

much of precious time to see the Club through, and hope that too many calls may not be made on their indulgence between now and May. The Glee Club also deserve great praise both for their willingness to appear and their splendid selections.

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We have finally decided not to publish Ralph Connor's article. It is rather long for a normal issue of VARSITY, and moreover is an unpublished chapter of the "Sky Pilot," which would thus necessitate a thorough knowledge of the book to understand the characters in the story. As it is we find very great pressure on our columns at the hands of undergraduates, but the story will shortly appear in the *Westminster*, the editor of which attends to most of Mr. Gordon's MSS.

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The students generally will be pleased to learn that the net proceeds of the Greek play were \$540.15.

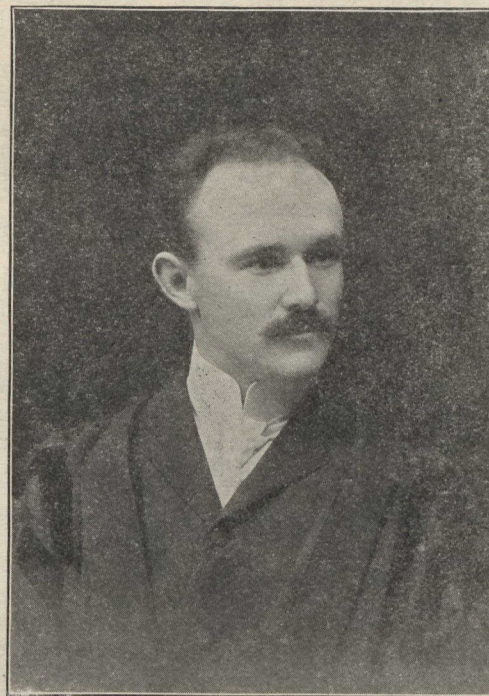
UNDERGRADUATE CLUB CONCERT.

The concert of the Undergraduate Club came off last Tuesday evening in Massey Hall. A program of a high standard of excellence was presented, and the audience, which, doubtless, would have been much larger if the date of the concert had not fallen in a week especially marked by the number of good entertainments, thoroughly enjoyed it. Mrs. Fisk made her first appearance in Toronto, rendering a well chosen selection of songs, in a style which elicited many flattering comments from the local press. Mr. Owen Smiley fully sustained his reputation as a popular entertainer. Reference is made in another part of VARSITY to the Glee Club. The promoters of the Undergraduate Club are congratulated on having provided us with such an excellent entertainment; it is only to be regretted that their zealous efforts did not meet with a better financial return.

POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB.

At the meeting of the Political Science Club, held on February 21, the reports of the club's excursions to several industrial establishments during the Michaelmas term, and the essays which embodied the results of summer economic studies by students of this department were read and discussed. For the best essay or report a prize of \$5 had been donated by the club. A very able and exhaustive essay on the Patrons of Industry, written by F. H. Phipps, '02, was judged the winner. "The Manufacture of Clothing in Hamilton" was the subject of an essay by Mr. Clappison, '02, a summary of which he gave in a brief speech. The importance of scientific farming as suggested by the excursion to Dentonia Farm was emphasized by Mr. Chapman, '01. A sketch of the pork packing industry in Ontario, based on the inspection of the works of the Davies Co., was the subject of a paper by Mr. Moore, '02; and Mr. Darling, '03, briefly reported on the visit to Taylor's soap works.

Prof. Mavor very favorably commented on the papers read, and expressed himself as gratified at the results of the excursions which had been arranged by Dr. Wickett. He suggested that it might be a good plan for the Political Science Club to take steps to have essays of value published in the University Studies. Dr. S. Morley Wickett also expressed himself as gratified at the results, and emphasized the value of summer economic work as connecting theory with practice.



R. J. YOUNGE, '02, WINNER OF ORATORICAL CONTEST.

THE ORATORY CONTEST.

"With a dashing sea of eloquence between which flowed all free."

The second annual Oratory contest was held in the Students' Union on Friday evening last, and the brilliancy of that function will linger long in student story. Precisely at 8 o'clock President S. Casey Wood, LL.B., opened the meeting with a neat address during which he announced the winning of the trophy for inter-year debating had been awarded to the "first year gentlemen" and would be presented very shortly. He said that he was glad to see so many in attendance. The orations would be judged by allowing one-third each for language, matter and oratory. The Hon. Mr. Justice Moss and Hon. A. S. Hardy were present as judges and Father Teefy was unavoidably absent.

Mr. Sadleir, '04, opened the program with a pleasing solo.

The first speaker of the evening was Mr. A. L. Howard, '01, taking as his subject, "The Value of a University to Society." He showed careful preparation and an appreciative grasp of the topic. From the first concentric circle around the man, that of the home influence, he pictured the ever-widening ones, till the individual stood the centre of an area of influence, extending in politics, religion and business far beyond the horizon. A slight hesitancy at times, the similarity of gestures used for varying themes, and a slight inarticulation, detracted some from the effect of the speaker who felt what he had to say was of vital importance.

Following him was Mr. H. T. Coleman, '01, whose manner of introduction at once impressed the audience of his unimpassioned command of a difficult subject, "The Relation of Literature to Canadian National Life." He approached his subject in a truly philosophical manner; and laid no undue claims of superior attainments, but as one who had studied the subject as much as circumstances would admit. "Plato, the Philosopher, influences us to-day more than Pericles, the Legistor," said he while carefully developing this idea of the supremacy of literature