

The Rotunda.

Vance Bilton, '00, is located now in Assinaboia, N.W.T. He is on a ranch there and writes home that he likes the work.

On Monday afternoon the S.P.S. braves met the medical warriors in a second battle in the Mulock Cup series. After a terrific struggle the Scientists won the fight by one point.

Everybody is going to the Dinner on Friday night. If you have not got your ticket yet apply to Sam Dickson or any of the committee. There are going to be good songs, good speeches, and good matter.

The Executive Committee of '99 has awarded the contract for the graduation photo. again to Park Bros. This firm did very satisfactory work last year, and this, no doubt, led to their tender being accepted this year.

The Mathematical and Physical Society held an interesting meeting on the 1st inst., in Room 16. The following was the programme: "The Transformation of Co-ordinates and its Interpretations," by N. R. Wilson, '99; "Life of Riemann," by W. A. Bain, '99, and some "Physical Experiments on Electro-motive Force," by Dr. Scott.

The sixth annual At Home of the Harbord Collegiate Literary Society will be held next Monday evening, December 19th, at eight o'clock, at the Institute. A very enjoyable time is expected. The tickets are 50 cents, and may be obtained at Gourlay, Winter & Leeming's, or from any member of the committee.

J. T. A. Smithson, '98, was in the city lately. His many friends were glad to see him in his old haunts again.

Watch for the Christmas Varsity, out next Wednesday; there will be some good things in it.

In a letter to a student of Varsity, a graduate of '98 indulges in the following description of an incident in his graduate career: The folks sent me out on a hunting expedition this morning as I had nothing else to do. I was exceedingly successful in an excessive degree, although not superlatively so as I missed my first shot, but my second was one that hit the bull's-eye. To be plain, they wanted a rooster for dinner (oh, yes, we often have 'em), and I was sent out with a shot-gun to shoot one. I was instructed to shoot it through the head so that we would not eat the lead, and so the first time I aimed too high and missed, but the second time I struck home, and although he didn't die instantly yet he went through an amazing set of evolutions. He turned twelve back-somersaults, stood on his head and on his tail at the same time, did the Pyramid all by himself and other things that would have made Prof. Williams turn mouldy with envy, and he never uttered a word nor stopped to take breath, in fact, I think he over-rated himself, for when he stopped he was dead, and I found that he was very red in the face, while there was blood on his shirt-front and his handkerchief. In order to be sure he hadn't choked I chopped his head off, but it didn't do him any good. We intend to have a post-mortem at 12 M., to-day, when we will have a careful investigation of all parts. (I must add, to relieve a tender conscience, that he is boiling now, and if he is done by dinner time, then we'll have him, if not, not).



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