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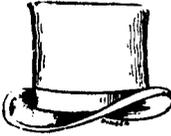
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A TERSE ROMANCE.

Information, derivation.
Trepidation and vexation.
Fumigation, ventilation.
Cogitation, proclamation.
Congregation, consternation.

Aggregation, denudation.
Lavation and mundation.
Mutilation, spot carnation.
Recreation, contrectation ;
Exclamation (p'rhaps damnation.)

Titillation, indication.
Jactitation, consolation.
Resignation, short vacation.
Consultation, restoration.
Celebration, dissipation.
Vaccination.

—SARDONIUS.

FOUR VETERANS.

They were chums through college—the four of them ; came from widely separated counties, and had never dreamed of one another's existence before they met 'neath the Norman tower and graven portal of the grand grey pile.

Balfour was a youth of Scottish parentage and tongue ; hard to match in trade or argument, but for all that a being full of generous enthusiasms and deep-rooted affections. Conway was also of Celtic blood, but of the red Irish breed—impulsive, garrulous, generous with his own and others' goods, slovenly in method but often brilliant in achievement. Yoxall was of English descent, an offshoot of stubborn U. E. Loyalist stock, a plodding, dull, determined soul, capable of enduring all things and hoping all things. The fourth and youngest, rejoicing in the cosmopolitan and undescriptive name of Smith, was a curious mixture of diverse currents, racial and temperamental. No one could describe Smith in a few words or with satisfaction to any who knew him. He presented as many facets as a precious and well-cut stone ; and each aspect was different from any other. Without insincerity or self-consciousness, he was all things to all men. Yet everyone admired him, confided in, and in turn sought the confidence of, the shy, diffident youth, who listened more than he talked.

Balfour, Conway, Yoxall and Smith entered the university on the same day and left it, with their sheepskins,

together. The great world swallowed them up for a time, as it swallows up other young graduates. They went in different directions, enjoyed or endured different experiences, saw the world and humanity each from his own viewpoint and in the light of his own personality, acted upon their environments and were reacted upon in turn. Almost completely they lost track of one another, immersed in the airy plannings of the twenties, the strenuous pursuits of the thirties and the settled drift of the forties. Only a distant echo now and then from their several fields of conflict, told vaguely of advance, of victory, or of discouragement and even defeat. Fate had set them far apart in her war and given them little respite from the daily stress.

But some twelve months ago they met again, here in their college city, veterans scarred and grizzled, ripe in knowledge of the world—that hostile country, so stern, so hard to master and to hold. As old campaigners will, they sat them down to fight their battles over once again.

Balfour, now a captain of industry famed in two hemispheres, told of the far-off mountain camps where men wash from the silt of ancient streams the gold with which they gamble for each other's souls ; of merchant ships and foreign voyages, of railways built by him in tropic lands—tales wonderful and full of the rare romance of truth.

Conway had wandered much in Europe ; had studied art and literature in the galleries of Italy and the schools of France. By endowment a poet, and by choice and habit a rover he had seen life in a thousand phases, had observed and judged it critically, if kindly, accumulating as he went a wealth of anecdote, and laying up much store of marketable reminiscence. A brilliant stylist and an accomplished linguist he had served on both the *Times* and the *Figaro* ; had published here, there and everywhere verses, stories and descriptive articles marked by humor and eloquence ; and now had brought out his first novel—a book accounted, if not a great work of fiction, at least clever and entertaining.

Yoxall, dumb, patient soul, had chosen the cloistered calm of studious life ; toiling in laboratories and rooting in libraries, bending by the hour over microscopes and test tubes, thumbing musty tomes when other men lay locked in sleep, raking the earth for forms and specimens, writing now and then a learned paper, and winning at last an international reputation amongst savants for painstaking research, accurate observation, precise statement and sound logic.

Of Smith—poor plebeian Smith—what must be said ? A struggling lawyer in a country town, it seemed as if the great god of success had quite forgotten him and passed him by. Balfour and Conway had gone out to seek and meet the deity and court his smile. Even to Yoxall's closet the high guest had come, entering unbidden, yet

welcomed, revered. Devoid of fame and fortune, all Smith might have claimed, was that amidst his fellowmen he lived the creed of loving kindness; a struggling sweet-faced man, with heart room for thoughts of others than himself, and time to do the silent, serviceable deed.

And so of these four friends, one had added much to the world's wealth, one something to its pleasure, the third to its knowledge, and the fourth simply to its happiness.

Which of the four, think you, most justified the lamp of learning put into his hands? And which was envied of the other three?

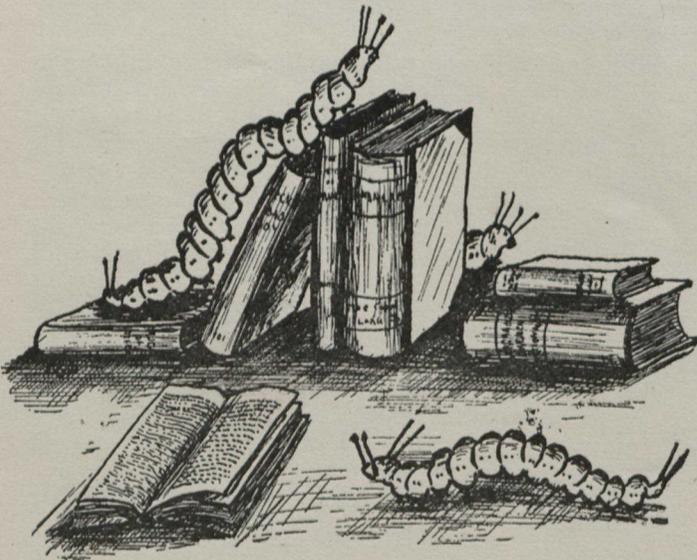
JAS. A. TUCKER, ex-'95.

UN-NATURAL HISTORY.

(This series was begun in number 12 of this volume of THE VARSITY, the purpose being to discuss, for the edification and instruction of the freshmen and others, some of the most common forms of animal life found around this institution.)

EXHIBIT No. III.

The *Crawlus Liber*, or Book-Worm.



This little creature is found in great numbers in these latitudes. Its usual haunts are the regions surrounding institutions of learning, particularly universities, and it shows a marked fondness for libraries. It generally lives on peaceful terms with the rest of the insects of the neighborhood, pursuing the even tenor of its way without molestation. During the greater part of the year the other insects assume towards it an attitude of utter contempt, but for a period of about two months in the spring its habits of life excite in them the supremest admiration and envy. In fact such a change does their opinion of the industrious book-worm undergo at this time, that they generally strive to imitate its methods, and are often heard to express the ardent wish that they too belonged to the species *crawlus liber*.

The book-worm is a *high-liber*. (This joke will be explained to all paid-up subscribers upon application to the editor). The favorite, and often the only, food of which it partakes is, as its name suggests—books. It is very gluttonous, but always takes care to digest well what

it eats. The season of the year exercises a very great influence on the character of its diet. The amount of book which it consumes increases slowly but steadily from October until about the beginning of March. From that time until about the end of May it is practically the only article of diet, but during the summer months only the greediest and most ambitious of the *crawli libri* consume any book, the remainder leaving that article of food severely alone. The amount of other food consumed varies in inverse ratio to the amount of book. During April and May very few of the other articles of diet find their way into the maw of the book-worm, but for the four months following May enormous quantities of other food are consumed. The true type of the *crawlus liber* uses no liquid food, and seems to show a marked preference for the dryest material which it can find to eat. This is the crucial test of the genuine book-worm, since its half-breed brethren and its imitators invariably find it impossible to exist except on a partly liquid diet.

EXHIBIT No. IV.

The *Vulpes Societas*, or Society Fox.



This animal shows to a marked degree the characteristics of the genus *vulpes*, viz., cunning and double-dealing. It is found in large numbers in this vicinity, and its favorite haunts are social functions, such as the Class Receptions, the Rugby Dance, and the Conversat. The characteristics of the species are most marked in the female. She is very popular among the males of her own and other species, and at social functions her society is eagerly sought. This fact explains the reason for the "two-faced" methods which she uses. She always has many more applicants for dances than there are numbers on the programme, but the "foxy" instincts are too

much a part of her nature to refuse a dance to anyone. Accordingly she employs various cunning devices to enable her to dance with those only whom she favors. A favorite plan with her is to use two programmes, one for the names of the eligibles, and the other for those of the less (or more) fortunate ineligibles. She is often known to give the same dance to several different persons, in which case the chosen one is admonished to exhibit great haste in claiming it. Of the arts of dissembling and deceiving she is undoubtedly mistress. It is edifying and soul-stirring to watch her as she admonishes the poor ineligible, whose dance she has missed, for not coming to

claim it, when she knows perfectly well that she has purposely skipped his number. Very rarely does she make a mistake, but there have been occasions when she has inadvertently displayed the wrong programme. When such an unforeseen event happens she simply brazenly it out, and generally succeeds in convincing her victim that he doesn't know his own name when he sees it.

The male member of the species often exhibits the same characteristics, but never to such a marked degree. The reason of this, however, is not that he is any less unprincipled than the female, but rather that from the very nature of the case he has not the same opportunity.

Within the Lights.

This being the second of a series of short stories centering around the dramatic career of Laura Durward, starring in "The Trend of Events."

BY WILLIAM H. INGRAM.

