A Toast

The winds of winter roam without,
And beat the door and shake the pane,
And weave their muttered spells about
The fir-trees, casting in and out
The silent shuttles of the rain.

But here within the fire burns low,
The golden embers sink and die,
The shadows lightly come and go,
And in the ever fading glow,
We keep our watch, my friend and I.

O comrade of the days of yore,
The days that I would fain forget,
Yet welcome to my hearth the more,
Since triumph leaves the spirit sore,
That loves to nurse its old regret.

O, friend, the fruit the years have borne Is ashes; praise still cometh late. Who loved the world but yester-morn, To-day shall answer scorn with scorn, To-morrow render hate for hate.

Fill up the glasses, stir the fire;
Hark! how the tempest means without,
Playing his mighty lyre,
The song of grief and dead desire,
And wisdom, putting hope to rout.

We keep our vigil, you and I,

And while the fading embers sink,
Fill up the glasses,—raise them high,
The world!—its arrows harmless fly,
Our fate!—'tis conquered. Comrade, drink.

-L. E. McNally.

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The efforts of '07 to revive the custom of wearing the college gown within the corridors and lecture rooms of University College can now be safely pronounced successful. At their first meeting this year, the question was discussed and the consensus of opinion was favorable to the gown. The difficulty presenting itself was whether or not a sufficiently large number were willing to make such a start as would ensure unqualified success. After discussion it was left to a committee to interview each member of the year and to secure, from as many as possible, a pledge to procure (where necessary) and wear the gown regularly.

Providing a hundred such promises were secured in the year, the agreement was to be considered binding. This meant about two-thirds of the year, but the committee has been successful, some few names over the hundred having been secured. It is now left to the year executive to fix a date for the general appearance and also to arrange with the authorities for the putting in of a few additional lockers in the men's cloak room.

The first year are endeavoring to fall in line and are circulating a similar list in their year, to which about eighty names have already been attached. It is hoped that the men of that year will take hold of the proposal with enthusiasm and continue the good work.

Several of the men of the third and fourth years have intimated their intention to wear gowns when the start is made, and the beginning of next term at the latest, should witness the revival of the custom quite generally in University College.



Notes of Sport

Ryan, formerly of McGill, the holder of the intercollegiate record for the broad jump, is registered in Medicine, 3rd year. Ryan will be a decided acquisition to the Varsity Track Club.

At a meeting of the senior Rugby team held last week, "Casey" Baldwin was unanimously elected captain for next year.

Jack Sherry has been elected captain of the senior hockey team.

The second tie game between Meds. II. and Victoria Association football teams was played on Thursday. Meds. scored two goals in the first half, while Victoria scored two in the second half. The tie was played off on Friday when the Meds. won.

The City Teachers and Meds. played the semifinal game in the Intermediate Association Football series on Saturday morning. The City Teachers won by a score of 2 to 1.

Varsity has added to its exchange list "The Technical World." The present Editor of "The Technical World," Alfred S. Johnson, is a graduate of Toronto of the class of '83.



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