

THE committee and members of the Y. M. C. A. have evidently been stimulated by their acquisition of new premises to even greater exertions. This year we were greeted on our arrival by a small directory of the College, tastefully got up and of a convenient size, which cannot fail to be of great assistance to all students, and to new comers especially. On Sunday, the 4th of October, there was a largely attended meeting in the afternoon, when the musical members of the College branch, with assistance from the city, gave some choice selections of sacred music. Mr. Whitley presided at the organ and all were highly pleased with its tone and power.

ALAS! the old smoking room is no more. Ere we left the President had marked it for destruction, and now, Phoenix like, from its remains, has arisen a new, and let us hope and believe, a better and more useful institution, in the shape of a hall for the use of the Y. M. C. A. For some reasons we regret the loss of the old room, as it supplied, however imperfectly, the need of a common sitting room where the students could meet and converse in comfort. The new hall is large, light and airy, it being capable of holding nearly a hundred comfortably, though its furniture and platform give it the appearance of a class-room or chapel. Those to whom the use of tobacco is indispensable, may obtain relief in the former non-smoker's room, during brief periods after each meal.

THE second meeting of the Literary Society was held in No. 1 class-room, on Friday, 17th October. There was a well sustained debate, the subject being: "Whether it would be advisable to keep one-tenth of a farm under bush or not." McKenzie made a gallant but ineffectual speech for the negative side. The speakers, finding the subject exciting, waxed decidedly personal. The first year orators in the open discussion showed up strongly, a fact which augurs well for the success of the Literary Society. Mr. Thompson gave one of his most amusing recitations, and this, with the critic's report, completed the programme.

THE annual farm sale took place on Tuesday, October 7th, the proceeds of which amounted to \$2,000. Mr. Storey, in a free, easy and confident manner, sat down on the fallen colt, neither seemed in the least surprised. The pigs, looking marvellously clean from their recent grooming, sold remarkably well, and, like the Irishman's, will help to pay

the "rint." After the sale, the Hon. John Dryden spoke to all the boys in No. 1 class-room. After thanking them for their welcome given to him the previous evening, he reminded them of their splendid legacy of knowledge, gained from the experience of the past and exhorted them to make the most of their opportunities whilst at this institution, and to carefully uphold its good name.

Meetings, and rumors of meetings have been flying around pretty thickly of late. There was one to start the Literary Society and judging from the frequent bursts of applause and noise it must be very firmly established. Mr. Whitley was elected President and there is no doubt that he will make a splendid one. We can only regret the loss of such a hard worker on committees, but doubtless his recent fine growth of whiskers will enable him to fill this ornamental position with advantage. The other positions are filled by the following gentlemen:—D. Buchanan, Vice-President; D. Z. Gibson, Secretary; W. Carlyle, Treasurer; F. Wilkin, Critic. The Programme Committee consists of Messrs. Buscarlet, Hewgil, Thompson, Storey and Becket. A slight change has since been found advisable, so that Mr. G. Harcourt, B.S.A., now fills the office of President.

THE reception given to the pancakes at supper a short time ago, must have been highly gratifying to the cook. As each dish of that choice confectionery appeared, at least two, often four, students raced gamely for the prize. It was noticed that the players of Rugby football were especially successful; and the presence of mind displayed by a promising quarter-back, and the dextrous twist of the wrist by which he wrested three quarters of the dish and all the pancakes from four competitors, should go far towards getting him a place in the team. Other football men bringing their science to work, checked the foremost of their opponents, whilst another from the same table made for the dish. To the student of human nature it was highly amusing to see the beaming face of the successful one, as he bore off the coveted dainty, and to hear him remark to the disappointed ones "did you ever get left," or "bit," and their grumbled reply of "hog." It was noticed that the 3rd year were especially free with the latter term.

THE first regular meeting of the Literary Society was held on Friday, October 16th, in