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A LETTER FROM

HON. GLO. FOSTER.

If I have one word more important than another to say to every young student who is now standing upon the threshold of a new century, fraught with possibilities unknown to any previous age, it is this:

"Strive to be yourself; keep your own individuality." Events multiply so swiftly nowadays—communication the world over is so almost instantaneous—and the phases of world action and development succeed each other with such lightning rapidity that we are all in danger of becoming mere transmitters, mere shifting registers of sensations, where one message is immediately thrown off to give place to the next, one representation substituting for its predecessor, leaving little or no trace of permanent impression. These quickly succeeding sensations are peccable, and constitute an intellectual or emotional dissipation which weakens the powers of reflection and thought, and gradually, if allowed, reduces one to the condition of a sated gourmand, swallowing everything and assimilating nothing. Mental and moral atrophy results, we cease to be ourselves, the individual within us dwindles, a unit of world force is devalued and the generation is deprived of its life germ.

Against this tendency let each one of you vigorously assert himself.

ages, whose lamps burn at midnight, whose thoughts frequent the quiet walks trodden by Moses, and Confucius, and Buddha, and Plato, and Christ, and the Great and Good of all ages, whose eyes look on nature in all her moods, and whose ears translate to the soul her wondrous inspiration—to you my message will appeal.

You will never fully realize your ideals, nor develop your best, but in the striving you will find growth. You will be few among many, but you will be centers of life and light, a salt that has not lost its savor, a leaven with power to quicken the mass.

W.H.S.

Ye mariners of England
That guard our native seas,
Whose flag has braved a thousand years,
The battle and the breeze;
Your glorious standard launch again
To match another foe;
And sweep through the deep
While the stormy winds do blow;
While the battle rages loud and long
And the stormy winds do blow.

The spirit of your fathers
Shall start from every wave—
For the deck it was their field of fame
An Ocean was their grave;
Where Blake and mighty Nelson fell
Your manly hearts shall glow,
As ye sweep through the deep
While the stormy winds do blow;
While the battle rages loud and long
And the stormy winds do blow.

Foreign Office,
Dec. 12, 1900.

Dear Sir: I am desired by Lord Lansdowne to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo.

I am to express His Lordship's best thanks for your congratulation on his appointment as Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, which he highly appreciates.

Lord Lansdowne is always glad to hear from a country of which he entertains the happiest recollections, and in whose welfare and development he takes the deepest and most sincere interest, and he wishes all possible prosperity to the University College of Toronto and success to the students' newspaper in which you are interested.

I am, dear sir,
Faithfully yours,
RONALD HAMILTON.

Dec., 1900.

Swinford Old Manor,
Ashford, Kent.

To the Students of University College, Toronto:

In response to your appeal, I readily and gladly send you my best wishes, and warmest Christmas greeting. Across the ocean that severs but never can disunite us, I grasp the hands of the youth of Canada with my own, no longer young, save with the fervent thrill of Faith, Hope, and Love. Here in Great Britain we all think you a gallant and generous race, and we are proud of your kinship with us. May you preserve, through all the advancing years, the courage and enthusiasm of your noble adolescence!

ALFRED AUSTIN.

HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

Varsity I. and II. Win From Osgoode in Practice Matches.
MULLOCK CUP SERIES.

The Varsity I. hockey team held their first practice match with Osgoode of Friday, and won by the score of 2 to 3. It is probable that this will not be the last victory for the Varsity team this year, as the aggregation for this year is "faster than has been," and with the steady practice which the Mutual street rink affords, will make a strong bid for the championship. The men who fill the forward line are all fast and tricky. Caulfield did not play in the match, but will probably be seen on the forward line ere long. The defence for the season will likely be the same as in Friday's game. Hanley's ability in goal is well known, as is also that of Evans and Wright at point and cover.

In the game of Friday, Varsity's forwards proved much faster than the Osgoode wings, and although Osgoode had a good defence, drove 9 goals between the posts. The Legalties did not score until the last half, when they succeeded in scoring 3 goals. White, the Osgoode goal, put up a very good game and stopped several hot shots. The referee was Sadler of Osgoode. The teams were:

Varsity—Goal, Hanley; point, Evans; cover-point, Wright; forwards, Broder,

Gibson, McArthur, Snell, Tress.

Osgoode—Goal, White; point, Knight; cover-point, Stiles; forwards, Kearns, Meaghan, Jackson, Schooley.

Varsity II. imitated the feat of the Seniors, and defeated the Osgoode team in a practice match on Saturday by a score of 5 to 3. The second team, like the first, contains some very good material this season, and under the energetic management of W. W. Livingstone and the capable captainship of H. O'Flynn, may be expected to do something noteworthy for the blue and white.

They played up well in the practice game, although it can hardly be prophesied what the final team will be like, as the point and cover-point have not been chosen yet. Foy and Gladney filled the positions very well on Saturday, but it is probable that the choice for the point will be made from Baldwin, Boyd, or Leslie Wilson, and for cover between Lang and Little. The players on Saturday were as follows:

Goal, Pardee; point, Foy; cover-point, Gladney; forwards, Livingstone, O'Flynn, Wood, Caulfield.

The dropping out of the Senior Series of Peterboro will not affect the schedule as far as Varsity and the Wellingtons are concerned. Varsity meets the Wellingtons on January 25th and also on February 5th.

The winners of the round have to meet Stratford at Stratford on February 12th, and Stratford in Toronto on February 19th.

Patriotism.

In a young country like our own we would not perhaps expect to find the people quite as madly patriotic as we would in, say, the United States of America, for there we find a very extraordinary development within a short space of time. Again, we must bear in mind that that country is its own master—in other words, it is a self-governing country, that must fight its own fights and make its own treaties. This very fact stimulates that love of country, that fervid passion, peculiar to a whole nation. Any nation that has gone through a life and death struggle for existence and has come out triumphant feels conscious of its own strength, is proud of its nationhood, and is self-reliant in all emergencies—national, local, economic, or otherwise.

Yet it appears to us that our own colony-nation, although she can wage no wars of conquest or revenge per se—although she has nothing to do with the making or signing of treaties—is as patriotic every whit as her respected neighbor to the south. In our infancy events demonstrated that slumbering passion for the native land. Small, then, numerically as we were in 1821, there was surely such a thing as patriotism, or blood-stained fields are hallowed.

History teaches us that it is not territorial extent that makes a nation patriotic. Look at the case of the Swiss Republic, small in area, indifferent in the pursuit of commerce, not particularly distinguished in science or letters, and yet where will you find any nation more consumed with the patriotic fire? Again, look at Scotland. Un-

derneath the grand and glorious Empire. When we become more and more an integral part of that uncrumbling substance, then will our bosoms beat with a deeper thrill.

Patriotism is a divine emotion. That people is poor indeed who feel it not. Let us cultivate it as we would any noble virtue.

We would desire our numerous and intelligent and patriotic readers to ponder these high and inspired words of Sir Walter Scott, so fresh quoted, yet ever new and fresh since their settlement is so commendable.

Breathes there a man, with soul so dead,
That never to himself hath said,
"This is my own, my native land—
Whose heart hath never within him
Burn'd,
As home his footsteps he hath turn'd,
From wandering on a foreign strand?
If such there breathe, go, mark him well,
For him no minstrel raptures swell.
High though his titles, proud his name,
Boundless his wealth as wish can claim,
Despite those titles, power, and pelf,
Living shall perfect fair renown,
And doubly dying, shall go down
To the vile dust from which he sprung,
Unwept, unhonored, and unsung."

THE NOBLE NATURE.

