

quotation however need not have been translated. It is a pity this gem of eloquence was not enlisted in a better cause.

The Society sadly turned down the motion and from its lips escaped a groan. The election of the Treasurer and Councillor passed off with unexpected quietness. True, one A. W. Smith and a certain Sifton chattered angrily about something and endeavored to arrest the attention of the Chair. But that attention seemed for the moment to be lost somewhere in the trackless realms of space. Only when Mr. Tambyn appealed for a ruling against these turbulent interrupters on the ground that they should have protested when the minutes were read if they wanted to be in the election, then the Chair reached out and throttled them. Messrs. Hiltz and Bennett were elected in the face of a strong opposition. Those time-honored candidates, Martin, Hinch and Rowland were again "turned down." When Mr. Thompson came in, the Society retraced its steps a little and discussed the photograph. Mr. Thompson spoke at some length, and all the time Mr. Langford was impatient and uneasy. This subject is his specialty and he knew it was his turn to show off. But again his ideas failed to coincide with the general feeling. Mr. Balls' amendment swept through and the question of the photograph was finally settled.

A critic had now to be elected. It took some time. The Society had been awakened by Mr. Martin's impressive address to the importance of this office. The usual office-grabbers entered the lists and as usual fell down, before a new opponent. Messrs. Langford and Martin exchanged jokes. They both seemed to think they would get in if they ran. Miss Hutchinson was elected by a vast majority. The Society was now smacking its lips and looking round for Mr Mac-

pherson. But he was not in sight, and everybody slowly realized that it was 4 o'clock. We therefore adjourned.

After two weeks the Society met with its machinery somewhat rusty and unresponsive from so long inaction. Only one nomination was made for the office of Critic, Miss Kirkwood going in by acclamation during a small disturbance among the ladies which distracted her attention. Mr. A. W. Smith made an able report for the Conversat. Committee. The most important item was that this committee had changed its name to the H. C. I. and O. N. C. At Home Committee. The name was accepted though the Orator made some objections, not so eloquent as usual, which were ignored by the President. There was a long and uninteresting wrangle as to whether Mr. Smith and his committee should be entrusted with \$15 or not. Messrs. Carson and Langford were both against such a reckless way of doing business, the former on the score of expediency, the latter on general principles.

After a while Mr Hinch's motion was rammed through authorizing the collection of a fee of twenty-five cents from each unfortunate member of the Society. This hasty decision was reconsidered and finally a decree of decidedly questionable taste was passed by a very questionable majority, fixing a tax of twenty-five cents on bachelors. As this measure is unconstitutional, a two-thirds vote of members present was required. Was it obtained?

There were two notices of motion, of which let us await developments. The Society allowed the President to put the closure on urgent business for once, and prepared for a great treat from Dr. Montague and Mr. Murray.

These two gentlemen, who had promised to address the Society, appeared about 3.15. But just be-