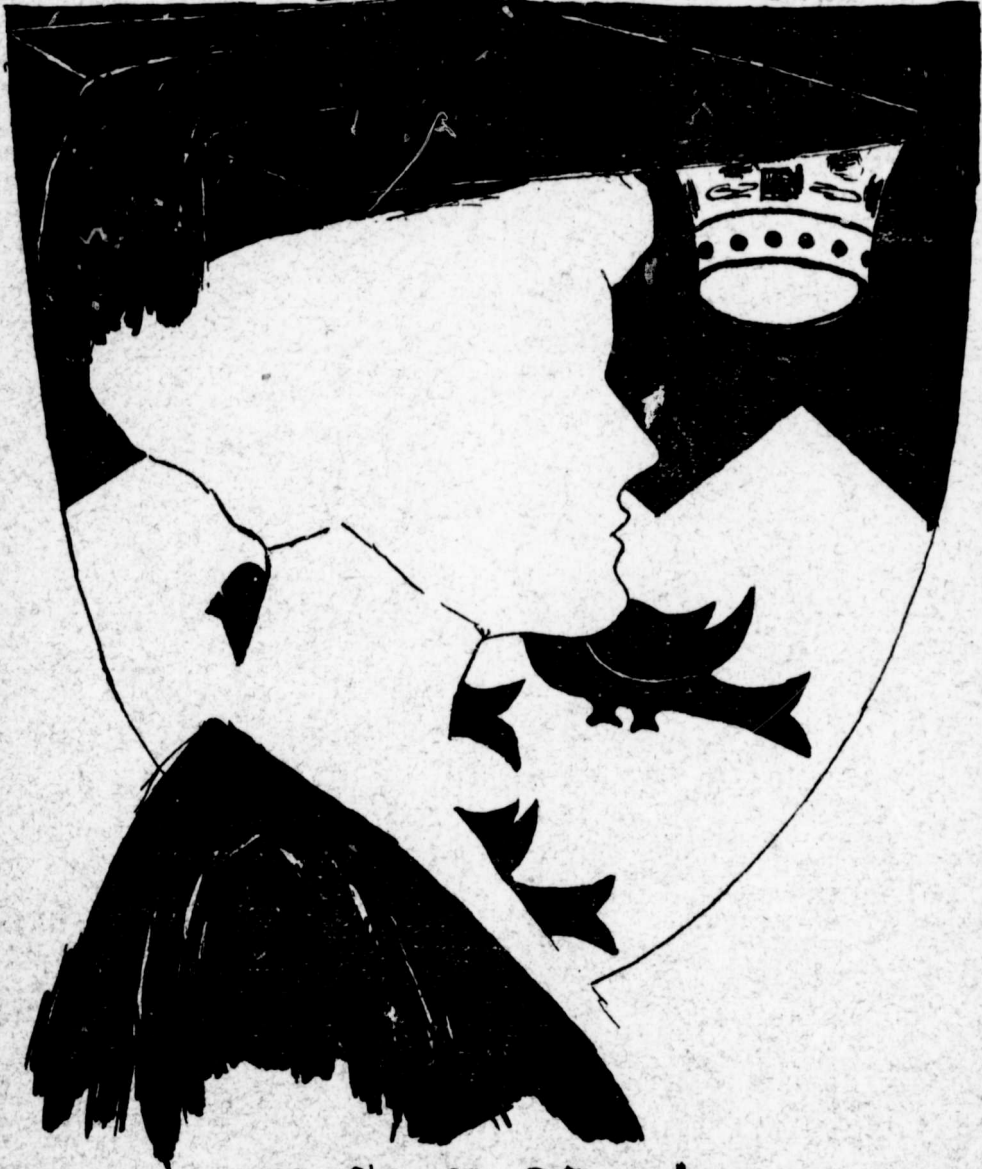


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## EDITORIAL



### THE R.V.C. NUMBER OF THE MARTLET.

Last year the R. V. C. editors were allowed the privilege (and hard work) of bringing out one issue of the "Martlet," and this year's Martlet board kindly gave the same privilege to the present R. V. C. representatives. It was with misgivings that we attempted the task so creditably performed by our predecessors, and it was with misgivings that we called upon our already over-worked reporters and fellow-students for copy. The results of our appeal were surprising and gratifying. It is true we have to thank the Public Speaking Contest for some of our material, yet besides this we have found it a comparatively easy matter to collect copy written especially for us. The Seniors, in particular, have been most kind. Not only have they written articles themselves, but they have given us many helpful suggestions for which we are very grateful. It is pleasant to feel that the college spirit of the R. V. C. can be depended upon, not only in matters athletic, the playing of basket-ball and tennis, where the stimulus is greater to exert one's self for the sake of the college, but also in matters calling for greater individual effort—in public speaking for one's class, or in what one can do to help the struggling R. V. C. representatives on the Martlet.

To all who have assisted us, then, we are truly grateful, and we only regret that lack of space prevents our using several excellent articles of those given to us.

THE MARTLET



I AM THE R. V. G.





Peters the Great, Jupiter of Olympus, Ruler of our kingdom, Monarch of the enlightened world, to him do we, in all humility, offer our homage.

