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# FIRST MEETING OF VARSITY LIT

The Initial Meeting for the Easter Term shows no Diminution of

MOCK PARLIAMENT

▲ Number of Clever Speeches Made—Conversat Committees Appointed

The opening meeting of the Lit, in the Easter term, gave no indication of any fall-ing off in the interest which has characterized the proceedings of the Literary Society during the past term. It is quite possible that the Mock Parliament appealed to many a man who sat on the Government, Opposition and Third party benches. In deference to the superior claim of the Literary Society, the affairs of the country—"This fair Dominion," as it is sometimes called—were postponed, and the attention of the House was directed to what might be correctly called its own business. Dr. Wickett, in the course of his remarks, introduced the Rev. William Reeve, a member of the class of '94, and an old classmate. Mr. Reeve. who was one of the luminaries of the society in his day, came forward and made a speech which was received with all the outward marks of satisfaction. He expressed his great interest in public speaking, as well as his delight in renewing, for a brief space, his acquaintance with old Varsity. The items of business which were dealt

The items of business which were dealt with by the society included the appointment of certain representatives and the hearing of the Conversat Committee's report. Mr. W. H. Alexander was appointed representative at the McGill Conversat, to be held on the 19th inst. Messrs. F. W. McKay and John McKay were elected Varsity standard-bearers in the second sound of

contained the list of sub-committees, re-ceived the approval of the members. The following is the list

Chairman-President, Dr. Wickett; Sec retary, F. E. Brown, '00; Treasurer, John McKay. '99.
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mittees.

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A. Hackney, E. F. Burton, J. E. Wetherell, C. E. Rowland; '02. Walker, Morriss, Mc-Rae, R. M. Stewart, I. Woods, A. Martin. Invitation—Chairman, R. V. Le Seuer

A. MacDougall, A. L. Burch, D. Mac Dougall, E. A. Cleary; 'oo, W. G. Harrison, N. Mitchell, H. Lang; 'ot, R. A. Cassidy, F. 'Aylesworth; 'o2, A. W. MacKenzie; S.P.S., D. A. Ross.

Program-Chairman, J. Monds; '99, W. A. Sadler, H. E. Abraham, J. L. Hogg; '00, H. D. Graham, R. Telford; '01, G. F. Mac-Farland; '02, E. Hardy, W. C. Klotz; Farland; '02, E. Hardy, W. C. Klotz; S.P.S., W. Beardmore. Business disposed of, the opening session

of the Tenth Parliament of Canada was in order. Mr. Reeve consented to fill the Speaker's chair, which he did with great credit to himself and to the satisfaction of all parties. The mace, which was constructed of a heterogeneous collection of door-knobs, etc., was laid reverently upon the table, and John Patterson took his seat as Clerk of the House. On either side of the table were the leaders and supporters of the two great parties, while at below the salt, as it were—the Third party. Patrons, and Prohibitionists were arrayed One of the most interesting figures on the front benches of the Government was the Minister of Agriculture, the Hon. W. H. MacNairn, who sat self-confessed as a tiller of the soil. Among his personal characteristics was a huge carpet bag, showing conclusively that he was a man with ancestors. He scorned convention by flaunting in the face of the Opposition a red bandana handkerchief, while the absence of a necktie con-

firmed his bucolic appearance.

The speech from the throne, which con-

tained among many useful measures, several reflections upon the late Government, constituted the opening ceremony. Messrs Mac-Kay and Allen, of the first year, were the mover and seconder, and confirmed the general impression regarding the freshman year as "one of the best." In the course of their remarks, they gave evidence of that necessary endowment of a capable politician —a vein of sarcasm. Their efforts having been duly applauded by their side of the House, the formidable leader of the Opposi tion, the Hon. John Monds, delivered him self of a very scathing commentary on the policy of the Government, which, to him, appeared to be summed up in the word disgraceful. The Ministry, seeing what was coming, bent their backs into a bicycle hump and proceeded to take copious notes. The Honorable, the leader of the Opposition, was particularly incensed at the policy of the Government in encouraging the Canadian Commissioners in extravagance by granting them a reinforcement in the matter of ex-

Mr. Keith, the leader of the great Third party, supplemented the onslaughts of the previous speaker by a very vigorous speech. Mr Keith inveighed against the provision of a smoking-room, which would become the haunt of men of light character, such as composed the Government. He couldn't see the advantage of either phonographs or megaphones. The Government, who had been all this while on the tenter-hooks of apprehension, raised cheer upon cheer when the speaker in closing de-clared his intention of supporting the Gov-ernment. The Premier, Sir Harold Fisher, K.C.B., followed precedent and overwhelmed his opponents with disdainful remarks. He entered into a defence of the various points of policy, and claimed the ability to speak more nonsense in half the time than any other man could.

Mr. Alexander condoled with the Govern

ment on its slow coach government, and made an unsuccessful attempt to win his way into the good graces of the Third party. W. J. Donovan, one of the possibilities for the leadership of the Third party at some future date, threw out veiled charges of boodling. Exception was taken by the Pre-

Colin Victor Dyment, F.R.S., Lord High Decorator to Her Majesty, came in for the hot shot of Mr. Donovan Well was it for the latter that Mr. Dyment was not present to speak in defence of his appointment. The whole Third party would have been taken from the House of Parliament—a cinder, a huge clinker. In the absence of the Lord High Decorator, the Minister of Agriculture took up cudgels for his colleague, to the considerable amusement of the members. If one had closed one's eyes during the speech of the Minister of Railways and Canals, the Hon. C Garvey, it would have been difficult to believe that the scene was otherwhere than the House of Commons at Ottawa Tommy Russell, the people's Tommy, spoke about skeletons and inenu-cards, and deprecated smoking rooms, and vindicated athle-At this period a diversion was created by the leader of a faction, which had hitherto been regarded as defunct. This was the famous A. H. McLeod, the leader of the Patrons, and the successor of John Haycock Mr. McLeod's speech was very amusing He has been taking lessons from the Post-master-General in phrase making, and he proceeded to brand the Government "as a baser than which there has not been." proceeded to expose the Minister of Agri-culture as a fake; whereupon ensued the famous potato scene, which reminded one so much of Burke's dagger scene in the British House of Commons. This Patron of Patrons claimed that eleven-tenths of the population of Canada is agricultural in its interests. He therefore promised that when, not if, he should be returned to power, the millennium would be in order.

Mr. E. J. Kylie, 'or, arose from the ranks of the Opposition and very ably added his criticism of the Government's policy. A vote of want of confidence was here taken by the Government, and was am ply sustained Albeit, they were not yet rid of the clamorous importunities of the pro-letariate; for Mr. A. L. Burch, of the Patrons of Industry, asked, in tones of agony, for food. Food was given him in the shape of a large tuber, which he proceeded to peel and devour. His appetite appeased, it is felt that the fortunes of the present Government rest upon a surer and more

A meeting of the Hockey Club was held last Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of arranging various matches, and selecting a manager for the second team.

It is requested that those members of the graduating class who have not yet sat for the class photo will do so as soon as possible. The date limit has been set at March 13th.

The Literary Society of Parkdale Collegiate Institute has fallen into line and established a course of lectures. Among the lecturers are Prof. Maurice Hutton, Prof. Oswald Rigby, Prof. Cody, Chancellor Burwash and W. Sanford Evans, M.A. A fee of fifty cents for the whole course has been charged, while the single admission has been fixed at fifteen cents.

# NEW STUDENT CLUB FORMED AT VARSITY

Its Object will be to Arrange for the Hallowe'en Demonstration Each Year

#### REPORT OF ITS MEETING

The Organization will also Work for the Promo tion of Public Speaking in its Various Branches.

