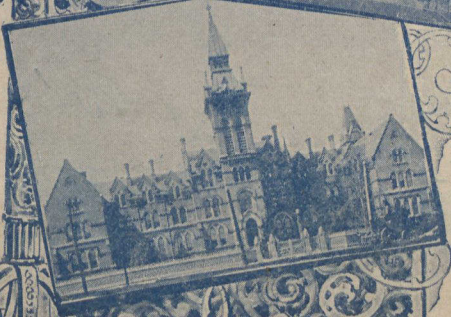
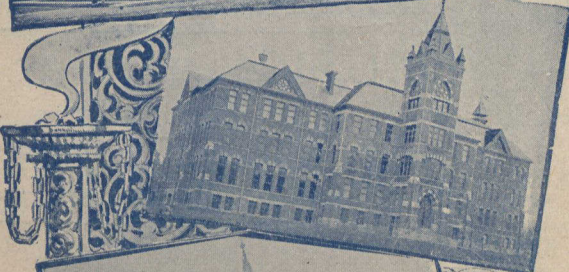
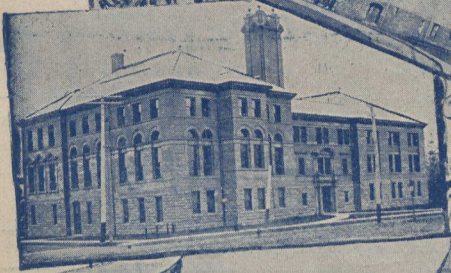
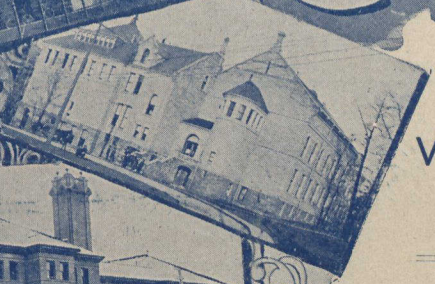
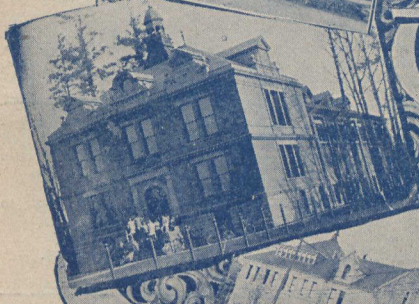


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THE RETURN OF ODYSSEUS.

Note—The belated paper which follows was written for the current number of the *University Monthly*. That number, however, was already full and it is now handed over to THE VARSITY, whither it should have gone at first.

Since the last issue of this magazine the manager of "The Return of Odysseus" has been dangerously ill, and the play has been presented under trying circumstances, with a Penelope barely able to stand upon her feet and to direct, yet with resolution enough to act from her couch, when standing became impossible, and to see the thing through at all costs.

Probably those behind the scenes have found it hard to decide whether to pay their first tribute of respect to the artistic skill of the actress appearing on the boards against such odds, or to the moral force of the part played by her off the boards during the previous fortnight: the role of a woman in full health enacted by a woman in great weakness. Henceforth the story of "*Polutlas Odysseus*" will suggest also "*Polutlase Penelopeia*" rivalling her prototype in fidelity to duty, and her lord in "*Polutlemosune*"; much-endurance. In the last issue I predicted that the popular element in the production would be the dances. The prediction has been fulfilled. Even the scoffer and the cynic have confessed "that all that was like Shea's was excellent."

For this excellence of the dancing the credit is mainly due to Miss Hutchison and to Mr. R. Biggs, who, when Miss Barrows was taken ill, replaced her with untiring zeal and skill, and under her directions produced results so satisfactory that few were aware of her absence. Their organizing and executive ability, no less than their self-sacrificing devotion, will not be forgotten by anyone engaged in the performance; neither will their dancing; they danced like Phæacians. It would be affectation to deny that Miss Barrows' illness was more felt by the actors, and showed itself more in their work. By the exertions however of Dr. Barrows, whose modern Greek

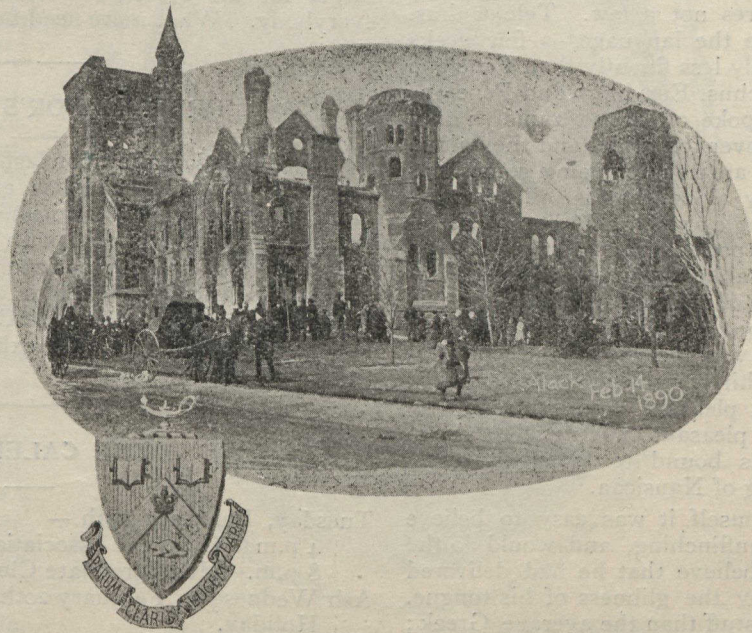
is as good as his daughter's, and whose enthusiasm for Homer is not less conspicuous, the evil was minimized, and to persons behind the scenes, aware of the obstacles encountered in this and other directions, and conscious that the stars in their course seemed to fight against the undertaking, it is a matter of surprise that so considerable a measure of success was achieved.