WHEN big-hearted Bob Chandler made his pile by the consolidation of the Natural Gas Companies of Muncey, Indiana, he decided that it wouldn't be a bad idea to wander back to his old home. Having come to this sage conclusion it occurred to him that possibly the relations left in Marion, Ohio, might be few and far between the friends of his boyhood. At any rate no harm would be done in finding out. Accordingly by the aid of the *Daily Express*, which announced that their former esteemed townsman, Robert Chandler, Esq., the well-known promoter, was visiting relatives and renewing old acquaintances, he found his cousins.

After spending a jolly week or so with the Durward's he bade them good-bye with a regret which was only softened by the expected pleasure in store for him. But in that time he had learned the disappointment which they felt at their daughter Laura deciding to follow the drama as a profession. His geniality and tactful sympathy soon drew from the parents how hard she had studied at the Dramatic School in New York, her engagement with the Frohmans, and finally her departure for London, England, where she was to open the season in "The Trend of Events." As the days passed by and conversation generally centered around Laura, Bob Chandler began to feel a brotherly interest for this forty-second cousin whom he had never met. And having been "busy" all his life as he was wont to say, began to picture to himself his cousin playing a minor part in a fair company before a poor house in that land beyond the seas.

This fact, together with his inability to frame a better reason for leaving such pleasant quarters as the Durward's, made him decide to cross the pond for his holidays and "hunt her up." When he finally found her it wasn't under the most favorable circumstances from her standpoint. But from his own he assured her that he had never enjoyed anything so much in all his life. The morning after his arrival in London he had gone down to the Criterion Theatre where Laura was playing in order to duly hand over the letter of introduction from her mother. As he climbed the stairs to the manager's office he couldn't help hearing the heated discussion which floated out through the half-open door.

"I don't care, I don't want his dinners," went on a feminine voice stubbornly.

"Well you can be agreeable to him then," retorted the masculine one. "It doesn't cost anything to be agreeable. You can at least do that."

"I don't like him and he ought to be man enough to see it."

"That's all right enough, Miss Durward, but you forget that you wouldn't sign for the season, and if he gets bull-headed why he will get another company at the new year. And if he does, then it is all up with us. We couldn't get another house in London and we couldn't make half the money we are now by touring. So be a little reasonable, he concluded more gently, almost imploringly.

"All right then, I will, but if he worries me any more I know what I will do. I received a telegram from Cousin Bob who is coming here and I will go straight back to New York with him and play with one of Frohman's again."

And as Bob Chandler walked in he couldn't help exclaiming: "Yes that's right and he will take you, too." Then he said laughingly, "I don't know what it's all about, but I am under the impression that somebody is taking my name in vain. So that was the manner in which Chandler first met his cousin.

It appears that Laura had ventured out alone after the close of the performance one Saturday evening in quest of a narcotic for her nerves and it had proven too strong for her. Hermann Crutts, the son of the owner of the Criterion, had come across her while she was in this condition and took her to "Frascati's." There, under the effect of a stimulant which he had ordered to revive her, became rather free and easy to Laura's intense indignation and disgust. After that he had considered himself as duly initiated into Laura's graces and accordingly invited her to *recherché* suppers every evening after the play. The Criterion's popular star had stood this for about a week for various reasons. The first was on account of Crutts being the virtual manager of the house, while the second—it may have been more potent—was owing to the affair of that unfortunate night which Laura hadn't explained as yet to anybody. However, she had withstood the secret "entente" as long as she could until it had resulted in the above outburst. And her own

manager—well, like all managers—can't be expected to know everything.

The appearance of Chandler on the scene, however, caused a new phase in the condition of affairs and the annoyance of the last week gave way to supreme independence on Laura's part. On the other hand Hermann Crutts, as house manager, began to impose those petty exactions on the company which can be so irritating to the bohémien life of the profession. And the company—well, blamed Laura. For was not Hermann Crutts the son of the owner, fairly well off and not bad looking. If he wished to spend his money on a cold bird and a bottle and wanted Laura to keep him company, why said they, shrugging their shoulders, didn't she have a little sense and accept his hospitality.

In the meantime Bob Chandler tried his hand at floating some mining properties on the British market, and when not so engaged, made himself generally agreeable to those about the theatre. As a result it wasn't long before everyone in the company was ready to swear by him. This was doubly irritating to Crutts, who had taken a violent dislike to him and didn't hesitate in expressing it. Thus matters stood until December, when one evening before the curtain rang up Bob found him hectoring Laura about her "supposed relation," and insinuating that he didn't wish to have any reflection on the good name of the Criterion. Naturally enough there was only one course for Chandler to pursue, and he carried it out to the letter by kicking Crutts off the stage. When the latter picked himself up and separated the dust from his clothes he sent a letter to Burchon, the company's manager, notifying him that the Criterion would secure a new booking at New Year's. Then John Mortimer Burchon damned, including everything in his disgust from the star down to Chandler. After the play Laura shared his disgust, and the two together passed it on to Bob, who grimly remarked that Crutts could go to hell or some other likely place, but it wasn't worrying him any as he had foreseen something of this nature long ago.

"That's all right Chandler, but what are we going to do. We can't get a house at this late hour," rejoined Burchon resignedly.

"Hold your horses there, old man," "The Trend of Events is billed for the Royal Theatre, Edinburgh, from New Year's on."

"What!" gasped Burchon and Laura together, "you don't—"

"Yep, got an option on it a month ago," Bob replied laconically.

"And you never said a word about it," pouted Laura reproachfully.

"Well, this business isn't my funeral, but I have been expecting it, so thought I had better hold a hand for Burchon while he was playing."

When the rest of the company heard this they voted Bob a trump, and by the latter's invitation had supper on him, while he apologetically explained that the kick was worth ten suppers.

So it came about that on New Year's evening "The Trend of Events" opened at the Theatre Royal in the old Scotch capital. During the next two months Laura visited almost all the historic spots in this modern Athens. On one dull Saturday after the matinee she had determined to see Holyrood, so entering a coupé rode through the drizzling rain by way of Calton Hall. As she peered through the rain bespattered window out on the muddy road and almost forsaken highway, she shivered and wished she had gone to the hotel. Away to the west the

Castle loomed up grim and forbidding, its walls facing sheer with the sides of the cliff and frowning down upon the Princess Street Gardens below them. Her eyes wandered from the distant landscape to the square regular outlines of the prison of Dow Craig by the roadside. It seemed almost to hem her in between its massive masonry and Calton Hill upon which the monuments stood looking down defiantly upon the plains. The mist which had gathered on the Pentland Hills moved slowly Firthwards, now dropping lightly on Arthur Seat, now passing gently over the Hill until it hovered above the silent city of Leith.

But here she was—as the coachman drove up alongside the open archway of the Palace. Laura got out and rushed hurriedly through the rain and the entrance hall, waking the drowsy warder who saluted respectfully for the shilling which she had given him for the guide book. Then as she passed through the cloisters of the open quadrangle almost ran into—Mr. Hermann Crutts.

"Oh! how you frightened me," stammered Laura, then after a brief pause, "What are you doing here?"

Crutts looked at her for a moment rather sullenly, then acting as if she had made the first advances replied, "Down here getting the material for the staging of the coronation play which we are putting on at the Criterion."

"O—Oh!" briefly replied Laura in a tone which plainly indicated that the subject was getting distasteful.

Crutts went on then hastily, "Are you sight-seeing, because if you are why I have a permit from the secretary giving me free access to every part of the Palace. Perhaps we might see what we otherwise wouldn't," he concluded affably.

Laura didn't like the idea of having such company as Crutts in her rambles about this ancient structure, yet what was the difference. There was no need of being rude, besides he had permission to view the private apartments, an opportunity which was not to be missed. The last argument determined the matter so she started with him through the chapel, gallery and various chambers once occupied by Queen Mary, Darnley and the murdered musician Rizzio. Finally they found themselves in Queen Mary's private apartments. Laura was just drawing back from the secret stairway which Crutts had shown her when the hour gun on the fortifications of Inchkeith boomed suddenly out on the falling night. "Why, it is six o'clock; we must go," exclaimed Laura in dismay.

But as she turned to leave something was thrust into her mouth while her elbows were pinioned by a pair of strong arms. Crutts, for it was no other than he, then drew a wide belt around her, and when he had made it almost impossible for her to move, gazed sneeringly yet sensually upon her. Just then the heavy tramp of the warder could be heard as he made his rounds preparatory to closing. Crutts dragged her half way down the stairway and held her close to him, taking the additional precaution to hold his other hand over her mouth. Laura tried to resist in order that the warder might hear, but he pressed her so relentlessly to him that she was almost suffocated. The warder stuck his head through the doorway of the room above and called "All out," then listened a moment for an answer, failing which he closed the door and lumbered heavily down the halls.

After his footfalls had completely died away Crutts helped Laura Durward up the steps and into the room where he seated her near the window so that she might not faint from the ordeal she had been through. She gazed piteously up into his face, but seeing its hard, set expression looked tearfully out the window. Seating himself a short distance away he lit a cigar and watched her

as the outer lights fell upon her face. And thus the moments passed. Laura scarcely realized what it all meant. Surely this couldn't be reality.

The night had fallen and the shadows darted fancifully across the windows while the rain splashed fitfully against the panes. The drops sparkled when the light touched them and then ran quickly down the casement. Laura fancied that she could hear the wash of the Forth as it dashed up against the rocks on Inchkeith and also on the southern shore. The lights in Edinburgh Castle lit up one by one and shone softly through the darkness.

