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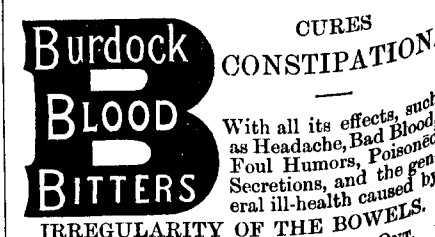
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## Editorial Topics.

THE TRINITY UNIVERSITY REVIEW extends its greeting to the students on their safe return to old Trinity, at this the opening of another academic year. And to the large number who, for the first time, come to share in our life and privileges here, THE REVIEW bids a hearty welcome, both in its own name and in that of our Alma Mater.

AMONG the men who have graduated this year, and gone forth from Trinity, are Mr. Stewart F. Houston and Mr. H. P. Lowe, who were long members of the editorial staff of this journal. Their services were distinguished by the highest excellence, and went far towards gaining for THE REVIEW its present honoured position among the University papers of Canada and the United States. Mr. Houston's literary and executive abilities are well known, and we are sure that his future career will be as honourable and successful as his many friends can desire. The winner of the English Prize Essay for this year, and the hero of many a brilliant college debate, Mr. Lowe leaves Trinity with a reputation which many an ambitious man would fain possess. It is gratifying to know that the connection of these gentlemen with THE REVIEW will not be wholly severed, but that they will, from time to time, contribute articles for our columns on subjects of special interest to University men.

THE Trinity Residence is to be immediately enlarged by an extensive addition to the west wing, which will double the present accommodation for students, besides providing several lecture-halls, offices, and other apartments, necessitated by the heavy demands now made upon the College for more room. No better evidence is wanted than this to prove that Trinity University has a great work to perform, and that she is performing that work in a masterly manner. The men clamouring for admission at her doors are many and earnest, for the country is awaking to the fact that at Trinity are to be found special opportunities and privileges enjoyed by no other university in the Dominion. On all sides are seen evidences of progress and prosperity, the moral effect of which will soon prove irresistible. The hand that guides this great institution is not only the hand of a man of large wisdom and keen discernment, but one of rare faith and perfect trust, of one who believes that Trinity has a mission to perform in this our land, and that she will accomplish it in honour and triumph, and amidst the grateful recognition of a grateful people.

WE have before us, on our mantelpiece, a photograph of Mr. Ford Jones in his canoe "Ramona," with which he all but won the highest honours in the canoe

world last year. This year he built another canoe, which was felicitously christened "Canuck." As most of the "cracks" in the American Canoe Association are Americans, *i.e.*, U.S.A. men, and the Canadian members are known as "Canucks," it was, no doubt, with a presentiment of coming triumph that Mr. Ford Jones threw down this challenge, and doubtless the Canadian goddess of the winds hovered about him with special delight. Mr. Ford Jones is the champion for 1889, and Trinity College trembled with delight when conscious that the famous A.C.A. challenge cup was at last within her walls. The cup is as handsome as the winner. We cannot say more; to say less would in us perhaps be hardly becoming.

ONE or two new features will be found in this issue of THE REVIEW. A crisp and chatty column, under the heading of "Here and There," will now appear in each number; and from a correspondent at St. Hilda's our readers will be supplied with a monthly résumé of news from that College. We have also made arrangements for the publication of Foot-Ball Notes during the season. These notes will be written by a devotee of the game. Other attractions are under consideration.

TO the vacancies on the editorial staff of this paper, Mr. T. T. Norgate and Mr. J. Graham Abbott have been elected. Mr. Norgate had been formerly on the staff, and his return to Trinity College, after a year's absence in England, was the signal for his immediate reappointment—happy recognition of his services in the past, and a guarantee that in him THE REVIEW has no mean addition to its editorial strength. By his unanimous election to office, Mr. Abbott enters upon his new duties supported by the knowledge that he has the warm approval of the whole body of his electors.

### Here and There.

IN glancing through a file of the Trinity representative organ, I have been struck with the instance of Literary Evolution in a humble way which is afforded. A fortuitous collection of ideas in the first place managed to take the form of that peculiar production known for years as *Rouge et Noir*. When first I saw the title I imagined that the "tough set" had combined, and out of an atmosphere which savored of Monte Carlo, tried its hardest to shock the college authorities by regularly publishing a graphic account of the development of baccarat and casino within these reverend precincts. But this I found to be a misconception. Quite harmless, and—shall I say, worthless?—from a literary point of view, was that production for a long period, for no great attempts at literary merit were ever indulged in by its contributors. However, *tempora mutantur*, and side by side with the rapid progress which the University itself evidenced in its revival of Convocation, was witnessed the ambi-

tious march of its literary representative. When, at last, such a radical reform as a change of name was mooted, men stared aghast with bated breath, and wondered whether some traitor was trying to wreck the entire venture. Those who were present at the very rowdy college meeting, which ultimately accepted the existence of the TRINITY UNIVERSITY REVIEW, and not without many a sigh and vigorous remonstrance, consigned the dear old *Rouge et Noir* to the memory of the past, will remember, with considerable amusement, how hard the old title died. Ah! indeed, "keep a-doing" was the motto of the editorial staff in '87. Things were looking up. To no purpose did the then business manager, standing upon the table, thunder forth that the *Rouge et Noir* was the best advertising medium in the world, and that the world could ill afford to dispense with its aid; the game was played out, the meeting actually did not believe the energetic manager, so the star of his existence flickered and went out. Thus is it that I find that "keep a-doing" is the principle on which the paper has since been worked. If the editors of '87 worked hard for their charge's welfare, no less strenuous were the efforts of the staff of '88, while that of '89 evidently intends to "keep the ball a-rolling." As we enter on the new academical year of '89-'90, I think none of us Trinitarians need feel ashamed of our UNIVERSITY REVIEW, none of us need feel doubtful that its standard of literary merit will continue to improve, and deserve the eulogium which I recently heard pronounced upon it, *viz.*, that it is the best University organ in the Dominion.

