

## UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE NEWS.

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## THE VARSITY PUBLISHING CO.

## BALANCE SHEET, 1886-7.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1885-6.....	\$ 270 00
Subscriptions ".....	440 00
Advertisements ".....	365 00
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	\$1,075 00

## EXPENDITURE.

Balance 1885-86 checked off.....	\$ 20 94
Publishing.....	821 40
Coal and kindling.....	10 05
Discount on Cheques.....	1 50
Durance and office cleaning.....	18 00
Collecting, car fare.....	50
Furniture and Repairing.....	47 65
Stationery, Stamps, &c.....	10 05
Sundries.....	24 00
Balance 1886 7.....	118 91
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	\$1,075 00

## ASSETS.

Cash on hand and in Bank.....	\$ 118 91
Subscriptions unpaid 1886-87.....	450 00
Advertisements ".....	35 00
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	\$ 603 91

## LIABILITIES.

Stock.....	\$ 500 00
Balance.....	103 91
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	\$ 603 91

Examined and found correct.

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instructed to communicate with the Queen's College Literary Society, relative to an intercollegiate debate with them in Convocation Hall. A communication from the McGill Literary Society, asking that arrangements be made for a debate between them and our Literary Society in Montreal, was received, and the Corresponding Secretary was requested to reply that under present circumstances the society does not see its way clear to undertake such an event. The literary programme was opened by a song from Mr. W. H. Grant, followed by an essay on "Oliver Wendell Holmes," by Mr. U. C. Ferguson. The meeting then divided, the second and third years going into the adjoining room. The subject for debate was, "Resolved: That the abolition of capital punishment in Canada is desirable." For the fourth year, Messrs. N. P. Buckingham and T. A. Gibson spoke; for the first, Messrs. C. A. Stuart and T. D. Dockray; for the third, Messrs. Macnamara and Elliot, and for the second, Messrs. O'Connell and Graham. The discussion of the fourth and first years was for the affirmative, of the second and third years for the negative. About seventy undergraduates were present. The programme for the 11th inst. is an especially good one, and ought to draw a large audience. The subject for debate is, "Resolved: That a system of high license is more desirable in the interest of temperance than prohibition." Mr. Wilton will lead the affirmative and Mr. Fenton the negative. The debate will be an *open* one.

The first public debate for the season of 1887-8 was held in Convocation Hall, on Friday evening. The programme included the inaugural of President Creelman, a reading by F. B. Hodgins, songs by the Glee Club, and a debate on the subject of making Classics compulsory at University College. Messrs. Higgins, Steen, Sparling and Cody were the debaters. A full report will appear next week.

THE GLEE CLUB has resumed work this term with brightened prospects. Its meetings—four of which have so far been held—have been marked by unusual enthusiasm, and excellent progress has already been made on the works in hand. The programme for the year is well chosen and includes "The Image of the Rose" (Reichardt), "The Tar's Song" (Hatton), "The Toast" (Folner), and "Stars of the Summer Night" (Hatton), on which the club is now at work. College chorus singing will be made a prominent feature and all the selections to be studied will be of a bright and popular character. Mr. E. W. Schuch has been appointed Conductor. The President and members heartily invite all possessing the necessary qualifications to identify themselves with the club.

MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY.—A regular meeting of the Mathematical and Physical Society was held in Lecture Room No. 8, on Tuesday afternoon, November 1st. The President, Mr. T. Mulvey, B.A., occupied the chair. The following gentlemen were elected members of the Society:—S. J. Rothwell, A. D. Meldrum, D. Walker, W. Haines, W. Dillane and M. Currie. The following were nominated for membership:—W. H. Hill, John Gormley, J. C. Doidge, G. Hammill, D. A. Burgess, C. A. Chant, and W. Percy. A paper tracing the development of the Infinitesimal Calculus, was read by H. S. Robertson, and one on the Life and Works of Sir Isaac Newton, by Mr. A. T. DeLury. Problems were solved by Messrs. Rothwell, DeLury, Meldrum, Robertson, and Mulvey. Mr. A. C. McKay, B.A., was elected Corresponding Secretary, in place of Mr. Bowerman, who has left the city, and Mr. A. D. Meldrum was chosen first year Councillor.

THE MODERN LANGUAGE CLUB held its inaugural meeting for the year on Monday, Oct. 17th, Mr. Franklin McLeay, President, in the chair. Invitation cards had been sent to all Modern Language students of the first year and there was a large attendance of members and others. Dr. Wilson gave an instructive address on Tennyson, the author chosen for the evening's study, the remainder of the programme being composed of well-chosen readings by Miss Scott and Mr. Dales, an essay by Mr. A. Smith on "The Teachings of Tennyson," and an interesting review by Miss Charles, of "Locksley Hall" and "Locksley Hall Sixty Years After," read, in the writer's absence, by Miss Eastwood.

The second meeting was held on Monday, the 24th, Vice-President F. C. Snider presiding. Edmond About was the author of the evening. Readings by Messrs. W. R. Rutherford and O. P. Edgar from About's works, and an essay by Miss Lawlor, made up a profitable programme. A second essay by one of the lady undergraduates was not forthcoming, owing to her unavoidable absence from the city.

On Monday, the 31st Oct., a German meeting took place, President McLeay in the chair. Mr. W. H. Vandersmissen gave an address on the career of Lessing, and was followed by Miss Robson in an essay on the "Laocoon," and by Mr. E. A. Hartz in a reading from the author's works. The remainder of the evening was devoted to a short discussion of business matters and to conversation in the German language.

The club seems to be entering on a year of pleasure and profit

THE LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY met for the first time this term on Friday, 14th ult., the President in the chair. Mr. F. B. Hodgins read "Rubinstein's Piano" with good effect. But the feature of the evening was an essay written by Mr. Gordon Waldron, and read by Mr. W. H. Hodges, on the rather profound subject, "Are mathematical judgments synthetical *a priori*?" At the close of the reading of the essay, Mr. T. M. Higgins criticized some points in the philosophy contained in it. A debate followed on the subject, "Resolved, That the proposed abolition of Residence is judicious and commendable." Mr. J. Edmund Jones led the affirmative and Mr. Suffel the negative. The other speakers were, on the affirmative, Mr. H. J. Cody; on the negative, Messrs. J. H. Moss, T. M. Higgins, J. B. Pyke and J. N. Elliot. The President, after ably summing up, decided in favour of the negative. Nearly a hundred undergraduates were present.

The second meeting of the Society was held on the 21st ult., the President in the chair. Mr. Pyke favoured the Society with a humorous and patriotic essay on "She and other she's." Mr. F. H. Moss sang "Bugaboo." The subject for debate was, "Resolved, That the age of chivalry is gone and one of economists and calculators has succeeded." The meeting divided, the First and Third years retiring into the adjoining room, with the Second Vice-President in the chair. For the Second and Fourth years Messrs. H. J. Crawford, W. Prendergast and A. T. DeLury spoke; for the First and Third Messrs. G. A. H. Fraser, F. R. Macnamara, H. J. Cody, A. Smith and J. N. Elliot. In both divisions the decision was in favour of the negative. A letter received from McGill, relative to an intercollegiate debate, was received and action thereon deferred till the next meeting. Messrs. A. T. DeLury and Gemmel were elected Second and Third Year councillors respectively on the General Committee. About seventy undergraduates were present.

The society met for the third time this term on Friday, 28th ult., President Creelman in the chair. The question of accepting the arrangements made by the Intercollegiate Committee for debates with Trinity and Knox Colleges, was discussed and referred to the General Committee, with instructions to report at the next ordinary meeting of the society. The Corresponding Secretary was