

Y. W. C. A.

The session's programme was opened by an address of welcome, read by the President, Miss Mills. Among other helpful and practical thoughts, the paper suggested the necessity of individual work, and emphasized our duty in regard to attendance and assistance by a word spoken in due season.

At the usual hour on Friday, October 21th, Miss E. C. Murray took charge of the meeting, taking as her subject "Spirits in Prison." Her remarks were based on Matthew 25 : 36, by which she pointed out that it is not sufficient merely to receive good, we must give of our abundance to others; and if we would develop the Christian character during our college session, it is necessary to be a blessing to those who are less favorably situated.

On the following Friday Miss Mudie read a very interesting and instructive paper on "All things are yours." The attendance of the first year girls is most encouraging, and the society is indebted to them for the crowded room on Friday afternoon. This augurs well for the success of the Y.W.C.A. in future years. A programme has been issued in which topics have been selected and leaders assigned.

THE Y. W. C. A. RECEPTION.

The annual reception given by the members of the Y. W. C. A. to the girls of the freshmen year, was held on Friday, Oct. 11th, at the home of Miss Johnstone.

This reception began in a modest way some years ago but on Friday no less than 75 girls did justice to the good fare. It requires no spirit of prophecy to assert that in a few years no dwelling will be able to hold the visitors at this annual gathering, and Convocation Hall will clothe itself in gala dress to do honor to the guests.

"Topics" constituted the first order of the evening and proved a ready means of introduction. A programme followed consisting of a duet by Misses Cryan and Malone, a vocal solo by Miss Griffith and a violin solo by Miss Mudie. Miss E. C. Murray contributed a Scotch reading, and Miss Stewart a piano solo. After these, which were given at intervals, and served for a pleasant break between conversation and games, the "freshettes" were conducted to the refreshment room by the indefatigable seniors.

As usual the evening ended with the circle and "Auld Lang Syne," the latter being the only piece of retrospection in which the seniors indulged. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Miss Johnstone for her hospitality and was fitly responded to, while Miss Gordon, speaking for the fresh girls, testified to the delightful evening they had spent.

THE FRESHMEN'S RECEPTION.

The annual reception tendered the freshmen by the Arts Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A. and the Medical Y. M. C. A. has now come to occupy an important place in college life at Queen's. Usually it has been held on the evening of the third Friday in October, but on account of the football game in Toronto on that day and the absence of so many of the students it was thought advisable to postpone it for a week. Accordingly on Friday evening, Oct. 25th, the reception was held. For some days previous the various committees had been working energetically and the gathering was a pronounced success. Early in the evening the students and their friends began to assemble, and before eight o'clock Convocation Hall was thronged to the doors. The freshmen, considerably over one hundred in number, turned out in full force and were received by Mrs. Mowat, Mrs. Cappon, Mrs. MacGillivray and Mrs. Herald.

The speech of the evening was delivered by President Burton, of the Arts Y. M. C. A., who, in a few well-chosen words, bade the freshmen welcome and urged on their notice the claims of the Y. M. C. A. The following programme was then rendered in a pleasing manner: Guitar selection, Messrs. Routley and Clark; solo, Mr. Walter Lavell; solo, Miss A. Griffith; solo, Miss Harris, with violin accompaniment by Prof. Telgmann, and a selection by the glee club. Several hearty encores were responded to by the performers. The band of the 14th Batt. was present and enlivened the proceedings greatly in the intervals between the different parts of the programme. Refreshments were served in the English class room and appeared to be well patronized. A little before eleven o'clock "God Save the Queen," by the band, gave the signal for dispersion. For ten or fifteen minutes later many an anxious freshman might be seen, hat in hand, with his eyes riveted on a certain doorway, but gradually one by one—or rather two by two—they disappeared, and one of the most successful receptions came to an end. The event is over but the remembrance of it still lingers, and who can tell what a landmark it may yet prove in the life of many an unwary freshman!

THE LEVANA SOCIETY.

The first meeting of this society was held on Monday, 14th inst., at four o'clock. As no special preparation had been made a somewhat informal programme was presented, which proved quite enjoyable. It was introduced by an address of welcome by Miss Reid, the president. In the course of her remarks she pointed out the necessity of cultivating social gifts as well as intellectual. A poem of wel-