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VARSITY FALLS BEFORE OTTAWA

Great Game for the Championship of Canada Played Saturday

VARSITY'S SPLENDID WORK

Loss of the Game Due Solely to Ill-luck—Team Shows Up Better than Expected

Written for College Topics by W. H. Alexander, '99 Arts
It really seemed too good to be true when the afternoon of Saturday last displayed a genuine burst of sunshine. The Rugby season of 1898 will not go upon record as having been singularly propitious in the matter of weather, but against the conditions surrounding the great game between the Intercollegiate Champions and the Champions of Ontario nothing can honestly be said.

It was a glorious sight that greeted the eye of the spectator on the Rosedale grounds at half-past two on the afternoon of the 19th—a sight, indeed, such one does not often look upon, and which once seen leaves a lasting impression. On the beautiful field, which was in excellent shape, were lined up the two finest teams in the whole Dominion, teams which by the arduous conflicts of a hard-fought season had well earned their right to play for the highest championship honors—the one garbed in the Blue and White representing the academic circles of the country, the other in the Red and White standing for the pick of the city aggregations. Then, too, everywhere as far as the eye could see were massed the many spectators; and while Rosedale has seen larger gatherings, yet that of Saturday will go down to history as not by any means the smallest turnout that ever crossed the ravine.

But to come to the game itself, the question perplexes us as to "where shall we begin?" As a matter of fact, the comments that might be made are so innumerable, and the order in which they rise in the mind is so inexplicably tangled, that we must be pardoned if our remarks seem to lack coherence.

There is no doubt that a number of people came to the game with the very charitable hope that Varsity wouldn't be beaten by more than fifteen points. In the case of such persons virtue found its reward; for they were favored with the closest, keenest and hardest game of football ever seen in this country.

The Rough Riders were brought to a good many sudden stops and at times were played pretty nearly to a standstill.

The boys commenced the game with the snap that characterized the teams of '95 and '96, when those famous aggregations were battling for final honors. The ball had not been in play very many moments before Wicky Wilson, attempting to make one of those famous dodges that have earned him glory in the past, found himself lovingly embraced behind his own goal line. The enthusiasm of the grand stand was intense and justifiable.

Two things were now quite apparent—that in fast sprinting work and in chain lightning tackling, the collegians were vastly the superiors of their opponents. Perhaps no place can be found better than this to dilate on the simply marvellous speed of Varsity's forwards, and if one may mention particular names here, Burnside and Blackwood shone very conspicuously. Ottawa City, it was plain to see, had never run up against anything so fast, and as a consequence they were for a time suffering all the disabilities of men surprised; though, as the game went on, they began to work the most flagrant interference, so as in some measure to prevent the College boys from getting the full benefit of their speed. As for the Collegiate tackling, everybody pronounces it superb—"The best thing ever seen on a Canadian football field." To Captain Burnside must be assigned the credit of having trained his men in tackling to a pitch which fairly outpoints perfection. Many of us remember Tiny Counsell's catapult tackle, in which he would leap feet through the air after his luckless victim, but in Tiny's day there was only one man on the Varsity who could do that, while now it is no exaggeration to say that each and every Varsity man could put up an excellent imitation of our old captain's famous tackle. The way the "Rough Riders" went down before it was tremendous, and while it is unsportsmanlike and brutal to boast of such things, one cannot help feeling unmitigated satisfaction at the way in which a team which has never been any too gentle in its tactics on the gridiron, was mown down by younger and lighter opponents. Some comparison of the tackling force of the two teams may be made from the fact that of the Ottawa city team eight were "laid out" as against two of the intercollegiate champions.

For the remainder of the half Varsity continued to press the Caps very hard, and indeed secured a pretty score on Hill's neat goal from a penalty kick, which made glad the heart of many. Yet, when the half was over, a good many felt that our boys were beaten, (despite the fact that they had thus far whitewashed the Senators), basing their conclusion on Varsity's inability, even when forcing the play, to carry the ball over. It must be admitted that at this stage hopes of ultimate success arose on all sides.

One may comment here on the fact that Varsity's halves, while playing a splendid game, were not playing their best game, if we may judge from their previous performances. Several times their fumbles had been costly; and yet, after all, one is forced to pay them every compliment, for seldom have half-backs made gaining kicks under more disadvantages than those which occasionally surrounded them. To kick for forty yards with one opponent on your neck and another clinging to your body is indeed a *chef d'oeuvre* of a football half-back.

During the first half Ottawa had the ball past half way only two or three times, and past Varsity's 25 only once.

Varsity resumed the aggressive in the second half. This was a genuine surprise to many all through the game, for the aggressive style of play was assumed by the Blue and White in place of the defensive, which it was rumored they would use. The wisdom manifested in the course they did choose was very evident throughout; for, as a matter of fact, Varsity could not begin to play a good defence game against the city team's weight, as may be seen from the fact that the Ottawas scored when they got the leather near our line.