It is not growing like a tree.
In bulk doth make man better be,
Or standing long an oak, three hundred year,
To fall at last a log, dry, bald, and bare.
A lily of the day,
Is fairer far in May,
Although it fall and die that night,
It was the plant and flower of light.
In small proportions we just beauties see,
And in short measures life may perfect be.

—Ben Jonson.

Stone walls do not a prison make,
Nor iron bars a cage,
Minds innocent and quiet take
That for a heritage,
If I have freedom in my love,
And in my soul am free,
Angels alone that soar above
Enjoy such liberty.

—Colonel Lovelace.

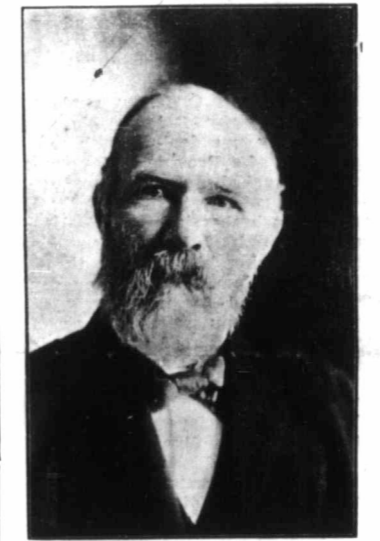
Love not me for comely grace,
To dote upon me ever,
For my pleasing eye or face,
Nor for any outward part,
No, nor for my constant heart—
For those may fall or turn to ill,
So thou and I shall sever:
Keep, therefore, a true woman's eye,
And love me still, but know not why—
So hast thou the same reason still.

—Anon.

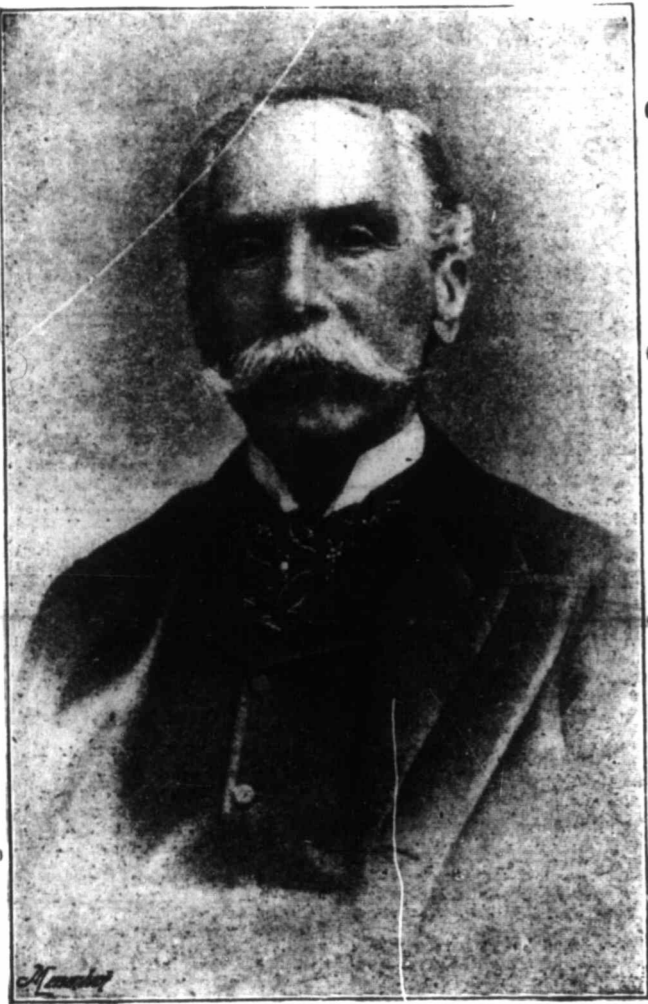
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LORD LANSDOWNE.



PRESIDENT LOUDON.



Alfred Austin

Strengthen your mental and moral fibre by persistent development on some one leading life-line, by a wise selection and digestion of the mass of world food which surges continuously past you, and by quiet and steady thought and meditation. Do not forget that there are no duplicates in the great human mass, that no one is or is meant to be exactly like any other, but that each becomes in the infinite combinations of the constituent elements of humanity a personality and force differing from every other. Study to find out what you are, then strengthen your ego, and preserve it as the one God-given and precious possession.

And the stormy winds do blow.
Britannia needs no bulwarks,
No towers along the steep,
Her march is over the mountain-waves,
Her home is on the deep.
With thunders from her native oak
She quells the floods below—
As they roar on the shore,
When the stormy winds do blow;
When the battle rages loud and long,
And the stormy winds do blow.

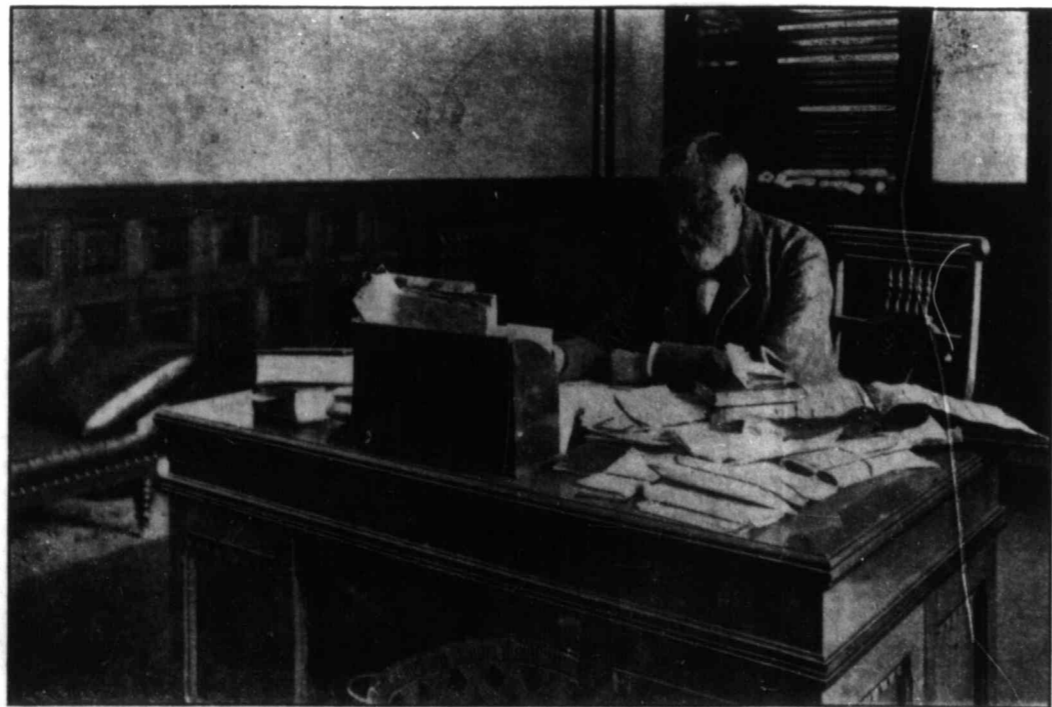
The meteor flag of England
Shall yet terrific burn,
Till danger's troubled night depart
And the star of peace return.
Then, then, ye ocean-warriors,
Our song and feast shall flow
To the fame of your name.
When the storm has ceased to blow,
When the fiery fight is heard no more,
And the storm has ceased to blow.

—T. Campbell.

