

The Rotunda

John McKay spent Christmas at his home in Lucknow.

A. N. Mitchell has returned to Varsity eager for work after a good time at Enniskillen.

J. H. F. Fisher was found several times haunting the Library of the Parliament Buildings during the holidays.

The Natural Science men from the first year to the fourth, as is their custom, reported for work bright and early at 9 a.m., Monday.

"Billy" Douglas says that although city life is not altogether conducive to original research in P.S., he hopes to make it so before many moons.

The Gymnasium fee has been reduced to three dollars till the end of the academic year, which low price ought to induce many to join.

The energetic secretary of the Lit., "Dick" Lesuer, tore his affections away from his native town of Sarnia and returned on Monday.

"Billy" Dakin, while skating on the streamlet that runs through his native town of Galt, says that something broke and he was reluctantly compelled "to take to water."

F. D. McEntee spent the holidays in his room nursing a very severe cold. "Mac" is all right again, however.

It was rumored around the Rotunda on Monday that someone had said that "Billy" Stratton had worked an hour a day during the holidays.

W. A. Sadler had an attack of that very fashionable disease "grip," but we are glad to say he is all right again.

D. E. Kilgour spent Christmas in Guelph.

"Lexie" Isbeter has returned from Ottawa ready for work (and hockey).

"Art" Snell divided his affections between hockey and "home" at Bolton, and has returned ready to captain Varsity to victory.

"Billy" Kerr, during the holidays, added the spice of a little work to his well-earned rest after his trials and tribulations of last fall.

A. W. Keith was seen back to work early Monday.

"Tommy" Russel and Lorn Allan hung up their stockings together at the former's home in Exeter, and report poor roads in that part of the country.

"Bob" Mullin enjoyed his Christmas in his native town of Hamilton as best he could, which is saying a good deal.

Adams, '00, spent Christmas at his home in Whitby.

The many friends of John Gibson, '00, will deeply sympathize with him in the loss of his father during the holidays.

John R. Bone reports a quiet time of studious endeavor at his home in Wingham, despite the many distractions of a metropolis.

B. E. Thackery, '99, took a good rest at home during the holidays to prepare for the hard work which he says he intends to do.

The rinks are all under full swing and many have bought tickets, which are but one dollar.

A great many men report having had their holidays spoiled, or almost so, by the "Grip," which seems to be very prevalent all over the Province.

W. L. McKenzie King, B.A., '95, spent Christmas at home in Toronto. He is one of Varsity's graduates who is doing splendid work at Harvard University in Political Economy.

"Billy" Alexander successfully withstood the many temptations to go home and enjoy the gaiety of Ottawa for Christmas, and left that in charge of "Alec" McDougall, who reports a good time.



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