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Editorial Comments.



THE medical department of our University is at present undergoing another transition. Never was there a time when its prospects seemed so bright. With a faculty talented, competent, and anxious to advance the many interests of this important department of University work; friends, rich and liberal, coming forward to assist them; with buildings well equipped with all the latest scientific appliances and modern improvements, and an enthusiastic and intelligent student body, why should the outlook not be the brightest?

The Primary men have every reason to be pleased with the building they now occupy. The new dissecting room is of the very finest description and is a credit to the University. The light is admitted from above, and the windows are capable of being easily raised or lowered for ventilation purposes. Along each side are rows of lockers for the convenience of the students, each of whom has one in which to keep his apparatus. Along one end of the room runs a row of large marble washstands; and along the other are appliances for the preservation of dissected material.

The rest of the building is as complete, and would be described had we sufficient space.

The Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons, with their new regulations and stringent demands, find us amply prepared to meet every requirement.

Why should not medical education be of great consideration in every State? To her medical practitioners she commits the well-being of her people's health. Should she not be well assured that these are competent to undertake such a grave trust? We are glad that our University has realized this fact, and is acting accordingly.

The increased demands of Pathology are anticipated; and we hope, ere long, to see the new Pathological Laboratory fitted up in such a way as to be in keeping with the other departments.

However, as regards hospital practice we are really deficient. There is great need of another General Hospital in this city, with its constantly increasing population. Scarcely a day passes that applications for admission to the Hospital are not refused for lack of space.

With a new Hospital in the western part of the city the facilities for medical study will be greatly in advance of those of two years back. The transference of medical lectures from the east end to the Biological building has brought the Arts and Medical students into closer relations, and much greater unanimity of action in all University matters will result therefrom. That this has already begun is evidenced by the greater zeal with which the Medical body entered into the Annual Sports, and in the absence of that unseemly strife of Arts and Medicals which in pre-

vious years threatened a rupture of those cordial relations which should and do exist between the students in the two Faculties.

It is now many moons since the controversy between Classics and Moderns commenced. First we heard the cannonading in the distance, then our own heavy guns waked up and began the booming business, and of late the rank and file have begun to pelt pebbles at each other.

Both sides occupy very strong positions. Moderns entrenched itself within the lines of a strong Modern Language Association, and Classics, quick to see the enemy's advantage, promptly planned a Classical Association. And so day after day they lie within their lines, and day after day the leaders of the tented hosts rise up early in the morning to go out to hiss at each other.

A book has been published, containing the opinions of 10,000 men who love not Greek and Latin. Another work is in press which is said to contain the opinions of 11,000 men who hate the slipshod Moderns, and the 12th edition of Dr. Chase's excellent Recipe Book may be expected shortly. Down at the School of Pedagogy, Moderns smashed Classics; in the debate at the Literary and Scientific Society, Classics drove Moderns over a steep cliff into the sea. And so the war goes merrily on. In the meantime "*Motley's the only wear.*"

If this business were not so serious one might feel like chaffing the opponents into good humor. But when it is felt that every wound given and received in this struggle weakens Languages in its contest with the Practical Sciences, and when it is felt that the struggle between the Practical Sciences and Languages only leaves both at the mercy of an outside Ignorance which is always hostile, who can help deploring the struggles in which Learning, missing her true enemy, writhes vainly around herself.

As yet the debates among the undergraduates have been free from any bitterness. Up to the present point the undergraduates have shown a better and broader spirit in their partisanship than other allies among the graduates.

The reason for this may be found in the fact that the element of self-interest is less conspicuously present in the undergraduate discussions, or it may be that as the years go by the students of different courses are growing more and more anxious to learn from each other.

And the spirit which leaves open all the avenues of knowledge is the true student spirit. No student of Language who regards the study of Languages as subordinate to the study of History can neglect Modern Languages if he is to understand nineteenth century civilization in Western Europe, and no one who wishes to interpret correctly the early history of European civilization will try to escape the reading of the Latin and Greek originals.

Few men in Classics will consider their University course complete until they have added to their knowledge

of the ancients, something more than an acquaintanceship with the history and literature of at least three European nations, and many of the students in Moderns will still require of themselves a severe reading of some of the originals from which Grote and Mommsen and Merivale drew their materials.

When this struggle between Moderns and Classics began many thought that Moderns wanted a stronger teaching staff, and was getting up a demonstration against Classics merely to draw attention to her own needs, but now, since her teaching staff has been strengthened and Moderns still remains on the aggressive, it looks as if she intended to make it a war of extermination. Any such attempt on either side will certainly fail—and deserves to fail. In the Provincial University both Classics and Moderns will, we hope, be taught by as strong a teaching staff as the resources of the University will permit, the curriculum will, we are sure, continue to equalize the advantages which each course holds out to the student, the classes in both will continue to increase, and year by year Moderns will receive more and more attention from the students of Classics, and the students of Moderns may be expected to devote an ever increasing portion of their time to the study of Latin and Greek.

In another column will be found the announcement of a course of Saturday lectures to be delivered in the University Hall during the current year. Nothing could have given greater pleasure to the students than such an extension of the curriculum. The lectures will certainly be well attended, and our only fear is that the Hall will be found too small to accommodate those wishing to attend.

Dr. James, of the University of Pennsylvania, the President of the American Society for the Extension of University teaching, is announced to lecture in the Public Hall of the Normal School next Thursday evening on the subject of University Extension.

WAITING.

The last tinted flush from Day's tired cheek is fading,
The night-wind sighs low thro' the leaf-laden bower,
The dream-drowsied stars from their slumbers are waking
And lend a soft radiance to this hallow'd hour,
To make the night pleasant for thee,
And Ileen, I'm waiting for thee.