For daily doth he ascend to the heights of the mountain, while his maids in waiting stand gazing heavenward calling upon his name and chanting in unison, "Going up! going up!" Peters, Wizard of the Wires, doth hourly receive audiences of grandeur from every foreign strand. To him they do present frankincense and myrrh (marked C.O.D.). Peters, our Great Scientist, our Modern Edison, at every moment doth incline his ear unto many petitions sent from other realms (Up. 2296 and Up. 1475) bestowing upon his subjects tokens of their esteem.

Among his vassals he is enthroned as is the moon among the stars. To them doth he give audience seated upon his throne while half its daily course the sun completes. To them he extends mercy and saves them from the terror of cold and darkness (furnaces and lights).

On international issues doth he visit the noblest kingdoms, the kingdoms where art, music, science, literature and religion hold pre-eminent sway. This Magnanimity encourages a generous tariff between foreign kingdoms, permitting the exchange of many commodities without customs (cushions). This Personality renders his subjects impervious to sorrow or sadness and permeates the atmosphere with peace and geniality.

Far-famed for hospitality is our king! Ambassadors and consuls, beseeching favour at the hands of his subjects freely gain audience in his private sanctum. (Wait meekly, wait!)

Minerva and Diana and all the goddesses entreat his aid in affairs of state, while his many subjects outrival those of King Cook in rendering to their honoured sovereign, deference, loyalty, love and obedience.

What Tin God is greater than Thee?

All Hail Peters! Peters, All Hail!



Surprise and consternation of unknown gentleman when Miss G— insists on rehearsing her soon to be famous love-scene.



Miss M—, fainting a la Bernhardt. (With appropriate gestures.)

## THE MAGILLIAD.

BOOK VI.—Being an extract describing one of the strange festivities of Hoi Magilloi and Hai Donaldai.

Now this same tribe of Hoi Magilloi, besides their great labors in wandering through what they call their Almamater to get their "degree," spend also some time in other labors, not less great, but which seem to cause infinitely more pleasure.

At uncertain intervals, therefore, that they may provide enjoyment for themselves, they hold *melées*, or, as they term them—"Dances," at their rendezvous of the Union. And there those of Hoi Magilloi who belong to the Ancient and Honorable Order of Fusers, together with those of Hai Donaldai lucky enough to have friends among the Fusers, repair in couples. These evenings are said to be a source of great merriment and pleasure to those participating in them.

For they have at this Unyon a large hall, and the floor of this is rubbed with some substance until it is smooth and slippy, and on this Hoi Magilloi and their partners slide around at intervals. For these slides are divided into sections, or numbers, and the performers arrange at the first of the evening whom they will do certain numbers, by means of lists which they carry around with them. But there are those who lament that Hai Donaldai adhere not very strictly to their lists, and have been known to **slope** off (meaning uncertain) and slide with people whom they have not on their lists. (It hardly seems possible, however, that people so logical as Hai Donaldai should spend a great deal of care and thought in making out lists only to find them useless. Yet so the chronicler records.)

On a ledge at one side of the hall sit several men with instruments of different kinds, which emit musical sounds, during which emission Hoi Magilloi and Hai Donaldai slide about as described. The musical sounds appear to aid the sliding, for both start and stop together. But when the sounds cease, the sliders all hit their hands together with great force, which it appears is a sort of telegraphic signal meaning "More! More!"

This sliding occupies many hours, and, between slides, all go out and rest for some minutes before they perform again. Thus they go on until some of those cruel tyrants, Hoi Facultoi, stop the performances, and call the "Dance" ended.

Records exist on one of these Sliding Evenings called the "Unyon Dance," which they had on the last evening of the first month of the year Eleven, of which it is said that it was one of the most pleasing and joyous evenings that ever were. For not only was the floor of a most ravishing smoothness, but the successions of musical sounds evolved by those hired for the purpose are

said to have been surpassingly beautiful, and many there were who found their favorite selections therein.

The food provided by the herculean efforts of the "Committee" was highly praised by the festive sliders, and many were the incoherent expressions of rapture on the part of Hoi Magilloi and Hai Donaldai as they set out for home in assorted couples.

It is true, that, owing to the large hordes of Hoi Magilloi present, there was much pushing and crowding during the slides, and many were there of Hai Donaldai who sallied forth on crutches for days together, for that their feet were so trampled upon in the crowd. Yet there were none of them that wasted time in vain regrets, and most were heard to say bravely that they would go next time to the melée should their particular Fussers summon them forth. "And," our chronicler adds quaintly, "small and select was the attendance at nine o'clocks on the day thereafter."

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3. The President of the Société Française, Miss Marion Williams, of Cowansville, P.Q.; chief occupation, dreaming; chief recreation, reading love-sonnets.

5. The President of the Y. W. C. A. Miss Winnifred Wilson, of Montreal; chief occupation, hunting for audiences; chief recreation, trips to Ottawa.



6. The House President, Lacolle, P. Q.; chief occu- is after eight o'clock"; favor-



Miss Leonora Van Vliet, of pation, reminding people "it ite recreation, eating candy.

