

## LADIES' COLUMN.

## "QUI NON PROFICIT, DEFICIT."

**M**Y LADY LEVANA,—Three times since autumn blew her bugle blast have we met within the room dedicated to your votaries. Our first meeting was just a business talk. A week later, however, we met for the usual fortnightly gathering, when the resignation of the president, Miss Henstridge, was accepted and Miss Dupuis, the poetess of former years, was elected in her place, while Miss Macdonald of '99 was elected poetess. The newly elected president then gave her inaugural address in which she emphasized the truth that in union is strength, and that we have neither classes nor creeds among your followers, but are all students and Christians. A good programme followed.

Last Wednesday we had the first of our series of afternoons, the sentimental afternoon or taffy talk. The Principal honoured us with his presence and for the first half hour addressed the young women on the subject of the gymnasium, after which the programme was rendered as follows: Taffy talk, by the president; a poem by the poetess; piano solo by Miss Polson; vocal solo by Miss Knight; and a peach talk by Miss E. C. Murray. Taffy was passed around and conversation became general until an adjournment was moved, and each went her separate way, realizing the wisdom of the old saying,

"A little nonsense now and then  
Is relished by the wisest women."

Allow me to remind you, my lady, in passing, that the second afternoon of our series, the Canadian afternoon, will be held on November 11th, when we hope to feel the inspiration of your presence.

## RECEPTION BY THE Y. W. C. A.

Among the many pretty customs which have arisen at Queen's since women became a prominent factor in the university, one of the most pleasant is the reception given to the freshman class of girls by the Y.W.C.A. It has been for some years an annual event, and has proved very successful in making the new-comers feel at home and in promoting a feeling of good-fellowship through the whole class.

This year the entertainment was held on the 16th of October, at the home of Miss Minnes, and was as usual a perfect success, for at these pleasant gatherings every one endeavors to make everyone else, and especially the guests of the evening, enjoy herself. Each guest finds herself placed under the charge of one of her senior sisters. She is conducted to the place of entertainment, and is not allowed to go home alone, or to depend on chance for an escort.

A unique feature of the reception this year was the serenade given by those students who had been left out of the party. When the evening was about half spent and games were in progress, the well-known toot of the college horn was heard. Games were abandoned and a general move made towards the door, where was seen a vast concourse of the grave men of Queen's eager to show their appreciation of their fellow-students. After the mutual compliments of "He's a jolly good fellow" on one side and fireworks on the other had been exchanged, the girls went back to the bright parlors, while the boys slowly resumed their onward march in the outer darkness.

When supper had been partaken of, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mrs. Minnes, who had so kindly given up her house for the evening. Then Auld Lang Syne was sung and a thoroughly pleasant evening was ended.

## PERSONALS.

**T**OSHI IKEHARA, B.A., permanent secretary of '96, has shrouded in gloom the hearts of many young ladies of Kingston by taking his departure for Springfield, Mass. Should he survive the presidential campaign he intends returning next summer to the land of his birth, where he will engage in missionary work.

"Freddie" Supple, '96, is looking for nuggets and new sensations in the British Columbia El Dorado.

John McVicar, B.A., '94, when last heard from was negotiating for the chair of Classics in a Western University.

W. B. Munro, M.A., '96, has exhausted the educational resources of the new hemisphere and has gone to "Auld Reekie" in quest of fresh ideas on economical and historical questions.

W. W. King, M.A., '95, is Classics Master in Quebec High School.

J. B. McDougall, B.A., known among the irreverent as "Cæsar," visited us about the beginning of the session. To all questions as to the reason of his presence in Kingston he made but one reply: "I've business with Bamforth."

R. A. Croskery, B.A., '94, is teaching "the humanities" in Prescott.

E. R. Peacock, M.A., '94, English Master in Upper Canada College, paid us a flying visit last week. "Ed" is coach of the college foot-ball teams and was on the lookout for "pointers."

K. J. Hutcheon, M.A., has accepted a call to St. Andrew's Almonte. His induction took place on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd.