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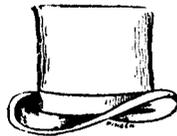
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## THE SOCIABLE CANNIBAL.

Bee-gum-boo was a cannibal,  
He owned an appetite ;  
A missionary said to him,  
"O sinful and benighted one."  
"Don't mention it," said Bee.  
(His language was polite).

"O sinful and immoral man,  
Have you ne'er felt your guilt ?"  
"Dyspepsia, I think he means,  
'Twas from the last we kilt,  
His waistcoat and his trousers made,  
An ample crazy quilt."

They walked together on the beach,  
Beside the sounding sea ;  
"Bee-gum-boo, thou hast gone astray."  
"Exactly so," said Bee.  
"And if you care to take pot-luck,  
You might drop in to tea."

"Just walk right in," said Bee-gum-boo,  
"And make yourself at ease ;  
Be careful with the pepper, wife,  
You'll make the parson sneeze ;  
Do you like it in *consume* ?"  
"A trifle if you please."

"I'll trouble you for soup," said he,  
"If it is piping hot."  
"No trouble," said the cannibal,  
And put him in the pot ;  
"Now won't you let me give you more ?"  
The parson answered naught.

—SARDONIUS.

## QUEEN'S WON THE DEBATE.

A large audience assembled in the city hall on Saturday night to hear the debate between Toronto and Queen's Universities. And every one seemed happy at the close when the palm was awarded to the Queen's men. The first debate between these Universities took place in 1887 in Kingston, and was won by Queen's, whose representatives were Messrs. Gandier and Rattray, the former now one of the leading ministers in Toronto. Then, the following year. Messrs. Horsey (now M.P. for Owen Sound) and Patterson were sent by Queen's to Toronto, but the judge (for Toronto university strangely appointed but one) declined to give any decision, on the ground that the constitutions of Great Britain and United States (the subject of debate) could not be compared, forgetting that he was to decide not on the merits of the subject, but upon the merits of the speakers.

After 1888, no debate took place until 1899, when Messrs. Anthony and Cannon carried Queen's colors to victory in Toronto, on the question, "that imperial federation is practicable and advisable from a Canadian point of view." Last year Queen's lost her first debate to Toronto university. And thus the results of the five debates :—Queen's have won three and Toronto one, while one was undecided, but with the best of the argument on Queen's side.

The subject of Saturday night's debate was: "Resolved that trusts are in the best interests of society"—certainly a timely question for discussion, in view of the immense United States trusts that are at present engaging the attention of the whole world. Queen's representatives, J. A. Donnell and A. Calhoun, took the affirmative, and R. J. Younge and W. R. Woodroffe, of Toronto university, the negative.

As on two previous occasions when they affirmed the resolution, Queen's representatives pressed their opponents for something positive, but the latter followed simply a negative line of argument. Queen's men showed that trusts were simply the inevitable results of evolution, and that greater prosperity and good resulted than would from unrestricted competition or socialism. The Toronto debaters showed only the evils of trusts, most of which the affirmative admitted, because abuses could arise even from the church, but that would be no reason for declaring that the church had not benefitted the world. In concluding, Mr. Donnell pointed out that the negative had not suggested anything to take the place of trusts.

The judges were the venerable archdeacon Worrell, J. L. Whiting, K.C., and J. M. Farrell, B.A., and it took them but five minutes to come to a unanimous conclusion. Mr. Whiting made the announcement, first complimenting the debaters upon the able and comprehensive manner in which they had handled the subject. The judges, he said, had found that the Toronto representatives had shown the better oratorical powers, for which twenty-five per cent. of the marks was given, but Queen's had by far the best of the argument and, as this was worth seventy-five per cent. Queen's were the winners. Loud applause followed the announcement. Throughout the debate, each speaker was warmly applauded, the Toronto speakers being received just as enthusiastically as the Queen's men.

Previous to and at the conclusion of the debate, selections were given by Queen's mandolin and guitar, and glee clubs. G. F. Weatherhead, B.A., president of Queen's Alma Mater society, was chairman.

Each of the debaters was given twenty minutes, while the leaders had five minutes in which to conclude.

The debate was the first of the inter-university debating league, which includes McGill, Queen's and Toronto.—*Kingston Whig*.

[The above report of the first debate of the recently organized Inter-University Debating Union suggests

some amendments which should be made in the constitution, amendments which would remove any feeling of dissatisfaction and prevent any likelihood of friction arising because of any decision made in connection with any of these forensic contests. In these suggestions, no reflection is intended to be cast upon the decision made in the recent contest by the worthy and learned gentlemen who acted as judges on that occasion. The aim is simply to present some changes which might possibly be an improvement upon the present methods. In the first place each of the three universities represented in the Union should nominate a judge to act on each debate, and the judge selected by the non-competing university should be the chairman of the three appointed, and consequently should give the decision arrived at by his colleagues and himself. Such an amendment could be easily carried into operation by each university empowering its representatives on the Executive of the Union to make all such nominations necessary for each collegiate year, and such an amendment would be an absolute guarantee of fairness because each college directly engaged in any contest would have its interests safeguarded by its own nominee, and because the final decision in case of a difference would be with a strictly impartial judge. A second amendment, which should be made is that the presiding judge shall in declaring his award sum up the arguments actually adduced, and give the reasons for the decision. In this way both sides will see the relative worth of their respective arguments and the justice of the judge's decision. In the recent debate, according to the report of the *Kingston Whig* this was not done. Moreover the representatives of our university are, strange to say, given all the marks in oratory, and the Queen's debaters all the marks for argument; that is to say the former's