## IN THE HEART OF VANCOUVER ISLAND.

Just before sundown, on the seventh day out from main camp, we reached the point from which our ascent of Crown Mountain was to be made, without packs, the next day. Our camp was on a little ledge of rock free from snow, which was many feet deep all around us. Out of the rock grew a few dear little fir trees, the last on the mountain side. They were picturesquely irregular and fantastic in shape, though I fear our first idea was to look for old wood for a fire and that its needles were very thick and would make capital beds!

We had scarcely laid our packs down when one of the men, scanning the mountain in hopes of picking the best route for the morrow, espied a moving spot. We heard him draw in his breath, then after gazing fixedly for a few moments he handed the field glasses to another—"It is a bear I think," he said in hushed tones.

Immediately our two best huntsmen set with their rifles. Excepting only our first glimpse of Crown Mountain three days before that bear was the most welcome sight we had seen. "It will be bear steak for supper boys" said our cook. The men smacked their lips. I, who had turned up my nose at bear steak when in main camp, sighed in delightful contemplation. For meanwhile we had lived on short rations, for many days it seemed. Bacon and beans and rice and bannock—bacon and beans and rice and bannock, incidently tea without sugar and salt almost gone. We had two days food left and had been seven days in reaching our present position. It was no wonder that the thought of bear steak was very welcome.

Cheerfully the men made a few simple preparations for the night. I sat by the fire drying my boots, and waiting for the bit of fried-out bacon with which the cook had greased the bannock pan. Being the only girl of the party had certain compensations. Alas! our cheer had a sudden ending. The men returned without the bearsteak! I had to be polite to them, for the others were not.

Spirits rose again, however, with the advent of our rice and bannock. How could we be downhearted when over half way up Crown Mountain; the very

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Crown Mountain that everyone had predicted we should not even find! Our meal being eaten and the beans put on for breakfast we looked for some evening amusement. Usually we sat quietly around our camp fire till our very early bedtime, too tired even to talk much. Tonight after a more strenuous day than ever we all seemed hilarious. Finding some flat rocks the men practiced discus throwing on the snow field, and did the broad jump. Then picking out well matched pairs they had a series of tug-of-wars on their hands and knees, with a pack strap around their necks. Fortunately I was an odd number and there was no one of my size, so I was excused.

By dark it was decidedly cold and we were glad enough to go to bed. At first as I wriggled around trying to escape the obtruding stub end of a fir bough I heard a few incoherent phrases as the men dropped off to sleep. But soon all was still save the crackle of the camp fire and the roar of a river far below us in the valley. Then before a snore could break the peace and destroy the poetic charm, I too had fallen asleep.

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 And like to go with an easy friend  
 Whom the gates have blessed with money to lend.

Upper classmen all call us an infantile year,  
 The tales they tell of us are dreadful to hear.

We've bothered professors, and broken house rules,  
 And done silly tricks that we learned at Prep. Schools.

So noisy and lazy and joyful we've been,  
 That we've horrified Freshies—hard working Fourteen.

We don't dress for dinner, we're late from the rink,  
 We don't keep our work up, the Faculty think.

We've been squashed by Professors (we think we are good)  
 And why we've been squashed we have not understood.

The House President squashes, and lets it be seen,  
 That all mischief is thought to be done by Thirteen.

We shout on the staircase and shriek in the halls,  
 But are not to be found when a sore senior calls.

We have feasts, we have parties, and hold grand pow-wows,  
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We think if the Faculty's thoughts could be seen,  
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After two hours wait amongst the scenery of the Bonaventure Station, the Grand Trunk managed to catch one of the stray engines which had got loose when someone left the gate open during the storm. Eventually we started and at Cornwall awoke the burghers from their winter sleep with a few yells. At Brockville the townfolk got wind of our coming and escaped to the woods. At Kingston Junction, after a little manœuvring we made a combined rush on Kingston, arriving there at six-thirty.

After a spasmodic meal (in between spasms we practised spearing apples on forks and became quite expert at it) at the Waldorf-Astoria of the town we repaired to the rink. All Kingston must have taken their tea there as the rink was crowded when we arrived. Necessity still being the mother of invention, and the prospect of having an eye put out with a feather or a hat-pin, induced a coming engineer of ours to bore a hole in the floor of the gallery. With our natural talent for rising in the world we were soon among Kingston's "Four Hundred". Assembling in a corner of the rink we started up an opposition to a noise emanating from an adjacent corner (it kind of put our teeth on edge). On careful enquiry from reliable sources we were forced to believe that the row came from the student band. The adventures of John the Baptist and the Clams and "There's a Hole in the Bottom of the Sea," were recognized frequently.

Shortly after nine the game started with McGill playing "Allan Cup" variety of hockey. This netted them two goals in the first twelve minutes of play, the second goal being the result of a very pretty combination play. This seemed to satisfy our team and they let up, giving Queen's a chance. As a

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result the latter scored. With this encouragement Queen's started in and evened the score. Systematic passing by the McGill team now went to the winds and only showed again in flashes. The breaking up of the forward line by men being sent to the fence was principally responsible for this. Queen's on the other hand were playing good combination often intercepting McGill passes, but the strength of our defence and the individual superiority of our men saved the situation. However, McGill went ahead again on a pretty individual rush by one of the forwards, and with two men short held Queen's down till half time. Score, McGill, 3; Queen's, 2.