Be yourself and not a weak copy of another; be your best self in trust and most constant action. Do what the dominant life force in you demands. The question with you should be, "How can I best develop the distinctive best within me?" not "What must I do to become famous, or rich, or powerful?" Oh, the ashes and bitterness of that life which has sacrificed its individuality, its distinctive best, yearning and striving to be clothed upon, to the mad desire to be famed or rich or powerful, only to find out in the end how hollow the satisfaction, and to live thenceforth with a bitter consciousness that in compassing that object the real spiritual individual wish had been starved or dwarfed or utterly slain! Search history for the examples. Oh, how nobly compensating the attainments of that soul which has missed wealth, and fame, and power, but which lives in the quiet, conscious knowledge of individual growth and excellence, slowly, but surely, emerging from the dust and noise and mists of the lower levels of existence into the pure, strong, lucid atmosphere of higher planes of life and thought! Look about you for examples of such as these.

Is my plea the voice of one crying in the wide wilderness of fictitious strife and seeming? Yes and no.

The multitudes will listen and pass by with the scoffing taunt, "Dreamer and impractical." But to you, who are many, whose young souls cry out for truth and thoroughness, whose ideals project far out in the future like splendid distillations of the best of all



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LAST ISSUE OF COLLEGE TOPICS.

With this issue College Topics closes its year in the field of college journalism. The circumstance that we are a newspaper essentially is that which necessitates our closing publication now. During this term there is little happening except the long, dreary, midnight "plugging" in order that we may be ready to face the "destroyer" in May. Few functions remain to be held, and almost all outside attractions have gone into winter quarters. Thus it is that College Topics is forced to follow them.

We may be permitted to mention that the season just closed has been one of the most successful in the history of the paper. Its circulation has more than doubled, which is sufficient evidence that the one newspaper reaching all the colleges in Toronto is meeting with increasing favor. Our advertisers are well satisfied with the medium, and we hope that they may continue throughout this term to receive a fair share of the students' patronage. We trust that all our present readers and many new ones will be with us next year. In conclusion, we wish all every success throughout this first year of the new century.

WAR.

When one considers that the saying of Jesus Christ concerning His intention of coming into this world was, "Peace on earth, good will to men," does it not seem strange to you that at the present stage of the high development of the human race, in this, the latest day of progressive Christianity, nations take such a deep and all-pervading delight in war, in the scientific murder of their fellowmen?

"Oh, well," one says, "you must consider that war is inevitable. Men have always fought; men will always fight, until the whole world is regenerated, and the righteous and unbroken peace of the millennium has arrived." I would not attempt to contend that a moral objection to the impulse in his breast, prompted by his master, the Prince of Darkness, would try to practise himself or spread the doctrine of "Peace on earth," but what does surprise me is that so-called Christian peoples, who attempt to obey the laws laid down by the Son of God, one of whose great doctrines was peace, should not take steps, should not raise their voices, to protest against the spirit of militarism.

If Great Britain is a Christian nation, that is to say, a nation whose people, for the most part, are followers of Christ, and live out the dictates of Him, then, if that Christian mass of human beings is smote on one cheek, should it not, if it is to be consistent, "turn the other also"? Some one may say in reply to this, "That's a too literal reading of the precept." Very good, then, let us take the spirit of the law. As I understand it, this is intended for a rule of action, not in a literal sense at all, but it wishes to point out to mankind that the Kingdom of Jesus Christ is not to be extended or preserved by force of arms, by military power, or by the threats of such strength. Then, if the Boers or Filipinos run amuck and do wrong they should not be forced into the way of righteousness by brandishing a loaded revolver over their heads, but, rather, by the persuasions of the voice of love. Yet everybody laughs at such a statement of the case. If one talks like that he is dismissed amid laughter with such epithets as "dreamer," or "you're a fool, sir; talk sense." So I am greatly perplexed to know why it is that following the doctrines of Christianity out to their logical conclu-

sion one should be held up to ridicule. Does it not seem that there is some great question for our consideration and speculation concerning the enquiry that we have not yet met? Is there "something rotten in other States beside Denmark"? or what is the matter? Is it, tell me, O learned exponent of truth, tell me, I pray, are the enlightened nations of Christianity all hypocrites to-day, or is it only a silly delusion? Can anyone reconcile the teachings of Christ with the actions of His followers to-day? I sincerely ask that if Christ came here teaching a doctrine of peace why is every good Christian such a zealous enthusiast over our licensed and paid uniformed murderers? Is there, then, any answer to such questions?

"TO BE, OR NOT TO BE"

"Ye Germans are a nation of scholars." This sentence is one that fixed itself in my youthful memory, and formed the germ of a considerable growth of thought. Is it not a proud boast for any nation? No idle boast, either, for, with the wider dissemination of ideas, the propagation of the latest theories of art and science, as the race becomes more and more permeated with true culture, as the intellectual interests become ascendant over other departments of national existence, then that race may be called truly civilized, truly great! After all, what is a great military power but so much disciplined muscle and brawn? A strong, healthy man or woman is certainly pleasing to the eye, yet does not an intellectual giant, a high-browed man of culture, awaken in the human breast of Christendom a deeper thrill? It should then be the goal of our striving to lead our national thought in all educational matters. You would not think for a moment that a Premier would know more of the art of war than a commander-in-chief; neither would you look to the commercial class in any country to dictate the educational policy of that country. Let me say as clearly as I may, that the educational class in this commonwealth of ours must lead all the people in thought when we speak of educational matters.

It is vitally important for us to secure all the best means possible for the education of the youth of this country. We may become a great commercial power in the world—that is good. We may, again, become a great military power—that is indifferent or even harmful. We may become a "nation of scholars"—that is excellent. Even though we should become a highly moral people, as I believe we now are, and still lack the finer and higher signs of advanced civilization, we may almost say, after the manner of the Apostle, "it profiteth not."

Do you not, O fellow student, O learned professor, O honorable graduate, do you not deplore with me the parsimony of a Provincial Government, whether such be the outcome of the lack of knowledge throughout the Province, or whether it be political trickery and cunning? Is it not a sad page in our passing history that the Goddess of Wisdom and Learning cannot find the bread for her hourly existence? Will you stand by unmoved while we are menaced with drought in the fields of scientific ideas? O for an oasis verdant and satisfying in this barren wilderness, this parched desert of parsimonious Governments and listless pupils, who live their little lives "penny wise and pound foolish," who rise up in the morning and lie down again at the hour of darkness unmindful whether the courts of Minerva crumble into ruin or not. I say it is for you reader, to think of this hour of darkness, and while your Alma Mater lies in her travail of Gethsemane and woe to be a not wholly unmoved or sleeping spectator.

CORRIDOR ECHOES

"Who's going to invite you to the Ladies' Lit?"

—E. P. Clappison, '02, has gone home with the grip. We hope that the fresh mountain breezes of Hamilton will blow away all traces of his sickness and leave him as hearty and vigorous as ever.

—Messrs. G. Hodgson and E. Paterson have been appointed as debaters for '02 against the freshmen. No fears are entertained by the third-year men as to the results of the debate.

—The new bookshelf in the library has caused several changes of seats. E. W. MacKenzie shows a decided partiality for the end of the room which commands a view of the whole library. "Mac" says the light is too poor anywhere else.

—If your watch needs repairing take it to Proctor, 344 Yonge street.

—W. Allison and F. Broder have turned over new leaves for the new century. Both may be seen every morning at 8.15, sitting on the steps of the library, waiting for the door to open.

—A. G. McPhedran, '01, is around again, after undergoing an operation for appendicitis at the hospital.

—It is not hard to discover the reason of the popularity of the mathematical course in the third year when one learns that Dr. McLennan proposes giving afternoon teas to junior students of the "exact science."

—The ladies of Varsity are forming a hockey club. The gentlemen are waiting anxiously to learn if there will be any exhibition games, and what will be the price of admission. It is

to be hoped, for the sake of the boys' financial state, that tickets will be sold at popular prices.