At last Crutts himself got tired of the stillness. "I fancy the star of the Royal won't take the leading role to-night," he remarked ironically. Of course that breaks your contract, you know, because the plea of sickness wouldn't do in this case. You mustn't think that the house manager will let you off either because I have closed with him to let me have the house at a higher figure than your company is paying, if by any means you broke the contract. That means you are frozen out over here. Miss Durward threw her head back disdainfully. I doubt whether you could get a solicitor, let alone an attorney to help you. No one would believe what you would tell them about your absence. They would think it was the same old story. Yes, I guess you will go home when I let you out—along with Cousin Bob, he supplemented meaningly.

Laura sat there with a sob in her throat and a heart broken by her absolute helplessness. Oh, she thought, if Cousin Bob were here, or Burchon, or anyone—desperately. Crutts renewed his taunts and innuendos, but dazed by the situation she was dreaming wearily of other things. Scarcely had the hour gun discharged its last round of eight o'clock and the echoes had died away when she was roused by voices in the hall.

"I can't understand it, Miss Durward must be somewhere in this building because she told me of her intention to drive out here after the matinee."

Laura jumped to her feet, but owing to her captive condition tumbled heavily on the floor. As she fell Crutts made his exit by the secret stairway. The door was thrown open and Chandler and the warder sprang into the room. They eagerly picked her up and removed the leather belt around her arms. Laura had just time to take the stuffing from her mouth and gasp "Cousin Bob" before she fainted in the arms of Chandler. They carried her to the carriage in waiting and drove rapidly for the Royal, where after a light lunch and a hasty change of dress, she was ready to take her part.

Before going on she leaned trustfully on Chandler, who, folding her in his strong arms, kissed her gently on the forehead in spite of her affectionate remonstrance of "Oh! Cousin Bob." He then shoved her encouragingly on the stage.

The curtain went swiftly up,
And she was again within the lights.

GIFTS TO VARSITY.

Mr. Richard Unsworth, B.A., of Fergus, who graduated from this institution in 1856, has recently presented to Varsity a lamp which was once the property of Prof. W. H. Balmain, and a complete English dispensary of over a century ago. The latter is most interesting, showing, as it does, the extraordinary remedies which were used at that time.

Wycliffe Notes

Superintending Editor - F. G. Kilmaster.

Monday evening, March 3rd, the Lecture Hall of Wycliffe College was taxed to its utmost capacity, the occasion being a special meeting of the Church Missionary Society. Perhaps we are indebted to the recent Students' Volunteer Convention for the number of distinguished speakers, among whom numbered their Lordships the Bishops of Toronto and Huron, Mr. Jays, formerly a missionary in Africa, and Rev. H. E. Fox, Prebendary of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, England. The sentiment pervading the meeting was one of intense missionary zeal, which is very significant in view of the great convention just concluded.

Something new and indescribable seems to have come over the College since the convention of last week. May not the reason be that the missionary spirit has taken entire possession of the men? Already eleven have volunteered for the foreign field. One might be inclined to think such a sudden and general move is perhaps due to an overflow of enthusiasm; but when he talks to the men, the sobriety and seriousness with which they regard their recent action tells another story. Some are in the midst of an Arts Course, and doing conscientious work. With nothing material to look forward to in the foreign field but lives of hard and trying labor, they are quite willing to give up Varsity work, so congenial to all students, and at the same time so essential for their mental training. They are turning their backs upon the splendid possibilities opening before them along artistic lines, and saying that their lives shall mean more spent in the cause of missions. The decisions of these students who have counted the cost are surely fraught with much meaning.

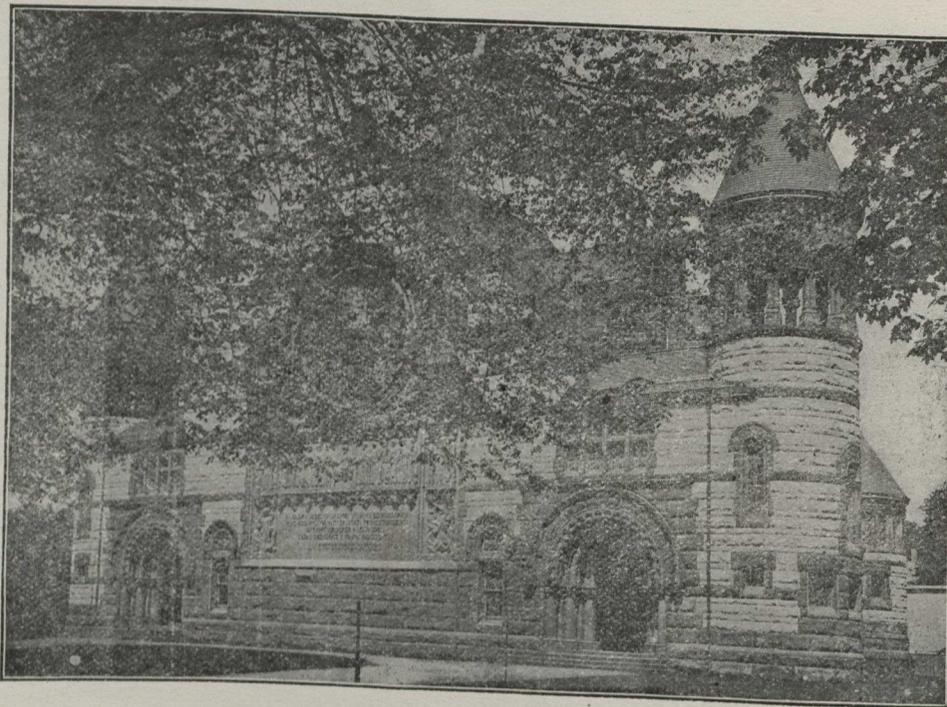
On not less than three occasions during the past week we have enjoyed Chapel addresses from distinguished gentlemen, two of whom, Messrs. Fox and Jays, were prominent speakers at the Students' Convention, and the third, Mr. Beauchamp, one of the Cambridge Seven, of whom everyone has heard. The delightful and admirable feature in every one of the addresses was their entire lack of that sickly sentimentality one sees too much of in the Christian Church now-a-days. They had facts to tell us, and to say the least, University students are able in a measure to appreciate this sort of thing.

Last evening Wycliffe College Literary and Theological Society held its annual Mock Parliament. Notwithstanding the many calls upon the men at this critical season of plugging, the forces of the Government and Opposition were well represented. Many live topics were discussed and threshed "to a finish," with an abandon, vigor and keen insight on the part of the various speakers which might cause some of the matter of fact members over at the Ontario Legislature considerable surprise. The Government was not sustained.

Mr. Drury of Oxford University, England, and his guest, Mr. Stewart, expect to begin their week's mission for boys on March 30.

Wycliffe is glad to welcome back Mr. Hopkins ('05), who has returned to Varsity more hale and hearty than ever.

ALEXANDER HALL—PRINCETON UNIVERSITY



(This article on Alexander Hall at Princeton is from the versatile pen of Mr. E. H. Kellogg, Princeton, 1902, who consented, on a recent visit to Toronto, to write for the columns of "Varsity" an account of the Princeton Convocation Nassau Literary Magazine, and, as one of the prominent seniors at Princeton, is a member of many important committees and clubs. Mr. Kellogg's remarks will be read with unusual interest by all Toronto men, in view of the Convocation Hall to be erected by our Alumni in the near future.)

ONE of the most striking buildings on the campus of Princeton University, Princeton, N.J., is Alexander Hall, a gift to the university from Mrs. Charles B. Alexander. This handsome and substantial edifice was constructed in 1894, and is used on the occasion of all public academic functions, for commencement and class day exercises, for intercollegiate debates, for public lectures, for orchestral and other concerts, and for all such university gatherings as demand a large Convocation Hall.

Before the building of Alexander Hall, the university was confined to the use of one of the small town churches for commencement occasions, while for all other purposes for which Alexander Hall is now used the university was absolutely without building accommodations. While not specifically intended for daily chapel services, inasmuch as Princeton already had a commodious chapel building, it has on occasion been used for this purpose.

The auditorium is arranged with a sloping floor and a high gallery, so that of an audience of fifteen hundred no one is to any considerable distance removed from the speaker. The rostrum and the president's chair are finished in colored marble and a rich mosaic work, in which the university colors of orange and black are suggestively, but unobtrusively predominant. Behind the rostrum is a row of mosaic wall pictures designed by J. A. Holzer, illustrating various incidents in the Homeric legends. On a gallery above, and at one side of the rostrum, is a brilliant and powerful organ, built by George Jardine & Son, designed especially with a view to concert purposes rather than for use in religious services.

The architecture of the building is in the Romanesque

style of Western France; the material of construction is granite and brown stone. The front toward the south—the view given in the illustration—shows a large rose window beneath a gable roof, and between the central structure and two side towers are two fine round-arched openings leading into a wide ambulatory which encircles the building. From this ambulatory the rostrum and the auditorium are reached. The two side towers and two smaller ones at the rear enclose staircases, which lead to the auditorium gallery.

The building was designed by William A. Potter, and decorated with sculpture by J. Massey Khind, under the direction of the architect. Beneath the rose window is a seated figure of Learning; on one side of this are allegorical figures of Architecture, Sculpture, Painting, Poetry, Music and Belles Lettres, while on the other are similar figures of Oratory, Theology, Law, History, Philosophy and Ethics. There are other sculptures about the rose window and in the niches around the ambulatory.