argument was worth nothing, and the latter had no power of oratory, a peculiar anomaly in debating. Again the debate was largely decided on an argument introduced in the reply of the leader of affirmative, namely, "that the negative had not suggested anything to take the place of trusts." Now apart from the legitimacy of introducing new arguments in the address given by the affirmative we may ask if it is the necessary business of the negative to propound a constructive line of argument which may take the place of the affirmative position which they seek to overthrow. The very essence of the terms affirmative and negative shows that the primary and necessary task of one is to build up, and the other to tear down. With the affirmative the constructive element is obligatory and the destructive optional, and with the negative either method can be used. Accordingly, in the debate on Trusts it was the *duty* of the affirmative to show by a constructive argument that trusts were in the best interests of society, and it was the duty of the negative to overthrow their opponents' structure of argument by one of *three optional* methods. They either could use the *purely negative* methods of showing trusts *were not* in the *best interests of society*, or they could propound a system, if such did not already exist, to replace trusts, or they could combine the *negative* and *constructive* methods. Hence the above quoted argument of the leader of the affirmative should not have had any weight with the judges because it is based on a wrong conception of what the negative side has to do to establish its case. We hope these changes will commend themselves to our representatives on the Executive of the Inter-University Debating Union, and that they will seek to have them embodied in the constitution of the Union.]

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## The Letters of John Harriman jr., to Mrs. Price Mansington.

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*This being the second of a series of letters from the above, who has just returned from doing the continent, to one whom he met by the way.*

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THE CARLTON,  
New York, Jan. 10th, 1902.

My Dear Mrs. Mansington,

I have always flattered myself that I am a pretty good judge of human nature, so when on my return I wrote you, expected to hear from you sooner or later. Perhaps you wonder how it is we got along so well together over there in that bustling English metropolis. It is just like this: Women are without doubt an uncertain quantity; they either bore you or else make you feel that you are smoking the best tobacco. The first class I invariably cut out, but the second deserves a further classification, and in that you know just where you are at. A man doesn't like to fill in a dance speculating on the dress, theatre and book problem. He wants to have a jolly "give and take" chat, which may incline to the *risque*, and herein comes the weeding out process. Some of those women don't know how to take you, and as a result help themselves to a large amount of rope, becoming familiar, and you do likewise. Others enjoy the jollying, and will prove as good heads as men who smoke the best, and see that their friends appreciate the tin from which it comes. In other words, in the first case

you don't know when it is time to go away back and sit down where you can kick yourself for wasting the dance, and in the second case you realize the moment and incidentally how much you have enjoyed yourself. But that is only by way of remark.

As for that old *bon mot* of yours about being a widow, I have heard it before. The pater you know always warned me when I was at college and since to beware of widows. That if one makes up her mind to have him he might as well climb up an orange tree and pull it up after him. Of course in your case I would suggest that we climb up together and let me look after the tree. There we can see what effect the law of gravity will have upon it. I guess that ought to hold you for a while.

In referring to my visit at Paris you say "In gay Patee. Let me draw a veil anent your wiles in that fair city. Had I been your parents I would have had a qualm or two until I had you safely back into the fold, especially with such a — disposition as yours (missing word competition)." Well I don't know I am sure. The more you travel the more ready you are to acknowledge that the world is a pretty small world after all—and incidentally so are some of the people. I suppose there were occasions

after which I felt about as small as some of those whom I have mentioned. But it wasn't because the Parisians took me in. Bless your heart, no. They don't know how. It was because I never went. Take for instance the Closerie des Lilas. Well it was rotten. What you say may be right, but you know there is no fool like an old fool, and that is because they didn't make themselves one when they were young. The pater has always told me that if I made myself one on any occasion to do it well, and then I wouldn't think afterward it was up to me to finish what I had left out. It is always safer when you settle down for good.

As for our country it is as you rightly say "full of fakirs." The only difference is that they know their business, and so you don't mind it. Force of competition I suppose makes them that way. I see you people are still clinging to that slang of *Punch* about the missing word. I am not Scotch, even if I haven't seen it yet. Now I wouldn't mind wagering a box of anything reasonable (the newspaper only pays me \$80 per, although I got that much allowance from the pater when at Harvard) that you can't find our latest bit of slang which I have worked off on you in this letter. However, to help you solve the difficulty I will say that it is in the first paragraph.

So your daughter was married last month to Kelvin who was one of our jolly party. Allow me to congratulate all concerned, although there was no need for her to leave the happy home so soon. Somehow or other the young folk always think it is wise to strike out young. Oh there is no doubt about them being happy. You know you people haven't the divorce courts that we have over here. Whenever the married people under the sway of our almighty eagle think of them they begin to get unhappy. And the more they think the more unhappy they become. Strange isn't it, but true? Now, over your way you have to go through such a long and tedious rign: . le that you forget it. Of course those who ride in the tuppenny tube haven't the means even to consider the question.

