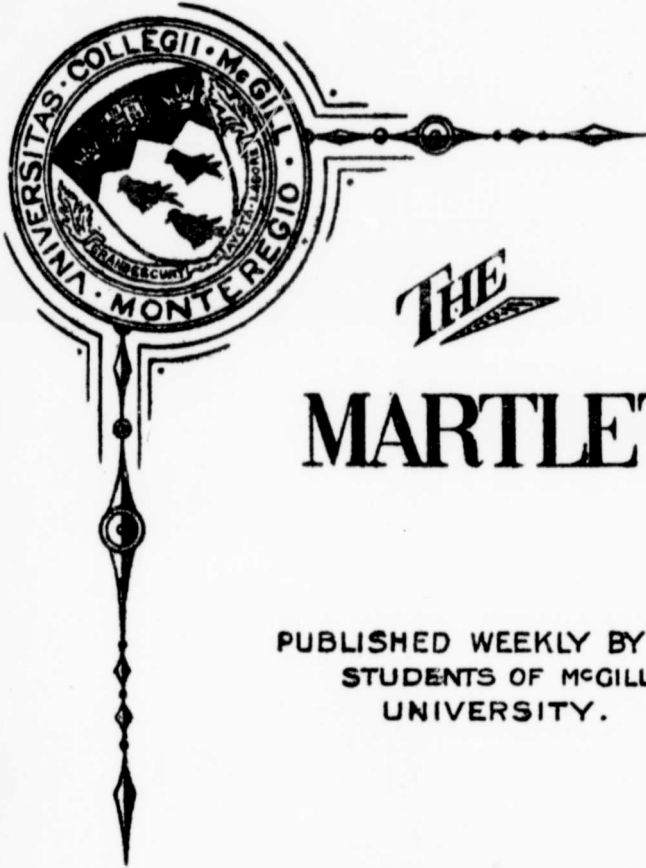


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EDITORIAL

The Students' Society is a success. This no one who attended the annual meeting last week and listened to the reports of the different members will doubt. The finances of the students have never been in such a sound condition before, and at no previous time have the undergraduates taken such an interest in university affairs as is now being shown. But despite the improved conditions we must be careful lest at the moment when success seems assured we fail because of

carelessness. This is no imaginary danger, but one which experience has many times shown to be very real. Let us make sure, then, that there be no relaxation from effort, that no contentment with the present interfere in the future development of our Alma Mater.

The result of the intermediate game in Toronto, while not a decisive victory, as had been hoped for, is yet very satisfactory, and the team are to be congratulated upon winning the championship. With six of the seven players, and as many of the seniors, in college next year, there is every reason to hope that McGill will have a seven that, under Capt. Ramsey's guidance, will bring the championship back to McGill.

But, once again, congratulations to Capt. Scott and his team!

One feature of the Students' Society meeting which is extremely gratifying to the editors was the report presented by Mr. McGougan on behalf of The Martlet. The college publication not only is self-sustaining, but actually has contributed between one hundred and fifty and two

hundred dollars to the Council. This surplus will enable the editors next session to improve the quality of the paper in many details, and, if the students give the boards proper support, the finances should be in even better shape than this year.

The request of the editors for volunteers for Martlet work has not been answered except by two students. Surely there are many more who are kept back by mere modesty, who, now that the ice has been broken, will come forward and offer their services.

We are publishing in this number a letter from Mr. T. R. Davidson in reply to our editorial asking for criticism of The Martlet. Our correspondent's remarks are, we feel, just, even where he most takes exception to the management. We are glad that one at least of our alumni has sufficient interest in the welfare of McGill to state his opinions so frankly. If a few more would do the same our successors would have some really valuable material upon which to work when they endeavor to improve The Martlet.



Correspondence

292 Stanley Street,
Montreal, March 3, 1909.

C. S. LeMesurier, Esq., Editor-in-Chief,
The Martlet, McGill Union Building:

Dear Editor.—As an interested alumnus of the University, permit me to offer a friendly criticism of your publication (Editorial, Vol. I, No. 17).

To start at the beginning, I do not think that it should be necessary to use such a large part of the first page with a list of all those connected with the production of The Martlet. Surely a paragraph in small type, naming the editor, business manager and office address would be sufficient.

The editorials do not strike an outsider as being long enough, nor of covering sufficiently the subjects of general interest to the undergraduates and the alumni. They are too largely used explaining The Martlet's troubles. Could they not be used to better advantage in general criticism and review? It seems to me that much improvement could be effected here.

The petty squabbling which has appeared in your later numbers is a disgrace to a university publication. There is no room for this sort of thing in a paper that is to hold the interest (and subscriptions) of the majority of readers. Would it not be better to keep out of the columns of The Martlet any disputes which do not involve matters of general interest. If the letters could be confined to the class of Prof. Caldwell's "A Criticism" there would be a great change for the better.

The reports of the games are not sufficiently descriptive to give one who did not see them much idea of the abilities of the players or of the play. It is of interest to the alumni to follow the athletic achievements of the various teams.

The "Class Reports" seem to be, largely, an unnecessary part of a university

paper. The part of the reports outside of those of general interest should be left out. In general they seem to be the result of brain-racking for something to say. There is surely no need to publish personal items consisting largely of capitals and dashes, which at best, can only amuse a few, and may offend several. As a result, the majority of readers only read the report of their own class year. If the class reporter has not real news to report make him leave his report out. Let the editors cut out, from the reports sent in, anything which they think is unnecessary. My idea would be to apply the same system to the society reports.

