

wherein epithets not only luke-warm but hot were flung across the halls by prominent members. Probably on such occasions "Sister Mary" allowed her unruly member to kindle a great matter with a little fire.

As to the piano question, we are so dense that we still fail to grasp the point which the ex-editor says he "tried to make." The fact that the bill for the hire of the piano used by the girls has always been sent on to the Principal by the Levana Society, naturally led to the supposition that the Senate paid for such hire. If, as we are now assured, the sum has always been voted by the Athletic Committee of the A.M.S., what advantage could it possibly be to the girls to have the donation made by the Society as a whole? Or, are we to have two pianos, one provided by the Committee and the other by the Society?

As a question of information, did the editor read the editorial in connection with my former letter? If so I cannot see how he interpreted the "slack season" as having any reference to our studies. This, also, we are "too dense to comprehend," for in both cases the time referred to was the early part of the second term when there was not much business before the Society. Perhaps we are unduly sensitive, but there seemed to be a slight tinge of condescension, which is not highly complimentary, in the suggestion of utilizing this season for a series of meetings which would afford us entertainment. It recalls incidents in our childish days, when some kind old gentleman after service said, "You have been a real quiet girl so here's a stick of candy." Though still capable of enjoying pleasure with all the gust of youth we have, I hope, out-grown this stage even when the candy takes the form of entertainment.

Do not fear, gentlemen, the girls are not longing to curtail your opportunities of sharpening your wits and of cultivating your forensic talents by asserting their rights in the A.M.S., but be consistent, and so long as your sentiment lowers your estimate of a woman who mentions the possibility of exercising her rights of membership in your Society, cease to throw upon her shoulders the grave responsibility of availing herself of all means within her reach to insure the filling of the offices in the gift of the Society by men who are fitted by their true worth to uphold and do honour to the name of Queen's.

ONE OF THE FIFTY-FIVE.

[According to the old-fashioned notions under the influence of which we were brought up, it is the inalienable right of woman to have the last word in any controversy. So far as we are concerned, therefore, the present case is closed.—ACTING-ED.]

Medical College.

NOTES.

FROM a notice recently posted we learn that the Chancellor has donated a prize of \$70 to be given to the final student taking the highest aggregate marks, writing on the Ontario Council Exams., and taking his fifth year either in Queen's or Europe. This is but another evidence of the interest our worthy Chancellor has in the University as a whole, and we trust that his practical hint as to the needs of the Medical Department will not be forgotten. The great need of our Medical Department at present is the endowment of "chairs" in the different subjects sufficient to enable ten Professors to devote their entire time to their subjects. There is not one who is adequately paid for his services and while we bear tribute to their faithfulness we cannot but regret that their circumstances at times compels their absence from classes and clinics necessitating, especially in the two final years, a waste of time much deplored by advanced students.

We are given to understand that there will be three house surgeoncies granted this year, a change that will be much appreciated by the coming graduates. In this connection we dare hope that the operating surgeon will see his way clear to have the house surgeons assist him in all his operations. At present the only advantage a house surgeon seems to have is to stand on the floor clothed in a white apron and obstruct the students' view instead of sitting in "the gods" and having his view obstructed. The superintendent invariably has one of the house surgeons administer the anæsthetic while he stands by and gives instructions, and we think it would only be fair to the other that he should at least receive the instruction by assisting the operator.

We extend heartiest congratulations to Mr. J. W. Barton, who, during the festive Xmas season, joined the M.M.P.A. He is a little fellow but very daring.

Some of the Meds. are anxious to find out what nerve tonic a visiting combined clergyman, surgeon, and foreign missionary used, as they think did they but know the "mixture" they would have a "gold mine."

The River Jordan averages two feet deep, rapids and all; what is the draught of the proposed "yacht?"

If a man represents as President a company with a surplus of \$30,000, why does he need to travel 4,000 miles to beg material to build a \$200 yacht?

The Medical Dinner, the one event towards which all Meds. eyes are ever turned, was held with the usual ceremonies at the Hotel Frontenac on Dec.