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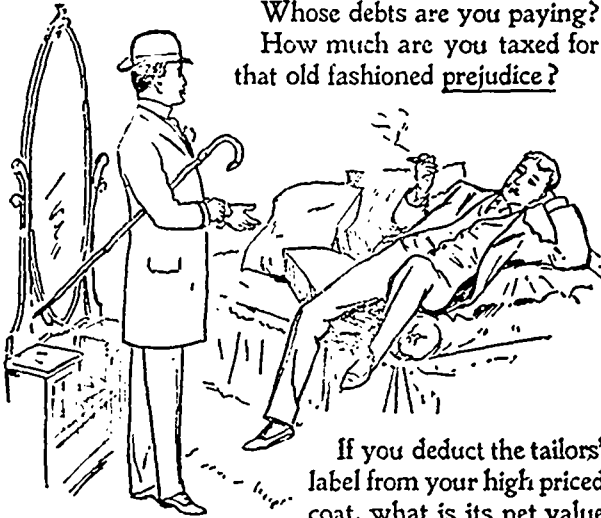
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Editorial.

BEFORE the close of the previous session there were many discussions among the students of the various faculties in regard to the FORTNIGHTLY. It was argued that the paper did not fulfil its real purpose. No one seemed to know exactly what was the real purpose, but all agreed that, despite the valiant and scholarly efforts put forth by the '98 Editorial Board, there was something unsatisfactory about the FORTNIGHTLY. Some complained of the class notes, no one cared to read news a fortnight old, students had finished laughing over the jokes long before they appeared in the journal. The football victory had perhaps been swallowed up in defeat by the time its praises were sung in print.

So the discussions went on. One man wanted less contributions and more class notes, another thought sports should take up at least half the issue, a third could not see why he should be made a laughing stock for the whole College, and so on. Finally each Faculty voted on the matter, and the result showed that the majority thought a weekly would prove more desirable than a fortnightly. To-day the MCGILL

OUTLOOK makes its initial bow to the student public. It remains for every student in McGill University to give a helping hand; each undergraduate should consider it a duty as well as a pleasure to contribute to its pages. Let it not be proved that the finest University in Canada cannot keep up one college magazine, while other lesser colleges successfully maintain two or more without difficulty.

The labour of publishing a weekly falls with double weight on the editors, who are every whit as busy, hard-working students as those not chosen for this task. Honour demands of Arts, Law, Science, Medicine and Comparative Medicine to stand by their respective representatives, thus making the weekly issue of the College paper a labour of love for the *alma mater* of whom we are always so proud.

NOTE TO EXCHANGES.

The name THE MCGILL OUTLOOK has been decided upon in place of the McGill Weekly, it being believed that the present name will give better satisfaction to all concerned.

THE editors request the various classes, societies and organizations to elect their reporters as soon as possible, also to remember when electing that the man who can report in good pleasing English and who will promptly each week send in a bright budget of news is the man who is valuable both to his class and his college paper. Let them also bear in mind that nothing will be published without the sanction of the *entire* Editorial Board.

IT is a matter of deep regret to all interested in the work that the McGill Students' Club has been obliged to give up the struggle for existence, owing to lack of sufficient steady patronage to pay expenses. We hope that this forced retirement will be but temporary, that in the near future some more feasible plan will be suggested which will bring about the successful accomplishment of the original scheme of combining a comfortable home for students with the lowest possible prices.

THE Science students mourn the departure of three brilliant, scholarly and highly esteemed professors, namely, Dr. Callendar, who has left McGill's Chair of Physics to take

the professorship of Physics in University College, London, Eng., lately occupied by the renowned Professor Cary-Foster; Professor Carus-Wilson, who has gone to reside in England and look after the interests of the electro-motor which he invented; thirdly, Professor C. B. Smith. To fill their places and also to fill the new professorship in chemistry, McGill is proud to announce the following appointments:

Professor Owens, of the Universities of Johns Hopkins and Columbia, to the McDonald chair of Electrical Engineering; Professor Rutherford, of New Zealand, to the McDonald Professorship of Physics; Professor Walker, of University College, London, to the McDonald chair of Chemistry, and Professor Coker, of Edinburgh and Cambridge Universities, to the Assistant Professorship of Civil Engineering.

We quote the Montreal *Gazette* in regard to the above:—"It speaks volumes for the reputation of McGill University that such men can be induced to leave the prospects and opportunities of the Old Country by the facilities for research which are afforded by the magnificent laboratories founded by Mr. W. C. McDonald."

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY.

Beginning on Monday, Sept. 19, 1898, the Library is to be kept open in the evening for three hours (from 7.30 to 10.30) instead of for two hours, as in former years.

This has been decided upon as an experiment, at the request of numerous students who found the hours of last session too short.

If those who are benefited by this change show their appreciation by using the Library freely during the evening, the longer hours will probably be permanently adopted.