Yes, men are the same all the world over. You will always find some of them explaining that Tom Jones is not so clever as people think. That he was born with a Havana cigar in his mouth, and had a folding bed to shut him up when necessary. In fact they are talking all the time so as to keep up with their opinions, and as a result never have their eye on the main chance which Jones has, unfortunately it seems, carried off. You take my chum now for what a man should be. Throughout the years we have borrowed from one another I don't believe he has spoken a volume, although he has thought it, during our walks down the avenue. I forgot, there is one exception. We were going down town one afternoon when we saw one of the best dressed women we had seen for years. After passing we turned to see if our car was coming. She was so homely that we had to draw hard to prevent us from waking up. He only remarked, "well groomed, that." I simply mention this by way of passing.

Believe me,

Very faithfully yours,

JOHN HARRIMAN, JR.

To MRS. PRICE MANSINGTON,  
Cawdor Mansions, Belgravia, London, Eng.

"Billy" Wood had his hand pretty badly battered.

"Lexie" Isbester's presence in the game with the St. George's next Saturday should greatly strengthen the team.

## THE TOUR OF THE HARMONIC CLUB.

The arrangements for the tour of the Harmonic Club were completed during the holidays, and an enjoyable trip is assured. The tour will include Peterboro', Lindsay and Ottawa and will be of three days duration. The Canadian Pacific Railway is dealing most munificently with the club, and has guaranteed to supply an elegant special car for the whole journey. The "chosen few" will travel by C.P.R. to Peterboro', by Grand Trunk to Lindsay and back to Peterboro', and then to Ottawa and home again by C.P.R.

In Peterboro' the touring members of the club will be guests of a committee of graduates and their friends. In Lindsay the Literary Society of the Collegiate Institute is to take care of them, and the Bank street Presbyterian Church in Ottawa.

The Varsity musical clubs are always well received in Peterboro', and in Lindsay the whole town seems to be enthusiastic. It is said that a regular ovation awaits the Varsity boys in Ottawa. In fact the members of the Dominion Parliament are looking forward to the visit of the Harmonic Club as a pleasant break in the arduous duties of the session.

About thirty-five men in all will be taken from the Glee Club, the Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club, and the Orchestra. There is little doubt that, considering the excellence of their training and the fine quality of the voices, the boys will be one of the very best of ads. for our alma mater.

Every singer and player is expected to perform at the city concert, which takes place the night before the club leaves on the tour. The men to go on the tour will be chosen partly for the assistance they give at the city concert. The orchestra will be represented by a sextette or quintette.

Glee Club practices will be held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of this week and on Monday and Tuesday of next week. All who hope to go on the tour must attend every practice.

The following is the itinerary of the tour :

Tuesday, January 21st.

City concert at Pavilion, tickets 50c. and 25c.

Don't make any other engagement.

Wednesday, January 22nd.

Leave Toronto 5.00 p.m. by special C.P.R. car.

Arrive Peterboro' 7.29 p.m.

Concert at Peterboro' 8.00 p.m.

Sleep at Peterboro'.

Thursday, January 23rd.

Leave Peterboro' by G.T.R. 5.35 p.m.

Arrive Lindsay 6.23 p.m.

Concert at Lindsay 8.00 p.m.

Sleep at Lindsay.

Friday, January 24th.

Leave Lindsay G.T.R. 10.53 a.m.

Arrive Peterboro' 11.45 a.m.

Leave Peterboro' 12.00 noon for Ottawa.

Arrive Ottawa 5.35 p.m.

Concert at Ottawa 8.00 p.m.

Sleep at Ottawa.

Saturday, January 25th.

See the sights in Ottawa and leave for home either at 11 a.m. or 11 p.m., or any old time until Monday.

C.L.W.

## THE MANAGEMENT OF ATHLETICS AT MCGILL.

In McGill University all matters relating to the control of the grounds and to outdoor athletics and sports are placed under the control of a Committee, which is constituted as follows: One Governor, the Principal, one member from each of the Faculties, one graduate, one undergraduate from each of the five clubs, and the President of the Athletic Association.

This Committee meets on the second Tuesday of every month, and at the close of each year makes a report to the Board of Governors. Its members are appointed annually by the bodies which they represent. The policy of the Committee is to direct generally the conduct of Athletics in the University, leaving the details of management entirely in the hands of the undergraduate officers and members of the several clubs. While final action must, in all cases, be taken by the Committee as a whole, it hands over a considerable portion of its work, for report, to a sub-committee composed of the undergraduate representatives. These gentlemen being in all cases prominent officers and representing, as they do, the several clubs, enable the Committee to keep in close touch with athletic interests, from the undergraduate standpoint.

The revenues of the Committee are derived chiefly from a direct tax of \$3 upon all students of the University. This fee is collected by the Bursar of the University, and is placed to the credit of the Committee. All funds so collected must be expended in the interest of college athletics. This is done by special grants to the several athletic organizations and by expenditures in the general interest, under direct control of the Board.

One regulation, which has been very strongly insisted upon since the first establishment of the Committee, is that all students taking part in athletic sports or games shall pass a physical examination before the Medical Superintendent of the Gymnasium.