For after all the obstacles to success were not imaginary:

the Antigone has set up a very high standard for all subsequent Greek plays, a standard incapable of attainment by a performance which has not the advantage of Mendelssohn's beautiful music, nor yet the advantage of a regular plot and *denouement*, but is instead, avowedly, the presentation of a succession of scenes from Homeric life, strung together loosely on the framework furnished by the *Odyssey*. Most people on the other hand are like Aristotle and demand a story; especially they wanted to see the suitors killed. Few are content with pictures and with character sketches; few would now tolerate a play like the *Persæ* or

the *Prometheus* of Æschylus. The university should have begun with Homer or Æschylus twenty years ago, and passed on to Sophocles, and no inapposite comparisons would have been possible.

And then again, as the witty scoffer from Shea's reminds us, an academic exercise in an unknown language should be exhibited in a university building, whither weary pleasure-seekers with vacuous minds will not resort for amusement and where only—if they find themselves—they will expect to be bored. Even the second Antigone suffered for being in a theatre; the first Antigone—presented in the old Convocation Hall—escaped being measured by alien standards. And the moral of it all is twofold that the enemy and the unbeliever should build us a theatre at the



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University like the Sheldonian in Oxford, for all large functions, concerts and classical plays; and in the meantime, while it is building, should confine himself to Shea's and avoid the Grand Opera House, lest haply he entertain again (without entertainment) an academic exercise unawares.

Another criticism which looks at first sight very unintelligent was perhaps intended only as a roundabout compliment to our Mentos; it was said that the goddess was not sufficiently revealed in Mentos: *nec vera incessu patuit clea*, to misquote Virgil. Homer of course did not intend even Telemachus to recognize the goddess except afterwards by the suddenness of her disappearance; but some evening papers, more wide awake than Homer, could not forget the goddess in the man, and remembering her, were not quite satisfied with his credentials of divinity; the only credentials of divinity really needed were abundantly present; perfect naturalness and grace of bearing; the enunciation of modern Greek as if the speaker had never spoken anything else; entire absence of consciousness or effort at effect. Had all the acting been as good, the presentation, in spite of its intrinsic difference, might have challenged not the Antigone only but better performances.

That all the acting was not up to this superlative standard was inevitable. The phenomenon of nasalization peculiar to this continent could not be wholly absent, and it was infinitely less pleasant than the Milesian brogue which diverted the audience at the first Antigone.

But accents are not made or changed in a day; and there were redeeming features not a few. Telemachus, Alcinous, Eurycleia all spoke the language—a few weeks ago unknown to them—hardly less fluently than Penelope herself; if anything, Telemachus, Eurycleia, and Penelope herself were too fluent and spoke often too rapidly; only Alcinous and Mentos were never too rapid, and they alone escaped another fault of the amateur of being sometimes inaudible at a distance; they alone, that is, of the actors taking the major parts. "Single-speech Hamilton" (Eche-neus) on the other hand, was perfectly audible and equally admirable; audible and admirable, too, was Euryalus, probably the most perfectly Greek of any figure on the stage; he might have stepped straight out into the nineteenth century from the Phæacian court; the very incarnation in profile, appearance and manner of the shifty, insolent, cringing Greek courtier he represented. A pleasant figure, too, to contemplate was Laodamas, pleasant and princely. Arete looked queenly, as she was bound to look; and even scoffing ceased at the coming of Nausicaa.

Concerning Odysseus himself, it was easy to believe that he had faced perils unflinching, and would do the same again; not so easy to believe that he had delivered himself from other perils by the glibness of his tongue. He seemed made of sterner stuff than the average Greek; more fitted for a hero of Rome or a British cavalier of the Stuart age; less able to strike that note of eloquence and fluency, which is not less conspicuous than manliness in Odysseus. Few men have ever united in life the literary gifts and the force of character attributed to Odysseus; have shone in action and in speech alike as he did: it was not till Pericles that Greece herself produced an "Odysseus" again; to find even an actor for the part is therefore hard; and our Odysseus was handicapped on the first night, at least, by a very unsuitable "get-up;" the mistakes of the amateur, of too much paint and too much beard, were conspicuous and heart-rending. But no such criticism applies to Alcinous, whose appearance alike and enunciation were excellent, and who seemed like Odysseus, fit for a kingly role in life.

In short whatever measure of success was attained by our two kings, was attained, not by the redeeming

virtues of the actor's temperament, the quick susceptibility and the mercurial moodiness which are dangerously allied with excitability, vanity and hysteria, but as a sheer *tour de force* by men, who are in ordinary life, up to the measure of all healthy men, not silent, tongue-tied and manly: they seemed the sort of kings to succeed on the stern stage of life, not less, but more than before the mimic footlights of a theatre; which is as it should be.

For the department of Greek has no intention of degenerating into an amateur dramatic society. It is a significant fact that all the principal actors, on this occasion at least, were honor students of the department, except one, and he is an honor student in another department. It is more significant and satisfactory still to add that if there was anything to choose between them the best actors and the best students were identical; Antinous has won a royal place in the class lists before he enacted a royal part in the theatre; Athena has won divinity for his scholarship (as the University accounts divinity) before she played divinely on the boards. The Periclean ideal has been for once attained. Thought and action have for once gone hand in hand: *philosophia ancu malakias*. The scholar who knows everything *no hapán sunetos* has not been found good for nothing." *Epi pan argos*.