About five minutes after resuming play the Presbyterians evened the score and three minutes later were one to the good. At this stage of the game McGill bucked up and put in two goals in six and nine minutes respectively. Queen's seeing defeat staring them in the face and with very little time to go, brought down their defence to assist the forwards and took desperate chances. If McGill could have broken away they could have put the game away in cold storage. Queen's, however, kept them very busy on the defence, and from a scuffle in front of the goal they evened the score.

It was decided to play five minutes each way overtime. The first period of overtime was all McGill but they could not score. With two minutes to play in the second Queen's scored. Although called a goal, the puck really hit the bar at the top of the net and bounded over and back of the goal. McGill failed to come back and Queen's retired with a victory which is yet a matter of doubt.

On the whole, McGill had the best of the play, earning all the goals they made, but somehow they could never get on the blind side of the referee. The penalties handed out to McGill were deserved except on two or three occasions. McGill lost three goals in deliberate trips for which no penalties were handed out. With only the goal keeper to pass our men had their feet cut from under them when getting ready to shoot. One of our men was deliberately cut across the ankle when he was thirty or forty feet from the puck and fell. He pluckily got up and resumed play. Tactics of this kind are usually indulged in by a team that is inferior to their opponents and who know they have nothing to fear from the referee. Tripping a man while shooting should be as heavily penalized as the rotten trick of throwing a stick to block a shot whichever team does it.

A novel sight was afforded the spectators of seeing the home referee cheer the home team when they scored. Delays marred the game, Queen's being the offenders. The referee here again showed his ignorance or else his partiality, as after blowing his whistle and with the McGill team ready, he refused to start the game as he should have done and waited the pleasure of the Queen's team to appear on the ice.

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It is not desired here to make any mention of each man individually because every man on the team played for all that was in him. The journey up on the train was hard on the men. The train did not arrive till about 7 p.m., and the team had to bolt dinner and go on the ice.

We would like, however, to mention Davidson, who is a comparatively new man in senior company and who put up a very good game and worked hard right to the last.

About twelve o'clock we left the rink for the hotel where a Committee Meeting was held and a decision to protest the last goal arrived at.

Gradually assembling at the train some of us spread ourselves out and went to sleep to the tune of "two kings all high, sweeten up there" or "jack-pot." In one car there was a little scene of which the following was heard:—

CONDUCTOR.—Where's your ticket?

THE BUM.—I haven't got one.

CONDUCTOR.—You're the only man on the train that hasn't got one.

THE BUM.—I dont give a d—n, I want to sleep.

The Conductor retired.

The trip was most successful in every way, and if our team would only get an equivalent amount of support at home it would be a great encouragement to them. So everyone turn up and cheer when we take Toronto down a few pegs on Friday next. A tired sleepy voiceless throng marched from the Bonaventure Station at seven-thirty Saturday morning and sought the different resting places where no doubt they got the reward of their loyal support of McGill in Kingston and slept easy in the consciousness that if Queens did win we still put up a mighty good fight and that the decision is yet to be heard in regard to the protest.

#### **McGill II.**

In the play-off in this series, the Intermediate team won

#### **Laval II.**

their game and go to Kingston on Monday to play Queen's Intermediates for the championship of this section.

#### **Basket Ball.**

The McGill Basket Ball team again demonstrated its superiority over the Queen's boys, this time on the latter's own floor. The McGill team presented a very patched up appearance; Calder being still on the hospital list; Douglas confined to bed with an attack of appendicitis, while Dixon got up from bed to play the game although he was still very ill with la grippe. Dennison and Duffield, however, who replaced the two former, played excellent games.

The McGill quintette started off well and by means of their clever combination, which was too much for Queens soon established a lead. At half-time the score was 19-10.

The second half was very close and was marked by hard checking. The score at full-time was 32-24.

The teams were as follows:—

Queen's (24).	McGill (32).
Forwards.....Jemmett.	Forwards.....Dixon.
Erskine (Capt.).	Cockfield (Capt.).
Centre.....McCartney.	Centre.....Duffield.
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Scores:—

Queen's.—Erskine 12, Van Sickle 2, Stearn 4, McCartney 6.

McGill.—Cockfield 16, Fortier 6, Dennison 6, Dixon 2, Duffield 2.

Next Friday at 5 p.m., McGill plays Toronto and if they succeed in beating Varsity the two teams will be tied for the Championship. Douglas hopes to be in condition to play.

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7. (Arriving slightly late). Good-evening, everybody. I declare skating-parties ought to be banned. It's getting mild again! They always bring a thaw.

Chorus.—Not another of those old Y. M.; Y. W. affairs.

7. Yes, next Saturday night.

Chorus.—I, for one, shan't go!

7. Please, girls, do come—I know it's a sacrifice, but it is only for one evening and there is always such a crowd of men. It means so much to them, you know.

4. Well—if you had had the programme I had last time!

Chorus.—“Or mine,”—“Or mine.”

3. I had an awful one that—

2. Do you mean the man that wanted to know if he should send his card to the R. V. C. as a whole, or to some one particular girl when he called the next Friday night. I suggested the Staff. Then there was the wicked Theolog, who stayed out until 10.30 every night.

