

most excellent paper on "Leaders." He dwelt on the necessity of having leaders whose Christian character was such as to have won the respect of the students. A helpful paper on "Music" was given by Mr. F. W. Anderson, of University College Association. The discussion following these papers was actively engaged in by the students present. A conference on college methods was conducted by Mr. Millar, of New York, in which many useful suggestions were offered.

On Friday afternoon a paper on "Ideal Relationships between City and College Associations" was given by Mr. Fraser, of Queen's, and was followed by a spirited discussion, in which members of both college and city associations took part. On that evening, at the largest meeting of the convention, the report of the college conference was given and its work brought plainly before the large audience. Again on Sunday evening in Zion church, where the closing meeting of the convention was held, Mr. Millar, of New York, gave an address entirely on college work at home and abroad. These facts, together with the election of a college man to a vice-presidency of the convention, the hearty reception given to the student delegates whenever they took part in the discussions, and the evident desire to get information about college work, all show an increasing interest in this branch of association effort. We trust that the interest will continue to grow.

Among points of interest to be noted were the bible studies, by Rev. Elmore Harris, of Toronto; the address on railroad work, by J. F. Moore, of New York; and on the handling of meetings by Frank Ober, of Chicago. An excellent address on "The Young Men's Christian Association, a Right Hand to the Church," was given by Rev. C. H. Kimball, of Aylmer. There were other valuable addresses and papers too numerous to mention.

Of the points on which particular stress was laid we may mention the making of all meetings and services greater sources of spiritual power, the emphasizing of missionary work and personal work, especially in college associations, and greater stress on Bible study. The business committee reported advising the appointment of a travelling secretary for the college, and accepting the resignation of Mr. Cole, the provincial travelling secretary, the resignation to take effect next September.

#### '98'S AT HOME.

On the afternoon of Feb. 4th there was a hurrying to and fro among the members of the senior year in Arts. The happy state of hopeful anticipation was nearing the border-land of pleasurable realization, and during Friday afternoon the final artistic touches were given to Convocation Hall,

and carefully the committee felt the pulse beat of the proposed entertainment for '98's At Home.

When the doors opened at 8 o'clock in the evening, and over one hundred joyous hearts passed within the walls of their beloved Alma Mater, so perfect was the preparation, and so "at home" was everybody, that indeed it might be said, "All went merry as a marriage bell."

The programme was suitable to the occasion, and echoed the spirit which pervaded all. Everybody, glad to meet, joyous and light-hearted; all spirits aglow with the inspiration of college life, and subtly stirred by that peculiar and indefinable affinity which is the admirable and magnetic feature of the *esprit de corps* of Queen's! Add to this all the mysterious halos which gather round the number "98," and you can catch, perhaps, the nature of the spirit which brooded over the senior year's "At Home."

The concert, which was a rich treat, was brought to a fitting close by an overture from the 14th Batt. orchestra, whose sweet strains made the hearts of all beat faster, and all longed to tread the halls in harmony of numbers (which is two), and let the music steal into their ears, while words were breathed forth expressive of the symphony of hearts which beat as one.

When the promenade was in progress the English class-room door swung open wide, and thence issued forth an inviting aroma which told of dainty things within. Instinctively we entered, and for a moment thought we had been transported to some sunny fairy land, where ice-cream grew in spite of the rays of the summer sun, and sweet delicacies of every kind stole quietly, where they might play in epicurean delight upon the palates of the ærial inhabitants.

Our idea of fairyland, however, was somewhat changed by beholding the magnitude of the presiding spirit who bountifully dealt out the delicacies. Still we are yet in doubt, for if it is true, as is said in these later days, that "all the angels have big feet," who can say whether or not that portly figure was a genial city caterer or in very truth some "Epicurus' own son" returned to earth for the occasion. Quickly the time sped on, till at the hour of midnight the mellow rays of the silvery moonlight glistening in purity on the frosty snow enticed the majority to wend their way towards home. A fun-loving number of us still remained to finish this happy evening in devoting a short time to our beloved goddess Terpsichore. So with fantastic touch we while away an hour of fleeting time, and then we, too, left the enchanted halls, thinking many kind things of '98.