The several recognized athletic organizations are those already named as having undergraduate representations on the Grounds and Athletics Committee. They all nominally form part of the Athletic Association, but are really independent bodies, except as regards their relationship to the Grounds and Athletics Committee. A brief note will be added concerning each of these:

THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION admits to membership all students in the University and affiliated colleges. It is presided over by officers elected annually and depends entirely upon its Grant from the Grounds and Athletics Committee for its financial support. A field meeting, for which complimentary admission cards are issued to members of the University and their friends, is held on the third Friday of October, when the usual field and track events are contested.

A faculty trophy, presented by the Graduates' Society, is annually competed for, and is awarded to that faculty whose undergraduates score the greatest number of points in all the events of the meeting; the first, second and third places counting 5, 3 and 1, respectively. An individual trophy is also competed for each year and goes to the man making the highest score in all the events. While all classes of students are permitted to enter for the games, none but undergraduates may compete for these two trophies.

The Athletic Association bases its selection of representatives for the Intercollegiate Sports upon the results of the University meet.

THE FOOTBALL CLUB probably commands a more general interest than any other department of university athletics at McGill, as elsewhere. Although it has the usual quota of officers, its business affairs are exclusively in the hands of a manager, and in this official, together with the captains of the teams, is vested supreme authority in the selection of players; the first choice of men falling to the captains of teams in their order of seniority. The important matter of the selection of field captains has been a much vexed question. This year the captain of the first team only has, at the close of the season, been selected for the ensuing year, and upon the gentleman chosen and the manager will fall the very heavy work of preliminary organization for next autumn's campaign. The captains of the second and third teams are to be elected after all available men are on the ground at the opening of the session. The Senior team plays only in the Intercollegiate Union. The Intermediate and Junior teams play in the Quebec Rugby Union. The unfortunate circumstance of the great distance between the Canadian universities and the heavy expense which would therefore be incurred in an Intercollegiate Championship Series for all the teams, is alone responsible for the latter arrangement. Experience has shown the very important influence which an intercollegiate union exercises upon the purity of the sport, and the maintenance of the Union is regarded in McGill as of prime necessity if the game is to be maintained as an amateur sport and to be purified of the brutalizing tendencies which have for so many years threatened it, and which so surely follow the effort to make "big gates" and to win at all costs.

The Club is permitted to sell tickets to senior matches, for reserved seats, but not for general gate. All the important home matches are played on the University Campus. The membership to the club is free to all students.

THE CRICKET CLUB has only very recently risen to prominence as an undergraduate club. It was originally supported almost exclusively by the Graduate body, both as regards players and financially. Last year the first Eleven was, however, to a large extent composed of students and the second team almost exclusively so. For the Senior Eleven the Ottawa and Montreal Games, of which there are usually *three* and *five* respectively, give the only outside cricket of the season, unless as happens occasionally an American team visits Montreal or a Western tour is undertaken. The visits of Western teams to Montreal are more often promised than accomplished. Last year the Senior team made a Western trip, playing two games in Toronto and one in Hamilton, all of which were easily won. The Club exacts a fee of \$5.00 from graduates and \$2.00 from student members, and receives a liberal annual grant from the Grounds and Athletics Committee.

THE TENNIS CLUB is open to undergraduate women as well as men, and is maintained in part by the fees of its members, and in part by a grant from the central body. There are on the University Campus several good turf courts, and also two cinder courts. Match tournaments are held every season with the other city clubs.

THE SKATING CLUB also comprises women as well as men, and is supported by an annual grant, supplemented by a small admission fee; the latter exigible only from the men. Two open air rinks are maintained on the

grounds during the season (December and March), one for skating and one for hockey.

THE HOCKEY CLUB does not demand an admission fee. Its senior teams plays in the Intermediate City Championship Series, and the practices of this team are to a great extent conducted in the closed city rinks. On the other hand, the faculty and class teams, of which there are a very large number, practice exclusively and play all their matches on the campus rink. A trophy presented to the Club by two of the Professors of the University is competed for each year in a series of matches, by selected teams from each of the faculties. A university league is much to be desired in connection with this splendid Canadian game.

There has recently been adopted as a badge of distinction in athletics the large Letter "M," which is to be worn, under certain conditions, on sweaters or running jerseys. The large plain letter is for the first grade distinction; the second grade consists in a letter "M," somewhat smaller in size, and combined with the smaller capital letters F, T, C, H or A, to designate the particular department of athletics in which it has been won: Thus  $\frac{F}{M}$ ,  $\frac{T}{M}$ , etc., refer respectively to the football and tennis clubs.

Definite club costumes and track uniforms in university colors are required in all important events, and no one is permitted to take part in a game on the college campus unless properly attired for the same.

C. H. McLEOD.

**THE ORATORICAL CONTEST.**

The Literary and Scientific Society have fixed the date of the annual Oratorical Contest for the evening of Friday, January 31st. As only one entry has so far been received by the Secretary the Executive Committee have extended the date for receiving entries to the 22nd inst., instead of the 15th, as formerly announced. Little interest has been so far exhibited among the students in what ought to be one of the chief events in the Literary Society. It is particularly to be desired that there will be a good field of contestants. The advantage of such a contest to those who hope to obtain some practice and ability in public speaking can hardly be over estimated.

The work expended in preparation of a suitable speech will be amply repaid in the valuable experience. One really earnest effort in style and delivery is of more value than any number of careless and awkward impromptu speeches. All those who have any ability or inclination in the direction of public speaking are requested to send the Secretary their entry and ensure a successful contest.

