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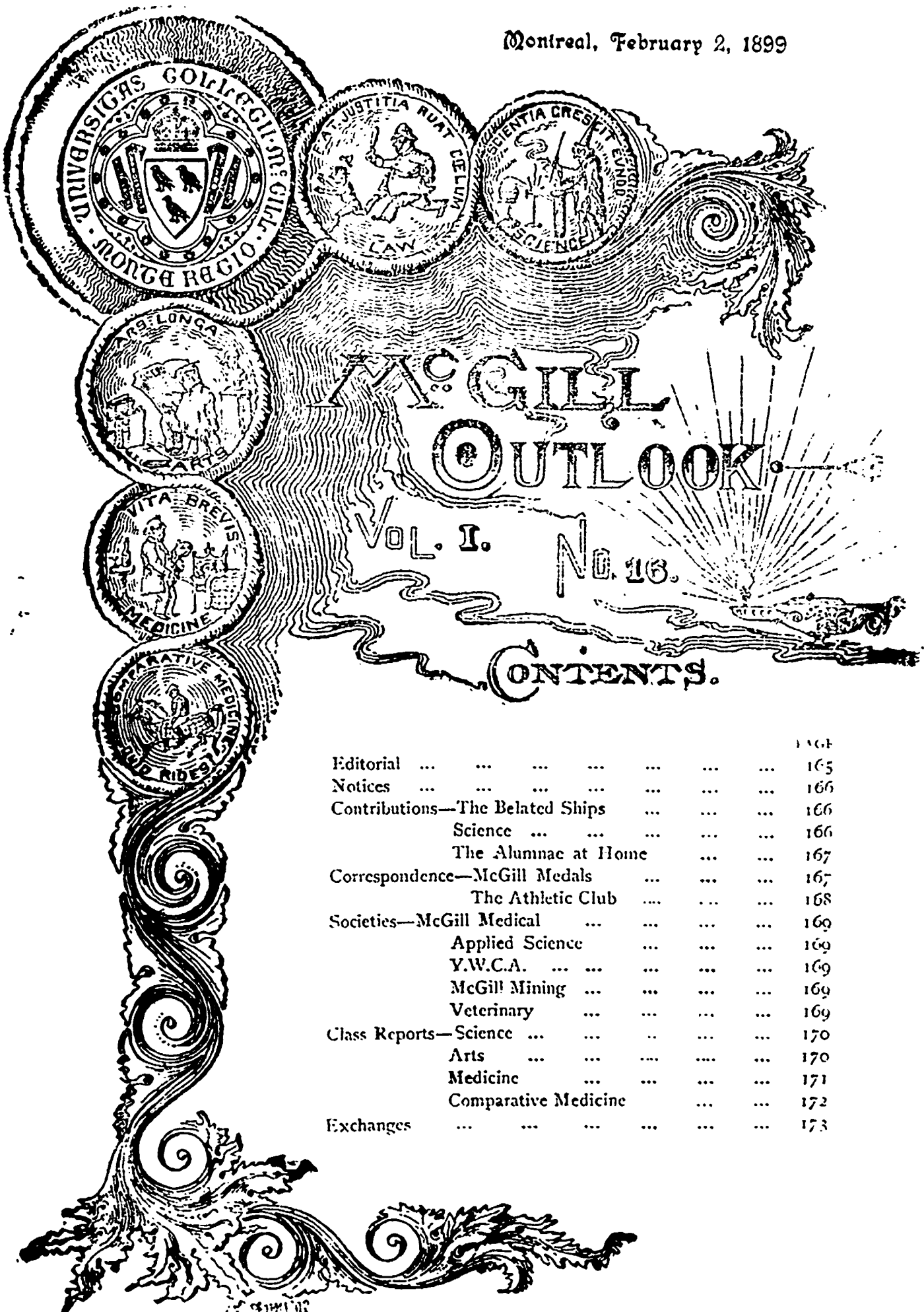
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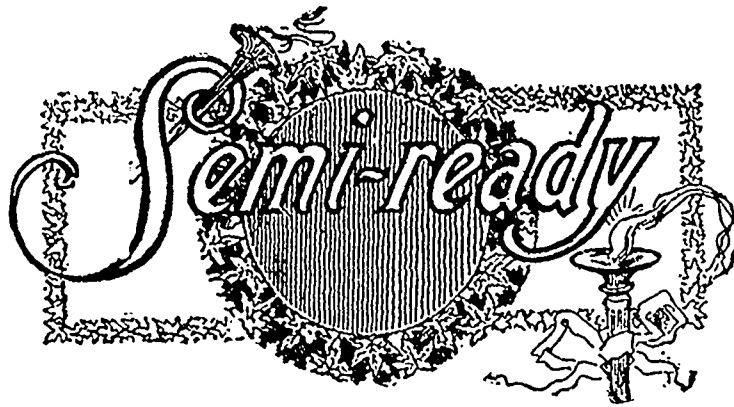
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## Editorial.

It is a relief to the editors of the OUTLOOK to be able to turn from the financial difficulties, and more than doubtful successes of Athletic Associations to a society that never sets up the wail of poverty, and that can be depended upon to win an occasional victory. The Literary Society manages to uphold the credit of our Undergraduate body, and that at no expense to any outside of its own narrow limits. Somehow or other, it has acquired the habit of regularity and thoroughness in its exercises, joined with an economy in its disbursements, that, in a society financially stronger, would be called parsimony. Numerically, it is deplorably weak, so weak that an evening which sees thirty members present is deemed worthy of being

marked with a *mehore lafallo*, while an attendance of fifteen is far from being discouraging. There is, however, a saving remnant of the faithful who are constant in their attendance, and contrive to make up in quality what is lacking in quantity. Careful and unceasing practice has made them able to more than hold their own against the representatives of a society infinitely stronger in number. Our satisfaction would be unalloyed could we see more than the merest fraction of our Undergraduates assisting in the good work and sharing its rewards. In the meantime, we congratulate the Literary Society upon the success of its champions, and we congratulate Messrs. Brown and Place on being thus privileged to do credit to their Alma Mater.

