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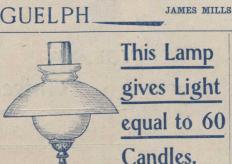
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THE GREEK PLAY.

BY MISS LURI M. HAMILTON.

The day of the return of the heroes of Paardeberg, filled to overflowing, and eager expectancy was written on

was also the day of Miss Barrows' first visit to the every countenance, for it had been announced that a series University, upon her arrival in Toronto in November. of national dances in costume was to be given. Prof.

The campus was crowded with students making the scene gay with flags and floating pennons. They had lined up ready to start on their way to join the procession of welcome. At her approach some one shouted "Hats, boys, hats!" and there was a general salute as she passed. That came by chance, but now at the end of six weeks the director of the Greek play is well known to the students, and has made an impression such as to justify the ardor of the first salute.

The social event of the College last month, the reception given to Miss Barrows by the members of the Literary and Scientific and Women's Literary Societies, is one to be long remembered by those fortunate enough to be present, and long regretted by those unable to



participate. After the introduction to the guest of the afternoon and the interchange of friendly greetings the large assemblage removed to the east hall, which was the underlying thought, but one felt the culmination of thought and power and religious devotion in the Greek dances. All these varied performances brought one face

Hutton, by a few remarks in his usual happy style prepared the audience to see the significance of the presentations. The Greek dances impressed themselves by their simple beauty and subtle expression, which were made more manifest by comparison with the formal, more crude or barbaric dances which preceded, and one seemed torealize that in this evolution of the dance there was presented the evolution of the race. The wild spirit of the Indian manifested itself in stiff jumping motion, and the call which suggested the animal; in the Japanese there was more of thought, a little story being told by the dance, but told so oddly that it was not apparent without an explana-

tion; the Swede

showed an ad-

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to face with the national character represented, and the individuality of the dancer was completely merged in the character she impersonated. This is the rare gift of a true actress, and the fact that Miss Barrows is to take the part of Penelope lends an added interest to anticipation. All those who are taking part in the play have felt her dramatic power, not only as something outside of themselves, but as something which they can emulate—they too have caught the Greek spirit, and are each day learning to express it more and more.

The production of "The Return of Odysseus" will be pre-eminently a students' event with students for actors and with students forming a large and sympathetic part of the andience. It will not make its appeal to specialists in classics alone, though doubtless they will feel an intensity of pleasure that others miss, but by its artistic variety it

would find himself in an unknown country; but once given the necessary clue, which will be fully enlarged upon in the souvenir program, all will be simple again, and the musical cadences used to-day will charm and thrill with their soft melody.

In order that all may know and follow the story as put upon the stage and that those unfamiliar with Greek may feel themselves at no disadvantage, a book of words has been prepared in which the text is given both in English and in Greek. Copies of this are now on sale at the Registrar's office, and those who wish to get the full enjoyment of the performance should avail themselves of this opportunity to read it up in advance.

It is to be hoped that all the students will feel a personal interest in and responsibility for the success of



PENELOPE FAIL'S TO RECOGNIZE ODYSSEUS

will make its appeal to all. The charm of the human body in graceful motion, the beauty of design and color in costume, the picturesque grouping of figures, the excitement of athletic contest, the surprise at the unfamiliar sound of quaint music. All these the uninitiated will readily appreciate. And yet all of these, so immediately irresistible, will repay the most careful attention and are the result of the most careful study by Miss Burrows, who has had exceptional opportunity to acquire a knowledge of Greek art and archaeology, having taken a special course at Leipzig University, and having traveled and studied in Greece.

A peculiarly interesting feature of the play is the adoption of the modern Greek pronunciation, distinctly different from either of those used in the colleges, indeed so different that without some hints a classical student

this, the leading event of the University year. The per formance itself promises to be both delightful and educative and will be put on in a way that will be a credit to the University and to the performers. Everyone connected with the college should feel an obligation not only to be present himself, but to awaken enthusiasm among his friends so that the interest may become more and more general and that all may know the joy and privilege which are open to them.

The members of the Women's Residence Association need the co-operation of all the students not only to make a perfect success for the credit of the University, but so that they may recognize a general sympathy with the object for which the play has been undertaken—the augmenting of the fund for building a residence for the women students.

GREEK PLAY NOTES.

The patronesses of the play are Miss Mowat, Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Loudon, Mrs. Hutton, Mrs. G. W. Ross, Mrs. Harcourt, Mrs. Edward Blake, Mrs. William Mulock.