**NEWS OF OTHER COLLEGES.**

Harvard has an Automobile Club.

Cornell has a flourishing Prohibition Club.

Yale cleared \$70,000 on her football season.

Harvard had a deficit of \$321,579 for the year ending July 31st, 1901.

A new regulation at Leland Stanford University limits the number of women students to 500.

Of 11,000 living graduates of Yale, 9,000 were present at the recent Bi-centennial, representing classes from 1850 to 1901.

**Exchanges**

A new star has appeared on the horizon of college journalism in the St. Margaret's College Chronicle. No. 1 of Volume I appeared at Christmas, and is indeed a credit to the institution which is its home. Not the least attractive feature is a group picture of the fair "editresses."

The Glasgow University Magazine issued with its Christmas number a handsome illustrated supplement describing the recent celebration of its four hundred and fiftieth anniversary.

The last number of the Queen's University journal contained an exhaustive article on "The Outlook for Rugby in Ontario" by Dr. C. K. Clarke.

The December number of the New Brunswick University Monthly announces that "a movement is on foot to effect the federation of all the colleges in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island, and to establish one large university for the Maritime Provinces, capable of giving an education equal to that in any of the larger colleges in Upper Canada or the United States."

We regret exceedingly to have to announce the death of Miss Martin, '04 Classics, who succumbed to typhoid fever at her home in Chatham on Saturday, January 4th. Miss Martin was a cousin of S. T. Martin, Knox '99.

**Y. M. C. A. NOTES.**

Remember the annual reception for members of the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. It will be held in the Association building on Wednesday evening, Jan. 15th, at 8 p.m.

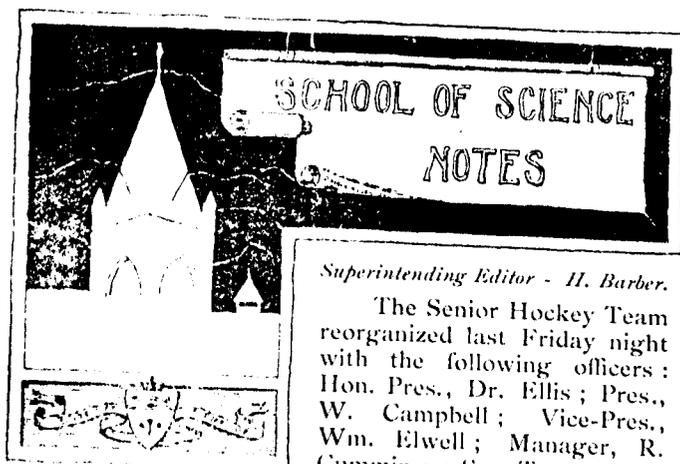
Bible classes meet every Sabbath morning at 9.30. All are invited to attend.

**HARMONIC CLUB CONCERT—TUESDAY, JAN. 21.**

The annual concert of the musical clubs of the university which will be given in the Pavilion on Tuesday of next week, will be the opening Varsity function of the New Year. As the Harmonic Club gave no concert last year, it is two seasons since the student body has had a chance of supporting the musical institutions of the university. During that time the Glee Club has increased by twenty voices, the new orchestra has been organized, and a male quartette will appear for the first time next week.

Mr. Smedley's Banjo Club will include thirty players, and will score a hit as usual. The tickets are placed at the low price of twenty-five cents and as this is the only demand which the Harmonic Club makes on the students, we have no doubt that the Horticultural Pavilion will be crowded, next Tuesday evening.

When a moving force encounters an irresistible body Ardag is carried off the ice.



Superintending Editor - H. Barber.

The Senior Hockey Team reorganized last Friday night with the following officers: Hon. Pres., Dr. Ellis; Pres., W. Campbell; Vice-Pres., Wm. Elwell; Manager, R. Cummings; Sec.-Treas., C. L. Coulson. With such players

as Trees, Campbell, Burwash, Pace, Lang, Morley, Johnston, Challies, Coulson, Elwell and Marrs, to choose from, the Seniors ought to give a good account of themselves.

Last Wednesday Dr. Ellis thought it advisable for the first year to appoint seven or eight of their number as a peace committee for times of trouble. Accordingly an impromptu meeting was held, of which Horwood was passed down to be chairman. A committee of eight well-behaves were elected. With Gordon Fleck as chairman, and such men to assist him as Bryce and Fee we feel assured of order for the future.

J. Paris, who on account of illness was obliged to drop out in January last, has joined the ranks of '05.

A schedule has been drawn up for a series of hockey matches between "The Circuit-Breakers," "The Rotary Transformers," and the "Solenoids," which represent the three laboratory groups of the 3rd Year Electricals.

J. A. Johnston is back to take his post-graduate course, which through illness he was unable to finish last year.

E. V. Neelands, B.A.Sc., and W. A. Hare, B.A.Sc., visited the School last week.

J. M. Brown and H. V. Connor, of the 3rd year, each received a very undesirable Xmas box. They have our sympathy—it was the measles.

We are sorry to state that Mr. W. T. Drewry, of the 1st Year, who was in the hospital for some time with appendicitis as a result of the famous "Med. scrap," has been obliged to drop out owing to ill health. He will spend the winter in Colorado, and we trust that he will be able to resume his course next year.