That the *Bystander* will be accorded the hearty reception it so richly deserves, is a matter of course. The introductory preface with which Mr. Goldwin Smith ushers his literary child into the world is, so to speak, a most justifiable apology for what is, I believe, the commencement of the *Bystander's* second growth. In this preface its accomplished author has undoubtedly hit the right nail on the head, when he speaks of the present singular situation of the daily press of this progressing city, "*Vita sine literis mors est*;" in a word, as long as the managing powers of the great dailies continue to prostitute the columns which they control to self-interest to the exclusion of literary work, which will justify a definition of that term in the best sense it will bear, so long will the organs which they represent remain but slaves to the trammels of party politics, and the advance of the purer forms of literature must be proportionally retarded. Actuated, I believe, by some such convictions as these, Mr. Goldwin Smith has determined upon re-issuing, after a lapse of several years, the monthly review of current events, the first number of which lies before me, and for the contents of which he alone, as I understand, is responsible. The contents column upon the outside of the *Bystander* reminds me of a show-room in Whiteley's great Emporium in London, where, it is said, that one may purchase anything from a ball of string to a real live elephant. Excellent indeed, and extremely comprehensive, are the articles which the *Bystander* for October affords us, and while the first half of the Review reminds one at every step how the

## Contributions.

### WOMEN AND WISDOM.

THERE is a strong tendency in the mind of man, when concentrated on any given subject, to isolate itself from other interests and to lose sight of the necessity for cultivating the links of sympathy which bind—or should bind—all human hearts together. It is but natural that those engaged in mental pursuits should be specially open to this temptation. While the object of a liberal education is confessedly to enlarge our range of vision, to open up fresh avenues of communication between our minds and all that is great and good in the past, as well as the present, it is quite possible that we may set up the wider view of life we have thus gained as a barrier between ourselves and the common interests of humanity, and make a rallying point for a narrow clique of that very light which should be cheering and invigorating all around with its life-giving rays.

The result of the movements of late years seems in many cases to have proved that this danger is one particularly needing to be guarded against by women. Whether their temperament inclines them to be more engrossed in the immediate present, or whether higher education being more a matter of choice rather than custom with them than it is with men, certain it is that many complaints have been lodged against them on this score, and, it is to be supposed, not without some reason.

If we recognize that knowledge is no end in itself, but only one step towards the attainment of truth, and that "truth on its active side is righteousness," the just giving to each one that which is owing from man to man, and not least the sympathy which is due from each member of a common family to the other, we shall not be unduly exalted by the acquisition of any particular kind of knowledge, or feel that such acquisition separates us from all the rest of mankind. We may be tempted to a feeling of unexpressed contempt for the busy mother and mistress who seems to have no subjects of conversation but the ailments and pretty speeches of her children, or the capabilities and misdemeanours of her servants, but if an act is greater than a word, if self-renunciation and thoughtful love lie at the bottom of all true nobility of character, she who has passed successfully through a course of whooping-cough or cooklessness, may be as well deserving of a "degree" in her own sphere as if she had triumphantly solved all the difficulties of an honour paper in Mathematics or Moderns.

But this is, of course, only one side of the question. We feel and we feel rightly that the ideal of life is not satisfied by entire occupation with the material, even when inspired by the purest and tenderest affection; that something definite has been gained when the intellectual world opens even one of its gates before us and gives us glimpses into its enchanted halls; that the trials of life are softened and its joys infinitely enhanced and varied by each further appreciation of the mind which informs the matter around us of the hidden harmonies which underlie and link together the

word "Jesuit" is still hurtling in the Canadian air, the second seems of a more cosmopolitan description, the author's one little failing of a tinge of pessimism (if I may presume to thus criticise so brilliant a writer) coming to the surface in his remarks on the "Perils of England." Under the title, "Sunday Street Cars" appears a most remarkable article, which is not, as might be expected, a weighing of practical pros and cons for the benefit of the Sabbatarian and his opponent, but is a cursory and very clever review of the development of Sabbath observance, which, contrasted with the closing arguments, which are of course more in accordance with the title of the article, strike one as involving, in its best sense, a descent from the sublime to the ridiculous. That a series of most unqualified successes will attend the re-issue of the *Bystander* is not only my wish, but my conviction, for any enterprise which Mr. Goldwin Smith undertakes in the literary world cannot fail to meet with the approval of all fair-minded critics.

IN glancing through the pages of the Review I have just alluded to, I am more than ever reminded that to fresh arrivals in the fair Dominion of Canada, it is a self-evident fact that something of unusual interest is occupying the minds of its well-wishers. Glance through the daily papers, listen to the conversation at street-corners, on the railway-cars, and in nearly every public, or indeed private gathering, of citizens, and one becomes immediately impressed with the fact that the *Jesuits* have been drawing all eyes upon themselves. In Europe, we have almost forgotten that the Society which Ganganelli was urged to suppress in 1773, was allowed to have a further *locus standi*; but here, for the nonce, the followers of Ignatius Loyola are enjoying the sensation of possessing a particular importance in the political world. The chief objection to the rumpus which the now celebrated Jesuits' Estates Act (apart from the question of merits) has created, seems to me undoubtedly the evil tendency to disintegration and a spirit of animosity between our English and French-speaking colonists. Personally, I am inclined to think that the French Canadians have considerable ground for moderate complaint. The French Canadian is essentially a peaceable and law-abiding citizen, who desires to live in perfect harmony with his English-speaking brother; he asks for his rights (quite apart from the Jesuit question), and he says he means to insist on them. These rights, speaking in a general way, are merely a demand to be recognized as being on an equal footing socially, politically and morally, with his comrades in the Province of Ontario. Yet, I fear that he is often looked down upon as being in a merely semi-civilized condition, by men who ought to know much better. Feeling seems to be running fairly high on the subject amongst the well-educated French-speaking population of Quebec, and a spirit of fair-mindedness and moderation needs to be encouraged by all of us who would fain see Canada in a position to further develop her many resources, and attain to the honorable position which she bids fair, ere long, to reach, I mean that of a great nation.

T. T. N.

most prosaic and least noticed phenomena of existence. But every fresh gift, every newly developed power, brings with it fresh responsibilities, and a mental cultivation which we hold for self alone will weigh us down with as heavy a judgment as selfishly spent wealth or selfishly used physical strength.