3. Surely not; no, I mean—

5. Did every single person you met ask you what year you were in and if you were from the West—I counted eight out of the ten on the schedule—and told them all I was taking Ph.D. work and that my home was in the Sandwich Isle—I beg pardon 3. I didn't notice you were speaking.

2. But 5, did you meet the man on the hockey team? He was so sorry he couldn't take me to the next match—(pass the salt, please, 4). I was not so affected as I might have been had I not heard him say the same thing to his last partner.

6. There was one tha' lithped—I liked him though. Didn't you ever have any experience?

1. Too many for words—One youth asked me straight off if I had ever been in love!

2 & 3. Oh—O—Oh—What did you say—

1. Oh, I casually mentioned that the Naval Question was the topic—but to no purpose. He continued—“Haven't you really (strange, I was once and say—It was awful.) (Sigh). I carried her books to school and back and watched and waited and couldn't eat or—3. Work or anything. Since I came up here though it's all over. Haven't you ever, honestly now? Are any of the R. V. C.'s in love?” The band changed then and all I had time to say was—If only these numbers could be a little longer.

3. But the man I mean..

5. You'll hardly believe it, people, but I did have one nice partner.

Chorus.—Oh! a Committee person.

5. No, I don't believe it was. He was very tall and dark, and—

2. I met a tall dark man—rather nice-looking too, wasn't he? He told me how every little action was a link in a chain.

7. But, girls, you will come. It is the very last this year and you do get some fun out of them.

6. Fun—I wouldn't miss it for the world. The last Conversat. six of us got a table and played Jenkins all the evening. It was jolly—It was a case of "men may come and men may go" with us.

5. One man wrote a description of each girl he met. He told me he knew me again quite readily as I was described as a "phantom of delight."

3. The one—the one I mean—

7. Here comes the coffee. To change the conversation—Who will name this lump of sugar?

1. Let me do it! I name it, the second man you meet next Saturday night.

2 & 3. Oh no! that's not fair; you're putting it in crooked.

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So home I went flogging my brain real fearsomely, but to no effect, there is a point you know, after which the senses become dead to pain, and my thing-ing apparatus soon passed that point. Still, I sat me down before a pile of manuscript paper and took my pen in hand. There I sat for a mortal hour that seemed so long it made me think of the minute in heaven. That reminds me of a good story, but digression spoils a narrative, so I must restrain my desire to tell it even though it was about the only thought I had.

Well, at last I blew out the light and retired. I was so weary that immediately I had another thought, 'insomnia comes from undue weariness, so I shall probably lie awake all night,' and so I did, pretty nearly, almost but not quite. I tossed and turned and thought quite a lot then. Next time you want to revolve something in your mind try turning in bed, it works quite well, I can assure you. Then that passage in Livy, 'Arma virumque cano,' or something like that, anyway it was Latin, floated through my mind and immediately I felt its soothing influence and was asleep before I knew. I did not realize I was dreaming for some time, because I heard a familiar voice say, "Kindly conjugate the verbs you have learned this fall," and was too busy trying to answer to notice much about me. As far as I can remember this is what I said — the Professor remarked it was a good guess and passed to another, but I am convinced they are 'perfectly good'— "The verb to return to the R.V.C. "Hugo, hugere, squeeze, kissum,'to begin the terms work—fudgo, feastere, senori, squelshum. To attend lectures regularly, 'snooso, snooserem snori, snortum. To enjoy life, fusso, fussere, footballi, roastum. To take exams, cramo, cramere, faculti, fizum. To eat Christmas dinner;" but here I was cut short by a crisp voice saying, "What are your sensations on being cheered when you enter a lecture room late, and what course would the natural animal instincts lead you to pursue in the event of these sensations developing paramount emotions?" "I have not the faintest glimmering as to the possible significance of your query," I rejoined, and stalked majestically away to join John Bunyan who was asking me for the next dance. Away we whirled to the tune "My Wife's Gone to the Country," and I was having just a grand time when the music stopped and a peculiar looking chap hurried up with a bag of orange peels, which he said he had collected on the streets of London, thrust

one into my hand, thundered "Sir, the score is thirty-one to nothing and we have thirteen fouls against you," and disappeared into the gathering gloom. A confused murmur rose from the crowd around me, and suddenly pistol shots rang out. Bunyan had deserted me, and I would have screamed for terror had not someone reassuringly remarked, "Les animaux sont malades de la peste." How I kept my footing on that heaving deck with the wind and spray lashing my face, I do not know. I seemed to stand there for centuries, while confused and wailing shapes hurried past to cast their note books on the funeral pyre. At length I gathered courage to ask a learned looking being what was the meaning of it all and received the astonishing reply that Avagadro was trying to collect enough H<sub>2</sub>S to pickle a dog-fish. "But what bearing has that on the economic question?" "Everything," he replied, "the Freshmen will no longer have to resort to force to barricade a room." "But," I protested, "what of the single Jungfrau?" "History does not state, we can only draw conclusions from personal experience, but the students of McGill —" "Have no college spirit," I interrupted. "I have heard that before." "As I was about to remark," he continued blandly, "the students of McGill are to have six weeks holiday at Christmas." Then at last I knew it was a dream.



