

too?" "My wife killed, too?" "All my pretty ones? did you say all?" Gradually, however, we find his soul-anguish overcome with a passionate desire for revenge. Nor must we wonder at this, even in 'the good Macduff.' Even at the present time, in spite of the civilizing and Christianizing influences of a thousand years, what revengeful feelings would such a tragedy call forth! How much more in those savage times, "when might was right," and when "blood and destruction were so in use." At first, as revenge is commingling with sorrow, we find the exclamation—"O hell-kite"—interjected between two of the mournful questions alluded to above; and when hatred against the murderer of his kindred has become all-absorbing, and he has recommended his loved ones to the mercy of heaven, he gives full expression to those feelings, which only become more and more fierce until he meets and slays the tyrant, in the almost sublimely fierce words:

"Gentle heavens,
Cut short all intermission; front to front
Bring thou this fiend of Scotland and myself;
Within my sword's length set him; if he scape,
Heaven forgive him, too!"

In the final scene of the play, at the close of the battle, we find him bringing into the presence of young Malcolm, whom he loyally hails as king, Macbeth's accursed head, as a ghastly evidence that his 'great revenge' had been complete.

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*We wish it to be distinctly understood that the JOURNAL does not commit itself in any way to the sentiments which may be expressed in this department.

QUEENSMEN AS TEACHERS.

To the Editor of the Journal:

SIR,—In your report of the speeches at the graduating class dinner you scarcely do justice to Mr. Knight. You say:—"Mr. J. McLeod, in proposing "Our Graduates," hinted that the sons of Queen's seemed able to find their way to all places, civilized and uncivilized. Replies were made by Messrs. Knight and Givens, the former of whom said that the graduates of Queen's won distinction in Medicine, Law and Theology, but seemed comparatively deficient as teachers." Mr. Knight was understood to say that few of the graduates of Queen's found their way into the teaching profession—either in schools or colleges. He pointed out that school trustees frequently asked for applications from graduates of Toronto University, thinking apparently the scholarship of Queen's men defective. He said also that it might be inferred that the trustees of Queen's entertained a similar opinion, inasmuch as only one graduate of their Alma Mater had been appointed on the college staff, although six vacancies had been filled on it within as many years. He found no fault with the college trustees for doing so, but accepted

it as a stinging but no doubt righteous judgment silently passed upon the deficient scholarship of all former graduates, as well as upon the professors who taught them.

Yours, &c.,

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

COLLEGE SOCIETIES.

DIALECTIC CLUB.

ACTING upon the suggestion of Professor Watson, the members of the society are making an effort to found a library, and are meeting with encouraging success. A large number of standard works have been ordered from England, and others have been presented by friends, so that an excellent beginning has been made. The room formerly used by the Principal,—who very kindly transferred it to the society—has been furnished with book-case, table, chairs, and all necessary articles and is now used by members, as a study. It is exceedingly convenient.

At recent meetings, essays were read by Messrs A. L. Smith, P. M. Pollock B. A., and G. Y. Chown. Interesting discussions followed. The "Question Drawer" is also an excellent feature in the regular programme—one which is much appreciated.

Y. M. C. A.

THE regular monthly business meeting was held in Divinity Hall, Saturday, January 20th at 10 a. m.

The Corresponding Secretary reported that he had received the College Vacation Tickets, had supplied them to all who had asked for them before the vacation, and was ready to furnish them to any members who might still desire them. He had received a communication from Toronto University Y.M.C.A. with a programme of their religious meetings.

Convener of Religious Work Committee reported that a room had been procured on Ontario Street, in a central place, and suggested that the Association should furnish it and begin the work at once in this part of the city. Accordingly the committee were authorized to furnish the room and begin the meetings at once.

The Treasurer announced the financial state of the Association, showing that if the work undertaken was to be carried out successfully a large addition must be made to the funds. It was suggested that the members of the Association ask a few of their friends in the city for subscriptions in aid of the work. Two reasons were given for adopting such a course.

1st. The Association was to some extent doing the work of a city Y. M. C. A., and thus had some claim upon the Christian citizens.

2nd. The noble manner in which a number of the prominent citizens had come forward and gladly offered to meet the expenses in connection with the evangelistic services in the Opera House, proved that they would deem it a pleasure to give a little help to the Y.M.C.A. in the other departments of its work.