And here—though she would probably be loth to admit it, or would find innumerable reasons to justify it—the girl who occupies herself in intellectual pursuits is apt to compare unfavourably with others of less aspiring aims and ambitions. The society girl takes it for granted that her interests are the interests of those she meets. The “domesticated” woman never doubts of the pleasure with which her auditors listen to the recital of her experiences, but the votary of higher education too often forgets “the common life by which we live,” and despising the ordinary subjects of conversation and reserving all expression of her thoughts and feelings to seasons of intercourse with a few congenial spirits, moves in the world in general an uninteresting and uninterested spectator of what she feels to be an alien sphere.

There must be a remedy for this. There must be some other medium between going about like an ex-schoolmistress, always seeking opportunities of instructing her neighbours and relinquishing all that is dear to her, and simply responding to her associates on what she conceives to be their own plane. We all need to be constantly reminded that we are partakers of a common humanity which forms a deeper-seated bond than any community of taste or talent; that everyone (ourselves included) has the capacity, and in most cases, the desire, however faint, to reach a higher level than any we have yet attained; that if we have enjoyed greater advantages, if our minds are more accustomed to looking beyond the shows to the realities of things, we should not shrink from sometimes taking the initiative; we should expect sympathy as well as be ready to offer it. And if we are afraid of thus encouraging in ourselves a feeling of self-complacency and a spirit of self-assertion, let us look a little more resolutely on the unattained heights before us, every fresh glimpse of which will serve to dwarf into greater insignificance the petty differences between one degree of attainment and another.

If our culture is Christian culture, it will infallibly draw us closer and closer to every one of our fellow creatures, and make us more willing as well as more able to help them, while it increases the consciousness that even from the humblest with whom we are brought into any real relation we receive far more than we give. If it isolates us in a fancied intellectual Paradise, to which only a few favoured spirits are admitted, if it weakens our sympathies and increases our self-admiration and self-indulgence, we may doubt if we have even reached the level proposed to themselves by philosophers when as yet they saw no hope of rising higher than the powers inherent in man could carry them.

#### THE MUSIC OF THE WAVES.

O, LISTEN to the music of the waves!  
When the zephyrs from the west  
Softly sighing, sink to rest,

We can hear the mellow music of their staves.  
We cannot tell the melodies they sing;  
We cannot tell the tidings that they bring.  
Yet the music, low and faint,  
Is so wild, and weird, and quaint,  
That the ears with wild reverberations ring,  
And we know not why, we feel,  
As the waters shoreward steal,  
They are striving, striving ever,  
In impassionate endeavour,  
To tell a strange, inexplicable thing—  
How the music sobs and sighs  
Till the solemn cadence dies  
In the bosom of the soothing intervals.  
How each palpitating note  
Seems to float, and fall, and float,  
In a gravitating murmur to the dales!  
Oh, listen to the music of the waves!  
As they groan, groan, groan  
In a mystic monotone,  
They are surely bringing tidings of the graves;  
They are mourning for the multitudes unblest,  
For the heroes lulled to everlasting rest.  
Every joy and every gain,  
Every grief and every pain,  
As it wells from Ocean's overladen breast;  
Every crown and every cross,  
Every hope and every loss,  
Of the vast vanished æons is expressed.  
Oh, listen to the music of the waves!  
As the song sonorous sweeps  
O'er the surging, swelling deeps.  
It is murmuring the Genesis of Light  
From the chaos of the dread Plutonic night,  
And the sobbing and the signing  
Is unending and undying,  
And the angels in their legionary might  
Strive in vain to mark the ending of its flight,  
As they climb from steep to steep,  
While the circling echoes leap  
Round the Fountain of illimitable Light.  
Yet, listen to the music of the waves!  
There is meaning sad and joyous in its staves—  
'Tis the ceaseless Psalm of Life—  
All its gladness, all its strife;  
And it calleth, ever calleth from its caves.  
“Wherefore sorrow? wherefore fret?  
There is balm in Gilcad yet.  
Wherefore sorrow? wherefore sorrow?  
Dark the night but bright the morrow.  
Wherefore sorrow? wherefore fret?  
Wherefore sorrow? wherefore fret?  
Wherefore sorrow? wherefore fret?”  
Oh, this is aye the burden of the waves.

F. M. D.

#### STUDENTS' BLUNDERS.

A FORM of humour at times very entertaining is that which consists in the ridiculous mistakes made by students in answering questions in examinations. At such a time, when the examinee is nervous and flustered, there is considerable excuse for his falling into errors whose stupidity, at first sight, seems excessively

absurd. In some cases, a student of a waggish turn of mind, when unable to give a correct answer, will undoubtedly give some artfully ridiculous one for the purpose of exercising his wit. Humorists sometimes turn their attention to the manufacture of witticisms of this nature with comical results. Such instances as Mark Twain's *Screamers* are certainly amusing, but when a student's blunder bears on it the impress of an unconscious and ridiculous mistake, it is then that our laughter is most provoked. Genuineness and unconsciousness are two elements that go far to increase the humouristic value of an error. Often alleged mistakes show to too great an extent the signs of careful elaboration, like an 18th century jest, and while we may admire their ingenuity, we prefer to see ludicrous stupidity exhibited with more realism. Another point that one finds most interesting lies in a consideration of the mental process gone through to arrive at an erroneous conclusion.

The *Spectator* has been entertaining its readers in some recent issues by instancing blunders made by students. Some of them are so good as to be worthy of repetition. Very few of them, however, equal the well-known story, told so well by the late Dr. McCaul. An examiner had been putting a student through a series of questions in Scripture History. He found the pupil's knowledge very slight, and at last, wishing to give him a loophole of escape from a terrific "plucking," he asked the extremely simple question, "Who was the first king of Israel?" "Saul," answered the student, and then a bright idea striking him, he added, "otherwise called Paul." His mistake is only a ridiculous example of many pit-falls into which examinees have fallen, by a desire to say too much. Not dissimilar was the comical jumbling of a benighted youth in answering the question, "Relate the life of Samuel." To which came the answer, "God called Samuel, saying, Eli, Eli, why persecutest thou me." The following instance, which has been often related, actually happened a few years ago at an English High School, and was narrated to the writer by a master in the same school, whose veracity, even in telling a good story, is undoubted. At an examination, the pupil was asked to quote the parable of the Good Samaritan. He gave a faithful account even until the last verse, when he concluded the account of the Samaritan's benevolence with the words, "Take care of him, and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again I will repay thee; and he said this, knowing well that he should see his face again no more." In Latin prose exercises, one finds the most ludicrous errors cropping up. One awful blunderer at a Marlborough College examination rendered "Most men, therefore," by "Hominissimi iguntur." His ignorance was eminently colossal, but there was an inane happiness in taking "igulus" as a third person singular passive, and then making it plural. "But such a blast my king began to blow," found its Latin equivalent in "Rex meus inceptit crepitus effundere tales." One smiles at the ludicrous carelessness of him who turned "And many a swarthy face and stern were there," by "Nigra adsunt facies, nigra adsunt terga." The last recalls an instance which happened in a Senate-house examination at Cambridge. Some

