

time. The Lords were upheld by Messrs. Powers and McDougall while Messrs. Devlin and J. Walsh advocated their abolition. The question seemed to be most interesting to the members of the society at large, several of whom delivered addresses for the side with which they sympathized. The vote, by a small majority favored the negative.

The Junior society broke the monotony of debate by a concert at its meeting which took place on the 18th of Feb'y. Songs, speeches and recitations took the place of the regular debate. Among those who did much to make the entertainment a success were: Messrs. McCabe, McCarthy, Clarke, Looney, Ryan, Proulx and several others.

Its debate the week following was on the subject, "Resolved that personal effort has more to do with success in life than circumstances," for the affirmative, Messrs. Hackett and Foley; for the negative, Messrs. Tessier and Greenfield. Thirty-six votes were recorded for each side. The chairman gave his decision in favor of the affirmative.

At the meeting of the Junior Society which took place on the 11th of March, the question discussed was, "Resolved that the Crusades were beneficial to Europe." Though the debating seemed very close, the vote gave the victory, by a majority of twenty-two, to Messrs. Clancy and Reynolds, who endeavored to show the beneficial results of those holy wars. Their opponents were Messrs. W. McDonald and O'Brien.

A very successful entertainment was given on the eve of St. Patrick's day under the direction of the above society. Mr. McCabe, president, occupied the chair. The programme consisted of speeches, songs and declamations in which the following took part: Messrs. Devlin, Whelan, Laplante, McCarthy, Looney, O'Malley, Donegan, McGee, Carrigan, Payment, Bolger, McKenna and O'Neil. The Glee Club and Orchestra also added much to the entertainment's success.

SPORTING NOTES.

A few years ago the brisk game of hockey was scarcely known. Now, wherever a clear sheet of ice is to be found, this exhilarating sport flourishes. During the winter months, it supplies a long-felt want for pleasant, physical exercise. Its many splendid qualities and great advantages have been ably set forth in *Outing* for February, by our friend, Mr. Charles Gordon Rogers, of Ottawa. Here are a few lines from Mr. Rogers' spirited description of our two great Canadian games: "And oh, what a grand game this is! We in Canada have the two swiftest, simplest and most beautiful and exciting games in the world. Next to a boat race, I do not think there is anything so blood-stirring as a first-class lacrosse match, and next to that a hockey match. These two sports are so speedy, the embodiment of so much that is thrilling, that the ordinary observer stands spell-bound, entranced, amazed. There is no idle moment; that is the beauty of them. They are the epitome of swift and perpetual motion that only ceases when time shuts off the steam."

'VARSITY VERSUS ABERDEENS.

The 'Varsity Hockey team played its last match this winter on the 16th of February. The Aberdeens were the opposing team. They had considerably strengthened their line since their contest with the Electrics. Clever and even playing, fast skating and close checking enabled them to score twice. The forwards of the 'Varsity combination did grand work and twice rushed the puck through their opponents' goals. The match, one of the best of the season, in the city series, thus ended by a draw.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

The beautiful spring weather of the past couple of weeks has played sad havoc with the Junior's hockey rink. It is now crossed and recrossed with miniature canals, along which the water flows until it finds an exit in the sewer. W. P. R., the Junior Joker, with whom our Assist-