

the forms of successive classes of "boding tremblers," laughing with "counterfeited glee," and proving the immortality of Goldsmith's characterization.

The Moderns room remains unchanged, perennial in its dinginess. If it be an accepted canon of criticism that to appreciate a writer we must get ourselves as far as possible into his atmosphere and environment, is it not demanding rather much from one's imagination to ask it to soar from that dingy, low-ceiled attic to *La Belle France*, sunny Italy, or the vine-clad slopes of the Rhine? When the new building is erected let it include suitable quarters for the modern language classes.

Similar objections might be urged against the Apologetics class room, although here there are certain mitigating circumstances. The men who congregate here are entering a profession which naturally calls them away from the things of earth. Moreover, Divinity students slope classes so persistently that none was ever known to suffer from the effects of poor ventilation, while some are even said to contain wind enough to keep them going a full hour.

Descending to the second floor we take a peep into the Hebrew lecture room, which faces towards Jerusalem. Have you ever noticed the individuality of a class room? It is almost as distinct as that of a person. Who can go into this room with its ark-like desk and its dignified appearance without feeling that the "yod" and "tittle" have assumed an importance and potency that could not belong to them if dissociated from that environment. The very atmosphere seems to be a tonic to one's orthodoxy.

The Mathematics room, too, has an individuality born of the purpose to which it is devoted. Go into it and sit down, even when not a mark remains on the blackboard to suggest mathematical problems, and in five minutes you will be involved in the process of solving mentally some more or less difficult problem in numbers. Did you ever hear a class of students sing in this room? Now take the so-called English class-room whose individuality has been destroyed by the various uses to which it is put. History, English Literature, Political Science, Greek Literature, Philosophy and other subjects have been taught there, until the room has no more individuality than a trolley car. Hence it is that it lends itself readily to any occasion, and here more frequently than in any other room you will hear snatches of song from the students between classes. Here then is a problem for some of our psychologists. Who will explain this phenomenon? Is it entirely subjective?

Increased locker accommodation has been secured, although it is at the expense of the appearance of the place, by extending two double rows of lockers from the door of the ladies' waiting-room across the open space towards the main stairway. The ladies are thus compelled to walk in the straight and narrow way, while a partial relief is secured from the crowding in their small waiting-room. But should next year bring an increased class of ladies, or should Dame Fashion decree still more exaggerated sleeves for her votaries, the problem of university extension of a material kind will become pressing. It is generally considered as axiomatic that the container is greater than the contained, but when a pair of sleeves thirty inches wide, together with the cloak that belongs to them, can be stowed in a locker only fourteen inches wide, there seems to be something wrong with the axiom.

Another indication of the healthy growth of Queen's is seen in the enlargement of the old chemistry room for the accommodation of the classes in Junior Philosophy and Junior English. This is now the largest class-room in the arts building, and is used for A.M.S., Y.M.C.A. and other public meetings of students. But it will afford only temporary relief, and we are fast approaching the time when the erection of a new building must be undertaken.

To those interested in the coming conference of the Theological Alumni we wish to make the following announcement: The lectures on the Philosophy of Religion of Kant and Hegel are postponed till next session, and, in their place, Professor Watson proposes to give a critical estimate of A. J. Balfour's "Foundations of Belief," a work which has excited a good deal of comment. It is requested that those who propose to attend this session will make themselves familiar with the substance of Mr. Balfour's book.

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Some of our graduates have left us and gone to the country which is towards the south, but unlike Naomi of Old Testament history, they go out full and will come back fuller.

S. A. Mitchell, M.A., takes a post-graduate course at Johns Hopkins'.

E. Ryerson goes to Clark University, Worcester, Mass.

F. A. McRae is with us once again, and receives with affectionate embrace and caress all his old acquaintances.

Of those who have returned perhaps none have received a more royal reception than "Sporty" McNab. His presence ought to be an inspiration to the foot-ballers.