## NOTICES.

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The Annual Sophomore Freshmen debate will be held on Friday evening, February 3rd, at 8 o'clock. The subject for debate is, Resolved: "That the American Revolutionary War was justifiable."

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The regular meeting of the Psychological Society will take place on Thursday evening, February 2nd, at 8 o'clock.

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## Contributions.

### THE BELATED SHIPS.

Then, when our wandering ships come in,  
Will health and rest for us begin.  
The worn heart asks—where stay the ships  
Whose absence makes our lives' eclipse?  
Fate guards her answer safe and deep,  
And hope is fir'd with dreams of sleep.  
And seems to see, on slumber's side,  
The richly-laden leons ride,  
Bearing across dim depths of foam,  
The treasures that we wait at home.  
A vision vain that paints its hope  
Beyond the far horizon's scope,  
While long ago, and deep beneath,  
The ships have fall'n to dens of death!  
Theirs was the sudden shock of storm,  
And theirs the broken force and form,  
And hidden rocks and currents strange,  
Their homeward, happy course to change.  
And through the waters points no mast  
To show where lie our ships at last,  
While all about our buried gold  
Lie remnants of the wrecks of old,  
And the sea-blossoms rare and fine  
About the ribbon'd sails entwine.  
There rest our ships, O leal and brave,  
Within the keeping of the wave,  
And, when they rise and ride within  
Home's harbour, Will our rest begin!

QUEVEDO.

### SCIENCE.

An underlying truth thou keepest hid,  
And will not to our poor mortality  
Its secret great reveal.  
Wonders and miracles are in it contained  
Matters so vast they do confuse the mind  
That would their workings learn,  
And, learning, lose coherence and become  
A thing inanimate.  
That dread knowledge thou alone dost hold  
Since time began has spirits bold enthral'd  
And led them on to death.  
Thy vain illusions, ever fleeing far,  
As lights of fire in treacherous marshy land,  
Leaving imagination but a trace to seize  
And follow in their wayward path,  
Have made men mad.  
Bewildered thought and ever useless trial  
Of petty shreds thou hast vouchsafed to give,  
For this have men renounced the world and love  
To chose a living tomb.  
And still thou hast the power and thou the key  
That pertain to the great mystery.  
Ah! Science, soon thy day will come,  
Thy day, when knowledge absolute is won,  
And man, his god-hood once again his own,  
Will see that All is but the mighty One.

A. R. ARCHER,

Science '01.

THE ALUMNAE AT HOME.

Never have the Donaldas spent a more enjoyable and profitable afternoon than Thursday, January 26th, when the lady graduates of old McGill were at home in the Redpath Museum to the Donaldas, professors' wives and a few outside friends. A charming play was presented first, and congratulations are in order for the brilliant acting, magnificent costuming and general *éclat* with which the programme was carried out. The local hits were immensely appreciated by the girls, who showered flowers and candy canes on the actors. After the play a dainty tea was provided for all, and a reception ensued. The following is the cast of characters :—

“A MASQUE OF CULTURE.”

Confucius.....Miss Carr  
Socrates.....Miss Reid

Minerva.....Miss Derick  
Zenobia.....Miss Angus  
Hypatia.....Miss R. Campbell  
Cassandra.....Miss Travis  
Lady Jane Gray.....Miss Jordan  
Portia . . . . .Miss K. Campbell  
Maximilia R. Stantmore, a Defender  
of Women.....Miss Hunter  
Charlotte, of Boston.....Miss Radford  
Gertrude, of New York.....Miss Hall  
Messenger.....Miss Binmore  
Delegates and others.

Prologue.....Near Olympus  
The Convention.....Boston

The audience wishes to express hearty thanks to the Alumnae Society for their kindness in providing such an entertainment, and for their good-will toward the Undergraduates.

Correspondence.

To the Editors of McGILL OUTLOOK :—

I would like to say a few words in regard to the discussion of the medal system which seems to, and should, receive a fair amount of attention.

I would like to take the defensive on the part of the system now in vogue for reasons which will become apparent.

In the first place, the medal system, to my mind, has the good result of spurring one on to untiring efforts in order to achieve the end in view.

It had been my fortune before I came to McGill to win—not a medal—but a prize which at that time I valued as highly as any medal. Well, until that period, I took but a lukewarm interest in striving to come to the front to any great degree. All I wished for up to that time was to pass—by some means or other—the examinations that were compulsory; I never thought I was at all capable of making a “show.” However, when to my astonishment, though I was then beginning to get interested, I did happen to do well, you can imagine, with what enthusiasm I buckled to in order to maintain the standing I took; and a deeper interest seemed awakened in me for the branches of education at which I was then engaged.

It seems as though, when one does something once, one can do the same or better again. Hence the winning of a medal or prize acts as a stimulant to further one's efforts and make one apply all the resources which one can call forth to attain the grand result.

As to the other members of the class, many pushed me very close, but there always existed a sort of bantering rivalry, not that which would cause coldness between us, by no means, but rather a sort of watchful activity, which would brighten all concerned, and which in itself was beneficial even to those who did not have the good fortune to be first.

Think, again, what a sense of happiness it must confer upon the hard-working student who has only with difficulty been able to defray the necessary expense to keep him at College, when he realizes that at last he has something to show to his credit for all the labours and hardships he has undergone, for all the long dragging nights, when, feeling the reverse of concentrated application better known as “plugging,” nevertheless, he plods through the weary pile, relying on the hope that one day he will be gratified at the pleasure of being able to show something for the time so well spent.

Think also of the justifiable pride that such a student's parents and relations will doubtless experience upon the success he has so creditably achieved, and the encouragement it will give them to help him all they can.