Try to induce more general contributions and extend the part of University events, etc.

In general, I think that The Martlet shows that the editors cannot devote sufficient time to their work. In the excitement of an election and the pleasure of being chosen for an important post, many do not think of the hard work that lies before them, and probably before the year is half-finished, wish they had not been appointed.

I realize that a great deal of work and valuable time has been given by the editors, but I think that work involved in the publication of a weekly paper deserves more reward than severe criticism and knocking. There should be a paid member of the editorial board to do the routine work. There are many men making their way through college who would be glad to devote their spare time to this work for a reasonable salary.

Would it not be possible to get from the best American university weeklies some suggestions which, in their longer experience, have been found useful?

With apologies for being a knocker, believe me, yours truly,

T. R. DAVIDSON, Sci. '06.

About the College

The annual public speaking contest of the Literary Society was held in the Union hall on Tuesday,

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST.

2nd, Dr. Peterson in the chair. The following were the judges: Mr. R. Wilson-Smith, M. Robert Reford and Prof. MacNaughton. Mr. D. Manny sang a solo, after which the speeches took place.

Mr. D. L. Derrom, Science '06, spoke on "Industrial Betterment;" Mr. Louis Fitch, Law '11, on "Zionism;" Mr. Isidore Goodstone, Law '10, on "Socialism;" Mr. A. G. McGougan, Arts '09, on "Comets," and Mr. M. Alexander, Law '10, on "South Africa After the War." The judges awarded the gold medal to Mr. Alexander, and a silver one to Mr. Louis Fitch. After the meeting Dr. Peterson entertained the speakers and the executive at his residence.

The meeting of the Literary Society, held on Saturday evening, was entirely a business one. The following changes were

LITERARY SOCIETY.

made in the Constitution:

Article II, Section 1, changed to read: "The annual election of officers shall be held at the last meeting of the society in each college year, and nominations shall take place at least one week previous. The officers of the society shall be an honorary president, a president, a vice-president, who shall be the Secretary of the Union; a secretary, an assistant secretary, a treasurer, two reporters, and two representatives to the I. U. D. L. A programme committee of three, appointed by the above officers, shall, with these officers and the retiring president, constitute the executive."

Add to this section: "Only those who have attended not third of the meetings

of the society during the term in which the election is held shall be qualified to vote at such election, or to stand for election to office in the society."

Art. IV, Sec. 2, to read: "Four members of the executive shall constitute a quorum at its meetings."

Art. VI, Sec. 1, to read: "All members of the Union shall be ipso facto members of the society (this to be conditional on the Union according free accommodation to the society)."

Sec. 2: "All other students of the university shall be admitted to membership on the payment of an annual fee of twenty-five cents (this to be conditional on securing sufficient support from the undergraduate societies)."

Art. VII to be renumbered Art. VIII.

Article VII (to be inserted): "The society shall be financially supported by the undergraduate societies in approximate proportion to the active membership drawn therefrom."

After the above business was disposed of, nominations for officers for next year were made. The following were nominated:

Hon. President—	Principal Peterson.
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	—Macdonald, Arts '10.
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	—McHenry, Sci. '10.
	—McGoun, Arts '11.

Hon. Rep. to I.U.D.L.—Dr. Leacock.
 Representatives—McNeil, Arts '09.
 Hale, Arts '09.
 Cousins, Law '10.

The final meeting of the McGill Western Club was held on the evening of Thursday, March 5. The retiring president, S. C. McEwen, Med. '09, in calling for nominations for

his successor, thanked the society for the interested co-operation and good spirit prevailing throughout the past session. By unanimous decision the office of president was conferred upon Mr. Frederic G. C. Wood, Arts '10.

Letters of greeting were sent to Honorary President Dr. H. M. Tory, the Toronto Western Club, the Queen's Western Club, the Manitoba Graduates' Society, the McGill Graduate Society of British Columbia, and the principals of Vancouver and Victoria Colleges.

Considerable business regarding the work of the next session was discussed and left with the executive to deal with. It was decided to confer with the Toronto and Queen's Clubs in matters of general interest. The club this year has a membership of seventy-five, and with the expected influx of Westerners next September, the enrollment will be well over a hundred.

The officers for the ensuing year are:

Honorary President—Dr. H. M. Tory, Alberta University.

President—Fred G. C. Wood, Arts '10.

Vice-President—Cyril Childe, Sci. '11.

Sec. Treas.—T. E. Price, B.A., Sci. '10.

Asst. Treas.—Chas. Bowne, Med. '11, and H. F. Angus, Arts '11.

Committee—Geo. T. Wilson, B.A. (B. C.); H. Hepburn, Med. '10 (Alberta); T. Sutherland, Med. '11 (Sask.), and T. Cowley, Sci. '10 (Man.).

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On Sunday, March 14, the Bishop of Montreal will address the meeting in the hall at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Athletics

HOCKEY.

The McGill Intermediates laid both hands on the intermediate hockey championship when they tied Varsity in the last of the home and

Intermediates home home games, winning the round by a

Win score of 19-10. The

Championship. men have gone through the season without a defeat, scoring 49 goals against 19.