examiner asked for the Latin for "dress improver," a time when that article of apparel had been calling forth some discussion from the press. He was convulsed when he read on one student's paper—"dress-improver superbum." It was a silly word for an examiner to give, but he, doubtless, expected to light upon some rich reply; if so, his object was abundantly attained. That pupil was something of a wit who on being asked to give the gender of several compounds *with comments*, among them "tête-à-tête," answered, "Tête-à-tête is of the common gender, because it usually takes place between a man and a woman." In translating, the classics blunders occur that are nonsensical in a quiet way. "Superi sinit hoc regnator Olympus" was rendered: "The governor makes himself superior to Olympus." He was evidently thinking of a French gastronomical proclivity, who in translating an extract of Virgil, in which the horses of the sun are described as "Ambrosiac succo saturos," turned it by "basted in ambrosial juice." When Salust in his "Catiline" said that great bribes corrupted some men, while others succumbed to small temptation—"multi in parva pecunia perspicuntur quam sint leves," he did not mean "many men when short of money perceive of how little consequence they are"; although the wisdom of the saying is not unlike the historian, and approximates closely to a possible rendering of the Latin. An instance of a similar perversion of meaning is found in the ingenious turning of "finitimus oratori poeta, sermone licentior, numeris restrictior," by "an orator lived next to a poet, more loose in his talk, but more guarded than numbers." It may be noticed that no word of the original is really mistranslated, but its meaning is amusingly changed. "Cena ministratur pueris tribus" was rendered by "the cane is being administered to three boys," probably from some pathetic recollections in the mind of a youthful scholar.

DION.

#### MR. WHITT'S GIFT TO THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY.

It gives us much pleasure to announce that through the kindness of Mr. Samuel Whitt, late of Assam, Upper Burma, the Library of Trinity College has obtained possession of a small, but valuable, and in some respects unique collection of Sanskrit MSS. The MSS. became the property of Mr. Whitt through the death of one of the Coolies working upon the tea plantation of which Mr. Whitt had charge. This man was, strange as it may appear, a high caste Brahman, who for reasons best known to himself, had removed from Bengal and wrought as an ordinary day labourer in Assam. From his being one of the priestly caste, and also from his reputed skill in leechcraft, he was greatly revered not merely by the other Coolies upon the estate, but by all the natives for many miles around; and he was continually sought after by them in cases of sickness. His remedies, however, seemed to consist chiefly of charms, spells and such like. His usual mode of procedure was, when consulted in a dangerous case, to write out some words in the Devanāgarī, or sacred character, with a piece of char-

coal on a board, and then wash off the writing with water and send it to the patient, who was to drink it, the Brahman at the same time offering prayers for the recovery of the sick man.

It seems strange that a man of his undoubted dignity and learning should have chosen to live the toilsome and degraded life of men of the lowest caste, as the Coolies naturally were: and Mr. Whitt would seem to have some foundation for suspecting him to have been one of the leading actors in the great drama of the Mutiny of the Bengal army, which brought sorrow and shame to so many English homes, and that, having sinned too deeply to hope for pardon, he had sought refuge from the British authorities in the most effectual manner possible. Indeed, it seems strange to us that the fact of a high caste Brahman renouncing in this way the privileges of his order, and associating thus with those whom he must have regarded as unclean, did not excite suspicion in other minds than those of Mr. Whitt and his assistants. Upon his death, however, nothing could be discovered which tended in any way to clear up the mystery, if there were one, and his sole possessions seemed to have been the sacred cord around his waist, the symbol of his divine birth, the picture of Kalī, before which he was wont to repeat his prayers, and the MSS. which we now proceed to describe. The MSS. are four in number; the first bears two titles, *Devyāh Kavacham atha Kilaka*, that is "Devi's Breastplate and Wedge." Mr. Bendall, Curator of Sanskrit MSS. at the British Museum, to whose inspection Mr. Whitt submitted the MSS. when in London last summer, proposes to translate the title as, "Devi's Charm and Kilaka," leaving the last word untranslated; but *Kavacham* is beyond dispute a breastplate, and the adjective *Kavachina* occurs in the "Arjima's Journey to Swarga," the Heaven of Indra or Paradise, and corresponds to the Latin word *loricatus*, wearing a breastplate while *Kilaka* occurs in the *Hitopadesa* in the story telling how the monkey tried to take the wedge out of the tree the woodmen had been splitting, and came to an untimely end in the attempt. However the titles be translated, the work itself consists of two hymns, to be used introductory to the study of the accompanying larger work, entitled: "Devi Māhatmyā," also "Durga Pradīpa" and "Sapta Sati," or "The Seven Times Holy," a psalm in praise of Durga or Kalī Siva's Consort, and forming part of the *Markandya Purāna*. They are works relating altogether to the Brahminical ritual as enjoined in the *Purānas*, and differing greatly from Vaidic ritual as contained in the *Rich* and other *Vēdas*.

There are also two stray sheets, which so far as our knowledge goes, seem to belong to no known religious work. These, if time permits, will be more closely examined in the future, and the writer will endeavour to give some idea of their contents. Mr. Bendall, the eminent Sanskrit scholar before mentioned, after a careful perusal of it, expressed himself as unable to identify it with any other work of a similar nature with which he was acquainted.

