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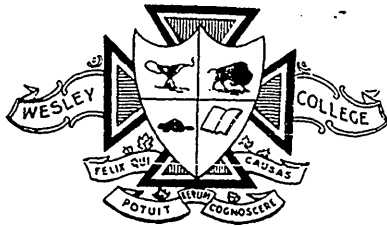
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THE ennobling difference between one man and another—between one animal and another—is precisely this, that one FEELS more than another. If we were sponges, perhaps sensation might not be easily got for us; if we were earth-worms, liable to be cut in too every minute by the spade, perhaps too much sensation might not be good for us. But being human creatures, IT IS good for us; nay, we are only human in proportion as we are sensitive, and our honor is precisely in proportion to our passion.

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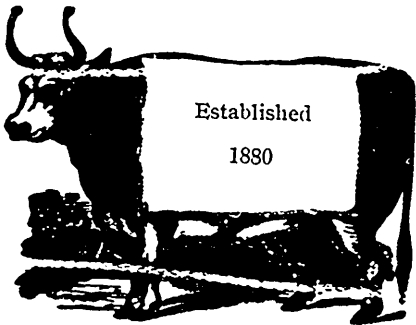
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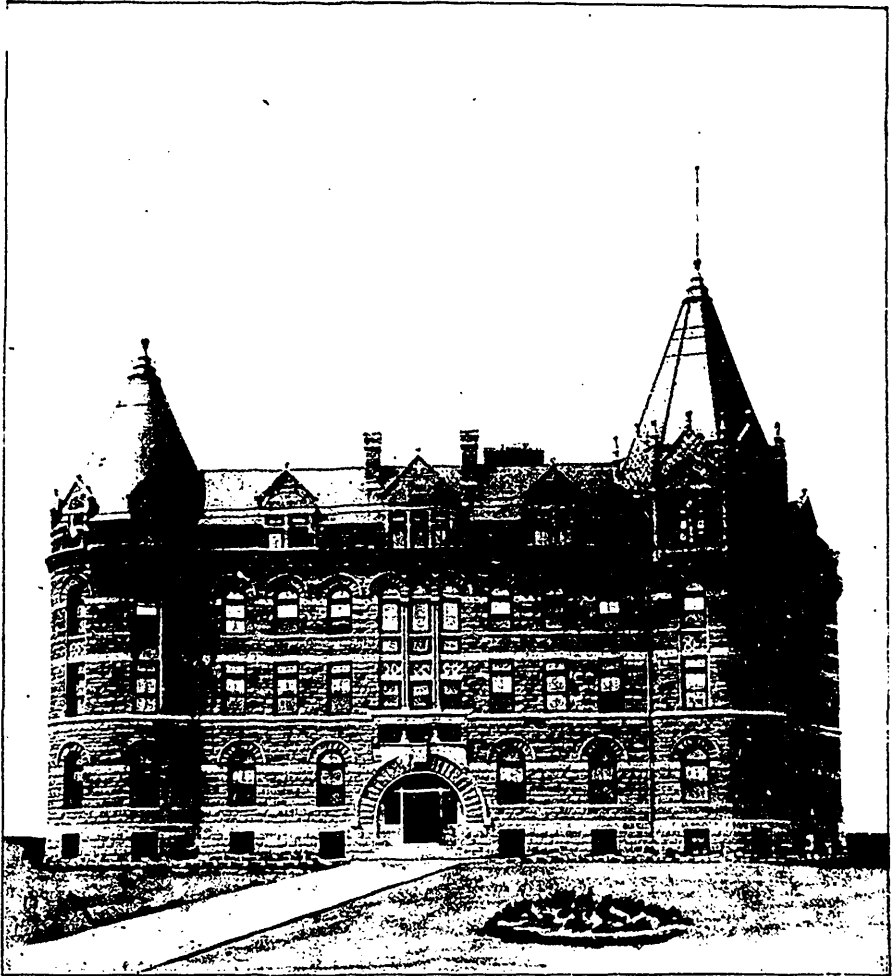
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EDITORIALS

“How now? moody?”—Prospero, in “The Tempest.”

**Keep
Cheerful**

It is most important, if not to student success, at least to comfortable equanimity of mind, that while the pursuit of this business of “striking the stars with our sublime heads” goes on now each day with increasing effort and our little carts get fuller of things we know, of things we don’t, of texts and note-books, and, lastly, of Professors, who evermore cry “Can’t you go a *little* faster?”—it is most important, we say—We had got just so far on the preliminary of what we hoped to make an editorial of the “helpful and inspiring order,” when the postman brought in our mail. It contained a number of copies of “Vox” returned and such cheering intimations as these: “Don’t want the rag;” “Say, put some clothes on the thing, won’t you?” “We would prefer an almanac next month, please,” etc., etc. A letter—we have been hoping for a black-bordered one from this quarter for some time—

he says (the ugly old Tantalus) : "Splendid health this winter; never felt better in my life." Then a commotion in the halls. On going out we find that some of the seniors had been carried in in a fainting fit. Having recovered them, they report being chased by a company of ghouls and ghosts while crossing the campus. All this, and exams, just at hand, and dog days after that !! Keep cheerful !

**Dear
Subscriber**

The business manager desires us to say that he hopes to be able to avoid the vulgar language used by other business managers to their patrons. "Pay up, pay up, pay up," was a jargon fit only for barbaric sensibilities—not yours, dear subscriber. The paper does not cost anything to print or issue—not a bean. We can't do without your name on our list. It helps our prestige, you know. If you don't care to read it, you can use it perhaps when you are re-laying the carpet in the spring, or sell it with others to the rag-buyer, or put it in the missionary box (along with the neck-ties) for the heatlign.

