

No Varsity man is more keenly interested in the sessions of the provincial legislature than the Hon. D. B. Gillies, M.P. While I noticed on his face a wrathful wince at Mr. Whitney's reference to the Grit Gerrymander, he smiled with pride when his veteran leader shattered the allegations of the opposition into atoms and fragments.

Arthur W. Keith, '00, paid his annual Christmas visit to the gymnasium during vacation. He is teaching science in the Leamington High School.

E. M. Wilcox, '01, Assistant Secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers Association, is to leave shortly on a business trip to the West Indies. J. F. M. Stewart, '00, will take his place at home for the three months or so during which he will be absent.

Jim Dickinson, '02, was down with influenza for a few days during the holidays, but the malady could not withstand the mellowing influence of the brandy sauce he had with his Christmas pudding, and left him suddenly as if by magic. Perhaps it was charmed away.

Professor (translating) "Sometimes it was a 'yellow bill' (so the new arrivals at the University [of Paris, 1482] were called) whom he had touselled for his welcome—a precious tradition which "has been carefully perpetuated even to our days." A curious way of receiving newcomers this, that seems to prevail all over the world. And it is not confined to the human species, either. Just turn a strange cow into the field with the herd or put a strange hen in the poultry yard, and see the treatment it gets. Oh, this is one of the *deep* things of nature, that is hard to eradicate.

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We regret to announce that Prof. Alexander has an attack of diphtheria.

The freshman who called 'I<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (I too owe five) "Idiotic" Acid on the Chemistry paper made no mistake.

Williman, '04, did not go home for Christmas. We wonder why? He was seen around Carlton street on several occasions. It's up to you to explain, "Willie."

Miss J. T. A. Robertson, B.A., '01, has the sincere sympathy of the students in the death of her father, Dr. Robertson, Supt. of Presbyterian Missions in the North-West, which occurred last week.

"There are only two causes of the evil in this world—only two possible causes"—, says Professor Hume,— "man is one, and woman is the other."

Congratulations are in order to Mr. Frederick Rutter on his stand in his economic essay. I wonder whether he was as much surprised as we!

The strains of the Dutch Companee no longer hold a monopoly about our halls. They mingle with the notes of a charming rag-time medley, Ma Arabell. Our friends, Messrs. O'Flynn and Brophrey are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts.

Our distinguished Associate-Professor of the department of Natural Science is a great lover of skating and its amenities. He is open to all comers in the same ring.

Let no freshman imagine having spent a month or so with us that he owns the institution. He will realize next year how very very green he is this year.

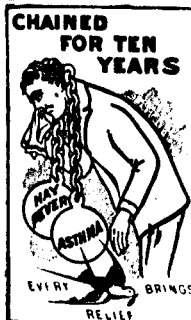
Our hockey season is about to open. We sincerely trust that our captain, Mr. "Doc" Wright will not find it necessary to say again: "Veni, vidi, victus sum."

B. A. Simson, '00, is head of the woods and forests department of the Clergy syndicate.

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