

neglect the singing class on Saturday mornings, are not doing their duty by any means.

WE are sorry to learn that the McGill Y. M. C. A. has been discontinued for want of sufficient support. There is certainly room for such an association in the University.

REV. JOHN SCOTT, the zealous missionary in the North-West, asks for "a devoted English and French student" to occupy a new field in that region during next summer.

THIS is the season of the year when "students' parties" are all the order of the night. The seniors as well as the juniors are quite overwhelmed with invitations from courteous friends in the city.

MANY of our contemporaries pronounce Professor Campbell's "Search for God" an able article. One makes a lengthy extract, which it calls "a gem." Another declares it "worthy the attention of all men," and adds: "Not enough of such literature finds its way into our papers." Still another considers it "just the kind of reading needed by this age of doubt and materialism."

THE subjects of competition for the prizes in connection with the Philosophical and Literary Society have been duly posted on the notice board. They are as follows:—*English Reading*, Romans viii., and the hymn, "Jesus Lover of My Soul." *Public Speaking*, "The Ministry of the Age." *English Essay*, "The Attitude of Modern Science to the Bible." *French Reading*, Romans viii., and "Le Lac," by Lamartine. *French Essay*, "Pensées de Pascal."

THE successful competitors were S. Rondeau, French Reading; D. G. Cameron, '83, English Reading; W. T. Herridge, B.A., '83, Public Speaking.

A CERTAIN "weighty B.A." bitterly complains that he was made the victim of the inevitable valentine joke this year. He has our sincere sympathy, if that will be any consolation to him!

WE see from the daily papers that our venerable editor-in-chief, J. Mitchell, '81 (Post Graduate), "delivered a happy address" at a social gathering in Knox Church on February 17th.

WE are afraid there are a few characters among the resident students who would profit by a little severe discipline. The "mania" for smashing the college property becomes more and more alarming. Stop it! It may not be difficult to find the *key* to its proper solution.

J. B. STEWART has been unanimously appointed valedictorian by the class of '82. The choice is well made.

THE walls of "Lecture Room No. 3" were for several weeks brightened by the neatly executed charts illustrating Mr. Fraser's Monday lectures on the "Progress of Christianity." On behalf of the students we thank the eloquent lecturer for this courtesy. May we hope to hear his address delivered before the Montreal public in the David Morrice Hall some time in the future?

At the banquet of the Second Year Arts, McGill, S. Rondeau replied to the toast, "The Theos," in a brilliant speech that brought down the house. He spoke in his mother tongue—French.

It seems we have among us a mimic Dr. Tanner! One of our fellow students insists on taking *only two meals a day*, and is actually growing fat withal!

OUR enterprising "College Booksellers," Messrs. W. Drysdale & Co., St. James St., believe in "enlargement" all along the line! They have extended their store premises, and have thus greater facilities for carrying on their extensive business. We should just like to see our magnanimous readers clear their shelves of the old stock, which amounts in value to over \$35,000.

D. MACLEAN, in replying to the toast to the "theos," at the Freshman's Banquet, McGill, on the 24th ult., pointed out that two-thirds of the students attending classes in the first year, Arts, have the ministry in view. The average attendance at these classes is thirty.

Outside.

HALF the graduating class of Union Theological Seminary, New York, have offered themselves for service in the foreign mission field, or in the frontier settlements far west. Some go to China, some to Japan. There is a rare missionary spirit manifested among the students.

THE following has been going the rounds of the press: "A Presbyterian and an Episcopalian were once discussing the comparative merits of their respective denominations. The Presbyterian said: 'About as good a way as any to judge of the merits of the two is to compare the first question and answer in the catechisms of each, for that is the key-note to the whole!' He then quoted the first question and answer in the shorter catechism which certainly are grandly thoughtful and suggestive. What is the chief end of man? To glorify God and enjoy him forever. 'Now, said he, 'let us look at *your* first question and answer. Here they are: *Question*—What is your name? *Answer*—M. or N.' And there the argument closed."

THE Rev. Dr. John Hall, of New York, and Principal Dawson, of McGill College, are to lecture before the Yale Theological Students this season.

IN the three Methodist colleges in the Dominion there are at present ninety-two students.

IN the six Presbyterian colleges, from Manitoba in the West to Halifax in the East, there are very nearly two hundred and fifty.

IN the three Free Church colleges in Scotland there are two hundred and fifty-six this year, as against two hundred and fifty-three last year. Two hundred and twenty-three of these enrolled with a view to the ministry of the Free Church. Sixty-two are in their first year. There are thirty-three from other churches and from other countries—Bohemia, Hungary, Armenia and the colonies.