**We Can't
Pay**

We are indebted to our contributors for their kindness in furnishing the articles of this issue. We regret to be obliged to hold over the symposium. As spring comes on we hope to see more leaves. Principal Hare's article on "Whitby Ladies' College," Dr. Laird's on "Humors of German University Life," "The Experience of a Schoolmaster in the West," will probably be features of our next.

**It Might
Have
Been**

As our exchanges come in from the University of this or that State it sets us to making comparisons between Uncle Sam's way of doing things educationally and ours. Uncle Sam's great, great uncle Sam bequeathed a University to every State in the Union, said University to be built and endowed out of the sale of public lands set apart for that purpose. And, furthermore, this University always to make its appearance—like lovers in stories—just when its services will be most acceptable, just as soon as the population is sufficient to make it necessary.

Turn the shield. In a few weeks our University representatives

will present the picture of our necessities to Parliament. They will be looked at as mildly insane, and when they press their case the member from up the country will rise indignant that they should be hood-winked into calling a University a necessity, since it is but a luxury to be paid for by those who care to. He will be supported by another who will show that a man can, without ever seeing the inside of such a place, raise wheat, and even become a member of the legislature, and "Quid plus ultra?"

**Death of
Dr. King**

Wesley and Wesley's students stand not apart from Manitoba in its sense of mutual loss. Their Principal was more than our specialist in philosophy. He was a man of such stature as to see out on many levels of life, and always with the perception of a keen, well-furnished mind and a generous heart. He was a lifelong successful man. But his own successes were always of that toilsome, earnest sort, the furnishing to other men of the means of their success. He was an inspiring teacher, but more than a teacher; a thoughtful preacher, but more than a preacher; a man of letters and affairs, but more than these. He does not die, but is

"Of those immortal dead who live again
In minds made better by their presence."

We sometimes fancy that the type of such men is passing, and that we grow more enamored of complex and subtle cleverness than of simple and forceful worth.

Owing to lack of space, the Exchange Department has been crowded out.

We acknowledge the receipt of the following exchanges: Georgetown College Journal, College Rambler, Nebraska Wesleyan, St. John's College Magazine, The Clarion, The College Review, The College Transcript, The Iowa Wesleyan, Silver and Gold, The Student, Manitoba College Journal, Acta Victoriana, The Midland, Yankton Student, The Adelbert, Student Life.



LITERARY DEPARTMENT

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“BEAUTY.”

It is only after a great deal of hesitancy and indecision on my part that I have fixed on a subject for this essay ; and, now that I have settled on one, it is one which, I am afraid, in fact I am quite sure, I will not be able to handle in the masterly and comprehensive way it deserves.

My subject for this essay is “Beauty.” To me it is a beautiful subject, and I wish I could treat it in a beautiful way.

Beauty may be defined as “That assemblage of graces, or proportion of parts, which produces a certain agreeable emotion or feeling ; or which pleases the senses, especially the eye or ear.”

Now, this definition embraces two great parts, physical and mental beauty ; the former comprising the personal and the natural, the latter the purely intellectual and the moral.

First, then, personal beauty, or beauty of persons. This I will no more than touch upon. Perhaps some of you have seen the maiden who

“dwelt among the untrodden ways
Beside the springs of Dove,
A maid whom there were none to praise,
And a very few to love.
A violet by a mossy stone
Half hidden from the eye,
Fair as a star when only one
Is shining in the sky.”

Second. Beauty in Nature, in itself a very wide and comprehensive subject. We see it around us everywhere. In the lofty mountains, and the rolling prairies ; in the trickling rivulet, and the broad river ; in the great ocean with its

“Islands musical with birds
That sing and cease not,”

and the peaceful lake with its

“ Sister Isles

Beneath the oak’s umbrageous covert, sown
With lilies of the valley like a field.”

Even such a small thing as the wild duck’s nest, which all our sportsmen have seen, has a wonderful beauty of its own,

“ The imperial consort of the Fairy-king
Owns not a sylvan bower or gorgeous cell
With emerald floored, and with purple shell,
Ceilinged and roofed, that is so fair a thing
As this low structure, for the tasks of Spring
Prepared by one who loves the buoyant swell
Of the brisk waves, yet here consents to dwell,
And spreads in steadfast peace her brooding wing.”

Thus have we the beauties of Inanimate Nature. Animate Nature also has its beauties. The lithe, agile panther, the majestic lion, the intelligent elephant. From the great whale with its spoutings like enormous fountains, and the sword-fish with its strong weapon, down to the pearly-hued shell of the nautilus of the Mediterranean, and the coral builders of the Pacific, though perhaps their beauty lies rather in the reef than in the builder.

Who does not know the glorious, powerful beauty of the king of the air, the golden eagle, and the gorgeous beauty of the smallest of birds, the humming-bird, with its brilliant tropical plumage. And the swan, too, of our English lakes.

“ Fair is the swan, whose majesty, prevailing
O’er breezeless waters on Locarno’s lake,
Bears him on, while, proudly sailing
He leaves behind a moon-illumined wake.
Behold ! the mantling spirit of reserve
Fashions his neck into a goodly curve ;
An arch thrown back between luxuriant wings
Of whitest garniture, like fir-tree boughs.
To which, on some unruffled morning, clings
A flaky weight of winter’s purest snows.”

But to look at this description from a somewhat different standpoint. View it not as a description of a beautiful object, but as a beautiful description, a product of a human mind. Then have we not a definition, or perhaps better, a description of the next part of our mental Beauty, viewed from its purely intellectual side ; for in this is included and inseparably linked together, not only the beautiful mind, but the beautiful products of the mind ; remembering that when using the word mind, for the present, we are viewing the mind solely from its purely intellectual side.