The cast is as follows: -Odysseus, H. G. Wallace; Telemachus, H. M. Darling; Alcinous, King of Phæacia, E. H. Oliver; Laodamas, his son, T. B. McQuesten; Echeneus, a Phæacian councilor, A. E. Hamilton; Euryalus, a Phæacian athlete, J. A. Martin; Premius, Demodocus, bards, C. E. Clarke; Pontonüs, page to Alcinoüs, -Cragg; Master of the Games, E. R. Paterson; Athletes, S. P. Biggs, C. W. Darling, J. D. Loudon, F. A. Loudon, A. F. Barr, A. L. McCredie, T. A. Hargrave, G. M. Biggs, J. F. S. Madden, C. R. Jamieson, G. S. Schaef, H. W. E. Evans, J. K. M. McDougall; Dancers, R. Biggs, F. H. Wood, A. L. McDougall, J. F. S. Madden, G. M. Biggs, J. D. Loudon, H. W. E. Evans, T. A. Hargrave, E. W. Oliver, E. R. Paterson, D. Sutherland, F. C. Jackson, G. W. Ballard, G. S. Schaef, A. C. Snively; Suitors, Elders, Pages, etc., A. G. Brown, A. H. Bell, H. M. McNeil, W. W. Livingstone, F. Killmaster, C. F. A. Locke, H. L. Hoyles; Penelope, Miss M. H. Barrows; Athene, disguised as Mentes, Miss M. Landon Wright; Circe, Miss Beatrice Sullivan; Arete, Queen of Phæacia, Miss A. B. Rankin; Nausicaä, her daughter, Miss M. W. Watt; Eurycleia, nurse in Penelope's household, Miss F. M. Wicher; Priestess of Apollo, Miss M. G. Millichamp; Nymphs, Maidens, Priestesses, etc., Misses W. A. Hutchison, M. W. Filshie, I. R. McCurdy, F. G. Ross, C. C. Crane, A. E. Crane, B. Bovell, B. Young, Ruby Hutchison, E. E. Conlin, M. E. Dickson, A. S. McCurdy, M. E. Tate, C. W. Morrish, C. N. McMurtry, E. M. Glass.

Rev. Mr. Barrows bade good-bye to the actors in the Greek play at the dress rehearsal on Friday afternoon. King Alcinous replied appropriately in Greek, and then the popular trainer was given three good cheers and a tiger. Mr. Barrows proved a very capable substitute for his

daughter during her illness.

Princess Nausicaä grows shyer at every rehearsal. She does not speak anything but Greek now, and as little as convenient of that.

Miss Barrows came from her bed to four rehearsals of the Greek play, three of them at the Theatre, and was able to direct the actors more or less from her couch. She will have full charge of the rehearsal this afternoon.

Dick Biggs's theatrical mob of athletes and dancers have so entered into the spirit of their parts that they shout Greek as unintentionally and unintelligibly as natives.

Mrs. Briggs, '99, nee Miss Daisy Wright, makes an exceedingly capable understudy for Miss Barrows.

Allan McGhee fulfils the numerous functions of callboy and scapegoat with cheerful complacency. Archie Mullen is the property man, and has a good grasp of things in general.

THE VICE-CHANCELLOR.

At this time when interest in matters relating to our University is rapidly increasing, when questions of the greatest importance to the cause of higher education are under discussion, and when we may be upon the eve of far-reaching educational developments, it is most natural that we should desire to know as much as possible about the men who are closely associated with the direction and control of University affairs. Even if the situation were other than it is, however, and no large problems were awaiting solution, a more than ordinary interest centres about the distinguished gentleman, who only a few months ago, upon the retirement of the Hon. Mr. Mulock, was appointed Vice-Chancellor of the University of Toronto.

Mr. Moss was born in Cobourg in the year 1840, but removing with his father to Toronto when still a youth he received his preliminary education in this city. In 1864 he entered upon the study of law, which he prosecuted with such marked success that at each of the four succeeding examinations he captured a scholarship of the Law Society. It is interesting to find that during his student days belief in his abilities was so generally felt that at the end of his third year it was confidently prophesied in a legal journal that he would win the final scholarship in his fourth.

Upon being called to the bar in 1869 he joined the firm of Osler & Moss, which was composed of Mr. Justice Osler and Mr. Thos. Moss, afterwards Chief Justice of Ontario. It is interesting to follow the changes that this prominent firm has undergone from time to time as different members have retired to accept distinguished honors, and new members have been admitted in succession. Some time subsequent to the admission of Mr. Moss the firm was joined by Mr. R. A. Harrison. In 1875, when Mr. Harrison and Mr. Thomas Moss were elevated to the bench, Mr. James Bethune, Q.C., became a member, and later upon the appointment of Mr. Osler to a judgeship and the retirement of Mr. Bethune, Mr. Moss became head of the firm known as Moss, Falconbridge & Barwick, and Moss, Hoyles & Aylesworth. Other changes in the firm resulted upon the elevation of Mr. Falconbridge to the bench. In 1897, upon the retirement of Hon. Chief Justice Haggarty, Mr. Moss was appointed a judge of the Court of Appeal, a distinction of which he has shown himself eminently worthy, and which met with the most general approval. It will be noticed that Mr. Moss was the fifth member of his firm retiring to accept an appointment to the bench.

During his legal career he has been connected with many cases of great constitutional importance, and his reputation as an able and careful adviser, as well as a trained and skilful advocate, has always secured for his opinions the greatest consideration.

Mr. Moss first became associated with the University of Toronto in the year 1884, when he was appointed a member of the Senate as the representative of the Law Society. His labors for the improvement of educational conditions were directed chiefly towards the improvement of the Law School, and it was largely owing to his efforts that it was satisfactorily established in a wing that was added at Osgoode Hall.

In February of this year the retirement of Hon. Wm. Mulock from the Vice-Chancellorship was announced, and in March Mr. Moss was appointed as his successor. His deep interest in educational affairs, his distinguished ability and mature judgment alike commend his appointment as a wise and happy one.

At the convocation in June last he was presented by President Loudon for the LL.D. degree, and during the course of his address upon that occasion he gave expression to the following sentiments, which will be read with a particular interest at the present time.

"It is clear," said Mr. Moss, "that the work of higher education must spread and increase beyond what has been done in the past. The spirit and movement is being felt by other educational institutions, and I hope that I may see the day when there shall be but one University in the Province, and that the State University. Any movement tending that way will be received with pleasure by all the friends of higher education."