Suppose, on the other hand, he does not gain the prize so hardly contested. Will it not be with a sense of satisfaction that he will regard how well at any rate he has spent his time? Though he may be disappointed at that stage, still look at the good it has undoubtedly done him. For students who apply themselves like those alluded to are not separated



by so wide a margin after all, and, consequently, will, of necessity, possess a thorough knowledge of their work which is in itself a most enviable possession. Will he, a man with the pluck to apply himself so steadily, think you, "give up the ghost" as soon as he feels himself beaten? Certainly not! On the contrary, the very fact of not attaining to the honoured position sought after, at this time, will stimulate him to greater effort, and will sooner or later crown him with success. But, even if it does not, the thorough knowledge he has gained in trying to take such a high standing, and which he would not have attained were he merely looking for a pass, is something to be proud of, and will stand him in good stead throughout his after career in life.

If "competition is the life of trade," why should it be harmful in other strifes? The answer to this question will answer the objections to the medal system as laid down by some of your correspondents of the opposing opinion.

It is the life of trade because it stimulates certain tradesmen to become if possible, by hard work, more efficient than others. These others, on the other hand, strive to go one better, and so it is from one to the other till you see the trade making rapid strides on the road to greater success. Why! Is it not the hope of reward in some way or other that carries the majority of the world along the road to success?

Even the very nations contend—not for love of contention surely—but for the purpose of gaining an honored position in history. What is the use of ambition if we have nothing to gratify it?

There are people who work and attain marvellous successes at their chosen careers, not in the hope of reward, but merely because they are interested in and love their pursuits in life. These are few in number, however, and are rightly named geniuses, but no one will deny that the majority of successful men like to see their great labours recognized in some way or other, and that this recognizance helps them to a great degree in their laborious undertakings.

The objection might be raised that certain clever students cannot obtain sufficient time to allow of such work as is done by other students who are no cleverer. Well, that would of course be unfortunate, but should form no argument which might deteriorate from the value and honour accompanying the medal to the man who *has* the time and *uses* it!

I don't see how the matter could be benefited to any appreciable degree by having no medal or prize offered. If there were no such things as honours and prizes, etc., I'm very much afraid that the strong application of many students would be exchanged for an easy-going, slowly-advancing or gradual acquisition of knowledge.

Why, examinations themselves are honours, and if we're to do away with medals and prizes, and such like, we must do away with examinations as well,—a thing which cannot be, as yet, brought about, under the existing circumstances, viz., want of some better arrangement, if there is better to be had.

Thanking you most heartily for your kind tolerance.  
I am, yours, etc.,

"ONE WHO HAS BEEN THROUGH THE MILL."

To the Editor of the OUTLOOK:

Your last issue contained a very interesting letter on "Our Athletic Clubs," urging the students of the Junior Years to sign the petition, praying for an increase in the fee for athletics. But there are a few points which, however anxious we may be to advance the interests of athletics at McGill, ought first to be taken into consideration.

First of all, there is the question:—Have the students in signing the petition any guarantee that the extra dollar shall be devoted exclusively to the interest of the Athletic Clubs? This question, I think, is particularly pertinent, when we consider the way in which the funds at the disposal of the Grounds' Committee are at present expended. Taking the figures given in the OUTLOOK of Nov. 17, 1898, we find that the estimated receipts for the current session from the athletic fees amount to nearly \$1,700, while, only the small sum of \$950 is returned to the clubs. The remainder is expended by the Grounds' Committee in keeping the grounds in order, and in erecting improvements about the campus, many of them being of a permanent character.

In my opinion the students have just grounds for complaining that such a disposal is made of their own money. The original intention in asking the Governors to collect the fees must have been to relieve the Athletic Association of a very heavy burden, and, at the same time, to secure the co-operation of the College authorities in a department of such vital importance to the University. It could never have been the wish of the originators of the present system that fully one half of their fees should be retained by the University, and expended for its own purposes. True, you may say that the Governors ought to get something for their trouble, but, even if they were unwilling to assist gratuitously such a praiseworthy object, a commission of 40 or 50 per cent. seems excessive. Again, it seems rather hard that \$820 of the students' money should be paid presumably to the support of an official whose salary would have to be paid whether athletics existed at McGill or not.

Accordingly, there seems to be very little use in giving another dollar to athletics (as we fondly imagine), which, for all we know, may be expended in erecting grand-stands or grading tennis courts, improvements which, though perhaps highly desirable in themselves, will be of comparatively little value to the present generation of students.

I have put forward these remarks merely because I believe that they are representative of the opinions of many of my fellow-students, and I think that a satisfactory answer to the question, which I have stated above, would induce many to sign the petition.

I am yours truly,

C. C. F., Arts.' 00.

## Societies.

### MCGILL MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The next meeting of this Society will be held on Friday evening February 3, in the Medical building at eight o'clock. The programme upon this occasion if not more than usually interesting is certain to be quite up to that high standard of excellence which characterizes anything pertaining to the Medical Society. As the programme consists of papers read by members of the Final, Junior and Sophomore Years, it is but fair to expect that, out of compliment to their representatives, the members of the several Years will turn out in their numbers and show their appreciation in a thoroughly practical manner, which the essayists as well as the Society deserve.

To lend added interest to the meeting, the Honorary President, Dr. G. E. Armstrong, has signified his intention to be present, a matter of great gratification to all concerned.

The meetings this session are found to be more than usually interesting and beneficial, a fact which is being recognized by the members of the student body who are turning out in larger numbers than in any previous year.

The programme for Friday evening is as follows:

1. Paper, "Sleep," J. McCombe.
2. Paper, "Melancholia as a Result of Genito Urinary Disease," A. Levy, B.A.
3. Paper, "Early Physic and Physicians," R. P. Campbell, B.A.

### APPLIED SCIENCE SOCIETY.

An exceptionally interesting meeting was held on Monday evening in the lecture theatre of the Physics' building. Mr. Wilson, Vice-President for Electrical department, presided. Dr. Bovey introduced Dr. Kennelly, President of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the speaker for the evening. Dr. Kennelly dealt with the subject of laying and using sub-marine cables in a most pleasing and instructive manner.

Dr. Kennelly is a recognized authority on this subject, as well as the author of several books on different branches of Electrical Engineering. After the lecture, Professors McLeod, Kerry and others took part in a short discussion of the subject of the evening. Mr. Bowman moved a vote of thanks to the speaker, and the meeting adjourned.

