

R. E. Macdonald; Committee—4th year, J. A. Dinwoody; 3rd year, Jas. Sutherland; 2nd year, A. M. Cleghorn; 1st year, H. G. McGill. The first meeting of the Society was held on Tuesday evening, 3rd inst., and was in every respect a decided success. The President in his opening address asked the students for their hearty co-operation, without which he said it was impossible to carry on the work successfully. Dr. Bingham then introduced the business. Provision was made for defraying the current expenses by a levy of twenty-five cents on each member. After a brief discussion it was decided to hold the regular meetings of the Society fortnightly. It was also decided that the Society should give a public entertainment on the 10th inst. An interesting programme then followed. The President recited in faultless style "Henry V. at Harfleur." Dr. Bingham delivered an excellent address, in which he combined humor and sound advice. "Success," he said, "did not depend so much upon the physician's knowledge of anatomy, etc. (though these were essential), as it did upon the kindly manner exhibited to those with whom from day to day he was brought in contact." He urged upon his hearers not to confine themselves exclusively to the reading of medical works, as such in time would tend to narrow their mental calibre or at least disproportionate their cerebral development. Two humorous recitations by Mr. Abraham and a reading by Mr. Belt were much applauded. Mr. Robertson, whose cornet solos always form a pleasant feature of Trinity's gatherings, rendered in fine style, "Vois-tu-la-Neige," and being encored, played the National Anthem in four octaves which brought the meeting to a close.

THE annual public meeting of the Medical Students' Temperance League was held in Trinity Medical College on the evening of December 7th. The President, Mr. W. C. Morrison, occupied the chair, while on either side of him sat Hon. Chas. Drury, Minister of Agriculture, Rev. W. F. Wilson, Messrs. Hoyles and Dixon, and Drs. Geikie, Aikens, Oldright, Powell and Ferguson. The President, after a few prefatory remarks, called on Dr. Geikie, Hon. President of the League, who in his peculiarly impressive manner denounced the liquor traffic as a means to degradation and destruction. He strongly advised the students to identify themselves with this movement, and having done so not to fold their arms, and with a seraphic smile, look on, but to work faithfully till the acme of their hopes had been realized. The Hon. Mr. Drury, in a brief but pointed address, said he was glad to note the strong temperance sentiment that existed among medical students. He felt assured that the future physician would be judged largely by the stand he took on the temperance and total abstinence question. Mr. N. W. Hoyles, of the C. E. T. Society, said the work of the London Temperance Hospital spoke volumes for the cause of temperance. During the thirteen years of its existence more than 22,000 patients had been treated, and only two were given any alcohol, yet the death rate was very much lower than that of any other hospital in England. Amid loud applause, the Rev. W. F. Wilson took the platform. He agreed with the Chairman that there seemed to be a bond of sympathy between himself and the meds. He referred to the stand taken on the temperance question by the ex-Governor of Ohio, who he said preferred to be a defeated temperance man rather than an elected drunkard. Short appropriate speeches were then made by Dr. Aikens, Dean of University Medical College, Drs. Oldright, Powell, Ferguson and Mr. H. C. Dixon. Pleasantly interspersing the speeches were well-rendered and much applauded solos from Miss Donnelly, Mrs. Reece, and Messrs. Richardson, Lucas and Batters.

On the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 10th, notwithstanding the very inclement weather, a goodly number of the invited friends of Trinity Literary and Medical Society turned out

to the first open meeting held this year. The Primary room was well filled when the Hon. President, Dr. Geikie, took the chair, and in a few well-chosen words welcomed the visitors who had braved the elements in order to encourage this Society by their presence, and promised a rich treat in the programme he had to present to them. The programme consisted of songs, piano, violin, and cornet solos, club-swinging, an address and choruses, and it is hardly necessary to state that the anticipation excited by the remarks of the President were more than realized. Miss Geikie, who has ever been ready to assist Trinity in meetings of this kind, favored the audience with two violin solos, "Scene de Ballet," "Duberiot," and "Keelrow," and playing with her usual brilliancy, received several recalls. A piano solo by Miss Mellish, a song, "Across the Hills of Arcady," by Miss Richie, and songs by Messrs. Hall and Morgan, were duly appreciated. Miss McGill sang "Sweetly Sleep" (Pinsuti), and "Last Night" in a manner that secured for her the applause of all. In his well-worded and effective address, Dr. Sheard showed that the student in medicine must endeavor to have a knowledge of all things mental and moral, and to couple wisdom with knowledge. In order to succeed it is necessary not to be students by profession, but to have the instincts of students, and though some may surpass others, yet none need despair, as all can have success. He exhorted the students to dignify the calling of medicine which they had chosen, and showed the responsibility and urgency of duty to patients and the rest of the world. He closed his address with the motto, "Onward, heavenward and upward!" and on taking his seat was most heartily applauded. Mr. Abraham recited the "Old Bachelor," and on being encored, gave by special request the "Experience of a Dude in a Horse Car," and succeeded in keeping the audience in good humor. The student's reputation as an athlete was ably sustained by Mr. Berry, who gave an exhibition of varied, rapid, and skilful movements with the Indian clubs. Mr. Robertson's cornet playing was a feature of the evening, as he is always listened to with delight. The meeting was closed by singing the National Anthem.

### THE LOUNGER.

THE following letter, which, I judge, was written by some one who was being initiated into the mysteries of a medical student's life, was found the other day. It was discovered amongst some old rubbish—no matter where; and Jim, if asked in reference to it, would protest that he knew nothing about its long hiding-place. I now drag it forth from its ignoble obscurity to place it in the columns of THE REVIEW.

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DEAR MAMMA.—I got to the Medical School, [our school was not as yet Trinity Medical College] on Tuesday afternoon. The boys here are not at all like the boys at home. When I went into the class, all the Primary men said, "Up, Freshie, 'way up." The next day they started elevating, and they say they will keep doing it for a long time yet. They call us Freshies, and raise us right off our feet and carry us up over the seats. One fellow had his coat torn square off his back. They have elevated me pretty often—three times yesterday; the last time they did it they saved me, and that was not much fun, I can tell you. Now they say they have spotted me; I have been wondering what they can mean. You bet I shall help to do the elevating next year. A man was going to cut off another man's leg last Saturday, so I thought it would be wise to go over to the Hospital and see him do it. The room was so awfully warm that really I had to leave before the operation was half over. I don't think I shall go over there again for a while. The Primary