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Last October the usual opening meeting was followed by a charming representation of several scenes from "She Stoops to Conquer." The second meeting was the occasion of the annual address and tea. Professor Dale was the speaker, and gave a splendid and much appreciated lecture on "Some Modern Poets."

Thus far, two out of the three yearly debates have taken place, and both were remarkably well fought out. The Seniors, however, overcome the Juniors and the Freshies, the Sophomores.

It was a most unexpected victory for the Freshies though they did blandly remark, "Good reasons must perforce give place to better." It now remains for them to contend with the Seniors in the final debate of the season.

The fifth and so far the last meeting of the Society was held for the Public Speaking Competition. Following the new rule teams of three were entered from each year; the individual cup to go to the best speaker, and a point for the year interclass trophy to the team obtaining the greatest number of marks. The speeches were remarkably good and very interesting. In fact, the whole contest was on a far higher level than last year's.

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#### MOCK-PARLIAMENT.—SUFFRAGE DISCUSSION.

After the Reciprocity Treaty had been discussed, it was moved and seconded that Parliament should go into committee to receive a delegation from the Royal Victoria College. The delegation was conducted to seats at the right of the platform. Mr. Newcombe called upon Miss Paterson, who, with a very convincing manner outlined the grounds upon which women claim the suffrage; the change in economic conditions; the fact that legislation now stands for men only; the value of the vote and the relation of women's suffrage to the state.

Miss Harris, the other speaker from the delegation, gave a short history of the movement; outlined the present-day conditions in England and stated a few reasons why suffrage for women is necessary in Canada.

The delegation then withdrew and one of the party of militant suffragettes forced her way to the front and harangued the meeting on Equal Rights and votes for women in a very brilliant and catching fashion taking us back to Eve, the Original Suffragette.

The house again went into session and the discussion on the subject of suffrage for women was begun by a socialist member, Mr. Babcock, who was extremely earnest and took up the matter in favour of women's suffrage but had very few weighty arguments to produce. Another socialist speaker, Mr. Budyk, spoke on the same side of the question and put emphasis on the fact that the laws made by men for women are not protective.

Mr. Bridges, socialist member for Prince County, P.E.I., attempted to answer the argument of his socialist colleagues, but did not have sufficient time to come to the point. Mr. Clouston made a few remarks showing that he had not given the subject much thought.

The fluent speaker on reciprocity, Mr. Weir, supported suffrage for women in theory, but could not see the wisdom of making it a practical experiment. He spoiled the affect of his speech by inane remarks on pink teas and other social gatherings.

Mr. Clawson, one of the newly appointed cabinet, expressed his own opinions, not those of his party, against suffrage for women, and brought forward in support a few hackneyed arguments, making some slips that gave rise to much badinage between the two parties.

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As usual, the session opened with a most enjoyable tea which was well attended by R. V. C. Students, members of the Alliance Francaise, the President and many members of the Cercle Francais.

At our first regular meeting we were favoured by a most interesting address by our honorary president, Mademoiselle Villon Bianquis on "Francois."

Then Mr. Meorin gave a short but very entertaining address.

At our first meeting after Christmas we were exceedingly fortunate in having as our speaker M. du Roure of Laval University, who spoke on "Feminisme."

We intend to hold our speaking contest the first week in March and hope to have a good number of entries, as the bronze medals offered by the Alliance Francaise are well worth trying for.

Dr. Walter and Dr. Gregor are to address our next two meetings at which we should like to have a very full attendance. Dr. Gregor is to speak on the French Canadian Seigneurs. Though we do not yet know what Dr. Walter is to speak on we know from experience there is a treat in store for us.

**The Y.W.C.A.** The Y.W.C.A. work has been ably carried out under the presidency of Miss Winifred Wilson during the sessions 1910-11. Although the attendance has not been so large as we could wish, the meetings have been on the whole interesting and instructive and the speakers excellent.

The year's work opened by the Association Tea, which was well attended. Miss Hurlbatt greeted the Association and Miss Wilson gave a short inaugural speech. During the Autumn Miss Kawai, a Japanese graduate of Bryn Mawr College, gave a splendid outline of Y. W. C. A. work in Japan, showing the need of intelligent workers in that field. At another meeting Dr. Walter brought the Society to an appreciation of its value as the Y. W. C. A. of McGill University, a society which should work with the University spirit of research and thought. The Report of the Muskoka Conference proved of great interest to the other members. Our society joined with the Y. M. C. A. in holding a Conversat. at the Union in November, which was a real success.

After Christmas Dr. Wells gave a splendid lecture on Bible History, and Miss Helm an address on McGill Settlement Work. The Skating Party given by both societies was well attended and generally enjoyed.

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**The Athletic Club.** The R. V. C. Athletic Club has had, so far, a very successful year.


In the fall the Tennis Tournament, under the able management of Miss Craig, was played off in good time, the interclass trophy going to '14, while Miss Ethel Cameron of the same year captured the individual trophy.