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EMINENT ENGLISH JURIST

Professor Dicey, of Oxford, Addresses the Political Science Club on Friday Afternoon

The Political Science Club, together with several other members of the University, had the pleasure of listening to a half hour address by the eminent jurist, Prof. Dicey, last Friday afternoon. Prof. Dicey, whose reputation is world wide as the author of "The Law of the Constitution," is Vinerian Professor of English Law in Oxford. President Loudon introduced the distinguished visitor, who stated that it was his intention to offer no more than a few suggestions on matters constitutional, which those interested could investigate for themselves. He called attention to two principal facts—the growth within the last fifty years of parliamentary government, and the fact that the popular assembly was no longer looked upon with the same feelings of awe and dignity as formerly. Although, by the present generation, parliamentary government was regarded as the only true method of government, yet it was none the less a fact that it was only within the last half century that it had attained the powerful growth which characterized it at the present day. Without stating any inferences, he had also observed that parliamentary obstruction, which had even degenerated into physical obstruction, as in the case of the Germans, who had resorted to fist-cuffs, had resulted in a decrease of awe and reverence for the popular assembly. The Parliament of Great Britain had been the cynosure of the eyes of the civilized world and had been regarded as the most successful. In regard to the freedom of the press as applied to the legislative assembly, he thought that Parliament gains in repute by not being reported. Parliament at its best was a good machine for abolition, good for cleaning away the rubbish of accumulated ages. Of late, however, there had been a change in the way of a desire for constructive legislation.

Prof. Dicey's remarks were received with the closest attention, and were warmly applauded.

A vote of thanks, which was enthusiastically endorsed by those present, was tendered Professor Dicey, who in making his acknowledgments stated that this was the first occasion upon which he had addressed a Canadian audience. Prof. Goldwin Smith, who had accompanied his illustrious guest, complied with the request of the students and made a brief speech, prophetic of the great destinies of the Political Science students present.

CLASS '02 RECEPTION

Will be Held in University College, Saturday Afternoon, Dec. 10.

The executive committee of the class of '02, met Wednesday afternoon, with President R. J. Hamilton in the chair. All the business connected with the class was effectively dealt with. The color committee have spared no labor in making a selection of a class pin, which it is hoped will be a credit to the year. It will be for sale in a few days. Various committees have been appointed, and complete arrangements have been made for the year's Reception, which will be held Saturday afternoon, Dec. 10th.

PUBLIC DEBATE HELD AT VARSITY

A Large Audience Attend the Annual Open Meeting of the Lit

AN INTERESTING PROGRAM

The Usual Contingent of Wise Attend and Add Much to the Enjoyment of the Evening.

It is somewhat difficult to say whether the One Hundred and Fifty-sixth Public Debate of University College Literary and Scientific Society was a record-breaker. While there was undoubtedly a good house, the seating capacity of the Gymnasium was not taxed to the uttermost. In what might be called the pit of the house there was a tidy sprinkling of the fair sex, with their escorts, the latter coming in for the usual bouquets which fall from the hands of the gods. Elderly parties were also present—fond and doting parents; nay, possibly prospective parents-in-law—who came to contemplate the triumphs of young "Edwin." In the seats of the mighty there was a host of gods and goddesses. The latter must have taken too seriously Professor Baker's exordium, to think twice before making a joke, judging from the profound silence they preserved. The conduct of the bewiskered deities was, however, characterized by no such scruples. They gave vent to their spirits in a manner absolutely regardless. Unfortunately, the field is, in the words of our University motto, *Velut arbor in aevum*—less fruitful in opportunities for the exercise and display of brilliant wit as the years roll by. To him, therefore, who is the father of a bright and original saying—something really funny—should be awarded a crown of parsley!

On the whole the best of good order prevailed. The contributors to the evening's entertainment were given a fair hearing, and some puns were made which merited publication in the leading comic journals of our time. As a necessary prelude to a program which for solidarity and the production of somnolence is calculated to put to rout the claims of the most enthusiastic Quaker meeting, an orchestra played a series of popular numbers, which were listened to with marked appreciation.

At about 8 o'clock, a dignified procession in hood and gown made its way to the platform amid the acclamations of what the members of the Toronto police force would consider the great unwashed. Prof. Alfred Baker, who was, as ever, an ideal chairman, opened the meeting with a few preliminary remarks in which he expressed his view of the importance of the Literary Society as a college organization. He said that in his time the president of the society had been usually considered a seventh professor. After complimenting the society upon its choice of its present President, Dr. Wickett, he called upon the latter to deliver his inaugural address.