For over a year or more a number of the students of the city have discussed the possibility of giving a students' entertain-ment at Hallowe'en to replace the annual demonstration at the theatre. demonstration at the theatie. Last year a committee was appointed by the University Literary Society to investigate the plan, and, if the venture was considered feasible, to decide what form the entertainment should take. This com mittee, which was not appointed until late in March, soon found that it was too late in the year to prepare an entertainment that would prove suitable for the occasion. It was decided therefore to postpone the matter until this year. At the meeting held last spring it was unanimously agreed that the annual turnout of all the students of the city on Hallowe'en afforded an excellent opportunity to the students to provide an en-tertainment of their own. It was thought also that the innovation would not only introduce a novel and interesting aspect to that occasion, but indeed would be gladly welcomed, since a noticeable desire for "something new" has been observed the past few years among many students of the

One of the most encouraging features of such a celebration as has been suggested is the fact that the affair would be an assured

With these observations in mind, a number of students field a meeting last month for the purpose of forming an organization to carry out the plan for next October. This meeting was largely attended and considerable enthusiasm was displayed. Representatives from the different schools were present, and all stated that their colleges would gladly join in the proposed celebration. It was decided that a club should beformed for the purpose, and a nominating committee was therewith appointed to elect officers for the same During the course of the meeting a lengthy discussion was held regarding the form of entertainment that should be provided for the occasion in question. Every form of entertainmer t was thoroughly discussed, and it was found that the majority of those pre-sent favored the production of an original comedy depicting modern college life. This proposal was favored for many reasons. The style of such a comedy would be quite unusual, and an extensive field was thought to be open for the introduction of the many interesting incidents of College life. Such a production would appeal strongly to the student, and would indeed prove an attraction to the general public. But perhaps the most significant argument in favor of such a piece is the act that two of Varsity's most prominent graduates are deeply interested in the project, and are now engaged in the task of constructing a play along the lines

It is fully realized what a great undertaking this is, and both of the graduates have asked until Feb. 1st to decide whether the plan is within the range of possibility. Meanwhile they are working assiduously at the piece, and it is quite likely that something suitable will be constructed. Both of these graduates are widely known in the world of literature, and it it is at all possible to build up a play in the extremely short time that they have, there is not the least doubt that they will accomplish it.

The formation of this club has a two-fold object and the second is in many respects even more important than the first. is the arrangement to be made to provide the members of the club with every opportunity for the promotion of public speaking in all its branches. It is proposed that the club shall engage a capable tutor, who shall form classes in oratory, elocution and special voice culture. In this way everyone who is interested in the work may secure tuition at a nominal cost. The advantages of public speaking are unquestionably manifold, and it shall be the object therefore of the club to further this work to the highest de gree of possible success.

The nomination committee chosen at the meeting last term, met Friday evening and President, I. elected the fallowing officers. G. Merrick, B.A., Osgoode Hall; vice-president, W. A. R. Kerr; treasurer, F. E. Brophey; secretary, F. D. McEntee. This committee decided also to ask the Literary Society, at its next meeting, to appoint

This body of officers does not represent the various col eges, but is composed of men who are interested in the club, and are willing to work in order to bring success to its undertaking. At a later date it is expected that a board will be elected representing all the colleges.

For the present the initiation fee by the club will be very small, and it is hoped that everyone who is interested in the undertak-ing will send in his name at an early date. A meeting of the club will be held at University College, Friday afternoon at half past

Several New Features to be Introduced—Feb. 10th is the Date

Although, as yet in a somewhat chaotic condition, the arrangement for the Conversat will soon take a definite forms. all sorts of plans in the air, which will in the course of a week or so, either resolve themselves into realities or be altogether dissipated. The most definite thing known is the date, which has been fixed for Feb. 10th. The evening will be divided into three parts, opening with a reception. This will be followed by a promenade concert, and will last until about 11 o'clock, after which the dancing will commence.

Definite arrangements have been made with Madame Trebelli, the famous singer, who will constitute the main attraction of the concert program. The remainder of this part of the program will be rendered by the best available talent. A new feature this year is the appointment of a committee of grad-uates to provide for the reception of graduates, many of whom are every whit in need of entertainment as the average outsider. The committee appointed for this purpose is composed of the following gentlemen:— Chairman, Dean DeLury; secretary, T. A. Hunt: treasurer, J. G. Merrick; commit-tee, Messrs. James Brebner (the registrar), Lorne MacDougall. of Ottawa; W. M. Martin, of Hamilton; W. M. Boultbee, of Toronto, and O. M. Biggar, of Toronto. It will be the province of this committee to look to it that all graduates present are received by the Faculty and are cordially welcomed and entertained on the night of Feb.

Toth. A strenuous endeavor will be made
to make the price of the tickets as reasonable as possible. It is hoped that a rate of
\$1 will be secured, which will be the same for members of the Faculty, graduates and undergraduates. A distinction will be made in the case of outsiders, who will, in all probability, be assessed at a higher rate. As was stated in the Michaelmas term, it is the purpose of the committee to make this affair essentially a student's func-tion. A further intention is to have it take the form of a social reception rather than a ball. There is no reason whatever why the event should not surpass in point of numbers, well as social and financial success, all the previous conversats held. It rests with the undergraduates to make it what they

#### GRENVILLE KLEISER'S CONCERT TO STUDENTS

This Annual Entertainment Will Be Given in Association Hall Monday Evening

The annual "Grenville Kleiser" entertainment, given for the students of the city, will be held this year in Association Hall, next

Monday evening.

Each year Mr. Kleiser has given an "evening" to the students, and the occassion has always been a very enjoyable one. Among the recent readi gs by Mr. Kleiser were "David Copperfield" and "Our American Cousin.' This year be will present a miscellaneous program, and a glance at a few of the numbers will suggest the treat that is in store for those who are present

next Monday evening.

The program will include the following:
"The Grave-diggers scene from Hamlet," a dramatic selection entitled "The Boy Orator of Zepata City," a laughable sketch, "Obliging His Landladay." This latter piece will be particularly appreciated by the boys domiciled in boarding houses. Another funny number will be an experience Mr. Kleiser had in Switzerland with a whistler. Eugene Field's well-known piece, "John Smith," will also be given, together with a number of other bright readings. Mr. Kleiser will be assisted by two or three well-known musical artists.

securing the hall, a small admission fee, as heretofore, will be charged to the students.

The annual "At Home" of the Women's Literary Society will be held on Saturday, 4th February. The thanks of the society 4th February. The thanks of the society are due to the Athletic Association for the use of the Gymnasium for that evening. use of the Gymnasium for that evening. It is purposed to hold a reception followed by a short literary program. Refreshments will be served in the Reading Room throughout the evening and it is hoped that permission may be obtained to end the "At Home" with a short dance.

# BASEBALL NOW BEING DISCUSSED

A Meeting of the Club and Election of Officers for Next Season.

#### THIS YEAR'S CONVERSAT TEAM'S PROSPECTS FOR '99

A Number of New Players at the Different Schools-An Ame

Although it will be at least ten weeks before the baseball men will have their innings, the prospects for the coming season are al-ready a chief source of topic among the lovers of the game, and from all appearances the year '99 is going to be a big one in Col-lege baseball here.

At the meeting of the University of Toronto Club, held recently, the outlook for the year was fully discussed, and in drawing up the list of players it was unanimously agreed that the team this year will be the strongest that has ever represented Varsity. One of the most important matters decided upon at this meeting was the determination on the part of the directorate to begin practice earlier this year than heretofore and give the players a thorough coaching in batting, base-running and throwing. It is expected that the Armouries will be secured for this purpose. The practices will begin next week and several hours each week will be devoted to indoor work during this month, February and March. A notice of the first practice will be published in a few days, and all new candidates for the team are requested to send in their names at once.

The club will make up two teams as usual, one representing the I. team and the other the II. Each of these teams will make separate tours during the season. It will be the object of the club this year to make the II. team a strong one, so that it may act as a feeder for the I, team each succeed-

Arrangements are now being made for an Arrangements are now being made for an American tour for the I. team. It is proposed to Play Niagara University on the 24th of May, Buffalo or Rochester on the 26th and Cornell on Saturday, the 27th. After this date the team will play several colleges in eastern New York, and possibly Princeton and Yale, returning to Toronto for "Commencement Day" in June. When this interesting occasion is over, a second tour will be made through Western Ontario and Michigan.

and Michigan.

The II. team tour will include a large number of the best baseball towns in the western part of the province, and will be more extensive than heretofore.

