

in some form or another. Ten o'clock was the hour at which the festivity began. The students, who had congregated in one of the large class-rooms of the new wing, slowly marched down the long staircase, where "Cook" was waiting his martyrdom. A stretcher was quickly procured, and, amid such huzzas and applause as the cleverest politician might have envied, the subject of the merriment was hastily placed thereon and conveyed upstairs. Meanwhile, down in the basement, busy hands were arranging the gift. Into a large sack, which had previously been filled with sawdust, was emptied about thirty dollars in copper coin. The bag was further ornamented with fancy decorations, and tied with the College colors. Upon its arrival in the class-room the presentation took place, an address breathing the gratitude and good-will of the students being read by Mr. A. S. McEvoy. The flowery sentiments which it contained closed with the hope that "Cook" would "accept as a token of their esteem a few dixoid specimens of Lake Superior ore." When the applause had subsided, "Cook" addressed his family as follows:

"Dearly beloved children of sessions twain, and yearling kids, attention:

"I have been longing for this occasion, when from my exalted throne I can tell you with what a feeling of reluctance it is that I gather up this heap of dross to waste upon myself and leave yourselves none. But I can assure you that in relieving you of so much filthy lucre I am doing a most benevolent act. Money, as you know, is the root of all evil, and in taking over this large sum I remove temptation from you and lay myself open to the snares of the world, the flesh and the devil. Truly I do all this for the love I bear you.

"And now let me thank you for this splendid vas-salage. I love to see you humbly stand and pour your servile offerings at my feet. I know that you are shortly to pass through trials and tribulations, but with this great load removed, you will find that, having followed the sage advice given as a free-will offering by me, you will emerge from the fray unscathed. Gentlemen, the great and only 'Cook' thanks you."

The speech was received with vociferous applause. Cook was picked up and bounced, passed up and down over the heads of the students, and finally deposited again on the platform, when he picked up his treasure trove, and amid intense cheering left the hall with it on his shoulder.

It is pleasant to know that the canvassing for the Governor's votes of the Montreal General Hospital for the position of House Surgeon is a thing of the past.

The present system as adopted a short time ago, is a fair one, as the applicants will be examined on Medi-

cal and Surgical subjects of a practical nature by the Medical Board. The successful candidates will then be elected by the Committee of Management as recommended by the Medical Board.

CLASS NOTES—JUNIOR YEAR.

At a union meeting of the first three years, called by the Juniors, the question of giving a dinner to the graduating class was discussed. This custom has fallen into disuse of late years, and many of us felt the time had come when it should be revived. It affords a very material and tasteful proof of our devotion to those whose progress we have so long regarded with pride and joy. After some discussion it was regretfully decided not to give the banquet; our means fell far short of our esteem for the "departing." Should the new finance scheme prove a success, we may hope that in the future the Faculty will be able to send out her graduates not like orphans, but properly "clothed (hooded) and fed."

Why are the green writing pads given to the Juniors?

There is of course an Irish element in the class; we are rather proud of it, and we have also much that is fresh and vigorous; but for all that the colour is open to misconception, and we would respectfully suggest that the Faculty give it to the First Year—its popular significance would then be retained.

SOCIETIES.

MCGILL GLEE AND BANJO CLUB.

About 9 years ago this Club was first organized, and, as is generally the case with young clubs, it has had up-hill work. But that at last it has established a reputation for itself has been fully proved by the universal reception it has had wherever it has gone.

We hope and believe that in the near future old McGill will rank amongst the first on the musical list of the Canadian and American Universities. This cannot be accomplished without the hearty co-operation of all her Faculties. Let this be a University Club. Let Meds., Arts, Science and Law all join together under the one name *McGill*.

The Secretary, O. S. Finnie, Sc. '97, will be glad to receive applications for membership for the ensuing year as early as possible.

Y. W. C. A.

The subject of the meeting of March 6th was "Living Epistles." Miss Vaudry drew our attention to the difference between ordinary letters and the living