Proctor's optician is at your services.

—The bulletin board is daily scanned by anxious men looking for the list of invitations to the ladies' at home. The popularity of this reception is universal, and happy are the men whose names appear among the chosen.

—The many friends of Miss M. Phillips, '02, are delighted to welcome her again, after an absence of several months.

—Drop into Burgess' drug store, 278 Yonge street (corner of Alice), for anything you need in his line. He always gives satisfaction.

The sporting editor of "The Varsity" goes all the way to Georgetown to have his "barbering done."

Mr. Marshall McHugh, '02, has been confined to his room the past few days with the grip.

Through the kindness of Mr. Anderson, the class of '02 in mathematics and physics will have their photos taken this week in the Physical Laboratory. Mr. J. W. Hedley is the director of ceremonies.

The first issue of "The Varsity" last week under the editorship of Mr. Cassidy was a very creditable number. We predict that Mr. Cassidy will be able to maintain the usual high standard of the students' paper.

Trinity's annual conversat. has been fixed for Wednesday, February 6.

Notice to Undergraduates.

Concert in Massey Hall on February 1st, Under the Auspices of the Undergraduate Union—Katharine Fisk and Other Artists.

Every student should attend the concert on February 1, at Massey Hall, given under the auspices of the Undergraduate Club. The nature and purpose of the union are well known to the undergraduate body, and few will deny that it deserves the support of every man. Not all students can afford to buy two or more tickets at popular prices, for which he will receive full value paid in terms of music and elocution by the deep, sweet, thrilling voice of Katharine Fisk, by the original humorous sketches of Owen Smily and by the rollicking choruses and spirited stringed instrumentals of the Harmonic Club.

The committee of the Union have spared no time nor pains in arranging this concert, and have assumed the responsibility of holding it. In order to be successful they must have the support of all the students. Now is the time for the students to show them that their confidence in them has not been misplaced. Tickets may be secured from representatives in each college. The plan opens on January 30, at Massey Hall; also at Northheimer's and Winter, Gourlay & Leeping's.

TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF.

Old St. Perkins entered the grocery store on New Year's morning, stamped the snow off his feet, and greeted the several members of the chair-warming society who had assembled there according to their custom.

"Yes, said he, meditatively, as he warmed his outspread fingers over the box-stove, "it seems nuthin' but fit and proper that a man should make some good resolutions at the New Year. I hev made one, and I don't aere who knows it. I'm agoin' to keep a better holt on my temper after this. Now that we are just beginnin' a new century, it makes me feel kinder solemn."

"What's that you said about just beginnin' a new century, St?" inquired Ike Jenkins from the corner where he and Joe Pett were having a game of checkers.

"I said we was just startin' a new century, an'—"

"How do you make that out. This is fifteen hundred and one, isn't it? It don't take one hundred and one years to make a hundred."

"No, but it takes more'n ninety-nine."

"Hold on!" interrupted Peter Higgins. "How was it that 'Varsity feller figured it out? How old is a man on his twenty-first birthday?"

"No; it's just like this," said Skinner Jones, the groceryman, "supposin' Bill here owes me one hundred dollars, and starts to pay me, one-two-three—"

"You goldarn pessel of idjits!" shouted Mr. Perkins, "can't ye let a man get a word in edgewise! My old murr's got more sense than the whole pack of you penurious, stubborn, pig-headed cusses!" and the maker of resolutions left the store in a towering rage, slamming the door behind him.

"What was that St said about turnin' over a new leaf?" inquired Joe Pett; but the rest were too deep in argument to answer.

NOW IS THE TIME.

The season is really only beginning for fur goods of all descriptions. The Dineen Company's showrooms are lavishly stocked with all the latest designs in jackets, in all the fashionable furs. Alaska seal jackets, \$75 to \$125; Persian lamb jackets, \$75 to \$125; electric seal jackets, \$35 and \$40; grey lamb jackets, \$37.50. If you have time to-day, drop in and see the display.

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THE STAGE.

A lady sitting in the dress circle at the Royalty Theater grew quite excited as the play progressed, and in the second act exclaimed, "It's all true; I know it's true. Oh, I can't speak—I can't speak; it is life!"

The play was "Mr. and Mrs. Daventry," with the title roles in the hands of Mr. Frederick Kerr and Mrs. Patrick Campbell.

It is a revelation to see what an English public will listen to without blushing, so long as it is life. Oh! what a howl our good Toronto critics would raise at this same second act. How our prim society pruders would squirm in their seats and look shocked, while they strained the ears to catch every syllable uttered by that coarsé dog, Daventry. Imagine a play whose very life depends upon a scene where the husband carries on an amour with one of his guests in his wife's boudoir, not knowing that his wife has lain down to rest on the bed a few yards away, and overhears every vicious word and sees every disgusting kiss.

By itself the scene is disgraceful, outrageous; with the rest of the play it is a wonderful piece of dramatic art. Simply and solely because it depicts life.

The moment Daventry ceases to convince, the moment he appears to be a fiction introduced to make the rest of the story plausible, instead of the rest of the story being the inevitable outcome of his own character—that moment the play is indefensible. Would that it were! Unfortunately, the gross vulgarity of the boorish country squire is not extinct in England. A man of this type, dull, easy-going, vicious, devoid of every finer feeling, is married to an innocent young girl with emotions and ideals.

One by one he breaks through them, slowly he opens her eyes to all that is worst and basest in men. Then comes that dreadful second act right before her eyes. To the spectator there is something humorous in listening to the heavy awkwardness of Daventry making love. There comes a knock on the door. "Good Heavens!" whispers the woman, "it's my husband's knock. He must have seen me coming up. What are we to do?"

Of course Daventry doesn't know. The knock comes again, and the voice of the woman's husband, "I hear you whispering. If you don't open I shall burst the lock."

Way back in the shadow Mrs. Daventry sits motionless on the bed. Over all the disgust, all the outraged sensibility, comes the feeling of duty to her guests and her family, to avoid a scandal.

She steps forward, turns on the lights, and unlocks the door. The husband rushes in and sees his wife, Daventry—and Mrs. Daventry. The scene is saved. Curtain.

Thus the problem is presented boldly, unflinchingly, brutally: What is Mrs. Daventry to do? There is a young fellow, an old friend of her childhood days, who loves her sincerely. She goes to him, and, defying convention, they live together, and the poor girl at last learns what it is to be really happy. To her enters husband No. 1, who makes promises of repentance if she will return to him. Of course she refuses with scorn, upon which he is so cut up that he goes outside and shoots himself, adding the name of Mr. Frank Harris to the swelling list of English playwrights who haven't the faintest idea of how to end a play.

The London papers are still talking about "The Wisdom of the Wise." Mrs. Craigie's (John Oliver Hobbes) new play, which occasioned such a row on the first night of its production, at which I was present.

The fact of the matter is that the play, though extremely brilliant, was also extremely uninteresting, and the curtain descended amidst dubious applause. Mrs. Craigie was foolish enough to come before the curtain, and was hissed by a portion of the audience.

Thereupon the actor-manager, Mr. George Alexander, felt it incumbent upon him to come out and make a very impolitic speech, which was again received with applause and hisses. The moral is of course that the actor had better keep his speeches for the other side of the curtain, and the playwright remain as invisible as the author of the latest novel.

McMASTER.

The boys of McMaster, after spending a delightful Christmas holiday, have returned, with firm determination to waste no time during the coming weeks.

We are pleased to see that the number of our students is increasing. Several freshmen have joined our ranks this term, ready to face the trials and tribulations of the approaching struggle—exams.

