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The third annual "At Home" of the Dental College, which was held on Friday night of last week, was more than up to the average in point of attendance and successful management. The large numbers present were a very creditable testimony to the popularity of this function of the Dental students

At about 8.30 the guests assembled in the

Amphitheatre to listen to the concert program which constituted the first part of the entertainment. Promptly at 10.15 an adjournment was made to the ball room, where the remainder of the evening was spent in the pleasures of the dance Dancing continued until about 3.30, when all dispersed, the guests feeling that they had been right royally entertained, the undergrads thoroughly assured in their own minds as to the success of this their third "At-Home." The committee which had charge of the arrangements, and which proved itself such a capable one, was composed of the following members: Presi posed of the following members: President, C. A. Kennedy; vice-presidents, J. W. Gray, J. H. Purdy; treasurer, Miss Ruth Auburn; secretary, J. Brown; representative from the faculty, Dr. W. E. Willmott; committee, P. P. Winn, E. Henderson, W. J. Bentley, R. T. McDonald, J. Andy Carswell. Among the delegates from other Colleges with the control of the colleges of t Donald, J. Andy Carswell. Among the delegates from other Colleges were: Mr. Henry, of Quebec Dental College; Mr. Goode, of Buffa'o; Mr. Wilson, of Trinity Medical; Mr Carpenter, of Wycliffe; Mr. Medical; Mr Carpenter, of Wycliffe; Mr. J. J. Monds, of Varsity, and Mr. Johnstone, of Trinity College. The visiting delegates were hospitably entertained during the whole period of their stay, and an entertainment was given to all the delegates at the close of the dance.

Among the undergraduates present were: Miss Ruth Auburn, Messrs. Abbott, Armstrong, Bain, Ballachey F. C., Ballachey P. P., Bentley, Bowles, Brown, Bell, Church, Cowan, Currie, E.C. Campbell, K.C. Campbell, Carswell. Devitt. Dovle. Fitzgerald.

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Miss Jamieson and Messrs. A. E. Snell, A. Sadler, G. W. Ross and J. J. Monds of Varsity were also present.

McMASTER HALL

The Theological Society met on Thursday evening. President W. Pady presided. Dr. Goodspeed addressed the society, giving some reminiscences of the Baptist Congress. held lately in Buffalo. His report of the chief feature of the Congress was very in teresting and helpful

The Inter-year football series has been buried in the snow. "Requiescat in pace." Class '99 and Century played the last game of the series and both scored two goals. They will have to play over again to determine which shall play in the finals with class '02 for the championship; but when the series will be concluded is now a ques

The thoughts of the boys are now being directed to hockey, and thanks to the effi-cient and assiduous efforts of Mr. R. C. Matthews, the popular president of the Athletic Association, McMaster will have a rink this winter on the same grounds as those of last year. It is hoped that every those of last year. It is hoped that every student will second the efforts of the Execu-tive and endeavor to make the rink a suc-This will be McMaster's third season at the game of hockey, and from the talk around the halls it is evident that a good many sticks will be used here this winter.

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MOCK PARLIAMENT

Speech from the Throne Discussed — The Ministry Sustained

Had anyone troubled with pessimistic

iews of the future of our fair land wended his

way to the "Fanum Litterarumac Scientiæ" on "ciday evening last, when Her Majesty's Ninth Canadian Parliament held its first session, his fears would have turned to joy, and he would have been inspired by prophetic muse to sing of Canada as a future fairy-land, and her people as fairies. All the members were present, save one or two who had not as yet received free use of Hephæs tus' wagons—and a ghastly lot they were; some smiling with the hope of office or of contract; others gloomy and depressed at the remembrance of their iniquitous agents: and some again seemed totally perplexed—like the Freshman on his first day at College. There were burly farmers and sly lawyers, counts and knights, wise doctors and wealthy owners of land, editors and theologs prompted with the vain desire to maintain honesty and integrity. And when they gathered themselves together and chanted "Rosy O'Grady" and "Litoria" one thought they were Brownes. But when they set to work one knew that all were legislators, gathered for our country's weal. The pen of the Inferno could do small justice to the scene; while even the Plato or all the dialectics of Socrates could never bring to light their weighty arguments. Mark Twain would turn pale with envy, heard he the wit that was not there; lofty were the flights of humor; deep the sarcasm; dramatic were the postures; high swung their arms. Whitney himself could well take lessons in obstruction; while great Sir John would rise from the grave, knew he that ne'er with such master hand had he together held unruly forces.