Beauty of mind ! How shall I define it ? Is it to be defined ? Shall I not rather by the description of its products thus make its definition ? Is not the description of the effect the only possible definition both of the cause and of the effect ?

What other than a beautiful mind could have given us the beautiful and exquisite result, "Paradise Lost," with its vast conceptions, lofty images, and wonderful display of imagination all couched in the purest of words ? Surely none but a beautiful mind could have written the "Tale of Griselda," matchless in its tenderness, purity and pathos. What but a beautiful mind could have given us this beautiful result ?

"Hopes ! What are they ? Beads of morning
Strung on slender blades of grass,
Or a spider's web adorning
In a strait and treacherous pass.
What is peace ? When pain is over,
And love ceases to rebel,
Let the last faint sigh discover,
That precedes the passing knell."

Also the Allegro, the Penseroso, Longfellow's Evangeline.

And not poetry alone, although it shows its beauties most plainly. Washington Irving's "Alhambra," Matthew Arnold's "Sweetness and Light," Scott's writings, whether poetry or prose, and in the novel, Marie Corelli's "Barrabas." Are not all these the concept of beautiful minds, and their best definition and description ? How could a vulgar, debased mind have written these lines on "The Motions of the Sylphs ?"

" Glancing from their plumes
 A changeful light the azure vault illumines,
 Less varying rays beneath the Pole adorn
 The streamy glories of the Boreal morn,
 That wavering to and fro their radiance shed
 O'er Bothnia's gulf with glassy ice o'erspread.
 Where the lone native, as he homeward glides,
 Sees at a glance above him and below
 Two rival heavens with equal splendor glow.
 Sphered in the centre of the world he seems,
 For all around with soft effulgence gleams.
 Stars, moons and meteors, ray opposed to ray,
 And solemn midnight pours the blaze of day."

Could we not carry on our definition of the cause, the beautiful mind, and of the effect, the beautiful products of the mind, by the description of the effect into the realms of art and music ? What of the minds of Raphael, of Mozart, and of Handel ?

Now, if these beautiful descriptions are the products of intellects nobly endeavoring to fulfil their mission on earth, and show forth and declare the glory of their Creator, have we not a connecting link between this beauty and that which is the most enduring, the noblest and highest. Mental Beauty viewed from its moral side, that is the beauty of the mind as it interests itself in moral qualities and moral relations.

Physical beauty may be effaced or may entirely fade away. Intellectual beauties may lose their strength and brilliancy ; but the lustre of moral beauty never grows tarnished, it is the only lasting thing on earth.

When I come to this beauty of all beauties, language almost fails me. What shall I say about it ? Shall I enumerate the qualities necessary for moral beauty, courage, strength, tenderness, uprightness ? It would take me too long to do that, and would be a task well nigh impossible. To go back to our definition of Beauty : " That assemblage of graces, or proportion of parts." Note that ! Proportion of parts. Not merely strength, not merely tenderness, but strength tempered by tenderness ; courage, not diminished, but made less aggressive by

meekness. It shows itself in honesty towards ourselves, respect and love for our fellow-beings, and love, honor, and reverence mingled with holy fear, toward our God.

If we see a man staunchly standing up for what he knows to be right, against adverse criticism, ridicule and persecution, we admire in him moral beauty as shown in honesty. We respect and honor those who have done deeds of love and charity for those around them, who have spent their life in working for others ; and, above all, those who have lost their lives for suffering humanity. In how great a degree did John Howard possess the moral beauty of love for his fellows when he made journey after journey to the different prisons in Europe to see if he could not better the condition of the prisoners ? Florence Nightingale, also, in her hospital work ; Wilberforce, in his work for the slaves ; Lincoln, in his work for his country. The lives of all these were radiant, effulgent with moral beauty.

And let me here pay tribute to one of our times, Miss Clara Burton, who some years ago went over to endeavor to ameliorate the sufferings of the helpless Armenians.

The names of Martin Luther, of John and Charles Wesley, and, to come nearer home, of our own Dr. Douglas, are well known to you, and also all the names of those

“whom love of God has blest.”

How beautiful have they been in their lives, and characters, and what a beautiful record of great deeds they have left behind them ; shining examples for succeeding generations.

Thus moral beauty is shown forth in our daily lives, in our conversation and actions ; everybody may, everybody should have it, for it is without money and without price. What must we do to obtain it ? We must trust in God as our Father, in Christ as our Saviour, and then Fear, that destroyer of beauty, cannot touch us, or even come near to shed his blighting influence over our lives, to mar their moral beauty.

Of all beauties, moral beauty is most important. What avails great personal beauty, strong mental talents, if the soul that should shine forth gloriously like the sun at noon-day, is eclipsed and darkened by sin and vice ? It is like a heavy curtain covering a masterpiece in art, so arranged that only the frame, beautiful and costly, a fit

setting for a masterpiece, may be seen. What do we know of the picture? We see the setting, but of the work of the master we see nothing. Remove the drapery and then it is seen in all its pristine beauty, and by its beauty adds to the beauty of its surroundings..

And this, the love of Christ shed abroad in our hearts, does for us. It removes the black curtain of vice and wretchedness and unveils the soul in all its purity and loveliness, thus adding a new and perfecting beauty to its setting, and enables it to control with steady hand the workings of the mind, whose results are its manifestation.

MISS L. E. SPARLING, B.A.

