

required when at least \$10,000 has been subscribed. It is the intention, if the scheme be successful to establish scholarships to encourage the study and perpetuate it in Canada. The originators of the suggestion fully expect it to elicit sufficient support to ensure the consummation of the end at which they aim.—*Whig*.

As we sat wielding our quill the night after Convocation, preparing this the last kick of Vol. 7, and as we heard the cabs rattling by conveying to the morning trains students, more fortunate than ourselves, on their journey home, we felt an overwhelming feeling of loneliness creep over us such as our fellow-ed. might have felt when he received a negative reply from the girl he adored to his query, "Will you have us." Finally in desperation at thus being left behind to perform this task, we sprang to our feet, kicking over the waste basket, which, by-the-way, hurt our toe, donned our overcoat purposing to go out and put an end to ourself or somebody else, when, putting our hands into our pockets—yes, our own pockets—in that careless way so becoming an editor, we felt something, which on hauling out we perceived was a small package received that day, and on opening it we found it to contain a number of—cigarettes. Naturally we tried one, then another and another, then we thought we wouldn't go out; gradually we began to feel happier, the soothing effect of the weed was marvelous. We picked up our pen, a new being, and the fluid flowed as freely from it as the thoughts from our brain, and thus came this issue into being, for the excellency of which, patient reader, you must thank Wm. S. Kimball & Co., of Rochester, N.Y., who kindly sent us those fine samples of rare tobacco. The style of them is in itself very attractive, you can have your name put on them if you choose, and we would recommend them as the very best article in the market to those who use the weed. They are gotten up in a few days' notice with name or initial, either in bundles or loose in boxes of 500 at the rate of \$8 and \$10 per thousand respectively.

THAT for the degree of LL.B. no course is laid down for candidates who have the degree of B.A. is evidently an omission which will, doubtless, be remedied at the Meeting of Trustees to be held sometime during vacation.

THE Valedictories appeared in the *Whig* of April 30th, and May 1st.

THE results of the Medical Council Exams. will not be known till after the 18th inst.

HOPING all may enjoy vacation as well as the Editors intend to. Farewell!

WHILE we have not space this issue to insert an "Exchange" column, we cannot but notice here a new monthly magazine published in the interests of all students of phonography, from the beginner to the professional reporter, by Bengough Bros., Toronto, entitled "The Canadian Illustrated Shorthand Writer," and illustrated by Grip's Comic Artist. It is not an advocate of any system of phonography, but treats of the subject generally, so that students of all authors reap equal benefit from its pages, several of which are devoted to illustrations of the various methods now in vogue. Among other interesting matter, this first number contains a portrait of Izak Pitman, with a sketch of his career; instructive articles on "Parliamentary Reporting," "The rate of delivery of public speakers," and "Phraseography." There is a column entitled "Helps and hints to Students," in which any person may seek information on this subject, the questions being answered by the most accomplished phonographers of the day. A column of "Phonographic Gossip" contains much interesting news. The illustrations, too, are of an amusing nature. The whole work is indeed very attractive

and we may expect improvements in it as it advances. To all the students of Queen's, to whom a knowledge of phonography would be of inestimable value, we recommend this work as a great aid, especially as it is the only periodical of the kind published and is placed within the reach of all, the price being but one dollar per annum.

ALCOHOL IN HEALTH AND DISEASE, by Dr. Bucke, Superintendent of the London Asylum for the Insane.

There is perhaps no question now agitating the popular mind, whose results are more intimately connected with the public weal, physically, morally and socially, than that which forms the subject of this essay. The author has confined himself solely to the scientific relations of alcohol to the physical nature of man, and having had singularly effective opportunities of observation, not open to the general medical practitioner, which he has evidently turned to useful purpose, the results are summed up in the thoughtful and discriminating pamphlet before us.

Among many conflicting high medical authorities on this gravely important subject, it is impossible not to be struck by the evident candor and dispassionate attitude of the writer, no less than the devotion to the truth of science which characterizes the laying down of premises, and the clearly logical deductions which follow. Of no one can it now be said that he or she is not more or less directly interested in a question which seems to have involved in it the physical, social, civil and commercial well-being of the race; and though dealing with but one out of the many aspects in which alcohol has shown itself to be the deadly foe of men, it may be said that this one relation is the most vital and comprehensive of all, and as such deserves the serious attention, not only of the students of science, but of every one who has the love of his species, or to put it on lower grounds, a regard for his own welfare at heart. We confidently believe that Dr. Bucke's Essay is destined to help largely in the formation of that enlightened public opinion which must ever go before such legislative acts as shall be wise and permanent.

PERSONAL.

D. McCANNELL, B.A. '78, has gone to inspect the country whose boundaries have given rise to so much trouble between the Dominion and Local Governments; he has also gone to preach the gospel to the heathen in the district. He declares the country has no townships, no Presbyteries, no churches, no concessions, *no nothing*. It is highly improbable that Mr. McCannell will not be glad to get back to civilized life.

THE Rev. H. M. Dyckman, B.A. '77, is about to take leave of Union Theological Seminary and intends settling down for a time at Lanesboro, Missouri. Mr. Dyckman has all the qualities for an excellent clergyman and we wish him all success. The next time he favors us we hope it will be a letter not a post card.

J. D. BISSONNETTE, B.A. '80, has accepted a position in the High School at Dunnville, Ont.

C. R. DICKSON, M.D. '80, intends to walk the New York Hospitals.

OF the graduates of '80, Dr. Empey has gone to London, Eng., to complete his studies, Dr. Galbraith to Bowmanville, Ont., Dr. Knight to Emerson, Man., Dr. Chown is also going Nor-west. Dr. Odjum is for the present located at Lucknow, Ont., Dr. Wilson at Quebec, Dr. Lavell at Kingston, Dr. McPhadden at Kincardine, Ont., Dr. Clark at Norwood, Dr. Reeve will hang out his "shingle" in Clinton, Ont., Dr. Reid in Barrie, Vermont, Dr. Day in Kingston, while Dr. Waddell will visit the N.Y. hospitals.