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AT the Alma Mater meeting to-night, the  
28th instant, an important matter will be  
discussed, viz: The Relation of the A. M. S.  
to Athletics in general. In the opinion of  
some members the rights of the Football Club  
have been encroached upon, and they desire  
to draw the society's attention to the fact and  
to ask that it be definitely decided what are  
the functions of each body. Concerning the  
particular matter which has caused this move-  
ment we think it unnecessary to give our  
opinion, or will at least delay it till after the  
meeting, when we shall know more of the  
complaints. However, this is not our desire  
at the present. We wish to draw attention to  
the fact that if real encroachments are found,  
the result may be that the bond between the  
society and club may be broken. This result  
we desire to oppose. The A. M. S. holds an  
ideal position in controlling all important  
affairs of the students and especially athletics,  
a position which is at present much desired  
by several other colleges. This position has  
also been gained through the complete failure  
in past years of attempts to run athletics in-  
dependently of the A. M. S.; and the develop-  
ment of athletics since then strengthens the  
desire that the existing state of affairs may long  
continue. In having the different clubs and  
societies responsible to the A.M.S., they are in

reality responsible to the students. So what-  
ever power may be granted to each, and  
though slight disarrangements may occur, yet  
we think that greater advantages will be gain-  
ed by the Football Club if they remain re-  
sponsible to the Alma Mater Society.

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There is always quite a warm competition  
amongst returning students to get rid of their  
old text-books and cribs. The bulletin board  
is usually full of "for sale" notices for the  
first month after every holiday season. Now  
would it not be a better plan to appoint a day  
and have an auction sale of such books just as  
the Reading Room Curators are in the habit  
of doing in order to get rid of their old papers  
and magazines. This, we think, would be a  
great convenience for all, and while it would  
give an opportunity for much fun and amuse-  
ment, it would at the same time admit of a  
most desirable exchange of forgotten lore that  
would otherwise remain in hopeless obscurity.

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We have heard it rumoured that the Meds.  
are not likely to take part in the debate. If  
so, we modestly suggest to the executive that  
they hold the first session of the Mock Par-  
liament in its place and so prevent a post-  
ponement of the open meeting on Feb. 4th.  
A good speech from the Throne and a sum-  
mary of the bills to be introduced will perhaps  
be almost as interesting as a debate.

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One of the events of the present season is  
now near at hand—the gathering of the grad-  
uates and alumni to attend the Ten Days'  
Conference for study and discussion. The  
Conference has been arranged by the Asso-  
ciation of Theological Alumni of Queen's Uni-  
versity, and will last, we understand, from the  
seventh to the seventeenth of February. The  
time will be occupied with two courses of  
study: "The Philosophy of Religion as repre-  
sented in Luther and the Reformation," under  
Dr. Watson, and "The Higher Criticism of the