The game in Toronto was played on Saturday afternoon at 2:30, in the T. A. C. C. rink, on a sheet of hard sticky ice which did not take long to cut off. The rink was much smaller than the Victoria rink here, and the distance between the goals and the wall was only about one foot wide. This, and the fact that when the puck struck the wall it rebounded back in front of the net, kept the McGill men busy.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks the McGill men should have won, as they were the superior team, playing a fine combination game, while Varsity were inclined to make individual rushes, Armstrong being the most conspicuous. There were two changes in Varsity's line-up, but the McGill team were the same team as played here a week ago. Woodyatt

played a good game in goal, but seemed to be worried by the puck bounding back in front of the nets from the wall. The stonewall defense, Lynch and Spafford, kept the Varsity men out in good style, and it was while these men were on the fence that Varsity secured her lead. Masson played his usual effective game, but was seen too often on the timekeeper's bench. Wilson played a steady game, but the smallness of the rink and the size of Toronto's men didn't give him a very good show. Thompson kept up his reputation of being the best scorer. Hilborn was not in his usual form; the ice bothered him considerably in shooting.

Varsity took the puck at the draw and tried a little combination, but lost to Wilson, who, without Masson and Thompson, made an attack on Varsity's goal. The play travelled from end to end, both teams having an equal share for about 15 minutes, when Thompson, on a nice combination play, scored the first goal for McGill. Varsity came back hard and it was not long before Armstrong had poked one past Woodyatt. McGill again attacked and Varsity returned, play being centred first around one net and then around the other. In a melee in front of Varsity goal Hilborn thought he was

playing golf and batted the puck in. McGill seemed to have the better of the play and were much fresher than 'Varsity, but 'Varsity were working hard and on a rebound from the wall they succeeded in tying the score just before half-time.

'Varsity seemed much better after the rest and came at McGill nets hard, but could not score until McGill were without their defense men, who had been penalized, when they succeeded in running in three goals. Things looked as if 'Varsity were going to make up their deficit, but Capt. Masson instructed his men to stay on the ice and with their defense back again they settled down to work, and it was not long before Wilson, Thompson and Hilborn had each netted one for McGill, Masson being on the fence.

The McGill men had things going their way now, but on a long shot 'Varsity again succeeded in obtaining the lead, the puck bounding off Lynch into the nets. Wilson and Masson, on a pretty combination play, evened the score, Wilson doing the necessary. Toronto got the next on a scramble in front of McGill goal, Wilson poking it in by mistake. McGill, however, were not to be beaten, so 20 seconds before time, on a combination play in which all the forwards had a hand, Thompson scored the last goal, leaving the score 7-7. The McGill team was:

Woodyatt, goal; Lynch, point; Spafford, cover point; Wilson, centre; Masson, rover; Hilborn, left wing; Thompson, right wing.

BASKETBALL.

Owing to the Cliffside-Montreal hockey match last Saturday, the basketball team of the Ottawa Collegiate Institute challenged McGill to a friendly game, as they wished to come down. The collegiate team are to play off for the

intermediate championship of Ottawa, so they thought they would be able to put up a good game against McGill intermediates. The game was a good one, both sides playing fast, clean basketball, and now and again some fine combination work was done. McLaughlin did most of the scoring for Ottawa, while Duffield, alone, put in nine baskets for McGill. The final score was 38 to 20 in favor of McGill. The teams were:

Ottawa.—Knox, Helmer, McLaughlin, Johnson and Claffy.

McGill.— Hannah, Kennedy, Duffield, Dennison, Thomson.

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Strange Experience in the Stack

Knowing that many of the students of McGill are interested in psychological phenomena, I thought it only right to communicate the following strange experience which I had in the Redpath library.

Some time before Christmas I was fearfully pressed with work,—studied every evening in the stack, but still could not catch up, and at last decided to do some tall cramming and take a night at it. I ought to mention that it was impossible for me to study at home, so there was nothing for it but to conceal myself in the library while the janitor was going his rounds.

It was easy to crouch in a window of a dark recess. The janitor was soon gone and I was hard at work with several psychologies and philosophies round me.

The stack was quite impressive with its absolute silence. There is a strange power of working which comes to one when alone late at night; the atmosphere of the mind becomes tenser, the field of consciousness extends wider.

As I sat there, alert in every sense, I distinctly heard a faint moan. It seemed to come from that row of volumes in yellow vellum with strange characters inside, of some Hindoo philosophy. I felt my heart choke me with horror,—then (my psychology made me brave) I advanced to the shelf and opened one of the volumes. Out of it seemed to slip like a cloud an old man in a long mantle, who held up his hands as if in thankfulness.

It was like the genii coming out of the bottle in the Arabian Nights. The old man was muttering unintelligible things, but I did not observe him long before I heard fresh groans, "Oh, let me out! I have been caught here, and the book has not been opened for years." It was from a large old psychology on the next section. As I opened the book out floated a gentleman in the familiar M.A. gown. "I have used that book for years," he exclaimed. "I have quoted largely from it at every lecture. Gracious! I never realized what an awful hole it was till I spent five years snapped in between its covers."

He soared away with uplifted sleeves. I did not watch him, for I heard groans from the classical department, and felt that destiny had appointed me for a magnificent mission of mercy. At last I located cries of distress from a very old and pomposely-bound Virgil, and soon enabled a learned-looking individual to escape. "This Virgil—which I had read more than a hundred times! And to have been imprisoned in it! Thanks, young benefactor! Gratias ago." But I had no time to listen to him, for cries were heard near at hand. After opening numerous old volumes in vain, at last out of a very little old Tacitus came an interesting white cloud which resolved itself into a really charming young lady. "Ah, thank you! Such an extremely unpleasant situation. I always said I never could get through the work in honour classics, and

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here I have been shut up in this dusty little place for years."

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"Oh, I can't tell you," she replied; "I was caught there like Ariel in the trunk of a tree, and no one ever came to open the book."

