

Our Christmas dinner was a success in every way. Both the menu and the speeches were excellent. Mr. McDonald made a most efficient master of ceremonies, and in a very happy way introduced the several speakers of the evening.

The toast to McMaster University was proposed by Mr. A. White, who pointed out that a dream which the chairman of the Arts Faculty had related four years ago in respect to the successful future of the institution had come true; he also paid a noble tribute to its founder. Mr. H. C. Priest responded on behalf of the students, and voiced truly their loyalty to their alma mater; Dr. Rand spoke on behalf of the Faculties.

As each member of the different staffs received some well-deserved word of praise, it was greeted with applause by the students and assembled friends. All were made to feel that with men of such scholarly attainments, and Christian character in the service of McMaster, failure is an impossibility.

The toast to sister Universities was well sustained by Prof. Trotter, and replied to in characteristic speeches, by Mr. W. S. McLay, of Toronto; Mr. C. B. Freeman, of Acadia; and Mr. T. Doolittle, of Manitoba.

Our new Professor, J. H. Farmer, B.A., was eulogized in most fitting terms by Mr. A. N. Frith. The response was a noble and helpful one, full of brotherly affection and Christian sincerity.

Mr. C. J. Cameron had the pleasing duty of expressing the sentiments of the students to our Steward and Matron. It was praise in unstinted measure, and well they deserved it, for they are worthy. The prolonged applause of the students spoke their approbation with no uncertain sound.

The Freshman classes and married students were proposed by Messrs. B. W. Merrill and T. Murduck respectively, in a witty way as is customary; and were responded to by Mr. C. Matthews in a concise speech for the Arts; by Mr. Therrien in a brilliant portrayal of the future history of his class-mates, for the Theological Class; and by Mr. Bennett in a setting forth of the blessings of the matrimonial state, on behalf of his fraternity. After singing "God Save the Queen" we separated, hoping to meet again on similar occasions.

WOODSTOCK COLLEGE.

THE SPIRIT OF THE COLLEGE.—Never has a more beautiful spirit of harmony and good feeling possessed a school than is now to be found in Woodstock College. It surely speaks well for the government of the Institution, when one hundred and thirty or forty boys, of different persuasions and temperaments, can live together in one building, for a whole year, without a wrangle. Brothers could not live in greater harmony. There are no caste distinctions observed here, and there is no room for a spirit of jealousy.

During last month we had no sickness in the College worth mentioning; and our faithful Dr. McLay was, of course, jubilant. This month, however, La Grippe has filled his hands with patients. We are glad to be able to say that they are all speedily recovering, thanks of to the Doctor's skill and his little liver pills.