It is all over now and we can settle down to work the better for it. The imagination of all sympathetic students has been stimulated; the apathy of the unsympathetic has been stirred; many persons have derived innocent pleasure and interest; the blasphemer has been furnished with a target for his gibes; something has been provided for everybody. What more need be said?

PROF. MAVOR'S LECTURE.

On Thursday afternoon last Prof. Mavor gave an illustrated lecture on the Paris exhibition. There was a large audience which manifested intense interest in the lecture. Prof. Mavor dealt with the several departments of the exhibition, and emphasized the educational value to be derived from the exhibits of the various countries. Special notice was paid to the Canadian department, and anticipated the St. Louis exhibition of 1903 by some suggestions.

THE CALENDAR.

Tuesday, February 19th.—

4 p.m.—Classical Association.

8 p.m.—Undergraduate Club Concert.

Ash Wednesday, February 20th.—

Holiday.

Thursday, February 21st.

4 p.m.—Lecture by Mr. Abbott at Natural Science Association.

5 p.m.—Y.M.C.A.

8 p.m.—Lecture at Victoria by Mr. Torrington.

8 p.m.—Inter-College Club.

Friday, February 22nd.—

4 p.m.—Mathematical and Physical Society.

8 p.m.—Oratorical Contest.

8 p.m.—Finals of Inter-collegiate Debating Union. McMaster *versus* Wycliffe.

Saturday, February 23rd.—

3 p.m.—"Ideals and Methods in Fiction." Lecture by Mr. D. C. Scott, Chemical Amphitheatre.

Monday, February 25th.—

4 p.m.—Modern Language Club.

4 p.m.—Oriental Association.

VARSIITY-McGILL DEBATE.

To the Editor of VARSITY.

As it was my privilege to be present at the Varsity-McGill debate in Molson's Hall, Friday evening, and knowing the interest taken by readers of Varsity in such meetings, I thought possibly a line from one of the audience might not be out of place.

Mr. E. M. Wilcox opened the debate, "Resolved that it is in the best interests of the United States to hold possessions beyond the mainland of America," and by his careful presentation of many telling arguments he developed from the economic basis that it was the only step which could be taken by the United States to ensure an outlet for trade and commerce, and adequately meet the requirements of present conditions in the great republic and the world at large.

His able address was highly appreciated by the audience, for he showed clearly that he had a broad grasp of this important subject, but the paltry twenty minutes scarcely gave time to do more than allow them a passing glimpse of the great field underlying and forming the foundation so weighty in upholding these cardinal principles.

Mr. C. A. Adams followed with a carefully prepared line of argument, dealing chiefly with the great expense which the U.S. would thereby incur, as it would be thus forced to keep a large navy to protect its interests and foreign possessions.

When Mr. Fisher came to the front, he carried no notes, but waded right in with a vengeance, and pressed home the argument that modern conveniences, inventions, etc., brought all parts of the world so closely together that the U.S. was now "living, moving and having her being in a larger sphere" and must take her part and pay her way among the other great nations of the earth. If she wanted to do more than talk, she must hold possessions; she must expand and reach into other continents under modern conditions, as she had grown in the early days on this, her then great cosmos. Her lot was no longer one of isolation and seclusion, modern times made that position untenable. His apt scripture quotations and witty sallies carried the audience and he was applauded heartily.

Mr. Geo. Irvine followed with a very pleasing address bringing out mainly the Munro doctrine, and the necessity of the American people developing their already large resources and advancing peace and prosperity within their great republic.

Mr. Wilcox then carefully summed up the arguments of the affirmative, and called attention to the fact that they had in many instances been unassailed, while others had

been unsuccessfully attacked. For America's highest and best interests as a nation, she should cease from her condition of isolation and take her place among the great nations in the great political arena.

The judges, in giving the decision, gave no review of the arguments, but merely stated that they had allowed each speaker 100 points; 50 for arguments, 25 for oratory and 25 for ability to answer opponent's arguments. Toronto had 140 and McGill 170. The impression of several in the audience was that the Varsity representatives totalled more than 140 points. After the meeting the debaters were given a banquet at the Savoy Hotel, and received royal treatment from the boys of old McGill.

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Massey Hall, under the auspices of the Undergraduate Union.

To the Editor of VARSITY.

Sir,—I wish to draw your attention to a slight incident which to my mind detracted largely from the pleasure of the result of last Friday's debate. This was the noticeable absence of the professional staff of University College. With one exception not a single member of the staff put in an appearance. It is unnecessary to draw conclusions—they are very obvious—but it must be a most disheartening thing to those debaters who have spent much time and study for the honor of their Alma Mater, as well as for those interested in such contests, to find their efforts so little appreciated by the Faculty.

Yours very sincerely, ONLOOKER.



MADAME FISKE, THE STAR OF TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT.

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UNDERGRADUATE CLUB.