Basket Ball was then entered into with the usual vigor with Miss Ellison as Manager. The interclass games were all played off before Christmas, 12 coming off as victors. The MacDonald R. V. C. matches were played off on the 14th and 21st of January, R. V. C. winning on both games with a final lead of 13 points.


Owing to lack of time it was found advisable to drop hockey for this year, which means that Fancy Skating which was made part of the Athletic Club last year will have a better chance for improvement. Miss Greer will manage the Fancy Skating.

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## CLASS REPORTS.

**R.V.C. 1911.** The new year has brought the class of R.V.C. 1911 to the mean that lies between looking backward and dreaming or the future. We have endured three years of college life and won the experience that this substitute for the old-fashioned doctrine of "fire and limestone" adds to our minds and characters. Thus it is that we hope to be able to finish our college year with credit.

If we can believe our critics, the Senior Play furnished a great deal of amusement to its audience. More safely can we say that financially it was a decided success, as we shall have, besides our many expenses, a surplus of half a hundred dollars.

Miss J. Greer will manage the fancy skating club for this season, which has been taken up very enthusiastically by the members of the College.

The class has been very pleased to have Miss E. Caswell, a former member, visiting the College this week. Also, one of the graduates of 1910, Miss Edith Bennetts was here from Ottawa for a week-end visit.

**R.V.C. '12** We desire merely to **impress** upon the world a fact which it undoubtedly **knows** by this time, namely that we, the Juniors of the R. V. C., can really excel in the intellectual field as well as in the field of athletics. Our heartiest thanks are due to the team of able speakers who won for the class last week the coveted Public Speaking Trophy. Not only did the Junior Team win the Trophy, but it was also a Junior, Miss Harris, who carried off the individual prize. The oratoresses who comprised the team were Misses Harris, Longworth and Manny.

**1913**

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Nineteen Thirteen  
R. V. C.

'We are nothing, if not original,' so we begin without introduction, and hasten to the end which we feel is rather pleasant.

1913 was given up eating this year and is devoted to sport. A little ago we gloriously defeated the Commercial and Technical High School Basket-Ball team, and magnanimously served them to a scrumptious tea in the Common Room after.

At present our chief occupation is comparing bumps and bruises, the most marked effects of our rush to join the Fancy Skating Club, as we cannot kill ourselves' playing hockey.

Our chief desire in life is to get a class-pin, but alas, 'weak women' as we are, we must wait till the 'lords of creation' see fit to bestir themselves.

We regret our inability to praise ourselves for any specially brilliant feats, but comfort ourselves with the oft heard, "Well, anyway, thirteen is the nicest year in College."

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'14. For some time since the Freshie-Soph debate, the members of Class '14 have been wearing the "Smile that won't come off." But alas! alas! On Wednesday last, at 5.15 exactly, our merry smile took a walk. In the public speaking contest we were defeated by the illustrious and invincible third year. Yet our team put up a gallant fight, and one member even received honorable mention in the form of a request to render up her speech to the great and all-powerful Martlet.

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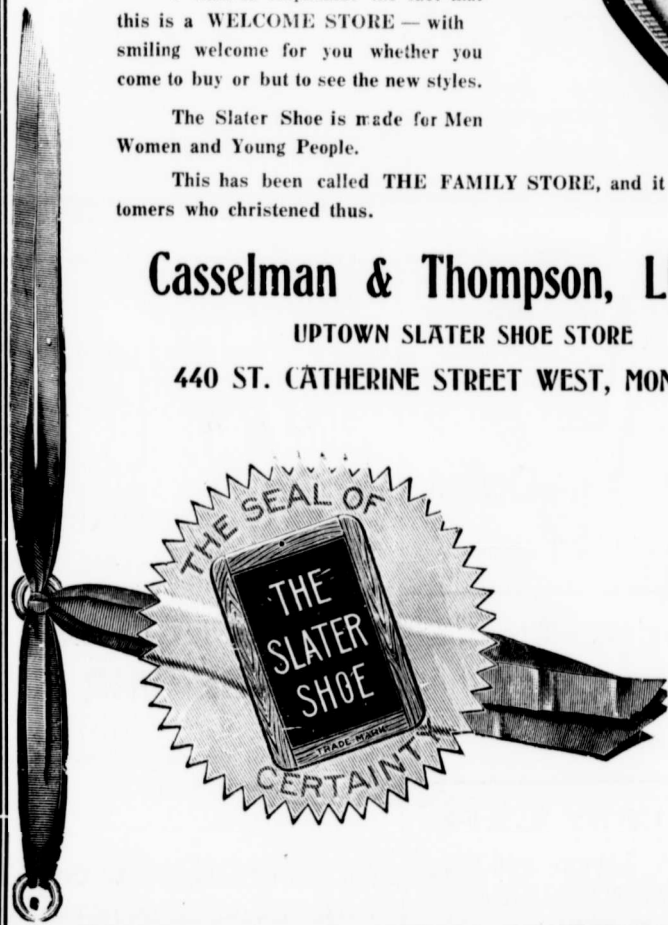
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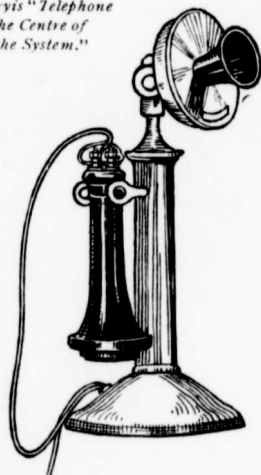
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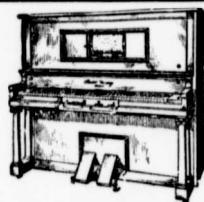
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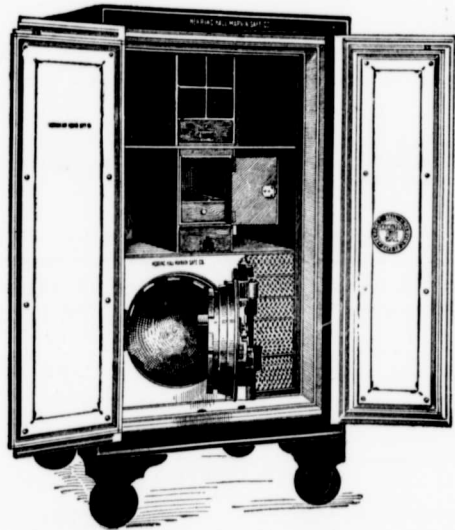