As she spoke she faded away like the steam of a teakettle. I went on downstairs,—found two or three more hapless students caught in the Scripta Verum Italicarum, in the history department. One of them appeared to faint for joy on getting out, but I did not know

what to do for her. I could hear a long wail, as of a great many voices, from downstairs. Probably the mathematics shelves held a good many victims, and the magazines,—those old Quarterlies. But before I could set them at liberty the janitor surprised me. Great was his rage at finding me, and in spite of all my protestations he turned me out at once.

Ever since then I have spent my spare time turning over the leaves of all the old and unused volumes in the library, determining that it should not be my fault if there were any unhappy ghosts imprisoned in them. QUERO.



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Science Jottings

It is sometimes interesting to know the nature of the current supplied by an electric plant, to know if it is an alternating or continuous current. There are, of course, several methods, but the easiest and cheapest is the following: Approach a magnet to an incandescent lamp fed by the current the nature of which is to be investigated. If the current is continuous the filament will be seen to bend toward the magnet each time it is brought to the lamp. If the current is alternating the filament will be seen to vibrate synchronically with the current, and to give to the eye the illusion of being of variable thickness. These phenomena are very distinct, and manifest themselves by using even a small pocket magnet. For the installation of equipments requiring a certain current (as arc lamps, small motors, the charging of accumulators,

etc.) this method of ascertaining the nature of the current could be easily used, if no information about the power plant were at hand.

During the earthquake and fire at San Francisco the trolley poles in the city were badly bent. How to repair this damage proved quite a serious problem. It was considered impractical to take out the poles, straighten them, and then replace them, and the other alternative of tearing them up and putting in new poles involved too much expense. The problem was finally solved by straightening the poles without removing them from their positions. The method of doing this, as described in a recent issue of the *Electrical Railway Journal*, is quite interesting. The apparatus used consisted of a 10-foot section of railway rail and



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two U-bolts, with wooden fulcrum block. The rail was fastened to the upper end of the pole on the convex side of the bend by means of one of the U-bolts, the legs of which passed through the flanges of the rail. Just below this the fulcrum block was placed, and then the lower end of the rail was forced inward against the pole by turning the the nuts on the second U-bolt. The cost of straightening the poles averaged about \$3.50 each, whereas if new poles had been used to replace the bent ones, the cost would have been \$40 each.

At first magnetic separation of ore was only applied to the naturally magnetic ores, magnetite and magnetic pyrites; it was soon, however, extended to certain other minerals that can be rendered magnetic by heating, such as spathic iron ore, brown hematite, iron pyrites, etc. As early as 1875 a magnetic separator was used at Przibrun for separating roasted spathic ore from zinc blende, this forming an excellent example of the value of magnetic separation. The presence of

spathic iron ore causes great difficulties in smelting zinc ores, as it forms a readily fusible silicate of iron which destroys the zinc retorts; at the same times, the densities of the two minerals are so nearly the same that separation by ordinary dressing is impossible. The application of magnetic separation has solved the difficulty, and has rendered available for the smelter numerous feriferous zinc ores that were previously useless. The process is receiving an extended application in America for treating argentiferous galena and zinc blende, finely divided, and intimately mixed with a large proportion of iron pyrites, in which the proportion of zinc is too high to admit of the ore being smelted direct, while the large amount of iron pyrites present interferes with ordinary wet dressing. This ore is crushed and then gently heated, which renders the pyrites magnetic, so that it can be removed by a magnetic separator; the dressing of the residual mixture of zinc and lead ores by the ordinary methods then offers no particular difficulties.

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The Poe Centenary.

Poe's works, which fill ten moderate-sized volumes, include poems, tales, and a few essays,—“our first body of significant American criticism.” Of his poems the most noteworthy the “The Raven,” beginning

“Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered, weak and weary,
Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore,—

and “The Bells,”—perhaps the most admirable example of onomatopœia in the English language. In verse his range of subjects was comparatively narrow,—Love, Beauty, and Death being the main springs of his poetic inspiration. Poe is best known, however, by his prose tales “of the Grotesque and Arabesque,” of mystery and imagination, which are, in fact, the precursors of the modern “short story.” Among these tales are “The Gold Bug” and “MS found in a Bottle,” both \$100 prize stories; “The Murders in the Rue Morgue,” “Fall of the House of Usher,” and “Ligeia.” The last of these he considered his finest.

Poe's materials were gathered from many fields, Germany, France, Spain, Italy and Scandinavia all paying tribute. But “much as he derived nurture from other sources,” writes Prof. Woodberry, “he was the son of Coleridge by the weird touch in his imagination, by the principles of his analytic criticism, and the speculative bent of his mind.”

One class of critics represents Poe as unmanly, ungrateful, dishonest, a drunkard, and an opium-eater, while the other type defends him as a rare spirit, delicately sensitive, unjustly estimated, and often misunderstood. Certain it is, however, that he was of a kindly disposition, studious and industrious, yet erratic and sometimes quarrelsome. He let slip many opportunities, forfeited many

friendships, and, as Baudelaire, his French translator and admirer, said, drank like a barbarian. His life was a curious blending. There was considerable truth in what James Russell Lowell, in a spirit of humor, wrote many years ago,

“Here comes Poe, with his raven, like Barnaby Rudge,
Three-fifths of him genius, and two-fifths sheer fudge.”