The e'er restless wave as it sweeps o'er the pebbles
Is chanting thy praises in monotone mild.
Night's spirit hath flown o'er Elysian meadows,
And heaven-born perfumes to earth has beguiled,
To make the night pleasant for thee,
And Ileen, I'm waiting for thee.

List! like the tread of some spirit transcendent,
Thy footsteps fall fleet upon mother earth's breast.
Lo! nature is waiting with me to do honor,
And charm every hour as she only knows best,
To make the night pleasant for thee,
And past is my waiting for thee. A. L. McNAB.

Harvard has 365,000 bound volumes in her library; Yale, 200,000; Columbia, 90,000; Cornell, 150,000; Dartmouth, 86,000; Bowdoin, 84,000; Syracuse, 75,000, and the University of Virginia, 40,000.

TREATISE ON THE LAW AND CUSTOM OF HAZING.

The following cuttings come from a book about to be placed before the public, and written by that well-known and highly esteemed gentleman (as well as industrious, and semi-annual author), His Honor the Judge of the "Twelfth Division Court" of the County of Boom. It is understood that the usual practice of his court is to be followed, and that that will be the weightier cause whose pleader shall produce to the eye of the court the greater number of copies and editions of this remarkable work:—

INTRODUCTION.

As it is usual with the graver sort of writers to begin whatever subject theirs is with the definitions of the more important terms to be found in their treatises, so I have thought it well so far to conform with old usage as to define at least the main subject of this my work.

The "Law of Hazing," then, has briefly been defined by Lord Rumilly as "that branch of natural equity which pertains to the abashment of cheek." This definition has the advantage pointed out by Sir Biceps Evans, V.C., of avoiding those perplexing though elegant disquisitions as to the philology of the word "hazing" which burden the now neglected and little known treatise of Bracton on this branch of jurisprudence.

BOOK II., CHAPTER IV.

OF CHEEK.

Cheek and fraud, from their variety—nay, their profound universality—have been found indefinable, because illimitable. And just as hatred of fraud sits by the Judge's seat in Equity, bending the hard sense of written agreements, annulling the most formal acts and overriding the very Statutes of Parliament, so hatred of cheek dominates the entire law of hazing and sways the speech of the Mufti and the sandals of his votaries in the solemn assemblies of his austere and awful court.

What degree of cheek will justify the interference of the court was formerly debatable ground, but it has been held that the jurisdiction of the court extends to all acts of freshmen, the same being all in some wise tainted with cheek (for, unlike fraud, cheek will be presumed). So that it is the practice that the court's intervention will only be governed by the maxim, "*De minimis lex non curat*" (*minimis* referring to insignificant things other than freshmen); and the court's justice will be tempered with clemency only where the meekness, lowliness and contrition of the accused are proved beyond dispute. [See Smissen on Contempt, p. 174; and compare Nesbitt on Oaths, p. 343.]

Though cheek be beyond defining, yet it will not be without utility to enumerate and classify some of the more common forms of that offence. For my part, I incline to the well-known divisions into "violent cheek" and "cheek without violence," the former including the demonstration of apparent ability or willingness to do violence; as, for instance, the carrying of canes, staves, bludgeons, knobkerries, or other lethal weapons—as also the looking of daggers.

OF THE PLEA OF INSANITY.

Indissolubly wrought in with the history of the legal aspect of insanity is the celebrated case of *Seniors v. Holmes* [22 McKim, 73], which, however, notwithstanding its extraordinary notoriety, has been but meagrely reported. The indictment charged that "the said Holmes," on such and such a day, etc., "with the long arms (wherewith Providence having supplied it, it for their existence not responsible was) feloniously, and against the peace of the Varsity Owl, a senior did strike." On it being pleaded that it was not responsible, being insane, the court held (Sir Daniel

Wilson dissenting) That, "inasmuch as the bent of the curriculum was towards a chronic idiocy, so it could not be contended that this case was peculiarly excusable, no special circumstances having been put in evidence."

BOOK IV., CHAPTER VII.
OF EVIDENCE AND HEARSAY.

Now, there is no branch of all the law wherein there is greater uncertainty and conflict of opinion than that which pertains to the rules of evidence observable in the Mufti's court, and yet none wherein there should be greater strictness and consistence. Of this confusion, perhaps, there has been no more fruitful source than the introducing of the uncouth principles of the English Criminal Law into a jurisprudence of such nicety and refinement as the Law of Hazing. When we pause to remember that in the one system all proof must be directed in the first place to the establishing and fixing of guilt, while in the operation of the other and more enlightened code guilt is self-evident and almost irrebuttably presumed, so that innocency may in the one case be worn as a wig to cover bald iniquity, and in the other case humility and self-abasement must be strictly evidenced and proven. When we pause to consider this fundamental divergence of systems we are led to the resolve of deducing the maxims of initiatory law from the body or corpus of that law and none other. Accordingly the following rules have been extracted from the numerous decisions to be found in the volumes of McKim's Reports:—

I. *Guilt is presumed always.*—To even the unthinking it must be self-evident that the bare laying of a charge by a senior against a freshman ("man" being by philologists reckoned euphonic for "thing" or "it") is sufficient proof of that charge. For it is not to be presumed that a senior in such matters would speak falsely or inconsiderately; rather is the contrary presumed, and with good reason, for, elsewhere, how could we believe a senior. But here the encroachment of the common law has greatly marred the severe simplicity of this rule, several grave judges having required *viva voce* testimony of guilt to be adduced; nay there have even been *dicta* in favor of the accused confronting the accuser, which confrontation was surely sufficient guilt. To what length judges are prepared to go is uncertain, but this far at least the mischief is irreparable, that since the entertaining of Common Law doctrines there hath been not a single case where, on the unsupported charge of a senior, the court has caused the infliction of capital punishment. It is surely not too much to hope that future legislation will mend the breach opened by judicial error.