While Alexander Hall is the most ornate and elaborate building upon the Princeton campus, its utility for so many purposes renders such a building almost indispensable to the needs of a modern and rapidly growing university.

E. H. KELLOGG.

HARMONIC CLUB ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Harmonic Club will be held in the Gymnasium on Thursday, March 20th, at 4.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving reports and electing officers for the coming year.

THE LIT.

Friday, March 7th.

Constitution Night at the Lit. did not seem to form as strong an attraction as in former years, since there were only a handful of the members present when President Thompson and Secretary Gould ascended the rostrum. However, those who were there were in a scrappy mood, and the proceedings seldom flagged.

Mr. Wallace, who knew what we were up against, moved that the minutes be taken as read, but could find no seconder. Secretary Gould, figuratively speaking, spat on his hands and started in, but Messrs. Younge and McDiarmid mercifully flagged him with a motion that they be taken as read, which was carried unanimously. Mr. Hamilton then moved that the Literary Society suggest to the Alumni Association that the two undergraduate representatives on the Alumni Executive be made members of the editorial board of the Alumni Monthly. Mr. Wallace seconded the motion and it was carried. Mr. Hamilton, emboldened by his success, moved that the new constitution of THE VARSITY as presented by the committee be taken up seriatim, and Mr. McDiarmid seconded the motion. Mr. Wallace said it was unnecessary, but Mr. R. B. Cochrane announced that he had several amendments to offer, and the motion was carried.

The constitution was then taken up. All went well until it came to the clause which provided that two of the representatives of the editorial board for each class should be promoted each year. Then Mr. R. B. Cochrane arose in his might and moved that the words "if advisable" be inserted. Mr. Hodgson seconded the amendment. After a long discussion, in which Messrs. McGuire, A. R. Cochrane, Hodgson, and Day, spoke in favor of the amendment, and Messrs. Younge, McFarland, Ingram, Martin and Darling, opposed it, the amendment was carried. Mr. Cohen then moved that a clause be inserted providing for the recommendation by the nominating board of two men as editors in chief, such recommendation to be accepted or refused by the editorial board at their own discretion. Mr. Martin seconded the motion. At this point J. L. McPherson, B.A., was noticed, and Mr. Oliver proposed that he be elevated to the platform. John didn't want to go, and he had his way. Mr. Cohen's motion was put to the meeting and carried. When the articles regarding the Business Board came up for consideration Messrs. R. B. Cochrane and Hodgson brought in another "if advisable" amendment. Mr. Martin hinted that certain honorable gentlemen did not know what they were talking about, and Mr. Cochrane raised a question of privilege. The threatened storm passed over, and when the motion was put the vote was declared a tie. Another vote was taken, and the amendment carried. Mr. Cohen then moved the insertion of a clause providing for the recommendation by the Nominating Board of a Business Manager, which Mr. Martin seconded. A little mix-up occurred here in regard to the numbers of the sections, for which Mr. Wallace informed the meeting Mr. Paterson was to blame. After the tangle was straightened out Mr. Cohen's motion was voted on and carried. Mr. Cochrane moved an amendment providing for the election of an Assistant Business Manager, but it was ruled out of order. Mr. Martin moved an amendment giving to the Business Manager absolute control of all business matters. It was seconded by Mr. Wallace and carried. Mr. Hamilton then announced amid vociferous applause that it was finished, and on his motion the constitution was adopted as a whole.

Messrs. Cochrane and Hodgson then moved the

insertion of the "Assistant Business Manager clause," and it was carried. Mr. Martin claimed that the motion had been too hasty, and moved its reconsideration. This was carried, and the motion of Mr. Cochrane being again put to the meeting was lost. A vote of thanks was then tendered to the committee who had tried to revise the constitution.

President Thompson then called for nominations for the Nominating Board. Messrs. Rolph, Cunningham, R. B. Cochrane, and E. A. Hamilton, were nominated, and declared elected by acclamation. Vice-President Younge announced that subscription lists would be circulated to make up the deficit of the Literary Society. On a motion of Mr. Wallace, Messrs. Coffin and Chipman were appointed auditors.

Mr. Martin then reopened the question of the amalgamation of the journals, and moved that the Executive of the Society be empowered to deal with the question. Mr. McFarland seconded the motion. A heated discussion followed, and was participated in by Messrs. Wallace, Cochrane, Day, McDiarmid, Cunningham, Younge, Broadfoot, and Bell. Then Mr. Workman moved an amendment that the Society express itself in favor of amalgamation. Mr. Megan seconded the amendment. Mr. Cochrane then suggested that Mr. Woodruffe be asked to state the position of the Union on the question, but that gentleman could only speak for himself, and declared himself in favor of amalgamation. The amendment was lost, and the motion carried.

Friday, March 14th.

The last meeting for the year attracted a larger number of members than usual, and although there was not the slightest breath of dissention, still it was what might be called an enthusiastic meeting.

Dr. Thompson took the big chair for the last time, and a motion to take the minutes as read was carried. R. J. Younge then presented the report of the Executive of the Society on the result of their conference with the Undergraduate Union Executive regarding the proposed amalgamation of *College Topics* and THE VARSITY, in which the committee recommended that the project should be carried out, and submitted a draft constitution, which appears in another column. Mr. Younge put the matter before the society clearly and logically, and strongly advocated the adoption of the report. Mr. McDiarmid seconded the motion. Mr. Gillies and Mr. O'Dell also spoke in favor of amalgamation, and Mr. McFarland read President Loudon's opinion of the scheme, which was favorable. The motion was carried unanimously. Mr. McDiarmid asked for information regarding the report of the Nominating Board of THE VARSITY, and Mr. McFarland answered that in view of the motion which had just been carried the report of that committee would not be presented.

Dr. Thompson then called forward Mr. Baird, the President of '04, and presented to him the debating shield which the class has won for the second time. Mr. Baird replied with a eulogy on all things sophomoreial.

Nominations were then called for for the offices of the society for the coming year. When nominations for President were called for Mr. Younge proposed the name of Dr. Thompson which was received with cheers. Mr. McFarland seconded the nomination. Dr. Thompson thanked the society for the honor which had been offered him, but declined to let his name stand. Mr. McDiarmid then nominated Mr. Jas. Brebner. Mr. Cochrane seconded the nomination, and Mr. Brebner was declared elected by acclamation. The other officers nominated, all of whom were elected by acclamation, were:

1st Vice-President—Mr. W. H. McGuire, nominated by Mr. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Martin.

2nd Vice-President—Mr. Vance, nominated by Mr. Paterson, seconded by Mr. A. R. Cochrane.

3rd Vice-President—Mr. W. Barclay, nominated by Mr. Wallace, seconded by Mr. Chipman.

Recording Secretary—Mr. W. H. Day, nominated by Mr. Hodgson, seconded by Mr. O'Dell.

Critic—Mr. C. H. Russel, nominated by Mr. Rolph, seconded by Mr. Martin.

Curator—Mr. S. P. Biggs, nominated by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. McDiarmid.

Corresponding Secretary—Mr. H. G. O'Leary, nominated by Mr. Megan, seconded by Mr. Delury.

Treasurer—Mr. L. A. Eadie, nominated by Mr. McGuire seconded by Mr. Gillies.

Secretary of Committees—Mr. French, nominated by Mr. Day, seconded by Mr. McCrae.

Historical Secretary—Mr. C. M. Colquhoun, nominated by Mr. Lorriman, seconded by Mr. Biggs.

4th Year Councillor—Mr. C. H. Armstrong, nominated by Mr. Baird, seconded by Mr. Sexsmith.

3rd Year Councillor—Mr. S. E. Moore, nominated by Mr. Read, seconded by Mr. Allan.

2nd Year Councillors—Mr. F. Hopkins, nominated by Mr. Dix, seconded by Mr. Bryce; and Mr. McCoy, nominated by Mr. Vance, seconded by Mr. McTaggart.

AMALGAMATION.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY ON THE PROPOSED AMALGAMATION OF THE UNIVERSITY JOURNALS.

To the President and Members of the Literary and Scientific Society:—

Your Committee, instructed at the last meeting of the Society to re-open the question of the proposed amalgamation of the college journals, and to confer with the Executive Committee of the University of Toronto Union, beg to report as follows:

We have held two satisfactory joint committee meetings with the Executive of the Union, and have found them ready and anxious to carry through a scheme of amalgamation and at the same time to safe-guard the rights of our Society and our College.

The joint meeting first approved of the proposed amalgamation if a feasible basis could be agreed upon.

The following constitution for the proposed new University journal was then drawn up. To this your Committee would earnestly recommend the most serious consideration by the Society, as we believe it to be an equitable basis for all University bodies concerned, and as we further believe that at no future time could any more satisfactory terms be agreed upon.

The proposed constitution for the new University journal.

Article I.—General.

Clause I.—Name. The name of the paper shall be "VARSAITY"—a weekly paper devoted to the student life and events of the University of Toronto.

Clause II.—Number of Issues. There shall be twenty weekly issues of the paper, ten during the Michlmas and ten during the Easter term, the first issue of the Michlmas term to be published in the second week in October, and the first issue of the Easter term in the second week of January.

Clause III.—Form. The form of the paper shall be that of the present VARSITY, a weekly journal of literature, University thought and events.

(a) The news from the various colleges shall be arranged topically and not in columns, and shall be subject to the supervision of the Editor-in-Chief.

(b) One number per month shall be a double number, and shall contain in the added portion more purely literary articles.

Article II.—The Editorial Board.

