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ARRANGEMENTS have been completed for our annual conversazione, and that with a total lack of the heated discussion that has characterized previous years. For this we must give credit to the wisdom of the committee appointed, and especially of its chairman. His former presidency of the Alma Mater, and his thorough acquaintance with the difficulties to be met, enabled him to see his way clear to the best possible arrangement.

Certainly it is time that these bickerings between different factions over a college gathering should be done away with. Far too much hostility has been aroused in the past in the discussion of the dancing question and other particulars in connection with the conversat. It seems foolish in the extreme that ill-feeling should be roused over such trifling questions that would continue until students left the University. Now that a solution has been found every student should join heartily with the committee in making the conversat a complete success, and in drowning out of existence forever the bitterness of bygone days.

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Again after a bright prospect the inter-year series of football matches has been only a partial success. It seems as though, owing to the petty bickerings

which arise between the contending teams, we can never bring the inter-year contests to a successful issue. After the defeat of both our first and second teams in the first round of the series we expected to devote all our energy to the bringing out of new material that would next year help our veterans to bring back the championship to Queen's, and it was thought that the best way to do this was by a series of inter-year matches. At first it seemed that we were about to accomplish what we had never accomplished before, a successful termination of the series. The great difficulty which arose was the one which has always arisen in the past, viz: that there was a great difference of opinion as to the teams with which certain men should play. This immediately led to disputes between the contending teams. A large percentage of the games were played under protest and thus the good spirit which should characterize friendly contests upon the campus was more or less marred and in some cases bitter feelings were aroused. It is not right that friendly rivalry between students of the same alma mater should develop into ill-feeling, and that the primary object of these contests should be lost sight of in the desire to gain the trophy. As the matter now stands no team can creditably claim the victory. The freshmen, though they have made a good showing and have proved beyond a doubt that they are a sporty year, have been defeated in every match through inexperience. The juniors defeated the seniors, the sophomores defeated the juniors and the seniors defeated the sophomores, but under a protest entered by the latter they were thrown out on a technicality. The Athletic Committee has decided that the sophomores and juniors shall play off for the trophy; and here with regard to this decision there is a great deal of dissatisfaction among the sophomores who contend, and we think not without reason. We cannot predict the issue of the final struggle but we feel justified in saying that the victorious team in this contest cannot really feel that they are the champions of the college. It is to be hoped that some definite rule may be established so that in the future the inter-year matches may be carried on without controversy.