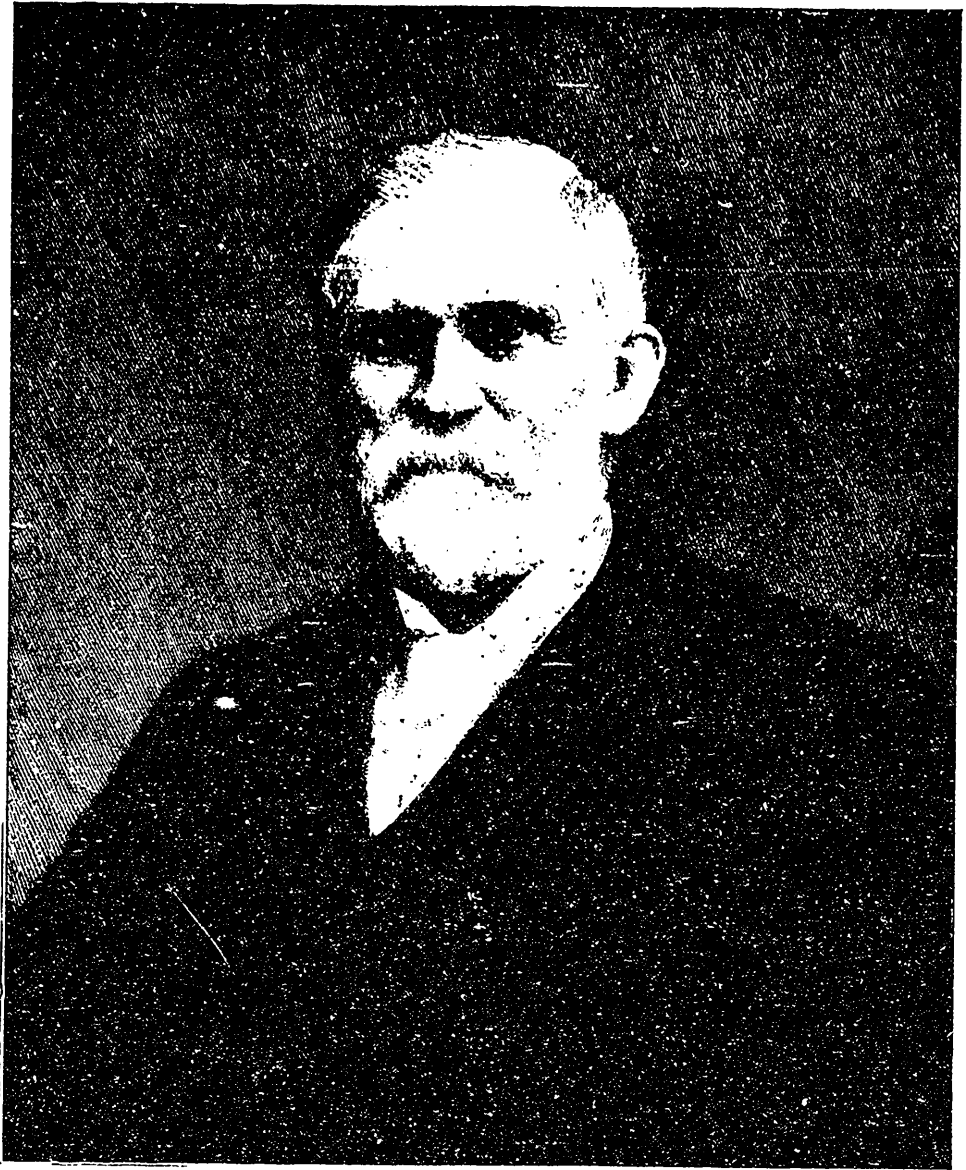
THE WARNIN'

It wuz a dretful night. The wind howled in blustry gusts through the goosberry bushes in the back garden and sighed drearily in the pussy willows round the duck-pond. The mournful serenadin' of the cats on the back fence wuz p'raps enchantin', but it *wuz* not comfortin'. I wuz all alone, fur it is well beknown that since Jeremier died I hev lived lonesome, except fur little Bob, in our old house, a piece out of the village. It hed been orful lonely fur me, an' so I hed been rather disposed to encourage the visits of Mr. Hezerkier Jones, a widdy man, that lived a little further down the road, closter to the mountains. He ust to drop in often an' Tallers made him welcome, fur he wuz good comp'ny. I hed noticed that he looked sort of admirin' at me, frequent, and I wa'n't goin' to throw away a good chance if he offered himslf, for my dear departed hed been dead fur three years—he died of colery morbus after living a life of virtue, caused by eatin, green apples. Well, as I said afore I had been feelin' orful lonesome, and a thinkin' how nice it would be to hev a partner in joys and sorrows oncet again, and I had got almost to cryin', thinkin' how dreary it wuz for me now. So I drewed my chair closter to the fire and begun to warm myself prevyus to goin' to bed. I felt a little hungry, so I thought of how there wuz a little suthin' left over from dinner that I might eat as well as not. So I got the things down. I ain't much of a eater any time, an' I just