### Y. W. C. A.

The regular meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held on Friday afternoon. Miss Page, who was the leader of the meeting, gave us a very interesting talk on the subject: Lessons from the Life of Daniel.

### MCGILL MINING SOCIETY.

Captain James Rielly, a veteran mining engineer, lectured before the McGill Mining Society on Friday evening last. The subject chosen was "Silver Mining in Peru in the Sixties." The Captain is a good talker, and the thirty members present were both interested and entertained by the story of mining among the Andes, under conditions which were very different from those experienced in more recent years by miners in this northern hemisphere. The formation of the deposits was described briefly, and the lecturer described in detail operations of the natives working under the direction of experienced miners. The manner of treating the ore for concentration was another interesting point as well as the process of extracting the precious metal from the concentrates.

### VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The regular meeting of the Society was held on Thursday evening, January 26, at 8 p.m., in the Library.

Professor Chas. McEachran occupied the chair, there being present also Dr. B. A. Sugden, a full attendance of members and the following visitors: Messrs. D. I. Mullen, J. McCarrey and C. J. Alloway.

The report of the Experimental Committee being received, and some minor business attended to, the Chairman then called upon Mr. Kato for his case report, which was one of "Pneumonia, following distemper in the dog." Mr. Kato had been called in to this case, which he treated very successfully, the patient making a speedy recovery.

Mr. Henderson followed with an essay on "The Qualified Veterinarian *versus* the Charlatan." Mr. Henderson quoted many instances where Charlatans are allowed to practice in the Eastern cities of Canada, and gave it as his opinion that these classes of people should not be allowed to practice without a diploma from some recognized College or School. He said that in Ontario the Veterinarian was protected, but not so in Quebec. After a good deal of discussion on the subject, it was decided that a committee be appointed which will be chosen from graduates who are going to attend the Alumni Association which meet here on Feb. 6 to formulate a bill to present to the Dominion Government asking for protection for the Veterinarian in the Province of Quebec. After all members of the Association had been heard from and their views taken on the subject, it was decided to await the coming of the graduates, and the final decision will be drawn up then.

## Class Reports.

### SCIENCE.

#### THIRD YEAR.

We were all glad to see Mr. O. Howard around again after his rather severe illness, and hope he will be able to appear in some of the coming hockey matches; he generally gives a good account of himself.

This Canadian climate was too much for Mr. Ewart, of Kilawea, Kanai, Hawaiian Islands, and he had to drop off lectures for a few days last week. But by taking his medicine regularly and sparring "heel taps," old Figi is with us once more.

Mr. Barber and Mr. McLaren also were compelled to give up work a few days on account of the Grippe.

The 1920 Annual is expected to be fully completed and issued by the end of February, over eighty pages of proof sheets having already been read (&c) corrected. As only a limited number of copies of the book are to be printed, all those desiring more than one copy should at once give in their names to either Mr. Cowans or Mr. Ewart. We understand that our men have done their duty in this respect, every one in the Year having purchased one volume with possibly one exception. Messrs. Barber and Robertson have been working hard correcting proofs and getting in a few of the late contributions, while Messrs. Cowans and Ewart on the business committee have done much to assure the financial success of the book. All the above four gentlemen are entitled to the thanks and gratitude of the Year in doing their part towards making our College Annual a success.

Some of the minors are taking dancing lessons, and Big Walt may be occasionally seen tripping the light fantastic with a chair in quite a sporty manner.

#### SECOND YEAR.

Since last week's OUTLOOK appeared up to the time of writing the bib has not been seen. The pen is mightier than the sword, sure.

Which of the Third Year men is it that has that missing transit? The '00 scribe said a couple of week's ago in his notes that a book was to be published by our Year on "Who took the Lantern." "Who took the Transit" is the second volume, and the Third Year will be behind the work.

The second hockey match of the series between the Miners and Mechanicals took place last Friday morning. The teams were much the same as those that played last week. There was some good fast hockey played, and, judging by the match, the Year has some first-class material for a team. The score was five to two in favor of the Mechanicals. Mr. Bob Meldrum acted as referee. Another match between the two divisions of the Year may soon be played.

Lost—eight or nine dollars in bills in the locker-room. If not already spent, return to H. Frechette and be liberally rewarded.

Emperor William is unusually quiet these days. Is it the calm before the storm?

#### FIRST YEAR.

*A Chemistry Jotting.*—Professor (lecturing on Oxygen):—This, gentlemen, is an element of the greatest importance. It is the chief support of animal life, but, strange to say, it was not discovered till the end of last century, and—

*Hutchings* (interrupting): How did they manage to live before then, Professor?

There seems to be a diminishing interest for hockey, as is shown by the light attendance at the practices. If we mean to make a good showing in the Inter-Class matches, we must practice.

Great interest is being shown for the coming Science dance by the First Year students, and a large attendance from the Year is expected.

### ARTS.

#### FOURTH YEAR.

Congratulations are due Messrs. Brown and Place for the able manner in which they conducted the negative of the debate with Varsity, so winning it for McGill.

The representative to the Queen's "Conversat," Mr. Patch, reports having spent an enjoyable time while the guest of the students of that Institution.

A Class-pin has been decided on by the committee, being of very simple and rather neat design, while the price we hope has been placed within the reach of all. A report as to where it can be obtained and when will be given out later.

In the meantime it is undergoing some slight alterations.

We pay our debts, being fully compensated by receiving an extra copy of that Annual which contains such a glowing "'99 Arts" Class history.

We find:—

That we have an embryo hockey player who only gets in the way of the puck by falling down.

That a sandy-complexioned philosopher and a bald-headed mathematician each belong to a totally different species.

That we do not need to look through spectacles to see the relic of an anti-diluvian age.

That a pretty face may shadow a page and the entrancing study of nature give place to poetic reverie.

That we do not pretend to know as much as when Freshmen or Sophs.

That our reward for past study is largely qualifications for greater and deeper study to come.—

(Continued.)

