

In true Acadia style, with hearty expressions of love and loyalty, we pledge the health of our gracious Queen. Next "Our Guests" responded to by Messrs. Morse, Miller, Cox and Bill. They speak as we have heard them speak in bye-gone days, when in public and private debate, they championed their respective sides. We live once more in the sacred, old-time scene, and the tender ties which binds us to the past grow stronger as we listen—a pause follows the last speech and then quite naturally we rise and sing together a college song. "Our College" is next proposed. Mr. Woodworth, keeps the floor and responds in a highly patriotic and practical speech. Then "To the health of the Ladies," responded to by C. A. Eaton. To calm the excitement of the last toast we listen to a song from McNeil, who, as usual, brings down the house. Mr. Chipman, in a sincere and earnest speech, proposes "The Class of '90," with "Auld Lang Syne" for good-night, and thus a most enjoyable evening ends. Who can say that such gatherings fail to strengthen the silken cords of friendship? The warm hand clasp, the kind "Good-bye, old man" have their meaning, for now—

"We know each other better."

Exchanges.

The *Dalhousie Gazette* gives a good description of three foot-ball matches. A very friendly account is given, of the visit of the Acadia team. The doings of their college societies receive minute attention and much space is deservedly given to persons.

The *University Monthly* is a good, sensible paper. In the December number W. F. Ganong's book on the "Mollusca of Acadia" is appropriately noticed. The article on College Friendships is good and that on "Attention" is worthy of careful reading. The boys in their Hallow-eeen racket by their exuberance provoked the citizens to remarks not very kind.

The *Owl* of October and November is a grand number. With pardonable pride it refers to the grand reunion and programme of the 9th and 10th, of October, when Ottawa College was made a Catholic University. The number contains the addresses delivered at the time, an historical sketch of the insti-

tution and admirable portraits of the founders and heads of the college. The President's address is an interesting exponent of the character of the institution. We were much pleased with the remarks of Father McGucken and the "Lessons of the Reunion." Sir J. S. D. Thomson and J. A. McCabe well known in this province received the degree of LL. D.

The *University Gazette* comes to us in its second number with many reports of classes and societies in active operation. We are glad to notice that there, as at Acadia, the spirit of progress demands Canadian history as a part of the regular course.

The Exchange column of the *Niagara Index* is very expressive. It occurred to us that the writer was somewhat excited.

In the *King's College Record* the series on Canadian poets is continued by articles on Mr. Mulvany and Mr. Lighthall. Space is added by an enquiry whence all these poets come in which the writer hints that they may be in part the product of a Mutual Admiration Society.

The best *Argosy* of this year, their Christmas number, has been received. The poem "The Star" and "A London Christmas" are well written.

The *Thielensian* has at last come to hand. The plan of the paper is quite extensive, taking quite an interest not only in literary, but also in general topics.

In *College Rambler*, "The Story of a Photograph" is well written and the plot well laid. The column "Auld Lang Syne," has some good features. The *Rambler* notes the general improvement in conduct at the Illinois College, and mentions the plan for a \$15,000 gymnasium.

It is not growing like a tree
In bulk, doth make man better be;
Or standing long an oak, three hundred year,
To fall a log at last, dry, bold, and sear:

A lily of a day
Is fairer far in May.

Although it fall and die that night,
It was the plant and flower of Light;
In small proportions we just beauties see,
And in short measures life may perfect be.

BEN JOHNSON.