

THE STUDENTS' AT-HOME.

The At-Home in Convocation Hall on Tuesday evening, Dec. 17th, was a decided success in every way. A great many graduates and friends of the students were present, and, judging from appearances, they all enjoyed themselves exceedingly. The entertainment was provided by the University Glee Club, under the leadership of Harry A. Lavell, B.A., and consisted mainly of choruses, which were sung with admirable taste and precision, and yet with that swinging gusto so essential to college songs.

Dan. Strachan, B.A., the President of the Alma Mater Society, gave a brief introductory address welcoming the guests, after which the programme proceeded without ceremony. The most enjoyable of all the selections of the club were probably "May God Preserve Thee, Canada," "I've Lost my Doggie," and "De College an a-Moving." The words of this last mentioned chorus were composed for the occasion by Mr. Strachan, and purported to be a correct history of Queen's from her birth. It was sung with great enthusiasm, and was rapturously applauded. The only solo given was by the leader of the club, who sang "Anchored" in a creditable manner. Mr. Strachan gave a very amusing reading, which proved that the reader had some Scotch blood in his veins. Toward the close of the evening Principal Grant made a short address and introduced Mr. J. Macdonald Oxley, of Ottawa, who read an original selection entitled "The Professor's Last Skate," and the able manner in which it was presented made the story doubly interesting.

The informal nature of the entertainment greatly added to its success, the benches having been arranged so as to facilitate social intercourse, and sufficiently long intervals were arranged between the selections on the programme to permit of general conversation. "God Save the Queen" was sung at about half-past ten o'clock.

MEDICAL RE-UNION.

The annual Re-union of the students and faculty of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons was held on the evening of Dec. 17th at Hotel Frontenac. This year it took the form of a banquet, and a right royal event it was.

Over 150 medicos were present, under the tender and solicitous care of the numerous Professors of the Royal, and led by the genial and popular Gus Gandier, who occupied the position of chairman.

Among the guests were noticed the Chancellor, the Principal, Senator Sullivan, Dr. Geikie, of Trinity; Dr. Moore, Brockville; Revs. W. W. Carson and J. Mackie, Kingston; Profs. Fenwick, Oliver, Saunders, Henderson, Garrett, Dupuis, Goodwin, Shortt and Hooper, of the Royal; Dr. Lavell, of Ladies' Medical College; N. A. Dussault, Laval College; F. McLeod, Trinity College; F. G. Corbin, Mr. Gill, Mr. MacGillivray, of Toronto University, and many others.

At 8:20, after grace had been offered by Rev. J. Mackie, the duties of the evening commenced, and a fierce onslaught was made on the sumptuous repast prepared for the occasion, and nobly was the charge sustained. Freshman and Senior, now on common ground, (with a slight advantage in favor of the freshie), vied with each

other in putting down the enemy with a relish and dexterity known only to those accustomed to the knife and forceps.

When the dissection was about completed the boys began to relax their efforts and smile complacently on their companions, apparently satisfied with themselves and the world at large. Numerous glances and looks of expectation now brought the Chairman, Mr. Gandier, to his feet, who, in a neat and happy way, extended a right Royal welcome to those present. He felt proud to be present on this occasion, an event to gladden Ontario on this, the eve of Queen's Jubilee.

Queen's had no equal on this continent, in fact she stood second to none in the world for energy, vigor and efficacy. In a clever way he traced the growth and success of the Royal from her infancy to the present day.

The first toast on the list needed no comments from him. It was the "Queen," and may her beauteous, blameless, happy reign be honored always and forever in this fair Canada of ours.

Rev. W. W. Carson responded, and was met with enthusiastic applause. He said that the students of the Royal did honor to themselves in honoring the Queen and in pledging their fidelity and loyalty to their country. The history of Queen Victoria's reign was wonderful, grand and great, in the modest sense of the terms, and Her Gracious Majesty wore to-day, as she ever has worn, the white flower of a blameless life, and stands forth before womankind the very pattern of everything that is pure and noble and true.

After a glowing and eloquent tribute to the greatness of the Dominion and her bright future, he said that he trusted Canadians would keep Canada for themselves and be loyal and true to her. Canada wanted men who could plant the standard of their noble deeds in the soil of honesty, uprightness and thrift, and who could dare respect their country and their God.

Mr. A. P. Chown offered "The Royal and her Faculty." It was received with vociferous cheering. Mr. Chown, in a very acceptable way, pointed out the many improvements made to the Royal during the past year, thus making it an efficient place for the study of medicine. He spoke in flattering terms of the ability, geniality and thoroughness of the staff of Professors and their efficient system of imparting knowledge, as characterized by the high stand made by the graduates and under-graduates of the Royal in fair competition.

Hon. Senator Sullivan, in reply, said that the Royal suddenly took a prominent position among the educational institutions of our country. He, in a very able way, eulogized the efficient staff of Professors the Royal had in her infancy, paying a special tribute to the late Dr. Dickson. He claimed that the phenomenal success attained by the Royal was mainly due to the ability, perseverance and cautiousness of the Dean, who, he regretted, was unable to be present on account of illness.

He was followed by Dr. Dupuis, who, in his inimitable style, gave the boys a few pointers on the practice of their profession, advice only to be learned by experience. He urged the necessity there was of putting medical men into the governing bodies, giving excellent reasons for his contention. He censured the present government for