But whatever be the truth regarding his personal habits and general conduct, his genius and originality, combined with his subtle fancy, his skill in description, and his elegance and artistic finish in composition, early won him recognition in the world of letters and established a literary reputation which Americans will not soon forget or willingly let die.—Argosy.

The Bells.

Hear the chatter of the belles, youthful belles;
What a world of sentiment their shallowness impels.
How they fuss and wince and flirt,
Carrying vanquished hearts before them as the dirt;
How they chuckle, chuckle, chuckle, ever since the time of Eve,
While the traps that they are laying with the purpose to deceive,
Fasten round their victims slowly,
Seize alike the high and lowly
Yet the victim fully knows by his heart's quick palpitation
How the danger ebbs and flows;
Yet his better judgment tells him
How his prospect sinks or swells
By the softness or the hardness
In the temper of the belles, belles, belles,
By the smiling or the frowning of the belles.
Hear the chiming of the belles, etc.
—From the Dalhousie Gazette of 1879.

Here and There

Family Bones.

Brother joined the football team,
For learning deep he pined;
Played in a little practice game,
The mild and gentle kind.
And when they bore him off the field
He left some bones behind.

Sister wore more brand new duds
In Paris style designed;
The graceful contour of a slat
She strongly brought to mind.
'Twas plain to see that when she dressed
She left some bones behind.

Father paid the college bill
For education's grind,
And also with a good fat check
The modiste's pocket lined;
And when he thus had settled up
He left some bones behind.
—McLandburgh Wilson in New York Sun.

Perish the Thought!

Graduate.—"What are you doing now-days, Sam — working?"

Senior.—"No, I'm still in college, you see."—Harvard Lampoon.

The Crank.

"You say there is nearly always something broke about your automobile?"
"Yes," answered Mr. Chuggins, nervously.
"What is it, as a rule?"
"Me."—Washington Star.

A Tragedy.

An actor found a quiet stream;
On fish he had designs;
But he could only sit and dream,
'Cause he'd forgot his lines.
—News Letter.

A Joke a la Ostorre.

Lady (trying to "engage" a Paris coachman)—"Hey! cocher, êtes vous fiancé?"

"Hélas, madame," replied he, his voice quivering with ineffable pathos, "Je suis marié."—Manitoba College Journal.

Doubtless.

She certified that she was Scotch,
And I've small cause to doubt her,
Since, when the fruit is ripe, she has
Such canny ways about her.

—Boston Courier.

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Street Car Conductor.—"How old are you, my little girl?"

Little Girl.—"If the corporation does not object, I'd prefer to pay full fare and keep my own statistics."—Ex.

Luney.

Upon the wall at Kenyon Hall,
Sat a youthlet and a maid.
"The stars above are not so bright
As you," he softly said.

She lifted up her little head
Toward the heaven's golden light—
"The moon above is not so full!
"As you, dear Louie, to-night!"
—The Exponent.

The Red and Blue.

He kissed her on the cheek;
It seemed a harmless frolic;
He's been laid up for a week—
They say, with painter's colic.—Ex.

The boy stood on the railroad track,
He heard the engine squeal;
The fireman stepped out of the cab,
And scraped him off the wheel.
—Orange and Black.

Unreasonable.

Father.—"Do you mean to tell me you didn't say a word when that young man kissed you?"

Daughter.—"Why, dad, how could I?"
—Pick-Me-Up.

Scene.—A knock at the door:

Student (from within).—"Who's in?"

Professor.—"It's me, Professor Blank."

Student.—"You're a liar. If it was Professor Blank he would have said, 'It is I.'" Professor tiptoes away.

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The final meeting of the Delta Sigma Society for this session was held on Friday, March 5, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. After the secretary's report for the year had been submitted and unanimously approved, Miss Willis, '09, presented our honorary president with flowers, in grateful recognition of her aid and encouragement of the society.

Miss Claire Miller, '10, presented the retiring president, Miss MacDonald, with flowers and books, and thanked her in the name of the society for her work in its behalf during the past year. The flowers and thanks were both appropriately accepted by the president in a short speech.

The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows:

- Honorary President—Miss Cameron,
- President—Miss Claire Miller, '10,
- Vice-President—Miss Paterson-Smyth, '11,
- Sec.-Treas.—Miss V. Browne, '12,
- Reporter—Miss Plaisted, '10,
- Committee—Miss Tremholme, '10; Miss Murchison, '11; and Miss Freeman, '12.

On Monday, Feb. 22, there was a hockey match between the seniors and the juniors. It resulted in a **HOCKEY** win for the juniors with a score of 3-2. This made the seniors, juniors and sophomores a tie for the cup, as each had won 2 out of their three games.

On Monday, March 1, the juniors and sophomores played off. It was a most exciting game. At half-time the score was 4-1 in favour of the juniors. In the second half, however, the sophomores

played better, scoring 3 goals. The juniors scored 1 in the second half, thus making the score at the end of the game 5-4 in favour of the juniors.

The last hockey match of the season was played between the seniors and the juniors on Wednesday, March 3. The ice was good and the game was very fast. J. McDonald scored the first goal for the seniors. Very soon, however, a goal was scored for the juniors by E. Bennets. There was no more scoring before half-time was called.

After five minutes' rest both teams came on again and the game began in earnest. Both teams, however, were on guard, and no goal was scored until a few minutes before time. This was made by H. Rosenberg, the captain of the juniors. Although the seniors tried their best they could not score again, and the game ended with the score 2-1 for the juniors. This means that they are the hockey champions and have won the cup.