The regular meeting of the Engineering Society was not held on Wednesday. It is rumored as a reason for the omission that the President had to go over to assist in opening the Legislature.

It is said that even the venerable Seniors are out on a still hunt for Vere-Foster copy books. The Sophomores were considerably relieved to know that they were not the only ones to fall before the avenging ire of "see copy."

In the Toronto Indoor Baseball League on Tuesday night the Engineers defeated G Company, Q.O.R., by a score of 38-32. That placed six consecutive games to their credit. Friday night they played the team of the 9th Field Battery in the semi-finals, and defeated them easily by a score of 30 to 9. C and D Companies play

next Thursday night, and the Engineers will play the winners for the championship.

R. W. Morley is confined in the Waterloo hospital with an attack of pneumonia. The class extends its sympathies, and hopes to see him in his old place very soon.



It is now time for the conscientious student to look with conscious superiority upon the procrastinating one who sang in 'la belle saison,' like the grasshopper in the fable, but who now gazes awestruck upon the high-piled, neglected books above which the spectre of examinations hovers. In the fall term, this ghost remains singularly quiescent, but now it begins to walk and drags its clanking chain through every corridor. But, terrible as it already is, be assured that it may become even more terrible. Doubtless we have all resolved, in our usual New Year fashion, to study systematically and work hard this term; but let us remember that such a resolution is better not made if it is not to be kept.

The first meeting of the Women's Literary Society for the Easter term was held on the 11th, with the usual number in attendance. After the minutes were read Miss Amos, Miss Mary Macdonald, and Miss Johnson were chosen to represent the society in a debate with the Victoria Women's Literary Society. The secretary read two letters sent to Mrs. Ramsay Wright from Dr. and Mrs. Barbour, who was the first woman graduate of this university. They contained words of encouragement for the establishment of a Women's Residence, and subscriptions for it amounting to £60. The usual spring reception was discussed, whether 'to be or not to be.' It was decided to hold one, and several matters in connection with it were settled. The musical programme was a piano solo by Miss Allen and a solo by Miss Lough. The debate between the first and second years, 'Resolved: That hustling should be instituted among the girls,' was quite amusing, as all the debaters spoke well. Miss Cooke and Miss McGill showed that if this custom should be established, the Golden Age would surely dawn; while Miss Davis and Miss Gove succeeded in proving that exactly the same end would be accomplished by precisely opposite methods. The decision was given by Miss Benson and Miss Patterson in favor of the first year. But truly, as the leader of the affirmative said,

"'Tis better to have fought and lost,  
Than never to have fought at all."

After a reading and encore well rendered by Miss Carruthers, '05, Miss Hunter, the honorary president, acted as critic of the meeting, and gave the girls some good advice, pointing out the peculiar advantages they enjoy as members of the Literary Society. The meeting ended in the usual manner.

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TORONTO, January 14th, 1902.

FROM time to time these columns have voiced a certain amount of dissatisfaction among the undergraduates with the present system of conducting the annual examinations. The humiliation of having one's every movement watched by a hired "sup" is to most candidates very unpleasant, especially when the aforesaid "floor-walker," as is usually the case here, looks as if he would feel a great deal more at home digging a sewer. The system, to say the least, does not impart to the unlucky candidate that feeling of soothing calm which is so necessary if he is to do himself justice. But what the average undergraduate objects to most of all is that while he is considered unworthy to be trusted, a certain amount of confidence is reposed in the hired outsider. The man who is part of the university, whose interests for the time being are centered in this institution, and who naturally is expected to jealously guard its fair fame, is watched a good deal more closely than the hireling who is picked up on the street and for three weeks is paid to see that more honorable men than he is do not cheat at examinations. It has been suggested many times that such a system, far from preventing dishonesty, rather encourages it, and this seems to be quite within the bounds of possibility.

But is there any substitute for this system which if employed will secure honesty in examinations? Student control of examinations seems to be the only one available. At the present time this matter is being threshed out at Cornell University, and it will be interesting to watch the outcome. At that institution they have what is called the "Student Conduct Committee," which is composed of members of the Faculty. At the request of the Faculty this committee arranged for a ballot by mail in order to give the entire undergraduate body an opportunity of freely expressing their views on the subject of student control of examinations. Two questions were submitted to them, viz.:

I. Do you favor conducting examinations in the university under a system of student control?

II. If such a system is established will you take prompt and effective means to prevent any sort of fraud or dishonorable conduct in an examination?

The *Cornell Daily Sun* says: "Should there be a large majority of all the undergraduate students in favor of the principle embodied in the above resolutions the committee will then proceed to hold a conference with a

representative committee of the student body, and formulate the details of a practical scheme to be submitted to the University Faculty." As yet no report of the result of the ballot has reached us, but it is quite probable that there will be a large majority in favor of student control.

There is no reason why some such scheme should not be put into operation here at Toronto. The Faculty would doubtless welcome any change which would take the burden of responsibility from their shoulders, and would co-operate with the undergraduates in any endeavor to secure honesty at examinations. In the meantime an expression of opinion in these columns by some of the undergraduates would be *a propos*.