Clause I.—The Editorial Board shall be composed as follows: two editors-in-chief, one to act in the Michlmas and one one in the Easter term, and an Editorial Board of representatives as follows:

(a) Four representatives from the male students of University College in Arts to be elected by the Literary and Scientific Society as they see fit.

(b) Two representatives from the following colleges and faculties: The School of Practical Science, the Faculty of Medicine, the Trinity Medical College, and the Women's Literary Society of University College.

(c) One representative each from the following colleges and faculties:—Knox College, Wycliffe College, Victoria College, Dental College, Pharmacy, College of Music, St. Michael's College, Osgoode Hall and the Veterinary College.

Clause II.—The above basis of representation of the various faculties and colleges shall be in force for this year. For the next and succeeding years the basis of representation of these colleges shall be decided, using the number of subscriptions to the paper for the previous year as a basis.

Clause III.—Election of representatives. These representatives shall be elected in the case of the male students in Art at University College by the Literary and Scientific Society. The representatives of the other colleges and faculties shall be elected as those respective bodies see fit.

Clause IV.—Manner of appointment of Editors-in-chief. The editors-in-chief shall be appointed from the members of the Editorial Board, thus constituted by the Executive of the University of Toronto Union acting as a nominating board, subject to the approval of the general meeting of the Union. This year the appointment of the editors shall be made by the incoming Executive of the Union subject to the approval of the General Meeting of the Union called to consider these nominations. For next and all succeeding years the retiring Executive Committee shall act as the Nominating Board and present their report for ratification at the regular annual meeting of the Union.

Article III.—The Business Board.

Clause I.—The Business Board shall be composed as follows: (1) a Business Manager, (2) the same board of representatives as above constituted the Editorial Board with the exception of the two editors-in-chief.

Clause II.—The method of appointment of the Business Manager: the Business Manager shall be appointed in the same manner and at the same time as the editors-in-chief (Art. ii., cl. iv.).

Clause III.—The Executive Committee of the Union in nominating the two editors-in-chief the Business and Manager shall be obliged to nominate two of these three chief officers from the four representatives appointed by the University College Literary and Scientific Society.

Clause IV.—When two, or possibly three, of the four representatives of the Literary and Scientific Society of University College have been appointed to occupy two or possibly three of the chief offices as editor or Business Manager, the Literary and Scientific Society shall fill the

vacancies thus created in its representation up to the original number of four.

Clause V.—When one of the editors or the Business Manager shall be appointed as above defined from the representatives of the board, other than those of University College in Arts, then that college or faculty shall elect another representative to fill the vacancy.

Article IV.—Duty of Editorial and Business Boards.

Clause same as in present Constitution of VARSITY.

Article V.—Duties of Editors-in-Chief and Business Manager.

Clauses also same as in present Constitution of Varsity.

Articles VI.—Remuneration of Officers and Disposition of Surplus.

Clause I.—After all the current expenses of the paper shall be paid, the surplus funds still on hand shall be disposed of as follows:—

- (a) 40% to the Business Manager.
- (b) 20% to the Editors-in-Chief.
- (c) 20% to the U. of T. Union.

Clause II.—The 20% of the surplus given to the U. of T. Union shall be applied to the Sinking Fund of the Union to be used for other than the ordinary running expenses of the Union.

Clause III.—The representatives from the various colleges shall be remunerated by the Finance Committee on whatever basis or in such way as that Committee see fit.

Article VII.—Finance.

Clause I.—The Executive Committee of the U. of T. Union shall, with the Business Manager and the two editors, act as a finance committee to decide all matters of finance in connection with the paper.

Clause II.—The Business Manager shall have his books audited monthly as appointed by the Finance Committee, and shall deposit all moneys in a chartered bank, also agreed upon by the Finance Committee.

Clause III.—The Finance Committee shall settle the subscription price for the paper, and shall at the first annual meeting of the Union insert a clause in this constitution stating the regular subscription price.

This constitution is not intended to be a final draft of the constitution of the proposed new University journal, but it embodies the main and chief ideas. The details will necessarily be added and any contradictions corrected in such way as the interested parties see fit, provided that the spirit of this agreement be not broken.

Your Committee also reports that the Executive Committee of the Union is in favor of paying the Literary and Scientific Society for their paper on the basis of the earning power of the new paper, proportionate to the price paid for College Topics, the minimum price to be \$100. They are also prepared to buy the cuts, which form an asset of the college paper, on the valuation of a competent judge of their value.

OLD LIT. BANQUET.

The Old Lit. party held an oyster supper in the University dining-hall immediately after the meeting of the Lit. In addition to over one hundred men of the party there were present, Dr. McLennan, Jas. Brebner, B.A., G. A. Cornish, B.A., J. L. McPherson, B.A., and Messrs. Woodruffe, R. G. Hamilton, McFarland,

Chadsey, Broadfoot, Creelman, P. Hamilton, Moore, and others, of the Unionist party.

Dr. Thompson presided, and after the edible part of the programme had been disposed of, several toasts were drunk. Dr. Thompson proposed the King, which was honored in loyal fashion. Mr. Cornish then proposed the University of Toronto. This toast was responded to by Mr. Jas. Brebner, the newly elected President of the Literary Society, in a thoughtful and earnest address. Mr. Brebner said that upon the undergraduates who were now within her halls does the future of "Old Varsity" depend, and we should after we graduate do all in our power to advance her interests. Mr. McPherson then proposed the "Lit." which was responded to by Dr. McLennan, an ex-president of the Society. The "Old Lit. Party" was proposed by R. J. Younge, and responded to by Messrs. Barret, Cochrane, and Vance. A. H. Rolph proposed "Our New Journal," and Messrs. Woodruffe and Martin responded. The last toast was "The Ladies," proposed by A. R. Cochrane and responded to by G. F. McFarland.

NEW SCHOLARSHIP.

At the regular meeting of the Senate last Friday evening it was announced that Mr. S. B. Sinclair, of the Normal School, Ottawa, has offered for a term of five years an annual scholarship of \$25. In accordance with the wish of the donor the new scholarship will be awarded in the department of philosophy.

A statute was passed at the same meeting, according to the provisions of which the combined Arts and Medical course is shortened from seven to six years.

POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB.

The final meeting of the club for the session 1901-2, was held on Thursday last. Dr. Wickett was again unanimously elected Honorary President for the coming year, and Mr. James Brebner, Mr. P. W. Ellis, Mr. J. W. Flavelle, and Mr. E. B. Osler, were elected honorary members of the club.

The following members were elected for the Executive for 1902-3: Honorary President, Dr. S. Morley Wickett; President, G. H. Grey; 1st Vice-President, W. J. Vanston; 2nd Vice-President, Jack Sherry; Treasurer, G. W. Ballard; Secretary, E. R. Read; 4th year Councillor, H. C. Bell; 3rd year Councillor, Robert Baird; 2nd year Councillor, N. B. Stark.

FINAL OF INTER-COLLEGE DEBATING UNION.

The final debate was held in the Conservatory of Music on Tuesday evening, March 11th, the contestants being McMaster and Osgoode. The subject was, "Resolved that Trusts are in the best interests of society." Messrs. E. A. Brownlee, B.A., and A. C. Watson, B.A., of McMaster upheld the affirmative, while Messrs. G. A. McGaughey, M.A., and F. E. Brown, B.A., of Osgoode argued the negative. The judges were Dr. George R. Parkin, C.M.G., Mr. Jno. A. Cooper, and Mr. P. W. Ellis. Dr. Parkin announced their decision in favor of McMaster, and congratulated all the speakers on the splendid showing they had made. During the evening Miss Lulu Eastman, Mr. Adam Dockray, and Mr. Norman McLeod supplied the musical numbers of the programme.

The College Girl.

Superintending Editor—Miss F. R. Amos, '02.



The result of the Women's Literary Society elections, which were held on Saturday night, March 8th, were as follows: President, Miss F. E. Brown; Vice-President, Miss J. A. Fraser; Recording Secretary, Miss A. H. McClive; Treasurer, Miss H. M. Latter; Corresponding Secretary, Miss L. M. Carpenter; Fourth Year Representative, Miss E. G. Pringle; Third Year Representative, Miss G. L. Rowan; Second Year Representative, Miss M. Davis. The officers elected for the Grace Hall Library are: President, Miss M. J. Dwyer, and Secretary, Treasurer, Miss A. M. Lemon. The representatives on the Women's Residence Association are: Fourth Year, Miss L. M. Seldon; Third Year, Miss M. W. Filshie; Second Year, Miss Walbridge. The representatives on the Editorial Board of VARSITY are: Fourth Year, Miss McGarry; Third Year, Miss Rankin; Second Year, Miss Steele. Those on the Business Board are: Fourth Year, Miss Rae; Third Year, Miss Neilson.

The share from the sale of tickets for "Antigone," which was so generously given to the Women's Residence Association by the managers, amounts to \$113.25.

A graduate of '95 has very kindly presented us with a picture to be hung in the Reading Room.

The Y.W.C.A. meeting, Tuesday, March 4th, was taken by four of the Third Year girls. The topic was, "He is faithful that hath promised." Miss Cowan spoke of God's fulfilment of promise as shown in the Old Testament, and Miss Steele of the promise fulfilled in Christ. Miss Duncan treated the promises which concern our present lives, and Miss Strong those regarding the life to come.

YEAR-BOOKS—WHAT WE HOPE FOR THEM.