The *Kalendar* is a very interesting work and quite unique in its way. It contains reckonings according to two eras; one bearing the date of 1920, and the other

1785, dates which we find to correspond to 1863 of our era. The longer era, that giving 1920, is the era of King *Sālavahāna*, which began in B.C. 57, and the other shorter one of 1785, than of King *Vikramachītya*, which began A.D. 78. That we are correct in our opinion may be proved, firstly, by subtracting 1785 from 1920, which gives 135 years, the difference known to exist between the two eras; and secondly, by adding 78 to 1785, which gives 1863, the year of our era for which it seems to have been compiled. It is a very prettily written MS., but it is more than doubtful whether we shall be able to fully master its contents, as it is written in an antique and now obsolete character, somewhat resembling the modern *Devanāgarī* which would seem to be derived from it.

As far as can be gathered from what has been deciphered, its purpose altogether is a priestly and Brahminical one, and it was of an occult nature and not intended for secular use.

Although the foregoing sketch gives but a very inadequate idea of the MSS., still, enough has been said to show our readers that Trinity College has every reason to be grateful to Mr. Whitt for his valuable and most seasonable gift to the Library. We hope that we shall have the pleasure of recording many other gifts of a like nature from the friends of Trinity in time to come. Δ

#### FOOT-BALL NOTES.

TRINITY opens the foot-ball season of 1889 with fair prospects. In the course of the last few years her Foot-Ball Club has steadily been raising its standing among the clubs of the Association, and it is now in a position to contend for the laurels of the foot-ball field with any team in the Province. The gradual improvement of the Trinity team is evidenced by the record of matches with the kickers of the Sister University. Three years ago the Varsity could beat Trinity to the tune of fifty to nothing, or thereabout. This state of things has been steadily improved upon until last season the score stood 10 to 0, that small majority being stoutly contested. It remains for the men of 1889 to continue the improvement, and Trinity relies upon their doing so. It is true that some few of last year's stalwarts have left us, but the incoming year should make up the deficiency. We have the material; all we need to bring it into proper shape is hard practice and a little self-denial on the part of the men.

THE Lectures in the Law School keep several valuable kickers from appearing on the Trinity field, notably D. R. C. Martin, B.A., our captain of last year.

THE condition of the Campus is a disgrace to the University, and invites comparison with the cran shaven Varsity lawn. The authorities should look to the matter.

OWING to a severe attack of pleuro-pneumonia, the familiar face of H. H. Bedford-Jones, B.A., '89, has not appeared.

THE contingent from Trinity Medical College has not yet put in an appearance at practice. The Meds. will be as welcome this year as heretofore.



THE Secretary is arranging matches with Port Hope school, 'Varsity, Toronto, Port Hope town, Guelph Agricultural College, U. C. C., and others.

## College News.

At a meeting to discuss the present state and outlook of the Football Club and to appoint officers for the ensuing year, W. M. Loucks, B.A., took the chair, and having called the meeting to order, explained its object. Nominations for the different offices were then in order and the election was soon over. The result was: Prof. Boys, President; Prof. Symonds and Mr. Cayley, Vice-Presidents; G. H. Grout, '90, Captain; W. M. Loucks, B.A., Secretary; H. B. Howden, '91, Treasurer; and the Committee composed of Messrs. White, Pringle and Martin.

THE first regular meeting of the Trinity College Literary Institute for the year 1889-90, was held on Friday evening last, the President, W. M. Loucks, B.A., in the chair. Time being too short to provide a literary programme, the meeting was purely a business one. Matters relative to the improving of the furniture of the reading-room in the way of chairs, paper-files, etc., were discussed and referred to the consideration of the Council. Twenty new names were proposed as candidates for membership in the Society, and an adjournment was moved till Friday, the 18th inst.

OWING to the much regretted resignation of S. F. Houston, B.A., and H. P. Low, D.A., both of last year, the REVIEW has suffered a decided loss. To fill the vacancies a College meeting was called on Saturday last, which resulted in the election of Mr. T. T. Norgate, '90, and Mr. J. G. Abott, '91. Mr. Norgate's name will probably not be unfamiliar to the readers of this paper, he having been formerly on the staff of the REVIEW, but incapacitated of late through illness. Mr. Abott is a wide reader and his ability for the office is unquestionable. May readers of the REVIEW spend many a pleasant moment over the productions of their pens.

AFTER the football meeting was adjourned another meeting was called to consider the question of the annual Convocation dinner, to be held on Monday, 28th October next, and to appoint a committee of five to represent the interests of the undergraduates co-operating with the Convocation delegates, to make the final arrangements for the dinner and select sub-committees for the different departments. This dinner was originally confined to the undergraduates and bachelors of the University, and together with the steeplechase which is always held on the same day, was a regular institution in the College. Last year, however, this order of things was slightly changed, and its sphere has been extended so as to include also the members of Convocation. It may still be looked upon, though, as the old St Simon and St Jude's dinner—under a different form, it is true, but the idea is the same. It is to be hoped that all the men will take it upon themselves as a special duty to the College in-

stitutions to attend this dinner and to do all in their power to make it a success. The committee which was appointed on Friday consisted of Messrs. Loucks, White, Grout, Stevenson, and Abbott, and these gentlemen, together with the sub-committees which they may appoint, will undertake the undergraduate's share of the work in endeavoring to make the dinner a success.

THURSDAY, October 10th, saw the official taper applied to the candle of the academical year of 1889-90, which to all appearances promises to burn with even more than usual brilliancy, being supplied by the material still remaining in the senior years, and added to by abundant and bright material of the incoming year. The laborers in the Convocation movement should feel encouraged by the promising product of their efforts on behalf of the University, as this year's Freshman Class is again a large one, and supplies abilities, intellectual and muscular, which will tell on the *Campus* no less than in the lecture room. The scene in and about College, for the first few days of the year, is a busy one. To the uninitiated it might appear that our main hall had been transformed into the headquarters for the various cartage establishments of the city, but when rooms are allotted this overflow of trunks soon disappears. Soon all available space is placarded with enticing notices of articles for sale. Here one is directed to the *Bon Marche*, where all room-furnishings will be sold at a positive sacrifice. There it is announced that his friends will sell the effects of some late departed at a great reduction. This bill advises purchasing Freshmen to "come early and avoid the rush"—that there is "just one more left." When the "fresh gentlemen" have satisfied their avarice and things become moderately settled, the usual list of College meetings peculiar to the new year begins, the first of which took place on Friday morning, Oct. 11th.