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IN one respect, (and only one), editors are like transgressors; their way is hard. The new editor never realized that fact so keenly as he does at the present time. Viewed from afar the position which he now holds seemed an enviable one. "Distance lent enchantment to the view," but that enchantment has been gradually dispelled, until now he is face to face with the awful reality. But it is too late to retreat, so he hereby formally takes up the insignia of office, the famous editorial "we," and with the pen and scissors in either hand enters upon his duties. We realize that for many years "VARSITY" has had an enviable reputation among college journals, and that that reputation must be maintained. The task is impossible unless the editor has the sympathy and help, not only of the Editorial Board, but also of the whole student body. "VARSITY" is a student publication pure and simple, and for that reason deserves the hearty support of every undergraduate of University College and the School of Practical Science. If it receives that support it will continue to prosper and be a credit to the institution from which it comes.

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WHY is it that the hockey teams have not the enthusiastic support of the whole student body that the football teams have? Hockey is probably a better game from the standpoint of the spectator than Rugby, and yet as far as the undergraduates are concerned it draws not more than half the crowd. Is it because the hockey team is as a rule not so successful as our "grid-iron giants"? That should rather be a reason for increased support, because if there is ever a time when "rooting" is useful it is when the team is losing. We think the reason is rather to be found in the different seasons at which the two games are played. After the Christmas vacation the average undergraduate begins to realize the proximity of the examinations, and decides to eschew all frivolities. But this is apt to be, and undoubtedly often is, carried to excess. It will not lessen anybody's chances of a scholarship to come out of his shell occasionally to see the hockey team play. Let us give them the support which they undoubtedly deserve in their effort to bring Varsity to the front in Canada's national winter game.

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WE regret that a typographical error occurred in the article by Prof. McCurdy on "Athletics and the University" in the Christmas number. In the sentence beginning: "When the ball goes over the goal line from the post or the body of a defender"—the word "post" should be "foot."



## SPORTS

### HOCKEY.

WELLINGTONS 11—VARSITY 3.

The Varsity hockey team opened their season rather inauspiciously on Saturday evening by losing their first match in the O. H. A. series to the Wellingtons by the score of eleven goals to three. Varsity was very unfortunate in meeting the champions of Ontario so early in the season, when they were hardly in a position to do themselves justice. If they had had the benefit of a couple of practice games the score would have doubtless not been so uneven. As it was, most of the men did not return from their holidays till the beginning of the week and the unfavorable weather that followed upset all calculations. None of the players were in shape, and they had no practice as a team. In fact a couple of the men had not been on the ice this winter before Saturday's match. Moreover, the team sustained a very severe loss in the case of Evans who was injured on Friday and was unable to play; he was keenly missed at point. Great credit, however, is due to McLaren who filled the position remarkably well, considering that he had absolutely no practice. It was hardly expected that the students would win, but it is a matter of congratulation that every man played as hard as he knew how, and played cleanly. Prospects are not at all gloomy. There is lots of good material, and with systematic practices and the support of the students the team is sure to be much stronger as the season advances, and the knowing ones still expect Varsity to regain her laurels.

There was a good-sized crowd at the Mutual Street Rink to witness the match, but not much enthusiasm of the audible kind. The students turned out well, but they were scattered, and the yelling and the rooting was not what it might have been. Owing to the thaw the ice was rather soft and uneven, but despite this the game was a fast one and a good exhibition of hockey. At about 8.30 the two rival teams appeared and lined up as follows:

*Wellingtons*—Goal, Bilton; point, Smart; cover-point, Ardagh; forwards, Hill, Mackay, Chadwick, Morden.

*Varsity*—Goal, Pardoe; point, McLaren; cover-point, Wright; forwards, Gilbert, Gibson, Broder, Wood.

*Referee*—Dr. King.

Individually the Wellingtons scintillated and sparkled as twinkle the stars of evening. Chadwick and Mackay were especially brilliant, and made some magnificent plays. They were responsible for a good proportion of the goals, and Pardoe was kept busy. All the forwards were remarkably sure and fast in shooting. As a team, however, the Dukes showed hardly a trace of combination play; their forwards hardly did any after passing, that is the best feature of the game. On the contrary the Varsity forwards were not individually so brilliant, but, despite their lack of practice, played well together, and did some very pretty combination work. Time and time again they brought the puck right to their opponents' goal, but here they generally stopped. While Bilton undoubtedly stopped a great many hot shots that would have passed a goal-keeper of ordinary calibre, it must be said that the shooting of the students was not at all up to

the mark. Nor did they equal their opponents in their work at the boards. Both faults should be remedied by hard practice.

Varsity started off with a rush and right from the face off the forwards carried the puck to the posts. After less than two minutes play Gibson scored the first goal. The Wellingtons saw they had to work to win. Both goal keepers were kept busy. Bilton stopped one shot with his nose, while the only way McLaren could check one of Chadwick's rushes was to fall on him. Finally after about ten minutes fast play Ardagh tied the score by a clean shot between the posts. Things were pretty even at this stage of the game and the defences of both sevens were kept on the lookout. After about five minutes Chadwick worked in a splendid dodging rush from half-way to the nets. Two minutes later McKay scored on a pass from Smart and tallied another goal in no time. Score 4—1. Varsity seemed to wake up at this point and had the best of the game for a few minutes. After one of the prettiest combination plays of the match Gibson landed the puck in the net. A minute later Chadwick again got going and by a splendid rush made the score 5—2. There were a couple of delays here. Warden was hurt and an electric light globe was broken. Just before half time was called, the Wellingtons shot another goal and made the score 6—2.