We may be sure that no one will be more active than Mr. Moss in furthering the best interests of higher education in this Province, and we have every reason to believe that the years of his vice-chancellorship will be remembered as an important and happy era in the History of Toronto University.

S. B. Chadsey, '03.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

An interview with the secretary of the Alumni Association, Dr. J. C. McLennan, has revealed to us the fact that a work has been begun and is being energetically carried on which cannot but result in great good to the University. The Alumni of the University are being organized and their interest in the University is being revived by the formation of local Alumni Associations all over the province. The mode of organization is as follows: The graduates in a certain county are called together at the county town, where they are addressed by some prominent official in the central association, such as the president. A constitution is rafted, and usually a resolution is passed to the effect that the Government be urged to give financial aid to the University befitting the province. This resolution is University befitting the province. handed to the local member of the Legislature and through him transmitted to the Government. Arrangements are also made for a large gathering during the winter, such as a banquet, at which it is hoped some of the high dignitaries of the University such as the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the President of the University, or the President of the Alumni Association will be able to attend.

Such local associations have been formed in Perth, Wellington, Elgin, and Carleton counties. Others have been formed in some of the other Provinces. Associations are now in process of formation in Lincoln, Wentworth and Simcoe counties.

In several of the associations already formed resolutions have been passed and committees appointed to take steps to canvass wealthy men of the locality for endowment to the University. In some also a movement is on foot to estab.ish county scholarships.

CHANCE FOR UNDERGRADUATES.

It has been suggested that undergraduates might do a good deal to help this movement along by organizing local associations in their several counties during the Xmas holidays. This would be pleasant work to themselves and exceedingly profitable work to the University. The proper mode of procedure would be first to get lists of graduates in their several counties from the secretary before leaving Varsity, then to have a general meeting called at which an official of the Central Association would be present, after which the regular work of organization could be carried on. The annual fee for membership to the Central Association, including subscription to the Alumni Monthly, is \$1; that of the local associations usually 25c. The objects of the association are to promote the interests of the University and to keep up the social relations of the Alumni. If the undergraduates only took a hold of this matter as they ought every county in the Province might have an association at the beginning of the new century.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION NOTES

Foundations of Research scholarship funds have been established by individual members of the association and one or two of the class organizations.

The '95 class in Medicine held a reunion in the Dean's house last Thursday, December 7th. In the evening they attended the Medical annual banquet.

The list of addresses of graduates is being corrected and brought up to date, in which work the graduates themselves are co-operating.

A movement is on foot to endow the Alumni Association, to which a number of promises of \$50 have been given.

A University Club has been proposed and is being considered.

A proposal to restore the Fenian Raid Memorial Window is also in the hands of a committee.

Letters from all over the country are being received expressing pleasure at the quality of the Alumni Monthly, which has now passed its third issue of 5,000 copies.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The Mock Parliament which was conducted by the Literary Society in their open meeting last Tuesday evening, in the West Hall, proved to be one of the most pleasing and interesting programs presented by the society this term. More than ordinary interest was taken in the event; many invitations were issued, the speech from the throne was widely circulated, and, though the weather was rather disagreeable, a large and enthusiastic audience greeted Canada's rising statesmen.

The program was opened by a well rendered solo from Mr. C. E. Clarke, which merited a very spontaneous encore. Then the doors of the House were opened and the members filed in. The benches on both sides were filled with many promising men.

Hon. A. I. Fisher, 'oi, appeared in his favorite role, as Premier, and in an able manner led the Government party, which had been returned to power with a very narrow majority, while Mr. W. E. Taylor, 'oi, with all the skill of a political leader, rallied around him a healthy and vigorous Opposition.

The lobbies cleared, the House was opened with much formality and pomp, Mr. W. A. Craick acting as sergeant-at-arms, and Mr. H. M. P. Deroche taking the honored seat at the Clerk's table. Mr. S. Casey Wood, B.A., the popular president of the society was moved to the Speaker's chair by the Premier, the motion being seconded by the leader of the Opposition. The business of the session consisted of a discussion upon the "Speech from the Throne," the address in reply to which was moved and seconded in excellent speeches by two of the new members, Messrs. Hamilton and Ballard of '04.

The leader of the Opposition then took the floor amid Opposition cheers, and poured forth a scathing criticism of the methods and aims of the new administration. His charges were met by a masterly defence from the lips of the eloquent Premier. Government and Opposition speakers then followed each other in close succession, each being tendered an ovation when he rose to speak. We regret that lack of space will not permit the publication of all the speeches—so well delivered, and so brilliant with repartee and wit. We have no doubt but that at this critical period in our history they would influence in large measure the public sentiment of our country.

Every measure proposed by the Government was most tactfully met and opposed by the Opposition. Even the proposed increase in the annual grant to Toronto University of \$50,000 was objected to—because it was too small.

The Government was represented in debate by the Cabinet Ministers as follows:

Premier and Minister of Education, Alexander Fisher; M. of F., F.M. Chapman; M. of J., G.M. Clark; M. of M., G. F. McFarlane; M. of R. & C., W.F. Wilson; M. of I., T. N. Phelan; Postmaster General, F. W. Broadfoot; M. of F., A. G. Brown; M. of A., C. McKinnon.

The Opposition speakers were Messrs. W. E. Taylor, H. T. Coleman, A. F. Aylesworth, W. W. McLaren, R. J. Younge, E. R. Paterson, F. H. Phipps, D. B. Gillies, W. H. Odell, and L. Eedy.

