels must be rolling in freely. It is to be sincerely hoped that the Society will receive the support it deserves, and that the students will help the officers in every possible way, not only by joining but by attending regularly and taking an active interest in the meetings.

SCHOOL OF PEDAGOGY.

The Literary Society held a most successful meeting on Thursday afternoon last. Among those who took part were Miss M. F. Campbell, Mr. T. E. A. Stanley, B.A., and Miss M. Annis, B.A.

"Resolved—that the morals of a nation improve as civilization advances" was the subject of a spirited debate. On the affirmative were Mr. A. M. Doxsee, B.A., Miss J. S. Hillock, B.A., and Mr. W. M. Govenlock, B.A.; and on the negative, Mr. J. S. Black, Miss K. H. Ball and Mr. C. F. Errett. Mr. Casselman, of the Education Department, was called upon to sum up the points, which he did, and decided in favor of the affirmative.

Next Friday night there will be an open meeting in the same place. Mr. John Millar, B.A., Deputy-Minister of Education, will take the chair at eight o'clock. Dr. McLellan will deliver an address, and a scene from "As you like it" will be presented by the students. All are cordially invited to attend.

NOTES.

Mr. D. Thomson, B.A., was elected 2nd Vice-President of the Society in place of Mr. J. A. Taylor, B.A., who left to accept a position on the teaching staff of Pickering College.

At the Varsity sports on Friday last our boys distinguished themselves. Mr. R. E. Hooper, B.A., took 1st in