On Thursday, February 25, basketball matches were played in the gymnasium of the Montreal High **BASKETBALL** School between the Aberdeen School staff and the R. V. C. first team, and the Technical High and the R. V. C. second team.

The first match was between the Aberdeen staff and the R. V. C. first team. It was a good game, and during the first half was very exciting. In the second half, however, the college team played better and the game ended with a score of 26-19 for the R. V. C. team.

The second match was between the Technical High and the R. V. C. second team. It was still more exciting, as the teams were more evenly matched. It ended, however, in a victory for the Technical. Their shooting was especially good, as their home hardly ever missed

a shot. The score at the end of the game was 14—10. The lineup was as follows:

R. V. C. (first team).—B. Ross and V. Brown, homes; R. Morris (capt.), centre; M. Ellison and B. McLaurin, wings; H. McKeown and L. Alguire, defence.

R. V. C. (second team).—A. Mitchell (capt.) and R. Wadley, homes; O. MacWhinney, centre; J. Hyatt and E. Oughtred, wings; R. Greene and S. Browne, defence.

On Saturday, Feb. 27, there was a basketball match out at St. Anne's between the Macdonald College and the R. V. C. first team.

M. C. 18 Between 30 and 35 R.
R. V. C. 10 V. C. girls carrying canes and banners travelled out with the team to cheer

them on. We were met at the station by some of the Macdonald girls, who took us straight up to the college. As the train was late we had to begin the match almost immediately.

Whether our girls were nervous or unable to show up to the best advantage in a strange gymnasium, I do not know, but from the very beginning the Macdonald College girls had the best of the play. They surpassed our girls both in passing and in shooting, and the score at half-time was 11 to 4.

In the second half our girls played much better and succeeded in keeping down the score, so that at the end of the game the score was only 18—10 for St. Anne's.

L. Manny played the best game for the

R. V. C.'s, and Miss Mowatt was the star of the Macdonald College team.

After the match the officials and members of the teams were invited to 5 o'clock tea, which they thoroughly enjoyed. The rest of us, however, went home on the 4:37 train. We were all, as we supposed, on board, and the train had started, when five or six more girls came running down to the station, shouting and waving their canes. Much to our surprise the train slowed down and waited for them to come on board.

On the way in we enjoyed ourselves talking over the match, for although we had lost the game we had won the cup, which was to go to the team winning in regard to points. The cup was presented by Dr. Todd, of the Macdonald College, to be played for between the two colleges.

An '09 class meeting was held on Monday, March 1st. After some preliminary discussion it was decided

R. V. C. '09. that we would go to Notman's for our graduation

pictures, for, then, we were under the impression that the Arts men had made arrangements elsewhere.

Our representatives for class-day committee were then elected, as follows:

Miss Annie Slattery (president).

Miss Edith Elliott.

Miss Florence Wilson.

Miss Jessie McDonald.

Miss Ruby Norris.

The business being disposed of, the meeting adjourned.

As for the hockey, twice we regret to say, we had to play off for it, but, as

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usual, we were the unfortunate ones. The final game, played last Wednesday, between '09 and '10, was very good, and I am glad to say there were a number of girls on the bank to cheer the teams. Miss McDonald was the star on the '09 team and played brilliantly. However, '10 seemed and indeed proved itself the better, for they won out with a score of 2 to 1. Congratulations, O most noble juniors!

At last, at last! the weather has kindly permitted the fancy skating competition to take place. Miss Jessie McDonald ably represented '09 and carried off the prize, while Miss Florence Wilson ran a close second for it. Miss Lichtenstein certainly ought to be congratulated for her kindness and the very pleasant afternoon which she gave the competitors. If fancy skating is as enthusiastically received by the men as it has been this year at the R. V. C. no doubt there will be waltzing on the campus rink next winter, and we certainly hope there will be.

By the way, surely everybody noticed who won the French public speaking contest. Why, Miss Florence Vipond, of '09, did. Last year one of our girls was awarded the medal, and now once again it has been won by '09.

The final meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held last Friday, and we as a class wish to congratulate Miss Schafheitlin on her enthusiastic and faithful work as president; no one could have fulfilled the duties of such a difficult position better than she has done.

The seniors hope that all the girls will remember their promises and work hard at gymnastics all this week, so that the demonstration next Saturday will be the best in the history of the R. V. C.

Three cheers for R. V. C. '10! At least they have won the hockey championship. The two games played last week ended the series, with good results, as will be seen. Monday afternoon, sophomores vs.

juniors, score 5—4 in favour of the juniors. Wednesday morning, seniors vs. juniors, score 2—1, once more in favour of the juniors. The team has improved rapidly under the guidance of the professional coach secured by its captain. The members are as follows: H. Rosenberg (capt.), O. McWhinney, E. Bennets, E. Lawlor and H. McEwen.

Despite the opinions expressed by a writer in last week's number of *The Martlet*, we venture to send the following production, to be strictly anonymous at the author's request. As she remarked, "There is altogether too much 'fuss' in the reports (?)" This is the theme: The class in Arts that I would sing is

1910,

In whose lays the fussing ring is—1910
In the English hours their eyes
Through experience made wise (?)
Their fair neighbours criticise—1910.

Not content with seeing hats
They begin to dream of rats!
And with dreaming not content,
To their desks straightway they went
And in rhyme their thoughts unpent—
1910!

Surely, Muse, there never theme did
Thee dishonour as that dream did.
In *The Martlet* it was seen,
And with dignity of mien
Looked and read the R. V. C.-en

Of 1910.