After the discussion the Opposition having scored many effective points, their leader moved a want of confidence vote in the Administration, and at the close of a most interesting session the Government were defeated, their downfall being greeted with vociferous cheers from the Opposition benches.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Montreal, December 7th, 1900.

To the Editor of THE VARSITY,

SIR,—I have just read, in your issue for the current week, the Address recently delivered by Hon. S. H. Blake, Q.C., on the "Ideal of our National University." In other articles inserted in the same number, by such contributors as Mr. Goldwin Smith, Principal Caven, and Principal Sheraton, the reference is not to the "National" but to the "Provincial" University.

This verbal discrepancy leads me to invite your readers to ponder the true inwardness of Mr. Blake's statement that "while the University of Toronto has of graduates teaching in High Schools, 283, Trinity College has 13, and

McGill has 1."

The italics are mine. Let all possible credit be given to the solitary McGill man who has succeeded in forcing his way into the fastnesses which the Ontario Education Department guards so jealously from foreign intrusion. The other McGill graduates are probably more profitably employed in other operations. But is there not some inconsistency on the part of Mr. Blake? Is it open to him, or to anyone else, to speak in one and the same breath of a "National" University and to plume himself on what is obviously a mark of the narrowest provincialism?

Yours faithfully,
"McGill."

THE RUGBY DANCE.

The University of Toronto Athletic Association held their annual At Home on Friday, December 7, in the Gymnasium building, and as usual it was a decided success. The gym. was prettily decorated with bunting and flags, and Varsity colors draped the running-track upstairs, which made a commodious sitting-out place for those who wished to watch the dancing. Mrs. Hutton, Mrs. Ramsey Wright and Mr. Geo. W. Ross received the guests as they entered, and soon after the arrival of the Government party about 9 o'clock, the quadrille of honor was danced, those who took part in the official set being: Miss Mowat and Mr. G. W. Ross, Mrs. Baker and Mr. J. A. Jackson, Mrs. Sweney and Mr. Sidney Band, A.D.C., Mrs. Fred. Mowat and Prof. Hutton, Mrs. Moss and Prof. Ramsay Wright, Mrs. Ramsay Wright and Mr. V. E. Henderson, Mrs. Hutton and Mr. F. H. Wood, Miss Blair and Mr. E. P. Brown, Mrs. Fletcher and Mr. F. H. Jackson, and Mrs. Henderson and Mr. G. M. Bertram.

The floor, which is all that could be desired for dancing, was not over-crowded as in past years, the directorate having prevented this by limiting the number of tickets to be sold. A large orchestra under Glionna supplied excellent music for the evening and gladdened the hearts of the dancers by the willingness with which they responded to the call for encores. Upstairs in the Students' Union, ample preparation had been made for refreshments, and after 11 o'clock a sumptuous supper was served by attentive waiters at prettily decorated tables placed throughout the room. Nothing, in short, was overlooked which might add to the pleasure of those present, and judging from the happy faces of everyone, these efforts had not been without good result. It was a most charming scene for the onlooker to view from the gallery the pretty and handsomely gowned young ladies guided through the mazes of the waltz and two-step by their enthusiastic partners. In connection with the event there is only one thing to be regretted, and that is the fact that some students were forced to remain away because

they could not secure any of the limited number of tickets that had been issued.

The committee in charge did not anticipate that there would be such a demand for tickets among the students as there was.

WYCLIFFE COLLEGE.

Victory perched upon the banners of Wycliffe in the debate with Victoria University on Friday evening last. As intimated last week, the subject of this, the third of the series in the Inter-College Union was, "Resolved, that China should not be dismembered." The whole debate was most interesting and well fought out, reflecting great credit on the effort and ability of the participants. However, the convincing logic and irresistible eloquence of Messrs. Wilson and Armstrong proved their superiority to the urguments of their opponents. The judges gave a unanimous decision in favor of the Affirmative.

There are few buildings, if indeed any, in the city, so well fitted up to meet the conveniences and comforts of its residents as is the college. The latest improvement now under consideration is to replace the present system of gas lighting in the different dormitories by the general introduction of the more modern incandescent gas lamp, which is especially adapted to student work. The speedy consummation of such a project would be heartily wel-

comed by the men.

The College has long felt the desirability and the need of having a mail box in closer proximity to the building than has hitherto been the case. That need has now been supplied, largely owing to the indefatigable efforts of the Dean, and the gentle but telling suasion brought to bear on the central authorities by the Principal, for all of which kindnesses the fellows are deeply grateful.

We regret sincerely having to record the serious illness of one of our staff, Professor Dyson Hague. On behalf of all the students we extend to him our deepest sympathy and express the hope that he may soon be restored to health and active work once more.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Prof. McFadyen of Knox College will deliver the last of this term's series of University sermons in the Students' Union, Sunday, Dec. 16 at 3.30 p.m. Keep that hour to hear him. He has something to say to every undergraduate.

The text book announced for next term for Mission Study is "Protestant Missions in South America." The books for the class will be ordered this term, so as to be ready as soon as we return after the holidays. See that your name is on the list.

Mr. Frost, of the China inland mission, addressed our Thursday meeting on "Joseph as a type of Jesus." There

were forty men out to hear him.

It may be of interest to many readers of Varsity to know that two bands of men are being formed among the colleges to conduct one week's evangelistic work in the holidays. There are five men in each band. One will work in Port Colborne, the other in Waterford in connection with the churches in those places. Our own College and Association is represented in this work.

