Whatever our theological views as to the state of the heathen, no one will deny that they are "perishing for lack of knowledge," and our indifference on the matter is lamentable—doubly so as Queen's is supposed to be a centre of missionary activity. Several students, both in Arts and Medicine, volunteered for the foreign field.

On last Friday night the annual reception was given the First Year Classes. This has now become so established a custom that every one looks to it as a matter of course—especially does the freshmen look to it with mingled fear and joy—and this one was in no way inferior to its predecessors.

The whole building was suitably arranged for the occasion, much to the disgust of John. who has serious intentions on vetoing all future receptions and conversaziones. The benches in Convocation Hall gave place to tables with chairs grouped about them and the place, if not homelike, was at least more inviting than in its every day dress. In the Divinity room Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Dyde and other ladies received the new students, who were then ushered into Convocation Hall, where most of the company was assembled, and introductions were given on all hands.

At half-past eight the chair was taken by James R. Fraser, President of the Arts' Association, who, in a few words, welcomed the guests, pointing out the aim of the reception. R. S. Minnes, M.A., President of the Medical Association, followed with a brief address of welcome and spoke of the wider work of Queen's now including the Royal. greater part of the evening was spent in social chat and promenading to the music of the orchestra; but an excellent programme of vocal music was also given at intervals. The solos of Misses Griffiith and McCartney and Mr. Lavell, and the choruses by a double quartette of students, were all well received, the solos being all encored.

Later in the evening Prof. McNaughton (and he assured them it was a very easy thing to do) gave the students some good advice. He spoke with evident satisfaction of that marked feature of our college—the good will existing between students and faculty. After a pleasant and, we trust, profitable evening the company broke up at eleven o'clock.

## LEVANA SOCIETY.

After a close and exciting contest, but, be it known to all male voters, without any "bribery or corruption," the following returns from the Levana elections have been posted up:—

Hon. Pres.—Miss Connell, B.A. President—Miss McManus. Vice Pres.—Miss Murray. Secretary—Miss Menish. Treasurer—Miss Dupuis. Critics—Misses Marty and Fraser. Curators—Misses Barr and Rose.

The retiring officers of the Levana Society will give an "At Home" to the girls in the Girls' Reading Room on Wednesday afternoon, from 5 to 6 o'clock, after which the new officers will be duly installed in office.

We note with pleasure the increased number of young ladies who have entered the Freshman class this year. It is a good augury, too, for their future status that so many of them are Honour matriculants, and well prepared for the work before them.

Of the graduates of '92 Miss Donovan is teaching in Bedford Mills; Miss Beveridge in a ladies' college in Montreal; and Miss Connell in Hamilton Ladies' College.

The Y. W. C. A. reception, held at Miss Allen's, Division street, was a very pleasant affair. Nearly all the lady students were in attendance. An enjoyable programme was rendered, and all present enjoyed the evening most thoroughly.

We were glad to see Miss Hattie Baker, M.A., at the reception Friday night, and to learn of her complete restoration to health.

We welcome back among us again Miss Thompson and Miss Smith ('93), who were most unfortunately prevented from attending last year on account of ill health.

Miss Carrie Wilson, B.A., '91, is taking classes.

Miss Chase, a 'Varsity student, visited Queen's on Monday last. She expressed herself as being well pleased with the condition of things in Queen's, and thinks it compares quite favorably with Toronto.

So we are to have a Young Ladies' College in the city. Will that satisfy the writer who last year took an interest in the problem of fitting woman for her proper sphere?