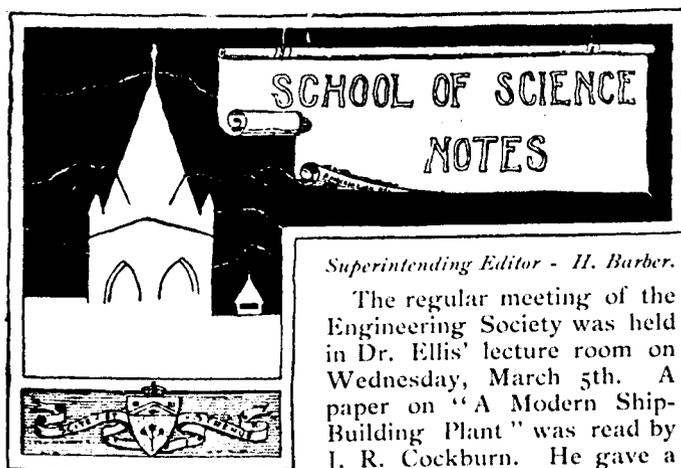
There is now no reason why year-books should not be an entire success at Varsity. Hitherto they seem to have been qualified successes artistically and unqualified failures financially; but we have good reason to hope that that state of things is not going to be repeated. May I, as the business manager of a year-book which has at least not fallen under both of these categories, throw out a few suggestions as to how we may hope to make Torontonensis hereafter an unqualified success?

The first question is, of course, the financial one, and until that ceases to throw its ugly shadow over those

other considerations which should be of greater importance, we cannot expect our book to be thoroughly satisfactory. Now the publishing committee of Torontonensis, 1902, have succeeded in leaving a clean sheet behind them financially, without their own pockets suffering in consequence, and they are proud of the fact. But there is still something more to be said in the matter, and it is this: their labours have been considerably out of proportion to the undertaking—not more so, perhaps, than those of others who have gone before them, nor more than men should be willing to engage in for the sake of their university, but more, I think, than the results attained justify. No man knows the possibilities of a year-book better than he who has published one, and no one else can know the numberless disappointments and reverses that meet him at every turn. Half of his labours seem wasted, and the greater the amount of unnecessary work given to the editors and managers of the book, the less effective will their work as a whole be. Here we may take a pointer from the American universities. With them it is a system of the most carefully organized effort on the part of the publishing committee and co-operation on the part of every student society concerned. A date is set by which every article, list or "write-up" of the societies must be in the hands of the editors, together with the price for inserting the same—the latter running as high as twenty dollars per page. Why should not the same system hold with us?—minus the twenty dollars, of course, which might be replaced by a minimum, such as the price charged for each group photo in the present year-book. Apart from this, little financial change need be made, unless the graduating photos be incorporated in the book, in which case one dollar might be added to the subscription price—a thing which is highly advisable, since, besides adding greatly to the worth of the year-book, it places the graduating photos of the whole class more cheaply and in a larger, better form in the hands of each member of the class. Here, again, the support of the whole class must be given to the committee in such a way that the procuring of the photos will not be another heavy burden on their shoulders. If this plan be followed, the most needed step of all may be taken. Biographies may be eliminated, once for all! Mr. E. H. Cooper, editor of the Century Year Book, together with probably every editor before him, came to this conclusion when it was too late to do anything more than pass the warning on to their successors, and I would like to be reckoned as one more who considers, like Mr. Cooper, that biographies are "useless nonsense." In their place, brief records of facts concerning each man may be put—his home, place of matriculation, honours, offices, etc., and side by side with this, his photo. This plan, which I consider to be quite feasible from a financial point of view, will give a clean, sensible and attractive year-book, and still original and distinct, as our books claim to be. The large amount of space thus saved in the book can be utilized to splendid advantage by devoting it to literary work and witty and amusing articles and sketches, on the production of which the whole class should endeavor to exert itself. The class histories may be lengthened and made as entertaining and witty as possible. The more competition that is secured in this sort of thing the better, and lastly, everything written for the book must be judged and accepted solely on the score of its suitability for a year-book.

The above are a few considerations which it might be well for the members of the incoming senior year to consider, as they embark upon the publication of their year-book, which we sincerely hope will be not only as successful as ours, but more successful.

A. H. ROLPH, '02.



Superintending Editor - H. Barber.

The regular meeting of the Engineering Society was held in Dr. Ellis' lecture room on Wednesday, March 5th. A paper on "A Modern Ship-Building Plant" was read by J. R. Cockburn. He gave a very interesting description of

"The New York Ship-Building Plant" at Camden, New Jersey. Principal Galbraith gave a history of that part of the constitution relating to the library. The library was established in 1878. In 1885 the Engineering Society took charge, and had full control till 1892. They, however, found great difficulty in collecting the fees, so the Faculty undertook that duty, keeping 25% for buying new books. In 1894 the fee was made compulsory and has been ever since. We still keep, however, the old form of balloting for new members. This, the Principal pointed out, was an incongruity, since all who have paid their fees could demand the privileges of membership. In 1900 the Government placed in the estimates a sum for a librarian, and Mr. Laing was appointed to the position. This being the case the officers appointed by the Engineering Society are really first and second assistant librarian. The Principal thought that, although the Engineering Society had some property in the library, it would be best to have all put under the charge of the librarian, and to have rules printed and put up in the library.

At the recent D.L.S. examination at Ottawa two of the first three successful candidates were from the S.P.S. T. Shanks being first and E. H. Phillips third. Both are at present in the Survey's Department.

W. A. Duff, '01, paid the school a visit last week. He and S. Gagné are engaged in railroad work near Grand Forks, B.C. He intends returning in a few days.

Dr. W. R. Hanes, House Physician in Harper Hospital, Detroit, died on Monday, March 3rd, from infection due to a post-mortem examination. To his brother, G. S. Hanes, of the 2nd year, we extend our sincerest sympathy.

The Principal's prophesy that the Civil Engineers' Bill before the Legislature was a dead one, since Principal Grant had an editorial in the *Globe* condemning it, has proved too true. It was thrown out last Wednesday.

The first tapping of 1st year deposits is to take place to repair a bench which collapsed in Dr. Ellis' lecture room.

Sophomore Acres is the latest victim of the 1st Year Art Association. He took well.

Johnson, the one-lunged health officer of the 1st year, found it necessary to bulletin the following: "No more hatching will be done this year on account of the prevalence of chicken-pox."

If S. Schell can do a title sheet in 15 minutes, how long will it take Wilson, Fee and Chilver to walk to Bruce Mines?

Did you hear Pardoe's story about the Buffalo robe and the Lady of the Night? It is a winner.

It is reported on good authority that Messrs. Parks and Coates are in great demand with the fair sex at present.

H. L. Seymour, '03, has been ill for some time with pneumonia. We sincerely hope he will be able to finish his year.

"Prof." Graham's lectures and demonstrations in house surgery have so absorbed the attention of school men for the last few days that the elections have been almost forgotten. However, as the course is now completed many rumors are in the air. There is some talk of tickets being formed—this would be very interesting since there is nothing School men would enjoy better than smashing tickets. For president, D. Sinclair, who served on the executive this year, and W. Campbell are likely candidates, many would like to elect A. A. Wanless, while others say that R. W. Morley could next year devote his whole time to the work. For vice-president, Mullins is generally thought to have a "cinch," but Thomas Plunkett, Esq., has a few car tickets and stamps left and may prove to be a "dark horse." For corresponding secretary, Stewart, Oliver and Patton have been mentioned as probable candidates. The 1st year will bring Yates, Wilson and Grey for recording secretary, and F. N. Rutherford, recording secretary of last year, for treasurer. His past experience well fits him for the position. The Grads. are sending in proxies for McMaster as their Rep.—they no doubt have heard of his stand on the library question. For the year Reps. there will be plenty of choice as usual. For superintending editor of Varsity, F. Hamilton and C. K. Young are mentioned. Hamilton's previous experience on the Business Board would be useful, while C. K., by his contributions last year, has shown himself to be capable of describing anything from a Hamilton bill board to a Saturday afternoon lecture. For the Business Board, the names of Davison, Milne and Umbach have been mentioned. The 2nd year Rep. will no doubt be T. C. Irving. Tommie has ideas, and he would soon find ways and means of preventing a newspaper taking the place of a college journal. Altogether it looks as if there would be plenty of game for Friday night. With a full ballot paper and a high-class vaudeville show this year election might well be as good as the best.

CHIT CHAT.

Peter Scott was At Home recently to a small, but select, party of literary friends and bohemian pals, whose number happily was divisible by two with one to carry. A very enjoyable time was spent playing "Button! Button! Who's got the Button?" and other interesting kindergarten games, which were introduced for the special benefit of the youthful "freshettes" present. The genial host seized the opportunity to inflict upon his guests some extracts from his latest comic-opera, which was the signal for a general exodus.

LADDY GIDDY.

BULLY FOR JOHN.

Mr. T. A. Russel, B.A., has resigned the position of Secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to become Manager of the Canadian Cycle and Motor Company. There were fifteen applicants for the vacancy, but the choice was between E. H. Cooper, B.A., J. F. M. Stewart, B.A., and R. J. Younge, '02, and the latter was appointed.

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TORONTO, March 19th, 1902.

EDITORIAL.

THE motion to accept the report of the Executive, which was unanimously passed at the last meeting of the "Lit," was one of the most important in the history of the proceedings of the Society. It had a two-fold significance, first as an outward sign of the development of the undergraduate mind, and second as an earnest of the future.