We think that the importance of this movement justifies us in again commenting upon it. The keynote of our thoughts is to impress upon all the need of being at Massey Hall to-night. Do not purchase tickets merely to fulfil obligations and with no intention of going—a course which would imply that active *esprit de corps* could be commuted by a few pence—but attend personally. There ought to be no trifling about this matter and every male and female undergraduate is expected to show a little sacrifice for the welfare of our Alma Mater. The committee have acted vigorously, have used their powers to the full latitude, have allowed no details to go unnoticed in order to make this an occasion which will not be forgotten by any whose duty it is to take a part, and they await to-night to see if we appreciate the time and energy which they have spent. We have had concerts, and the like, to which the students were urged to go or be counted disloyal. Such accusations may lose their force by frequency of application, but we believe that never before, at least during the last four years, has there been one occasion in which we could appeal so confidently for the support of the combined body of students. We must look for a certain lack of sympathy or apathy on the part of the public towards the concert, which they are liable to regard as but one of many others, and it lies almost entirely with the students to say whether the Club is going to be a complete success. We may expect that there will be those holding pessimistic views—in fact we need them, so that our enthusiasm may not carry us off our feet—but we do think that everyone ought to join hands and give the club a good start. The feasibility of many prospective undertakings has been gravely suspected, but never did any of these plans develop into such a vigorous growth as this one. Everything points to success so far, and now is the decisive moment when we can show how generous, how cosmopolitan, and how energetic we can be in pushing this matter through to full completion. Let us not be wanting in this duty, which no one who has any sense of obligation can shirk. There are

numberless reasons which might be given for not attending a concert at this time of the year, but this is an occasion when duty should override all private feelings. The result of to-night's concert will decide to a large extent whether Varsity undergraduates believe in such a thing as *esprit de corps*, whether they are capable of successfully completing a large undertaking, whether they are worthy of the support of some of the best intellects in Toronto, whether the financial men of this city were justified in supporting them after repeated demands were made upon them, whether the university will give every opportunity to an experiment which has proved of such inestimable value to other notable centres of learning. We should not forget that proceedings about a university grant are now pending in the Provincial Parliament, and the more prominent members will await to see if our rhetorical effusions on the needs of the university came from hearts which felt every word which they uttered. Once again we appeal to those who have not yet decided to speedily make up their minds and make a little sacrifice, which may involve so much.

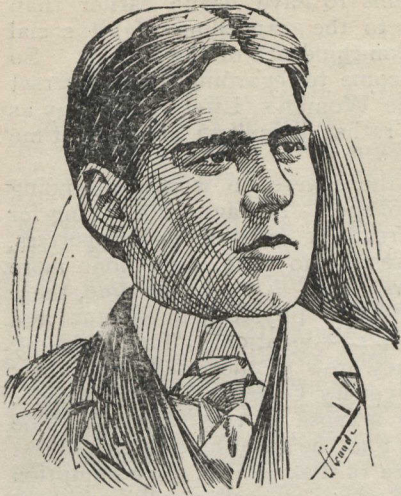
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We extend to the victors of Friday night our heartiest congratulations. It was fitting that, after so many reports of "our usual hard luck," we should win a double victory on the same evening. Our spirits have risen proportionately and we look forward with some confidence upon what is apparently a setback to our too numerous defeats, which have but served as stimuli to our energetic representatives. Considering the time of the year and the fact that as students we were expected in two places in the same evening, it is gratifying to note the support which was given at both events, but it is to be regretted that more of the Faculty do not feel their obligations keenly enough to attend such events. Nothing gains more respect from the students than to feel that their instructors sympathize strongly with them in their endeavors to sustain the place held by their Alma Mater in every sphere of college life, and the importance of debating as one of these spheres cannot be gainsaid. The sacrifice of our representatives as regards time and energy deserves a more worthy recognition on the part of the Faculty than has been accorded during the last year. But we are all grateful to our "boys" for behaving so splendidly, and for giving such an emphatic reply to those who were dubious of the capabilities of Varsity men in athletics or polemics. We go to press before the game on Monday evening, but our best wishes for the duplication of their success follow the members of the hockey team. Again we offer congratulations, and trust that what we have experienced is but a foretaste of what is to follow.

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The current number of the *Queen's University Journal* is good enough to comment favorably on the condition of VARSITY. The "Sketch of Ontario" by E. J. Kylie it considers worth preserving, and regards the sketch "The Queen," by Maurice Hutton, M.A., as one of the best written on that subject.

QUEEN'S-VARSITY DEBATE,



C. F. BURTON, '01.

strong arguments in favor of immigration to fill up the vacant lands of the great North West, and maintained, (1) The policy of the Government was to induce settlers for cultivation in preference to artisans; (2) this class was to be found in Central Europe and Russia, since that is where the farming districts extend; (3) the Doukhobors are settled in four or five colonies about 100 miles apart. This grouping is most beneficial, since they do not understand English.

Mr. Burton, leader of the negative, maintained, (1) the policy of Canada should be to immigrate men of standard intelligence; (2) this class was not to be found among the riff-raff of mongrel tribes of flimsical religious beliefs, but among the people of Great Britain and Ireland; (3) this also evolved another consideration, that of strengthening the empire, which is being closely pressed by advancing nations; (4) intelligence is what will weigh in a nation in the future, and these alien tribes bring nothing with them but a pair of hardy hands, and in uniting with this race the standard of our future nationality must inevitably weaken; (5) the race problem might appear in the west as in the east; (6) overtures should be made to Imperial Parliament concerning the better advertisement of Canada.

Mr. Donell, the second supporter of the affirmative, claimed (1) the U.S. had made great progress in wholesale immigration; (2) we have no large cities like the U.S. to attract the scum of Europe; (3) our climate is inducive only to that class of a hardier nature which is necessarily diligent; (4) introduction of Fleming weavers in England, and Huguenots served as an impetus to English commerce.