II. *Hearsay evidence will not be taken.*—Of all the technical words that ever perplexed students, and even grave justices, there is none that has been more abused than this word "hearsay." It is capable, however, of a correct definition, and simple. In the important case of *Vandur vs. Work*, it has been ably said that "hearsay is that which has been tainted by conduct through a freshman. For it is manifest that were A, a senior, to communicate truths to B, a senior, who transmits again to C, a senior, and so on to Z, a senior, the chain of evidence is thus intact—or, rather, the stronger, for its many links; for each successive senior will sift the truth through the meshes of wisdom, rejecting what is unlikely and adding what is probable. But should the stream pass through a freshman how can it be but that it should be tainted with falsity; and little matter if it hath run from far or near, it will still carry the impurities of its bed."

Other and more recondite maxims of evidence-law may easily be drawn from the many existent decisions; but to me it doth appear that by the faithful application of the above rules all difficulties will be abated and all crimes more certainly established to the sure confoundment of evil doers,

LXXX. HUNTER.

GOWNSMEN'S CHORUS.*

Gownsmen, circle round in chorus,
Sing as sang our Dons before us,
Quaff your glasses, raise your voices,
To our *Alma Mater* free!

Scenes by rosy boyhood haunted,
Joyous hearts, high hopes undaunted,—
To each early fond remembrance
Fill a brimming glass of glee!

To all lovely maidens fill we!
Chaste as charming may they still be!
Pour a sparkling bright libation
To the maids of Varsity!

To Our Mother's sons who love her
Fill a bumper flowing over,
Men who stand and fall for freedom,
Canada, who fell for thee!

Men who moved our hearts to duty,
Taught us wisdom, showed us beauty,
Whom we honor, whom we follow,
Fill to them with three times three!

Friends whom Fate from friends hath riven,
To hot suns or cold skies driven,
Far from home new homes creating,
Bless them Heav'n, where'er they be!

Gownsmen whom no sorrows cumber,
Cradled in death's dewy slumber,
Pour to them this pure libation—
May they sleep and dream of us!

And when life's true joys are blended
In a life that's never ended,
Gownsmen shall meet brother gownsmen,
And remain forever thus.

When we cross the dismal ferry,
Trusty Charon, in thy wherry,
O then one last draught restoring
Give for our last obolus!

Berlin.

J. KING.

EXCHANGES.

A glance through our exchanges leaves the impression that this will be an easy winter for the professional joke writer. The Fall Poet has broken out with violence, and the revision of the Spring Poet jokes up to date will keep the wolf from many a door.

Whether it is the saddening influence of falling leaves and moaning winds, or of the gruesome sights so often attending football games, the contemporary collegiate fiction is of a most lugubrious type. We have wandered through the *Nasseau Lit.*, *Red and Blue*, and other welcome visitors to our table, but nowhere do we find a happy pair of lovers; with our consent they pine away and die.

Lippincott's for November comes with a bright story, "The Duke and the Commoner," by Mrs. Poulteney Biglow. It is a charming description of New York life, and presents in Diana Jackson a new, if decidedly unpleasant, phase of that much studied character, the American Girl. The Commoner is a charming young widow, who very strongly resembles the typical English widow, perhaps because she has the advantage of possessing a Bostonian sister-in-law. At any rate she is pretty and sweet, and holds the reader's interest to the very last page.

The *Yale Record* is a comic fortnightly, which in general appearance and style may be classed with *N. Y. Life*. The illustrations are particularly fine.

* *A la German Commers-Lieder.*

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VARSITY ANNUAL GAMES.

If anything could reconcile the dissentients to holding the sports in Rosedale, they are reconciled. The day was glorious, the performances excellent, the spectators were pleased and the management are happy. In fact that any man with a clear conscience and a well-disposed liver could resist the contagion of satisfaction, we cannot admit, and we must attribute the evident unhappiness of the disgruntled *Globe* correspondent, who had started out under the idea that he was going to visit a three-ring circus, to causes beyond the control of the management. "Only one event was in progress at a time." "The field was over-run by men who obstructed the view." "The programme dragged along till dark." As to the first complaint we would again remind him that the management had no intention of rivalling the late lamented Barnum; that multiplicity of vision, commonly known as "seeing double," might account for those professional runners, backers, etc., who were *not* there, and as to the programme dragging, why, you dear miserable fellow, there were some of us who are still able to enjoy fun, though the programme was greased and that the sun had set at half-past four. There may have been defects from a professional standpoint, but to those for whom the sports are held it was a huge, unbounded success. Those who had fought for the lawn, went over to the enemy, and shared as heartily as any in the general satisfaction. Still it is to be regretted that the necessity existed. Let the authorities prepare for us, before next fall, similar grounds, and they will have earned our gratitude. We will renounce Rosedale and gladly return to our first-love.

With one short week at their disposal to secure subscriptions and attend to the hundred and one other matters, the committee had to "hustle," and they "hustled."

A large number assembled on the lawn in the forenoon to witness the football kicks. Out of some twenty con-

testants, J. C. McLennan, with a kick of 148 ft. 4 in., was first. Last year Pope won with 150 feet.

In the Rugby drop kick, Bunting, captain of the Rugby team, took first place, with a beautiful drop of 159 feet. Bunting was second last year when Pope won with 140 ft. 3 in.

At 2.30 p.m. the stand at Rosedale held a large and expectant gathering. There were ladies in great numbers—the wealth (we presume), and certainly the beauty, of Toronto. Each year had furnished a contingent to stimulate by their presence their favorites in the different events. '93 and '94 were out "to a man," and with fishhorns made day hideous.