Then from beauteous eyes did flow
Tears, that men could stoop so low;
Tears, with wrath a little blent—
Wrath that gain'd in extent
Till it now demands a vent—

Yes, 1910!

Students who of Old McGill
Do the junior places fill,
Can ye not to nobler topic
Turn your spirits philanthropic,
From these matters microscopic,

1910?

Why on "fussing" overmuch
Do ye publish "pomes" and such

1910?

Should perchance the frenzy spread,
Filling each poor Freshie's head,—
What could then of you be said,

Oh, 1910?

So cease your pernicious mooning,
And if bent on private spooning
Boast not yourselves in fussing lore,
For seniors have been there before,
As also many a sophomore!

Remember, 1910.

— A n o n .

1911 begs all those who are filled
such a perverted idea of self-modesty as
to dislike people who sing
R. V. C. '11. their own praises, to read
no further in this report.

We trust, however, that their curiosity
will impel them to read one more sen-
tence, for we wish to recall to their minds
the fact that class pride is far different
from personal conceit, and especially that
class pride in a member of R. V. C. '11 is
almost the one and only feeling which
she cannot help possessing.

Having now dispatched with those who
care not to hear of the recent deeds of
glory performed by '11, we shall proceed
to declare them to the interested. But
first let us quote the words of a learned
senior to a noble soph., "Why last year,

(?) after whom seniors, we demand?

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I thought you were only an ordinary class, but now I have changed my mind." Possibly, O far-seeing senior, we may have our own opinion as to our greatness last year, but there certainly does seem to be some mystic power in the first syllable of that word Sophomore which brings out our latent wisdom.

Need we remind the general public that R. V. C. '11 won the interclass debating shield? Now we joyfully add a further list of honours, the public speaking trophy, won for the class by Miss Bernstein; the "Aquarelle" offered by the Alliance Française, and won by Miss Hammond; lastly the French public speaking contest, won by the oratorical efforts of Miss Grimes.

What words could more clearly show the marvellous intellect which springs forth from R. V. C. '11!

Oh, ye! who think so highly of false modesty that ye read no further than our first sentence, how we sorrow to think that yet for a little while ye must continue ignorant of the glories of '11! Only for a little while, however, for soon

they shall burst forth too brightly to be hidden!

Among the tame birds and animals about the University we might mention the song-bird which flaps its wings on the campus (Miss M.), the Dutch bird which crows in the diningroom (Miss V.), the timid fawn (Miss B.) which gazes through the Economic door, and the antelope (Miss J.) which goes with agile spring o'er the same threshold. There is also "My Deer" (Miss G.), without which the menagerie would not be complete.

We shall omit mentioning, however, the Bird of Paradise, the Daw in borrowed feathers, and the owl, or Bird of Wisdom.

In the recent business meetings the following have been elected from '11 to hold office next term:

Miss V. McEwen (vice-president of the Y. W. C. A.).

Miss M. Paterson-Smyth (vice-president of Delta Sigma).

Miss H. Murchison (Delta Sigma representative).

Miss E. Grimes (reporter for the Société Française).

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Class Reports

Congratulations to the intermediate hockey team, champions of the intercollegiate hockey league,

SCIENCE '09 who have gone through the season without a defeat. While every man who played on the team contributed to this excellent record, still to no one is more credit due than to their manager, Mr. O. H. Scott. Here we have one not afraid of work and who put his heart in the task before him, filled his team with his own zeal and enthusiasm, and overcame obstacles in the inertness of his superiors, and the blundering authority of the higher powers, and who never wavered until the championship was secure.

The Science '09 hockey team was to have gone to Ste. Anne's on Saturday, presumably for the purpose of meeting a team from that institution in a match for the class championship, but actually for other ends. However, the weather was against hockey, and so the pretext for the trip was removed. Messrs. Ker and Goodchilde are hopeful, though, that the trip may yet be arranged, but it is getting too near examination, the Scylla and Charybdis of our course, for much pleasure.

On Thursday McGill had the honour of a visit from the members of the Canadian Mining Institute. We wish to apologize for the noise (termed singing by some) with which that quartette, Fett-ly, Dick-on, Lay-n and Mont-e greeted the visitors when they came to our draughting room. But a committee of safety has been appointed who will see that the like does not happen in the future.

Now that the hockey season is over, or practically so, we are very much at a loss for news in this class
SCIENCE '09 report. Perhaps, too, this lack of material supplied is due to the remarks of "that aw-

ful bore who is forever saying 'four more.'" However, it may be possible to partly fill the column at least.

The Civils do not seem to be contented with what prowess in hockey they have already obtained. They are ready to risk their entire reputation, and, in fact, have done so. But, alas! the rink is not now in condition, and so their challenge to the remainder of the class, which appeared on the board in the Common Room the other day, will not receive much attention. How about that hockey match that "Manager E—t" was arranging with the R. V. C.?

While speaking of hockey, it is certain that congratulations are in order for "Manager Scottie" and his pets on the excellent way in which they have brought glory to the banner of "Old McGill" this year.

It is rumored that the members of Science '10 who participated in a trip to Ste. Anne's a week or two ago are earnestly considering a second skirmish. It is to be hoped that they do not get "stung" again.

We wish to congratulate Mr. W.S. Robertson on his election to the presidency of the Students' Council, and to wish him and the council continued prosperity in the year to come.

