

Y. M. C. A.

Notwithstanding the multiplication of Student Societies to such an extent that there will soon be as many Societies as there are students in the University, the Y. M. C. A. continues to come in for a fair share of patronage and, all things considered, is meeting with encouraging success in its work. Especially can this be said of the regular Sunday afternoon meetings for Bible study. A series of Studies in the Book of Genesis constitutes the general subject of the present year, and already a number of topics of both theoretical and practical interest have been ably handled by the leader and intelligently discussed by various members of the class. On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 14th, a special missionary meeting was held under the auspices of the Missionary Committee of the Association, when the Rev. John McNicol, B.A., a graduate of the University of Toronto, made a forceful presentation of the cause of the Canadian Colleges' Mission, in which it is desired to interest the christian students of "Old McGill" and through them as many as possible of the other educational institutions in Eastern Canada. Mr. McNicol tellingly described the origin and object and *modus operandi* of the mission in question, and his words should go far to convince all who heard him of the duty and privilege combined in being actively interested in the work of Christ in the "regions beyond." It is earnestly hoped that they will issue in something definite and tangible on the part of the local association before many days have passed.

On every hand there are gratifying evidences that the students are coming more and more to regard the Association building as their own. It is being used this fall as never before. On a recent Friday afternoon, everyone of the four apartments that make up the quarters in use was occupied with a gathering of some sort, and various student organizations are beginning to make application for the use of the rooms for their periodical meetings. On Saturday evenings, especially, there are always many present, for then, in particular, social gatherings are being held that are meeting with very distinct approval. A crokinole tournament has been started and is well under way, which is exciting considerable interest among those who play. Others prefer to engage in games of chess and draughts or halma and parcheesi and a few occasionally play the piano. Refreshments are served about

half past nine, and altogether a pretty jolly time is put in. In addition to the students who are always welcome (and, by the way, need not ring the bell), should the eye of any friend or supporter of the Association, not a student, chance to light upon this paragraph, we should be pleased to have him consider himself personally invited to drop in and see us on the very next Saturday evening or on any other that may be more convenient.

A. H. G.

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The regular meeting of the Y. W. C. A. of Nov. 10th was in charge of Miss Sever, and a very interesting paper was read on the temporal blessings of following Christ.

The Y. W. C. A. meeting of Nov. 17th was addressed by Miss J. Ogilvy, B.A., taking as her subject "The Circle of Duty." The different points of our duty to ourselves and to others were discussed in a most instructive and impressive manner, and an earnest plea was made for the doing of duty because it is a beautiful thing to do, not merely because we feel we must.

MCGILL UNDERGRADUATES' MEDICAL SOCIETY.

A most enthusiastic meeting of this Society was held on Friday, the 5th.

The presence of Prof. Shepherd, the Hon. Pres., added an additional feature to the regular programme. The papers were:—

1. "Gonorrhoea in the Male," by S. M. Dickson, B.A.
2. "Paranoia," by F. T. Tooke, B.A.
3. "Differences in Blood for Different Groups of Animals," by G. E. M. Carnwath.

The discussion on treatment in the first paper and of noted Paranoics in the second was interesting and profitable. Mr. Carnwath's paper was a study of the gradual evolution of the highest mammalian blood from the respiratory and nutritive processes of the Amoeba.

Mr. Tooke's paper dealt with the features of this form of insanity, and, beside the use of local instances, the cases of Guiteau, Prendergrast and Louis Riel were cited as well-known instances of the frequent termination of the fully developed disease.

Prof. Shepherd spoke after the programme and related instances in his own experience illustrating points brought out by the papers.

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