The Debating Club held a meeting on Saturday, January 12th, for the purpose of electing a new staff of officers for the ensuing term, and the following were chosen: President, V. Holston; Secretary, H. C. Feast; Committee, Messrs. Campbell, Dodds, and Metcather.

Hockey is booming in the top flat. Rhubarb vs. Peaches; score: Rhubarb ate (eight) none. Hurrah for Rhubarb!

The first meeting of the Lit. for the century was held last Friday evening, January 11th. The chief item of the programme was a lecture given by Dr. Tracy; subject: "Plato and His Republic." Without doubt many of the special classic men received some new ideas and got a glimpse of fields of knowledge still unexplored by them.

Class '02 held their class rally last Thursday evening, January 10th, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wilson R. Smith. Although the evening was stormy, all the members of the year managed to brave the snow. With the aid of the street cars, cabs, etc., they arrived at the desired place, and a

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Sir John Bourinot at the Political Science Club.

CANADIAN AND AUSTRALIAN MODELS.

A highly interested audience heard Sir John Bourinot lecture last Friday. The knowledge of the speaker's position as a constitutional authority would have been sufficient to command the deepest attention and interest, but when that was coupled with a graceful eloquence and facility of expression, the lecture was made doubly interesting. The Globe gives the following account of his lecture:

Before the Political Science Club yesterday afternoon at the University, Sir John Bourinot delivered a very interesting address on "British Rule in Canada." It comprised a succinct historical review of the evolution of responsible government, under whose beneficent influences Canada has attained so prominent a position among the political communities of the world. As a logical sequence of the full concession of political and commercial freedom to the Provinces after 1841, the misunderstandings that so constantly occurred between the legislative bodies and the Imperial authorities on account of the inability of the latter to appreciate fully the importance of colonial grievances and of their constant interference in matters which should have been left exclusively to the Provinces have been entirely removed. In conformity with the wise policy of making Canada a self-governing country, the Provinces of the Dominion are, as a consequence, no longer a source of irritation and danger to the parent State, but possessing full independence in all matters of local concern, are now among the chief sources of England's pride and greatness. The Governor-General, by being removed from the arena of public controversy, has gained in dignity and prestige. The best qualities of colonial statesmanship had been brought out, as our public men had been taught to rely on themselves in all crises affecting the welfare of the Dominion. Sir John Bourinot next reviewed the respective powers of the constitutional authorities which govern the Dominion as a dependency of the Crown.

English ideas than the constitution of Australia. The Australian constitution federates the various Provinces as "States," uses the word "Commonwealth," and "House of Representatives" instead of "House of Commons." The States of the commonwealth may at any moment choose to elect their own Governors instead of having them appointed by the Crown, as in Canada. The States are, moreover, to have full jurisdiction over the State courts, as in the United States. The Australians make themselves entirely independent of the action of the Imperial Parliament, which might be invaluable in some crisis affecting deeply the integrity and unity of the Commonwealth. By allowing an appeal to the Queen-in-Council from a decision of the High Court on constitutional questions only when that court grants leave, the Australians have probably weakened one of the most important ties that now bind them to the Empire.

Sir John went on to point out how, under the Canadian constitution, the French-Canadians had taken an active part in strengthening the Confederation. It was their political constitution, derived from English principles, that had made the French-Canadians a free, self-governing people, and developed the best elements of their character, and had at last placed at the head of the Government a brilliant French-Canadian, whose aspiration is to unify the two races and build up a powerful Canadian nation in the closest connection with England. After referring to Canada's present importance in all international negotiations affecting her territory or special interests, he concluded by saying that Canada was being forced on irresistibly towards a still closer union with the parent State, which shall increase their national responsibilities and at the same time give the Dominion a recognized position in the central councils of the Empire. (Applause.)

A vote of thanks, moved by Professor Wrong and seconded by Mr. Dixon Craig, was enthusiastically passed to Sir John for his able paper.

WES' TURNAH'S MULE TRADE.

Wes' Turnah ain't no common con, I want yo' fo' to know. An' wen Wes' puts de britchin on dey's sometin' got to go. Wes' bought a first-class dun col'd mule. An' I tell you, chile, Wes' ain't no fool. He traded dat mule, an' what you think He got to boot? Lawd bless my soul! It's worth a neat to make me blink. Wes' tol' me, wid his own lips to, Dat he got a path o' bob-sleighs, new. An' dat maah a-feedin' obeh dah. It's worth a neat to make me blink. As daylight, may I wiggle heah. An' I ain't a tellin' jes' what's right. An' dah's de maah heah right in sight. Lem tell you, he ain't no tattle tale. Five dollars cash, an' a boss bring new. Now, look heah, niggah, you can't stuff You think I's green as a o' green pea. I know dat Wes' am a cleveah con. But dis niggah ain't took in quite so soon. It's gwine to ax one question, Jake— What's Wes' Turnah's slyh an' rake? Well, I'll be cropp'd of all ma wool. If you don't peah, if you ah fool. Say, 'iv I got a pitch fo' in ma han', O-or do you want me ta stick yo' whah yo' start?

To yo' believe I got one heah, My gracious, Jones, yo' actin' queer! I tell yo', Brown, yo' can't lick me; If yo' think yo' can, why come an' see! I'll clean yo' whole roost like a chicken-bone.

An' I'll undah'take de job alone. An' a dabby skunk o' a lah, Brown; Don't take two fists to knock yo' down. No, sah, no man e'n give me sass. An' if yo' spee dis niggah, I'll let it pass. Yo' a black-faced lah, an' yo' wool won't cut!

An' yo' nebbah held a job yit in dis world. But, Lawd sake! yo'll shoneh coat by-mby. An' I say once moah, Brown, I say yo' lie.

What's all dis heah racket kick up fo'? Call de con Wes' Turnah from ' cabbie trade. Yo' first-class niggahs to ellect de change. On de Sabbath Day, Dis heah am strange. Fo' niggahs like yo', 'stead o' actin' right.

A-cabin names an a-gwine to fight; Yo' niggahs, bi'n in de devil's fish. Jes' suah s' yo' bo'n, call 'noddah man lah.

Say, Wes', yo' de man we want (see? Brown, heah, an' me, we can't agree; Say, what yo' trade yo' dun mule fo'? Beside dat maah dey's how much mo'?

Well, look heah, niggahs, to what I says. First, got one path o' new bob-sleighs. An' I got a Gen'wine five dollar bill. An' I got it home yit, got it still. An' I may de Lawd strike me stone dead If dat's a lie what I jus' now said. Great lan' o' Goshen, but dat's a fine trade!

I'll bet ma shut bes' evah made. Why dat da'r mule 'ud kick a baan down. Wich movin' huh heels frum off de groun'.

Jus' a waggin huh eah an' winkin' huh eye. Why, fan a cyclone if she wanted tu try.

Why dat mule's a holy terrah, Jones. An' it ain't no mo' dan skin an bones. But den, Wes', yo' maah's got bad hin' feet. An' she won't eat thistles that the mule 'ud eat.

Well, Brown, dey's moah o' sometin' in yo' head. Dan what jes' crawls—jes' what I said. Tu de man Blake, when I trade de mule. Sez I, Mistah Blake, I ain't no fool; Now, what yo' gwine tu give tu boot? Fo' yo' see yo' maah's got a spasm foot? Dat's how I got five dollars cash—'Nough tu all mos' buy nex' wintah's maah.

Spouse dat maah hes got spasms, suah. Wes' Turnah knows how he c'n cuah De spasms, whah yo' spouse I ben De las' fo'ty yeah? I see gwine tu win 'Nough greenbacks by tradin' off dat maah.

