

pared to this. The first floor of this building is composed of class rooms, beautifully fitted up. After a careful examination of these rooms we took an elevator to reach the library, which occupies the whole of the second flat. This library is the best in Canada. The collection of books is expensive and rare. Just off the book department is a large reading room, to which the students have access at any hour in the day. On the third flat is Convocation Hall. It is one of the most beautiful halls I have ever seen. The walls are lined with oil paintings of the university's celebrated professors and graduates. It is a curious fact that a great number of these celebrated men and women are graduates of the class of '99. I remarked this to the principal, and he said that of all the classes that had passed through college no year had so many distinguished men and women as '99. One thing that attracted me very much was a large pipe organ at one end of the hall. Twice a week all the students assemble here and sing the college songs. The singing is very fine and crowds of citizens each night gather in the hall to hear it. There is one song, the patriotic college song, "On the Old Ontario Strand," which, when sung by two thousand students, is a thing not easily to be forgotten.

In turn Dr. Grant and I visited the other buildings. Science Hall is fitted up with all the latest apparatus. There is a fine observatory in connection with it. I took great interest in the gymnasium. Anything more complete than this cannot be imagined. The best physical instructors have been procured. Many of the gentlemen students, and even some of the lady students, are expert fencers.

There is also a large campus on which the students play football. The Queen's football team has held the championship of Canada for some years. A number of well-kept tennis courts give the ladies outdoor exercise, and tennis tournaments are of frequent occurrence. The large skating rink of artificial ice occupies a prominent position. The university is very proud of its hockey team, and it has every reason to be so. Last night I was fortunate enough to see a match between Queen's and McGill. I will not attempt to describe the game, as our English readers could not credit the marvelous skill they exhibited. Queen's won the match and are now the champions of America.

Quite a feature in the college is the London Club, the club of the Englishmen attending Queen's; the Paris Club of the Frenchmen, and the Berlin Club of the Germans. All nationalities are represented here. There is also a large number of lady students. Queen's claims the honor of being the first Canadian college to admit women, and also the first

to appoint a woman to a chair. There are at present six lady professors in the university. The income of the college is very large; donations pour in every day; the latest donation was \$100,000, given by the former president of the class of '99 to endow a chair for the teaching of the Japanese language.

In closing I will mention to you the following as a proof of the eminence in which the graduates of Queen's have risen.

Mr. Barker, celebrated even during his college course, proved so able in the Imperial Parliament that he has been rewarded for his great services by being appointed Governor of Cape Colony.

Mr. J. A. M. Bell, now mentioned favorably for the vacant position of poet laureate, was a member of the class of '99, and his first literary efforts were made as class poet of that year.

Mr. J. McCallum, another '99 man, is leader of the Ontario Opposition and bids fair to become premier in the near future.

Mr. Wm. Tandy, the vigorous political editor of the *Toronto Mail and Empire*, and Judge Macdonald, of the Court of Appeal, both took an active part in college life during their course here.

If space and time would only permit me, I could mention many other names that are well known in both hemispheres. I have been much impressed by the greatness of Queen's, and no terms too strong or too flattering can be found to describe this noble and grand university. I will simply say what the students say,

"God Save Our Dear Old Queen's."

LEVANA SOCIETY.

On account of Wednesday being a holiday, the regular meeting of the Levana was held on Thursday. Since our president was unavoidably detained from our meetings, the annual elections will take place in four weeks, which will shorten the session somewhat. The programme took the form of recitations and songs from Tennyson and a paper by Miss Murray. The unexpected shower of new magazines, &c., was very refreshing after the long drought, and every drop was eagerly caught by the parched lips that had waited so long in vain. Any repetitions of this phenomenon will be gratefully received.

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On Friday afternoon, January 28th, we had our monthly missionary meeting. Miss McCallum was leader and read a very interesting paper. "Judging" was the topic for the following Friday. In the absence of Miss Allen, who was to have led the meeting, Miss Bellamy and Miss McRae kindly consented to take her place. Miss Bellamy addressed the girls on the topic for the day, and Miss McRae read a bright little paper on missions. At this meeting the association decided to send a letter to Miss Allen, expressing our sympathy with her in her recent bereavement.