Arts '10 has been leading a quiet and uneventful career at present, after having shone in every sphere

ARTS '10. of college activities throughout the year, for it now behooves us to settle down and spend the last month of an enjoyable session in a strenuous grind. Consequently there is nothing to report in this space, and, as precocious sophomores have taken it upon themselves to act as censors of this and other columns, we will spare The Martlet another such letter by refrain-

ing from writing anything liable to excite their displeasure. To the member of Arts '11, who, above the pseudonym of "Scrutator," mentioned other persons' names without signing his own, we would say that such action is always considered poor taste in the realm of reputable journalism.

As we look back through the cobwebs of the year we see the receding vision of the past fast fading from our view. It leads us back toward the early days of the Casars, when Dolores D. was a girl and when the now mythical record of her memorable trip to the "Associate Shades" was found in the columns of current events. So it was back in such days and such times as these when the class of Med. '10 embarked on the long voyage toward its inevitable destiny, to pass through fortune good and ill, and in its later years to become the target of relentless and cruel criticism that flows from the pens of maidens fair.

Now, the recent article of Dolores D. on "Echoes from the Zoo. Lab," calls to our minds pictures of such times as we have just recounted. We, too, were then students of zoology. In our quest after truth we were also led to the same and now celebrated laboratory by the great professor, to that laboratory where all other things are made secondary, and knowledge reigns supreme, where we reason from the known to the unknown; where all things are present from the sublime to the ridiculous—the co-ed. mingles with the dogfish. Perhaps we had better not detain you longer with our recollections that we carry from this great gateway of medicine, as we stood there in that day watching the golden sunset fall on the few years of our youthful lives that had then passed.

We were then dealing with such material things as pencils, crayons, erasers and the lumbricus. But in those early

days honesty was a primary principle and never violated. It gives us pain to learn that the children in the zoo. lab. now have become dishonest, and that the freshie and the co-ed. quarrel among themselves. The co-ed. charges the freshie with theft, but possibly an investigation might show two sides to the quarrel. For the sake of argument let us suppose the freshie to be guilty. What, then, is the duty of the co-ed.? Since she comes in closer contact with these men than do students who have not the good fortune to work in the same laboratory, it is clearly her duty to influence her freshie brethren to better modes of living. As to what course she should pursue, our guide in such matters must ever be the Sacred Scriptures. There we find that the co-ed. should first go to the freshie privately and tell him of his fault. Now we ask if Dolores D. went privately to her seventy-five brother freshies and told each of his fault? We pause for a reply— If she answers the question affirmatively her pleasant duty has been performed, but if she answers negatively then the co-ed. and the freshie are equally guilty before their peers. The latter has violated the great principle of honesty, the former has neglected her sacred duty. But we fear that even after all her experience in the "Associate Shades," Dolores D. has forgotten the private warning and has first made the public accusation. If so, we wish to point out her error, and impress upon her that she is her brother's keeper, and to say that her only course is a public confession.

We also accept her apology for the neglect of the ladies in decorating the monument.

The reporter of R. V. C. '10, too, has come forward with an apology, which we also accept. Both ladies acknowledge that they did not decorate the monument and both acknowledge that we did. But the '10 reporter wishes to clear the co-ed. on the ground that some lady in New

York decorated some monument. We have no doubt that many ladies decorated many monuments on the same day, but why does that alleviate the co-eds. from paying like tribute? Would it not be fairer to say that the New York lady and the Meds. both deserve some praise, while the co-eds. are still remiss in their duty. We would also say that we did not remove any wreaths from the monument and that our florist placed the one there that we ordered. As for the delay of our wreath until Jan. 25, we would explain as follows: On the 22nd we were surprised to see that the co-eds. had placed no wreath there, on the 23rd we still thought their order had been delayed, but on the night of the 24th we met in solemn conclave and concluded it was neglect and not delay, and at once placed our order. Now, as we are particularly sensitive to criticism, we hope the discussion is at an end.

As class reporter, we take this, our first opportunity, of acting as the Angel of Peace. We would smooth down, if possible, the agitated minds of the impetuous children in Arts '12, and check if we can the tremors of infantile rage, which run through every portion of their infinitesimal microcosmoses. Know then, ye freshies, who gnash your new-cut teeth and vainly wail for vengeance, that with no malice or wish to affront you, we cleansed one of your number, and dug him forth from his surroundings. True, some twelve of us, moved by a sudden impulse, seized upon this object (and for purely personal reasons, understand!) essayed to make it presentable. Indeed,

one or two violent members of our class did try to make it out an insult to you all, and an offence to be wiped out in battle and slaughter. These were wrong. The operators who, reckless of their clothes and hands, acted as laundrymen, deny it. Is not that enough? Quietly, then, children, quietly! Be not affronted; cool your tiny personages; quiet your childish rage, still your juvenile tumult. See ye not that we have conferred on you a benefit? Cannot you understand that, with the best motives in the world, a few of us (mind, a few of us only!) tried to make life more endurable for those of you who are seated near the object of our good intentions! Members of '12, we have heard you yourselves lament at the victim's appearance, before we took him in hand; be not angry, then, but rather grateful. Surely you should have seen to him yourselves and not left it to us to do your duty and your work.

That is all; change your wrath to gratitude; be warned in time; raise no more disturbances within our peaceful academic walls, and see that the good work begun is carried on. Be not slow to take a hint, and let not offensive ones parade among you unrebuked.

Mr. Booth's haircut calls for some remark. Why did he do it? No such haircut has been seen since the days when a bowl was placed on his head and the locks cropped around its edge. Some suggest that it is the work of the Barber College; others that he tried to do it himself, and made such a mess of it that all his hair had to go. Others agree that it is merely to give scholarly thoughts greater access to his brain!



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