JUNIOR—What are you writing your Essay on?  
 SENIOR—"Paper."

Time: 1.05 p.m. Day after Arts' Conversat.

Professor (Reading the 'Tempest):

"I must eat my dinner."

Class (unanimously though somewhat sleepishly):  
 "So must we."

Professor. "I think it is about time. Is that clock right?"

SECOND YEAR.

The Annual Hockey Match between the old-time rivals, the Second and Third Year Arts, took place on Thursday, after having been postponed an infinite number of times. Of course, 1901 were victorious. Owing probably to the fact that every one was so confident that his Year would have a walk over that hardly anyone thought it worth while to witness the contest, about twenty spectators were in evidence. But those twenty were quite enthusiastic and made themselves heard at frequent intervals. They even got excited at times, and one of '01 actually was rash enough to offer any Second Year player an oyster supper if he would favor him by putting the puck through the opposing goal posts. Hardly had he made this promise when Molson shot the rubber through a forest of sticks and feet, and scored. The oyster supper has not yet materialized, but when it comes off we all want invites. The play was close all through the game, but, notwithstanding, there was little roughness, and the best feeling existed on both sides. Even when the players took unexpected dives into the snowbank, they took it with great *sang-froid*. McCallum '02 acted as referee to the satisfaction of all parties, and the Reporters of the two Years were goal-umpires, in which capacity they distinguished themselves, of course, by their good work.

At half-time the score was two to nothing, and at the end four to three in favor of '01.

The teams were as follows:

1901.		1900.
G. O. McMurtry.....	<i>Goal</i> .....	Johnson.
C. Ireland.....	<i>Point</i> .....	McKinnon.
McPherson.....	<i>Cover</i> .....	Jeakins.
Copeman.....	<i>Forwards</i> .....	Ells.
Moffat, Capt. ....	" .....	Grier, Capt.
McDonald .....	" .....	Rowell.
Molson.....	" .....	Scott.

Those of 1901 who had the privilege of meeting the Donaldas of '02 on Tuesday evening take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Nolan for her great kindness in entertaining them on that occasion. The unanimous verdict is that a most enjoyable time was spent, and the memory of that very pleasant "At Home" will long live in the memory of all of us who had the good fortune to be present.

FIRST YEAR.

Great disappointment ensued in our Class where the weather man turned down the much advertised masquerade. Some of the characters to be represented were as follows:—

- A-dr-ws.—Noah's Ark.
- McC-ll-m.—Flower Girl.
- Og-vic.—Cyrano de Bergerac.
- Conde.—Donalds '99.
- Jack.—Little Bo Peep.
- D-n-l-y.—Girl from Paris.
- W-thr-sp-n.—Texas Willie.
- D-mp-s-y.—Pontius Pilate, etc.

Messrs. B-l-t-r and R-ss of '01 also wished to go in our party as a bunch of violets.

The advanced section hereby challenge the ordinary section (*alias* Saunders Swipeseys) to mortal combat any time that the hall is well stocked with rubbers.

Senor Satano McCallum, Professor of Sleight of Hand, necromancy and magic, gave one of his wonderful exhibitions in Prof. Slack's room recently. He passed rolls of paper into one ear and out to the other with the same ease as Latin Lectures.

Hermann is eclipsed!

—DO YOU KNOW—

- That our last week's remarks didn't refer to any one in particular?
- That many people thought the cap fitted?
- That there were other violets at the ball?
- That screens tip over easily when you talk philosophy?
- That sometimes the walls have ears?
- That there are spoons and spoons and a *few other spoons*?
- That the girls have a second chaperone and its vice is almighty?
- That some people are easily teased?
- That there are several camera jokes?
- That white tennis flannels are *de rigueur* for classical lectures?
- That somebody ought to start a subscription list?
- That philopœna joke?
- That German poetry has various interpretations?
- That Pious has a poor memory for faces?
- That a Donalds translated "Hail ye Gods!" by "Dieux, comment vous portez-vous?"

MEDICINE.

THIRD YEAR.

A few rash vows:—

Pa-ne.—That he is not going to "say something" any more, and that he is going to procure a stethoscope.

H. Ke --- ng.—That he is going to attend a few lectures after this.

Spa - - ow.—That he is going to get through his anatomy by fair means or foul.

Sym - - s.—That he is determined to get the medal yet, if hard work will tell.

Se - - rd.—That after this he is going to take ten minutes' exercise daily.

Mur - y.—That he is not going to smile at the nurses any more.

Gib - - n.—That he is going to take up the banjo and join our Club to help to make it a success.

C - - ke.—That he is going to smile at least once a day after this.

Cof - - n.—That he is going to turn out and play hockey to help the team out of its difficulty.

G - - day.—That he is going to grow older soon.

Someone is responsible for the statement that Piton considers an Es-march bandage applied around the neck as the best remedy for hæmorrhage from any part of the head.

Students are advised to bring up kerosene lamps to the chemical laboratory, for the new lights promised this year will probably not arrive until the autumn.

Mr. Coates has the sympathy of his classmates in his illness.

Too little cannot be said about the hockey match with the Sophs. They won, as you will probably see in the elaborated and embellished account in another part of this issue. The score was 6-3. It is evident there was something wrong with us somewhere. However, Capt. Duffy will find out a remedy before next match with the evergreens. The captain of the Sophs played a great game, and he is principally to blame for the score. But we did not lack in stars. Henry. Duffy and McDiarmid played like Trojans for their side. But, better luck next time, boys.

#### SECOND YEAR.

There is so very little being done now besides Anatomy that a Class Reporter finds himself, to speak poetically, "in the same *box*" with Othello—his occupation gone.

Brace up, you chaps, and don't plug so hard. A fearful epidemic must have struck the Second Year; at the fortnightly roll-call of Physiology, those who were present—who doubtless had just recovered from their illness, answered almost without exception when his name was called "Sick (6) Sir!"