Mr. Phipps, Mr. Burton's second, produced the clinching arguments of the evening with figures, (1) the prosperity of New England States is owing to the intellectual standard of the British immigrants, of which over 15,000,000 arrived since 1819; (2)



F. H. PHIPPS, '02.

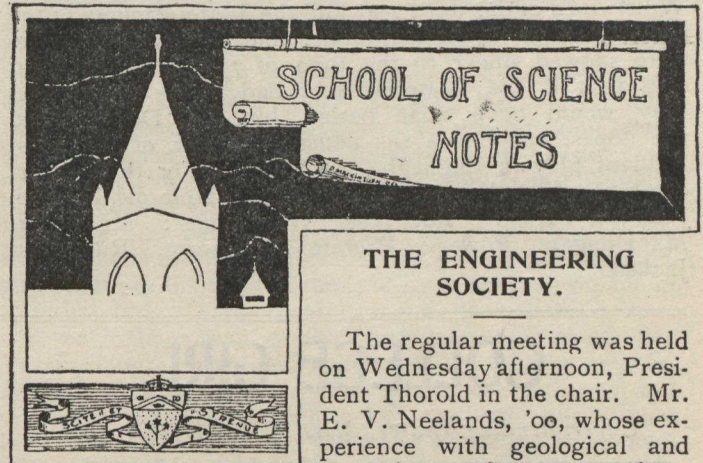
The debate held in the Conservatory of Music Hall, on Friday, 15th, Resolved "that the present immigration policy is in the best interests of the country," was attended with an appreciable and fairly large crowd. Mr. J. A. Soule entertained the audience with an acceptably rendered patriotic recitation. The president, Mr. C. Wood, then with a few remarks of welcome, introduced Mr. Harpell, of Queen's, the first speaker for the affirmative. He gave

now U.S. has advanced a policy of restriction in danger from the alien element; (3) the Bonus System of Canada, whereby agents secure immigrants, is corrupt, both among the agents and steamboat companies, any sort of person being induced to come; (4) Canada's exportation facilities are baneful to her interests; (5) it is impossible to inculcate the idea of patriotism and citizenship into those inferior races.

While the judges were debating on the decision, the instrumental quartette rendered a couple of pleasing and well accepted pieces.

After the debate about twenty undergraduates adjourned to the dining hall, where they banqueted their guests. A most enjoyable time was spent, and toasts were proposed and responded to by Messrs. McPherson, Fisher, Harpell, Donell, McLaren, Cassidy and Chapman.

J. A. F., '01.



THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY.

The regular meeting was held on Wednesday afternoon, President Thorold in the chair. Mr. E. V. Neelands, '00, whose experience with geological and surveying parties on several occasions enables him to speak with certainty on such matters, read a paper on the resources of Northern Ontario.

Mr. Neelands considers the undeveloped wealth of the region under consideration to be practically inexhaustible.

Messrs. Gerald Dickson and W. Campbell were elected the School's representatives on the University Athletic Association. Mr. Duff considered that in view of the large membership in this association contributed by the School, we should be entitled to a larger number of representatives than two, as at present, and introduced a resolution to that effect, and Mr. Dickson seconded this resolution, which was put and carried.

Mr. A. C. McDougall, who, by the way, is a graduate of the Royal Military College, will represent the School at annual dinner of the Faculty of Applied Science at Queen's.

Rumor hath it that the elections for officers in the Engineering Society for the ensuing year will be keenly fought at the coming contest.

NOTES.

Mr. J. E. Mills, of the first year, met with an unfortunate accident last Monday during hockey practice. As a result, he is suffering from a fractured collar bone, but we are pleased to state that the chances for a speedy recovery and an early return to work are very good indeed.

The city papers of Friday contained a special Belleville despatch announcing the death of Dr. J. E. Eakins, late physician to the Deaf and Dumb Institute in that city. The deceased was a graduate of Toronto University, and at the time of his death was Surgeon-Major of

the 15th Regiment. Mr. S. W. Eakins of the first year is a son of the deceased, and has the sincerest sympathy of his fellow-students in his sore bereavement.

To sacrifice a lecture for the ostensibly more edifying and intellectual pastime of playing bear in a class room is a procedure the wisdom of which is problematical. However, the onus of reform lies exclusively with the offenders. Ever since the transgression of Eden, we doubt not, go where you will there's a something to jar the great nerve centres and moisten the eye of him who has the indiscretion to encourage much needed reforms. For that reason we offer none.

In the disastrous fire which occurred in the town of Niagara Falls on the morning of the 11th inst., Mr. C. F. Mitchell, C.E., town engineer of that place, suffered a loss totalling in the neighborhood of two thousand dollars. Fortunately this is partly covered by insurance. Mr. Mitchell is a graduate of the School of 1882.

The much expected hockey match between the Whirlwinds of the third year and the Waterdrinkers of the fourth year has come and gone, and the Waterdrinkers were snowed under to the tune of 7-3. It has been said that if the Waterdrinkers had drunk pure H₂O they would have done better, but the Doper doped the dopes, and hence the defeat. A few of the most brilliant players might be mentioned. For the Waterdrinkers: Saunders, Dixon, Neelands, Holcroft, Thorne, Johnson, Roaf. For the Whirlwinds: McMaster, MacDougall, Powers, Brereton, Bertram, Rust and Jackson.

COLLEGE GIRL.

Superintending Editor, Miss F. M. Wicher, '01.

"The melancholy days are come,
The saddest of the year,
With tanning winds and freckling sun,
And plugging long and drear."

What a pity it is that there should always be something to spoil the spring. In childhood it might be a season of unalloyed delight, but alas, there is the daily infliction of sulphur and molasses. Then when we are old enough to rebel against parental dosing, and cast off forever the sticky horror of Mrs. Squeer's appetizer, a new blight appears.

This time it takes the form of examinations. From the middle of February until the 24th of May the virtuous student, wreathing her head in a wet towel, retires from the world. The age-hallowed question, "What course are you in?" changes to the equally exasperating enquiry, "How many texts have you read?"

