

sympathetic. They exact the best part of a man's time, leaving scant room for pleasure, still less for study. The result is that the once ambitious boy becomes the plodding old man of forty. In the newspaper field it is different. Every day is filled with surprises; every day is an education. The newspaperman must be ever on the alert, ever on his mettle; and it is this constant war of intellects, mind striving against mind, which keeps man young. To keep young is, I believe, the chief duty of man, the chief end of woman. The mind is the governing factor; a youthful spirit ever belies an aged frame."

The golden rule, the simple plan,
To do as little as ever you can,
And get that done by another man.

—*The Student.*

Zoology exam. Q.—What are the two great divisions of the animal kingdom?

A.—Ebrates and inebriates. The former have a backbone, the latter none.
—*The Student.*

Music.

ANOTHER very valuable suggestion has been offered in regard to the improvement of the singing of the student body. It is this: that the Arts Society rent a piano and place it in the reading room of the Arts building. Also that a Queen's song book, a Toronto University song book, and others of a like class, be provided. As there are several fellows who can play a little it is very likely that the students would gradually become familiar with some new and better songs. The objection that this playing and singing might disturb classes can be easily met, if it is understood that during the hours when there are classes in the Moral Philosophy room or the German room, the piano must not be used. Anyway, it is probable that it would be used most between lectures.

There are several indirect benefits that would make this scheme advisable. The two pianos that are necessary for most of the college functions would then be ready in the building.

Again, a convenient and suitable place would be provided for the college clubs to practice in. For such a place is needed owing to the number of meetings and practices that are held in Convocation Hall.

Further, by having a piano within the reach of so many students the spontaneous formation of successful musical organizations would be made possible. A bunch of fellows who have some spare time regularly may meet often around the piano and in this natural and unforced way a good organization may spring up. Such a bunch can raise the standard of music among the students as nothing else can.

For these reasons, then, this suggestion is offered to the Arts Society.