

career and of the medical mission. A correspondent who was present writes: It is one of the greatest pleasures of my life to have heard this young gentleman give his testimony for Christ. He had shared the pleasures of life, he had tasted the bitter cup, and his testimony was, "None but Christ can satisfy." From his remarks it appeared that he had spent much time at football. He met the plea of football being a good physical exercise by saying that surely visiting the lanes of a city was as good an exercise as kicking a ball, if not better. By special request, Messrs. Hill and Goodall addressed a public meeting on Friday evening. Hon. Arthur Kinnaird presided. The hall, capable of accommodating 2,000, was filled. Mr. Goodall asked both young and old three questions: What have you been doing? What do you intend to do? How are you going to do it? The addresses were exceedingly practical, and delivered with great earnestness. In the name of many of the delegates, allow me to say how much we appreciated the addresses of these young men. As an old Edinburgh student, I most heartily congratulate Edinburgh University on having such noble young men within her walls.—*Christian Leader.*

EXCHANGES.

SPEAKING literally and figuratively, a mountain of exchanges lies already upon the table. The base of the literary mountain is occupied by the deep green of our Canadian sister, *The Portfolio*. Higher up the green is changed for a dull brownish hue, and here are found *The Student Life*, *Colby Echo*, and *Delaware College Review*, the last of which is the chameleon amongst exchanges. Still higher is the light gray of *The University Herald*, whose neat appearance is a pleasant surprise, and above all, in the region of perpetual snow, is the dazzling whiteness of the *Oberlin Review*, *Niagara Index* and *The Notre Dame Scholastic*. The figurative mountain has for a foundation the luxurious verdancy of *The University Herald* and *The Lombard Review*. Chiefest and pre-eminent amongst the leaden-hued is the *Oberlin Review*, a paper hard to beat for uncolored, unbroken, unending monotony. *The Student Life*, however, has always been a good second, but, were appearances not so deceptive, one would feel inclined to say that a faint flush of something that looks a little like intelligence was just discernible. The risk is too great to be any more positive. In the region of brilliancy beyond the snow line—well, the height of this figurative mountain comes several miles short of the snow line, and it is possible to look upon the most dazzling of all the exchanges and not be struck blind.

But let not an old exchange editor vacate his chair with a surly growl. Since first he took upon himself to criticize the college papers—now fully three years ago—quite a change for the better may be noticed, at least in the external character, of many of the exchanges. Some

have been so metamorphosed that they would scarcely know themselves. Others, putting to shame the wisest of animals, come out in a new skin every issue. But the matter is the same though the form is new, and so is verified the truth, which the youngsters in philosophy so majestically repeat, that "change is not incompatible with identity." Nevertheless, those who fought along with me in the arena and covered themselves with dust and glory have long ceased to adorn the editorial staff of a college paper. It is high time for me also to depart. Leviathan cannot find room enough to disport himself in your shallow pool. By all means fight and kiss on—only excuse a college graybeard from taking part in, though he may watch with interest, your loves and strifes.

ALMA MATER.

ON the evening of Saturday, October 10th, the first meeting of the Alma Mater Society for the session '85-'86 was held in the University building. As was to be expected, the audience was meagre. In the absence of the President, Mr. Herbert Mowat, the chair was filled by the first Vice-President, Mr. J. Kidd. Business, as it generally is at the first meeting, was rather slack. Some matters in regard to the printing of the JOURNAL were taken up, after which the meeting adjourned at an early hour. At the next meeting the subject for debate will be "Whether or not the law should be carried out in regard to the sentence of Riel." The leaders are Mr. Gordon J. Smith and Mr. Thomas McEwen.

ATHLETICS.

RUGBY.

The Rugby Football Association met on Monday, Oct. 5th, and the following officers were elected for 1885-6: Hon. President, Principal Grant; President, Wm. Harty, Esq.; Vice-President, Mr. M. G. Hamilton; Captain, Mr. Joseph Foxton; Sec.-Treasurer, Mr. Gordon J. Smith; Executive Committee, Messrs. D. M. Robertson, W. Coy, W. A. Logie, Wm. N. Rankine, Mr. McLean. The prospects of the club are very fair.

Queen's meets Ottawa College at Ottawa on the 17th instant.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

ON the afternoon of Tuesday, Oct. 6th, a large and thoroughly representative meeting was held by the Athletic Association for the purpose of electing officers and having a more thorough organization. The following gentlemen were chosen by the society as officers for the ensuing year: Honorary President, Prof. A. B. Nicholson; President, Mr. H. L. Burdette; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. D. M. Robertson; Committee, Messrs. S. W. Dyde, H. Pirie, W. A. Logie, H. McFarland, J. Farrell, J. M. Shaw, John Heslop, W. F. Pratt. The games are to come off on the 16th inst., and to all appearance nothing will be lacking to make the day a success. It is believed that the contests will be hotter than usual.