

❖ DE NOBIS NOBILIBUS. ❖

IN the Calendar for 1867-68 we find the following: "DRILL.—The Government has authorized the formation of an association under the name of the "Queen's University Drill Association," and has appointed Captain Craig of the 47th Battalion Volunteer Militia, its instructor. It is specially intended for the benefit of students."

TALK about progress. In session 1870-71 ten years ago there were 25 students registered in Arts. This session there are 172. While there are treble the number in Divinity now, what there was then and double the number in Medicine.

At the last University service there were only four members of the choir present. They should be more regular.

MR. GORDON, of Toronto, the architect of the Arts' building, has been awarded the first prize of \$2,000 for the best design for the new Parliament Buildings to be erected for the Provincial Government at Toronto. Mr. Gordon's hat will not hold many more feathers.

The other day when the students of a certain class were endeavouring to drive away the gloom characteristic of this season, by means of a lively song; the Professor coming in at the close of it, remarked, with one eye on the class and the other in the near future, "I hear you singing now, but soon there will be weeping, and wailing and gnashing of teeth."

The decree has gone forth that the privilege of using the classical lecture room for the purpose of practicing vocal music can only be granted upon payment by the whole class of several dollars each.

It is nothing unusual now to observe one or two members of the Senior Greek class preparing themselves for a comfortable journey to, and short stay in the land of Ned, during the progress of the recitations, while the Professor good-naturedly requests the student reciting to speak softly, lest he may disturb their dreams. At the same time he makes mysterious observations regarding certain individuals who shall stand shivering in the cold spring wind, destitute of feathers, and so touchingly does he describe their condition sometimes that many are observed to draw their coats closer around them, while their teeth manifest a strong inclination to chatter as the horrors of the anticipated exposure dawn upon their minds.

The Mayor's gold medal has by this time become an accomplished fact. The present Mayor of Kingston, E. J. B. Pense, Esq., printer of this paper, has signified his intention to give a medal this year for the best examination in Honor Chemistry.

The Glee Club is considering whether it will accept invitations to give concerts at Newburgh, Napanee, Picton and some other places, as soon as the exams. are over. The Club last week gave a concert at Wilton, a small place in the country. It was well entertained and well received. The members liked the supper given for them, they liked the people, especially the Wilton girls, but they did not like a twelve miles ride over a very rough road.

The Curator of the museum will not "set his house in order" until the close of the session. The museum is in great confusion at present.

A poor persecuted Freshie and a cheeky Soph. resolved not long ago to be avenged on a proud Senior. This is how they did it. They observed that the aforesaid Senior

made a rush for the evening paper as soon as it was thrown in at the door by the carrier and devoured its contents. So armed with an old paper those wicked youngsters went outside and after remaining out for a time came to the door and threw in the old paper. The bait worked at once. The Senior jumped from his chair rushed downstairs seized the sheet and in about two minutes was seated in one chair with his heels over the back of another swallowing down its contents with his usual voraciousness. Several students who had been let into the secret gathered round and raised a loud laugh, but he couldn't see where the laugh came in till one of them whispered, Nov. 15th, 1879. The round happy face of that Senior became suddenly elongated. He looked the picture of a "Sell." We understand he is determined to be even with them yet.

❖ PERSONAL. ❖

REV. R. JARDINE, B.D., '66, D. Sc., of Chatham, N.B., has been called to the pastorate of St. John's Church, Brockville. Dr. Jardine is an old Brockville boy and the congregation called him without even hearing him preach. It will be fortunate if he accepts the call. His career at this College was brilliant and also at Glasgow, where he took the degree of D. Sc. He spent some time in India as Principal of the Church of Scotland College. He also holds a high rank as a writer on philosophical subjects; his books have gained for him a high reputation, especially that on the "Philosophy of cognition." We shall be glad if he will consent to come up nearer to us.

A. B. McBEAN, B.A., '65, of Montreal, whose liberality in giving prizes for essays is so much appreciated by the students, was in Kingston this week. We noticed his genial face at the University service.

REV. R. J. CRAIG, M.A., '73, of Mill Point, is Moderator of the Presbytery of Kingston.

WILBER DALY, B.A., '80, of Napanee, is recovering from a severe attack of sickness which it was thought at one time would prove fatal. Several of the fellows went up to see him, and brought back reassuring news.

AMONG those who received the *ad eundem* degree of M.D., last week from the University of the city of New York, was Chas. R. Dickson, M.D., '80. The number who graduated last week from three Universities was 522. To this number the Bellevue Medical College contributed 118 and the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia 205. 55 Homœopaths were also graduated last week from the New York College. In the United States at present it is calculated that there is one doctor to every 600 of the population. It is not so bad as that in Canada; therefore Dr. Dickson came back.

WM. STEWART, B.A., '79, in engaged in looking after the rights of the pupils of Brantford Blind Institute in the case against Mr. Hunter, the sympathetic and noble-hearted Principal. The Brantford *Telegram* says that he conducted the case on behalf of the pupils in a most creditable manner, and though only about twenty years of age, cross-questioned and examined the witnesses in the investigation in the style of an old lawyer. His many friends at Queen's will be glad to hear of his success. As a result of the energy of Mr. Stewart and others, the Institute will probably have to hunt ar(!)ound for a new Principal.