

Michael's. Let the University graduates tax themselves; they are quite at liberty to do that, but they have not the slightest shadow of right to dispose of other people's money for their own benefit. One writer did argue that as everyone has to support State schools, so everyone should the University. But the cases are not parallel. Everyone acknowledges that some comprehensive scheme of education for children should be carried out by the Government, and our present system is as good as can be; but taxpayers who support the public schools do not calculate on giving the children who attend them a university education in addition. No matter how plausible the arguments may be the facts remain, when divested of all outside considerations, that the University of Toronto has not the least justification in calling on the Government to support them with other people's money in order that their own graduates may have some excuse for withholding the liberality which they ought to exercise towards their Alma Mater.

THE Council has taken a very wise step in changing the time of Matriculation Examination from October to July, but there is still another step in connection with this examination that we should like to see taken at once, viz.: that it should be localized. We are convinced that the want of something of this kind deters many men from coming up—the journey to Toronto involving as it does some expense, and a great deal of trouble without any certainty as to the result. And this proposition could be carried out with comparatively little trouble. In nearly every town of any importance there are some graduates of Trinity who would, we are sure be glad to further the interests of their Alma Mater by endeavouring to have these local Matriculation Examinations in their own town. The outlay, always an important point, would not be large. The chief expense would be for advertising in the local papers and hiring a room of some kind in which the examination could be held. It is altogether likely they could be held in the different High Schools. The scheme has worked most successfully in the case of Queen's College, and we cannot see why it should not in our case too. We fancy a good many men would go up for the examination in something the same way as they do for the Intermediate, viz.: to have a certain status in the scholarly world, others, perhaps, merely for the sake of the examination, which the average Canadian schoolboy finds very hard to resist when it takes place in his own town (such is the degraded condition of this much examined country). At any rate the scheme is well worth trying. The Matriculation fees would go a long way towards defraying the expenses. It could be tried in a few towns at first, such as Brockville, Napanee, Hamilton and London. These suggestions are merely thrown out. We should welcome discussion on the point from all interested in Trinity in the columns of this paper.

TRINITY MEDICAL NOTES.

At a second meeting in the School on Friday, Mr. J. C. Bell was elected to represent us at the Western University. Mr. Bell is a most suitable person, and if he fulfills his present position as ably as he did the seat of chairman of the late dinner committee, our School will be thoroughly represented.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Literary and Scientific Society was held in the School theatre on Saturday evening, the 8th inst. The programme was excellent. A paper by Dr. Geikie (Dean), discussing the life of our great predecessor Hippocrates, enumerating the many discoveries of that (most rightly termed) prince of doctors, and the benefit derived therefrom by his posterity, was most ably delivered. Trios sung by Messrs. Brown, Gillespie and Lockhart were deservedly applauded. Also a solo by Mr. Farrar and a reading by Mr. Dewan, and recitation by Messrs. Bell and Edmunson, created much amusement. The proceedings terminated with a debate opened by Mr. Bingham, G. A., on the best method of taking lectures. Several gentlemen expressed their views, and it was decided unanimously in favor of taking full notes. After singing our National Anthem the meeting dispersed, having spent a most enjoyable evening.

What has become of our Glee Club? Is it defunct, or are its members suffering from aphonia?

Dr. Geikie, the Dean, has been making strenuous practical efforts lately in the cause of Temperance by delivering able and interesting lectures on the relation of temperance to physical well-being. On Monday evening, the 10th inst., he delivered a very interesting address at the meeting of the St. Stephen's branch of the C.E.T.S. Efforts of this kind by a man who is thoroughly acquainted with his subject cannot fail to be of far more use and influence than any number of addresses by men who are speaking merely from hearsay or from knowledge they may have gained by reading.

COMMUNICATIONS.

MOSESSES FROM A ROLLING STONE.

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To the Editors of *Rouge et Noir*:

DEAR SIRS,—May a temporary absentee use your columns to convey his remembrances and greetings to his former comrades within and without the walls of old Trinity? It was to me, a happy coincidence, that, on the evening of the St. Simon's Dinner, while I was thinking of our past re-unions on that day, a long letter from Trinity was put into my hands, telling me of the *personal* and general state of affairs at the beginning of the Academical year. It was, with even greater pleasure that I heard, more recently, how successfully, in every way, the annual Re-union had passed off.

But, I assure you, our graduates can be met elsewhere than within the College—or even in Toronto. It is