

George Malcolm, B.A., Stratford. It was decided to hold the next annual meeting, which will take the form of banquet, at London.

We understand that similar associations exist in Ottawa, Toronto, Brockville, and other places, and we would be glad to hear from their respective secretaries regarding their work, and to get lists of their office-bearers.

A QUEEN'S GIRL'S VICTORY.

HOW A CANADIAN GIRL, GRADUATE (NOT HERAKLES THIS TIME) OVERCAME THE GERMAN DRAGON THAT GUARDED THE GOLDEN APPLES OF THE HESPERIDES.

MISS Adell Snyder (M.A. 1895), is the heroine. We are enabled to tell the story of her triumph in her own words, written in a private letter from which we are permitted to make an extract:—

HEIDELBURG, Feb. 19th.

"I am working here under his Excellency, Kuno Fischer, who is considered in Germany the greatest living German exponent of Kant. Before I came he did not admit ladies to his lectures or examine them, and the other professors to whom I went, as well as all older students, told me that it was absolutely useless to try for admission as he had refused ladies of almost every age and every nationality. I called on him, however, and made known my wish to work under him. He replied that he did not admit ladies; then, out of courtesy, asked where I came from, etc. I told him I had worked in Professor Watson's classes in Queen's University, Canada. He knew him at once and was interested, inquired about him, his methods and what I had done under him, asked me a few questions in philosophy and many about Dr. Watson and his work. After we had talked about three quarters of an hour, he rose, and giving me his hand, said, 'I have never admitted ladies; but I lecture this afternoon at four o'clock and shall be pleased to see you at the lecture'—so I owe it all to Dr. Watson, and am most glad to express my sincere joy and thankfulness that I had the privilege of his instruction and guidance in Canada.

Nor do I alone reap the benefit; all women students are rejoicing in the opening to women of one of the very strongest departments of this University. Then His Excellency is a Privy Councillor to the Grand Duke of Baden, and since he—who was one of the last to hold out against the new movement—has yielded, women have obtained the right of matriculation on the same ground as men students, and may obtain any order, honour or decoration which is open to men,—a step in which, I believe, Baden takes the precedence in Europe. I am enjoying my work exceedingly, but feel rather hurried now when I think that my three years' limit of stay is drawing rapidly to a close. I shall probably return to Canada in July, and may take the examination for Ph.D. before doing so—or, if I should not, I shall be able, in any case, to return for a month in our long vacation and take the examination."

There are people who say that it is a disgrace that Canadian students should have to go elsewhere for post-graduate work. We do not agree. We should see other countries, and occasionally—as in this case—we may do the other countries good.

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THE SADNESS AND JOY OF KNOWLEDGE.

"In much wisdom is much grief: and He that increaseth knowledge Increaseth sorrow."—*Eccles. i. 18.*

PERHAPS you may have seen a copy of an engraving of Albrecht Dürer, which he himself entitled, "Melancholia." A female genius is seated with a large book on her knee and a pair of compasses in her hand, looking out with grave and dignified sadness, but seeing only the vision of her unconsummated labours. At her feet lie the instruments of the carpenter, the geometer and the alchemist, where also, as if in sympathy with her pause from labour, sleeps a great wolf-hound. Over her head the window of the house is divided into sixteen squares, each fitted with a number, the sum of which, whether taken horizontally, vertically or diagonally, is the same, while to