At the first meeting of the society, a lecture on the "Instinct of Animals" was delivered by the Rev. Director. Many examples were cited to prove that their exists in the animal a peculiar impulse which guides it to perform certain actions. This instinct, however, must not be confounded with human reason, and many incidents were related to exemplify the difference between them. On the whole the lecture was replete with interesting and valuable information.

"The Pride of Killarney", a romantic drama in four acts, was presented under the auspices of the Literary and Debating Society in Harmony Hall, on Feb. 12th to an audience that taxed its capacity. The play was artistically staged and the ability displayed by those who took part in it won high praise from the seenest critics. While it would be difficult to particularize, Mr. J. Fahey as a Kiliarney boy, made the hit of the evening with Mr. P. C. Harris as Adolphus Pennyworth a close second. The latter gave an almost perfect interpretation of he English "dandy", turning out to be, in the last act, "Charlie, my boy" the friend of Maurice O'Donnell. Messrs. Hart, Grace, Hatch, Byrnes and McCarthy also made good impressions in their respective roles, while the dancing of Messrs. C. and G. Gorman and J. Gallagner elicited much applause. During the intermissions, a vocal solo by Miss Hazel Maloney and several selections by the University orchestra were well received. Also Mr. Otto O'Regan as Hy-Riaghain, the Mystic, furnished consilerable amusement by his magic tricks.

Great credit is due Rev. Dr. Sherry under whose capable management the play was staged, and to whose untiring efforts the whole success of the affair is owing. Too much praise cannot be given him for his endeavors in its behalf.

The cast of characters was as follows:

Maurice O'Donnell (The Pride of Killarney) E. Byrnes
Mr. O'Donnell (Naurice's father W. Grace
Myles O'Shaughnessy (A warm-hearted Irishman) J. J. Hart
Mr. O'Driscoll(Mr. O'Donuell's friend) A. Stanton
Barnev Lafferty (A Killarney Boy J. J. Fahey
Darby Grady (Another)
Adolphus Pennyworth(An exquisite) P. C. Harris
Felix Harding (Maurice's enemy) F. W. Hatch
Raymond Vibert (Typsy Captaini E. H. McCarthy
Mr. Preston (A Magistrate) N. Bawlf
Police, Peasants, etc.