Recently Dr. Cook expressed a desire that I should put the most important item in this edition, viz.: "How to get through Anatomy." As I did not have time to get his views as to the best practical method, I merely refer all those desirous of obtaining such valuable information to office No. 1, Main Floor.

Members of Second Year held a meeting in No. 3 last week, to elect a committee to arrange for the annual "Cook Benefit and Celebration." Messrs. E. N. M. Hunter, H. M. Collison and J. Bruce were selected and elected unanimously.

The following tableau was recently enacted (?) in the limb of the "L" wing:

*Characters*—Two Sophs. and a wily (?) Freshy.

*1st Soph.*: "Where is your Common-Carotid Artery?"

*2nd Soph.*: (After some thought) "Don't know, I'm sure."

*Freshy*: (Having listened attentively.) "You'll get it 'in the neck' if they ask you that in the exam!"

(George was just in time to catch the table!)

#### COMPARATIVE MEDICINE.

For removing the muscles from their attachments and giving them new insertions our Cupid takes the cake. It is astonishing to see how well his aim is at some non-offending student who least expects having a cold application of raw material applied to his inferior maxilla or where not. If that horse could only speak he would murmur. O death, where is thy sting!

The Third Year in anticipation of having their photos taken are preparing their upper lip adornments in order that they may look cute. This preparation is not so easy a task as was at first anticipated, but, if looking pleasant has anything to do with it, the photographer's lens will do the rest.

The two strong men, Mac. and E., have again shown feats of superhuman strength; this time they had occasion to lift an adiposeous structure of a man weighing 236 lbs. up two flights of stairs; this they succeeded in accomplishing without a murmur. They are now looking for bigger game; whole horses will be lifted by them. For particulars as to dates and time when this will take place, apply at the distal extremity of Union avenue.



## Exchanges.

### COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL TO BE A GRADUATE DEPARTMENT.

At the last meeting of the Trustees, the greatest educational event of the year in America took place unobtrusively and quietly.

This was the adoption of the resolution converting the Law School into a graduate department of the University, by limiting admission to the school to college graduates. This change, the fruition of many years of self-denying labor on the part of the Faculty, is to take effect in the fall of 1903, and is properly regarded as completing the development which was begun by Dean Keener and his associates in 1891. That the Law School is ripe for this forward movement is evinced by the steady growth of the graduate element in the student body during the past five years, the percentage of college graduates having increased from 42 per cent. in 1893 to 62 per cent. in 1898. It is the confident belief of the Faculty of the school as well as of the Trustees that the superior attractiveness of a school open only to college graduates and capable therefore of doing the highest grade of work will more than counterbalance the loss of the diminishing percentage of non-graduate students. That the school will, with these increased advantages, become a more important factor than ever in the development of legal education and the elevation of its standards, is too clear for argument.

Two new courses, one in Bankruptcy and one in Office Practice Work, will be given next year by some members of the Law Faculty.—*Columbia Spectator*.

Mr. Chas. E. Barneveld, the new Mining professor at the University of Minnesota took charge of his classes the first of the week. He is a graduate of McGill University, Montreal, '93, and has since been engaged in practical work in California, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico. He is also well acquainted with the mines and mining of Cape Breton and Nova Scotia. For some time he was in charge of the Arizona School of Mines at Tucson. From there he went to the city of Old Mexico to accept a position as consulting engineer, which he gave up to come here. He comes here highly recommended, and his experience in the field, combined with his knowledge of teaching, certainly qualifies him for his new position.—*Minnesota Ariel*.

Could any of your readers solve the following problem? A certain lecturer the other day informed his class that madder given to a young calf made its bones turn pink. Is this the reason that when it has grown to be an angry bull the sight of pink makes it madder still?

Brown reports 909 students, an increase of 49 over last year.

Of the 90 men in the United States Senate, 53 are college-bred men.

The report of the manager of the Amherst College Base-ball Association for the season of 1897-98 has just been published. It shows a net loss of \$453.04.—*Bowdoin Orient*.

Yale has 2,535 students enrolled this year, a decrease of 11 as compared with last year.—*Pennsylvanian*.

There are 21 Universities, 1,920 professors, and 26,700 students in Germany.—*U. of Chicago Weekly*.

Northwestern University has an enrollment of 3,000, which is the third largest in the United States.—*U. of Chicago Weekly*.

### THE PHILOSOPHY OF HUMOR.

Not According to David Hume.

It's curious what a sight o' good a little thing'll do,  
How you kin stop the fiercest storm when it begins to  
brew,  
An' take the sting from what commenced to rankle when  
'twas spoke,  
By sittin' still an' treatin' it 'sif it was a joke;  
Ye'll find that you kin fill the space with smiles instead o'  
tears,  
An' keep the sunshine gleamin' through the shadow o' the  
years,  
By jes' laffin'.

Folks sometimes fail to note the possibilities that lies  
In the way yer mouth's acurvin' an' the twinkle in yer  
eyes;  
It aint so much what's said that hurts as what you think  
lies hid,  
It aint so much the doin' as the way the thing is did;  
An' many a home's kep' happy an' contented day by day,  
An' like as not a kingdom's bin rescued from decay,  
By jes' laffin'.

'VARSITT.

### THE MUSES.

CALLIOPE the deeds of heroes sings;  
Great Clio sweeps to history the strings;  
ENTERPE teaches mimes their silent show;  
MELPOMENE presides o'er scenes of woe;  
TERPSICHORE the flute's soft power displays;  
And ERATO gives hymns the gods to praise;  
POLYMNIA's skill inspires melodious strains;  
URANIA wise the starry course explains;  
And gay THALIA's glass points out where folly  
reigns.

Quevedo.

## INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE.

Once more have McGill's chosen orators shown themselves conquerors in the Annual Debate with 'Varsity, Toronto. With the memories of a lost debate at home upon the last occasion, the best of 'Varsity's band of debaters were eager to retrieve their lost laurels. However, in this case, the fates, in the person of a board of arbitration, were against them. But 'Varsity will have the pleasurable consciousness of having participated in one of the finest debates ever listened to within the walls of the old Molson Hall.

