

head was to be emptied of its contents and stuffed with republican brains"; and he considers the plan whereby the great mass of the population should rule, instead of being ruled by, the few wealthy members, as "a reversion of the political pyramid which no reasonable man could entertain." The essayist touched briefly upon Head's quixotic conduct during the Rebellion of 1837, and of his recall.

The essay showed careful preparation, and gave some valuable information about this period of Canadian history. The Canadian people may regard Head's administration, his absurd views and visionary projects, with good-natured ridicule; but, for a man whose intentions were good, and whose motives were pure, he managed to do about as much harm to this country as one man can accomplish.

WOMEN AT VARSITY.

To the Editor of THE VARSITY:

DEAR SIR,—I wish to make a few observations concerning the ladies at Varsity, a subject of ever-growing interest and importance. It is by no means without diffidence I request a small portion of your space, not because the subject mentioned would not justify it, but because I shall probably not put my case strongly enough.

You must know that there has always been a strong element opposed out-and-out to the presence of ladies at Varsity, an element firm in its adhesion to the theory,—

Man for the field and woman for the hearth,  
Man for the sword and for the needle she,  
Man to command and woman to obey,  
All else confusion.

This old theory was naturally overthrown, and French boots covering blue stockings began to tread the virgin corridors. At first it was not so bad. The female students never thought of speaking to those of the opposite sex in the halls, or of any other equally improper proceedings; they knew their proper place and kept it. "Then came a change, and such a change." Ladies speak to their friends wherever their sweet will dictates; they permit escorts to accompany them to the very doors of learning's home, and some of the fresher of the freshwomen have even gone so far as to —, but I cannot declare it. These things are not as they should be. We do not come to Varsity to learn the art of flirtation, or some other art equally nonsensical and contemptible. We do not even come to learn how to escort a skirted undergraduate to a church or a concert, as some of our men are beginning, or rather have begun, to do. We come to be ready to take our place in life as men when we shall leave its hallowed precincts. Perhaps the men who thronged our college of old were less polished and urbane than the *jeunesse dorée* we turn out to-day; but they certainly were more rugged and better equipped for life's battles, than the half-educated foplings who will soon begin to graduate under the present order of things.

If a few of the men are so deluded as not to see the demoralizing effects liable to issue from the closer co-relations of the sexes, it is to be hoped the ladies, for their own position's sake, will discourage the proceedings we have alluded to. There are many other and more unkind things which I shall not ask you to publish at present, but which may be forthcoming, if no improvement is made on the present modes of conduct. Hopefully yours,

Toronto, Feb. 6, 1892. OLD ROMAN.

[We wish to draw the attention of our readers to the following item on the sixth page: "We are not responsible for the opinions expressed in our correspondence column." —ED.]

The University of Pennsylvania has regularly organized yelling squads.

THE MEDICAL FACULTY.

To the Editor of THE VARSITY:

Since the restoration of the Medical Faculty of the University a great deal has been said about its efficiency, and the maintenance of this deserved reputation should be the aim alike of Faculty and students.

That it is looked upon as one of the best institutions of its kind in the country is shown by the large freshmen classes annually formed, and yet many things in our course are not as they should be. Our fees are numerous—some large, some small, and some of them so petty as to be unworthy of a great university; and in some cases we get no adequate return for our money.

The particular case I wish to refer to at present is that of our practical chemistry class. We are supposed to devote two hours every week to this important branch, but generally one-half of this time is frittered away in making preparations which, it seems to us, could very well be made beforehand. The delay in starting makes a delay in closing, and a consequent delay in our appearance at the following lecture, which is justly annoying to the lecturer and that half of the class which is there before us.

Again, in this department, above all others, *systematic* work is necessary, but in this class there is no system, except that which each student hammers out for himself amid the rattle of test tubes, with an occasional word of advice from our genial professor or his assistant.

The writer of this article does not consider it his duty or his place to propose ways and means to the Faculty, but considers that while the fees in this department remain as high as they are at present, he and his fellow students have a right to efficient instruction.

(Signed) MAX.

UNIVERSITY CALENDAR.

NOTE.—Contributions to this column must be received before Saturday night. The secretaries of the different societies are requested to furnish us with definite but very concise information as to the time and place of meeting.

TUESDAY, FEB. 16TH.

Philosophical Society of '93.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 4 p.m.  
Philosophical Society of '94.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 17TH.

Y.W.C.A. Meeting.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 4 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Bible Class.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEB. 18TH.

Y.M.C.A. Meeting.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 5 p.m.  
Mathematical and Physical Society.—"Trigonometrical Expansion," by W. Gillespie, '93; "Experiments in Chromatic Polarisation of Light," by C. A. Chant, B.A. Room 16, 3.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEB. 19TH.

College Glee Club.—Entertainment. Horticultural Pavilion, 8 p.m.  
Ladies' Glee Club.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 1 p.m.  
College Glee Club.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 4 p.m.  
Literary Society.—Postponed on account of Glee Club Entertainment. Y.M.C.A. Hall, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEB. 20TH.

Ladies' Literary Society.—Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7.30 p.m.  
Regular University Lecture.—"Corals and Coral Islands," Professor Ramsay Wright, M.A., B.Sc. University Hall, 3 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEB. 21ST.

Bible Class.—"The Uproar at Ephesus," Acts, xix. 23-41. Rev. J. P. Sheraton, D.D. Wycliffe College, 3 p.m.

MONDAY, FEB. 22ND.

Modern Language Club.—"English Lady Novelists." Essays: Charlotte Brontë, Jane Austen and Miss Mulock. Y.M.C.A. Hall, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEB. 23RD.

Classical Association.—(a) "Horace, and his Influence on succeeding Literature," W. L. Naines; (b) "Horace's Views on Philosophy and Religion," H. J. Sissons, '94; (c) "Horace's Relations with Augustus and Mæcenas," L. A. Green, '94. Y.M.C.A. Hall, 4 p.m.  
Natural Science Association.—Chemical Lecture Room, 4 p.m.

The University of Colorado is building a new Scientific Hall, to cost \$50,000.