

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE NEWS.

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FORTHCOMING PAPERS IN "THE VARSITY."

I. THE "PROFESSIONAL" SERIES:

1. The Teaching.....John Seath, B. A.
2. The Legal.....Thomas Hodgins, M.A., LL.B.
3. The Theological.....Principal Sheraton, D.D.
4. Engineering.....Samuel Keefer, C.E.
5. ".....Prof. Galbraith, C.E.
6. Agriculture.....Prof. Brown.
7. Business.....B. E. Walker, Esq.

II. LITERARY AND CRITICAL:

1. Slav Proverbs....."Mondamin"
2. Poem.....Phillips Stewart.
3. W. W. Campbell's Poems..F. W. P.
4. Walt Whitman.....Goodwin Gibson, M.A.
5. The Avenue of Limes....."Henri."
6. Poem.....W. W. Campbell.

MEETING OF GRADUATES.

Pursuant to a circular issued by Mr. Creelman, President of the Literary Society of University College, a meeting of graduates was held on Wednesday night in Moss hall to discuss the advisability of erecting a Union hall and club building in connection with the College. Vice-Chancellor Mulock presided, and Mr. Creelman acted as secretary.

Mr. Creelman explained the object of the meeting. This he did by stating the long-felt want that had existed for such a building. A certain offer had been made in an unofficial way which if taken advantage of by graduates and undergraduates would prove most beneficial.

The chairman stated that during the Christmas holidays he had visited some of the most important universities in the United States. At Harvard, for instance, the proper training of the body is looked upon as of almost as much importance as that of the mind. They have a magnificent gymnasium in connection with that institution, where the training and development of the body form part of the undergraduates course. A student on entering Harvard must pass a medical examination, which determines the course of athletic training he must pursue. Moss hall must go ere long, and then they would be without that humble edifice in which to meet. Although he had no authority to speak officially he was under the impression that if the graduates and undergraduates succeeded in raising, say \$15,000, another \$10,000 could be obtained without much difficulty. A location had been selected provisionally where a suitable building could be erected and where they could meet at all times for mutual improvement and recreation. The University authorities, he felt, sure would countenance the scheme.

Prof. Ramsay Wright followed in a similar strain. He had visited Yale and was much impressed with the elaborate accommodation provided for athletic training. He had also visited the Johns Hopkins University, where athletics formed an important part of the training of the students.

It was then moved by Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Bowes, "That the scheme of a public building devoted to the purposes of physical training, and affording facilities for holding meetings of graduates, undergraduates and others, is one that should meet with cordial approval."

Prof. Adam Wright said it was a great pleasure for him to be present and to speak a good word for this important proposition. He had been struck by the remarks of the chairman and Prof. Ramsay Wright, and felt sure that a building such as they proposed to erect would prove of incalculable benefit to all concerned. He felt sure the medical faculty would give the scheme every support.

Dr. Oldright and one or two others followed, endorsing the proposition, after which the motion was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

On motion of Dr. Oldright, seconded by Mr. Shaw, the following were appointed a committee to carry out the scheme:

Mr. W. F. W. Creelman (Convener) Prof. Ramsay Wright, Dr. Oldright, Prof. Baker, H. J. Scott, W. Barwick, A. H. Marsh, Dr. Bryce, W. Houston, R. E. Kingsford, W. F. Maclean, Nicol Kingsmill, T. C. Milligan, T. C. Robinette, J. A. Ferguson, Dr. Ferguson, C. Fraser, A. H. Young, J. W. Evans, Jas. Ross, M. S. Mercer, Toronto; J. A. Cullum, Dr. White, Hamilton; Dr. Kelly, W. Watt, Brantford; E. R. Cameron, T. T. Macbeth, W. R. Meredith, M.P.P., Dr. Eccles, S. Woods, London; W. Tytler, Guelph; E. H. Smythe, Kingston; W. B. Northrup, W. N. Ponder, Belleville; Judge Killam, F. C. Wade, Winnipeg; E. B. Edwards, J. H. Long, Peterboro'; R. Harcourt, M.P.P., Welland; J. L. McDougall, F. Hayter, Ottawa; G. S. Macdonald, Cornwall; G. I. Riddell, Galt; T. D. Craig, M.P.P., Port Hope; G. E. Casey,

M.P., Fingal; J. H. Coyne, St. Thomas; J. A. McAndrew, M.P. P., Renfrew; W. McBride, Stratford; Dr. Rae, Oshawa; H. B. Spotton, Barrie.

