

Correspondence.

THE GAZETTE THE ORGAN OF THE STUDENTS.

Editors *University Gazette*.

DEAR SIRS:—The students of McGill must have been highly gratified to learn from the leading editorial of your last issue that the *Gazette*, was "the friend of the University and their Organ." The articles immediately following must have convinced them that the editors meant to provide excellent literature for their readers; the Critic, whether the subjects criticised or the manner of criticising might be palatable to students generally, at least confined his remarks to affairs which are immediately connected with student life. Other matters of minor importance received a passing notice and then followed the reports of two dinners, held within a week of each other and in the same hotel, the one conducted under the auspices of a Society, the members of which, for the most part, are composed of Graduates and the other held by the students of the largest Faculty in the University. An "Organ of the students" would be expected, if at all consistent with the title, to publish a full report of the latter and if space did not permit, only a brief report of the former. Was this the case? Let the three pages report of the one and the half page report of the other answer. Another editorial referred to the University and Undergraduates Literary Societies and urged their hearty co-operation. With this sentiment, all who have the good of either or both of those Societies must agree. It is somewhat peculiar, after the profession made by the editors as to the relation between the students and the paper, that no notice whatever of the meetings of the Undergraduates Society, through essentially, as its name indicates, an institution of the students, appeared in your last issue. Two meetings of the Society were held between the issues of the *Gazette*, and reports sent to the editors, moreover, one of these meetings and the last before the Christmas holidays was the most successful of any held during the past three years, and over which, our honoured and esteemed teacher, Professor Moyses presided. Doubtless the editors of the *Gazette* can explain these inconsistencies, but until such explanation be given, students will be somewhat skeptical as to the *Gazette* being the "Organ of the Students."

F. T.

A GENTLEMAN at table remarked that he could not endure fish unless it was well cooked. "This," said the waiter, as he handed him a plate of the desired dish, "is, I hope, suf-fish-ently cooked to suit, sir?"—"Well, yes," replied the gentleman, as he tasted it, "it is done a good deal better than I anticipated it would be."

A Dutchman lately attended the law court in New York, to get excused from the jury-box. "I can't understand goot Engleese," he said.—"What did he say?" asked the judge.—"I can't understand goot Engleese," repeated the Dutchman.—"Take your seat," cried the judge.—"that's no excuse; you need not be alarmed, as you are not likely to hear any."

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