## S. HILDA'S NOTES.

IT will, we feel sure, be a great pleasure to the kind friends of St. Hilda's College to hear of the bright and promising auspices under which it enters its second academical year. This will also, we hope, be an agreeable surprise to those who have been doubtful as to the probable result of the Provost and Lady Principal's brave efforts to carry out and keep in view the principles and objects for which this institution was founded.

The increased number of students, the improvements in the building, the warm interest manifested by many friends, may well reward them for the courageous energy with which they have worked in spite of the wet blankets ready to close round St. Hilda's struggling flame at the first signs of failure.

Extreme prudence may have caused the humidity of these blankets, but now that the prospects appear so hopeful, and a dangerous beginning is happily passed, we trust that the blankets will accept a sincere and genial invitation to dry themselves at St. Hilda's heart.

A bright and pleasant service, followed by some helpful and practical suggestions from the Provost as

to the manner in which the work of the students should be conducted during the coming year, solemnized the opening of their college life.

St. Hilda's has a strong and powerful contingent which is determined hopefully to assist in overcoming all prejudices, however well-grounded their holders may consider them.

ST. HILDAN.

## Personal.

C. J. LOEWEN, B.A., '87, is now in San Francisco.

W. CARTER, B.A., '89, is now taking a further course at Oxford.

FORD JONES, B.A., '89, intends studying law in Brockville, Ont.

A. R. BRADURRY, B.A., '89, may be found at the State Medical College, Buffalo.

H. P. LOWE, B.A., '89, won the English Prize Essay on the Character of Philip II. of Spain. We tender him our hearty congratulations.

WE are pleased to see that Messrs. Fitzhugh, Norgate and Heathcote are again to be found about College, after an absence of some time.

WE regret that the serious illness of Mr. H. H. Bedford-Jones, B.A., prevents his returning to College at present. His absence on the football team will be severely felt.

S. F. HOUSTON, '89; D. R. C. Martin, '89; J. H. McGill, '89, and G. E. Powell, '88, are among those taking the new course of lectures at the Law School, Osgoode Hall.

MR. TROOP, the Manager of the REVIEW, has been requested to address a meeting of the Trinity Medical Students on matters relating to the paper. The meeting is to take place shortly.

P. S. LAMPMAN, B.A., '88, formerly articled to Cox & Yale, of St. Catharines, will shortly remove to Hamilton, where he will be a student with Messrs. Bruce, Burton & Bruce, Barristers.

THE friends of the Rev. J. B. Haslam will regret to hear of his serious accident which occurred a short time since. He was thrown from a carriage, incurring severe injuries in the face and head. We look for his speedy recovery.

H. P. LOWE and J. G. Walker, graduates of '89, and close contestants in Theological honours, came out precisely even in the late examination; both deserve a great deal of credit for their high standing in College.

THE number of Freshmen this year is exceptionally large, and bears evidence of intellectual abilities apt to adorn the College in future times. At present they have taken their places in College with blushing, but becoming dignity.

MR. T. H. SMYTH, M.A., B.Sc., our highly popular Lecturer in Natural Science, has returned from Eng-

land, where he has been spending the summer. Mr. Smyth has, we understand, not come back empty-handed—but brings with him many appliances for the further promotion of the sciences in which he especially delights. He has, moreover, kindly consented to furnish us with an article for our next issue, detailing some of his experiences in the mother country.

## Our Exchanges.

WE have, so far, received but few exchanges. "*The Owl*" commences the third volume of its existence, and justly demands a large share of praise and support in the literary world. A paper on Oliver Wendell Holmes is one of its best productions, while its "Athletics" department is full of interest.

The staffs of the *Queen's College Journal* and the *Rockford Seminary Magazine* seem unable to issue any number of their respective publications between June and October. A salutary amendment with regard to the former would be the adoption of a considerably larger type; an interesting article of an ultra-heavy style when set up in bold print, may be waded through, but when the type employed is of a minute size, such article becomes, in more senses than one, very hard reading.

A decided tribute of praise should be given to *The University*, a New York publication identified with the general interests of all higher seats of learning in the United States. We should very much like to see a little space devoted to similar Canadian interests in the same publication. Like the majority of first-class American publications, *The University*, which is still but young in the literary world, is printed in clear, bold type, on the best of paper. It contains, moreover, several well executed illustrations.

*The Fortnightly Lantern* enters upon the tenth year of its existence. We wish it a continued run of success. Its "Local and Personal" column is most ably edited.

Like some of its American contemporaries, *The Adelpian* exhibits many internal evidences of having at its back a staff of editors on which the weaker sex is strongly represented. Every academical institution which, possessing the privilege of an affiliated body of women students, publishes a representative organ, quickly sees the wisdom of enlisting a flood of feminine sympathies in the shape of literary articles. This is always most surely effected by a concession of women's rights in the form of representation on the editorial staff.

The Imperial Federation League seems to be more active than ever. The October issue of *Imperial Federation* contains twenty-one pages of interesting matter, notes, and correspondence. Among its League Notices of the month is one to the effect that upon early application lecturers will be sent to any debating club, irrespective of political colour. For these lectures nothing besides travelling expenses will be charged.

# Convocation.

Convocation is the degree conferring and consulting body of the University. The members are of two classes,

- (1) Full members, viz., Masters of Arts, and Graduates in Medicine, Law, or Divinity.
- (2) Associate Members, viz., all others who are friends of the University.

The fee is in all cases \$5.00 per annum (except in the case of Clergy who may wish to become Associate Members, when it is \$2.00.)

The resolutions of Convocation are laid before the College Council with a view to influencing its decisions. Thus Convocation helps to direct the government of the University.

There are at present over three hundred Members and Associate Members, and it is hoped that every layman and laywoman whose eye this meets will at once take advantage of this opportunity of assisting their Church University.

For full particulars and forms of application for membership, apply to the Clerk of Convocation, Trinity College.

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### CONVOCATION NOTES.