AN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of representatives of the different athletic organizations of the University of Toronto was held in Moss hall yesterday afternoon, to take initiatory steps towards the formation of an association to aid financially, govern and promote all departments of athletics in connection with the 'Varsity.

There were present Messrs. J. H. Moss and L. Boyd, of the Rugby Football Club; W. P. Thomson and J. R. Blake, of the Association Football Club; F. H. Moss and W. Predergast, of the Gymnasium Association; F. B. Hodgins and J. S. Johnston, of the Annual Sports Committee; S. D. Shultz and A. N. Garrett, of the Baseball Club, and J. F. Snetzinger and E. G. Rykert, of the Cricket club.

Mr. F. B. Hodgins occupied the chair and Mr. J. S. Johnston acted as secretary.

There was a lengthy discussion as to the best modes of procedure. Finally it was decided to present this resolution to a mass meeting of students, which has been called for Wednesday next, the 29th inst.

"At a meeting of the representatives of the different athletic organizations of the University of Toronto, it was resolved: That it is advisable to form a general athletic association, to unite all the various athletic bodies with a view to establish a unity, and to encourage and aid athletics generally."

The following outlines the general scheme of the proposed association:

"First—That a petition be submitted to the Senate, requesting financial aid in the following shape:

"That the Senate shall set apart, to take the place of the present gymnasium fund, \$2 or any other sum that they may see fit out of the annual fees of each student, the said sum to be dispensed and controlled by the committee of the aforementioned athletic association for the conducting of the gymnasium and for the benefit of the various clubs in the association.

"The said committee to consist of two or more members of the College Council and representatives from each of the clubs forming the association; the committee thus formed to have control of the funds of the said association."

The representatives feel assured that such an organization would confer unlimited benefit by encouraging athletics in the University. In the first place, this committee would practically supersede the present gymnasium committee, have general care of the lawn and property of the association, and be the final arbiters in all cases of conflicting interests between clubs. Secondly, the committee would be able to aid the several clubs in cases of financial embarrassment.

A regular meeting of the Mathematical and Physical Society was held in the west end lecture room on Tuesday, Feb. 14th. Mr. C. A. Chant read an interesting paper on the life and works of Kepler. Physical experiments in electricity were given by Messrs. Boulbee and Saunders. The president gave a solution, furnished by Dr. J. C. Fields, of Johns Hopkins University, of a problem in the theory of numbers, which had been handed into the Society for solution by Prof. Young. At the next meeting the subject of "Energy" will be discussed, and Mr. D. A. Burgess will give an essay on the life of James Clerk Maxwell. The Society has just published a neat little book of Rules and Regulations, which members can obtain from the Secretary.

GLEE CLUB.—Last Monday evening a party of twelve of the Glee Club members boarded the train for Norval, arriving there about 5.30 p.m. They enjoyed a sleigh ride from the station to Union Church, where a regular, old-time country tea-meeting was in progress. The Club was soon doing its best at long and amply filled tables. Soon an adjournment was made to the auditorium of the church, and there the Glee Club contributed the larger part of a lengthy programme, consisting of speeches from several persons, including Messrs. J. M. P. Scott, B.A., and J. McD. Duncan, B.A., and music from the Club. After furnishing about two hours of music to the delighted audience, a recuperative process was gone through down stairs, and then came a sleigh-ride to the station. It is needless to say that the Club nearly raised the roof and broke all the windows with the strains of "Kemo-Kimo," "Polly-Wolly-Doodle," "Old Grimes," and other classic and serious melodies. Toronto was reached about 12.30 a.m., and the Club voted that it has never had a better time than with the hospitable people of Union Church. Mr. N. Kent, the leader, made an appropriate speech in reply to a vote of thanks.

The Engineering Society held their usual meeting on Tuesday week, in the School of Science. Mr. G. W. E. Field read a paper upon the Heating and Ventilation of Buildings, and although the subject is a very extensive one the essayist had condensed it considerably and brought out the main principles very clearly in a