In looking over the list of available menfor the I. team, the outlook for a strong team

Foremost among the galaxy of stars that will dazzle and delight the fans this spring will be Parry, Sinclair, Stratton, Meredith, Armour, Glassford, Blanchard, MacDougall, H. Sinclair, Jones and a host of minor lights who will be given ample opportunity this year of displaying their knowledge of the

'Jack" Parry, who will be behind the bat for his fourth season, will captain the I. team, and there is no doubt that under his supervision the team will appear at its very best. "Dan" Sinclair will again hold down second, and, as usual, this will be one of the strongest spots on the team. Glassford, who is taking special work at the School of Pharmacy, is booked again for the box, and, according to latest reports, his arm is in excellent shape. The chances are that the team will be strong in the box this year, as there are several promising pitchers in the first years of the different schools. will doubtless remain in the outfield where his work is indispensable. Meredith may make a try for first.

The remaining positions will not be filled until after the usual Spring practices. Among the new men this year will probably be Davey, of the Med School, who made a name for himself in the Toronto-Trinity game last fall; Christmas, of the School of Pharmacy; McDonald, of the Dental School; Wright, of the Trinity Meds; Brereton, of the School of Science; and A. W. Mackenzie and Hills, of University Col-

The following will be the officers of the

club for the season :
Hon. President, Prof. Ramsay Wright, M.A.; President, Frank K. Johnston, M.A.; First Vice-President, W. A. Stratton; Second Vice-President, W.A. Stratton; Second Vice-President, John R. Meredith; Captain, John R. Parry; Manager, F. D. McEntee; Curator, A. Hills.

Representatives—Fourth year arts, D. A.

Sinclair; third year arts, L. E. Jones; second year arts, W. O. Watson; first year arts, A. W. Mackenzie; third and fourth arts, A. W. Mackenzie; initia and year meds., A. J. G. Macdougall; first and second year meds., R. Davey; Victoria, A. Fisher: St. Michael's, W. O'Compor; second year meds., K. Davey; Victoria, A. E. Fisher; St. Michael's, W. O'Comor; S.P.S., W. Brereton; dentals, E. McDonald; Trinity meds., N. Wright; pharmacy, J. Christmas.

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# Heard in the Halls.

Cecil E. Race, '97, was in town during

H. B. King, 'o1, has charge of a school

L. H. Tasker, '97, is classical master in Niagara Falls High School. A J. Goodall, B.A., '98, is on the staff of the Imperial Bank at Galt.

The gymnasium fee for the Easter term

has been fixed at three dollars. It is reported that A. F. Barr (Biddy) in-

tends studying for the Church. G. L. Wagar, '98, is a member of the staff of the Morrisburg High School.

R. H. Mode, '98, is pursuing postgraduate work in Mathematics and Physics.

J. H. Hancock, B.A., '97, is in the office of the firm of Goldie & McCulloch, Galt.

Donald McFayden, B.A., the gold medal-list of '96, was in the city during vacation. Prof. Maurice Hutton spent the vacation with his family at Colorado Springs, Denver.

Miss A. R. Riddell, B.A., '96, is teaching

in the Ontario Ladies' College at Oshawa. "Pat" Johnston, M.A., has been on the sick list, his trouble being congestion of the

Mr. A. D. McIntyre, '97, is now Classical and English master in the Tilsonburg High

A. D. MacIntyre, B.A., '97, has been appointed classical master in Tilsonburg. High School.

Freddie Young visited friends in Mont-real during the holidays and reports a delightful time. "Lexie" Isbester survived the hockey

match only to be prostrated by the prevailing epidemic, grip.

C. P. Megan, M.A., '95, is master in advanced Mathematics at Englewood High School, Chicago, Ill.

A. J. Fisher, B.A., (Piscator, stayed over a few days on his way to the School of Pedagogy at Hamilton.

L. H. Tasker, B.A., '97, has secured the appointment to the classical mastership of Niagara Falls High School.

One of the latest additions to the Univer sity Library is a very fine set of the works of

W. H. Alexander has been appointed Varsity's representative to the McGill Conversat, which takes place 19th inst.

Dr. Morley Wickett, the popular president of the Literary Society, paid a visit to Cor nell University during vacation.

W. K. Stewart, B A:, '97, who is pursuing postgraduate studies in moderns at Harvard, spent the vacation at his home in town

The members of class 'oo extend their heartfelt sympathy to J. F. M. Stewart of Harriston, whose two sisters died last week

Mrs. Joseph Dillabough, of Chicago, (Miss Maude Dack) formerly of '99 Arts, called on a number of her old Varsity friends in town

A. H. Montgomery has changed his quarters from Grenville street to College street. Monty still lingers around the old scenes,

Pat Johnston, M.A., '96, begs to thank the Women's Literary for choosing his birth-day—the 4th February—as the evening for their annual "At Home."

Thomas Shanks, of the S. P.S., is recovering from a severe attack of grip, which caught him as he was whiling away the Christmas vacation down East.

Hammie Hill, '98, spent Christmas at his home in Ottawa. He intends spending the remainder of the winter "shantying" in the lumber camps on the Gatineau River.

The members of the Women's Lit. heartily thank Prof. Baker for his kindness in contributing the dainty book-case, to be used for the Grace Hall Memorial Club.

John Bone, '99, has been confined to his room in residence during the past week with a severe attack of La Grippe. Everybody is. anxious to see him around the corridors

Miss Preston, '99, ga e a delightful afternoon tea to her many friends last Saturday. Everyone present voted 2 Bellwoods Park a jolly home and Miss Preston a charming

Doc Carder spent part of his holidays in Montieal with Mr. W. J. Rusk, B.A., form-erly Fellow in Mathematics, and at present lecturer in that subject at Bishop's College,

Charlie Cowan has come to Varsity stay. After spending a great part of the fall term in visiting his friends at home, he has registered, and is now an excessively preoccupied young man.

Colin Victor Dyment, 'oo, is another of the victims who are recovering from the grip, and was unable to be present at the Lit last Friday, in his capacity of Lord High Decorator to Her Majesty.

John Inkster left Toronto during the holidays to take charge of a Mission at Mar-mora. He found that his yearnings to revi-it Var-ity were too strong for resistance, and accordingly made a trip to town last

Sickness has not spared even the august faculty. Among those who have been and are indisposed, are Professors Fletcher and Squair and Mr. W. J. Loudon. Mr. Chant very ill, and has been unable to lecture for some days.

Claude Bryan, B.A., '96, who has been on the Globe staff since graduation, left on the 30th of last month for London, England, where he henceforth will act as private sec-retary and literary assistant to Gilbert Parker, the novelist.

As Willie Dromgole has not yet made his re-appearance, it is believed that he has suc-cumbed to the Russian influenza, and has retired for a brief span to a certain hospital in London, where he received such kind treatment last fall.

Clemmie Keys, '97, who is one of the masters at Bishop Ridley, was a guest at the Rossin House during vacation. Needless to say, he relaxed somewhat the bonds of discipline with which he has voluntarily bound himself since last fall.

Morgan Jellett, of Osgoode's Rugby team, who had his leg broken in the Osgoode-Hamilton match last fall, and who has been a tenant of the General Hospital in consequence, is out again and able to limp down to the office every morning.

'99 is getting out another issue of their class pin. This is in deference to the urgent needs of a large number of the members of that class, who have either lost these emblems or have given them as tokens to their lady friends. Mr. W. H. McNairn has charge of the issue.

There are three new girls registered in the first year this term, viz: Miss Tapscott, Miss Evans (a sister of Miss Grace Evans, '99), and Miss May Archer, of Petrolea, who took lectures last term at Trinity, but who decided to finish her course with old Var-"Thrice welcome, Miss Archer."

A. J. Stringer, '96, is at present engaged with the Associated Press of New York. Mr. Stringer is too well known through his poems and other literary work to call for eulogiums here. His work has received fav-orable notice throughout the length and breadth of Canada, as well as elsewhere, and will undoubtedly shed great lustre upon old

Tickets for the course of Saturday lectures may be obtained now for \$1.25. men's Residence Association, under whose auspices the lectures are being delivered, intend holding a reception, which shall be a typical University affair and which shall welcome among its guests the purchasers of the "course tickets.

An interesting and novel feature of the assault-at-arms this year will be the class lesson and the fencing bout by the members of the Women's Fencing Club. Prof. Williams has been puzzling his brains to think of something new and taking for the exhibition in February, and he has certainly hit upon something unique.