Contributions.

DE PONTIBUS.

If we disregard the meaning of the above title, and pay attention only to the form and the sound of it, we might expect to find one of Cicero's orations. One is surprised to find, on opening the book, that it is very, very modern in style and composition, that it is about modern bridges, and that it is written by a very eminent modern bridge engineer, namely, Mr. J. A. L. Waddell, C. E., B.A. Sc., Ma.E. The best explanation of the title is given by the author in this preface:

Probably the first point in connection with this book which each reader will find to criticise is its peculiar title. Each will probably remark: "Why, in the name of common sense, did the author choose such an indefinite and outlandish title as 'De Pontibus'?" Reader, its indefiniteness is its most praiseworthy feature; for the work is certainly not a complete treatise on bridges, being eminently lacking in illustrations of details, and entirely without any treatment of the theory of stresses; and what title could be more appropriate to such a book than the indefinite one, "Concerning Bridges?" But the captious reader will reply, "Why revert to the Latin language? Is not English good enough?" Certainly it is; but the author had a sound reason for using the Latin, which he will proceed to explain, as the said captious reader will assuredly not be satisfied without some explanation.

For five consecutive years of his early life the author devoted more than half of his working time to the study of the Latin language; and this is the first opportunity which has occurred during the twenty-two years of his professional career to put the knowledge (?) so obtained to any practical use. Moreover, he fears that, even if he be so fortunate as to be able to practice his profession another twenty-two years, no other occasion will occur to use it, so he feels the necessity for grasping this unique opportunity of a lifetime.

The author is not a stranger to McGill. Indeed, during the last two years, the majority of the students in the Faculty of Applied Science have had the pleasure of listening to a series of lectures on bridge designing given by Mr. Waddell, and, moreover, the degrees of B.A.

University in recognition of his writings in engineering magazines.

The book under discussion is a "pocket-book for bridge engineers." It has received some very favorable notices in engineering magazines; and well it might, as it contains the results of about a quarter of a century's practice by a very successful man, who has designed many of the largest and most important bridges erected in recent years in the United States. One very good recommendation for the book is that many of the ideas contained in its pages were favorably received by other members of the profession long before the book was published; for Mr. Waddell believes in giving to the profession and to the world at large, through the engineering magazines, the benefit of any improved methods in his work. He has also invaded far-off Japan, and has had the satisfaction of seeing his ideas adopted in that country. In recognition of his ability as an engineer, the Emperor of Japan conferred on him the rank of Knight Commander of the Rising Sun.

In writing his book Mr. Waddell "endeavored to make the contents as original as possible," and has therefore drawn all his illustrations and examples from his own practice. In this respect it is unlike most other works on bridges. It does not give long formulæ for computation of stresses, etc. For such information the author refers the student to the older standard works of Prof. Burr, Du Bois and Johnson.

On the other hand the book is full of valuable suggestions concerning the designing of bridges, and covers the whole field. The author hopes that it will be useful to the following classes of readers: "first to practicing bridge engineers, because of many little suggestions that will help them to effect improvements and to avoid mistakes; second, to young engineers in offices of bridge specialists and of bridge manufacturing companies, for perfecting them in their work; third, to professors of civil engineering, to show them the practical side of bridge designing and

Sc. and Ma. E. were conferred on him by this building, and to aid them in giving their lectures on bridges; fourth, to students of civil engineering as a supplementary text book; fifth, to railroad engineers, because of the specifications contained." The book has met with plenty of adverse criticism. This is not surprising, as the author strikes boldly out on lines of his own, and disagrees with other engineers on many points. He speaks with no uncertain sound when giving his opinion of old methods of designing.

The writer of this note has only had time to merely glance over "De Pontibus," but is already acquainted with a large part of the subject matter, having "sat at the feet" of the author in our own lecture rooms and designing rooms. Parts of the book have also been used here in pamphlet form for some years. We can safely recommend the teachings of Mr. Waddell as sound gospel.

—
TO JULIAN, AT PARTING.

What does it matter, sweetheart mine,
Since we together have drunk of the wine
Of life, and love, and happiness—
What does it matter that now, at last,
The chain of misfortune has caught us fast,
And entangled us in its heaviness,

We have been all 'o each other—so,
Our holiday time now over, we go
Each upon the appointed way.
We have known always that it must be—
This sorrow of parting, for you and me,
And yet—our laughter was no less gay.

For we know that whatever may befall
When we have lost hope, joy, youth and all,
Memory still to us will remain;
And whatever our lives hold in store—where'er
Fate may lead us, yet, in the world somewhere,
Another heart shares with ours the pain.

And so—a tear for the days that are gone!
We say farewell, and journey on,
Having drawn from life of its truest and best;
Knowing, whatever may betide,
Our dreams will ever with us abide;
We have known happiness—seek we—rest!

—M. T. W.