A young man home from college wishing to inspire his little sister with awe for his learning, pointed to a star and said: "Sis, do you see that bright little luminary? It's bigger than this whole world." No, taint," said Sis. "Yes, it is," declared the young collegian. "Then why don't it keep off the rain?" was the triumphant rejoinder.—Spare Moments.

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TORONTO, December 11th, 1900.

A UNIVERSITY CAMPAIGN.

It looks now as if Ontario would soon see a University campaign. At least some of our leading men in University affairs are contemplating action in that direction. The speech of Premier Ross at the recent Medical Annual banquet was significant, though not altogether satisfactory. He declared that on principle he was willing to grant the University aid, but as a politician with an uncomfortable majority of about seven votes, he was afraid of public opinion. If the University wanted money, let University men get out and stir up public opinion, let them inform the people that the University did need money instead of leaving them to believe that it was abounding in wealth, and let them impress on the minds of the people the benefit to the national life to be derived from granting further aid to the University.

Mr. Ross, in his fear for his own position, probably underestimates public opinion in favor of the University. Again it would seem strange also that the Government should fear defeat on a measure to aid the University; because such a measure ought to be not a Government bill, but a non-partisan one. But at the same time the University has nothing to lose and everything to gain from a University campaign of about four weeks. In that time the people would learn more about University affairs than they had learned in fifty years before. They would realize the situation and when they did realize it they would rise up and demand that the University be given justice. This is exactly what has happened in Michigan, a state of the same population as Ontario - where the University of Michigan now receives half a million annually from direct taxation on the people.

The appropriate time for such a campaign has not quite, perhaps, arrived as yet, but the time has arrived when we should prepare for it. What is needed now is energy and enterprise to organize our forces. Queen's is organizing her forces. She has made herself undenominational, and has already obtained \$50,000 from the city of Kingston. She is now entrenching herself in Eastern Ontario, which she is endeavouring to render solid in support of her demands for aid from the Provincial Government. Her

alumni all over the province are alive and active. Shall not then Toronto be aggressive also? Shall we allow our University to be bled while we sleep? There is bound to come, in the near future, a campaign no less exciting to University people than an election contest to the country at large. In this campaign Toronto will be able to go to the people with a few broad principles: (1) Non-partisan support of the Provincial University. (2) Full and ample financial support of the Provincial University, and (3) Toronto the one State University which alone is entitled to aid from the State treasury. If properly organized we will be able effectively to bring these principles home to the minds of the people.

THE GREEK PLAY.

Probably the most important event of the year will be the Greek play which will be presented at the Grand this week. Everyone is looking forward to the performance with eager expectation, and the whole affair promises to be a great success. As for the performance itself, under Miss Barrows' able management, it cannot help but be a great success. Miss Barrows is a magician. It is almost marvellous to see with what ease the parts are carried in the performance under her training; the more so when it is remembered that all the actors are selected from raw material and trained but a month or six weeks. We can assure all those who attend of a finished performance and a most delightful entertainment.

The undertaking is a somewhat novel one at the University and should receive the hearty support of the student body. Not alone because it is a student enterprise, but because of the genuine culture which comes from witnessing such a performance. Besides this, we need hardly say the proceeds go to swell a fund which merits the support of every undergraduate, the Women's Residence Fund.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Mr. Brebner has suggested to us that in order to keep track of students after graduation it would be well to deposit class files in the Registrar's office, which would contain information as to the whereabouts, etc., of each member of the class, and be kept up-to-date by a permanent secretary for the purpose. We think the idea am excellent one.

The management of VARSITY is going to considerable expense this year in getting out the Christmas number. It is hoped that this will be defrayed by the proceeds of the sale of extra copies.

The success of the mass meeting to-morrow is all important to the success of the Undergraduate Club project. Its object is to advertise the scheme, to work up enthusiasm and to secure united action by the students of all the colleges. About 300 printed invitations to faculties and business men have also been sent out, so that the The students of attendance will probably be large. University College should turn out to a man.

COLLEGE GIRL.

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

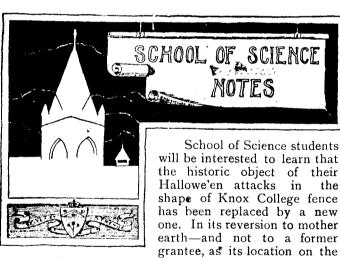
At the meeting of the Women's Literary Society last Saturday night the musical part of the program had to be omitted, owing to the absence of the piano. As is the custom at such a crisis the gaps in the program were filled up with impromptu one-minute speeches. Miss Wicher, 'o1, spoke first, and as usual, launched forth on the subject of the Greek play. Miss Francis, 'or, spoke about "Christmas presents and the consequent state of being 'dead broke' ", with citations from Jerome K. Jerome. "Plugging" was Miss Weir's theme, her treatment necessarily being objective rather than subjective. Miss Benson, B.A., discussed "The Joys and Pleasures of Skating," dispassionately and with unbiased mind (Miss Benson does not skate herself.) There were two heads to her discussion, (1) Skating Proper, (2) Fancy Skating, from which discussion were drawn certain fair and altogether logical conclusions. Miss Norton, '03, followed with a description of our new gymnasium. Petersen's Art Gallery found an enthusiastic advocate in Miss Gundry, 'o1. Most of us had heard of Miss Gundry's connoisseurship, so it was an orderly and attentive audience to which she appealed on behalf of art and culture. The last speech was made by Miss Houston, '02, who set forth the duty we owe to Vannevars', who advertise in Sesame, and the correct pronunciation of their