wanted suthin' easy digested to go to bed on. There wuz a little mince pie—I had baked a batch fur Hezerkier, poor lone man—an' a little plum puddin' that wuz there. I thought I'd better eat it all up, fur I do hate to see anythin' goin' to waste. I hed a cold, so I just washed the pie and puddin' down with some brandy that I keep in case of sickness, and I felt real comf'able, an' wuz more cheerfuller. Hezerkier hed said as how he wuz comin' over to see me on an important matter the nex' day, an' I pretty well guessed what it was. After a while, when I wuz real warm, I perceeded to go to bed. I got in an' went to sleep almost immediate, but I didn't stay that way long. I begun to feel as if I wuz weighted down by suthin', and bimeby the feelin' woke me. I couldn't account for it no way, and tried to get to sleep agin, but it didn't seem to be no use. I couldn't doze off at all. By this time it wuz lightnin' and thunderin' suthin' orful outside, an' the reflection of the lightnin' wuz every oncet an' a while shinin' in through the winder curtains. I began to feel real awesome, and did my best to go to sleep agin, but it wa'n't no use. I felt as if there wuz speerits in the air, it seemed so heavy an' fearful like. All to oncet I heard a noise somewher's in the direkshun of the winder and my blood run cold, but it run more colder when I see what happened next. I see my husban', my dear departed, come out from them winder curtains an' come towards me. I give one orful screech, an' if I hed knowed how, I would hev fainted, but I didn't, so I kep' my senses. Then my dear departed sez to me, in a deathly voice, "Huldy Marildy, hev you furgot me so soon?" and he sez it agin sort of mournful like, and he once more sez it rather threatenin', and then he vanished inter them curtains agin. I couldn't move. I seemed as if I wuz frozen stiff, an' I could jist lie there gaspin'. I determined to fake that fur a warnin' an' hev nothin' more to say to Hezerkier—though, poor man, he really never knowed what it wuz to hev a wife. His'n treated him suthin' orful—an' it wuz with that rezolushin that I riz nex' mornin', though I never slept a wink all the rest of the night. But it wuz sich a beautiful mornin', an' the birds wuz a singin' and ev'rythin' wuz fresh lookin' after the rain. I begun to feel more better, an' when I looked down to Hezerkier's, and see the smoke arisin' from his chimbley so lonely like I repented of my deturminashion an' conelooded it wuz all a dream, my dear departed's

appearin'. When I hed got tidied up I looked out an' see Hezerkier comin' up the road an' my heart went pittypat. But I sot down just the same, an' started peelin' apples fur pies. Hezerkier's wife hed never been any hand at makin' apple pies at all. She was what she called ekinomical an' never took no trouble to peel 'em an' put in the shortenin' longways in stripes as fur as I could make out. Bimeby he got up to the gate an' came in and sot down. He looked sort o' sheepish an' I wuz all blushin' just like I did when Jeremier ast me. After a while he sez, "Missis Skaggs," sez he, "You've been orful good to me, you hev," sez he, an' I didn't durst look up at him, an' he sez, "Missis Skaggs," sez he, "I hev a favor to ask of you." I trembled an' dropt my knife. He picked it up an' he sez, "I wuz a thinkin' of marryin' agin, Missis Skaggs—" I blushed suthin' orful, an' I wuz jist gettin' ready to say, "This is too suddint," when he continued "—to Sairey Jane Green, an' I wuz goin' fur to ask you if you would bake the weddin' cake fur Sairey ain't got time to git ev'rythin' ready, fur we're to be married Sunday." Well, you could have knocked me down with a feather, I wuz so beat. But when I thought of all my blushin's fur nuthin' an' of the vision of my dear departed that I hed hed, I got strength, an' I riz an' sez to him, sez I, "What do you mean, Hezekier Jones, by deceivin' a poor lone widdy woman what's got nobody to look after her," an' I added in a tone of anguish, "O that my departed wuz here fur a minit." He stared at me a second, but I looked so stern like, he started to back out an' sez he, "I didn't go fur to—" but thet wuz all he had a chance to say, fur I made fur him with the broom, I wuz so beside myself, an' he cleared out. I didn't say nuthin' I guess my looks wuz enuff. Then I sot down an' hed a good cry an' I said to myself, "Hildy Marildy Skaggs. aunther time you'll listen to warnin's from the dead, an' it serves you right, too, fur takin' up with sich a thing as Hezerkier Jones, what ain't half the man your departed an' deseased husban' wuz." I went to the graveyard that very afternoon an' pulled the weeds off of Jeremier's grave, in'ardly resolvin' to live single fur the rest of my days, an' I will, too. One warnin's enuff fur me.

W. J. F. and W. A. J.



H. A. MASSEY, ESQ.

WESLEY'S FRIENDS.

"What ought to be is that every man should regard his life as a mission," said Mr. Gladstone. The world's worship of men who live solely for a "career" is surely passing. The subject of our sketch was such an one as helped the appreciation of this higher order in our country in a very marked degree. Through the courtesy of his son, Chester A. Massey, Esq., who has kindly supplied the cut, we are able to present the main facts of his life.

That he was a friend of our College he well attested by his generous gift of \$20,500 to the building fund, and by bequeathing more. He stimulated the generosity of the country by his own—a generosity that is real and conscientious, as we see by a comparison with the financial condition of other colleges. In other days the patron of letters required the reward of the most skilful eulogy of which his client was capable. Not so our friend. The stones of our building cry out. That is enough.

ROUNDS IN THE LADDER OF AN EARNEST BUSINESS LIFE

Born on his father's farm, in a log cabin, April 29th, 1823.

At seven years of age a barefooted boy, making weekly trips to the grist mill, four miles distant, on horseback.

At the age of ten years, in charge of oxen, takes the grain to market seven miles away.

At sixteen years of age worked in the woods among the lumbermen in charge of a gang of teams.

At the age of nineteen attended Victoria College, paying his expenses by manual labor, and managing his father's farm during vacation.

At the age of twenty-one was placed in charge of his father's extensive farm, serving as a school teacher during the winter.

In 1851 removed to Newcastle, Ont., and became Superintendent of his father's agricultural implement works, established four years previously.

In 1855, his father retiring, he became sole proprietor of the business.

In 1863 introduced the first self-rake reaper made in Canada.

In 1869 was the first to manufacture an automatic self-dumping horse-rake in Canada.

In 1870 made President of the Massey Manufacturing Company, into which the business was incorporated that year.

In 1879 the entire business removed from Newcastle to Toronto, where its capacity was more than doubled, the business of the Toronto Reaper and Mower Company having been purchased.

