

MIDST THE MORTAR BOARDS.

Political Science men of '94 are requested to send in subjects they wish to be discussed in the club to J. H. Brown, '94.

Those of the Sports prizemen who were not at the distribution of prizes on Friday, can secure the same by calling on R. S. Strath, at 134 D'Arcy Street.

Last week Mr. Wrong treated one of the History classes to his own classification of the different kinds of love. Needless to say, it was highly appreciated.

Our readers will be glad to learn that Mr. J. W. Russell, who has been confined to his room through illness, is recovering, and expects to be among us again in a day or so.

It was a pleasant surprise to the Political Science men to learn that their Professor, Mr. Mavor, had placed his private collection of 3,000 volumes in the library for the benefit of themselves and the students generally. We can assure Mr. Mavor that his generous action is fully appreciated.

A social evening of the Class of '94 will be held in the Avenue Chambers, Bank of Commerce building, northwest corner of College Street and Spadina Avenue, on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 7.30 o'clock. All members and former members of the Class are cordially invited. Entrance from College Street.

Those who have read that delightful story entitled "Mr. Potter of Texas," by the clever author of "Mr. Barnes of New York," will be pleased to know that it is to be presented in dramatic form at the Academy of Music during the week beginning Dec. 4. Mr. Potter, a wealthy rancher who has made his money in the wild and woolly west, is the hero of the story, and his travels in Europe and the East are graphically portrayed. The company is first-class and the scenic arrangements very complete. The patrons of the Academy will find the play fully up to their expectations. Popular prices.

The Political Science Club of '94 met last week for election of officers, Mr. Lamb being in the chair. The officers elected were: President, Prof. Mavor; 1st Vice, Mr. McEvoy; 2nd Vice, J. H. Brown; Secretary, G. B. Wilson; Councillors, Messrs. Carroll and Barnum. It was not till Councillors were being nominated that the meeting seemed fully awake. Names, motions, constitutional questions, amendments and objections poured in from all sides till the whole class were thought to be candidates. Finally Mr. Biggar requested anyone who had been overlooked to please stand. Mr. Moore, who had been hidden in a corner, was seen to rise and the list was at once made complete. When

the results had been announced it was resolved that the Society meet every Wednesday, at 4 p.m.

MODERN LANGUAGE CLUB.—A "Scotch" meeting had been announced for Monday afternoon, in Room No. 3. Scotland's favorite poet, Burns, was to be discussed and, therefore, the audience was large and enthusiastic. Mr. L. F. Anderson read a carefully-written and sympathetic account of the poet's short and tragic life. He gave selections from a number of his works, as "Burns' poems are his truest biography." Mr. O. J. Stevenson then followed with an interesting essay on "Tam o' Shanter." An excellent essay was read by Miss Lawson, on Burns' lyrical poems, in which she illustrated, by quotations, their remarkable tenderness and depth of feeling. An interesting feature of the programme was a violin solo by Mr. W. S. Armstrong. It was warmly received, and showed that Mr. Armstrong is one of the best violin players at the University. At the close of the programme the Ladies' Glee Club was so kind as to sing one of Burns' best known songs. The audience dispersed to the strains of "Auld Lang Syne."

SCIENCE NOTES.

A meeting of the Natural Science Association was held in the Biological Lecture Room on Tuesday. D. A. Campbell and P. J. Thompson were elected second and first councillors respectively. Mr. T. McCrae, B.A., read an interesting paper on "Cell-division in its Relation to Heredity." The general process of cell-division was first explained. Its relation to heredity and evolution was then considered. Several recent experiments were described that would appear to show that the chromatin, contrary to previous belief, is not the sole bearer of hereditary tendencies, but that the archoplasm also takes an important part. The transmission of acquired tendencies was also discussed. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 6th, at 4 p.m., when Miss Curzon will read a paper on "Fermentation," and Mr. Sheraton one on "Symbiosis." S. Silcox will also give a paper on "Nervous Localization," with reference to Phrenology. This will be the last meeting of the term. A programme for the coming term will likely be published early next year.

In our last issue we omitted to give an account of the previous meeting of the Association, held on Nov. 8th. About eighty new members were elected. This large number shows the increasing popularity of Science. W. G. MacCallum, '94, read an interesting paper on "Parasites of Fresh-water Fish." The paper was the result of his investigations during the

vacation. The thoroughness of his work may be judged from the fact that a number of new species were discovered. Mr. MacCallum was highly complimented on the originality displayed in his excellent paper. The meeting closed with a short paper by the Secretary, on "Errors of Observation."

We wish to inform the ladies that the franchise is extended to them. In Science there is no distinction. The members of the Association are increasing greatly each year. Every course and every year is crowded. The Geology men number seventeen, and are complaining for lack of room. The Chemistry students have only three balances for about thirty to use, and are much delayed accordingly. The fourth-year Biology students have no laboratory proper, no lockers and no microscopes of their own. It is to be hoped that these defects will be remedied soon. Neither the instructors nor the students can do themselves justice.

On Saturday evening Mrs. Ramsay Wright gave a tea-party to the students of the three higher years in Science. A very enjoyable time was spent, enlivened by instrumental music by Miss Hillock, B.A., and others, a solo by W. J. Knox, and some Varsity glees. Mrs. Wright's tea-parties constitute the most pleasant events in the year for the Science students.



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