

and Messrs. W. H. Alexander and F. W. Anderson for University College against the resolution.

The debate was closely contested and followed with careful attention by all present. The different sides unfortunately disagreed in their points of view of the subject—the affirmative insisting on its being entirely a practical one, and the negative a theoretical.

On the conclusion of the debate, the referees, Rev. Professor McFadyen, Mr. B. E. Walker and Mr. Emerson Coatsworth, Jr., retired to consider their decision.

During their absence the programme was continued, Messrs. McCausland and Mockridge giving a piano duet, Mr. Kirkpatrick a second reading, and a number of members of the Institute a chorus.

Then the chairman, having received the finding of the referees, announced that the debate was awarded to the negative.

The proceedings closed with the singing of "God Save the Queen."

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The other two debates of the first series were held as mentioned above. That between McMaster and Osgoode was held at Osgoode on Dec. 3rd. The subject for debate was:

*Resolved:* "That the permanent retention of the Philippine Islands by the United States would be advantageous to both the United States and the Philippines." The debate was awarded to the negative, the side on which the McMaster men had spoken.

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The last of the series was between Knox and Victoria, at Victoria, on Dec. 9th. The subject for debate was:

*Resolved:* "That the present condition of the industrial classes is due more to the employee than to the employer." Knox won this debate, their side being the negative.

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The three debates mentioned above were all held last term: it remained for the three successful colleges—University College, McMasters and Knox—to meet in the second series. At a meeting of the executive of the Union held in the end of December, it was decided by lot that University College and McMasters should first debate, and that Knox should meet the winner in the final debate.

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On Friday, January 20th, the first debate of this second series was held in the Conservatory of Music, the question presented for the speakers to deal with was "The Advisability of an Immediate Formation of an Alliance, Offensive and Defensive, between Great Britain and the United States." McMaster supported the proposal, and University College were strong in their denunciations. The debate was excellent, both sides showing readiness in meeting their opponent's claims or objections. McMaster, however, found that they had undertaken to prove too much, in spite of their leader's assurances in his opening speech. The result was by no means a foregone conclusion, as the supporters of both sides were fairly confident of success. The judges gave their award in favor of the negative.

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The eighth regular meeting of the Literary Institute was held in the Hall on Friday, January 20th. Mr. Madill, the President, was in the chair. The evening's programme was begun by Mr. Steacy, who read "The Lightning-rod Dispenser." Mr. Walker followed with a reading on "Discourse," from Bacon. Mr. Westman, of the first year, sent his essay with apologies for being unable to attend in person. His essay was read by a brother freshman. The subject of this, too, was from Bacon "Reading Maketh a

Full Man" Then came the debate on the question of "Professional Pugilism." The meeting, by its vote at the conclusion of the debate, was found to be strongly opposed to professionalism in this line of sport. The critic for the evening was Mr. Johnston, B.A. It was decided at this meeting that the annual conversazione should be held, but not on so lavish a scale as in former years, when the expenses ran up to amounts far beyond the power of the men in College to meet.

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The ninth regular meeting was held on Friday, January 27th. The chairman was Mr. Steacy. The first Vice-President, Mr. Broughall read a short poem from Kipling, and Mr. Spencer, a prose selection on "Glory." The essay was by Mr. Griffith on "John Greenleaf Whittier." The debate dealt with the social troubles of the day, but proved lamentably brief, only one of the four speakers showing any deep research. The latter part of the meeting was marred by considerable turmoil; a motion to adjourn was made, and the chairman, as is usual, vacated the chair without calling for a vote; several of those present called for a vote, and, on the Vice-President's refusal to return to the chair, Mr. Wright, the second Vice-President took his place. The motion to adjourn was then put and lost. Mr. Owen was then requested to act as critic, and did so to the satisfaction of all. The meeting then adjourned.

## College Chronicle.

Among the many and important special convocations held here last term, none was more interesting than that held on Wednesday, December 22nd last, when Kenneth Oglivly McEwen and Newbold Coursolles Jones received the degree of B.A. The ceremony was of a very special and impressive nature, and attended only by those directly concerned.

The College deeply regrets the departure of these two popular and clever men, whose places will be hard to fill. In Mr. McEwen THE REVIEW loses an Editor-in-chief of great ability, and in Mr. Jones the Athletics of the College sustain a great loss. This paper joins with their many friends in wishing these gentlemen every prosperity in their respective professions of law and medicine.

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At a College meeting held on Tuesday, January 17th, Mr. H. C. Griffith resigned his position of business manager of THE REVIEW, and Mr. R. Turley was elected to fill the position. Then the following were elected to fill vacancies on the Editorial Board of THE REVIEW: Messrs. J. R. H. Warren, D. T. Owen and J. J. Donaghy, and at a meeting of the Editorial Board afterwards, Mr. H. C. Griffith was appointed Editor-in-chief.

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We are sincerely glad to know that Mr. Leonard McLaughlin, '99, is improving in health at Lake Saranac, N.Y., where he is spending the winter. May he soon be with us again.

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Great efforts are being put forward to make the Annual Conversazione, which is to be held on February 7th, a great success. The different committees are working hard, and we all confidently feel that this—Trinity's great social function—will, this year, be not one whit behind those of former years.

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The Compline room in the divinity corridor is about to be changed to the one which was occupied by the late Arthur P. Boddy, in memory of him.