In 1889 made President of a new organization known as Sawyer & Massey Co., Ltd., manufacturers of threshers and engines at Hamilton, Ont.

In 1891 made President of Massey-Harris Co., Ltd., formed by the amalgamation of the businesses of the Massey Mfg. Co., A. Harris, Son & Co., Ltd., of Brantford, and Massey & Co., Ltd., of Winnipeg, following which in the same year the businesses of The Patterson & Bro. Co., Ltd., of Woodstock, and J. O. Wisner, Son & Co., of Brantford, were incorporated with that of Massey-Harris Co.

In 1892 made President of the Verity Plow Co., Ltd., of Brantford, organized that year.

THE MODERN ULYSSES.

It little profits that, a gay Prelim,
 In this still College, 'mid these sleepy plugs,
 Unfit associates for a man like me,
 I dig and grind at dreary Latin prose,
 The others crib and loaf and laugh at me;
 I cannot rest from skating : I will drink
 Life to the lees. Day times I have enjoy'd
 Greatly, have suffered greatly both with those
 That loved me and alone ; in class and when
 On libr'y table ——y sat and swung
 A limber jaw. To-night I am a bum,
 Since supper roaming with a thirsty throat;
 Much have I seen and drunk of Blackwood's pop,
 Of ginger ale and lemon sour, cream, club and sarsp.

Myself not least, but treated of them all.
I've drunk a case of bottles with my peers,
A feat quite worthy of the gay Prelims.
I am a part of all that I have met—
In the pop line, perhaps—but as for books,
For Latin gram., or French my reading fades
Forever and forever as I move.
How dull it is to plug, to grind at books,
To do translations and get up tough verbs;
As tho' to plug were life. Six months are gone,
And of the term to me but two remain,
And vile it were to waste them at my books,
With this good ice, swell rink, and her—my heart !
This is my crib, my much-worn trusty key,
Well-loved of me, an interlinear,
I'll use it faithfully these coming months,
'Twill let me off to-night, as oft before,
There lie my skates, the band is there to-night.
I have a hint that she'll be there beside;
She that has smiled and bowed to me at Grace,
That ever with an answering courtesy took
My bow on Main, my arm upon the rink,
To spin in circles round the gleaming ice.
I've three years yet to grind for my degree,
That may close all, and yet it may not, too ;
I feel she's true, as I am all sincere.
The lights begin to twinkle at the rink,
The long day wanes, the plugs begin to grind,
But I'll put on this rather fetching tie,
Arrange my hair and start off for the rink.
It may be that the dean will lock me out,
It may be I'll contrive to see her home,
And meet her mamma, whom I somewhat fear.
Though skating costs, perish expense to-night,
For I shall bask once more in that sweet smile;
It warms my manly heart to its deep core

To feel her little hand upon my arm,
 To air my newest slang and murmur French,
 With accent of the most Parisian type.
 She thinks I know more than the Profs. themselves ;
 'Tis lucky French is Greek to her, to me
 It's not so simple, but I talk to her,
 For, bless her dear heart, she can't know I'm wrong.
 Farewell then, room-mate and so long my books,
 I'll see you later if the gods are kind
 And she is there, be calm my beating heart,
 I'm off—.

LITERARY SOCIETY'S HISTORY.

Feb. 3. No programme on account of the Inter-Collegiate Debate in Manitoba College. Manitoba vs. St. John's. (Won by Manitoba.)

Feb. 10. Programme :—

1. Instrumental Miss Sparling.
2. Debate—Resolved, "That the present immigration policy of the Canadian Government is not in the best interests of the country." Affirmative—Messrs. Brown and McCurdy. Negative—Messrs. E. B. Speer and F. C. Wilson. Debate won by affirmative.
3. Solo Miss Bredon.
4. Critic's Remarks Mr. C. A. Huston.

February 17th. General Programme. Contributors :—Misses Walker, Foley and Johnston; Messrs. J. Wilson, Harrison, Oke, Tanner, Eby, Johnston; Critic : S. T. Robson, B.A.

March 3rd. Intercollegiate Debate, St. John's vs. Wesley. Subject—Resolved : That, apart from religion, the exact sciences have been the most potent factor in Anglo-Saxon Civilization. Affirmative—St. John's—Messrs. McMorin and Fea. Negative—Wesley—Messrs. Brown and Tanner. The debate was held in the school-room of Holy

Trinity Church, and was listened to by a fairly large and very appreciative audience.

Music was furnished as a prelude to the combat.

Canon Matheson occupied the chair. The judges selected were : Dr. Manahan, chosen by Wesley; Father Drummond by St. John's, and these chose a third viz., Mr. Isaac Campbell, but he being called out of the city, Mr. Perdue was chosen.

The St. John's men made a strong defence of the sciences as applied to the life of our day. It only remained, however, for Wesley's representatives to show that the civilization of to-day involved all the history of the past, that it can only be interpreted by that past, that it includes the make-up of the individual unit, and that in all this the exact sciences had come along at too late a day to play the part of the "most potent factor." The judges decided unanimously that Wesley's contentions must carry. Our opponents took defeat in the same magnanimous fashion in which they wear victory. Such being the case, we find always our contests with them a pleasure.

We have not learned all there is to know about this business. The history of these contests is but beginning. They are, if wisely conducted, certain to nourish the esprit de corps of each College—a feature conspicuously absent just now amongst us.

The interest taken in the series by the public and by the College authorities is very encouraging. The score is now a tie between Manitoba and Wesley. As we go to press we learn that Manitoba has decided to withdraw, the reason assigned being the death of their Principal. To us, such an action seems regrettable and unnecessary.

