

work on the various mission fields. Mr. W. B. Tighe, Mr. J. E. Pengelly, and Mr. H. B. Coumans spoke of the work done on their respective fields, viz., Avoca, Quebec, Howick, Ont., and Maxville. The afternoon session began at 2 o'clock, Mr. P. G. Mode, B.A., conducting the devotional exercises. Dr. Rand then took the chair, and the students' reports were continued. Mr. C. C. Anderson told of his hardships and encouragements at Lake Temiscaming, and Mr. G. R. Welch told of his experience in Nelson, B.C., Mr. T. H. Cornish also gave a report of his work at Indian River. The last two reports were especially encouraging, as Nelson and Indian River are new places in Baptist geography. The meeting was brought to a close by Dr. Goodspeed pronouncing the benediction.

AMONG the multiplicity of societies—which is a very striking feature of McMaster life—there is one society which promises to be of unusual interest this year and which holds a very important place in the sisterhood of similar organizations. The Philosophical Society, inasmuch as it will this year supply a much felt want in our course of lectures, will prove of great value to all those who may attend its meetings. The Honorary President, Professor Ten Broeke, proposes to deliver a series of lectures, this winter, based upon "McKenzie's Introduction to Social Philosophy." The first of these was given at the last meeting of the Society. Thursday, Oct. 20th, and was highly interesting and instructive. The members and friends of the Society are looking forward with pleasure to Dr. Ten Broeke's course of instruction in this very important branch of Philosophy. The officers elected for the present year are the following:—Honorary President, Dr. Ten Broeke; President, A. G. Campbell, B.A.; Secretary, W. J. Wright, M.A.; Councillors from the years, E. W. Parsons, '99, E. B. Brownlee, '00, W. E. Hindson, '01, A. J. Welch, '02.

ANNUAL CONVOCATION.—The Annual Convocation of McMaster University was held on Friday evening, October 14th, in Bloor St. Baptist Church. The students turned out *en masse* and filled the centre of the large auditorium, while the side seats and galleries were reserved for visitors. The University Faculty occupied seats upon the platform. The Chancellor in his opening address made reference to the favorable conditions under which the University begins work this fall. The teaching staff is larger than ever before and has been strengthened by the addition of William Houston, M.A., who will act as lecturer in History, and Rev. Elmore Harris, B.A., who has accepted the position of honorary lecturer on Evangelistic Methods. Two new fellowships, one in Moderns and one in Classics, have also been created. The number of students is also increasing from year to year, the present attendance being in excess of any previous year. There is great need of increased accommodation. Especially is this felt in the Chapel-room, which will not accommodate more than two-thirds of the students. The three most pressing needs are:—the endowment of a lectureship in public reading and speaking, a new chapel and library, and a suitable field for athletics.