The Hon. Dr. Wickett was agreed upon

as Speaker, and was borne to the easy chair by the leaders of the House. Sergeant Carso bore the mace, while Brother Cassidy acted as clerk. Premier Macdougall, supported by Sir William Alexander and Count Cobourg, had no mean foemen in Fisher, Brown and Mitchell. Lord Minto was not there to read the speech, and for certain sacred reasons But the speech was moved and seconded, in orthodox parliamentary etiquette, by the Cabinet's "youngest" minions, whose youth no doubt accounts for their transcendent flights of oratory and their innocent confidence in the honesty and competence of the Government. congratulations to the Speaker on his eleva tion drew forth a non-sarcastic smile, while Alex added unto his stature a cubit, so

unrestrainedly was he panegyrized. Then rose majestic, amid Opposition cheers, the Opposition leader. With bitter sarcasm and an exhaustive supply of humor he sketched the items of his speech. His scathing denunciation of the incompetence of the Cabinet caused those celebrities to hide their faces behind the purer pages of the Globe. He could remember when the Premier came to Parliament as an innocent, blameless youth, and his heart was pained blameless youth, and his heart was pained to see the change. Mr. Fisher had just been reading Exell's Exposition of Genesis, and so closed his spe.ch with, "By their fruits ye shall know them," in a style which any curate would give half his life to imitate. The Premier followed and was loudly cheered, but the election campaign and the

freshmen's panegyric dampened his mood, and then the dreadful Opposition did not allow him to finish his sentences, so rhetori-cally begun. He was most convinced of

Canada's prosperity.

Hot grew the fray: deep were the arguments and great the skill on either side.

The idea, the possibility of completing the City Hall in five years, drew forth the sar-casm of the opposition; it would be a death-blow to the industry of some and the genius of others, of those connected therewith.

Mr. Brown of Waterloo, thought '99 hardly deserving of assistance—their absence at the Games was conspicuous, and then again the Games was conspicuous, and then again even the Freshmen had vanquished them. Mitchell was funny, serious, full of stories from the latest edition of "Nursery Rhymes" which extreme piety forbids repetition. "Extravagance, extravagance!" he concluded, "to stake out the Georgian Research with hinds. Bay route to furnish the farmers with kind-ling." And from this the house knew that Alfy's father's farm didn't lie along the route proposed Mr. Garvey outdid himself. He discussed the finances of Newfoundland and the French Shore question, after the manner of a metaphysician. He appreciated the convenience of distributing the mail in the country, but not the expense. "Let us be cosmopolitan." said he.

But with no less weight had the ministers been parrying arguments, and rearing the solid bulwark of defence. Sir William's criticism of his opponents showed how beneficial is the study of the satires of the Romans. He intends to prohibit foreign labor, and stop the exportation of free logs. Just then the Hon. Mr. Fisher woke up—and enquired whether it was free logs or free lager—whereat with dignity becoming such a subject the worthy Premier assured him in plain English that his Government could stand any amount of the latter. The Minister of Public Works also touched lightly on the educational qualification necessary to exclude a man from the effect of the Pro-hibition Act. The Peer of the Government was there also with his arguments and reason second to none. Count Cobourg's satire was biting, and his humor original and laughable. He critized the member for Coshumenonoganos' exception to aid for class '99. He meant, he said, the member for Welland but as most of his conthe sad slip of using the wrong tongue. The Count evidently thought his fellow members were Indians too, for he came armed with an evil-looking blunderbuss of mediaeval pat-

tern, which, rumor hath it, was the very weapon with which in olden days it was customary to kill the barbaric Czars of Russia. The Count held up Class '99: "they couldn't help the broken axle of the dray they had hired for the Games, nor stem the Freshmen's cheeks." Nor were these all that spoke: there was Kylie, Flintoff and Aylesworth who wore his father's hat. Yet greatly yearned all to hear the Ministers of Agriculture and Militia ; but it was learned that of these the former was inspecting Ayrshires and Humber hogs, while the latter differing with Sir William Hardy about the art of bloody war as a factor of this world's civilization refused to sit in council with

At last after these and a multitudinous host of others, whose names are all duly re-corded in the book, had spoken wisely, the House divided. But when Fisher comes to power, there'll be no job for Cassidy, as his mathematical ability is seriously held in question, Loud were the Government cheers and large their smiles; deep care and youthful wrinkles disappeared from Alex' face when he learnt he had another lease on life. And now to close we shall expect these things, pledged as solemnly by the Ministry in consideration of support thereto: cheap railway rates, fees decreased, free lager, pure politics, and a sumptuous banquet on Friday evening next.