The opening lecture of the Saturday series was delivered last Saturday afternoon, in the Chemical Building. The disagreeable weather deterred many who would otherwise have been present. The lecturer, Coate Wade, Esq., B.A., Q.C. of Winnipeg, delivered a very interesting lecture upon the Klondike, which he illustrated with lantern

A meeting of the Lacrosse Club was held on Tuesday afternoon, for the purpose of organization and the election of officers. The elections resulted as follows: Honorary President, President Loudon; President, F. A. Cleland; First Vice-President, G. W. A. Cleiand; First vice-Fresident, G. W. Ross; Manager and Secretary, J. R. Bone; Assistant Manager, E. P. Brown; Committee, E. G. Bogart, '99, F. Morison, '00, W. Hanley, '01, Mr. McCrae, '02, H. C. Wales, B. Ansley, of the School of Medicine, J. Davidson, S.P.S., and O. Elliott, Dental College.

The Osgoode ball will be held this year under the auspices of the Osgoode Rugby Football Club, instead of the Literary Society, as hitherto. The dance, which promises to be a huge success, will come off a week from Friday, the evening of the 27th January. As at the annual ball, the whole hall will be thrown open, and there will be dancing in both the Convocation Hall and the Literary, while supper will be served in the Rotunda. Tickets (\$1.00), may be obtained from any member of the Osgoode Football team.

It is rumored that the ladies purpose inaugurating a hockey club. Ladies' Hockey Clubs are being formed everywhere and why not at Varsity? If satisfactory arrangements could be made for the use of the rink, there would be no trouble in getting the teams together, as all the girls seem quite enthusiastic over the idea. None of them know how to play, but they all recognize that here is an excellent opportunity to learn. And surely among all the hockey players at Varsity, they might obtain at least one coach to initiate them into the mysteries of the

Mr. W. K. Stewart, B.A., '97, who is studying at Harvard, brings word of the existence in that University of a healthy and vigorous organization known as the Canadian Club. The object of life of this club is purely national good fellowship and reunion. Suppers and other social entertainments are given, and the memories of old Canada are thus cherished and revived. It is a custom to hold an annual festivity, to wnich are invited Canadian delegates from the various American Colleges The membership is quite an extensive one and affords many pleasurable opportunities to the Cana dian exiles in the United States.

Fred. MacKay, '99, and Ross Gillespie, '00, had an exciting adventure at the former's home in Woodstock during the holidays. Taking advantage of the sleighing sea on, they arranged for a spurt along the boule vard one afternoon, and had secured for the vard one afternoon, and had secured for the purpose one of the fastest flyers in the village. In the course of the afternoon, their steed became unmanageable and ran away, throwing both of the pleasure-seekers out of the sleigh. Fortunately they landed in a snowdrift and their plunge, therefore, was comparatively easy. While no one was interest in the control of t comparatively easy. While no one was injured, it was said that there were two very much frightened young men in Woodstock

The following is the program of the Saturday lectures: January 21st, "With the American Land Forces in Cuba," with lantern illustrations, by Mr. John A. Ewan, war correspondent of the Globe. January 28th, "Hieroglyphies, Ancient and Modern," with lantern illustrations, by Mr. Sam Hunter, of the World. February 4th, "Our Salmon and Salmon Fisheries," with lantern illustrations, by Prof. Edward E. Prince, Dominion Commissioner of Fisheries, Ottawa. February 11th, "Some Oxford Types," by Professor Maurice Hutton February 18th, "Some Types of Rural French Canada," by Some Types of Rural French Canada," by or. W. H. Drummond, author of "The Halibut" and other poems. February 25th, "The Seasons in India," with lantern illustrations, by Dr. R. D. Rudolph. This course of lectures will be delivered in the chemical building at 3 o'clock p m. The tickets for the entire course, which have been placed at \$1.50, may be secured from Wm. Tyrell & Co., King St., or from the Registrar.

After the public lecture on Saturday, Mrs Mayor gave a most delightful tea-the dark and dreary afternoon tending to make even more attractive than usual her bright and pretty home in University Crescent. Needless to say. Mrs. Mavor proved an ideal hostess—welcoming her guests with that sweet graciousness which served to make each and everyone feel perfectly at home. Miss Patterson and Miss White, both of '99, Miss Patterson and Miss White, both of 90 presided over the dainty tea table. Master Willie Mavor, in Scotch costume, was much petted by the ladies present, among whom were:—Miss Mowat, Mrs. Fred. Mowat, Miss Anning, Mrs Geo. Bertram, Miss Coyne, Mrs. Dundas, Mrs. Flavelle, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs Grant, Miss Gurney Miss Hamilton, Mrs. Mrs. Coyne, Mrs. Coyn Hamilton, '95, Miss Grant MacDonald, '98, Miss MacMurchy, Miss Neelands. '96, Miss Charlotte Ross, Miss Smellie, Miss Street, '95, Mrs. (Dr.) Tyrrell, Mrs. (Prof.) Vandersinissen and M.s. (Dr.) Wilson. Also welcomed were—Mr. Sanford Evans, Prof. Fletcher. Rev. Mr. Hawes, Prof. Vandersinissen, Dr. Wilson and Prof. Ramsay Wright.

The Christmas number of Acta Victoriana reflects great credit upon the enterprise and taste of the management of that publication. The cover, which is in the colors of Victoria, contains a cut of the building, and in the foreground a lady and a gentleman under-graduate in cap and gown. The literary matter includes contributions from the pens of Canada's foremost literary men. Poems are contributed by Duncan Campbell Scott Archibald Lampman, Wm Wilfrid Campbell, J. W. Bengough, Hon David Mills, Charles Roberts, Bernard McEvoy, W. T. Allison and others. Prof. Goldwin Smith, Allison and others. Prof. Goldwin Smith, Prof. Reynolds, Prof. William Clark, and Hon. G. W. Ross have written articles on literature and criticism. while a feature of this number is the fac-simile replies of Sir John Bourinot, K.C.M.G., LL.D., Hon, George E. Foster, Chancellor Burwash, Principal Grant and Dr. Parkin to questions on their favorite authors, etc. The illustrations are very fine and the whole number takes rank as one of the best of Collegiate holiday numbers. E. W. Grange, the editor, and W. G. Smith, the business manager, are to be congratulated upon the success of their work in the production of the Christmas number of Acta Victoriana.

#### WOMEN'S LIT MEETS

First Year Supplies the Program-Committee for the "At Home" Selected

The Women's Literary Society met last Saturday evening in the Students' Union. The attendance was unusually good, especially as it was the first meeting of the new term. It had been announced that some of the Freshettes would make their debut and those who came to criticize were more than sa isfied. For the Farce—"A Slight Mistake"-was ably stayed by Misses Burt, King, Marshall, Mott and Wallace, of '02. Although the audience was informed that, through some misunderstandings, the practices had been few and far between, yet it was unanimously agreed that the first year girls should be congratulated upon their suc-

In the absence of the president, Miss Woolverton, '99, occupied the chair, and called upon Miss Harris for a piano solo, which was fully appreciated. Miss Lick, always a favorite with the girls, followed with a vocal solo, rendered in her usual de-lightful style. The political report was with a vocal solo, rendered in her usual delightful style The political report was then read by Miss Georgie Cowan, B. A. of '96, after which the society was very much pleased to welcome Miss Netta Miller, formerly of '99, who favored the girls with one of her pleasing piano solos. The Literary Report by Miss A. St. O. Cole, '00, proved most interesting. Too much cannot be said in praise of it, for it was undoubtedly the best thy thas ever been delivered at edly the best that has ever been delivered at the Literary Society. Miss Austin's solo, which completed the program, showed that

which completed the program, showed that she is making great strides in her studies at the Conservatory of Music.

The committees for the coming "at home" were then appointed:

Reception Committee—Misses Burgess, Cleary, Downey, Forrest, Hughes, Johnston, Little, Grace Macdonald, Patterson and D. F. Wright. F. Wright.

Tea-room Committee—Misses Baird, Ben-son, Dickson, Easson, Marshall, M. E. Ma-son, Street, Turner, Watt and L. M. Wright, Refreshment Committee—Misses Cole, Conlin, Cole, Grant. King, Lang, Tennant, Wegg, Wallace and Woolverton.

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Program Committee — Misses Darling, Tennant, Wegg and White.

Music Committee-Misses M. E. Mason and W. Hutchison.