Then followed a Literary Review by Miss Rumball of '98. Her selection was "Tommy and Grizel." In this work the author has played havoc with the old method of either deifying a hero or converting him into a demon. According to his own admission he has poked fun at him in the hope that we will at length cry out, "Hold, you are too hard on him!" The heroine likewise is no ideal character. Yet our sympathies are thoroughly enlisted on behalf of Grizel, the fair daughter of the insane Painted Lady—Grizel, whose cry from childhood was, "I want to be good." Assuredly, Tommy should never have grown up. But he does grow up and it is the man who claims our attention in the present work. In the introduction to the book we cannot fail to be interested in the pasty-faced youth of sixteen, so determined to get work in London that in answering advertisements he finds he has unique qualifications as chemist's assistant, page boy aged fourteen, photographer a little under twenty, political organizer, janitor, assistant in a drapery department, and finally as amanuensis. Miss Rumball then gave a brief sketch of the story itself, descriptive in large measure of the conflict between the rival rights of two women to one man. Though Tommy is disappointing in this book, his character as a man is consistent with his character as a boy. The sentimentality that was the ruling motive in his childhood's exploits becomes the marring feature of his manhood, and, in fact, is the direct cause of his inglorious death. Such is the fate of the tramp of sentimentality, who might have been a pilgrim of love. This sketch cannot even hint at the droll amusement that Barrie constantly affords his readers. Judged as a whole, we cannot vote the book a success from a literary standpoint. In fact, we are rather tempted to admit that there is some truth in the slang criticism, that Tommy and Grizel properly should be entitled "Tommyrot and Drivel."

The remaining number on the program was a debate between the first and second years. As the girls of the college are especially busy just now, it was thought

unfair to ask them to prepare a debate that would involve much labor. And so by way of entertainment, rather than of improvement, the following subject was argued, "Resolved, that Organ Grinders ought to be abolished." The four debaters were Misses Brown and Johnston, of '03, (affirmative), Misses Bayles and Neilson of '04 (negative). Miss Brown led the affirmative, and explained at the outset that, strictly speaking, organ-grinders as human beings could not be abolished in any sense of the word, yet in their capacity of organ-grinding, it was fair to speak of abolishing them. The others accepted this basis of argument, and the battle of wits waxed keen. The statutes of our land were appealed to, the inherent nobility of the assembled throng, and the sublime infallible judgment of the poet. Natural history, particularly that branch connected with the descent of man, and athletics, as illustrated by the circular movement of the arm in the process of organgrinding, were discussed ably by the negative-but in The affirmative won the debate. The work of abolition will, in all probability, be accomplished as soon as the twentieth century sets in.

The Y.W.C.A. met as usual on Wednesday last. Misses Robertson and Francis, of 'or, gave papers on Home Missions, both presenting this phase of Missionary work in a clear and interesting manner. All the women students are urged to attend the last two meetings of the century.



devil's strip might indicate—an eyesore to the community passes away. We congratulate the College authorities on their discovery of an unsightliness which was apparent to us years ago.

Was Friday's "decoration" an instance of predestination or retributive justice, or both?

Professors Von McKittrick and Paderewski McGuire regret very much that whistling has been added to the index prohibitory. No more, as of yore, we are sorry to say, shall we enjoy the rhythmic cadence of Schumann's Symphony in X minor, or Mendelssohn's overture in P, or a dozen other sweetly pretty things too difficult to spell. We sigh for the music that is not, and the good cheer that accompanies it.

Preparations for the dinner go on apace and plans are taking shape in realities. The tickets are going rapidly, and cartoons more or less artistic adorn the halls of the School. An attendance of upwards of three hundred and fifty is expected. School of Science students cannot afford to be absent.

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SPORTS.

Editor, Frank McFarland, '02.

FOOTBALL.

The Senior S. P. S. won the semi-final game on Tuesday last from the Senior Meds. by 21-o. The majority probably expected the School to win, but nobody thought that the score would be so one-sided. It was a fairly good game to watch because there was more open play than is usually seen in these games. The score at the end of the first half was 14-o. For the School, Hunt and McLennhan at inside wing were much in evidence, while Thorne, Gibson and Foreman did good work behind the line. Wright at centre half and McCallum at quarter shone for the Meds, while Mullin and Dakin were the pick

of the wings. The teams were:—
Senior S. P. S.—Back, Lang; halves, Bertram, Thorne, Gibson; quarter, Foreman; scrimmage, Douglas, Dickson, Empey; wings, Hunt, McLennhan, Campbell, Robertson, Campbell, Burwash, Powers.

Senior Meds.—Back, McIlwraith; halves, Snell, Wright; quarter, McCollum; scrimmage, Rutherford, Gunn, Smith; wings, Wright, Cleland, Mullin, Dakin, Henderson, Pirie.

Referee, A. F. Barr; umpire, H. L. Hoyles.

In an evenly contested game on Saturday afternoon, the Scots succeeded in defeating the Varsity Association team by a score of 1—o. The game was for the city championship and, as expected, proved an interesting and close match. The only goal was scored by the Scots during the first half. The ball had been dribbled for some distance and from a mix-up rolled easily between the poles, Soule missing it. This was the only score, and for a deciding one was easily obtained. The Varsity defence played a strong game, the full-backs showing up in good form. McKinnon, the crack half-back, was unable to play, but Gilchrist who replaced him played a very effective game.

