

The first open debate of the year was held on Friday evening, November 16th.

Mr. J. H. Laverie, B.A., was appointed to act as our representative on the Intercollegiate Committee. There being no other items of business the programme was then taken up. Mr. MacGougan gave a reading, after which the College Quartette, consisting of Messrs. Cameron, MacCutcheon, Morrow and MacLeod, rendered a very acceptable selection.

The subject of debate was as follows: "Resolved, that prohibition is the best solution of the liquor traffic."

Mr. E. H. Gray, in speaking for the affirmative, began by defining the terms, followed by a graphic picture of the evils of intemperance. He then portrayed to his audience the ideal state under prohibition and showed how the plan would inevitably solve the evil of the liquor traffic.

Mr. H. S. Lee, B.A., in opening the discussion for the negative, made clear how legislation cannot make a man moral. If intemperance was a habit it could be prohibited, but since it is a disease, man will have liquor at any cost, and so will pay no attention to law. The results arising therefrom will certainly be very disastrous. He claimed that prohibition has been a failure wherever it has been tried and proved this by citing instances in which the prohibitory law has had no effect.

The discussion, which was carried on by Messrs. Rothney, Cameron, Sharp and Greig, proved very interesting, as the problem was presented to the audience in all its aspects.

The affirmative side was declared victorious by the narrow majority of one vote.

Mr. Chas. A. Hardy, B.A., then gave his criticism, which brought the meeting to a close.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the Students' Missionary Society was held on Friday evening, November 9th. After various items of business had been attended to the programme of the evening was taken up. It proved to be a decided success.

Mr. N. V. MacLeod rendered an appropriate solo, after