

During the evening of the *Conversazione*, recently held in the Engineering buildings, the experiment of breaking a beam was performed in the Testing Laboratory.

The professor in charge informed the company that the beam would break under a pressure of 20,000 lbs. "What!" exclaimed an eminent divine standing near, "will it break at that pressure?" The professor assured him that such would undoubtedly prove to be the case. "I am 'surprised,'" responded His Reverence; "I *am* surprised. The knots I tie are *only* strengthened by the pressure of £20,000."

FEATHERS FROM THE EAST WING.

Geological tramp on Saturday, Sept. 29th, to St. Helen's Island.

First lesson on the use of the hammer.

The Seniors regret that one of their members is unable to finish her course this year on account of ill-health. They also regret that another class-mate has decided to swell the number of the already large and illustrious class of '96.

Now we are 7,—according to tradition, a perfect number, and who will dare break the mystic charm?

If someone would be so kind as to lend a Senior a moral impression for a week, it would be returned with care.

The "East Wing" of our mother hen has spread protectingly to receive, besides its annual downy fledgelings, three larger chicks already taught in other coops to scratch for the "first worm." Donalds '96 welcomes among its old members Miss Vaudry from St. Francis, Miss McWilliam from Morrin, and Miss Bryant from Stanstead. Miss Fraser, formerly of '95, has also kindly joined us, wishing to take the Honour English course before graduating. We trust we will give her no cause to regret her change of class-mates. Several of our members are taking honors:—Miss Hammond and Miss Henderson—*Classics*; Miss Mitchell, Miss Hurst, Miss Nicholls, Miss Fraser and Miss Pitcher—*English*; Miss McPhail—*Philosophy*; Miss Locke and Miss Bryant—*Modern Languages*.

The Sophomore class is not as large as we had hoped, owing to the absence of several of our members which we sincerely regret. But it is with pleasure that we welcome Miss Rickey among us.

Although we are few in number, we shall endeavor in no way to do discredit to old McGill, our *Alma Mater*.

The officers of the various years for the session 94-95 are as follows:

Fourth year:—

President.—Miss Armstrong.

Secretary.—Miss Radford.

Class Reporter.—Miss Whitcaves.

Third year:—

President.—Miss Henderson.

Vice-President.—Miss Hurst.

Secretary.—Miss Mitchell.

Class-Reporter.—Miss Pitcher.

Second year:—

President.—Miss Louise Smith.

Vice-President.—Miss Marjory Holden.

Secretary.—Miss Mary Cameron.

Class Reporter.—Miss Annie Galt.

First year:—

President.—Miss Dover.

Vice-President.—Miss Jordan.

Secretary.—Miss Cowan.

Class Reporter.—Miss F. M. T. Cameron.

COMPARATIVE MEDICINE CLASS REPORTS.

This is the time of good resolutions and promises. Comparative Medicine wishes to register a promise to the readers of the FORTNIGHTLY. Contributions from this Faculty in the past have been very meagre, some issues containing none of any kind. In the future, accurate reports of meetings and current news, together with editorials and regular contributions, are promised. This implies a more general interest and support from the undergraduates. Let each one not only subscribe to the FORTNIGHTLY, but also aid the editors, and thus assure a better record.

The opening lecture, delivered by Professor Adami, was both instructive and entertaining. The lecturer more especially dwelt upon the intimate relation of student and professor, defining the latter to be only a more advanced student. The recollections of his own student days showed evident familiarity with the trials of the student, and served to place all undergraduates in a most receptive mood. A plea was made for more unity among the different Faculties of the University,—perhaps the most crying need of the University at present.

At a meeting of representatives of the various Veterinary Colleges, held in Philadelphia, September 17th, an Association of the Veterinary Faculties of North America was formed for the purpose of elevating the standard of Veterinary education. The possibility of establishing a uniform examination and degree was discussed. Dean McEachran represented McGill, and accepted the vice-presidency of the Association.

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