AS an example of what may be done to increase the numbers of members and associate members of Convocation, by those who are willing to sacrifice a little time and trouble to the cause, we give the following account of the work done by Rev. J. C. Davidson, and Mr. C. P. Poussette, of Peterboro'. In two or three days these gentlemen—both graduates of Trinity—canvassed the most influential members of the congregation of St. John's, with the result that there is to-day a local Association, with fourteen members and associates all in good standing. When it is borne in mind that no meeting has been held, nor the Provost, or any of the officers of Convocation, or members of the staff, been brought into contact with the people, all will admit that this was a splendid piece of work. It suggested the following calculation to the writer's mind, which he ventures to commend to the readers of the REVIEW:—Ontario has a population of say 2,000,000; the city of Peterboro' of 10,000, or one two-hundredth part of that of the whole Province, and it supplies us with fourteen members and associates. Fourteen multiplied by two hundred gives two thousand eight hundred as the number of members and associates who ought to be enrolled. Seriously, there seems no reason why one person in a thousand, or two thousand in all, cannot be sufficiently interested in Trinity's work to help her in this particular way. Fortified by the work of Messrs. Davidson and Poussette, we re-echo the appeal of the Provost for individual efforts towards the increase of our list.

THE eleventh meeting of the Executive Committee of Convocation was held on Monday, Sept. 2 rd, at 8 o'clock p.m., when there were present the Provost, the Chairman of Convocation, Messrs. J. Cartwright, E. C. Cayley, N. F. Davidson and the Clerk. The principal business of the evening was in connection with the Annual General Meeting, a programme of which will be found in this number of the REVIEW. It was decided to ask the Rev. Dr. Bethune, Head Master of Trinity College, Port Hope, to be the preacher at the service on Monday evening, and in the event of his declining, Dr. Langtry, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Toronto. As will be gathered from the programme, Dr. Bethune did decline, owing to the peculiarly heavy duties of the school at this time of the year. The discussion of the report, which is also published in this number of the REVIEW, occupied the remainder of the evening.

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## Contributions.

### HIPPOCRATES.

(Continued from last issue.)

To resume the subject of my last month's article, Hippocrates and his works, a short preface will be desirable, giving some account of the Art of Medicine as practised among the ancient Greeks. There seems little doubt that to this incomparable race we owe the first beginnings of the science, even as in the fine arts and philosophy they were at once the pioneers and the patterns for all time. The science of course is of empiric origin, and its methods inductive, working from the particular case up to the general law, and deducing its rules of procedure in any given case from long observation and experience of previous similar cases. So that in other eastern lands, notably Arabia, medical knowledge had come to be at an early date both very considerable in extent and very fairly systematized. The extent to which this tabulating process had been carried at so early a date as the times of Hippocrates and the Periclean Age, now nearly two thousand five hundred years ago, may be best brought to the modern student's attention by giving the promised list of Hippocrates' Treatises. It will be borne in mind that although all the writings ascribed to Hippocrates are neither authentic nor genuine, still they are of extreme antiquity, and so serve the purpose of our argument in favor of a Greek origin for our modern science of medicine and surgery. It will be remembered, too, that in later times, during the Roman Empire, the physicians of those haughty world-rulers and soldiers were almost exclusively Greek by birth, and in position slaves, one or more such educated Greeks being kept in the *familia* or slave-gang of each great Roman house, so that the Greek knowledge of medicine was traditional throughout the Roman world, and that meant the whole known world of the day.

The following is a partial list of the works ascribed to Hippocrates:—

#### CLASS I.—Genuine.

1. On Ancient Medicine.
2. The Prognostics.

3. The Aphorisms.
4. The Epidemics, I, III.
5. The Regimen in Acute Diseases.
6. On Airs, Waters and Places.
7. On the Articulations.
8. On Fractures.
9. The Instruments of Reduction.
10. The Physician's Establishment or Surgery.
11. On Injuries of the Head.
12. The Oath.
13. The Law.

CLASS IV.—*Writings of the Contemporaries or Pupils of Hippocrates.*

1. Of Ulcers.
2. Of Fistulæ.
3. Of Hemorrhoids.
4. Of the Pneuma (or Spirit).
5. Of the Sacred Disease (Epilepsy).
6. Of the Places in Man (*i.e.* Topographical Anatomy).
7. Of Art.
8. Of Regimen and of Dreams.
9. Of Affections.
10. Of Internal Affections.
11. Of Diseases, I, II, III.
12. Of the Seventh Month Fœtus.
13. Of the Eighth Month Fœtus.

This list might be lengthened still, but is I fear already wearisome. It suffices at any rate to show that the restless observant activity of the Greek mind, though without any artificial means of observation, had made great progress in empiric medicine, the necessary predecessor of that creation of modern days, rational medicine.

It must be granted that the early association in Greek communities of the healing art with religion, and the consequent existence for many centuries of Asclepia, or Temples of Asclepias, *i.e.*, in Latin, *Æsculapius*, which were simply hospitals, gave unusually good opportunities for observation and collection of statistics. A dip into mythology is necessary in order to the correct understanding of these old Greek hospitals. The God of Healing was *Apollo Medicus*, and according to legend a son of his was *Asclepias*. In Homer the two sons of *Asclepias*, *Podalirius* and *Machaon*, figure as warriors, not priests, famed for their skill in surgery, a sort of twin ambulance corps for the Greeks who fought round "Windy Troy." For the worship of *Asclepias*, temples were founded, and priestly orders established, called by the patronymic name *Asclepiadæ*, popularly believed to be lineally descended from *Æsculapius*, and handing down by hereditary descent from father to son the results of their life-long experience in the Temples of Healing. Of these Temples or *Asclepia*, each with its hereditary line of *Asclepiadæ* or priests, twenty-four are known to have existed, and of these twenty-four, the most famous was that of *Cos* in the south-western corner of *Asia Minor*. Its fame is due mainly to the fact that its line of *Asclepiadæ* produced the great *Hippocrates*.

