ALMA MATER SOCIETY.

THE first regular meeting of the A.M.S. after the Christmas vacation was held on the evening of January 13th.

A communication from Col. Taylor of R.M.C., in answer to one sent him before Christmas, was received and referred to a committee.

An interim report from the Theatre Night Committee was received recommending Jan. 26th for Theatre Night, as Ben Greet's company could be secured on that evening.

The Debate Committee reported that they had chosen Messrs. D. C. Ramsay and R. Brydon to contest the final debate of the I.U.D.L. series against McGill.

The society's election expenses were passed and ordered to be paid.

At the meeting of the society on Jan. 20th the Theatre Night Committee recommended that all arrangements for Theatre Night be annulled, as Mr. Greet had found it impossible to come to Kingston on Jan. 26th. They further advised that no Theatre night be held this year.

The resignation of J. M. McDonald, Divinity editor on the JOURNAL staff, was received, and C. E. Kidd elected in his stead.

The society approved the action taken by the Athletic Committee and the various executives toward the formation of a Canadian Inter-University Athletic Union, and also favored the withdrawal of the C.I.R.F.U. from the C.R.F.U.

At the last meeting of the society, held on Jan. 27th, P. M. Shorey's resignation as Science editor on the

JOURNAL staff was accepted. L. A. Thornton was elected in his stead.

D. C. Ramsay was elected auditor of the society in place of A. Kennedy, resigned.

J. Fairlie was elected delegate from the society to the R.M.C. At Home.

A report re the condition of the song book finances was received from Prof. Carmichael. The report was accompanied by a cheque for \$49.65. The secretary was directed to write Prof. Carmichael, thanking him for his interest in the matter and requesting that he continue to look after the song book.

The report of the Finance Committee of the Convrsat was received, showing receipts amounting to \$581.-44, and disbursements of an equal amount.

A request from the Dramatic Club that the society consider the engaging of a block of seats for Ben Greet's performance in Grant Hall on Feb. 12th or 15th was referred to the executive committee.

"PHYSICAL EXPERIMENTS."

T HE following extract from "Nature" refers to "Physical Experiments," a little work issued last year by Prof. N. R. Carmichael:

Anyone drawing up an elementary course of mechanical and physical experiments, and wishing for a manual to accompany it so as to make the preparation of a special volume unnecessary, could hardly do better than adapt his course to the manual before us. It contains just the short description which would otherwise be produced by some copying process for distribution to a class, or, failing this, would probably be written on a black-

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