

On Thursday, Jan. 10th, Professor Moyse opened the course of English Literature—"Shakespeare"—by an interesting introductory lecture. Throughout the whole course the interest was well sustained, and the attendance excellent. The subject was evidently one of the deepest interest to the lecturer, which gave him greater power in influencing his audience. Professor Moyse was much disappointed at not having more students up for examination. This he expresses in his report.

MONTREAL, May 2nd, 1884.

*To the Honorary Secretary of the  
Ladies' Educational Association.*

MADAM,—I beg to submit to you the results of the recent examination on Shakespeare.

As you can perceive they are highly satisfactory, and will bear comparison with those of any previous year. I regret that so few papers were sent up. Judging from the attendance during the Course, and the uniform attention on the part of my audience, I believe that the subject of English literature still retains its old popularity; but were an inference drawn from the steadily decreasing number of those examined, it would seem that the love of studying the best English thought is one-sixth of what it was five years ago.

The answers of No. 4 deserve especial mention on account of their clearness, and of the scholarly way in which they are put together, but they sometimes fail to introduce points of importance.

All the papers bear evidence of careful work, but their style is not quite equal to that of former examinations. I think that they are, on the whole, as creditable as any set I have had.

I am, Madam,  
Yours, very faithfully,

CHAS. E. MOYSE.