At 2.50 starter Pearson sent the runners off in the first heat of the 100 yards. Porter was first in 11½ seconds, L. Campbell second. Immediately after, the second heat was won by Hamilton, R. Hooper second. Hughson, of Trinity, was second to within a yard of the tape, but slacked and Hooper had the place. Rykert swung his cow-bell, and Orton, enveloped in an immense George Wilkes' dressing gown, was seen coming down the track to the starting point. Round after round of cheers greeted the dewy-faced youth. Crane was on hand to take second place, but Clark saw his opportunity and there were three in the start. There was only one in the race for first, however. Orton jogged around three laps, 150 yards ahead of the other pair, finishing with a fine burst of speed in 4.55. Clark and Crane had an interesting race for second place, which "Joe" secured by three yards.

The men of muscle then essayed to hurl the massive sphere. Playfair and Strath were not in it with the bigger men. McArthur's best throw was ruled out, and the brawny "med.," Agnew, secured the honors. Agnew made an excellent throw of 38 ft. 9 in., beating the Varsity record by some 2 ft. and his own of last year by 5 ft. 1 in. Langford was second with 36 ft. 7 in.

In the 100 yards final, Porter won by two feet, Hamilton second, Campbell third; time 10½.

McColl won the hop, step and jump by three inches, Forbs second, Langford third; 42 ft. 11 in., 42 ft. 8 in., 40 ft. 6½ in. H. Moore made close on 40 ft.

The running broad jump went to McColl also, 19 ft. 8 in.; Forbs, 18 ft. 7 in.

The 220 yards run was virtually decided by the positions taken at the scratch. Hamilton had the inside, and Porter, Clarke, Pratt and Hooper followed in the order named. These relative positions were retained by all the runners except Hooper, who finished close to Porter. The run around the curve was simply a procession, there being no race for position until the straight-away had been reached. The distance was covered in the fair time of 25 seconds.

In the high jump, Read, Park and Langford went out at 4 ft. 8 in., 4 ft. 10 in., 5 ft. 2 in. respectively. Agnew cleared the bar at 5 ft. 2 in., but did not try the 5 ft. 3 in., which Porter got over. Porter tried to clear at 5 ft. 5 in., but brought the bar down. Porter's jump last year was 5 ft. 7 in., McKenzie, of McGill, getting first with 5 ft. 9 in.

The 440 yards brought out Orton, Pratt, Hamilton, Moore, Park and Clarke. Hamilton won by two feet in 55½ sec. Orton made a determined push for first place, but began his running too late. The last half of this race was the closest and most exciting of the day. Clarke, Moore, Pratt and Park finished in the order named.

In the standing broad jump, Porter and Langford tied at 9 ft. 7 in. Each was given another trial; Langford made 9 ft. 5½ in.; Porter's heels struck ground at 9 ft. 9 in., but that measurement was not accepted, as he fell back; in the second trial he made 9 ft. 8½ in., and won the event.

In the hurdle race, first heat, Porter and Forbs made a close run, coming over the hurdles together from first to last. Porter won by half-a-foot. Hooper was third. McColl won the second heat easily, Agnew second, Hamilton third. The final heat went to McColl, Forbs second, Porter third. Time, 20½ s.

In the graduate race, Currie, last year's champion, skipped down the track a few yards in advance of J. M. Godfrey, who came in showing signs of great distress, consequent on insufficient training. We think Godfrey a very fast man, but there is something about his style that will always prevent those insufficiently acquainted with his performances from backing him too heavily.

Up to this time the management had kept well within the extra half-hour they had calculated on, but some valuable time was lost in getting the men into position for the team race. This was the most interesting event of the day; the grand stand went wild with enthusiasm. '93 and '94 tried to drown each other in shouting for their respective teams. Residenters thought they were decidedly "in it." '93 were confident, and the sophomores expectant. Each team wore a distinguishing color: Residence, black; '93, blue; and '94 red. The freshmen team did not come to the mark, probably learning that green ribbon had been assigned them. The blues had it from the start. Pratt ran away from Gilmour and Revel, coming in with a lead of 20 yards. Moore was at the turn when Edwards started in to run him down. Half-way round he had almost overtaken him, but had evidently overtaxed himself. Moore drew quickly away and handed his ribbon to Orton when Edwards was thirty yards from the scratch. Orton ran a fast quarter, coming in a winner by forty yards.

Moore, Pratt and Orton are the same team as won the championship for '93 last year. The '94 team was Edwards, Forbes and Revel. Residence—Gilmour, Cameron and Clarke.

Orton was a sure winner in the half-mile, but Langley gave him a good race. The order at the finish was, Orton, Langley, Ashdown. Time, 2 m. 14½ s.

In the open quarter Campbell won, with Hooper second. 59½ s.

Porter won the championship with 19 points; McColl second, 15; and Orton, 13.

The prizes were presented in the School of Science, at 8 o'clock, by Miss Wilson, the Hon. G. W. Ross presiding.

The medicals were well represented by Porter, Agnew and Campbell. McColl, Hooper, McLennan and Bunting upheld the colors of '92. '93 are abundantly satisfied with their fair-haired boy and his comrades in the team race. The honor of '94 was upheld by Hamilton and Forbes, while the year's favorite then and always was their own, their well-beloved "Joe."

Mr. Jas. Pearson sent the men off well in every event. Messrs. Suckling and Nelson did the timing. The judges were J. M. McCallum, M.D., M. Currie, B.A., A. Goldie. Clerk of course, H. Pope, B.A.; Announcer, A. F. Edwards; Measurers, W. Bunting, H. Senkler, B.A.; Referee, D. P. McColl.

The Committee of Management were: President, D. P. McColl; Secretary, J. Crawford; Treasurer, R. H. Knox; Committee, Barker, Hooper, Orton, Strath, Hamilton, Langley, Carroll, Ferris, Ketchum, Rykert, Gilmour, Currie, McArthur, Boyd, Way.

"THE NEW EMPIRE."