CLASS DAY '98.

Among the many pleasant memories which remain to us of '98, that of Class Day and its events is not the least enjoyable. There is scarcely need of recalling those two memorable days to those who were able to attend them; but for the benefit of the ones who, unhappily, were not present, a few words must be said.

Let it be known, that Wednesday, 27th April, saw the commencement of Class Day exercises in the form of the Valedictories from the several Faculties! It is needless to say that the valedictorians, one and all, did their best to convince us of the merits of '98, and of the sorrow which we should feel at their departure. The abundant applause testified McGill's approval, and, were it not for the promising youths and damsels yet with us, we might be tempted to exclaim: "O, where shall we find such another class?"

In the evening, in order that we might see that '98 was great in deeds as well as in words a Reception and Dance were given. The Reception was held in the Redpath Museum, at 8 p.m. Thence all adjourned to the McDonald Engineering Building, where the dance was to take place. The building was beautifully decorated and illuminated for the occasion. Indeed, everything was arranged in such a manner that it would have been wonderful, even had not the evening proved the complete success which it was.

The floors were in excellent condition, showing that '98 had profited by former experience. The two orchestras were an improvement; as was also the complete absence of a crush. This may have been the result of additional room, or the smaller number of dancers, than on other occasions; whatever the reason, it was duly appreciated. A remarkable phenomenon was noticed during the evening, viz., that every now and then a complete darkness enveloped everything in the rooms where the tired youths and maidens were sitting out their dances. A "scientific" explanation is sought. The supper was good, and in fact we have only praise to give '98 for the enjoyable evening which we spent and for the fine programme which it

offered us. Next day, Thursday, the Class Tree was planted, the oration duly pronounced; the Class History, Poem and Prophecy read, several songs, which were heartily appreciated, filling up the programme. Thus "music and laughter did finish the day" on which '98 bade farewell to its Alma Mater, and made its entrance into the great world, where we hope the same pleasant sounds will follow them. B. M.

THE '98 CLASS DAY POEM.

WRITTEN AND READ BY MR. M. C. HEINE.

The OUTLOOK is glad to be able to publish this poem; the Arts Faculty is to be congratulated on having Mr. Heine's name on its honour rolls, for his college career has given promise of a brilliant after-life in literature. It is to be hoped that his first effort is but a forerunner of many writings, imbued with true poetry, which shall bring renown to himself and his Alma Mater:

AN IDYL.

(*Three Scenes from Life.*)

Behold the woods where sea-fogs rest in sleep,
The forest old on Blomidon's stone steep,
And list the swishing rush of rising tide,
Where eddying waters dark, the sea weeds hide,
Or see at evening, when the surbeams glint,
And glow upon the waves in fiery tint;
A sail upon the bosom of the bay,
The Bay of Midas, which, at close of day,
Glow dim with grey, thin mist and glimmering haze,
Then turn and dreaming rest thy truant gaze
Upon the pleasant vales of Arcady.
Its waving grain and dykes that bound the sea,
That orchard bright in autumn's mellow sun,
Those reapers, showing harvest is begun.
But who is he that there in shade reclines,
And from a book with ardor cons the lines?
A gallant youth! how deep in thought he seems;
Yet watch him closely, and sometimes he dreams.
He wearies of the page, his glances roam
Through leaf and fruit toward the sky's blue dome,
And back again along the orchards' way,
Where light and shade, alternate, blend and play.
He muses as he reads, and knits his brows,
When moving 'neath the interlacing boughs
He sees a slender form, a face well known,
Whose smile alone could lure Zeus from his throne.
A maid with wealth of ringlets, scarce confin'd.
And eyes like those for which great Dante pin'd;
Whose gaze, deep transcend'd with all its magic pow'r,
Had influenc'd most of his life until that hour.

Lo! as they sit by flickering shade caress'd
The sun with ruddy splendor lights the west,
And smiles on joyous youth and hopes uncrush'd;
Yon bird's last evening carol now is hush'd;
But still beneath the orchard's darkening shade
The maid and youth in converse close are stay'd
And doth she talk of those that have achiev'd,
Whose names in every clime with awe are breath'd?
Who spurs him on to win at college fame?
Entreats him to keep bright his ancient name,
Which ne'er has known dishonour, foul nor shame?
Who pleads with him deep in his soul to feel
The highest beauty's truth, the soul's ideal?
What lends to those appeals their force and pow'r?
Is't not the influence of those eyes which for the hour
Gave to his spirit strength to face the war,
Of men; and as the new fledged eaglets soar,
And look with hardy eye from earth to sun,
So far, beneath, to see his short coarse run,
And turn his steady gaze toward life's goal?
Why strive to place his name upon fame's scroll?
Save that he may receive as his reward
One smile divine from her he has ador'd?
In his young heart a mighty purpose forms;
That face shall be his loadstar in life's storms.
The night wind rustles through the wither'd stalk,
The figures vanish down the orchard's walk,
And save the cricket's chirrup all is still
Until the tree frogs tune their voices shrill.