Quite a large gathering assembled on the evening of Friday, January 27, on the occasion of this Annual Contest. Needless to state, there was a large attendance of the fair sex, and consequently, of students in great force. But with a few notable exceptions, the members of the teaching staff were conspicuous by their absence.

Promptly on time the debaters, headed by the President of the Society, Mr. Lemuel Robertson, Arts '99, filed in and took their seats on the platform. In a few brief but pithy remarks the chairman welcomed the assemblage, and introduced the judges, Hon. Mr. Justice Hall, Rev. Prof. Ross and Ald. H. B. Ames, who had consented to act in the above capacity. Following this, Prof. McBride was called upon for a short address. Prof. McBride, who is always listened to with appreciation by the students, gave an interesting account of one literary and debating society with which he had been actively connected in his student days, The Union Society at Cambridge, to whose good influences he owed much. Too much praise could not be given to the practice of debating as an educational factor.

The speakers were then introduced; Messrs. Anderson and Russel were to do battle for 'Varsity, while Messrs. W. G. Brown, Arts '99, and E. G. Place, B.A., Law '01, defended the honor of "Old McGill." The subject of debate was on the following resolution:—

"That a system of arbitration among civilized nations is practicable, and is the best guarantee of international peace."

Mr. F. W. Anderson, in opening for 'Varsity, and after the usual congratulatory remarks, referred to the general abhorrence of war among civilized nations,

and the great benefits which would accrue to mankind if arbitration were resorted to as a means of settling international disputes. Mr. Anderson proved himself a very eloquent speaker, and charmed his audience by his very graceful attitude and delivery.

Mr. Brown replied for McGill, and piled up argument after argument as to the impracticability of the scheme. Even those who knew him best were surprised at the forcefulness and weight of Mr. Brown's language. Even if a little nervousness was exhibited, nothing could exceed the dignity and grace of style which was shown, and which produced deserved applause.

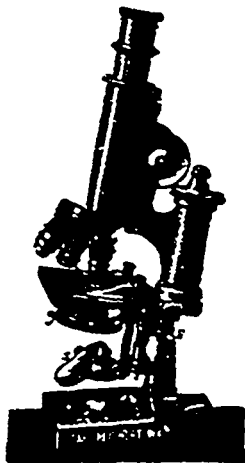
At this point in the proceedings, the Banjo Club turned up, and charmed the audience with a selection, which called forth a merited *encore*. The Literary Society are sincerely grateful to the Banjo Club for its support, in marked contrast to the torpitude of a sister organization.

Mr. Russel continuing for 'Varsity, at once won the respect of his listeners by a calm, forcible and dignified utterance. He attempted to prove that the scheme was practicable by referring to noted cases of this century in which arbitration was resorted to.

Mr. Place closed for McGill, and completed the argument in a very able manner. He spoke in much the same strain as his predecessor, directing a considerable portion of his time to a refutation of the arguments of his opponents. Mr. Place was very happy in his remarks, waxing eloquent and humorous by turns.

After Mr. Anderson had summed up for the affirmative, the judges retired to arrive at a decision. The interval was filled in by songs and the rendering of the slogans and war-cries of the various faculties and Years. The Hon. Mr. Hall, as spokesman for the judges, was naturally enough listened to with interest. He succeeded in keeping the audience in suspense for a considerable time before giving the welcome announcement that McGill had won. The judges, though not unanimous in their verdict, were decidedly so as to the high character of the debate. In no instance had the speaking fallen below a very high standard, and but a few marks separated the contestants.

The audience dispersed after singing the National Anthem, all parties animated by exceedingly amiable feelings.



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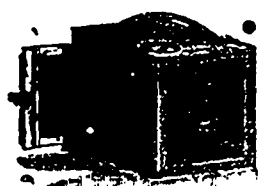
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### CYRANO DE BERGERAC AT HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

About the worth of Cyrano de Bergerac there can be no doubt whatever. It has passed the experimental stage, and now stands on a firm footing.

It is a pleasure to affirm that Mr. Lee has given us no bare commemoration of a man who trod this earth two centuries ago, but a living human mechanism that appeals to every heart.

Of his company not so much can be said. Mr. Kramer, as Christian, does not interest one fully, except on one occasion, that is, at the close of the fourth act, when bidding adieux to Roxane and Cyrano. Miss Alexander's characterization of the heroine is better, but scarcely convincing enough to show the wondrous influence she exerted over two such men. In the balcony scene she appeared to good advantage, but again she was better at the close of the fourth act, presenting as it does the three important personages in a last embrace, with Christian's life-blood slowly oozing out. Roxane, in agony, and the hero-bergerac chanting the death song of the cadets, as they rush forth to meet the enemy.

Between the fourth and fifth act there is a lapse of fifteen years. Roxane seeks refuge in a convent to pass her last days in quiet meditation, and Cyrano comes occasionally on a visit. It is while on such an errand that he is foully struck down by an assassin. Then he explains all, and requests Roxane to love her dead just as much, but to temper it with a thought of him, which is all she consistently

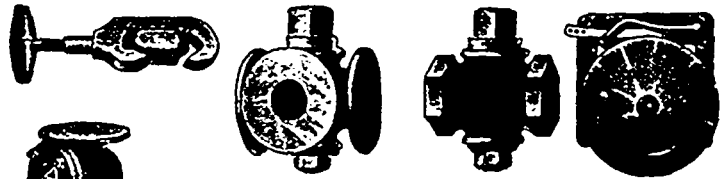
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could do. In a few words he sums up his character, by calling her attention to the night, at the balcony window, when he stood on the ground and saw others lightly mount to love and fame. What a glorious death, when he shouts he will meet his old enemies afoot, as they come to him in visions, and with flashing sword he dies at Roxane's feet, with the word "honor" on his lips, for honorable had he been to his country, honorable to Christian, and still honorable to Roxane. In this Mr. Lee reached the acme of his powers.