The night has a thousand eyes,
 And the day but one,
 Yet the light of the bright world dies
 With the dying sun.
 The night has a thousand eyes,
 And the heart but one ;
 Yet the life of a whole life dies
 When love is done. —Francis W. Bourdillon.



RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT

"Pectus Theologum Fecit."

F. MAYERS, Editor

THE STUDENT VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

(Especially written for "Vox.")

Among the remarkable movements of the present century, none in the College world has been more significant than is the one which aims at securing "a sufficient number of candidates for foreign missionary service, to meet the excessive demands of the various churches." Organically separate from the other Christian College movements, it has worked through the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations in developing a strong and intelligent enthusiasm for world-wide Christian conquest. During the twelve years of its existence it has enlisted some five thousand students from Canada and the United States, and from these the various missionary societies have selected a number equal to about one for every three days of that time. It has helped many others in their preparation, so that to-day, with the possible exception of medical mission work, it has supplied more than the sufficient number of candidates for the present needs. It has been instrumental in organizing the missionary department of the College Christian Associations, making it one of the strongest lines of Christian work in the institutions.

In this there has been a companion work of generating, through study, thought and prayer, a strong and vigorous sentiment among students not preparing for missionary work, for the extension of Christ's kingdom. It originated the plan of sending the College students out among the young people's societies of the churches, to give them the same inspiration. In its watchword, "The Evangelization of the World in this Generation," it has set before the students and before the Church an ideal such as demands the highest type of self-sacrifice and loyalty to Him who commanded that we make known the saviour of His knowledge in all the earth.

With all this enlargement of activities the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions does not forget its primary purpose, and looking into the signs of progress in spiritual expansion, it still calls consecrated students to consider the demands and privileges of life service in the foreign mission fields. With this in view it has large faith that the day hastens when all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

BURTON ST. JOHN.

Y. M. C. A.

The work of the Y.M.C.A. is steadily prospering and during the past month has been especially interesting. On February 5th, Mr. St. John, of the Student Volunteer Movement, delivered an inspiring address, outlining briefly the object and work of this society. The following week "Bible Study in the Sunday School" was taken up by Mr. Huston. From the standpoint of the teacher he pointed out the necessity of having the lesson thoroughly in hand and of the vital importance that a lasting and definite impression be left upon the mind of the child. On the 22nd, Mr. Barner gave an account of the Portage Convention, and on March 1st Mr. Tanner delivered a brief but highly instructive address on Religious Life in the Canadian West.

The Missionary library of the Y.M.C.A. has of late been increased by the addition of fifteen volumes. Among them may be seen such books as "South America, the Neglected Continent," "From Far Formosa," and many others of equal interest. As these books are free for all students. The librarian, Mr. McConnell, will be pleased to lend them to any desirous of reading.

The situation that has not its duty, its ideal, was never yet occupied by man. Yes, here in this miserable, despicable, Actual, wherein thou even now standest,—here or nowhere is thy ideal! Work it out therefrom! The ideal is in thyself, the impediment, too, is in thyself.

--Carlyle.

SPORTS DEPARTMENT

G. C. McCROSSAN, Editor.

HOCKEY.

The February number of the Manitoba Journal gives an account of the match between Wesley and Toba, the whole tenor of which is decidedly unsportsmanlike and crude. Epithets such as "imported players," "strangers," may appropriately be called "transferred epithets." We asked for a postponement of the game, as our captain was ill. The request was not heeded, though it might have been easily granted.

SCHOOLS VS. WESLEY

In the match with the Schools, Wesley, encouraged by their victory over St. John's, went in to win, and although they failed to do so, they, nevertheless, played, well. The game was a very even one, first one side and then the other scoring, until half-time came with the Schools one up. When play was resumed Wesley at once assumed the aggressive and evened the score. The next, which went to the Schools, was followed by another for Wesley. The score was now five all. After this Wesley pushed matters for some time, but failed to score, and towards the close the Schools succeeded in placing two more to their credit. Time was up shortly after this, leaving the Schools winners by a score of 7-5.

TOBA VS. SCHOOLS

This game was the final one for the Intercollegiate champions and was won by the Schools on a brilliant finish. The game was very even throughout, but near the finish the Schools team ran clean away with their heavier opponents, scoring three games in succession. The final score was 5-2.

MATHEMATICAL GAME.

The Mathematical Class lately became infused with the hockey spirit and arranged a number of inter-class matches. The first of these was the result of a challenge issued by the noble seniors. This the

crafty juniors accepted, thinking, no doubt, that they would teach their "seniorial" brethren a proper lesson. Their idea seems to have been not an erroneous one, for they impressed upon the "differential" minds, by a score of 10-4, the fact that they still had something to learn about the game.

Joe Wark proves to be the great bul-Wark of the juniors; he certainly is a point that has magnitude, notwithstanding Euclid's assertion to the contrary. "Jumbo," Saunders and Lawrence made a fast trio on the forward line. Peirce, for the seniors, cut quite a dash on the rush, while Windsor seemed a little backward in going forward. He need not despair though, for this will come out in the wash of experience. Wheeldon and Halladay made a strong defence, the latter particularly distinguishing himself for so new a player. His Graceful Young rushes were a feature of the game. It can be said of "Phair" that he played anything but a "foul" game.

MEDS. VS. WESLEY.

This match, as was expected, resulted in an easy win for Wesley by a score of 9-0. We have the honor of being the only team on whom the Meds were unable to score. A certain "Medico" of a philosophic turn of mind, was heard to remark, that they could not play hockey and they knew it, while Wesley couldn't either, but didn't know it. Well, we won't attempt to dispute the validity of the first statement, and such a reverse as we suffered at their hands has not tended to enlighten us on the second.