II.

But now the scene is chang'd, and far away
Is Blomidon and Midas' lovely bay;
Behold the city of the Royal "Hill,"
The halls and corridors of Old McGill.
Our youth, too, chang'd; four years or more have
pass'd,
The day of graduation breaks at last.
Those weeks of joyless days and nights of toil,
When till grey dawn has burn'd the midnight oil;
When conn'd are pages of close written text,
And sought in vain the lecture that comes next;
All gone! gone is that time of vain delight,
That time of calm despair and shivering fright,
As each prevailed; before his fate was known,
Such moods are past and gone, like wild oats sown;
His borrow'd hood hangs in a graceful drape
Above a gown well rent, and tied with tape,
Thus know his friends he has success attain'd;
Their eager eyes are toward the platform strain'd;
Where staid professors sit in serried ranks,
And frown upon the Freshies' naughty pranks,
In gown and hood they sit, with mien sedate,
As grave and still as Rome's old Senate's state,
The vulgar eye regards with reverend fear,
The reckless student dare not draw too near,
Behold the august Deans! Nor dare offend
Their rules. Should youth thwart their deep schem'd
end
The Faculty proceeds, without remorse,
Seizes the fees, and puts the fines in force.
And mark the leader of his class advance,
The conscious object of admiring glance,
Alas! our gallant youth could not have striven:

See, his third rank honors now he's given,
 And as the cap descends amid the hush,
 He sees upon his mother's cheek a blush,
 And conscious, feels the glow of sudden shame
 For moments he has spent in manly game,
 In struggling for the college on the field,
 In forcing her most sturdy foes to yield,
 But as he turns he sees far down the hall,
 Among the flower'd ribbon'd hats so tall,
 A clear face; eyes whose power he'd felt of yore,
 Whose liquid depths spoke to him as before:
 "Take heart, and meet reverses like a man,
 The bridge of life has many another span,
 This seeming failure of your college life
 May lead to victory in a sterner strife.
 Life needs strong men, and stout to fight the fray,
 The ocean rolls behind the waves' light spray."
 There in his heart a solemn vow is made
 To hold that fair ideal he has betrayed.

III

The scene again has changed; year followed year;
 Our youth's hair's silver'd, though his eye is clear.
 His mien is calm, his brow is broad and high,
 His face is frank and open as the sky.
 A peerless Nestor, taught at Pallas' throne,
 He weighs the stranger's cause as 'twere his own.
 A righteous judge he sits, while fair renown

Holds just above his head the laurel crown.
 How has this blighted bloom of th' college tree
 Been turned to golden fruit so fair to see?
 What! what can be the secret of the change
 That's given that once weak soul the force to range

The secrets of the heavens in its quest
 For truth and wisdom; power to judge the best?
 Why in this crowded court room's fated air
 Do those who hate the right in fear declare,
 While looking up in that placid face
 That now the false must to the true give place?
 Through open sash a spring-like zephyr steals,
 And stirs the dust on tomes and broken seals,
 The judge has risen, his glance and words are
 keen;

But soon the buzzing court, its busy scene
 Fades, fades 'before his eyes, e'en while he speaks,
 And clear as morning on the mountain peaks
 He sees that face, those eyes, that drew him on,
 Whose power had stay'd his courage till he won;
 And while his hearers listen, wrapt in awe,
 That maid, not he, speaks to them through the
 law.

So She, Divinest Virtue, Holiest Truth,
 The fair ideal of his earliest youth,
 The depth of meaning that her eyes reveal
 Shows him that life without a high ideal
 Is death in life, existence like a brute,
 Which leaves the voice of God within us mute.



Societies.

McGILL U. A. A. A.

Since this, the opening number of the McGill OUTLOOK, is intended both to introduce the Freshman to a new college life, and to welcome back his fellow undergraduates to their Alma Mater, it will not be amiss to say a word about the first great event in the College year—the annual Field-Day.

Who will reap the harvest of Sports day prizes, and what Faculty will win the Trophy, are, as is usual, matters of the wildest conjecture.

The Arts men are quietly realizing that there are one or two good men among them. Certainly Arts will count more points on her score this year than ever before.

Science, as always, has lots of representatives who are training faithfully, and doing so well that their admirers once again feel quite safe in determining just how each event will result. Though Science's efforts to win the Inter-Faculty Trophy have not as yet been crowned with success, still the manner in which she has year after year, and every year in greater numbers, brought out men who have trained faithfully and worked hard in the face of repeated defeat to bring glory to their Faculty, calls for the highest praise. Would there were more of such spirit in the College!

The Meds., on the other hand, seem to be quite content to trust to that old-time "luck," a force of numbers which has enabled her to take the Faculty cup since its institution.

