

the events of the year, or is it to provide articles of value upon college or general problems, the articles in question being written by members of the Faculty and graduates, or is it to afford the undergraduate a channel for knocking? Or should the student find in it an opportunity for developing his literary talents? Or, again, would the ideal be a newspaper?

We do not propose at this time to hazard an opinion; but we would like you to tell us what you want, what features of *The Martlet* you liked best, and where you think it has failed. If we can ascertain what the students really want it will be far easier to give it to them than when we are, as we have to some extent been, groping in the dark. Of course, it

is too late now to make any very radical changes this year, but we are anxious to give to our successors as much help as possible, so that they may avoid the errors into which we have fallen, and that *The Martlet* may, in their hands, continue with success the career it has just begun.

N. B.—Please do not stop the editor in order to make suggestions when at 11:05 he is rushing for Professor Lafleur's lecture room. In all probability the latter as well as the former would much prefer it if the communication were sent to the editor at the Union.

We are fortunate in having this week an able article from Prof. Caldwell. We would advise every student to read it, as it is well worth a careful study.

## Correspondence

Medical Building, Feb. 20, 1909.

To the Editor of *The Martlet*:

Dear Sir.—In your issue of Feb. 19th there appears a letter, criticising the Med. '11 report of the preceding issue, which calls for some answer. Strange as it may seem, I, the writer of "A Class Report," agree in almost every particular with Mr. Yuill. He has expressed in words the idea for which I used a symbol.

Such stuff comes only from a "vacillating mind," or, by design, from a critical one. The latter has its place; the former has none. "A Class Report" was written by design as knock or roast at the '09 Science Reports which have appeared in the various issues of *The Martlet*. As far as I can ascertain, a reporter has no exemption in the roast line, and is always open to criticism.

I have no desire to champion the cause of the Faculty. The Faculty has no need for champions. It seems a pity, however, that all the groundless petty spites and

prejudices of individuals against professors, departments and Faculty should be vented each week in *The Martlet*, which, as the reporter well knows, goes to all the great universities in Canada and the United States.

The idea of its being written by a member of Science '09 against a classmate is absurd. Nothing gets into a class report except through the reporter, who takes all responsibility.

A censorship to eliminate bad English, sentences of over one hundred words in length, and doubtful means, is perhaps necessary; but an official Elucidator of Roasts for the Application of Knocks is out of the question.

If further explanations are necessary I will be most happy to endeavour to satisfy Mr. Yuill, either through *The Martlet* pages or by personal interview.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, I am, yours,

HAROLD J. G. GEGGIE,

Reporter Med. '11.