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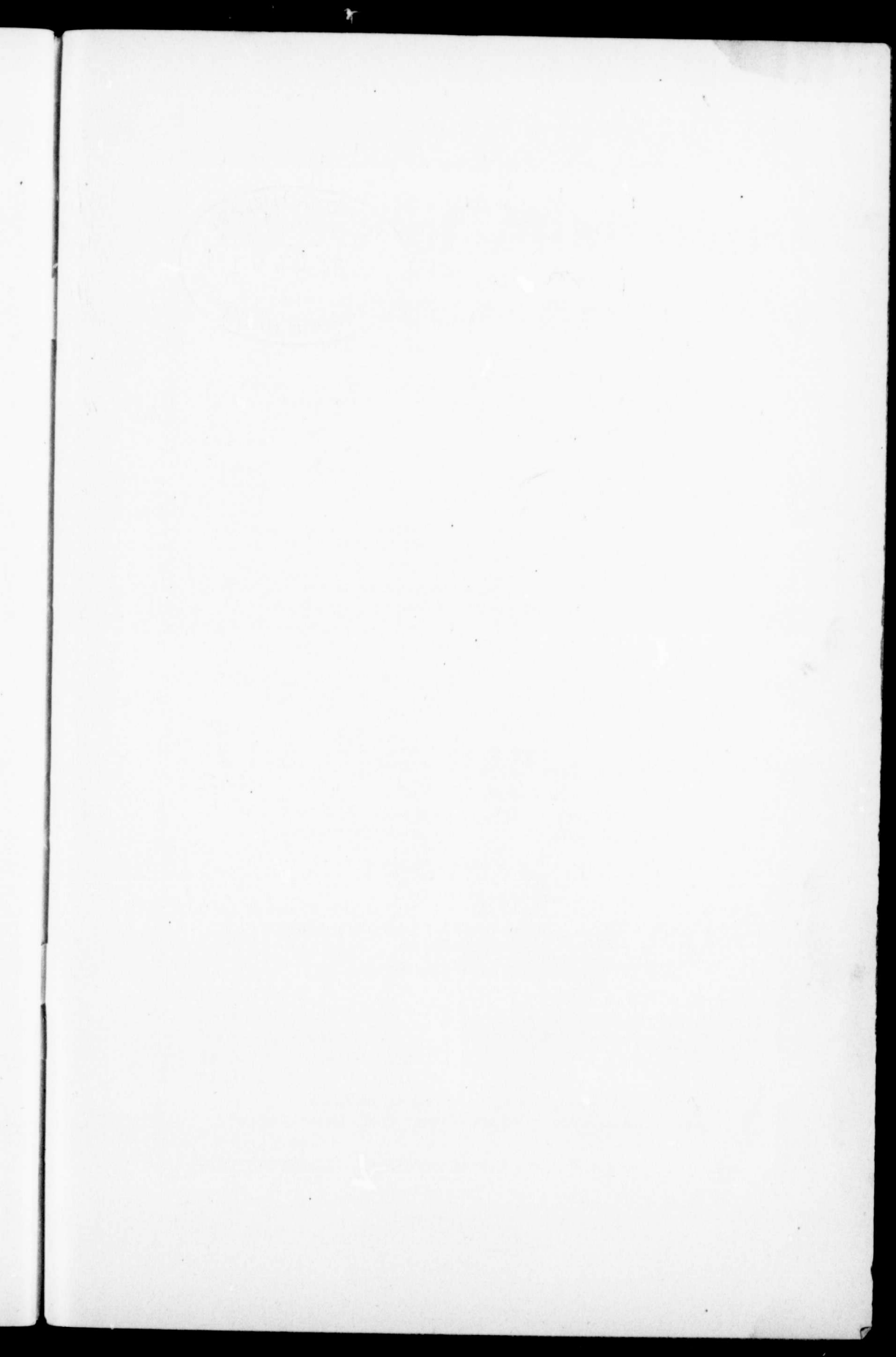
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