Each succeeding Sports' Day has found Science a few points nearer Medicine. Which will win this year is a riddle that only the event itself can answer. Every undergraduate, though, can help to solve it. Get out and work for your Faculty, ye faithful ones. She wants your aid. Don't be afraid of taking time from your work. A month's healthy exercise in the autumn is the best guarantee for a winter's hard study. Don't forget that a good class standing brings little consolation for health wrecked in gaining it.

McGILL FOOTBALL CLUB.

Of all forms of out-door exercise, football is the most suitable for an athletically inclined student. The two months' hard training in the fall endows a man with a stock of good health which will be found of immense benefit during the winter, and which will more than make up for any slight falling-behind in college work there might be during the height of the season's play.

Every one agrees that the most valuable friendships and associations are found on the football field. There men come into intimate personal contact with their fellow-students and learn as perhaps they could do nowhere else who are worthy of their confidence and friendship. This particular feature of football is

especially valuable to McGill men, because they have so few opportunities of becoming acquainted. It is only on the football field that students from each Faculty meet in a common cause, where the best man receives the most honor, regardless of faculty or class standing.

In all one's football experiences there is nothing more pleasant than a trip out of town with one of the 'Varsity teams. No one ever forgets a single detail of the trip from the parting good wishes of the defeated or victorious enemy to the singing of Auld Lang Syne in Montreal.

This season will have more trips for the 'Varsity teams than ever before. The senior team goes to Toronto and Kingston; the intermediate team goes, let us hope, to Lennoxville. The Junior Team will visit the Ancient Capital.

General practices are being held every day this week, and every man will be given a chance, no matter how many turn out. At the end of the week a 'Varsity squad of sixty men will be chosen which will be kept together through the season. All others will be asked to play with their class. During the season any member of the class teams showing conspicuous ability will be asked to join the 'Varsity squad, the weakest man being sent back to his class to make room for the more promising one.

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SCHEDULE OF MATCHES, 1898.

SENIOR SERIES.

Date.	Teams.	Grounds.
Oct. 1	Montreal vs. Granite	Montreal
" 8	Montreal vs. Ottawa College	Montreal
" 15	Granite vs. Montreal	Kingston
" 22	Ottawa College vs. Granite	Ottawa
" 29	Granite vs. Ottawa College	Kingston
Nov 5	Ottawa College vs. Montreal	Ottawa

INTERMEDIATE SERIES.

Series A.

Oct. 1	Britannia vs. Montreal.....	Britannia
" 8	McGill vs. Britannia.....	McGill
" 15	Montreal vs. McGill.....	Montreal

Should the above series result in a tie, the deciding game to be played on 22nd Oct. on grounds determined by the union.

Series B.

Oct. 8	Lennoxville vs. Quebec.....	Lennoxville
" 15	Quebec vs. Lennoxville.....	Quebec

Winners of Series A to play winners of Series B home and home matches on 29th Oct. and 5th Nov.

JUNIOR SERIES.

Oct. 1	Pt. St. Charles vs. Britannia.....	Pt. St. Charles
" 1	Westmount vs. Montreal.....	Westmount
" 8	Quebec vs. Pt. St. Charles.....	Quebec
" 8	Britannia vs. Westmount.....	Britannia
" 8	Montreal vs. McGill.....	Montreal
" 15	Quebec vs. McGill.....	Quebec
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" 29	Pt. St. Charles vs. McGill.....	Pt. St. Charles
Nov. 5	McGill vs. Britannia.....	McGill
" 5	Quebec vs. Montreal.....	Quebec

Y. M. C. A.

The Young Men's Christian Association of McGill University takes pleasure in extending a hearty welcome to new students and a cordial invitation to all—new and old—to avail themselves of its privileges. It affords to men of all classes and faculties a common meeting ground, and aims to promote in the highest degree the development of University spirit. The association building is located just opposite the Sherbrooke st. entrance to the college grounds, and is equipped throughout with a view to comfort and convenience. The reading room, parlor, office and telephone are at the disposal of the students from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m. daily.

The work of the present session is already well under way. The annual hand book has been issued, and is now being distributed. On Friday and Saturday evenings of this week, the 23rd and 24th instants, receptions were tendered the Freshmen in Arts and Law, and Medicine and Applied Science, respectively. The regular Sunday afternoon meetings will be held on Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m.

THE MCGILL Y. W. C. A.

(THEOPHORA SOCIETY.)

The object of this society is to develop Christian character in the members, and to encourage active

Christian work, particularly among the young women of the University. A hearty welcome is extended to all new members of the Donalda Department, undergraduates and partial students, the officers hoping that some lasting good may result to all from their efforts during the coming session.

