


Arts and to spin Greek and Latin verbs by the yard, if he is unable to write an extended article without grievous errors in construction and punctuation, not to mention inelegancies, which might be avoided, had due consideration previously been given to the genius of his native speech. It may be urged, and not without weight, that the work of the common and high schools should cover this ground. Granted that it should; the programme of the college should make such demands upon the student's literary knowledge and care that the possibility of completing the prescribed course without the possession of these fundamental principles would be precluded. No one should be allowed to carry away the seal of his Alma Mater until he has made wide and profound acquaintance with the principles of English and its grand and inspiring literature.

The Year's Operations of the Y. M. C. A.

GAIN the time has come for the appointment of new officers and committees in the Y. M. C. A. Thus

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new,

And God fulfils himself in many ways,

Lest one good custom should corrupt the world."


The Associational work for the year ended April 15th, was more than ordinarily successful—a fact due in no small measure, to the ability and faithfulness of the officers. No special interest resulting in the number of conversions that could have been desired, was manifested, yet the standard of Christian living has been high, and devotion to religious matters, uniform. The various meetings throughout the year—even those for business were well attended—have been helpful without exception, and their degree of interest which invited the attendance of a large percentage of the entire body of students has been beyond the average. The president for 1897-'98, Mr. I. A. Corbett, has been very faithful and energetic and has done much to aid in the fulfilment of the Society's mission. At the request of the Association we gladly publish the following resolution unanimously adopted at the yearly business meeting:—

Whereas we are at the close of a most prosperous year in the history of our Society: and

Whereas very much of this success is due to the noble zeal and devotion of our retiring President: therefore

Resolved that the Society express its tender appreciation of our brother's faithfulness in the discharge of his duties, and best wishes for future usefulness in the work to which the Master may call him.

Mock Parliament.

N the evening of March 26th, the ATHENÆUM Society organized itself into a Mock Parliament. A division of the house resulted in a majority in favor of Liberal-Conservative principles.