Buy yaller dress fo' ma wench to waah; Fo' ma wench—Say, Wes', what yo' take Fo' yo' bob-sleighs—squah trade, now—no fake?

I'll gib yo' a sigh blade an' twenty-six cents. Plug yo' smokin' an' 'nough post fo' yo' fence.

No, sah, Jones, de man what gets dem sleighs Is de fust man what ten dollars pays. W'y, man-a-live, dey's all bran' new. An' de wood's de best o' hick'ry, too; But, say, I jes' heah ma o' woman yell.

I'll get 'long now o-or she gibe me hell!

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My country, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty— Of thee I sing— Land where my fathers died, Land of the pilgrim's pride, From every mountain-side Let Freedom ring!

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Back again, says everyone, or at least those few that are back. "Here I am," says Tiny Cunningham, as he drops his carpet-bag to shake hands with those around him. "Gee!" chirped Charlie Burke, "we came within four hours of missing the stage, only the driver waited for us."

Lobster Kelly is back again, after a vacation of three months. Joe Dooley is not back yet, but is expected every day.

Mr. P. F. Loughney is back, but is confined to his room with a severe cold. Willie Curtain has returned, after an extensive lecturing tour.

The American students will hold their annual play on February 22, Washington's birthday. The following list of officers was chosen: President, Fr. Howard; vice-president, J. Leo Golden; secretary, James S. Cunningham; committee, Gus Luby, Joe Dooley, Willie Green, and Jack McGuire. Mr. George Tashereau's musical friends will regret to learn that George is confined to St. Michael's Hospital.

On December 27 Mr. James J. Golden entertained his Scranton college friends to a banquet. The event was a great success, and all the fellows report a swell time.

Prisco drifted in last Saturday night.

"Joisey" Billington made a flying visit to Jersey City yesterday.

Charles Warner, the noted full-back, is laid up for repairs at St. Michael's Hospital.

WYCLIFFE COLLEGE.

It was with deep regret that the students of Wycliffe heard on their return from the Christmas holidays of the death of Mr. Geo. McCallum. It was known that he was seriously ill when a few days before the closing he was taken from the college to the General Hospital, but none expected to hear of his so sudden death. Although not one with Wycliffe in his studies during the time that he was in residence, in all other ways he made himself so. His musical talent will be greatly missed from the meetings of the Literary Society.

Dr. F. Howard Taylor recently addressed the students on the missionary work in Persia, and to Miss Allworth, who has undertaken work in the North-west. In spite of the disagreeable weather, a large number were present.

Rev. Prof. Hague has been advised by his physician not to resume his lectures during this term. He leaves the city in a few weeks for a trip abroad, and it is hoped that he will return much strengthened to take up his work next year. His place at present will be partially filled by different clergymen of the city, who have kindly consented to deliver lectures.

Grip has entered the college. Nearly every man seems to have an experience with the unwelcome visitor.

The Students' Mission Society held its first meeting of the new term on Tuesday evening. Reports were presented by the secretary, assistant secretary, and treasurer of the work done during the last term, and the men in charge of mission stations during the Christmas holidays told also of their work.

New "Sunlight" lamps have been placed in all the rooms of the college, much to the appreciation of the students.

TRINITY UNIVERSITY.

All the men have been in college for a week past, and are now settled down to the ordinary routine of work. Prof. Huntington has left Trinity, and his place is being very ably filled by Mr. G. Oswald Smith, who comes with many praiseworthy recommendations. Mr. Smith is an Oxford graduate, and for the past year has been one of the faculty of Bishop's College, Lennoxville. There is no doubt but that as great success will follow his work here as it has done in other places.

There is much cause for disquiet among all the men that the weather has been of such a character as to put a stop to all kinds of sport, without which college life must be somewhat dull. Trinity this year will likely make use of the Old Orchard rink, as well as their own, for hockey purposes.

The annual conversation of the Literary Institute has been fixed for Wednesday, February 6th. The arrangements will likely be nearly the same as last year. Mr. A. H. Mockridge is secretary, and the following Executive Committee have the affair in charge: E. P. S. Spencer, D. T. Owen, H. J. Johnston, J. Dunning, A. C. Lanesfield, W. E. Kidd, H. D. Woodcock, and W. C. White.

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY.

The initial meeting of the "Lit." for the new year and the new century, held on Saturday evening, saw the installation of the Hamilton administration. The energetic Premier, though affected by the depressing influences of a rather slim House and a vigilant Opposition, presented a vigorous front. The speech from the throne, like its predecessors, contained a number of good local and general hints, some of which, however, were lost on a dull and unappreciative audience. The policy of the Government contains one particularly good proposal, the discussion of questions of a national character. If this proposal is carried out it will do much to stimulate interest in the "Lit." meeting, and will also have a very educating effect upon the members. In consequence of the meetings of the College Missionary Society, which will be a stronger counter-attraction, the "Lit." meeting for tonight has been withdrawn.

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The sophomores' reception, held on Wednesday evening, was another of those excellent entertainments given by this class, which has become notable for its social functions. The upper hall was very tastefully decorated with flags. Addresses were delivered by the Hon. President, Dr. Bain, and the President, Mr. Dingman, and the rest of the evening was divided between games, promenades, and refreshments.

The Juniors have elected the following officers to direct the affairs of their class: Hon. President, Dr. Bell; President, J. H. Beer; First Vice, Miss A. Smith; Secretary, H. Neville. The others remain unchanged from last term.

YOUNG CELEBRITIES OF TO-DAY.

Winston Spencer Leonard Churchill.

Lord Tennison in one of his minor poems has a refrain which runs: "Britons hold your own."

This is precisely what such young Britons as Lieutenant Churchill are doing—holding their own! preserving and realizing the noble traditions of the grand and glorious old boys, who made our Empire what it is to-day. We honor such men as young Churchill, they, by their deeds show to the world, that they come from a hardy fearless stock. That their ancestors were free men, and that they dared to strike, when the time for striking came.

We can gladly recommend such young Britons to our readers, who are themselves young Britons. Let them strive to emulate the heroism and gallantry of young Churchill, the youngest veteran of the British army. He is only twenty-six years old and has been in four wars, viz, with the Generals at Khartoum, in Cuba, in the late Greco-Turkish war, and lastly in the Boer war. He has written a book on the "River War." He is a soldier, being a Lieutenant in the British Army. He is a war correspondent. He is an author. He is a lecturer, and last and perhaps least, he is the son of a great family. His father was the distinguished Lord Randolph Churchill, who, had he lived, would have probably been

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Prime Minister of England, Young Churchill, as probably most of our daily papers, was captured by the Boers. He succeeded in escaping, stealthily making his way at night through a hostile country where the enemy thronged like ants, around their hills. He has a grim touch of humor in one of his letters, in which he describes himself followed by a lean vulture who moved every time he moved, and relentlessly dogged his footsteps.

G. J. Blewett, of the class of '97, Victoria, and a graduate student in Philosophy during the years 1897-99, spent last year in advanced study at Harvard, where his ability gained for him the reputation of being the most promising student in Philosophy that has come to that University in recent years. In recognition of the scholarly character of his work, the faculty conferred on him a travelling scholarship at the end of only one year's study. He will spend the coming winter at Oxford. His classmates at Victoria, and Varsity men generally, will be pleased to hear of his success. Other graduates of Toronto at Harvard last year were C. D. Allin, '97; E. F. Langley, '94; A. W. G. Wilson, '93; and W. S. W. McLay, '91; all of whom except the first mentioned held scholarships in their respective departments of Romance Languages, Geology and English.