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First of the Intercollegiate Debates for this Term Friday Evening

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The opening debate of the second round of the Intercollegiate Debating Union will take place in the chapel of the Conservatory of Music, on College St., at 8 o'clock on Friday, January 20th. The officers of University College Literary Society, who won the bye, have charge of the arrangements, and have succeeded in providing an excellent musical and literary program.

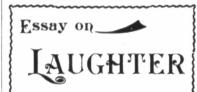
The colleges contesting for supremacy in debate are Varsity and McMaster. President Loudon will act as chairman, and the following program will be given.

1. Vocal solo, by Mr. Alexander Gorrie; 2. Reading, by H. F. Cook. Debate—"Re-solved: That an immediate alliance, offensive and defensive, between Great Britain and the United States would be in the best interests of the world's civilization." The above is the proposition which McMaster has elected to defend through its two cham-pions, Messrs. R. MacDonald and Hark-ness. For Varsity, W. F. Mackay and John Mackay will endeavor to sustain the negative position. Old Varsity's reputation is perfectly safe in the hands of these two orators, who will undoubtedly make as good a showing as was done last fall at Trinity.

The next number after the debate includes an instrumental solo by E. Hardy, Polacca Brilliant, and a vocal solo by W. J. Knox, M.A. It is earnestly hoped that there will be a representative turnout of both faculty and undergraduates. Varsity's chances are very good for the finish, and it behooves every one to add his quota of support by being present, and, if need be, by shouting. The following gentlemen have consented to act as referees: Dr. Caven, W. R. Riddell and Dr. Workman.

Owing to the fact that next Friday even ing will be the occasion of the debate between Varsity and McMaster Hall in the Inter College Debating Series, there will be no meeting of the Literary Society. The popularity of the Mock Parliament has been so great that there is considerable talk of having it take the place of the customary debates. It is felt that there is far more interest taken in the proceedings of the Parliament and that the arrangements afford a better opportunity for all concerned to take part in the speaking. It is thought that there might be arranged inter-year contests to stimulate interest and that of the four years there might be formed four parties—a Government, Opposition, Third Party, etc. It is altogether likely that such an arrangement would be received with great favor and would serve to keep up the attendance of the Lit during the term, in which everybody is supposed to be assiduously at work and to have very little time for anything but work. The prospect of a lively time in the Mock Parliament will be far more likely to draw the average plug out of his shell than the sterotype debate upon a British-American alliance or some such topic.

Sesame, '99, the annual publication of the women graduates and undergraduates of University College, has more than maintained its reputation as a literary production. The editor-in-chief, Miss C. C. Benson, '99, together with the assistant editors, the Misses Tennant, '99, L. M. Mason, '00, A. C. MacDonald, '01, F. R. A. Amos, '02, and Miss Lila Kate White, have succeeded in presenting a most excellent assortment of which is composed of Miss Annie W. Paterson, '99, and her aides Miss E. M. Flemng, '00, Miss L. Darling, '01, and Miss I. M. Street, '02, have been signally successful in the management and general get up of this periodical. The cuts, which are perfect, re-present different features of our University Buildings, and add considerably to the artistic beauty of Sesame. The frontispiece contains an excellent picture of the Library from the tower, which, however, must yield precedence to the photogravure of the sundial in the Dean's garden, which was secured through the kindness of Mr. A. H. Abbott, B.A., and of which Miss Annie Pat-Abboott, B.A., and of which Miss Annie Patterson has written a brief, but very charming history. A very sensible as well as a timely article has been contributed by Miss H. S. Grant Macdonald, B.A., last year's editor, in which she propounds the question, "Women or Girls?" and decides in favor of the former as applicable to University undergraduates of that sex. Miss McE Hunter, B.A., has an interesting and well written story, in which "The Tale of Two Ties assumes the proportions of a tragedy. Miss Laura M. Mason's poem, "The Second Fall," raises a protest against a "culture Fall," raises a protest against a "culture that makes us mighty of brain, but allows our hearts to wither" "A Sprig from the 'Christbaum'" is the title of a quaint little soliloquy by Miss E. M. Balmer, B.A., while "Ninety Years ago," by Miss Grace Evans, is a very touching story of military life in old York. The remaining articles are anonymous, the contributors having diffidently signed their initials.



When shall we laugh? say when?
- Merchant of Venice.

The proper answer to Bassanio's query each one must settle for himself. does not know when one is amused, no rules will help him to such a knowledge. The laughter, poet-like, is born, not made. If, when all the company are in the throes of laughter, one sits apart with a look of blank wonder at it all, nunc est ridendum will evoke from him no answering smile—he will but stare the more blankly. In view of this, I have made little attempt to fix the occasion of laughter, but have merely thrown to-gether in flimsiest unity a few idly fanciful

remarks on this happy passion.

Dictionaries define laughter as being an involuntary movement of the facial muscles, particularly of the lips, or a peculiar expresparticularly of the lips, or a peculiar expression of the eyes, indicating merriment, or satisfaction, usually accompanied by a sonorous emission of air from the lungs, attended by a shaking of the sides. You will observe that the eye and the lip each holds a place in the structure of the laugh; you will further notice that the position of prominence has been allotted the sinews. These wondrous funny fibres are the braces and girders in the stoat temple of Gelos. From them in the stout temple of Gelos. From them our merriment derives its bulk, its elasticity, its lustihood. Sixteen muscles, to accept the enumeration of Sunset Cox, are said to join in joility. The Occipito-frontalis communicates its quiver to the Compressor Nasi, and the Zigomaticus, which makes one flinch to say it, wavers in the Platysma Myodes, which causes a wonder why it should be considered a laughing matter at

Only the fortunate few are possessed of the genuine laugh—what one may call laughing. The majority either maim or suffocate this cheery passion. It comes from them a husky, muffled, broken sound, which 'twould be slanderous to label laughter, seeing that it has lost all semblance of expression. It is pseudo-laughter—a mere pretender. Most men rest content with a snigger; some evolve from the lining of their throats a very unex-pressive titter. They seem to fear disastrous results to the universe should they let loose the lion of their lungs. Others sniff and hiss like an intermittent radiator, or, on special occasions, by an ambitious effort, produce some wheezy, croaking cachinnation, like an asthmatic who has fallen into a well Repose no trust in any of this stripe. All such are to be feared. The man who has no harmony in his laugh is not only "fit for treasons, stratagems and spoils," but his very life is a treason and a trick.

To laugh properly one professional actions to the stripe of th

To laugh properly one must not burst forth suddenly like an eruption of Vesuvius or roar him loudly like any hungry lion at first, but all must begin gradually. First, a light must kindle in the eyes and face, a glowing, o'er-spreading, lovely light, as of Euphrosyne incarnate; then, after a few preliminary twitches of lips and brows, you may rend the air with a risible rattle enough to waken the seven sleepers; then may your merriment run riot with a noise resembling the unanimous neighing of the horses of Hercules; tears stream down your cheeks; both hands clutch your sides or make frantic grabs toward the knee region; one foot, then the other, must be held aloft as you totter in your pleasant agony; the head must be thrown back; then, peal upon peal, stentorian, uninterrupted, uncontrollable—a laughing fanfaranade, not of any one set of muscles, but of the whole man from head to heel. This is the laugh we eulogize, the lusty laugh the laugh with no undercurrent of pathos, the care-free laugh, the laugh of the heart—hearty. Goldsmith would have very likely called this "the loud laugh that spoke the vacant mind." Despite Goldsmith, anyone who has dipped into psychology ever so slightly knows how much is to be inferred from this—that no one who has thus once given himself over to unrestrained laughter can be bad, altogether, irreclaim-

ably.

Why we laugh has afforded the essayist with many pages of surmise, and variant are the theories advanced as to the source of this witching power. Hazlitt is of the opin-ion that there is no real reason for our laughter, while Addison considers it the effect of pride. Old-time doctors explained the difficulty more ingeniously. They located in our system a particular vein—a vein for a laugh to run in, and when the blood in this vein was stirred, the man laughed whether he would or not. Tasso, in "Jerusalem Delivered," recounts the story of the Cru-sader who was killed by a Persian lance. Many a knight fell in the combat,

But 'twas Ardonio's fate. Through the quick spleen to be transfixed where lies

The vein whose mirthful throbs the heart di-

So that (a strange and horrid sight!) he lies Jocund with mortal pain, and loudly laugh ing, dies.