The College forwards, with the exception of MacQueen, seemed to be asleep during the early part of the game, but during the second half they played good ball, and repeatedly made matters warm round the Scots' goal. However, they did not succeed in obtaining a goal, and the score remained unchanged. The Scots had the better of the play during the first half, but were outclassed during the rest of the game. Apparently they were not in condition, and had Varsity been more aggressive earlier in the game a different score would have resulted.

The teams were:

Varsity.—Goal, Soule; backs, McHugh, McPherson; half-backs, McPherson, Gilchrist, Martin; forwards, Burton, Broder, DeLury, Cranston, MacQueen.

Scots.—Goal, McKendrick; backs, Evans, Humphries; half-backs, Bradley, Mott, Browning; forwards, Woodward, Dale, Campbell, Dale, Humphries.

Referee. —Mr. Crawford.

F.H.B.

THE YALE-HARVARD GAME.

My Yale friends assured me that on "Yale Day," the day of the Harvard game, Yale was at its best; and I have little doubt that in that match, football was also at its best. Apart entirely from the difference between American and Canadian football, it is doubtful whether the game a week ago Saturday will ever be surpassed on the continent.

Imagine the enthusiasm of a Pretoria Day transferred to a football game, and you have some idea of what New Haven was like. After 45 minutes of mad rushing, we got a footing on the car for Soldiers' Field, and left it to join a mob of excited enthusiasts, enlivened by fakirs selling badges, flags, banners, megaphones, and even cushions. The field proper is as large as that in Rosedale, the grandstands go all round, and the tiers of seats run from A to Z. On the west, or Harvard side, the telegraph agencies had their instruments and wires, and dispatches were sent off as the game proceeded. At the south end was an immense placard, on which the score, downs, and ball were indicated immediately after each play. Each College had its own band to lead the songs, and 15 cheering-leaders were lined up and down the field on either side. This cheering was almost phenomenal; 20,000 people all cheering at once is something to be remembered.

As we got in, about 2.10, Yale got the ball on Harvard's 2 yard line. A fumble delayed them for 5 minutes in making the first touch-down. Harvard began to turn blue. Score, 6-o.

Harvard kicked to the Yale 10 yard line, but it was soon worked back, and the Yale quarter made a brilliant run of 50 yards for a touch down. The goal was kicked.

Until time was called, the ball stayed in the middle of the field. After about ten minutes play in the second half, Yale got the ball on a fumble on the 25-yard line, and made the third touch down on a right end run.

Score, 17-0.

The Harvard team, either over or under-trained, was rapidly going to pieces, and 6 subs. were now playing. Harvard fumbled on Yale's 35-yard line, and aided by an effective interference play, Coy, the Yale right end, made a most sensational run of 80 yards, ending with a touch down. The goal was kicked, and Harvard rooters fell subdued by 23-0.

The ball was gradually advanced to Harvard's 20yard line, from which Yale kicked a goal, thus ending what was undoubtedly the most brilliant and exciting game of H. MAURICE DARLING. the century.

PUNTS.

The final game for the Mulock cup between the Senior Meds. and '03 is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 10th.

The Evening Star of Dec. 8th, publishes the following first and second all-Canadian fifteens:

First fifteen: Back, Ardagh (A); halves, Hardisty (A), Gleason, (A), Powers, (O); quarter, Murphy (O); Scrimmage, Cameron (O), Wright (A), Bucham (O); wings, Telford (O), Langton, (A), Pulford (O), Parmenter (A), Meredith (V), Rayside (O), McCollum (V).

Second fifteen: Back, McDonald (G); halves, C. Elliott (G), Weatherhead (Q), Walkem (Q); quarter, Biggs (V); scrimmage, Curran (McG), Kennedy (O), Hawkins (McG); wings, Barry (H), Etterington (Q), Gibson (V), Ripley (A), Morrice (McG), Shillington (McG), La-Fleur (O).

With all due respect to the gentleman who selected the teams we cannot help thinking that he is a little out in some of his choices. For instance, he has picked Ardagh, of the Argonauts, as full-back of the first fifteen, and takes no account of Beal, of Varsity, who is far and away better than the Argonaut man. Moreover he has slated Joe Wright for center scrimmage, while Doran, of Brockville. and Carr-Harris, of Queen's, both of whom have forgotten more than Wright ever knew about scrimmaging, are never mentioned. One who has been playing on championship teams for several years has drawn up the following All-Canadian team, which seems to come a good deal nearer the mark than the "Star" selections: Back, Beal; halves, Hamilton, Gleason, Powers; quarter, Murphy; scrimmage, Buckham, Carr-Harris, Hazlett; wings, Langton, Branscombe, Parmenter, Etherington, Tobin, McCollum, Palmer.

THE CALENDAR.

Wednesday, December 12th-

Undergraduate Club Mass Meeting, Students' Union, 3 p.m.

Literary Society, Students' Union, 8 p.m.

Thursday, December 13th-

"The Return of Odysseus," Grand Opera House, 8.15 p.m.

Friday, December 14th-

"The Return of Odysseus," Grand Opera House, 8.15 p.m.

Saturday, December 15th-

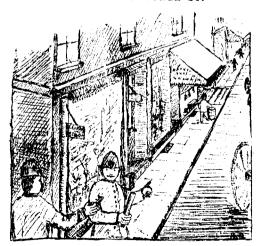
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There have been two recent additions to our University faculty. B. S. Cohoe, '98, has been appointed demonstrator in biology, and W. H. McNairn, '99, has been appointed instructor in mineralogy and chemistry.