According as the spring advances the attitude of the landlady undergoes a subtle change. In January she is all smiles. Accompanied by a piece of apple pie she makes nightly trips to your room to enquire whether you are warm enough. She quite agrees with you that sausages are an undesirable article of diet. This is in January.

By the first of March you are commencing to forget the taste of apple pie. Your landlady throws out hints to the effect that a cold room is best to study in, and she begins to repent her wholesale condemnation of sausages.

When the first of May comes she feels that she is in a position to dictate terms. If there is any article of food which you particularly detest, it may be relied on to grace the table three times a day. In fact it may be said that in

general the excellence of the bill of fare varies directly as the time till the first of May.

This year work seems to have begun earlier than usual, owing no doubt to the cancelling of all social functions consequent upon the death of the Queen. So accustomed have we become to regarding the Conversat and the At-Home of the Woman's Literary Society as annual events, that it is rather difficult to imagine a time when they did not exist.

Twenty years ago there were no women attending lectures in University College. The agitation calling for their admittance had already a great many supporters, among whom it is interesting to note, were none more loyal than THE VARSITY. But, at the same time, there was a strong party, which on physical, intellectual and moral grounds objected to co-education. The decidedly gloomy picture which they drew of the results attendant upon the opening of University College to young women, is rather amusing, after a lapse of twenty years. The eager aspirants were told that the granting of their request would involve the sacrifice of their health, the assumption of a course for which they were not intellectually qualified, and would at the same time be fatal to the prestige of University College. Experience has not proved these contentions.

As for the Conversat of two decades ago—our much reviled Class Receptions must be sprightly affairs compared with it. The number of tickets was limited to fourteen hundred, with a possible increase of two hundred from the Council. Each member of the Debating Society by paying one dollar was entitled to obtain three and not more than three tickets. Those remaining were disposed of by the Committee on Invitations.

Neither dancing nor promenades had any part in the festivities of the occasion. The Glee Club with the assistance of a paid orchestra gave a concert, and the entertainment thus afforded was supplemented by an examination of the Museum and the watching of experiments. One room was set apart in which refreshments might be obtained for *value received*. Evidently on previous occasions it had not been customary to indulge in anything of the kind, and the Patriarch student hails the innovation with joy. "A renovating beverage after one's powers of attention have been tried by watching experiments and by examining the contents of a measure will in all likelihood be not unacceptible."

The Y. W. C. A. met as usual on Wednesday. Miss Pringle and Miss Rae of '03 read papers on "Stumbling Blocks." The next meeting will be on Tuesday instead of on Wednesday. X. Y. Z.

THE UNDERGRADUATE UNION.

In the second week of December last year a meeting was called of representatives of the students of the various federated and affiliated colleges of the university. At that meeting were present representatives from seven of the colleges, and it was decided to take steps towards the formation of such a union. A mass meeting was held in the Gymnasium on December 12, when speeches were delivered by President Loudon, Hon. S. H. Blake, Prof. Goldwin Smith, Prof. Cody, Prof. Lang, Mr. J. D. Flavelle and Mr. T. A. Russell endorsing the movement. A motion was made by Mr. Coleman, seconded by Hon. S. H. Blake, that such a union be formed, and was carried unanimously.

The third house of Residence was obtained, estimates were received, work went on and inside of two weeks the building will be ready for occupancy.

SPORTS.

HOCKEY.

For the first time in the history of University hockey a genuine display of *esprit de corps* was shown when, cheered on by five hundred enthusiastic supporters, the gallant septette wearing the blue and white of dear old Varsity outplayed and outfinished last year's champions on Friday night and won by the close score of 4 to 3. It was a wonderful exhibition of that pluck and endurance which marks every contest in which collegians take part, and although the play was always slightly in Varsity's favor it was in condition and staying qualities that their superiority was manifested, and their opponents left the ice broken and badly beaten. The play was intensely exciting throughout and was undoubtedly the best exhibition seen in Toronto this season. At no time was either team more than a single goal in the lead and three times the score was tied. The game was far too fast and the checking too close to permit of any approach to forward combination and developed into a series of brilliant dashes first upon one goal and then upon the other. The persistency of the attacks on the Wellington citadel by the dashing Varsity defence as well as their forward line was a feature of the game, and notwithstanding the severe punishment received at the hands of the heavier defenders the plucky collegians always came back for more, and were ever ready to give and take, and generally came out with a slight balance due them. From Hanley in goal, out, the whole team played with an aggressiveness that bordered on ferocity, and small wonder it is that among the student body present an intense enthusiasm was worked up which burst forth whenever a brilliant Varsity stroke gave occasion, and culminated in a remarkable demonstration at the conclusion of the game.

On the other hand the Wellington forward line went to pieces under the severe battering of the Varsity defence, and relied solely on individual rushes to score. In these they were invariably met with a stiff body check, and very soon lost their ambition to shoot at short range, preferring, and wisely too, to take chances at a distance.

"Chummy" Hill played a good game, and was the only man who seemed able to stand the terrific pace, his fast following up bothering the opposing defence considerably.

Morrison played his usual good game in goal, but got away with a number of seemingly very lucky stops. Smart and Ardagh played well, the latter making some very pretty rushes. Lemaitre was watched too closely to shine, and Chadwick's famous rushes were generally stopped before they became dangerous. Warden was not in form, and seemed to lose his nerve after coming in contact once or twice with "Doc" Wright's sturdy body.

