

THE CONVERSAT.

Jack O'Flynn is smiling—the Conversat. Committee is smiling—the Chancellor is smiling—the Faculty is smiling—Robert is smiling—in fact, everybody is smiling because of the glorious and overwhelming success—socially, financially and æsthetically—of the *Conversazione* of December 3rd.

Next to the “Bob” the Conversat. is the most important function of our College life, and now that both these functions have amply sustained Vic.’s pristine reputation for fun and sociability, Robert can rest in peace for another year.

“I’ve never been at a *conversazione* where the arrangements were more satisfactorily carried out ; where the decorations were in better taste ; where the music was more delightful ; where the refreshments were more delicious, or where beauty, sociability and genuine enjoyment were more happily mingled.” That was the verdict of everyone we asked concerning this year’s Conversat.

The committee were unfortunate in being unable to secure the patronage of His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen, who regretted a previous engagement for the evening ; but they were fortunate in having as patronesses the following ladies : Mesdames N. Burwash, Edward Gurney, J. E. Graham, C. M. Sweetnam, G. A. Cox, Chester Massey, J. M. Treble, H. C. Cox, and R. C. Hamilton.

There was music *in three flats*. On the first and third floors D’Alessandro’s orchestra provided sweet harmony for the promenades. In the chapel a choice musical programme was furnished by the Glee Club, under the direction of Mr. Blight ; Mr. A. E. I. Jackson, the Mandolin and Guitar Club, assisted by Prof. Le Barge, and Miss Edythe Thomas, Miss Hill, Miss James, Miss Duckett and Miss Smith from the Ontario Ladies’ College.

After the concert, promenading and cosy-corner *tete-a-tetes* were indulged in until one o’clock. With happy foresight the committee had placed a number of easy chairs and sofas behind the curtained alcoves, and when the tired eye had grown weary of gazing on the splendor of the brilliant corridors, these formed pleasant retreats for happy couples. And if you don’t believe us, ask Hansford or Chapman. A sumptuous *menu* was served on the first floor by the Harry Webb Company, and the tasty tables and delicate viands called forth many encomiums from the guests.

After the promenading the committee banquetted the following representatives from sister colleges : W. H. Alexander, Varsity ;