As to the line of treatment adopted in the *Asclepia*, it must be remembered that they were at once temples and hospitals, and that the attendant physicians

were priests, so that we would expect, what was really the case, that great prominence was always given to the moral element in treatment. The moral effect upon the patient of elaborate ritual, musical services, religious ablutions, and so on, must have been very marked. But the *Asclepiadæ* seem to have been remarkably free from that devotion to superstitious methods which one would expect to find them practising. *Hippocrates* himself especially shows a most modern spirit of scientific enquiry, even refusing to accept any supernatural reason for epileptic seizures, as was the universal manner of days much later than his own, and finding a physical reason for every symptom or disease he treats. The *Asclepia*, too, were mostly always built in the vicinity of medicinal springs, whose waters were used in the ritual, or course of medical treatment, whichever we choose to call it, that the priests prescribed. Frequent bathings, regular exercise, especially on horseback, change of scene and moral influences, these seem to have been great remedial agencies in their hands. But these priest-physicians showed capacity for much more vigorous treatment than these chiefly hygienic methods. They had a very thorough knowledge of Anatomy, and no contemptible knowledge of Physiology, if we take into account their lack of artificial means of observation. They had some knowledge of the use of drugs, of both mineral and vegetable origin. *Hippocrates'* treatment of fractures and dislocations of different joints was superseded for centuries, only to be re-adopted by modern science, as based upon the most thorough knowledge of the anatomy of the parts concerned. Frictions and shampooing, perhaps even *massage*, were employed in methodical fashion, the dietary most carefully controlled, and in all likelihood *mesmerism* employed, so true a saying is it that "the thing which is done, it is that which hath been done, and there is no new thing under the sun." At any rate, we know that drugs were prescribed by priests in a state of clairvoyance and the probabilities are that patients too were hypnotized. Careful clinical reports were constantly kept, with dates, crises, symptoms, and details, and this mass of statistics, increasing as time passed, became a most valuable source of information to the student *Asclepiadæ*. They became, as we will readily understand, adepts in Prognosis, and we find accordingly in the writings of *Hippocrates* no less than three treatises on this subject, the *Prognostics*, the *Prorrhetica*, and the *Coacæ Prænotiones*.

I must close my article, though the subject is barely opened yet, with a translation of a few of *Hippocrates'* admirable aphorisms or axioms for the guidance of practitioners, valuable not so much in these days for scientific or rational accuracy, as for the spirit of candour and professional honour they display, and for the odour that they breathe of long and sound experience both with human disease and with human nature.

Sec. I. *Aphorism 1*.—"Life is short, and the art of healing long, the chance for action fleeting, and the attempt doubtful of success, and judgment difficult. Moreover it is necessary not only to make oneself do his duty in the circumstances, but also to make the patient, and the onlookers, and all the surroundings assist."

Hippocrates must have fully recognised the difficulties of a physician before he could thus skilfully lay his finger upon the sore spot in a doctor's life, his best efforts frustrated by the stupidity or carelessness of the patient or his attendants, or by an untoward environment. The whole of a medical man's philosophy, the motives that should govern his action in any case he undertakes to heal, lie in the first few sentences, in *posse* if not also in *esse*.

Sec. II. *Aphorism 19*.—"In acute diseases it is not absolutely safe to prognosticate either death or recovery."

Good advice from an old head to a young one, for the sake of his reputation to make no rash promises, such as in *febrile* diseases especially are very liable to be unfulfilled.

As we have given the first Aphorism, we close with the last, an equally famous one, though its grim, remorseless climax is not by modern surgery accepted as true. It is interesting, however, as crystallizing into convenient form the Principles and Practice of Surgery till quite a recent date.

"Whatever ailments drugs will not cure, the steel will cure; such as the steel will not cure, the cautery will cure; and such as the cautery will not cure, these we must consider incurable." J. T. F.

## Obituary.

THE Greek tragic poet, Euripides, has beautifully said, "Knowest thou of what nature mortal things are? I think not. How should'st thou? Death is a debt that all mortals must pay; and there is not one of them who knows whether he shall see the coming morn." How true these lines are, and often exemplified within our own college walls. On Friday, 11th inst, Mr. Caleb S. Doyle, ———, a promising student in his third year in our Medical College, died at his mother's residence, No. 77 Ann street. The funeral took place on the Saturday following, and a large number of students accompanied the remains to the

Union Station, from whence they were taken to Sunderland, the home of the deceased, where they found a final resting place. Deceased was an exemplary young man beloved by all his class-mates and all those who knew him. He was a close student and his career promised to be a very brilliant one, but

"God's finger touched him and he slept."

We can only mingle our sorrows and tears with those of his relatives and friends. His memory will long be cherished in Trinity Medical College.

## Personal.

MR. AINSLIE ARDAGH is Resident at the Home for Incurables this winter.

DR. CLARKE, who is now practising in Buffalo, has been appointed Professor of Chemistry in the Buffalo University.

A MEETING will be held at the College in a day or two to elect editors to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of some of the members of our staff. Mr. Troop, of Trinity College, will be present and address a few remarks to the meeting on behalf of THE REVIEW. It is hoped that there will be a full attendance.

'Tis sad to think how many lives there be  
Which aimless seem to glide down to the grave,  
Like driftwood floating on a boundless sea,  
Tossed onward by each noisy drifting wave,  
Without one helping hand; or e'en a friend  
To breathe the thought that they should seek a goal.  
For most unlike the driftwood at the end,  
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Some hopeless, drifting life from such a grave?

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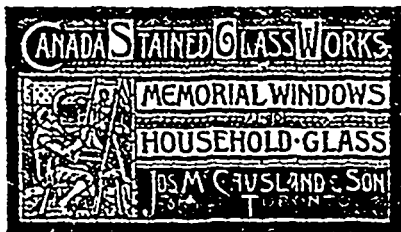
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By a recent change in the Statutes, Candidates for pass are required to take Latin, Greek, Mathematics, History and Geography, and one of the four departments:—Divinity, French, German or English. Candidates for Scholarships may take two of the four departments:—Divinity, French, German or English.

Candidates not competing for General Proficiency Scholarships may substitute for Greek, two of the departments, Divinity, French, German, Physics, Chemistry, or Botany, provided that French or German must be taken

The examinations for the degree of M.D., C.M., will begin on March 25th; for the degree of B.C.L. as follows:—The First and Final on June 10th, and the Second on June 13th; and for the degree of Bachelor of Music on April 24th.

Notice for the Law and Matriculation Examinations must be given by June 1st; for Mus. Bac. by Feb. 15th.

Application should be made to the Registrar for the requisite forms for giving notice.

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