

## PERSONAL.

THE fellow students of Mr. Percy McLaren, who last year attended the Royal, will regret to hear of his death, which took place a short time ago at his home in Shannonville. During the short time he was with us he made many friends, and his bright, cheerful face will be greatly missed.

Since April of last year the names of the following Queen's men have appeared on the lists at Osgoode Hall sworn in as Barristers and Solicitors:—R. J. MacLennan, '84, E. H. Britton. As Solicitor—G. F. Henderson, '84. Passed their Second Intermediate—A. D. Cartwright, '85; R. M. Dennistoun, '85; J. H. McNee, '85. Passed their First Intermediate—A. B. McCallum, '80; B. N. Davis, '81; H. V. Lyon, '85; D. M. Robertson, '86; W. G. Bain, '86; G. J. Smith, '86; T. W. R. McRae, '86; J. Miller, '86; F. M. Young, '86; and H. P. Thomas, '86. The following graduates have entered—J. McEwen, '87; W. J. Kidd, '87; J. J. MacLennan, '87; W. A. Logie, '87; C. B. Dupuis, '87; and J. F. Carmichael, '87.

Mr. H. Halliday, '84, who, since his graduation, has been holding sway in Thorold High School, has changed his base of operations and is now one of the staff of the Collegiate Institute at Ottawa.

Æneas J. McDonald, '84, D. McLean and Salt Richards, all of whom are well known Queen's men, are studying medicine at McGill when they are not playing Rugby football. Æneas is Captain of the McGill team, which position he has held for two years.

Mr. Alex. Stewart, of the Royal College, spent the greater part of his vacation in the vicinity of North Bay (on the C. P. R.), and fortunately escaped the grasp of the stipendiary magistrate.

Revs. D. J. Macdonnell and G. M. Milligan, of Toronto, delivered addresses at the second annual meeting of the Hamilton Queen's University Endowment Association. At the conclusion of the addresses, Canon Curran, Dr. Burns and others, delivered short speeches, in which the catholicity of Queen's University was particularly referred to and commended. Resolutions were passed favouring the scheme and promising the support of the branch association in getting subscriptions.

The Rev. Alexander McLachlin, who was recently appointed by a special American Board of Foreign Missions to co-operate with Rev. H. S. Jenanyah, of Tarsus, Asia Minor, in establishing at the latter place an institution for training native mission workers, was married in Toronto, on Oct. 20th, to Miss Lizzie Stephens. The newly married couple left for New York, where they were joined by Mrs. Jenanyah, and proceeded to the birth-place of the great Apostle in Armenia.

Mr. D. M. Robertson, '86, one of the "big four" of the Rugby team when he was at Queen's, still keeps up his practice by doing a big part of the heavy work in the scrimmage for the Toronto city team. His good temper, beaming face and tri-colored jersey gain him notice on all parts of the field. He is also one of the most energetic of the Toronto Amateur Athletic Association, and holds the club championship for throwing the heavy hammer. Donald takes an occasional drive to a point a few miles north of Toronto.

## ✻ DIVINITY \* HALL. ✻

THERE is a marked increase in the attendance of the Theological classes this year.

During the recovery of Principal Grant, the chair of Divinity is being ably occupied by Professor Ross.

The Rev. Arpad Givan, M.A., of L'Amable, paid our halls a visit last week.

We are pleased to see with us again Messrs. George Lang, B.A., and Malcolm McKinnon, B.A., who spent last winter at Winnipeg and Knox Colleges respectively.

The Rev. Dr. Thompson, of Sarnia, lecturer on Homiletics, has arrived, and will occupy the hour left vacant by the Rev. Mr. Carmichael, who has just completed the first half of his lectures on Church History.

This is the season for the delivery of the prescribed homilies, lectures and popular sermons, the time when the critical student locks up his tender feelings and gives unbounded liberty to his knowledge of rhetorical and grammatical details, the time in which the Golden Rule is forgotten, and in fact every other rule except the iron ones of Syntax and Rhetoric.

In this matter of the criticism of prescribed exercises would it be more than simple justice to the student who is the subject of criticism if he were permitted an opportunity of defending himself against the criticisms of his reviewers? Too often the criticisms savour of a desire to find out only what is defective. When this tendency becomes dominant it results in a complete one-sided statement, which like every other one-sided view requires the statement of the other side in order to secure a fair judgment. A word of explanation here and there on the part of the student whose exercise is criticised might throw light upon many an apparent discrepancy and inaccuracy. We are quite ready to see how the abuse of this privilege might make the occasion of the reading of an exercise a battle ground for opinions and authorities, but we know this would be obviated by an occasional word of suggestion from the presiding professor.