

ability to grasp in one act a large whole, and at the same time to give distinctness to every part of this whole. This habit of attention once formed, the student of literature will quickly discern whether section or chapter or book is part of the "precious life-blood of a master spirit," or, at best, "words, words, mere words, no matter from the heart."

With these few hints on the unities in prose—*intellectual* unity—it might be interesting to the student to enquire, "How does unity in poetry differ from unity in prose?" or "What are the points of likeness and difference between intellectual unity and emotional unity?"

J. A. McLELLAN.

PAST AND FUTURE.

On the bank of a lake there stands a ruin
Of what was a dwelling long years gone
by,

It is now forsaken, not a creature stirreth
The shrouds of stillness that on it lie.

* Should one speak the voice would be hushed
in an instant,

So many ghosts at the sound would sigh.

In Summer the soft waves whisper to it,
In Winter they rage and roar, "Be glad,"
But it changes not its grim sad aspect,
Only each year finds it more grim and
sad.

Its gables are fallen, its windows broken,
And the waves say pityingly it is mad.

They tell of a time when the house was
cheerful,
When children's voices were heard at
play.

The old house had then something to live
for,

Put that has vanished many a day;
And it sorrows over its past hopes shattered,

And knows what is coming is slow decay.

It has lived without hope until life has
parted

And only memories bitter remain;
Can one think of a life that is past recalling
And not feel the stabbing of sudden pain,
So when the life is utterly wasted

In anguish it murmurs, "Let me live
again."

B. G. H.

Muscle and Christianity.

In the October number of the O. N. C. Monthly, room was left for an erroneous impression to go forth, that the lady students were less enthusiastic than the gentlemen in the organization of their College societies. But a most energetic Women's Athletic Association and an earnest Y. W. C. A. both organized in the beginning of the term, testify to the live interest taken by the ladies in all their institutions. The Women's Athletic Association elected the following officers: Hon. President, Miss Morgan; President, Miss B. Rosenstadt, B.A.; Vice-President, Miss Jamieson; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss M. Harvey, B. A.; Committee, Miss A. Healy, B. A., Miss M. Northway, B. A., Miss G. Swanzy, B. A.; Collegiate Representatives, Miss Slater, Miss Lizzie Taylor, Miss Ogilvie.

Not until the last meeting of the Association, had the members ever had cause to think seriously of the color of their hair, or to decide definitely whether they were to be classed among the blondes or the brunettes. But when this was made the basis of division of the basket-ball teams, long and spirited were the arguments brought forth over those who hung in the balance, especially when they had shown their prowess on the floor of the gymnasium. All were satisfactorily classed, however, and the contest promises to be an exciting one.

The Y. W. C. A. have been holding interesting meetings under the direction of the following staff of energetic officers: Hon. President, Mrs. Davidson; President, Miss Hardie; Vice President, Miss Ashwell, B. A.; Recording Secretary, Miss Bowes, B. A.; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Gundy; Treasurer, Miss Whiteside, B. A.; Curator, Miss Wilkinson; Councillors, Misses Mitchell, Robinson, Ionsen and Hall. Membership Committee, Misses Fife (convenor), Jamieson, Nicholson, Swanzy, Kirkwood, Taylor, Close; Missionary Committee, Misses Rowell (convenor), Pitcher, Graham, Rorke, Northway, Goeding, Hawkins, Shepard; Musical Committee, Misses Kirkwood (convenor), Jamieson, Wilkinson.