

Year. Special attention will be devoted to the supplementary Wörterbücher, Grammatiker, Lesebücher and other Bücher recommended by the faculty. A Fourth Year man has invented a rearrangement of the optic nerves in the human head so that four volumes may be devoured simultaneously. This method will be inestimably superior to the old fashioned way of reading one book at a time.

Medicine

We are sorry that our great first At Home takes place just as the Varsity is going to press, so that it is impossible for us to report it this week without resorting to more daring flights of imagination than we care to attempt just now. We have no desire to imitate the antics of the unfortunate English magazine for ladies which appeared with a full account of the coronation, including a slashing criticism of the singing in Westminster Abbey, just as the world was lamenting that it had been postponed.

Things still seem to be happening behind the new building. At first it was Tom Mutton's dinky little garden that filled all eyes with awe and admiration. And recently there appeared that remarkable product of the carpenter's art which has been variously assigned to the use of "Andy's dogs," "Mr. Cameron's gig," "Alec's cows," and sundry other indispensables requiring shelter. But neither of those things were our concern. Now, however, it looks as though they were about to make a dump-pile of our one little bit of ravine, and ruthlessly kill off as many more trees as they can get a cartful of earth to dump at the root of. It may be idle to spend words on a matter of this kind, but again it may not, for we know from personal experience that, time and again, in all parts of this city, people have killed off their most valued trees by this very method, out of sheer ignorance that they were doing any harm. About one person in a thousand seems to have eyes enough to see how little extra earth spread at the roots of an old tree is necessary to kill it. If anybody wants to learn, let him look at the group of trees that were killed on the edge of the ravine behind the new building last year, where earth was recklessly spread around in various directions, apparently with the sole object of getting rid of it. Surely it is unfortunate, to say the least of it, that the Provincial University (lately asking for the endowment of a Chair of Forestry!) should take the lead in destroying the source of that beauty which has made Toronto unique amidst the hideous modernity of American cities. If this work were done of sheer necessity, well and good. But why fine old trees should be done away with years before their time, with the sole result of giving a little clearer view, to strollers in the park, of the unparalleled beauty of the rear of the Medical Building, is another matter.

The Third Year is unfortunate in having to report a second man ill this week. D. M. Kilgour, one of the best-known members of the year, suddenly developed a bad case of appendicitis last week, which will require operation within a few days. We sincerely

hope that everything will turn out as favorable as possible and that his recovery will be a speedy one. We are happy to be able to report that Fred. Bowman, whom we reported ill last week, is progressing as well as could be expected.

Dr. Anderson told an amusing story this week at the expense of a noted clinician in one of the large American hospitals. "This," said the eminent physician to his class, "is an excellent example of the emphysematous or barrel-shaped chest. It is especially common in glass-blowers and people who play wind-instruments. Now, let us see. Pat, what do you work at?"

"Sure, an Oi'm in the band, sor."

"Aha, you see!" said the clinician triumphantly to his class, and then,—"What instrument do you play, Pat?"

"Sure and Oi bate the drum, sor."

The Third Year had an exam. lately. It was a matter of drawing diagrams. One of the fellows asked Prof. McPhedran if it was necessary to name everything drawn, and the answer came, with a reassuring smile, that the examiners would know what was meant. We beg to differ with Prof. McPhedran, and believe that he will change his opinion, too, when he sees the papers.

The perennial youth and originality of the Freshman never seems to fail as the years roll on. Each year sees something new and beautiful turn up in the heart of that verdant year to startle us all into a laugh and make us wonder if the world is growing any older or any wiser after all. Recently one of the best-known members of the genus was discovered placidly displaying the beauties of the Bone-Room and its models and sections to a damosel of tender years, whom he was proceeding to introduce also to the delights of the dissecting-room, crowded as it was, when he was earnestly persuaded to the contrary by some good Samaritans who sub-

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