

be a pleasant relaxation from the grind of work. The question of money we know will not enter into the matter at all for the prices asked are exceedingly low. We understand that the reason quite a few people did not attend the Choral Society concert, was that they could not afford the time or the money for both, and so decided to wait for the Sheffield Choir concert.

The Sheffield Choir is known to be the greatest chorus of mixed voices in the world. Such is conceded by the entire press of Great Britain, Germany and Canada and such also is the opinion of the world's foremost living conductors and composers—Richter, Nikisch, Weingartner, Elgar, Parry, Stanford, Mackenzie and others.

Dr. Henry Coward, the conductor, has been described as being to the chorus what Leschetizky is to the piano and Sevcik to the violin. He is at least the prince of all English chorus-masters, and is a man so full of temperament that the singers follow his slightest movement with the utmost precision.

The visit of the Choir to Eastern Canada in 1908 was the greatest triumph ever accorded a musical organization in any country. The Ottawa Evening Journal after their visit to Ottawa said:—"The Sheffield Choir has come and gone, but memories of its visit will linger long in the minds of the thousands who filled Day's Arena last night. The greatest musical event in Ottawa's history; greatest in point of artistic merit, and greatest in point of audience. The great Arena was packed. There was not a vacant seat, and many stood. The monster audience was a compliment to the visitors from across the sea. At times the 200 perfectly trained and perfectly balanced voices rose in a swell of harmony that sounded like the glorious strains of a great pipe organ."

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## *Alumni.*

WE are sorry to learn of the serious illness of J. M. MacEachran, M.A., Ph.D., ('02), head of the department of philosophy in the University of Alberta was taken to his bed on Dec. 1st of last year with a severe attack of Typhoid fever. At the end of January he went to California to recuperate his health. He is still in very poor health and will spend the next two or three months in California. In the meantime the university authorities have relieved Dr. MacEachran of his duties for the rest of the session. "Jack" is a good Queen's man who held the fellowship in philosophy here during his course. His many friends at Queen's desire to express through the Journal the wish for his speedy recovery.

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J. L. Nicol, M.A., Ph.D., is supplying in Chalmer's Church, Quebec City, for two Sundays in March.

Miss E. A. Millar, B.A. '07, is teaching in the High School at Red Deer, Alta.

Miss F. M. Summerby, B.A. '09, is teaching in the Public School at Red Deer, Alta.