the first contingent well merited the distinction he has received from the militia department, and while we tender him our congratulations and best wishes, we do so with a grain of self-ish regret that his duties will deprive the school of a director whose substantial assistance and friendly interest have been of such service.

The action taken by the Faculty regarding the chemical laboratory work of "course A" came rather late for most of those in the junior year registered in that course.

The stipulation that the work in Quantitative must be completed before beginning Assaying, and the assurance that Assaying would be begun immediately after the Christmas vacation, have caused the neglect of other classes in the Engineering course, for a great many have slaved early and late to comply with these regulations, and now regret—not the slavery—but the classes missed and the work neglected that this work necessarily entailed.

HOW SOME OF THE CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS WILL SPEND THEIR HOLI-DAYS.

Stonewall will find a new place to hide his pipe.

Maunchaussen will get — well, never mind what he will get.

The "Kid" will relate to his friends how he bluffed the demonstrator.

Cummings will not relate all of his experience to the "Old Folks at Home."

Jas. Bart-t will write a series of short stories entitled Gulliver's travels up to date.

The B.O. Stranded will be thoroughly overhauled and refitted during the vacation.

Suthy will go to Delore, and will return with a sad, thoughtful look.

The philosopher of the freshman year will devise a new method of bumming tobacco.

Blackfoot Muldoon Milden, Chief of the Scalpers, will smoke the pipe of peace in the tepee of the Hawkeye Cornwallites.

Reginald Anson Cert-g-t will write a sequel to Ralph Connor's "The Man from Glengarry," entitled "The Girl from Glengarry."

The students taking mining and metallurgy are wondering if i-d-e-a is pronounced idear, and those in engineering are trying to discover, by a protracted search in Mineral Industry, vol. 9, what kind of curve a paregoric arc represents.

## Athletics.

THE OUTLOOK FOR RUGBY IN ONTARIO.

By Dr. C. K. Clarke.

THAT the Rugby situation has reached a critical stage is admitted on all sides, and yet the outlook is more hopeful than has been the case in several years. To anyone who has watched the rise and fall of the Ontario Rugby Football Union, the present state of affairs is just what was to be expected, and if the Intercollegiate League had not come into existence the prospect would have been hopeless. Even now the situation is not devoid of danger, but I have so much faith in the good sense of the people at the head of the Rugby Union in Ontario that I am certain order will be evolved from chaos, and good come out of evil.

It takes a good deal of moral courage to root out abuses which have been winked at by certain of the press, and laughed at by persons who be-