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Now that football and Rugby contests have closed, the all-absorbing interest, among the sports of college life, centers in hockey. Though we have not been as successful in the sports up to date, as we had often hoped, yet we are not discouraged, and mean to concentrate our energies in bringing together a strong hockey aggregation. We have the material which can do the trick in the inter-college series, and it only needs thorough organization and competent management, to place us at the head of the series. Shortly before the holiday the club organized with the following officers:—

- Hon. President, Dr. Stuart.
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There are among the occasional students of the third year some men who have already come so closely in touch with the rest of the class, that we shall never forget them. There are some, the major percentage, we shall remember with the respect we all feel for true manliness, pleasant companionship, and congenial "hall fellow well met" spirit they show.

In years to come we will look back upon their friendship with a warm remembrance of good times, together when our aims, ambitions, and ideals were one. We will then probably regret that they are not now in the Canadian sphere of the profession, sharing with us, the healthy progress we hope to make.

There are others of these students—feeling thankful they are in the minority—that we shall remember purely because we cannot forget their eccentricities. We question why these people were created. Do they serve a purpose? Perhaps they do. Probably they amuse others. Their oddities are usually indicative of some talent or bad breeding. We hope we make every allowance for those unfortunate children who perhaps had not the advantage of an early education; but a man who boasts of his ancestry, his education, and growing future, and yet compels other students to listen to his wheezy cackle for the sole purpose of living eccentric, is an egotistical, unmitigated, complex ass.

A certain member of our body should hang out his shingle on Queen west, somewhere opposite the City Hall, for the dental profession is seemingly not a place where he seems to be able to cultivate his most "lofty" aspirations, as evidenced by the fact that he would meanly deceive his fellow-students, for the sake of making a few cents out of them.

We have known of rural dentists being obliged to take cord-wood as remuneration for their services; but now we hear of a would-be practitioner deeming it just to pay his butter bill by operations for the family. Might his creditor be his mother-in-law?

Is it not praiseworthy the respect which our men hold for age? Here an aging gentleman, who refrains from the use of the razor, is permitted to carry out his whims and eccentricities unmolested. 'Tis true, when he tried to introduce packing-boxes into the very lecture-room itself, some slight objection was raised, but he has been allowed to tinker away, until he has specially equipped himself. Probably his frail extremities needed the massive support thus provided, but who is going to foot the bill next April?

We are pleased to see most of the students back again and hard at work, but there are a few whose faces we miss. Dr. Chinn is retained at home, with serious complications in the family. McKenna is himself confined to his home. Pinard and De Pinna have

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as yet failed to materialize for reasons unknown.

A pleasing event to take place in the near future is the at home given by the Whitley Ladies' College. We understand that a special train leaves this city in the evening, and we have learned that it shall bear our two senior laboratory demonstrators, who have each special attractions in that direction.

TRINITY MEDS.

The Way to Tell a Hard Worker—Police Court Items.

Now that the Christmas holidays are over, and as we have started on the new year and century, work has commenced at Trinity in earnest. The Matriculation and chemistry of the other heart breakers, loom up in front of us, behind, and on all sides of us, and a fellow really doesn't know whether to laugh or cry. Even Tuller, '03, seems to realize the seriousness of the situation, and doesn't make as much noise. Coming as we do from home, where all has been gaiety and pleasure, and where most of the boys rejoice to be with their own particular friends, it seems doubly hard. Of course, there is Rowntree, now he has female acquaintances here in the city that he can call on occasionally, and get cheered up. That's not so bad, but for fellows like Dodd, '03, who took leave of her the night before his departure for Toronto, will have to be content with that until some time in May. It is not hard to tell who the workers are. There are several ways of telling them. First of all, if you happen to catch up with a hard worker on the way to or from college, about the first thing he will say by way of a salutation is, "Well, Eggesham, old boy, how's the work going?" And then when Sunday comes he generally finds time to attend church in the morning, as that braces him up for his labors in the afternoon. If you were to go to the play at the Theater Royal on a Saturday night and occupy a front seat in the gallery where you could see the faces of those in the audience, you may put down the names of those who are not there as hard workers. It comes very easy for some to get up the work; such, for example, as E. C. Dixon; but we are not all born chemists and physiologists, so there is nothing for it but to plug along as best we can and see what the year will bring forth.

"KIT MCGOY."
Hicks, '03, visited Curly Locks at London.
Mr. E. C. Beer, '03, spent the last Sunday of the holidays with friends at London in the woods.
MISFORTUNES.
Billy Brown, '01, had a very severe headache and bilious attack on Wednesday last week, which threatened to kill him, but we are glad to see him at the college nearly as good as ever.
Mr. R. A. Fraser met with a severe accident on Friday afternoon, when everything was in such a slippery condition. He was coming down the dissecting-room steps on his way to the college building when he tripped the Jack and Jill act, and nearly fractured his coccyx in the attempt.
POLICE NEWS.
W. E. Pearson, '02, is out on bail. He was arrested on his way home to dinner the other evening for stealing a cisco from the front of a butcher shop. On examination, fish bones were found between his teeth. It is likely he will be bound over to keep the peace.
On Thursday morning we welcomed to Trinity four freshmen, Messrs. Atkinson, Durnin, Knoch, and Hillis, by putting them over the bar. When it came Atkinson's turn to go over, the boys thought of calling on some of the S.P.S. for scientific methods of lifting heavy weights.
Mac Kechnie, '01, associate editor for College Topics from Trinity, has been assisting Dr. J. W. Hart of Huntsville in his practice during his canvass for Mayor. Mac writes to say that he has been busy as a nailer, killing some and curing a few, and will be back at college in about a week.
The Literary Society is in need of the money kept back by those who have not paid their fees. This is putting the society to great inconvenience and trouble, so, after this intimation please pay at once, and save costs.
We are sorry that C. C. Cragg, '03, is indisposed, and not able to take part in the work going forward. Hurry up and get well, Cragg.
Have you heard the report about Lawrence and the lady Meds?
Who saw Riley work?

Once again we stand at the opening of a new year, well into the new century, and dull indeed must be the soul of any man who is not touched by some passing spirit of seriousness. It is indeed a time for retrospect and prospect. One by one the landmarks of the year that had but a little time since showed so remotely on the horizon are dropping into the distance behind. Most of us, in spite of the important position that the examination holds in our affections, will agree in feeling, in a dim, sub-conscious manner at least, that the college year does not end with May, but rather with the earlier cessation of free undergraduate inter-communication. The melan-choly days are come, and for us they have no more pleasure in them. A ready three months of our calendar year are gone—three months of bright memory, but of little work. But as we sit and recall the three months that are past, we all can recall many pleasant memories: the word of approbation, the helping hand of whole-souled friendship, and the cordial sympathy that wakes any labor light. The climax has been reached when we have separated to celebrate the greatest event in human history beside our own home-firesides. Doubtless the happy relaxation, endeared to us by happy reunions and friendships renewed, has done us all good, and we have again entered upon that path which ends not until May. The dissecting-room is again filled with a throng of eager students, all urged on to greater energy, in the hope by the first of May the necessary facts will be neatly stored away, ready for any emergency. The freshmen are not urged on by any dread of orals at May, but are seekers after truth, and never rest satisfied until the mysteries of even the surface anatomy are as clear as the sunlight. We shall therefore close this salutatory paragraph by wishing each of our readers a very happy and prosperous New Year.