Others aver that laughter is implanted and involved in the muscles of the stomach, and that the larger this organ the more capacious the laugh. And if one reflects on that goodly array of men with a plethoric intumescence of body, rotund of voice, rubicund of visage, whose healthy laughter-tones "rumble and rattle and roar" on every hand, one would be rattle and roar" on every hand, one would be almost led to credit such a theory. Who ever saw, who ever heard of 250 pounds of melancholy? Nobody. The "blues" never thrive on obesity, for fat and fun have linked hands to travel the pathway of life together. A fat man in a company is a certain guarantee

that the gods of discord will fly its counsels. When in quest of a friend (should you be so unhappy as to lack one), above all others choose a man of corpulence. Such a one may well be your friend, for under his tute-lage your mind and body will flourish like

the bay-tree—laugh, then, and grow fat.

Laughter, like n.ercy, is "thrice blest," and, more than sleep, can it be said "to knit the raveled sleeve of care." For care follows us to the couch and poisons our very dreams. whilst laughter, for the nonce, drowns in the rippling of its merry notes all the bitter recollections that infest the day. "Respite, respite and nepenthe" are the portion of its devoted adherents. Some indeed, with Addison, hold that laughter slackens and unbraces the mind, weakens the faculties and causes a kind of remissness and dissolution in all the powers of the soul, and in so far it may be looked upon as a weakness in the composition of human nature. But if we consider the frequent reliefs we obtain from it and how often it breaks the gloom which is apt to depress the mind and damp our spirits, with transient and unexpected gleams of joy, one would not care to grow too wise for such a pleasure in life. Laughter lubricates the car of care, and if used generously, our affairs will roll along most easily.

Laughter is amiable, is beautiful. Almost can we be persuaded to pardon the man with the smile sesquipedalian, for the length of it but measures his largeness of heart. Blessed be the man who laughs! May his tribe in-crease and lord it over the whole earth— whether he pitch his hilarity in hi hi or he-he, in ha-ha or ho-ho.

To trace the rippling course of laughter through the realms of literature is a refreshing occupation—a foot journey on a pleasant day, It receives golden opinions from all sorts of penmen, and the praise of it is said and sung in divers languages. Quaint tri-bute comes to it from the most unexpected sources. Here it gleams silverery in one fair line like a woodland stream; here broadens into a pleasant sonnet skipping in merry measure; now it is a grand song which gleams in its splendor like an expansive, moon-lit lake holding stars in its trem-bling embrace. "Why should a man" in-quires the immortal dramatist, "whose heart is warm within sit like his grandfather cut in alabaster? Sleep when he wakes and creep into the jaundice by being peevish?"
The golden chain of Jove, records the genial The golden chain of Jove, records the genial Jerrold, was nothing but a succession of laughs-a chromatic scale of merriment reaching from earth to Olympus. And many another has embodied the praise of laughter in his lines. Milton, the glum Puritan, has given us in "L'Allegro" the most perfect description of mirth ever penned:

Sport that wrinkled care derides, And Laughter holding both his sides. Homer could find no dearer title for Venus than the laughter-loving maiden, and Horace styles the same divinity the goddess delight ing in laughter. So universal is the admira-tion of this benison to our race that in every language we find it metaphorically attributed to any pleasing and beautiful object in nature. We speak of the "laughing dawn," the "laughing sky," "laughing stars" and "laughing brooks." And who has not listened to the wimpling music of Minnehahalaughing water? laughing water?

Allow me to conclude this effort at teach ing truth laughingly with a squib of Whit-comb Riley's, which contains in a few beautiful words the gist of my endeavor:

Ave, thou valet! Laugh away! All the world's a holiday! Laugh away, and roar and shout Till thy hoarse tongue lolleth out! Bloat thy cheeks, and bulge thine eyes Bloat thy cheeks, and bulge thine eyes
Unto bursting, pelt thy thighs
With thy swollen palms, and roar
As thou never hast before!
Lustier! wilt thou! peal on peal!
Stiflest? Squat and grind thy beel—
Wrestle with thy loins, and then
Wheeze thee whiles, and whoop again.
—J. P. F.

#### McMASTER UNIVERSITY

The century class held their annual rally on Friday evening last, at the residence of Chancellor Wallace. The first two hours of the evening were passed in a pleasant sleighride around the city and later at the Chancellor's, where refreshments were served and an enjoyable social entertainment provided. The President and officers of the year are to be congritulated because of the success of this year's Rally.

Prof. Farmer addressed the Theological Society on Thursday evening, on "The Perils and Privileges of a Preacher's Life." The address was practical and full of many helpful pointers.

Most of the students at McMaster are troubled nightly with visions of hockey sticks, skates and pucks, for the four days' skating of last week has aroused some enthusiasm here for the slippery game of Hockey. Among the comers for a place on the first team may be mentioned the names of Johnson and Hannah. The opening of the rink takes place on Thursday night if the weather is favorable. The 48th Highlanders' Band will play during the evening.

#### SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

The regular meeting of the Engineering Society was held last Wednesday at 8 o'clock. Very interesting papers were read by two of he undergraduates, Mr. T. S. Richards on High Pressure on Engines," and Mr. D. Ross on "Railway Location in the Crow's Nest Pass." Both are practical men, and were listened to very attentively.

A very small but enthusiastic meeting was held in the interests of hockey on Thursday. The following officers were elected: Hon. dresident, Mr. W. T. Jennings; president,

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Mr. Haight, B.A.Sc., has written a most interesting article for the Industrial Advo-cate, published in Halifax, N.S. Mr. Haight is a graduate of the school, and has been very successful in all his undertakings.

Many students have not yet returned, as holiday festivities and grip hold them in durance vile. We wish all a speedy recovery

#### DENTAL COLLEGE

Dean Willmott is unable to resume his lectures this term owing to a severe attack

Dr. Webster, Professor of Clinical Den-

tistry is taking the Dean's lectures. The College intends entering a team in the College Hockey League. From reports the team will be pretty fast.

Several of the boys are indisposed, suffering from an attack of the grippe. Among whom are C. B. Bell, "Billy" Hacket, "Herby" Bowles and "Jimmy" Mac-

The Y. M. C. A. hold services every Sunday morning at 9.30. Every student should turn out as the meetings are interesting and

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#### ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE

The Hockey Club held their first meeting of the season on Monday last. The delay in organizing was more than counterbalanced by the enthusiasm displayed. More than a score of aspirants for first team honors were present. After the preliminary work of the meeting had been disposed of, each one ap-pointed himself a committee of one to see what was saved from the wreck of last year's promising team. On the forward line we will miss the genial face of Lindsay's auburnwill miss the gental face of Elitosay's audulti-haired representative, Jack Hurley, who is playing a winning game for his own burg. Otherwise the cast of characters is unchang-ed. George Roach is on deck again with a pair of \$2.00, which he heartily endorses. Freddie Snider and A. M. Regan will again help to fill out. We may expect to see the latter looking bewitching in a pea-green sweater, although he is somewhat disabled sweater, although he is somewhat disabled from trying to teach those rough natives of Orillia the game. Tom Morrow's place at point will be as equally well filled by Harry McKenna. Heretofore the difficulty has been to find seven men with sticks and skates, but this year, for the other positions, the most officulty will be in making a selecthe main difficulty will be in making a selection from the host of candidates, all with reputations to maintain. On the whole, prospects for hockey were never so bright and with a little ice the boys ough to do something. It is to be deplored that the club was not able to enter any of the leagues, but they are now open for engagements with any first-class city teams.

Charles MacDermott, who was visited with a severe attack of la grippe during the holidays, is now convalescent.

Rev. Father O'Neil will assume charge of St. Michael's Literary Society for the balance of the scholastic year. If the success of the Literary Society under his direction may be measured by the great success of the Dramatic Association, of which he has charge, then its members may consider his appointment as a signal favor.

Mr. Owen Rowan was made the recipient of a handsome Christmas gift by one of his many College friends.

P. J. Hopkins also received a very valuable and useful New Year's gift in the form of a beautiful silver matchbox.

The New England boys have not yet re turned from their vacation. It is surmised here by some of their friends that the grippe must have taken a fast hold on them.