**AN ENGLISH VIEW OF IT.**

We love our brethren of the United States with a very natural affection, says The English Textile Mercury, but we cannot have them playing the part in Canada which anciently Jacob played with Esau. The manufacturing industries of the States have been very greatly depressed, and those engaged in them have for some time been very anxious to get access to new markets. This is a very laudable desire; but it should be advanced with some regard to a sense of equity. Canada, being at their door, has long been regarded with acquisitive sentiments, which have been further excited by its recent concession of more favorable terms of importation to the Mother Country than govern those of other countries. Of course, the friendly ne-

gotiations, just suspended for a short time, offered a specially favorable opening for attempting to gain free admittance thereto. As we well know, our cousins never miss anything for want of asking for it. This, if we may trust Reuter, they have done, and widespread alarm has been caused among Canadian manufacturers by the proposal that a large list of manufactures shall be admitted free from the United States. British manufactures, under the preferential arrangement, have one-fourth of the duty remitted, while, under the proposed new system, many United States manufactures would be admitted free. This would be a very nice arrangement for the New England manufacturers, but not quite the same for Canadian and British manufacturers, the latter of whom we suppose, it is designed by the proposers of this resolution, should continue to pay present duties. No, cousins, we are sorry to conclude that the proposal is not quite good enough.

**THE OLD LADY WAS FAILING.**

The maiden aunt of a San Francisco official has gradually cultivated a fondness for sensationalism until a love of reading horrible descriptions in the newspapers and morbid imaginings in books has gained a complete ascendancy over her. An old friend of the family inquired a few days ago of the nephew concerning the health of his aunt. "We are rather anxious about her," was the perfectly serious reply. "She is not exactly ailing, but her spirits seem depressed. She does not seem to be enjoying her murders and lynchings as much as usual!"

Keeper (to Miss Simper, a maiden lady of uncertain years, who is visiting the prison)—The meek-looking prisoner in the next cell is Grubbins, the man who married a dozen wives. His sentence expires next week, and no doubt he'll be up to his old tricks soon as he gets out. He has a regular mania for marrying every woman he gets acquainted with, they say.

Miss Simper.—Oh, what a dreadful creature! Er—won't you please introduce me to him?

"I see that some Chicago man has invented a bullet-proof coat," remarked the boarder who reads the papers.

"I have been expecting it," said the one who grumbles. "I have missed the piece of steak that I have had regularly for three months."



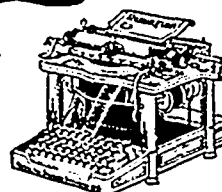
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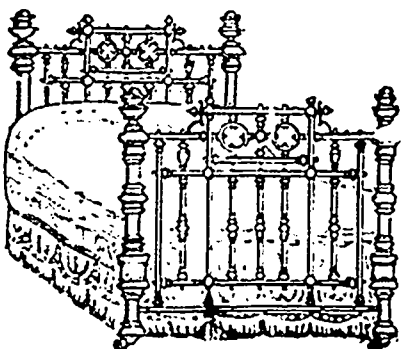
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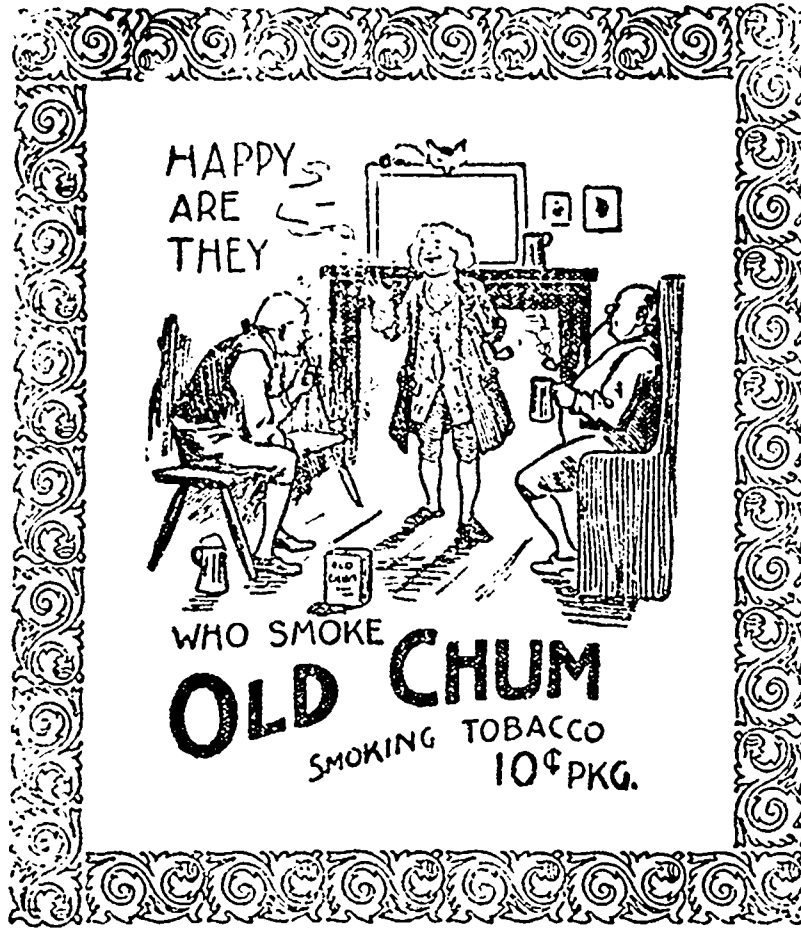
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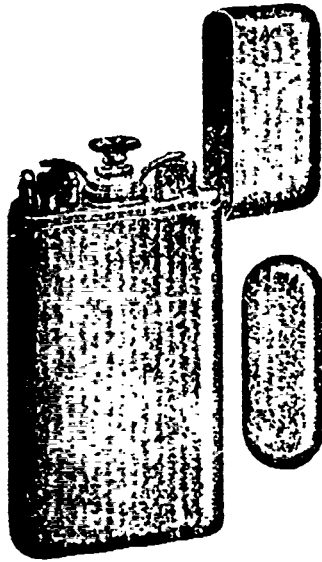
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