A copy of this valuable work has been presented to our library by the author, Mr. O. A. Howland, to whom we are duly grateful. It is a book full of valuable suggestions for our students. There is little doubt but that many will differ with the author's broad conclusions, but fortunately his conclusions are not the most valuable part of his book. The object of the book is to lay before the English-speaking world a scheme for the federation of all English-speaking peoples, and this Federation will be "The New Empire." The federation proposed is not a legislative nor an administrative federation; it is merely a judicial federation. A federation in which the utmost duty that any member or state of the Federation will be required to

observe towards the other members of the Federation will be to refrain from passing laws or performing public acts which will embarrass or injure those other members. Any law or act which trespasses this rule is to be declared unconstitutional by a great supreme court which is to consist of judges chosen from the highest court now existing in each of the federated states, i.e., in Great Britain, Canada, United States, Australia, etc. It is not expected that the United States would accept such a union at once, but that in time they would see their advantage in its adoption; and in the meantime to allay friction between the "New Empire" and the United States, an international court is proposed which shall dispose promptly of all differences arising between the two sections of the British people.

The scheme, at first blush, looks chimerical, but as the author works it out he does seem to bring it within the range of possibility. His mode of argument consists largely in showing that in his sense of federation the British Empire is already a federal empire, and that the change is therefore an easy one—that Canada for example has no longer any real connection with Great Britain beyond the power which resides in the British Government to pronounce any act which infringes upon imperial rights, *ultra vires* or unconstitutional, not precisely as a government but rather as a court. In this argument the author is led to analyze the Canadian and the British constitutions as they existed at various dates, and it is the ability with which this analysis is conducted that gives the book its greatest value. It is a book which every university student should read and we recommend it to our fellows.

"HUSTLING."

Now that another university year has been fairly begun, the annual question of "hustling" the freshmen will, we doubt not, soon come forward as the prominent issue of the day. Before any enthusiasm is aroused over this subject, and while our judgments are as yet unbiassed, it may be well for us to examine this question in a rational manner, and to see what plea this "time honored" custom has to present for its continuance in university life. It may seem presumptuous in one who is but out of his freshman year to criticize a custom so hallowed by associations of the past: but we shall persist even at the risk of being considered such; and it may perhaps be urged in extenuation of our position, that as it is upon the second year men that the duty mainly falls of maintaining this custom, so it may not be altogether out of place for one of that year to undertake this task.

The chief argument which we usually hear in support of this custom is that it is one which has received the sanction of time, and which, moreover, tends to the preservation and stimulation of a proper university spirit amongst the students. In regard to the first half of this argument it is unnecessary to say anything. If the fact that a custom has been in vogue for a length of time is to be considered a valid argument for its continuance, then all progress is at an end. We may say indeed of this practice that "Custom calls us to 't"; but we should never forget also that

"What custom wills, in all things should we do 't,
The dust on antique time would lie unswept,
And mountainous error be too highly heapt
For truth to o'erpeer."

Again, in considering the second part of this argument on behalf of "hustling," viz., that it tends to the preservation and stimulation of a proper university spirit, we are quite free to admit that there is a certain spirit which may be fostered by it: the question therefore arises whether such a spirit is a proper one to be found in university life, and if not, whether a better spirit might not be substituted for it. On such a question as this, considerable diversity of opinion is to be expected. Some there are who see in the "hustle" merely an exhibition of brotherly affection and love. To such a claim it may be answered that it is a strange way of manifesting affection and love, and one which

will probably be found nowhere outside a university. Certainly, if such be the object of the custom, there are many better ways in which that object might be attained. Others again look upon it as being necessary to keep the "freshies" in subjection, in order that they may not become too "cheeky." To a custom with so laudable an object we cannot demur: it would indeed be a sad thing for the University if the "freshies" were to become supreme lords of the whole institution.

But speaking seriously, let me ask if it would not be evidence of a truer university spirit—a spirit more becoming those who are supposed to be endeavoring after the culture and refinement of gentlemen—if, instead of making rougher the already rugged path of learning in the first year, we should try to smooth it so far as we are able; if, instead of letting the first year men feel that they exist merely by sufferance, we should welcome them heartily to the halls of our University, and make them feel that there is indeed an uplifting and ennobling influence here at work to elevate and purify the minds and characters of those upon whom it is brought to bear? Such a spirit, we believe, is far more becoming the University than the present spirit: and it is our earnest hope that the dawning rays of the better day to come may speedily appear.

J. H. BROWN.

Oct. 20, 1891.

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE.

Now, since work has been well started, we are pleased to note a number of changes in the Faculty—changes which denote a decided improvement in the teaching powers of the college. There have been three new lectureships instituted, viz., Sanitary Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Mining Engineering. Mr. C. J. Marani, formerly Fellow in Engineering, has been promoted to the lectureship in Sanitary Engineering, thus giving this branch of work the prominence which it deserves. To the Architectural students especially will this be of advantage, as it supplies a necessary want to that course, and, with an able man in charge, there is no doubt that the work will be well attended to. Mr. J. A. Duff, B. A., of the class of '90 in Engineering, takes the position of Fellow in that work. We are much pleased to have Mr. Duff back amongst us, as his advice, having been a former president of the Engineering Society, will be of great value in all student movements. Mr. T. R. Roseburgh is now Lecturer in Electrical Engineering, and thus that branch of the course is very much strengthened. This is a good move, for among the first year men it is found that a great many are going into Electrical work. In the Mineralogical and Geological departments, great changes have taken place—Professor Chapman is no longer with us, but has vacated the S. P. S. buildings and is now comfortably (?) settled in the Biological. In his place we have a real lecturer in Mining Engineering, embracing in this course all the work required in geology and mineralogy. This is another advance step and supplies a long felt want in the institution, now enabling men to specialize more particularly in the mining work. The same laboratories, etc., are used again, but with an entirely new equipment which (by the way) has not yet arrived. At the head of this department is A. P. Coleman, M. A., Ph. D., a gentleman of wide experience in mining work and assaying, having spent a number of years in study in Germany.