St. Michael's Lit. will meet on the even ing of Jan. 22.

The Dramatic Association will meet this week to make arrangements for their Geo. Washington celebration.

Vincent Murphy, who recently finished his Order, is at present at the College pursuing his philosophical studies.

Many of the old boys have returned from Many of the old boys have returned from their vacation, and among them some new ones. Of the latest arrivals Messrs. J. F. Mahony and J. Kelly come from the East, and were former students of Niagara University. Fred. Blustorah, who comes from the Cobourg Collegiate Institute, and N. Carter, from Northern Ontatio

#### PRICES PAID TO AUTHORS

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Some interesting figures which ought to inspire young writers.

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of "The Bonnie Brier Bush" and "Auld Lang Syne." Rider Haggard still asks from \$75 to \$100 a column of 1,500 words and will not write for less than \$10,000.

The highest price ever paid for a novel is \$200,000, which, the Pall Mall Gazette says, was handed over to Alphonse Daudet for his "Sapho." Zola's first fourteen books netted him \$220,000, and in twenty years he has made at least \$375,000. Ruskin's sixty-four books bring him in \$20,000 a year. Swinburne, who writes very little, makes \$5,000 a year by his poems. Browning, in his later years, drew \$10,000 a year from the sale of his works, and Tennyson is said to have received \$60,000 a year from the Macmillans during the last years of his life. Mr. Moody during the last years of his life. Mr. Moody is believed to have beaten all others, as more than \$1,250,000 has been paid in royal-ties for his hymns.

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# The Play's the Thing

The "Circus Girl," which has made such a decided hit in London and New York during the past season, opened a three nights' engagement at the Grand Monday evening before a crowded house. It is quite easy to see why this piece has obtained the great popularity that it has enjoyed ever since its first appearance at Daly's in New York last season. The novelty of the situations afford abundance of scope for the introduction of lively specialties of various kinds, and the clever people in the cast do justice to every bit of work they have to do. Mr. Thos. Ricketts, as Sir Titus Wemyss, an old English beau on a lark in Paris, did exceed-English beau on a lark in Paris, did exceedingly clever work, and shared the applause of the evening with Mr. Charles Danky, who elicited the full sympathy of the audience in his wrestling match with "The Terrible Turk" at the Circus. The girls are universally pretty and sing well, especially in the choruses. Miss Minnie Ashley, as Dora, possesses a voice of marvellous sweetness and a charm of manner that one does ness and a charm of manner that one does not often see. Her pantomime work, repre-senting the circus performers, in the first act, and her cute little song, "Just a little bit of string," pleased the audience exceedingly. In fact, she was compelled to respond again and again to encores, which is a very significant proof that she has made a hit in To-ronto The company throughout is good. the music is bright, the costumes and scenery elaborate, and, altogether, the "Circus Girl" is well worth calling on if one likes to

see a good thing.

The production of "My Partner" at the Princess this week is undoubtedly the strongest piece put on at that theatre this season. The play itself is one which abounds in real dramatic interest and has ever been considered the best work of the author, Bartley Campbell. But, besides this, the company this week is exceedingly well cast. Mr Wright Huntington, who has only been seen in lighter rôles since his connection with the Cumming's Company, has an opportunity as Ioe Saunders to display some serious and emotional work that proved quite a revelation to the patrons of that theatre. The scene in which the partners quarrel and separate is one of the best bits of acting seen at the Princess for sometime. Mr. Glazier's work here as Ned Singleton, and indeed, throughout the play, contains that pleasing earnest-ness which characterizes all his acting. Mr. McCullum as the Major has a part that is well suited for him, and Barry O'Neil is seen to good advantage as the villain, Scraggs Miss Browning is at her best as Mary, the heroine. This is really the first opportunity this talented young actress has had to show her versatility, and her work this week is sure to win her many more admirers. The balance of the cast. Miss Kinglsey as Grace, Mr. Shumer as the Chinaman and Mr. Pembroke as Matthew Brandon, aid materially in the success of the

The appearance of the Jefferson Company at the Grand, in Rip Van Winkle, the last three nights of this week will doubtless prove a most interesting event for the theatre-going public of Toronto. Since this charming comedy has not been presented in this city within the last four years it is quite likely that there are few students who have enjoyed the singular pleasure of seeing it. And while few have seen the play there are still fewer who are not acquainted with the delightful legend upon which the piece

It is now some years since 'Rip' was first introduced to the American people by Joseph Jefferson, and that he is just as popular to-day as ever is proven by the fact that the American people will not allow Mr Jefferson, to give the charming old fellow a rest for even one season. In the production this week appear the three sons of Mr. Jefferson and according to press notices from the East, the cast is an unusually strong one.

Stuart Robson appears at the Grand the first three nights of next week n "The Meddler." This will doubtless be one of the best things of the year.

Miss Bertha Creighton, who was with the Cummings Company last year, is now playing Roxane in a western production of Cyrano

The Tournament between the Athenæum and the University Chess Clubs commenced last Saturday evening. The official bulletin announces that up to date the score stands 6 to 5 in favor of Varsity. The Tournament with the Y.M.C.A. commenced Tuesday, the 17th inst., while the Open Tournament began upon the preceding day.

Thursday of last week Rev. Wm. Patterson spoke acceptably to the boys on "The Rich Young Ruler." Mr. Patterson is a great favorite with the boys and will always great favorite with the boys and win receive a hearty welcome at Trinity. Mr. Newsom, 'oo, sang "The Star or Newsom, 'eo, sang "The Star or Newsom, 'eo, sang "The Star or Newson, 'eo, sang 'eo, sa Mr. Newsom as a fellow-student.

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Varsity Defeats Wellingtons 11 to 4-Lifts From the Game

The first game in the O. H. A. series was played Friday night against the Senior Wellingtons before a crowd of interested spectators. The T. R. C. and Waterloo Match and the Mock Parliament proved a stronger attraction to many. In the game Varsity sprang a surprise upon the Wellingtons, as well as upon their most sanguing supporters. well as upon their most sanguine supporters. The ice was all that could be desired throughout the whole game. The good condition of the ice in such mild weather was beyond all expectation. Those who were was beyond all expectation. Those who were present agreed to a man that it was speedy, clean, gilt-edged hockey, properly so called. There were no delays to keep the interest of the spectators from being most intense. The game throughout was characterized by gentlemanly playing, and there was no need for the ambulance. The decisions of the referee gave the utmost satisfaction, as was available of the properties of the properties of the properties. evidenced by the absence of any obstreper-ous kicking, which is a too frequent accompaniment to Senior league Matches. The Wellingtons entered the field a little over-confident of victory, while the Varsity boys were determined to struggle and to keep down the score of the Duke's men.

Sharp at 8.30 the referee blaw his whistle and the teams lined up as follows:
Varsity.—Goal, Waldie; Point, McKenzie; Cover-point, Darling; Forwards, Shepard, Snell, (captain), Broder and Isbester.

Referee Brown: Time kenners Parent Referee, Brown: Time-keepers, Parry

and Olcott.
Wellingtons. — Goal, Loudon; Point, Smart; Cover-point, Morison; Forwards. Weller, Chadwick, Donaldson and Hill.

Both teams in the first half entered into the game with a dash and spirit that gave the couple of hundred of spectators an op-portunity of witnessing hockey of the fastest and cleanest kind. The playing of both teams in this half was brilliant, excellent combinations being worked by the forwards, and the stick-handling was clever. When the referee's whistle blew for half-time, Varsity had notched three goals and the Wellingtons one.

In the second half Varsity's supporters were afraid their lack of practice and training would be in evidence, but were agreeably surprised to find that they not only kept up the pace, but even improved upon it. The clock-work combination of the forwards and the stone wall defence of the backs were especially noticeable. The Wellingtons, however, of whom so much was expected in the second half, on account of their season's training and their many years of play together, displayed a marked falling off. Snell and Shep worked the combination superbly, and were ably assisted by Broder, the "find," and Isbester. The Duke's men seemed to lose heart and hope and were "tuckered out" by the fast pace they were compelled to keep up. Occa-sionally they regained their spirits and made some brilliant rushes, which were rendered ineffectual by the magnificent work of Dar-ling and Mackenzie, supplemented by the

alert eye of Bob Waldie.