The Medical Society of Toronto School of Medicine has decided to hold their annual open meeting in the west wing of the Biological Department, and the date chosen for the annual event is Friday, January 25th. This open meeting no doubt will be well attended, as elaborate preparations are being made by the committee in charge to offer to the students and friends of the school a literary treat. A more substantial notice will no doubt be given in the form of neat invitation cards, which will be distributed at an early date.
The exam fever is epidemic, and everybody is "settling down in earnest"; but the treasurer of the Medical Society suggests that it would be more appropriate if they were first "to settle up in cash."
The hockey season will soon be in full swing around the college. The Jennings' Cup competition promises to be something more interesting than last year, as the Medical School will put in their usual strong team to compete for the trophy. The Faculty of Applied Science, the present holders of the cup, will no doubt make strenuous efforts to retain possession, but we are confidently assured by the long array of notable hockey players at the School of Medicine that the cup will be wrested from our esteemed neighbors. The schedule will no doubt be announced in a few days.

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UNIVERSITY MEDS.

The boys have all got back to work once more. Everybody seems to have had an exceptionally good time. The fourth year are here with the determination to do good, honest work. Being on the home-stretch, they all realize the importance of putting on an extra spurt. Those of the third year who have promised themselves an easy time, or the few who have swelled heads and are in the lamentable condition of thinking they know it all, would do well to take heed to Dr. McPhedran's warning advice, that if they were twice as brilliant even as they think they are, they would not know it all.
Dr. Thistle has been appointed Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine. The appointment is a good one, and Dr. Thistle is to be congratulated on his advancement.
The Meds. are putting a hockey team in the Intercollegiate Series for the Jennings' Cup. Doc Wright, who is also captain of the Varsity team, will look after them. With such men as Wright, Snell, and Winters they should give a good account of themselves.
Although there was no organized demonstration on the return of the sol-

diers on Friday night, and although the elements conspired to dampen any enthusiasm that might be kindled, many of the Meds. turned out to welcome and to honor the members of the second contingent, who have done so much to place Canada in a favorable light before the nations of the world. The Meds., as a rule, are a magnificent lot of fellows, as shown by the milk of human kindness in their breasts, which tests 3.6 per cent. of butter fat by the lab. lactometer.

College Topics takes some credit to itself for advancing the interests of the medical students. The Medical Society has for its purpose, among other things, the being a means of communication between the student body and the Faculty. This power has not been much exercised in the past, but during last term College Topics not only reminded the society of this fact, but kept pounding at it. As a result, this year the Medical Society is to interview the Faculty on some affairs of vital interest to the students as a whole. One of these is in regard to the examination fee in the third year. The boys do not object particularly to the exam, but they do not think the Faculty is justified in imposing a fee, as it was not so stated in the Calendar.

Another matter to be brought up is the introduction of a course of lectures on the use and administration of anaesthetics. Now, while we have the best curriculum of any school in Canada, and can compete successfully with any school in the world, we are not perfect, and it is only by the close cooperation of the Faculty with the students that we can hope to reach the ideal set up. We hope, therefore, that that august body will at least take these suggestions of the students, made through the Medical Society, into their serious consideration, and act accordingly.

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Victoria vs. McMaster, Saturday, February 9, 9 a.m.
S.P.S. vs. McMaster, Saturday, February 16, 12 a.m.
Victoria vs. Meds, Wednesday, February 20, 5 p.m.
Series B:
Dentals vs. S.P.S. (Jun.), Saturday, January 26, 1:45 p.m.
S.P.S. vs. Meds (Jun.), Friday, February 1, 5 p.m.
Dentals vs. Meds, Tuesday, February 12, 2 p.m.
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'03 vs. '04, Monday, January 28, 3 p.m.
'01 vs. '03, Monday, February 4, 3 p.m.
'02 vs. '04, Wednesday, February 6, 3 p.m.
'01 vs. '04, Thursday, February 14, 3 p.m.
'02 vs. '03, Monday, February 18, 3 p.m.

This schedule has been sanctioned by the Athletic Directorate, and no postponement of games will be made except on account of bad weather. When any such postponement is made the Directorate shall fix the date of the postponed game.
The keen competition evidenced and the confidence of each team in its own chances for the cup ensure the best and most keenly competed series which has yet been played for the Jennings' Cup. There are several fast teams in the series, and no "scrub" teams, so that a good attendance is assured.

As regards the rink, it should be supported by all the students. The Directorate have gone to a good deal of expense, and have taken upon themselves no small risk in opening a rink. There is no more pleasant or healthful exercise than skating, and no surer way of keeping in good shape for the grind in the spring, so that, merely for selfish ends, everyone would be repaid in patronizing the rink. On the other hand, the Directorate have shown themselves worthy of support, and every student owes it to the University to support that very important part of the institution, the Athletic Association, at whose risk the rink is run. The price of season tickets places this true Canadian sport within the reach of everyone, and while there is good weather there will be always good skating, all members thus getting value for their money.

The general agency season is rapidly approaching. All classes of goods will be represented by all kinds of men. We believe that the Kilburn Views send back more successful men each year than all other agency houses in the Dominion. Mr. Thomas certainly looks after the interests of his men in every possible manner. Boys open for work will do well to call on him before contracting elsewhere.

—Everybody is waiting for the conversation, it is to be hoped that there will not be the scarcity of tickets among the undergraduates which prevailed in regard to the Rugby dance.

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

Back to work once more, and it is work this time for sure. The meeting of the students who parted December 22nd, early in the morning, brings to mind that banquet which, by the efforts of the Faculty, graduates and undergraduates of the school, was made such a success.

The prospects of hockey at the school this year are bright, and though they will have to enter two teams, the same as in the Mulock series, will have two good ones. There are many fast men in the first year, as seen in the new blood out to the practice on Saturday. Wilkie Evans, Varsity's star point, will be in good trim. Mills, Pardeau, Charlebois, and others were out. Mosley was in goal and his eagle eye seems true as ever. The executive for the School Hockey Club were elected as follows: Hon. President, Dr. Ellis; President, Nestians; manager, Doc Jackson; secretary-treasurer, Whelan; 4th year representative, Thorne; 3rd year, Brereton; 2nd, Moss; 1st, Hayes. Each team will elect its own captain. It is expected the schedule will be out and games will begin about Saturday, January 19th.

There was much regret expressed, especially amongst the second year mechanicals, to see Fred Beatty leaving us, but we all hope it is only for a time. Fred saw a chance to get some practical experience, and is now in one of the best drafting offices of the city, that of the Toronto Street Railway Company.

As yet there have been no disturbances in the lectures taken in Varsity with the Arts men. It is evident there is safety in numbers—that is, when the numbers belong to the School. It was different when Arts had the numbers and the School were in the minority, for it is admitted that every scrap that occurred was started by Arts men.
The Dents are figuring as the "dark horse" in the Jennings' Cup Series, as they have about one hundred and fifty men to pick their team from. In the School there are about two hundred and twenty, while the Junior Meds. have about twenty more men than the whole School. Should the Meds. put three teams in the field? If the School can put in two, the Junior Meds. should put in two.

Heron is back from the war, and it is hoped we shall soon see his smiling face around the School again.

Graham says the first year at the School are the finest lot of freshmen he ever saw, and is going up to wish them many returns of the century some day soon.

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KNOX NOTES

Knox Skating Rink is now the centre of attraction, not for the good skating it affords, but for the labor which it necessitates in clearing it of the recent heavy snowfalls. Manager McTaggart recommends the work as a grand opportunity for "constitutional," but the majority treat this rather as a joke.

Everybody is glad to welcome back to residence R. G. McKay. "Bob" was always a great favorite here, and has been greatly missed during the past year. The members of the '02 class in Varsity are also glad to see him back, but are sorry to see him join the ranks of '03.

Drink to me only with thine eye,
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