There are one or two things we are pleased to notice in connection with the welfare of students. One of these is the opening of a passage on the second floor between the new building and the old, or chemical wing. It will be remembered that last year men had to go down to the basement corridors to pass from one part to the other, thus having an unnecessary amount of stair climbing, but now through the efforts of the students this is ended and free access is had on the second floor. Another improvement is the placing of bulletin boards on the first floor near the library. This is certainly a thing which was needed, and one which is now much appreciated by the students.

A strange thing occurred in the Geological lecture room last week. The third year men were to take a lecture on Mining Engineering, but when they arrived at the said room it was found that it was about "as cold as they make 'em." The lecturer appeared on the scene and after remaining a few minutes decided to close the lecture. Upon leaving the room it was found two of the iron bound seats were broken, and every one was at a loss to account for it. Some blamed the third year, but it was proved conclusively that the damage had been done before said year appeared. Others accused the burden-bearing freshmen, but to no account. It was finally found by a careful examination on the part of the seniors that the cold had been so intense in the room that it had contracted the iron work of the seats to such a degree as to actually cause a fracture and thus render them unfit for use. Who is to blame for all this? Why cannot one room be as well heated as that next to it? May the "powers below" see that the affair does not occur again, thus avoiding any unpleasantness with the seniors (who lost much valuable time through the discussion of the phenomenon) or any undue blame to innocent freshmen.

The Class of '92 held a meeting in the Library on Thursday last; Mr. Mitchell acting as chairman, and Mr. Laschinger as secretary. The main object of the meeting was for the purpose of adopting a constitution and electing officers. Although there were only seventeen members present it was a stormy meeting, and much discussion ensued before a constitution was finally adopted. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mr. A. G. Anderson; Vice-President, Mr. N. L. Playfair; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. E. J. Laschinger. The meeting was adjourned with three cheers for '92 and the committee.

MEDICAL NOTES.

Perfect weather and a large and enthusiastic gathering of students and their friends contributed towards making the Athletic Sports on Friday a notable success.

Without any feeling of rivalry or sectionalism the Meds. are justly proud of their representatives who carried off so many of the honors.

Porter of the 2nd year won the championship medal; Agnew, of the same year, showed that he had not developed muscle at the expense of agility; and Currie upheld the honor of the Freshman class, in easily carrying off the palm in the graduates' race.

On Thursday, the 5th November, the football match with Trinity Medical College is to take place on the Varsity lawn, at 3.30 p.m.

As Trinity will be there in force it behoves everyone possessed of sound lungs, or a musical instrument of any description, to be present. In lung-power respect, at least, Trinity must be out-done.

One by one the mysterious and time-honored customs of College life are being abandoned. Modern furniture seems ill-designed to meet the forces of manhood, and our professors behold in blank dismay the shapeless relics of what they conceived as both beautiful and strong. It is only the remembrances of the past that can allow them to look with any degree of forbearance upon such acts. Besides, our city journals, seeking some lame fact whereon to build some superstructure, portray scenes both ridiculous and impossible. We expect good to come even out of these vile reports, since it may awaken the public to the fact that mental progress outside of physical development is not to be attained. We would not reach a hoary age too soon. When the authorities ask us in a kindly way to be sophists—to consider our ways and be wise—do they offer us some new channel in which our verdant spirits may shake off their mossy accumulations? With yearly additions we would become a stupid lot. And what is the remedy? We have ever noticed that our truest, noblest men are those who enter with vivacity into our College

sports. In fact our worst cranks are our bookworms. Great good is got from bodily contact, and men get rid of self-conceit in no better way. It is hoped that our *Alma Mater* may be assisted in some substantial manner to overcome the difficulty, and that the critical public who demand so much of us will respond cheerfully. With what more satisfaction will our critics behold us if our energies were devoted to training our muscles scientifically. And we hope soon to see inaugurated, in connection with our most efficient mental courses, some definite physical course, and thus alleviate the distressed feelings of our professors and the general public.

Athletic Notes.

VARSIITY DEFEATS QUEEN'S.

The memorable 31st, which was to bring such glory and fame to Varsity, dawned misty and threatening. The clouds, however, proved to be a portent only to the visiting team. Many were the fears and doubts whispered among Varsity's warmest supporters when they remembered the doughty deeds wrought by the giants from Queen's in days gone by, and these fears were not lessened when they recalled the "Cripple's Parade" of Thursday last, which was made up of no less than eight members of the favorite team.

The visitors arrived on Friday night full of confidence, and accompanied by about seventy supporters. They at once repaired to bed at the Walker, where, during the night, visions of the cup danced in their heads. At about 11 a.m. they arrived in state at Varsity residence, where they were met by the men of the blue and white, who were proceeding to disrobe for the bloody fray. Meanwhile the lawn had become alive with an immense crowd, principally composed of students, but, despite the unfavorable weather, interspersed with many fair enthusiasts.

Shortly afterwards, amidst a downpour of rain, and fenced about by over a thousand umbrellas, the teams lined up in the following order in response to Mr. Referee Bayly's whistle: Queen's—Back, Webster; half-backs, McRae, Curtis, Wilson; quarter back, McCammon; wings, Cunningham, Horsey, Stewart, Scott, Hunter, Morgan, McCammon; forwards, Marquis, Cameron and Laird. Varsity—Back, McQuarrie; half-backs, Bunting, Parkyn, Gilmour; quarter back, Smith; wings, Claves, Bain, Moss, Laidlaw, Lash, N., Wood, Cross; forwards, Lash, M., McRae and McMillan.

