

ities—that of Garibaldi. From the time that he joined Mazzini in 1831, his adventures begin. The most romantic of them occurred in South America, where he fought some one hundred battles. It is true he did live a little too long, for he lived as was said to show “the lion’s heart with the ass’s head.” Yet he focussed more matters of interest than any other character of modern times.

Turning to adventure on a private scale, the two means by which modern man works out his love of adventure are through travel and sport.

In cricket, football, etc., we get the love of adventure on a small scale.

The English country gentleman of competent means, resident on his own estate and with his sufficient leisure is the ideal sportsman. England stands for sport as much as for naval prowess. And the reason for her perfection in sport is that ever since the reign of Henry VII, the English

laboring-man has had the opportunity to perfect himself in sports, whereas on the continent the laboring-man has been crushed beneath his burdens.

The intensity of Imperial feeling is very strong now, and the love of adventure is connected, as seen in the fact, that the ordinary soldier enlists through the love of adventure.

In support of the last statement, Dr. Colby read Kipling’s late poem “Pharaoh and the Sargeant.”

This was the finishing selection in illustration of points in the discussion, others having been read from Sir W. Scott, from the Odyssey, from Don Quixote, from Nash, from Carlyle.

With a few closing remarks this enjoyable lecture ended.

The Donaldas then had the opportunity of a chat with the visitors, while light refreshments were handed round.

K. B. W.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the FORTNIGHTLY.

Dear Sir:—

Although the McGill Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Club concert is a thing of the past and all have now settled down to the regular year’s work, I feel sure a financial statement of our body will be accepted by you and your readers. But first I would like to thank the Theatre Night Committee for their kindly interest and help in our recent endeavour.

To us Theatre Night was a hope, a ray of light in the darkness. Behind us was a large and ever-increasing debt, in front the chance (once before presented but unfortunately not converted) of clearing our deficit—yea, perhaps with money to the good.

Many difficulties were encountered, and not the least one was an idea which was generally prevalent among our fellow-students. By this I mean that we, the Glee Club, were regarded not as students but as an outside body constantly trying “to do” our dear brethren upon all possible occasions. This, sir, upon the very face of it is absurd. We are students and of the students. All are welcome to our midst. Be he singer or musician or not he is welcome all the same. If he can neither play nor sing we do our best to instruct him in these fine and beautiful arts.

Looking at our club as a college society and as such representing McGill, without boasting I think, sir, we do more to extend the fair name of our beloved Alma Mater than any other organization in the University.

The present executive on taking up office in January last found the club embarrassed by a debt of \$1,092.

By careful management under the supervision of Mr. R. F. Gunn, B.A. Sc., the obligation has been materially reduced. Before the last session closed professors and students had aided us to reduce the debt to \$835.

From the concert held on Sports’ Night we cleared \$235, leaving a debt still on our hands of \$600. Thus our finances are in a far more healthy condition than they were last year. Another year of careful management will probably clear us of this adverse balance.

There is still one way the students can lend a helping hand, and with great pleasure to themselves. I mean that many might join the club, and gain much pleasure thereby. True the nominal fee of two dollars at entrance would not liquidate the debt, but an increased membership would strengthen the club both this year and next.

We hope every man will accept this letter as a personal invitation to the practices which continue as usual on Monday and Thursday evenings.

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Assistant Manager.