The undergraduates of University College expressed their willingness to renounce the distinction which has been theirs for over twenty years, of having a weekly journal of their own; they showed themselves possessed of that larger university spirit, which must ultimately become characteristic of every undergraduate, irrespective of college or faculty, before the University of Toronto can attain to that proud eminence which is so plainly her destiny. Let no one think that this sacrifice on the part of the men of University College was made lightly and thoughtlessly. On the contrary it was the subject of the deepest cogitation on the part of very many of the Literary Society's members, and the proof of this lies in the fact that when the project was first mooted in the Society, it met with very strenuous opposition, and was, in fact, shelved, for the time being. The change in attitude from fierce opposition to almost unanimous approval was not the result of skilful lobbying or a brilliant *coup d'état* by the originators of the scheme, but of earnest and sober thought on the part of the whole body of members. We may reasonably conclude, therefore, that the action which the Literary Society took at the last meeting marked a stage in the progress of undergraduate opinion towards the final goal of perfect loyalty to our university.

The success of the new journal seems assured. Issued under the supervision of the Undergraduate Union, a body which has firmly established itself as a permanent organization, with a student body of nearly 1,500 from which to draw its subscriptions, and a splendid advertising field, the prospects of the new VARSITY seem particularly bright. The new journal has a great work to do. To it will fall a large share of the task of bringing together all the different bodies of students which are at present but loosely connected, and welding them into a strong and united undergraduate body, imbued with the one idea of advancing the interests of their common *alma mater*. Its aim must be that concentration of all the

varying interests which is absolutely necessary if the fair fame of the University of Toronto is to remain undimmed through the coming years.

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WE congratulate Mr. James Brebner, B.A., upon his election to the Presidency of the Literary Society. He has had conferred upon him what is probably the highest honor in the gift of the undergraduates of University College. During this term the students expressed their opinion of him in no uncertain terms, when his departure was imminent, and we cannot but feel that the destinies of the Literary Society are safe in the hands of a man who commands the universal esteem and respect of the whole undergraduate body.

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WITH this issue THE VARSITY ceases publication for the year, probably never to be revived in its present form.

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new."

and we must endeavor to keep abreast of the onward march of new ideas and wider interests. A certain amount of reverence and affection always attaches itself to things long-established, and thus it was that there was a distinct sigh of satisfaction and relief when it was announced in the Literary Society that the new journal would be called by the old name VARSITY. We would have been loth to see the old name disappear altogether.

With this issue the present editor lays down his pen with a sigh of relief, not entirely free from regret. The few months during which we have held the office have been full of "pleasure, and work, and fight." They have been full of satisfaction and disappointment, of hope and despair. But on looking backward over the period all the petty annoyances and the toils of that time sink into insignificance, acting only as a background to throw into bold relief the strong, loyal sympathy and help of the Editorial Board and the whole undergraduate body. To all who have aided in the work, and especially to the sub-editors, are due our sincerest thanks. We cannot but feel that our task has been very imperfectly performed, but we have tried to uphold the reputation which THE VARSITY has built up through twenty years of unqualified success. If we have succeeded, well and good; if we have failed it has not been through lack of effort.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Freshman—I should not like to set any definite date on which you should discard your heavy underwear. Your best plan would be to write to your mamma and ask her. She knows the idiosyncrasies of your constitution.

Lizzie, '03—I regret exceedingly that your request for a half tone engraving of A. R. Cochrane, who replied to "The Ladies" at the Old Lit. banquet, could not be granted.

Freshette—No, my dear. It is not at all proper for you to receive constant donations of flowers from the senior in question. It indicates that he thinks you are a "dead one." Persuade him to send you candies instead.

A. B. C.—How dare you suggest that the '03 Bell is cracked? The idea is preposterous.

W. H. I., '02—If your arm is as itchy as you say, for Heaven's sake scratch it!

I. O. U., '05—No, my little man. Mr. Alison of '02 is not an Irishman.

MOTHER SIEGEL.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE FOUR STATUTORY ESSAYS.

To the Editor of VARSITY:

In a recent issue of VARSITY you criticised the four statutory essays in the Political Science Course, both as to the number required and the plagiarizing tendency produced in the student. I am convinced that upon sober second thought the students of the department will not sustain you in your judgment. At this period of national development when the country is demanding alert men, acquainted with the play of economic forces, the department of Political Science unquestionably offers the most practical course in the University. Many of our men have but recently been appointed to positions of influence and trust—King at Ottawa, Russell with a large company in the city, Sellery at Wisconsin University, McLean at Leland Stanford—thus indicating the opportunities which open up to graduates of this department. As our country develops these opportunities will multiply. It is therefore absolutely essential that throughout the course, the highest standard should be exacted from the student.

The tendency at present is to depreciate the cramming system and to encourage continuous consistent work throughout the college year. The demand for term-work in economics is in harmony with this desire. The apportionment of equal value between the term-work, comprising the essays and term examination, and the final May paper is a reasonable division of the work required. A reduction of the number of essays by half, as you suggest, would necessitate, if the standard is to be maintained, a more comprehensive spring examination, a result not to be desired.

Plagiarism, moreover, is in no way an essential feature of the scheme of essays, but merely incidental to it. Nor indeed need it be incidental. It is the desire of an examiner not to read essays which are nothing more than plagiarisms, but to draw out the original and critical literary powers which every student may bring to the discussion of economic subjects. Surely, in a greater or less degree, he has some originality of thought, expression or treatment, which can individualize an essay, and thereby give it a value, which can be acquired in no other way. It is much preferable to display some original thought in a short, concise, yet comprehensive essay than to waste time and paper in a drawn-out, disconnected and colorless discussion, in no way reflecting the individuality of the writer. Not fewer essays, but a more thoughtful and more sympathetic consideration of economic problems is the real need of students in the Political Science department.

Yours faithfully,

T. L. FAREWELL, '00.

(NOTE—The sentiments referred to by Mr. Farewell occurred in the "Rotunda" column and not in the "Editorial."—Ed.)

OPEN LETTER.

March 13, 1902.

J. C. McLennan, B.A., Ph. D., Secretary of the University of Toronto Alumni Association.

DEAR SIR,—On behalf of the Executive Committee of the University of Toronto Harmonic Club, and of the club as a whole, I take pleasure in enclosing a check for fifty dollars, which we trust the Alumni Association will accept as an indication of the interest of the club in the Convocation Hall which the Association is desirous of erecting.

We desire that this amount be used as the nucleus of a fund for the placing of an organ, or other musical equipment in the Convocation Hall, and we shall be glad to aid the Association in any way which may seem desirable in carrying out this suggestion.

While the above is really the purpose for which the money was voted by our committee we have no desire to unnecessarily embarrass your executive by making any hard and fast conditions with it, and hence we shall be glad if you will use the money as seems to your executive best, keeping our request in mind in deciding the matter.

You will no doubt be glad to learn that the club is able to make this donation through the fact that it has had a particularly successful year. We have received a most hearty reception from the Alumni of our University wherever we have given concerts, and we have already received a sufficient number of invitations for next year to warrant us in anticipating even greater success in the near future.

Yours very sincerely,

ALBERT H. ABBOTT,

Hon. President of the Harmonic Club.

MATHEMATICAL AND PHYSICAL SOCIETY.

PRIMARY POSTULATES OF ARITHMETIC.

At the meeting of the Mathematical and Physical Society, on March 7th, an unusually large audience assembled to hear Dr. Glaschan's paper on the Primary Postulates of Arithmetic. The paper was read by Mr. De Lury, and interspersed with explanations and comments by him. The philosophic side of mathematics has always had a strong attraction for Dr. Glaschan, and amid the numerous duties of his distinguished career he has found time to give the subject considerable thought, as was evident to anyone hearing the paper on Friday afternoon.

The postulates of which Dr. Glaschan speaks are, some of them, simply assumptions which are borne out by our experience, while others amount to definitions limiting and clearly defining the scope of the science of arithmetic, or algebra. When we began to "do sums" in school not so very many years ago, our list of postulates was very limited; our first idea of multiplication was that of taking the same quantity a certain integral number of times; when we came to fractions this definition had to be altered and extended to apply to the new ideas introduced. So we have gone on ever since, changing and extending the scope of our primary postulates and adding to them, till even the student himself, when he pauses to look back, is astonished at the long array of assumptions he has made. In those days we were probably unconscious of the making of the assumptions, and perhaps even now would pass them unnoticed, were they not thrust upon our attention by some man who thinks for himself as the majority of us do not. This is what Dr. Glaschan has done, and in his twenty-odd postulates has summed up the necessary and sufficient data which determine and define the science of Algebra as it exists to-day. The paper shewed a great deal of careful thought and originality, and was of intense interest not only to mathematicians, but to any one who cares to look a little beneath the surface of things and inquire into the development of any branch of knowledge. The feeling of the meeting was fitly expressed by the unanimous adoption of a vote of thanks to the author of the paper, whom we hope to see in person around the halls of the University in the near future.

R. M. S.

SPORTS

THE LACROSSE SEASON.

The coming season promises to be one of the most successful in the history of the Varsity Lacrosse Club. At present it looks as if the team would be much stronger than last year, since at least nine of last year's team are again available, and the new men include some of the best players in Canada. "Pusser" Greig will captain the team, and if experience and playing ability count for anything, he should certainly "make good." It is rather doubtful whether "Father Bill" Hanley will play with Varsity this year, as the Toronto team are very anxious to have him between the flags for their tour in England. The old men who will turn out this year include Greig, Martin, McKinnon, Groves, Kyle, Graham, O'Flynn, Gladney, McNeil, Martin, Hendry, Kearns, McEvoy, Dickson, Urquhart and Baldwin, while among the new men are such stars as Campbell and Bowles, of the Orangeville Dufferins, Wood and Kerswell, of Port Hope, "Billy" McKay of Shelburne, and McHugh, of Streetsville.