Varsity kicked off towards the northern goal, and Wilson promptly returned the ball past centre, where a scrimmage ensued. After some open play, Queen's rushed and Morgan touched down, thus drawing first blood. The kick at goal failed. Score, 4—0. After the kick off from our twenty-five line, Parkyn dropped on goal and Webster roused. Score, 4—1. It was now Queen's turn again, and McCammon improved matters by touching down after McQuarrie had downed Horsey with a beautiful tackle. Score, 8—1. Curtis returned the kick out, another rush, and Varsity had to rouge. Score, 9—1. This was immediately repeated, much to the chagrin of all the crowd, except the mob from Kingston, who were visibly wild with excitement as things were all going their way so far. Score, 10—1. At this stage of the game Parkyn, who had been laid up all week with a sprained ankle, had to withdraw, as it was apparent he was in no condition to play. Casey Wood went to half-back, the enthusiastic "Joe" taking his place on wing. Both sides in turn now received penalty kicks for off-side play, and Queen's soon scored another rouge. Again Varsity kicked out, McRae returned, and a touch in goal resulted. Score, 12—1.

Queen's have always been noted for their famous rushing in the early part of the game, and now that rush was over and luck seemed to change. Varsity obtained a penalty kick, rushed well past centre, and from a scrimmage Smith passed to Bunting who punted to Queen's

twenty-five line. It was now the visitors' turn for a free kick, but Bunting returned the ball, and Webster had to rouge. Score, 12—2. Varsity was now playing a grand uphill game and remained close to Queen's goal line where Wood shortly dropped a pretty goal, making the score 12—7. From the kick off Wood returned the ball, which Curtis caught and sent it flying back to Varsity's twenty-five line. Here Morgan got a free kick which he failed to convert into a goal. Clarke seized the sphere and rushed wildly to centre, where a scrimmage took place, from which Smith passed to Wood, who passed to Gilmour, who ran well up to Queen's territory and kicked into touch near their twenty-five. After the throw in, time was called, the score standing 12—7 in Queen's favour.

The Varsity team adjourned to the Residence for a few moments, and, while undergoing a vicious rubbing down, listened to harangues from the captain and manager, and to a few well-chosen words of encouragement from an old-time captain, Mr. H. G. Senkler, after which they returned to the strife, confident of winning a hard match.

The visitors had meantime concluded that their opponents were "done," and were heard to remark that "they cannot keep this up five minutes longer, boys," "we have them easily now," etc.; but, the gods be praised, they found themselves deceived.

The second half opened with Queen's kicking off. Wood stopped the rush and ran past centre. Curtis obtained a free kick, but Varsity rushed the leather back to their opponents' twenty-five line. Webster punted back to centre, but Wood returned; a dribble followed, and McRae got a touch, which Wood converted into a goal, and Varsity was in the lead by a score of 13 to 12. The excitement that ensued was beyond description. Shouts of V-A-R-S-I-T-Y, blasts of fish-horns and waving of umbrellas continued for several minutes, and prominent among the crazy crowd was an august member of the Faculty, who jumped fiercely into his own umbrella, and then waved the tattered wreck wildly in the air.

After the kick-off, Bunting returned, and Queen's got a free kick, which was promptly sent back by Wood, and again Varsity obtained a touch, N. Lash doing the trick, for which he was carried triumphantly up the field by the manager and secretary, assisted by the Residence Multi—Mr. Rykert. McQuarry returned the kick-off; Bunting and Claves made a grand rush, and a touch-in-goal resulted. Score, 18 to 12.

Everything continued in our favor, and no sooner had Queen's kicked out than Wood punted behind goal, and Webster was forced to rouge. Score, 19 to 12. Our irresistible scrimmage was now showing the Herculean Marquis and his burly comrades all over the lot, and was ably backed by Smith, who, though quite lame, was playing a beautiful game at quarter. Queen's got a penalty kick, and placed the ball near Varsity's twenty-five line, where off-side play resulted, and the blue and white in turn obtained a free kick. Curtis returned the ball, and Bunting punted past centre. Queen's braced up for a moment, and obtained a touch, much to the chagrin of McQuarry, who would have roused but for the untimely intervention of a stray pup, which Moxie termed his "Jonah." Varsity again rushed, however, and Claves got a try, which Wood again converted into a goal, making the score 25 to 16. After the kick out, Queen's scored a rouge, which was their last effort. Score, 25 to 17. A few minutes of open play, and the great game ended with the ball near the centre of the field.

The rush of the mob would have stopped a freight train, as they carried the players from the field, amidst one continuous roar, which was kept up until every voice was hushed from sheer exhaustion. Trinity was on the grounds in a four-in-hand, cheering on the boys to victory. Mr. Bayly fully sustained his reputation of being a most able and impartial referee, giving complete satisfaction to both teams.

Varsity meets Osgoode, *alias* the "Alumni," this week, in the final struggle for the much-envied mug.

NOTICE.

All reports of meetings or events occurring up to Thursday evening must be in the hands of the Editor by Friday noon, or they will not be published.

'MIDST THE MORTAR BOARDS.

Mr. W. A. Parks has been appointed Dr. Pike's Assistant in Chemistry.

Miss E. Bunnell has charge of the Modern Language Department in Brantford Collegiate Institute.

K Company paraded on the lawn on Wednesday. The company evidences increased strength and made a gallant show.

Miss C. Platt, B.A., has left the School of Pedagogy to accept the Modern Language Mistressship in the Stratford Collegiate Institute.

The Rev. A. M. Phillips, B.D., will give an address in the Y.M.C.A. Hall next Thursday (Nov. 5), at 5 o'clock, on the subject, "How to Study the Bible."

The Natural Science Association held its first meeting for the year in the Biological Lecture-room, on Tuesday, 27th, at 4 o'clock. Mr. J. J. McKenzie, the President, delivered his inaugural address.

A special meeting of the Lit. was held on Wednesday afternoon. The object for which the meeting was called was the choosing of a representative to send to Trinity dinner. Mr. J. W. Graham was chosen.

The Philosophical Society of '93 will begin its work for the ensuing year by meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Friday, November 6th, at 5 p.m. The business before the meeting will be the election of officers and the consideration of the work for the year.

