

## Graduates' Column.

The first copy of the MCGILL FORTNIGHTLY reached me a few days ago, and I was pleased at seeing it bob up serenely once more to delight its hundreds of readers throughout Canada and the United States; for I have no doubt the publishers send it to every graduate whose address is known, and it is to be hoped that they all send in their subscription fees promptly, and I think, at least, I can safely say that British Columbia graduates pay promptly in advance as they are distinguished for their enthusiasm in all things emanating from McGill.

The FORTNIGHTLY should be a welcome visitor in the household of every graduate of the University who can afford to have such a luxury, and those of them who are forced from circumstances to live less ostentatiously ought to find much in its pages to brighten their existence and cheer their solitude by reminding them of former associations. It is to be desired that this year graduates from all parts of the country will write articles for it and thus make it a medium of communication between the alumni scattered as they are over all the North American Continent. Items of news concerning the graduates are always pleasant reading, except indeed in the case of obituary notices, which, alas, cannot always be avoided.

McGill is well represented in British Columbia. There are in the close vicinity of 75 graduates, the largest proportion of them being Medical and Applied Science men. The new towns which have sprung up in the mining districts of the Kootenay have opened up fresh fields for these two classes of graduates. The Arts department is also pretty well represented, most of the members of this Faculty being engaged in teaching, and one of the Donaldas, Miss Rosalind Watson, has made herself quite distinguished in Victoria for her ripe scholarship, refined manners and great ability in imparting knowledge in the Girls' School in the Capital. She has recently, I believe, been promoted to the staff of the High School of that

city. I may say she is the only Donaldas, to my knowledge, in the Province at the present time.

All our people are enrolled in the McGill Graduates' Society, which is in a very flourishing condition. Dr. Simon I. Tunstall, the President, was in Montreal this summer attending the meeting of the British Medical Association, and while in that city met a great many of his old college chums, some of them now being governors of the University and others occupying distinguished places in Medicine and Law. He has come back full of enthusiasm, and at the next annual meeting of the Society will endeavor to impart some of his warmth and glow to the members in the address which he is preparing to deliver on that occasion. It is confidently expected that a great turn-out of the graduates will make the gathering in New Westminster on the first Tuesday in January after the New Year such a one as the importance of the occasion will demand.

At the annual meeting, too, the question of establishing an annual scholarship on a more satisfactory basis than it is at present will be discussed.

I notice that the Applied Science men in the Slocan District are going to have a Reunion some time soon in Slocan City or Sandon. The Science men are full of zeal in the cause of their Alma Mater, and I wish them a good time at their gathering. I may mention a few of the Science men in the Kootenay who are making themselves conspicuous by their industry, energy and ability. They are Messrs. J. C. Gwillin, W. S. Johnson, Slocan city; J. M. McGregor, C. H. Ellacott and F. A. Wilkin, Rossland; H. W. Mussen, of Sandon, and many others whose names are not remembered at the present moment.

Mr. B. W. Suter is among the recent arrivals on the Coast, and is at present on the staff of the Methodist College in New Westminster.

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