MCGILL MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the above Society for the session 1897-98 was held in No. 3 Lecture theatre on April 15, the President, Mr. Barlow, in the chair. The attendance was large, and great interest was shown throughout the whole of the proceedings. The reports of the secretary and the treasurer, together with the election of officers for 1898-99, constituted the chief business of the meeting. The secretary's report was very satisfactory, and showed one of the most successful years in the history of the Society, whilst the treasurer's report had a substantial balance on the proper side.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was next proceeded with and resulted in the following returns:

Hon. President.....	Prof. Geo. E. Armstrong, M.D.
President.....	F. T. Tooke, B.A., '99.
Vice-President.....	T. E. Craig, '99.
Secretary.....	J. E. M. Canvath, '00.
Treasurer.....	F. S. Porter, '00.
Reporter.....	W. A. Wilkins, '99.
Pathologist.....	A. H. Gordon, '99.
Councilmen.....	Dr. Lalleur.
	Dr. Garrow.
	A. C. P. Howard, B.A., '01.

Speeches were made by the new officers, and a vote of thanks was returned to old ones, which were suitably responded to by Messrs. Barlow, Galbraith, Whitton and Wilkins.

THE MCGILL LADIES' TENNIS CLUB.

Although this club has no notice taken of it in the Calendar, it has kept up a more or less precarious existence since 1885. At the present day it has a membership of about thirty, and has two good courts in playing condition from May till October. The season of 1898 has been quite a prosperous one. In combination with the men's tennis club, teas have been given quite often, making the tennis courts a rendezvous for students who spent the summer in town and the friends they were privileged to bring with them.

Class Reports.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Freshmen, welcome to the sacred precincts of the Faculty of Law! Our first words to you are, "Uphold the honor of the Faculty."

The Faculty made a wise choice in the selection of Donald MacMaster, Q.C., D.C.L., to fill the chair of Commercial Law.

Mr. Ives acted as class spokesman, and welcomed Prof. MacMaster, on the occasion of his first lecture, in a most pleasing manner, and was replied to in suitable terms by the learned jurist. A feast of knowledge is anticipated from the lectures in commercial law, and, judging from the taste already had, no disappointment need be feared. Prof. MacMaster is heartily welcome to the halls of "Old McGill."

A further appointment has been made in the person of Mr. Gordon MacDougall as lecturer on Civil Procedure. Needless to say the same has met with the hearty approval of the students, and hopes are entertained that Mr. MacDougall will long retain his connection with the Faculty of Law.

The members of the Undergraduates' Society of Law met on Friday afternoon, the nineteenth day of September instant at four o'clock in the afternoon, or as soon thereafter as the chairman could be heard, and proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year. The results are as follows:—

President.....William Carlos Ives, '99.
Vice President...A. W. G. MacAllister, '00.
Treasurer.Lawrence Macfarlane, '00.
Secretary.....J. A. E. Campbell, '01.

The Society is to be congratulated upon the selection of such an efficient staff.

We are pleased to learn that our Secretary has had experience in using the stylus, as from present indications our Freshmen seem to be imbued with the idea that it is necessary to provide him with a great quantity of matter. Our own opinion is that experience in the use of a Sieve would be much more appropriate under such circumstances.

"Parly voo frongsay?"

"We, Monseer."

"Thin lind me the lean of a gridiron."

The plight of poor Paddy in his "Thravels in France" will fade into insignificance compared with that in which many of our aspiring undergraduates will find themselves when the time comes to practice our noble profession. Imagine yourselves, gentlemen, cross-examining that great bug-bear, a French witness, with Paddy's limited knowledge of *la langue Francaise*.

The budding lawyers having begun their lectures the first of the month, come and go in the early morning, when Tom is the only representative of the College to be seen. Then the green leaves hear whispers of "how could a man take lectures in French when he doesn't know anything about the language?" and "We'll have to make good use of that west window this year; next year they will not be sitting on the steps."

It is hoped that soon from those legal quills will

flow in articles for the OUTLOOK, which will cause much competition among the law firms to induce the embryo judges to "accept a position in our office."

MEDICAL MEANDERINGS.

With the deepest bewilderment we contemplate the timely arrival of our erratic friend J—s on the opening day of lectures. Some under-current of reformation has surely been at work on his character to produce so marked a change in the customary habits. "Thorny," the '99 gossip, nods his head in a knowing way, applies the left forefinger to the corresponding side of his nasal protuberance, and wafts vague rumours through the air suggestive of the gentleman in question having retired from the merry, devil-may-care life of the celibates. Prithee, dear Thorny, do not fail to call to mind the 9th commandment.

The 4th year rejoices unanimously at the sudden ejection of that quarrelsome individual popularly termed "Pompadour Jim" from the staff of Faculty officials. Shortly before College opened this remarkable creature came to the end of his elastic tether, and, having stretched it too far by insulting a professor, the venerable post master general at the front door stepped in and handled the sporty gentleman without gloves. A precipitate departure without luggage for parts unknown was the natural result, and still Mr. Cook vainly seeks a foeman worthy of his steel.