WYCLIFFE COLLEGE

It is our sad duty this week to record the death of Mr. W. A. Docker, who entered in to rest at his father's home, Dunwich, on Wednesday, Dec. 7th. Mr. Docker passed the third year examination in University College and his theological examination in Wycliffe College very creditably last spring but did not return this term on account of ill health. By his strength of character and earnest devotion he had gained the respect of all with whom he came in contact. He was deeply loved by his fellow students in Wycliffe and the sudden news of his death last week cast a gloom over the whole

On Friday evening last Miss Gollock, a delegate from the Church Missionary Society England, visited the College and gave a very helpful address to the students on the subject "Walking with God."

The Rev. N. I. Perry, B. A., rector of St. Thomas' Church, St. Catharines, visited the College during the early part of last week.

The regular monthly meeting of the Gleaners' Union was held in the Chapel on Monday evening of last week. A most interesting and instructive address was given by the Rev. Prof. Cody on "Personal Responsibility.'

The Students of Wycliffe College may now be said to be under self government in mat-ters concerning discipline and College regulations. This new system has been approved of by the authorities and promises to be a great success. The chief power is vested in the College Tribune who is always to be a member of the senior class and who is select ted by a representative committee from the Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen. The Tribune for the present academic year is Mr. J. H. Gibson

KNOX COLLEGE

The students of Knox had great reason last Friday evening to be proud of their representatives, Messrs. Knox and Munroe, in the public debate with Victoria. Their arguments were so clearly and forcibly brought to bear on the subject that they brought unanimous conviction to the minds of the referees that once again "Old Knox" should wear the laurel of victory. During the debate a splendid spirit of loy alty was shown by the Knoxonians who had assembled in a large body to witness the proceedings of the evening. To the good credit of the Victorians, be it said, they put up a good fight, and good-naturedly bore their defeat.

Steps have been taken to reorganize the Rink Stock Company, so that Knox may hope to have a first-class rink this winter. Let every student see to it that the College has his support in early having good ice and a substantial hockey A few men can't do all the work, while the rest are ready only when the ice is

Prof. McFadyen was unfortunate enough to lose his household effects by the recent loss of one of the ocean steamers

Many hearts are anxiously anticipating the evening of the 16th, when the corridors and rooms of Knox will dazzle with the splendor of many pretty graces.

Thanks to the lady friends of the College for their timely donation of downy pillows for the sleeping couches, however hard the world may seem, there'll still be one of the soft spots whereon to rest.

At the last meeting of the Missionary Society Messrs. Burch and Armstrong gave interesting accounts of their work and experience on their mission fields during the past summer. The Society Executive Committee have been active in arranging for thorough campaign work during the Xmas

In Hamilton last Sunday Mr. A. H. Mc-Gillivray, M.A., represented the Students' Missionary Society in Knox, Erskine, and Central Presbyterian Churches.

Mr. E. H. A. Watson, 'oo, was a guest in the dining hall last Thursday evening.

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OSGOODE HALL NEWS

The Osgood Rugby Football Club's annual meeting, which was held in the Rossin House on Saturday, December 3rd. was red hot from start to finish and ended up in a large-sized row, without the election of officers. No business whatever was accomplished except the adoption of the Treasurer's report. The trouble was over the election of Manager, and as the meeting grew too hot, and no one could be heard, Vice-president Smith declared the meeting adjourned until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at Osgoole Hall. Accordingly the students filled the Hall on Thursday morning, and the following officers were elected:—Honorable President, Mr. Justice elected:—Honorable President, Mr. Justice Rose; President, G. W. Harcourt; 1st Vice-president, Wm. H. Smith; 2nd Vice-president, A. S. Boddy: 3rd Vice-president, F. K. Johnston; Manager, A. F. Healy; Secretary-Treasurer, F. W. Martin; First year Cummitteeman, W. B. Kingsmill; 2nd year, J. L. Counsell; 3rd, A. C. Kingstone. was decided to enter the Inter-College League to play a purely student team in 1899. The office of Captain will be filled by the executive, at a future date. Messrs. Healy and Martin were elected delegates to the O.R.F.U. Tim Healy, the Manager, will certainly make different arrangements.

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Last Friday's meeting of the Literary Society being concerned with the Mock Parliament, the usual routine business received very short shrift. The members exercised their franchise in the appointment of representatives to various dinners, de-bates, etc., at sister institutions. Mr. A. L. Burch received the appointment of official diner at the McMaster Xmas dinner. Mr. John Patterson will be Varsity's representative at the Knox conversat. men who will bear our standard at the McGill debate are Messrs: T. O. Russell and F. W. Anderson, while R. J. McAlpine and R. S. Laidlaw will perform a like office at the forthcoming Queen's-Varsity debate.

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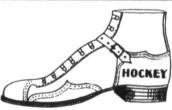
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