Athletes, look at this, please. It is the conclusion of an article on "How to Relax," written in dead earnest, too :

Lie relaxed on the floor. Give yourself up to the force of gravitation. Close the eyes. Imagine one limb heavy, then the other, then the arms and head. Use your imagination to the greatest extent.

It is equilibrium we are working for and as this comes gradually into our lives we feel the whole-some harmony of its rythm. The first effects of practicing this system of relaxing will often be very unpleasant.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A. E. VROOMAN, Editor

The German classes from Toba are taking their lectures from Dr. Laird.

The Wesley boys who didn't take German (in chorus), "The curse never fell upon our nation till now. We never felt it till now."

"Doc" Goodwin paid Wesley a week's visit this month, taking some theology lectures.

Mr. S. Greenway has been in the city for some weeks, employed at the Government buildings.

Mr. Herb. White has recovered from the severe cut in his foot which lamed him for some days in February.

It is with regret we chronicle Miss Ashdown's departure from Wesley to accompany her family on their European trip.

Rev. H. Whitmore occupied the pulpit of Grace the last two Sundays in February. He was up renewing acquaintances at Wesley during the week.

Mr. F. M. Wootton occupied Mr. Gaetz' pulpit in Brandon on Feb. 26th. We regret we are unable to answer the numerous enquiries as to why he did not return on Monday.

One of our most respected theologues was accosted near Grace Church a week ago by a young lady selling tickets. Their conversation is reported as follows:—

Young Lady : Oh, Mr. ———, don't you want a ticket for the Heart social.

Mr. ——— : What do you charge ?

Young Lady : Fifty cents.

Mr. ——— : Aren't you a little dear ?

Young Lady (shocked) : Mr. ——— !!!

Scene—Normal School. Small boy—Wesley's representative.

Teacher (after a long lecture on the cow) : Now boys, I will ask you a few questions in review. "Willie, what kind of a neck has a cow ?"

Small Boy : A rubber neck.

Tableau—collapse of Ted.

Owing to the failure of the lights in McDougall Church on Sunday, March 5th, Rev. S. T. Robson's congregation were deprived of the sermon on Moses which was announced for that evening. Mr. Robson assures us that the text was not that familiar enquiry as to the whereabouts of the patriarch under similar circumstances.

Among the many congratulations the management of Vox has received since their last issue was a card from the first business manager, Rev. H. Hull. He says Vox suits him down to the ground—no small praise from Hiram.

Rev. Dr. DuVal, of Knox Church, delivered a lecture on Presbyterian Church Polity to the Theology Class. This was the inaugural lecture of a series planned by Professor Stewart, in which a representative of each church will expound its polity. No better choice could have been made than that of Dr. DuVal to open this series. His eloquent and instructive address was thoroughly enjoyed by the class.

The Wesley boys who attended the St. John's-Wesley debate are unanimous in their praises of the treatment they received from St. John's. Last Friday, as always, St. John's was the very type of what a contestant ought to be. To bear defeat with good grace, and success with generosity—to be uniformly courteous in every event—these are the traits which we from the youngest of the Colleges admire and will emulate in the eldest of our sister institutions.

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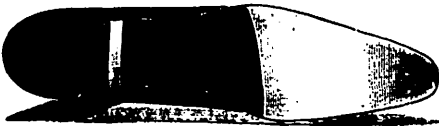


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New Insurance Paid for in 1898, \$152,093,369 **Net Gain in Insurance in force, \$67,000,195**

***Total Paid-for Insurance in force January 1, 1899, \$944,021,120**
Total Assets, \$215,944,811

	1897	1898	INCREASE
New Premiums	\$6,659,815	\$7,700,906	\$984,900
Renewal Premiums	26,321,145	27,931,742	1,666,788
Interest, Rents, etc.	8,812,124	9,799,268	987,144
TOTAL INCOME	\$41,793,084	\$45,431,916	\$3,638,832
Death Claims, Endowments and Annuities	\$14,052,909	\$15,390,978	\$1,339,470
Dividends and other Payments to Policy-holders	5,356,546	6,128,887	772,341
Loaned to Policy-holders during the year 1898, at 5 per cent. int.	3,377,997	4,013,544	635,547
TOTAL TO POLICY-HOLDERS	\$22,787,452	\$25,533,409	\$2,743,957
ASSETS	\$200,694,440	\$215,944,811	\$15,250,371
Insurance in force January 1, 1899	\$877,020,929	\$944,021,120	\$67,000,191
Total Number of Policies in force	332,958	373,934	40,976
SURPLUS	\$33,372,031	\$2,838,626	\$30,533,405
Additional Policy Reserve voluntarily set aside by the Company	\$26,414,234
Surplus Reserve Funds voluntarily set aside by the Company	\$8,623,319
Other Funds for all other contingencies	\$4,504,148

PARTICULAR NOTICE

1. No Policy or sum of Insurance is included in the Company's report for 1898, as new issues or otherwise, except where the first or renewal premium therefor, as provided in the contract, has been paid to the Company in cash.
2. The rate of interest on the total amount of admitted invested assets was 4.54 per cent., which is higher than that of 1897.
3. The ratio of expenses to premium income decreased during the year.
4. During the year the Company placed over \$17,000,000 more new insurance than it did in 1897.

The New-York Life Insurance Company is composed of over 330,000 policy holders who own the company, who own the Company, and who alone receive the profits of the Company.

The Cash Dividends declared for 1899 amount to \$2,674,658. This is a larger sum than that of 1898. The Company being purely a mutual one, every dollar of this large sum will be drawn by the policy-holders themselves during the year 1899. In 1898 this Company distributed to its policy-holders in dividends a larger sum than did any other American Life Insurance Company in that year.

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