A rather disagreeable affection, in nature similar to the onset of certain mental diseases, exists in the brain of one or two members of the final year. We regret to chronicle that the person most seriously affected is Mr. Wh—l—ns, in whom hallucinations of hearing appear to be the principle symptom whereby on listening to every chest presented for examination there appears to originate in his mind a fearful conviction of mysterious râles lurking within the thoracic walls of the patient and even elsewhere when gentlemen of undoubted veracity pronounce otherwise. We do not wish to rally Mr. Wh—l—ns on this failing, but would humbly suggest that the râles exist only amongst the numerous convolutions and basal ganglia of his intricate brain.

The medical students seem to be spending the first few days hunting up boarding houses, buying "our larger book," getting into Cook's good graces, trying their muscles and wind on the campus, and ascertaining whether there are any new and pretty nurses at the hospitals.

Scene in College grounds.—Donalda, just back in town, meets an elderly lady with a paper containing a list of addresses; she remarks anxiously:

"Perhaps you could tell me where to find a boarding place for my son, aged twenty, who is to be in the first year medicine?" proudly.

Donalda (sweetly)—"Try the Y.W.C.A., madam. He will receive every attention there!"

SCIENCE JOTTINGS.

It is amusing to see a stranger being piloted over College by a Science student and an Arts man. When they approach the structure between the Engineering and Physics buildings, the Arts man says, "Of course, you know, our Arts building is a wretched affair, but we *are* proud of *our* new Chemistry building." Then the Science man, after a gasp of surprise, says: "You may think the other Science buildings fine, but we miners think *our* mining building here is out of sight." Then the stranger reads over the door "The McDonald Chemistry and Mining Building," whereat he wonders.

ARTS NOTES.

THE ARTS STUDENT.

Great and lasting have been the events of the year . . . Many battles have been fought, many changes wrought; the class of '98 hath graduated leaving its younger brethren and sistren to follow in its illustrious footsteps. In the meanwhile, what hath the Arts student been doing to inscribe his name on the roll of glory?

Perchance he hath returned to the verdant vale of his infancy, there to mow down the fragrant timothy and oats, and, with pickle-bottle in hand, to pursue the agile grasshopper which gladdeneth the greedy maw of ye speckled trout. It hath even happened, perhaps, that the Arts student chose to become a vendor of the most marvellous book of the century, which will become yours, Madam, on the monthly payment of a mere trifle. Wherefrom he hath realized a bicycle with yellow wheels like unto that which pleaseth the eyes of the purchaser of many boxes of Surprise Soap. It may be that he hath now returned from the sands by the briny deep where he hath worn his Glee Club dress-suit before six o'clock, yea, even thrice in the day-time, or with lordly wave of hand hath directed the movements of many bell-boys.

He that hath no need of the filthy lucre obtained by such means hath presumably spent the summer with kerchief spread upon his collar, pouring over

texts and problems, thereby to increase his knowledge. In September, he hath arrived in town by early train on the fifteenth day; he stalketh up the avenue with gown upon his arm "just to see what the scholarship papers are like, you know."

So once again fair Alma Mater openeth her arms to the Arts student, to ye mower of hay, to ye digger of roots, mathematical and otherwise, to ye wearer of ye dress-suit, to ye vendor of voluminous works and ye rider of ye surprising bicycle. To these she sayeth welcome as gladly as she also welcometh those who do naught but dance ye two-step and wield ye rudder and tennis racquet, who leave the acquisition of the wherewithal to pay ye college fees to the care-worn male being who rejoiceth in ye title of

"Governor."

SLOPERS BEWARE!!

The importance of the following notice which gazes warningly from its green resting-place will be appreciated as Sports' Day and Thanksgiving draw near:

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FEATHERS FROM THE EAST WING.

German Professor, looking in, "Is this the class room for '98?"

Indignant New Seniors, "Nein!!"

Mr. S.—"I take life as a huge joke. The 3rd year Latin keeps me amused all the time." Sorry it isn't mutual.

The Strathcona Nunnery is evidently trying to live up to its nickname, as it seems there will certainly be *none* in it for another year or so.

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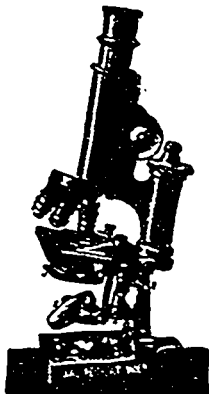
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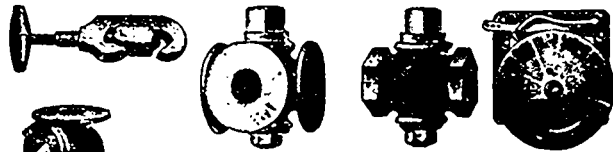
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A PLAY UPON STATES.