The first goal in the second half was scored by Gibson of Varsity after a fine combination. But this was their last goal and though they worked their hardest, they were out-played at every point by the Wellingtons. McKay and Chadwick played magnificently and were responsible for the remaining five goals. Ardagh was laid out for a few minutes near the beginning of the half, but was able to continue playing. Three Wellingtons and one Varsity man were ruled off during the game for short periods for slashing.

### PASTE THIS IN YOUR HAT.

The following schedules will show all the games which the three Varsity teams will play:

#### SENIOR

January 4—St. George's at Wellingtons.

January 11—Wellingtons at Varsity.

January 18—St. George's at Varsity.

January 25—Varsity at St. George's.

February 1—Wellingtons at St. George's.

February 8—Varsity at Wellingtons.

#### INTERMEDIATE

January 9th—Brampton at Newmarket.

January 10th—Varsity at Parkdale.

January 13th—Newmarket at Brampton.

January 14th—Parkdale at Varsity.

January 16th—Parkdale at Newmarket.

January 17th—Varsity at Brampton.

January 20th—Newmarket at Parkdale.

January 23rd—Varsity at Newmarket.

January 24th—Brampton at Parkdale.

January 27th—Newmarket at Varsity; Parkdale at Brampton.

January 29th—Brampton at Varsity.

#### JUNIOR

January 9th—Parkdale at Hamilton.

January 18th—Hamilton at Varsity.

January 21st—Varsity at Parkdale.

January 23rd—Hamilton at Parkdale.

January 28th—Parkdale at Varsity.

January 31st—Varsity at Hamilton.

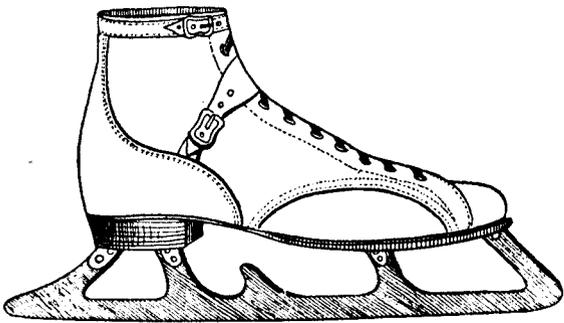
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Superintending Editor, - I. N. Loeser, '03.

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No Varsity man is more keenly interested in the sessions of the provincial legislature than the Hon. D. B. Gillies, M.P. While I noticed on his face a wrathful wince at Mr. Whitney's reference to the Grit Gerrymander, he smiled with pride when his veteran leader shattered the allegations of the opposition into atoms and fragments.

Arthur W. Keith, '00, paid his annual Christmas visit to the gymnasium during vacation. He is teaching science in the Leamington High School.

E. M. Wilcox, '01, Assistant Secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers Association, is to leave shortly on a business trip to the West Indies. J. F. M. Stewart, '00, will take his place at home for the three months or so during which he will be absent.

Jim Dickinson, '02, was down with influenza for a few days during the holidays, but the malady could not withstand the mellowing influence of the brandy sauce he had with his Christmas pudding, and left him suddenly as if by magic. Perhaps it was charmed away.

Professor (translating) "Sometimes it was a 'yellow bill' (so the new arrivals at the University [of Paris, 1482] were called) whom he had tousel for his welcome—a precious tradition which "has been carefully perpetuated even to our days." A curious way of receiving newcomers this, that seems to prevail all over the world. And it is not confined to the human species, either. Just turn a strange cow into the field with the herd or put a strange hen in the poultry yard, and see the treatment it gets. Oh, this is one of the *deep* things of nature, that is hard to eradicate.

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Williman, '04, did not go home for Christmas. We wonder why? He was seen around Carlton street on several occasions. It's up to you to explain, "Willie."

Miss J. T. A. Robertson, B.A., '01, has the sincere sympathy of the students in the death of her father, Dr. Robertson, Supt. of Presbyterian Missions in the North-West, which occurred last week.

"There are only two causes of the evil in this world—only two possible causes"—, says Professor Hume,— "man is one, and woman is the other."

Congratulations are in order to Mr. Frederick Rutter on his stand in his economic essay. I wonder whether he was as much surprised as we!

The strains of the Dutch Compane no longer hold a monopoly about our halls. They mingle with the notes of a charming rag-time medley, Ma Arabell. Our friends, Messrs. O'Flynn and Brophy are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts.

Our distinguished Associate-Professor of the department of Natural Science is a great lover of skating and its amenities. He is open to all comers in the same ring.

Let no freshman imagine having spent a month or so with us that he owns the institution. He will realize next year how very very green he is this year.

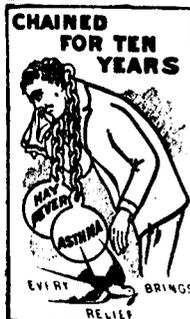
Our hockey season is about to open. We sincerely trust that our captain, Mr. "Doc" Wright will not find it necessary to say again: "Veni, vidi, victus sum."

B. A. Simson, '00, is head of the woods and forests department of the Clergy syndicate.

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Appointment of High School Trustees  
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