

## WILLIAM TELL.

For some time past the members of the Dramatic Society have been engaged preparing Sheridan Knowles' famous drama, "William Tell," which they presented before a well crowded house on the evening of Dec. 11th. Nothing was left undone either by the director, Rev. L. Gervais, or by those who took part, to assure success, and consequently an excellent performance was anticipated.

The historical facts interwoven with the popular fictions always enshrouding personages such as Tell, which form the basis of the play, are admirably suited for dramatic production. William Tell, a virtuous, liberty-loving, patriotic Swiss, indignant at the injustice done his country under the yoke of Germany, and determined to free her from the thralldom of her oppressors, rises in rebellion against them. He is seized by the tyrant, Gesler, the very personification of treachery and cowardice, but is offered his liberty if he succeeds in piercing with an arrow an apple placed on the head of his own son. Rather would Tell die than thus endanger the life of one so dear to him; but his child is already in the hands of this enemies, and this is the only means the cruel despot offers to save the lives of both. Tell shoots, is successful, but it being discovered that he had secreted an arrow with which to take the life of Gesler, an attempt is made to secure him. He seizes a weapon from one of the bystanders, and slays the tyrant, thus virtually freeing his country.

The characters of Gesler and Tell are especially difficult to impersonate, and it is no small compliment to those who assumed these roles, to say that they did full justice to them. The choruses showed much care in their preparation, and were so well rendered as to draw forth the unstinted praise of His Excellency the Governor General. The success of the singing is due to a great extent to the untiring efforts of Rev. S. Lambert, as leader of the choir and glee club.

The cast of characters was as follows:—

GESLER .....	M. J. O'Reilly
SARNEN....his Lieutenant..	J. Foley
RODOLPH } Austrian Officers {	T. Clancy
LUTOLD }	D. Cleary

WILLIAM TELL.....	M. J. McKenna
ALBERT.... his son.....	M. Davis
WALTER .. Tell's brother....	J. Ryan
MELCTAL .. Erni's father....	E. Doyle
ERNI }	R. Trainor
FURST } Patriots in league {	W. Sullivan
VERNER } with Tell..... {	W. Walsh
MICHAEL .....	F. Smith
PIERRE.....	G. Fitzgerald
THEODORE .....	E. Gleeson

Soldiers, Villagers Mountaineers, etc.

During the intermissions several beautiful selections were played by the Cecilian Society, the rendition of which was highly creditable. The band of this year, under the direction of Rev. A. Lajeunesse, promises to be, as it formerly has been, one of the most successful organizations in the University.

Among those who were present were His Excellency Lord Aberdeen, Prof. McMeekin, Rev. Fathers Ive, Plautin, Campbell, Groulx, Poulin and Motard.

## ATHLETICS.

At the meeting of the Quebec Rugby Football Union held in Montreal on the 7th inst. we were represented by Mr. T. Tetreau '94 and Mr. T. Clancy '98. Mr. C. D. Gaudet '92 was elected President of the Union and also named one of a committee of four to meet an equal number from the Ontario Union and endeavor to agree on a uniform code of rules to govern Rugby Football in Canada.

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The Executive committee of the Athletic Association has named the following sub-committees: Hockey: Manager, J. W. Dulin; Captain, W. W. Walsh; Team Committee, E. Fleming, J. Quilty, T. Clancy.

Snowshoe Club:—Committee, J. Foley, E. Fleming, T. Holland.

Bicycle Club:—Committee, E. Fleming, C. Graham, D. Cleary, G. Delaney.

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A City Junior Hockey League has been formed composed of the Aberdeens, Combined Banks, Victorias, Creightons, and