A gentle Miss, once seized with chill,
Began to feel extremely ill,
When came an Md., or to know
If N. Y. service he could do
"Oh!" cried the maid (for scared was she),
"Do you Ind. Tenn. to murder Me,?"
"Ia." cried the doctor, "I Kans. save
You from a most untimely grave,
If you will let me Conn. your case,
And hang this plaster in its place."
"Am Ia. fool?" the patient cried;
"I cannot Del.," the brute replied;
"But no one can be long time Ill.
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"Ark.!" shrieked the girl, "I'll hear no
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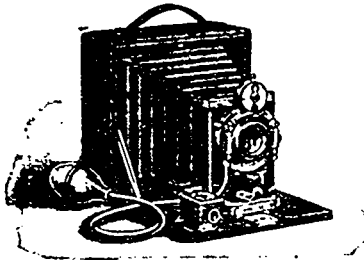
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EXPERT CLASSIFICATION.

"Some crooks," says the man who spent his vacation in the mountains, "rob banks, others sell gold bricks, and some others run summer boarding-houses."—*Life.*

PRACTICAL STUDY.

The boy entered the grocer's shop with a sheet of paper in his hand and shouted:

"My mother wants ten pounds of rice, fifteen pounds of sugar, twelve pounds of oatmeal, twenty pounds of"—

"Hold on!" interrupted the grocer. "Not so fast. Suppose you give me that paper, and I'll put up the order."

But the boy insisted on calling off the articles to himself. Two assistants were pressed into service, and the three men proceeded to do up the various packages as the boy called them off. He wanted all kinds of things, and he asked the price of each article as he went along, making a note of it on his paper. The men had the counter stacked with packages, when the boy wound up with "three packets of self-raising flour." One of the men called out the price, and the boy continued, in his sing-song voice:

"And how much money do they come to?"

One of the shopmen counted up the total and announced it. The boy made a note of it and started out.

"Come back here; where are you going?" cried the grocer.

The boy stopped at the door for a moment.

"That's my arithmetic lesson," he said, "and I have to know it, or I'll get loked!"

With these words he disappeared.—*Scraps.*

There are indications, however, of certain refinement in war matters; for I notice that, as a result of experiments on the value of sugar as food, a doctor in the German army—the *peace* footing is shortly to be strengthened by the addition of 16,000 men—has recommended that sugar be considered a regular article of diet among soldiers. So there's a good time coming for Tommy "in the sweet by-and by," for—

German doctors mean to settle
What is good for men of mettle,
So they're giving things a trial here
and there;

Nought, they say, so good to eat is
As the erstwhile childish "sweeties."
When a soldier's got to rought it as
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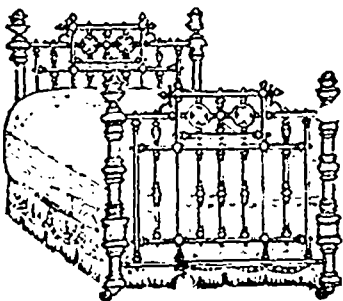
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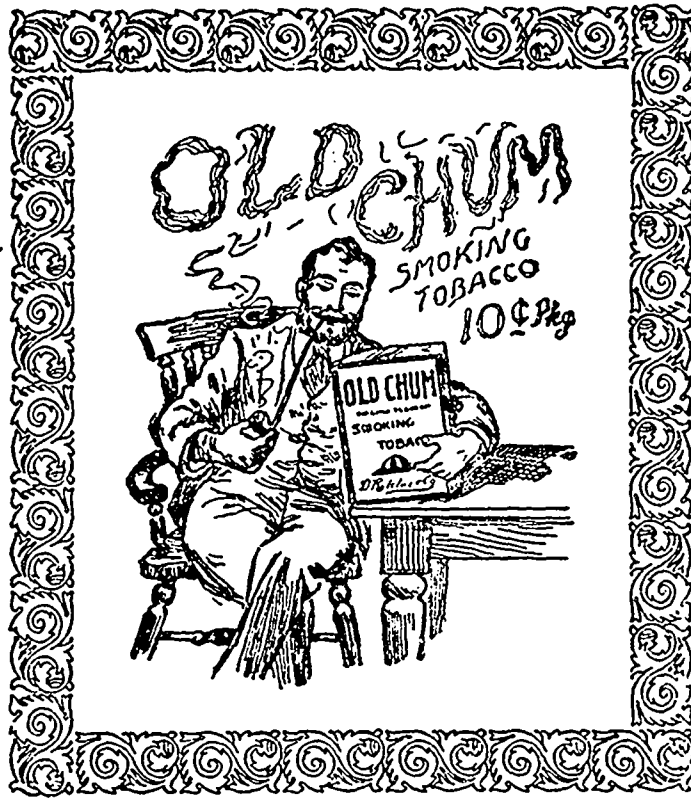
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