

## Around the Hall

[Notes of College Life, by Wm. J. Cameron]

There are echoes around the Hall in these days, and they tell us that the Arts men have come back. Not but what there are echoes heard where the Theological men are in residence, for notwithstanding their staid and learned look, they can be noisy enough. Their numbers, however, are smaller and there is, therefore, less evidence of their existence. Their outgoing means our incoming, and so, once again we return to fair Vancouver.

"I look upon Westminster Hall as my Canadian home," wrote a student to me last summer, and I think we all feel drawn to the College with the same affection. If not, why those thoughts of it when absent, and that looking forward to our return?

With two or three exceptions the students of last year have returned, and as usual there are a few new men. We have had our first meeting of the Students' Council, and all the offices are well filled.

Principal Vance, of Latimer Hall, opened our Literary Society for this session with a most sensible, practical and humorous address on how to make a success of our meeting. His wise advice and pawky remarks were much appreciated. Our Football Club has entered the Church League and is already jubilant over more than one victory. Our Devotional Committee and the S. V. M. are doing their best for the spiritual life of the College. I need not say that those mystic letters S. V. M. mean the Students' Volunteer Missionary Movement, which meets every Saturday morning at 7 o'clock in "the upper room," where a most helpful Bible study has been begun.

We enjoyed that heart-to-heart talk which the Rev. Wm. Scott gave us, when along with Mrs. Scott he paid us a visit. In a most convincing and inspiring way he told us why he had decided to go to Korea. He and Mrs. Scott enrolled as members of our S. V. M. and they both go to Korea as our representatives and with our prayers. May the glory of Westminster Hall ever be that it is a missionary college.

One of our students, Alexander Dustan, has joined the colours. "Alex" is a favourite and we all are proud of him. No matter where he is he will prove himself to be a true soldier, not only of King George, but also of King Jesus.

Our winter term has therefore begun, and during it may the three "g's" be characteristic of all our lives. May grace be exemplified in all of us. In facing and performing our tasks may we show grit and quit ourselves like men. May gumption, or in other words, commonsense, which is so necessary for congenial fellowship and mutual benefit, be part of our mental equipment. So will the winter session of 1914-15 be even better than its predecessors.