The Classics and Mathematics of '94 played a game of Association football on Thursday. Score 1-0, favor of Classics. It is understood that the classics were becoming somewhat disheartened until one of the Calculus men kicked the ball through his own goal to encourage them; hence the score.

At the last meeting of the Canadian History Referendum, papers were read by Miss Beatrice Cross and Mr. C. A. Moss. The subject under consideration was the Canadian House of Commons, as compared with the House of Representatives in the United States. Both papers showed careful thought and research.

The new jerseys worn by the Residence representatives at the team race are very attractive. The jerseys are black, and on them is a death's head and crossbones in gold. It is intended to have likewise, to complete the costume, a black silk cap with the same design embroidered on it in gold. The Residence colors are, in future, to be gold and black.

A new scheme has been proposed by the Y. M. C. A. for the registration of students. It is intended to have at the Y. M. C. A. a book in which will be entered the name of each student with his home and city addresses. The names of the students and their addresses may be left with the General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and are to be handed in from the second until the seventh of November.

The regular weekly meeting of the Y. M. C. A. was held in the Hall on Thursday afternoon at 5 p.m. Messrs. A. J. Terrill and Abbott were elected as first year councillors. There was a motion before the meeting, proposed by Mr. N. McDougall, that life membership should be conferred upon all such graduates as were willing to pay \$2 annually to the Society. After some discussion the motion was passed.

Class Society elections are the order of the day. Ninety-two met the other day and elected the following officers: President, J. C. McLennan; Vice-Pres., Miss Rogers; 2nd Vice-Pres., W. Clutton; Secretary, G. McCraney; Treasurer, J. Vining; Historians, Miss Ross and Mr. Macdonel; Athletic Board, B. Merrill, R. Hooper, D. McColl; Orator, J. A. Cooper; Poet, O. P. Edgar; Critic, F. E. Perrin; Wit, F. C. Brown.

Ninety-three held its annual meeting on Wednesday. The officers elect are: President, E. A. Henry; 1st Vice-President, N. McDougall; 2nd Vice-President, Miss A. Lindsay; Secretary, H. E. Sampson; Treasurer, M. M. Hart; Athletic Director, G. W. Orton; Councillors, Miss C. E. Jeffrey, S. Silcox, R. M. F. Davis; Poet, Miss J. Balmer; Orator, W. P. Bull; Historian, Miss C. Robertson; Musical Director, F. G. Crosby; Critic, E. R. Young.

Ninety-five has organized for the year and chosen the following officers: President, Mr. J. McArthur; 1st Vice, Miss J. A. Street; 2nd Vice, Mr. J. Ross; Secretary, Mr. R. Robertson; Treasurer, Mr. A. C. Hardy; Athletic Director, Mr. H. G. Ketchum; Musical Director, Mr. McKay; Poet, Mr. Murray; Orator, Mr. Richardson; Historians, Miss J. S. Hillock, Mr. H. A. Harper; Prophet, Mr. A. Stringer; Judge, Mr. Shaver; Critic, Mr. Lane; Artist, Mr. C. F. Swett; Councillors, Miss A. Rosebrugh, Miss J. L. Allan, Miss E. Fraser, Mr. W. P. Hendrie, Mr. H. Conn.

The class of '94 has held its Annual Meeting, and the results of the different ballotings show that the following will guide the destinies of the class during the year: President, S. J. McLean; 1st Vice-President, W. E. Lingelbach; 2nd Vice-President, Miss M. L. Robertson; Secretary, H. J. Sissons; Treasurer, J. J. Brown; Athletic Director, W. M. Lash; Councillors, Miss N. Decow, H. S. Mac-

Millan, J. D. Fry; Poet, Miss E. Durand; Orator, G. L. Lamb; Historians, Miss L. M. Cluff, A. A. Carpenter; Musical Director, W. S. Carroll; Prophet, G. B. Wilson; Judge, A. J. Jackson; Committee on College Colors, Miss Lawson, W. French, C. A. Moss.

The programme of the Classical Association of '93 and '94 during the Michaelmas term: October 13—"Comparison of the civilization of Rome with that of Greece," W. P. Reeve, '94; October 27—(a) "The Athenian Theatre and Stage," F. B. Hellem, '93, (b) "Comparison of the Athenian and Elizabethan Dramas," J. H. Brown '94; November 10—(a) "Aristophanes," J. F. Thompson, '94, (b) "Aristophanes as compared with other Athenian comedians," R. Stoddart, '93; November 24—Open Meeting, addresses by Prof. Hutton and Mr. Fairclough; December 9—(a) "Agricola's Life," G. A. McVaugh, '93, (b) "Government of Tiberius," J. D. Morrow, '93, (c) "Roman Influence in Britain," W. French, '94.

A series of lectures will be given on successive Saturdays during the present academic year, in the University Hall at 3 p.m., beginning on Saturday, November 7, as follows: November 7—Sir Daniel Wilson, LL.D., F.R.S.E., "Three Queenly Eras": 1st. "Queen Elizabeth," Shakespeare; November 14—Prof. James Gibson Hume, M.A., Ph.D., inaugural lecture "The Value of a Study of Ethics"; November 21—Prof. R. Ramsay Wright, M.A., B.Sc., "A Winter in Berlin, and Prof. Koch and his Discoveries"; Nov. 28—Prof. Chapman, LL.D., Ph.D., "The Earth's Rock History"; December 5—Prof. Alexander, B.A., Ph.D., "The Poet and his Art"; December 12—Prof. Hutton, M.A., "Phases of Athenian Politics"; December 19—Sir Daniel Wilson, LL.D., F.R.S.E., "Three Queenly Eras": 2nd. "Queen Anne," Pope; December 26—Prof. McCurdy, Ph.D., "Cyrus the Great." The lectures for the Easter term will be announced hereafter. Tickets for the lectures can be procured on application to the Registrar.

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