The defence work of Smart and Morison for the Wellingtons was good, while that of Loudon in goal was all that could be exacted But this, their first appearance in the senior league, demonstrated that the company was too fast for them. The winning shots were:—Broder 4, Suell 3, Shepard 3, Isbester 1, Hill 2, and Chadwick 1.

#### A FEW LIFTS

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Snell is even in better trim than last season. His quickness in stick handling is Herman-like.

Broder, the find, is a Morrisburg boy, and good as any they turn out from that

"Isie" carries his weight well, after the game he pulled in his belt six pegs. What will he be like at the end of the season?

Darling, an old U.C.C. boy, had a smile of grim satisfaction when the game was fin-

ished.

The question of what would happen when an irrestible force met an unmovable body, was solved by Referee Brown. MacKenzie and Donaldson were sent to the boards.

A game is being arranged with the Peter-boro team for Wednesday, to take place at

There is talk of a game between the T.R.C. and Varsity. This ought to draw a large crowd and give a great deal of excite-

The return match with the Wellingtons is likely to come off Friday at the Mutual St.

Three of the team which played the Wellingtons are freshmen. '02 will have a strong team in the Jenning's series.

The soft weather has delayed the games in the Jenning's series. All applications for ice and entrance into the series are requested to be sent in without delay, in order to arrange the schedule at once.

The second team is likely to be a strong one also, and has a game at an early date.

All who play or ever did play hockey are requested to turn out to give the boys a practice.

#### HOCKEY SEASON OPENED VARSITY'S SKATING RINK

The Weather Has Been Unfavorable So Far-Arrangements for Evening Skating

It would seem that the fact that Prof. Wiggins has resigned his position as Prog-nosticator Extraordinary to the Dominion Government, accounts in some measure for the perverse fate which seems to be relentlessly pursuing the promoters of the skating rink. The Hockey Club, undaunted by the ill success of the rink of two years ago have manner which only the weather prevents from being ideal Messrs. R. Y Parry and Harry Gooderham devoted the major part of their Christmas vacation to superintending the building and flooding of the two rinks which at present make such a pictureesque appearance on the rear campus. They are not at all discouraged, however, and have every hope that, when the weather decides to behave itself, the success of the rink is assured. It is understood that the rinks afford more skating space than any in the city, owing to their length and the fact that it is possible to join the two into one. The hockey club has appointed a genial caretaker to look after the comfort of the patrons of the rink, as well as the palatial appointments of their "commodious club houses."

Arrangements are being made with the Arrangements are being made with the Toronto Electric Light Company for a supply of electric ligh's, which will be put in at once, and thus add considerably to the pleasure of evening skating. Benches will also be placed around the rink for the accommodation of the skaters. The price of season tickets has been fixed at one dollar, and of single admission, ten cents, a figure which is so low as to be almost nominal. These can be secured at the Companies. can be secured at the Gymnasium between the hours of 11 and 1 a.m. and 4 and 6 p.m., or from the janitor at the main building. Situated as it is within easy reach of the colleges, the rink should be well patronized during the spare hours between lectures, as

well as in the afternoons and evenings.

The Hockey Club deserves the hearty cooperation and support of all in their enter-prise, and the rink, so soon as the weather permits, ought to be crowded with skaters.

#### TRINITY MEDS

The term so far has not been marked by any startling events, for it takes more time than this for the most of us to catch up in the sleep record the amount of time lost during the Christmas holidays. Some of the boys are not caught up yet, for Purvis, 199, leans harder on his post than ever, and Giles Collison yawns prodigiously.

The week has been one of reunion and handshaking, each day seeing new seats filled up and old faces back again, most of us have had a very pleasant vacation, and as one looks out upon the healthy countenances of all, the solution of the problem concerning the amount of turkey and plumpudding lost to human sight during the last three weeks becomes impossible. Christ-mastide brings good cheer to most men, and no one enjoys the festivities with all their well laden tables, more than our Meds, who promptly forget all of Dr. Fotheringham's dietetics, trusting to their good digestive powers and the therapectical measures one may so easily fall back upon.

The term has opened well, with a week of good lectures, and we all look forward to a prosperous session.

We also sympathize with Dr. Bingham, We also symbathize with Dr Bingham, who has wrestled hard with "Madame la Grippe," and congratulate him on his victory. Yet we shall not be quite satisfied until the inerry doctor fills the same space he used to and exerts the same pressure on our platform as of yore.

Roy Thompson, 'oo, is playing a star game at hockey these days.

They say that Jimmy Moore, '99, couldn't have got back before Thursday even if he had wanted to,—but Jimmy says that's not right. Anyway the boys gave him an ova-

Nelson Davey, '00, is spending these days in the big buildings in Queen's Park. Ontario is safe with Nelson at the helm.

We notice with regret the death of our friend Hiram Walker

Alf. Scully, '99, has been toying with la grippe, too, and was badly bitten, but we rejoice that he is again able to lift his voice above the din and pipe his notes as only he can pipe them.

Ambrose Stanton, '99, had a hot time during his vacation. The biggest part of his native city went up in a great conflagra-tion. Our president should be more careful where he throws his burnt matches

George Burleigh, 'oo, missed his 9 o'clock lecture on Friday morning. George, you must go to bed earlier!

Tuesday night the Dean talks on Medical Education in Ontario at the Medical Society meeting.

Dr. W. T. Stuart is taking Prof. Kirkland's place on our staff, most acceptably.

We notice that J. J. Walker, '00, has lost that tired feeling which bothered him before Xmas Herbie Prust, '00, wanted at the Tele-

phone.

"The wind did not blow through my whiskers."-John Adam, 'oo.

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Messrs Herriman and Burns have joined the ranks of the second year since Xmas. We hope they have come to stay.

As usual, a number of Freshmen came in after the holidays and have been duly and solemnly received and adopted into the family of Trinity Medical Students.

Notwithstanding the fact that "Rules for Freshmen" have been staring those gentle-men in the face for the last four months, still they seem to have been unable to grasp their full meaning and to realize what an awful doom awaited one who was foolhardy enough to disregard those wirnings. though, as a general thing, they have behaved well, yet at times they have over-stepped the bounds of propriety. So the second year men had recourse to the good old rule. "Example is better than Precept," and raised a disturber to the giddy height of the bar, in the hope that the others, seeing the result of his folly, might give heed thereto and govern themselves accordingly.

We are pleased to note that "Tug" Wil son has secured more comfortable and com-modious apartments at 204 Seaton St, where he will be glad to meet with any or all of his old acquaintances.

#### UNIVERSITY MEDS

The men of the second and first years are back in full force, with many good resolu-tions. Of course these are seasonable, but we fear they were made only to be broken-

"George," in replying to the presentation speech before Christmas, said amongst other things: "I will say this, youze second year men will have to work harder after the holidays or yez will get plucked." Doubtless this remark went right home. If one may judge by the studious faces seen around the west wing these days, there is a general concurrence of opinion that "Life is real, life

In a letter addressed to "The President of the Freshmen Year, Toronto Medical University," there was found this clipping from the Grafton (Ohio) News:

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ful first year This young hopeful is evidently bent on doing his best to advertise the School (to say nothing about spreading his own fame). It will be another case of " And still they gazed, and still the wonder

grew,
That one small head could carry all he

The boys, one and all, report a good holi-The boys, one and all, report a good holiday, and fortunately there is an almost unanimous report of failure to get any studying done. This is as it should be; holidays are meant for rest and change. There is lots of work to do now, and those who made proper use of their holidays are in good shape to do it. However, we were sorry to see Jack Campbell and Alex. Davies detained a week by la gripp, but pleased to tained a week by la gripp, but pleased to know they are almost themselves again. "Rusty" Gordon was well when he returned, but last Thursday and Friday he complained of "pams all over." It was feared he would have to quit work and his friends-feared results, thinking such a course would really be harder on him than grippe. by the aid of quinine and seven mustard plasters the "pains" were conquered, and our friend is working harder than ever.

"Fitzpatrick" Coates has headed several nsuccessful trips to the General Hospital to get tickets signed up. But, like his friend Fitzsimmons, he is a determined fellow, so we predict that Medical Superintendent O'Reilly will soon be found in.