For Varsity "Father Bill" Hanley never appeared in better form. Some of his stops were marvellous, and his remarkable coolness undoubtedly saved the game. Evans and Wright made an almost impregnable defence. Wilkie played a magnificent game. His checking was hard and clean, and very seldom did he miss his man. His lifting was a feature, and on one of his rushes he scored the goal which won the game for Varsity. At cover, Captain "Doc" Wright played the game of his life. Although not in the best condition his wonderful pluck served him in good stead. His checking was accurate and he fed the forwards admirably, while his fierce rushes were always well timed. Gilbert played as a second cover and nobly assisted the defence. To a large extent Chadwick's inability to shine was due to the close watching of

Varsity's heavyweight forwards. Gibson, who was probably the smallest man on the ice, played his usual hard and fast game. His shooting was slightly off color in the first half, but this was more than redeemed by speedy following up. In the second half his work was gilt-edged, and his check was played to a standstill. Broder played the hardest game of any, and scored Varsity's first goal by following up and intercepting Ardagh's left. His stick handling suffered nothing in comparison with that of the wily Chadwick, and with Gibson he played the only combination of the game. It was not until the second half when goals were badly needed that Snell woke up. From that on his work was brilliant, scoring once unaided on a rush the length of the ice.

The game started with a rush on the Wellington goal, where several attacks were repulsed and the play transferred to the other end. On a lucky shot Lemaitre scored first goal for the red and white, although Varsity up to this time had had the best of the play. Broder soon evened matters, however, and the applause which greeted the event gave evidence of the popularity of the sturdy little forward. Warden succeeded in placing the Wellingtons again in the lead by a pretty side shot just before half time. After the rest the play became fast and furious, with close checking prevailing. Snell was working like a Trojan and nothing but bad shooting kept Varsity from scoring. After twenty minutes of the fastest kind of hockey Gibson succeeded in scoring from a scrimmage. The play now became desperate. Encouraged by the shouts of the excited rooters Varsity played like demons, and Snell put his team in the lead by a very clever bit of stick handling. Once more Lemaitre tied in one minute. The excitement was intense, with four minutes to play Varsity fought desperately, and the defence rushed fiercely. Evans got away fast, passed to Snell, who returned, and once more the blue and white led, and only one minute left. Again the puck was faced and went from end to end. Chadwick rushed, and with but fifteen seconds left sent in a hot one, but good old Bill was there and the game was won. The bell rang with Varsity ahead 4 to 3. Then followed a scene never before witnessed at a hockey match in Toronto. The enthusiasm burst forth, and pandemonium reigned. The excited students flocked on the ice and carried the victors shoulder high to the dressing room, nor did the jubilation cease till long after the other spectators had left the rink.

JENNINGS' CUP SERIES.

DENTS., 14. JUNIOR MEDS., 3.

In the swiftest game yet played in the Jennings' Cup Series the tooth doctors gave a big surprise party to the embryo sawbones on Tuesday last. Though light their forward line is one of the fastest in the series, and although they had Gilbert to elude, and though Biggs and Caulfield did wonders at forward, the Dents. skated fast with a strong wind behind them, and at the end of the first half the score stood 11-0 in their favor.

At half-time, Gallie retired from the Meds., Hogan leaving the Dents. to even up, and Gibson took his place at point. Thus the Dental forward line was deprived of the services of their star man. In the second half the Sawbones went off with a rush and secured three goals before the garnet and blue men woke up; then the latter showed that the wind made no difference.

For the Dissectors, Gilbert, Caulfield and Biggs were the stars. It would be unfair to mention particularly any of the Tooth-agents, for they all covered themselves with glory. But Fife *did* stop some hot ones from Caulfield. Dents.: Fife, Hogan, Arnold, Gibson, Gilfillan, Wood and Summers.—Jun. Meds.: Leach, Boyd, Gallie, Caulfield, Biggs, Gilbert, McComb.

GYMNASIUM NOTES.

Last Wednesday afternoon only one man turned up for bayonet drill. All the others were up cheering for the Varsity ladies in their contest against St. Hilda's.

The junior class has been chosen, and last week were being trained in squad work on the low horse. After a few experiences of cracked shins, most of them fell into the spirit of it, and did some pretty work.

On Friday morning last our "Armory" was inspected by one of the military men at the barracks. He found everything in apple-pie order, and expressed himself as charmed with the gymnasium as a whole, and particularly with the stand of 50 rifles.

John Clark, '00, S.P.S., returned to his old vocation on Saturday afternoon. His turns and swings on the horizontal bar made "Prof." sigh "will he nae come back again."

Oliver and Hamilton of '02 are picking up well in the Gym. and in a few weeks will make a good showing. Begg, a school freshman, is doing good work on the horse.

Of late, several School and Arts men have been seen practising for the "cock-fight," and many lively encounters have taken place. No blood has been drawn as yet.

ROTUNDA.

Superintending Editor, A. E. Hamilton, '02.

Well done Varsity!

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There is danger of getting a swelled head.

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E. P. Brown, '01, is teaching for a short time at Upper Canada College.

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An impetus has been given for the concert to-night and the acceleration ought to increase proportionately.

Lecture in Philosophy, discussing Carlyle.—Lecturer—"Did Carlyle know more than you do?" Mr. Hanna—"Yes." Lecturer—"Well, would you change places with Carlyle?" Mr. H.—"Not now."

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The Freshmen are having an interesting time discussing the pros and cons of the goat question.

The puck struck Charlie Gould below the eye while he was practising hockey on Friday, and closed the peeper completely.

W. H. Cragg, '04, has been suffering from a broken ankle. He is now able to attend lectures with the aid of walking-sticks.

F. T. Letts, formerly of '03, passed through the city Friday on his way to New York, where he has secured a lucrative position.