The tour will cover practically the same ground as last year. Efforts were made to arrange games with Harvard, Swathmore, Johns Hopkins, and Pennsylvania, but it was too late in the season for those teams. The games closed up to date are:

May 28, Hobart College, at Geneva, N.Y.

May 30, Crescents, at Brooklyn, N.Y.

" 31, " " "

June 2, Stevens Institute, at Hoboken, N.J.

Negotiations are pending for a game in Orange, N. J., for June 3rd, and it is likely to be arranged in a day or two. The team will be in New York for about five days, and during that time will be the guests of the Crescent Athletic Club at their country club-house at Bay Ridge on Long Island.

The first out-door practice will be held as soon as the campus dries out, and all players intending to turn out are requested to commence work in the gym at once, in order that no time may be lost in getting into condition.

THE CRICKET CLUB.

The prospects for the Cricket Club this season are unusually bright. The final action of the University Trustees last year has placed the club in a position it would have been impossible for it to have reached unaided. By this agreement all members of the Varsity Club are allowed the full privileges of the Toronto Club, use of their material, and their professional coach. In addition to this the Toronto Club have to maintain in the best cricket condition the grounds which have before this been shamefully neglected through want of sufficient funds. In a couple of years time the crease which the Toronto Club used years ago should recover its old time form, and be one of the best in the city. Last season the arrangement seems to have worked out to everybody's satisfaction. The only disappointment was the failure of the Toronto Club to secure a good "pro." This was

caused chiefly by the lateness of the time at which the final agreement was made, but this year there will not be any such difficulty. In order to compete with the other city clubs, the Toronto Club is compelled to secure a first-class coach, and this fact should largely influence the followers of a sport that can be mastered by no one without expert instruction.

As far as the number and quality of players available goes, there is plenty of material for an excellent team. Of the old members, Casey Baldwin, captain of the team this season, and Walter Wright, both well-known names in Canadian cricket circles, will be in the game again. Macleod, the bowler imported from Australia, will be ready to trumble once more, "Doc" Wright has already decided on some large scores, and Alex. Snively will again take charge of the infield. An effort will be made this year to hold the team together for a short time after exams. are over. In fact short tours are already under discussion.

BASEBALL.

Baseball is now the all-absorbing topic around college halls. Although it will be some time before active work commences in the field, yet the team have already begun to get in shape.

Last year's team was through Western Ontario. Not since the spring of '98 had the Varsity team travelled west, but it was evident that they were well remembered. Berlin, London, Walkerton, Kincardine, Chesley, and Wingham were among the towns visited, and in every place close and exciting games were played, resulting in a majority of victories for the Blue and White. All the last year's players will be on hand this season with the exception of MacIntyre and McPherson. The great number intending to turn out has made the management consider the advisability of appointing officers for a second team as was done in 1897. At least two good men will be out for every position. Among the players already in sight are McDermot, Dobson, Parry, Williams, Weldon, Symington, MacIntosh, Fowler, Kappule, Ross, Buck, Delury, Baldwin, Stratton, and Balfour. The pitching staff, which has generally been the weak point of the team, will be considerably strengthened this year, such good men as Hamilton, of Galt, Jamieson, of the Maple Leaf's, Eckardt and Biggs being available.

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The second annual meeting of the Ontario Library Association will be held in Castle Memorial Hall, McMaster University, Monday and Tuesday, March 31 and April 1. Papers will be read on the following subjects: "Library Buildings," "Some difficulties Met in a Small Library," "How to Secure the Passage of a Free Public Library By-law," "Canadian Fiction," "Canadian Periodicals," "Useful Methods in a Small Public Library," "The Training of Librarians," "The Public Documents of Canada and the Province of Ontario," "The Value of a Public Library to a Community," "Vicissitudes of a Public Library During Fifty Years." Everyone interested in library work is invited to attend. The Secretary, Mr. E. A. Hardy, Lindsay, will be glad to furnish information to anyone on application, and especially requests that any librarian or member of a library board failing to receive a printed announcement will write for same.

The Rotunda.

Superintending Editor, - I. N. Loeser, '03.

The old ash and steel vaulting bar in the gymnasium, which has been in bad condition for a year or more, has been replaced by a solid steel bar wrapped in leather. The latter is much steadier than the old bar.

The class of 1904 is to be congratulated upon the excellent taste shown in the selection of the design for the year banner.

A meeting of the retiring Joint Board of the Departmental Societies was held on the seventh for the purpose of discussing the present system of joint Monday lectures. It was decided to recommend to the incoming Board that the joint lectures should be held in the evening and at longer intervals. Though no definite action was taken on the matter, the members of the Board seemed to concur in thinking that it would be well if none of the societies met oftener than fortnightly.

The Literary Society at Victoria have been wrestling for a couple of months with the problem of consolidating the fees of various undergraduate societies. No solution has yet been reached. The movement has no connection with the college authorities.

The vaccination outbreak has necessitated the indefinite postponement of the assault-at-arms, which was to have taken place next Saturday afternoon. Instructor Williams regrets the fact exceedingly, as he says his gymnasium class this year is the best he ever had. Burnside, Smellie, Carveth, Schaef, Fiddler, Tate, DeCew, Urquhart, Williams, and a little chap from Harbord named Reid are among the best gymnasts of this season.

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Who said: "When they vaccinate me,

I'll go to the trough

And wash the stuff off,

I'm a homeopath, don't you see?"

There was a young man of naught-four,
A remarkably bright sophomore.

But he knew it so well

That his friends said: "Oh fudge!

He is getting to be such a bore."

Said the sporty young man of naught-five:—

"If I cannot quite often contrive

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McF.

Cohen (making a motion at the Lit.)
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my motion to suit anybody." Arthur
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E. W. Mackenzie, '02, has won the
enviable distinction of being dubbed
"Social Philosopher."

First student (in the Legislature)—
"That gentleman in the Press gallery
is the dramatic critic of the *Globe*."
Second student—"What is he doing
here?" First student—"Oh, he is
reporting this farce."

Despite the lateness of the season
and the smallpox scare there were very
few vacant seats at the open meeting
of the Modern Language Club on the
10th, when Professor Fraser delivered
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alms the other day in the Legislative
library.

Professor Mavor (lecturing)—"This
demonetization of silver caused it to
drop violently in the market." (Student
inadvertently drops a coin on the floor.)
Professor—"I'm much obliged for the
illustration."

It is reported that the Alumni As-
sociation is making efforts to have an
unusually large number of its members
present at Commencement this summer,
in order to do honor to the prodigies
of Naughty-Two. The plan for erect-
ing a new Convocation Hall will also
be pushed very vigorously, and it is
hoped that the whole sum required—
fifty thousand dollars—will be sub-
scribed before the June exercises are
over.

Ernie Simpson, '02, has the sympathy
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fortunate and untimely illness. A
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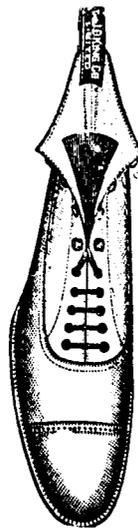
Sandy MacLeod, '00, and Davy
Davidson, '01, are presidents of the
Literary and Missionary Societies
respectively at Knox.

The Old Lit. party made a most
felicitous choice in selecting Mr. Breb-
ner as president of the Lit. No better
choice could possibly have been made.

Friends of Tommy Russell, B.A.,
will be gratified to learn that he has
been appointed general-manager of the
Canada Cycle and Motor Company.

All paid-up members of the Union
should make it a point to vote in the
coming election of officers. Above all
things consider well merits and deserts.

Alec Cochrane (proposing "The
Ladies" at the Old Lit. dinner: first
break)—"One thing at the University
struck me very early." Voice—"Who
was it?" (Second break)—"We have
heard to-night that our men are to go
forth and become great leaders. But
we have heard nothing of the ladies.
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Education Department CALENDAR

March

- 27. High Schools, second term, and Public
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- 28. GOOD FRIDAY.
- 31. EASTER MONDAY.
Night Schools close (session 1901-1902.)
(Close 31st March.)

April

- 1. Annual meeting of the Ontario Educa-
tional Association at Toronto. (During
Easter Vacation.)
Returns by Clerks of Counties, Cities,
etc., of population to Department, due.
(On or before 1st April.)
- 7. High Schools, third term, and Public
and Separate Schools open after Easter
Holidays. (Second Monday after Easter
Sunday.)
- 15. Reports on Night Schools due (session
1901-1902). (Not later than 15th April.)
- 17. Examinations in School of Practical
Science begin. (Subject to appoint-
ment.)
- 22. Annual examinations in Applied Science
begin. (Subject to appointment.)
- 24. Art School Examinations begin. (Sub-
ject to appointment.)
- 25. Last day for receiving applications for
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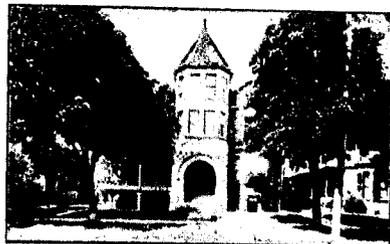
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