J. M. Denholm, formerly of '02, is preparing for the press an illustrated account of his recent bicycle trip in Europe. He intends the volume as a gift-book for his friends.

At the recent examinations in Free Church College, Glasgow, John McKay, '99, stood head of the class, winning a scholarship.

It is to be regretted that several students saw fit to speculate in the tickets to the Athletic Dance. One man in particular applied to the committee with a most heart-rending tale of woe, when he had tickets in his pocket to speculate with. Such conduct is unworthy of students of the University of Toronto.

- R. J. Wilson, B,A., 'oo, won the oratorical contest at Knox last week.
- G. M. Murray, '98, has accepted a position with the Sault Ste. Marie Paper and Pulp Co., at Michipicoten Harbor, Ont.
- M. W. Wallace, '96, who received the degree of Ph.D. from the University of Chicago at the October Commencement, '99, has been appointed Root Professor of English in Beloit College, Wisconsin.

Misses McDonald and Campbell, of the Western University, have registered with 'o1 and 'o2 respectively.

Inconsistency.—" A lot of lobsters empower a lobster to prevent the importation of lobsters, and these same lobsters propose to give a feast of lobsters to another lot of bigger lobsters."—Feather, 'or.

G. F. McFarland, '02, struck a responsive chord which vibrated in the hearts of every Varsity man when he wished to know as to the statement that the Varsity girls were "up-in-arms"—up in whose arms?

Professor, (in tutorial latin) what is your name, please? Freshman, Mr. W——.

Messrs. McGregor and Langstaff will represent '04 in the inter-year debates.

At the Freshmen's Reception-

Scene.—On THE stairs. Cast—Freshette (pretty). Freshman—loving but very bashful—and three feet away—"Say" she said, breaking the silence, "you have just been elected to the editorial board of 'V., have you not?" "Yes." "Why don't you follow the motto of your profession?" "Um—what's that?" "Fill up space!" she said.—He savvied, and they missed the next three numbers.

Those who had the pleasure of seeing "the future Mrs. A." at the Rugby Dance were charmed by the prospective addition to the ranks of or. The "Bloodhounds" were particularly gratified.

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Captain Gilchrist of the '04 Association is rapidly getting his men into form. The freshmen trimmed the sophomores to the tune of 1 to 0.

In the recent game between Senior S.P.S. and Senior Meds, Earl Gibson, 'or, of the School made his reputation as a half-back. His runs were beautiful.

They say that S. B. Chadsey, '03, has vowed to refrain from singing "The Dutch Companie" in future. One day last week, while walking through the hall, he unwittingly sang the verse "There's the Amsterdam Dutch, etc., etc.," to an appreciative audience in the person of our worthy director of the Psychological Lab.

J. B. Clarke, '03, for whose safety the sophomores entertained some fears, is coming back to college after Christmas.

Our athletic champion, J. W. Gray, arrived in California last week in better condition than when he left here, notwithstanding the high altitudes over which he had to pass.

The Hon. A. I. Fisher, Premier in the late lamented Government, is very inconsistent or else has had reason of late to change his views. To the proposal last year that farmers should marry Varsity girls, "Anything is good enough for the farmers." Last Tuesday—"None of the Varsity girls are of mature age."

One of our graduates of '84 in Honor Philosophy, Dr. John A. MacVannel, is at present doing a good work in New York by giving free public lectures on pedagogical subjects. Dr. MacVannel formerly held a fellowship in Cornell, then in Columbia, and at present is assistant in Philosophy in Columbia.

We regret to learn that G. F. Kay, 'oo, is lying seriously ill with typhoid fever at the General Hospital.

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It is reported that a certain junior who went home with a very popular freshette from '03 reception has received a threatening letter from the irate pater warning him not to repeat the offense.

F. M. Chapman, 'or, appears to have "pressing" business very often down Whitby way.

Found—At the eastern entrance, about two weeks ago, a tortoise shell side-comb bearing the initials "F.R." If the owner is not particularly anxious to recover it, the present holder, a second-year Moderns man, would like to keep it as a souvenir.

At one of the receptions "Billy" Wilson, B.A., was very much embarrassed at being taken for a freshman.

They say that G. Ballard, '04, is anxiously looking forward to the Christmas Holidays. He expects to go to Hamilton a week ahead of time. Why?

The Vigilance Committee of '03 wished to show their disapprobation of the high-handed manner in which '04 ran their reception, by treating a prominent Freshman (V.C. K.C.B.) who originated the admission-by-ticket idea, to a dose of the famous H₂O cure. Better (?) counsels prevailed, however, and he is still let loose on the community.

The last issue of Varsity was the largest that has ever been printed for this paper. The number was 3,000, and even these did not fully supply the demand. Many were sent out through the province, and no doubt will have a good effect.

This year's "Sesame" is without doubt the best by far of any yet issued at Varsity. The members of the committee have worked hard and certainly deserve great credit for their work. We would advise our readers to get a copy early.

THE VARSITY extends its sympathy to Mr. Milner on the recent death of his father, Reverend Jonathan Milner. Rev. Mr. Milner was one of the pioneer preachers of Ontario Methodism.

We are glad to welcome J. P. McGregor back to the pleasures of hearing lectures in Varsity. Now we shall expect to hear again the Junior yell given more frequently and more vociferously than it has been given lately.

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Each went alone to see her Unto himself said he "To home, I'll escort be her, And so you all shall see.' He knew not of the others That lay in wait for she.

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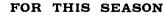
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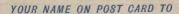
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