There are several good men entered for the oratorical contest next Friday. We expect to hear more passionate appeals than last year.

Rheumatism has kept W. W. Livingston off the ice for some days, and the Sophomores are beginning "to see their finish," which everybody else saw long ago.

D. A. Ross, '98, called on the Registrar a short time ago. He has been in Camp McKinney, B. C. for a couple of years, and expects to return there very soon.

Among the books received for review is "Characteristics of French Girls," A. I. Fisher. The subject is exhaustively treated and would appeal to the hardest hearted.

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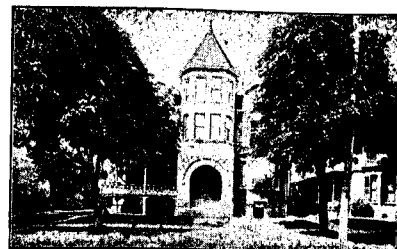
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Professor Squair was called away recently to the death-bed of his mother. She passed away at her home near Newcastle.

The old clock that graced the dining hall of Residence since time immemorial, has been repaired and mounted in its usual place.

It is the intention of Mr. DeLury, B.A., to have a photo of the Association Football Team framed, and hung up in the Students' Union.

An invitation to a dance in a neighboring town received lately by one of the Second year mathematicians created considerable amusement among those who know his failings. On the back was the endorsement in a lady's handwriting: "Refreshments served at 11.30."

Within the past few weeks, death has carried off five of our alumni, Mr. Justice Rose, M.A., LL.D., B. B. Osler, K.C., LL.D., J. H. McGeary, M.A., J. L. Clubine, B.A., and W. J. Shotwell, B.A. Mr. Geary was a graduate of '85 and was Fellow in Mathematics till 1888. Since then he has been teaching in Saint Thomas, where he wielded a strong influence over his pupils. He died very suddenly, leaving a widow and three children. Mr. Clubine graduated in '95 after taking the general course, and subsequently entered the Methodist ministry. Mr. Shotwell belonged to the Moderns section of the class of '97, and was principal of the Hawkesbury High School, near Ottawa, when his death took place. Overwork in the interest of his school contributed largely to bring about his early end. He leaves a widow, formerly Miss F. S. Glashan, B.A., '97, and one son. He was a brother of J. T. Shotwell, '98.

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It is reported that since his trip to Montreal, "Alex." says there are no girls like the French girls.

H.B.A.K., '01, says he enjoyed Dr. Milligan's sermon very much last Sunday night for obvious reasons.

Mr. W. Simpson, '01, has returned from Philadelphia, where he was attending a Church of England Convention.

One of our most prominent juniors of McCaul Street has been seen to await the coming of a fair freshette and then walk down with her to her home.

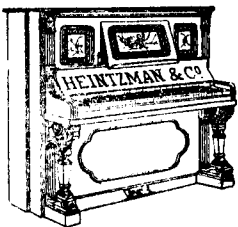
The Wellingtons were not the only ones to be disappointed at the postponement of the Varsity-Wellington Hockey match. For particulars ask J. G. Lorriman, '03.

W. H. Rutherford, '02, and W. M. Treadgold, '03, took their regular trip to Brampton, Saturday. Rumor says it is more than the attractions of home that draws them there.

S. B. Chadsey, '03, has his time now fully occupied cultivating a hirsute adornment. He says he's going to show the fellows that he is a man. Everything comes in its own good time.

Scene—Rigid Dynamics Lecture, '02. Lecturer—"I noticed you were absent last day, Mr. Brown. Brown (blushing deeply)—Yes sir I was out of the city. (Applause)

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A. H. McLeod, '00, has returned intact from the hospital, where he has been spending a couple of weeks in bed. Sandy calculates that his heart has been affected by thirteen different members of the fair sex, who held his hands, trained his new beard, etc., and he does not know how it is all going to end.

Not long ago while out to spend an evening one of the class of '03 was talking to a lady who in her conversation mentioned that she had met a young man from the University just a short time ago but could not remember his name. "He was a great fellow to talk," she said. Guesses were then in order and the name of a certain fourth year man was found to be the one.

W. H. Day has been renewing old acquaintances in a novel manner. He ruthlessly did away with his beautiful mustache last week, and then his friends failed to recognize him. J. W. McBain, in the largeness of his heart, continued to bestow his kindest attentions on the newly-arrived Sophomore, "Mr. Macdonald, of Port Dover," for the space of two days, before he penetrated Billy's disguise.

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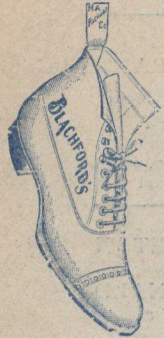
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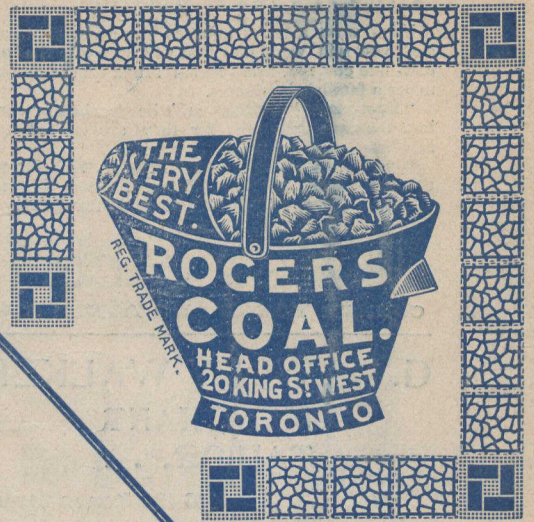
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