Dr. Wickett, who chose for his subject, "Bismarck and Nationality," delivered a most interesting and instructive address upon the life and work of this great warrior and statesman. He considered Bismarck from a three-fold point of view—as a man, a statesman and a politician. Each of these divisions was illustrated by reference to his life and work, and furnished a very comprehensive view of the subject. Dr. Wickett concluded his address with a few remarks on the work of the Literary Society. He thought that great progress was being made. Its new feature was the inauguration of a debate between Queen's University and Varsity. Reference was also made to the recent formation of the Inter-College Debating Union, of Toronto, while the hope was expressed that the appointment of an elocutionist would be among the possibilities of the near future.

After the president's address, Prof. Baker called upon Mr. Walter Beardmore, of the S.P.S., for a violin solo. Mr. Beardmore's execution was admirable, and quite in keeping with the reputation he has won for himself around Varsity. His selection was succeeded by an urgent demand for an encore, which was, however, deferred until later. Mr. A. H. R. Fairchild, '00, followed with an essay upon "Genius and Reality," which gave evidence of clear thought, poetical sense, and rhetorical ability. Mr. Fairchild's ability as a reader contributed materially towards the success of his essay.

Mr. Beardmore then favored the audience with his encore, which was fully appreciated. Mr. A. L. Burch, '99, the official reader, gave as his contribution to the program of the evening a recitation from Mark Twain, which he rendered in an inimitable style. Mr. Burch's clever impersonation of the hysterical guide and the phlegmatic American doctor inspired this familiar passage with new interest, and kept the audience laughing throughout. This number brought the first part of the program to an end.

Part II. was devoted to the debate, the proposition of which was: "Resolved that Lord Salisbury's foreign policy during the present administration has been on the whole censurable." The speakers for the affirmative were R. J. McAlpine, '99, A. N. Mitchell, '00, the negative being sustained by W. F. McKay, '99, G. F. Kay, '00.

Mr. McAlpine opened the debate by stating that it was necessary first to know what was the policy outlined by Salisbury, and then to consider the extent to which he was deserving of censure. The policy enunciated by Mr. Chamberlain and authorized by Lord Salisbury had three objects in view. The efforts of Lord Salisbury were directed, firstly, toward preventing old markets from being closed to Great Britain; secondly, toward opening new ones; and thirdly, toward maintaining an open door. It was the policy of the open door, Mr. McAlpine said, which had raised Great Britain to her present state of commercial supremacy. Salisbury's policy in China was marked by failure, France, Germany and Russia having all succeeded in overruling it. Manchuria had been ceded to Russia in spite of Lord Salisbury's efforts to the contrary, while their obtaining possession of Port Arthur, a strong strategic port, gave strong evidence of his lack of foresight.

Mr. McKay, the leader of the negative, stated his case in a very clear and consecutive manner. He declared that Lord Salisbury's policy was a peace policy. He thought that the latter was deserving, not of censure, but of praise for the way in which he had kept Great Britain, while unprepared, at peace with Europe, by sacrificing on occasion a minor point of policy rather than embroiling the country in war. The result of Lord Salisbury's waiting policy had been

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RUGBY DANCE

Will Be Held Tuesday Evening, the 29th Inst.—Sale of Tickets Limited to 500.

The night of the Rugby dance, which was announced last week for Nov. 29th, is one which is eagerly awaited by all who delight in a good hop. This is an event which is popular, not only for its own sake, but also from the fact that it is the initial number in Varsity's social calendar. Around it cluster some of the tenderest memories of grads and undergrads of both sexes—memories of stalwart football heroes, whose tousled locks have been the admiration of many a susceptible maiden. Small wonder then that the Athletic Association is always considered in the light of a most charming host. The directorate is making every provision for the success of the dance. The following ladies have kindly consented to act as lady patronesses: Miss Mowat, Mrs. Loudon, Mrs. Hardy, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Mulock, Mrs. Ramsay Wright, Mrs. B. E. Walker, Mrs. McCurdy, Mrs. Irving Cameron, Mrs. Galbraith, and Miss Salter. Music will be furnished by Glionna's Orchestra. The dancing will, of course, be done in the Gymnasium, and will commence at 8.30. One of the features of the evening will be the distribution by Miss Mowat of the prizes to the victors at the University games. Tickets, the sale of which will be limited to 500 in order to ensure a good dance, may be obtained from the members of the Athletic Directorate, or at the Janitor's office, University College.

DAMON AND PYTHIAS

This Famous Play to Be Produced by St. Michael's Students Next Month.

The members of St. Michael's Dramatic Club are spending their leisure moments at present rehearsing for a grand production of Damon and Pythias, which will be presented in College Hall before the holidays. Professor Kirkpatrick, of the Conservatory, under whose management the play will be put on, will assume the role of Damon. The other leading parts will be taken by Mr. S. H. O'Boyle and Mr. E. Bradley. The following will be the cast of characters: Pythias.....S. H. O'Boyle Dionysius.....J. Lynch Damocles.....F. McCarthy Procles.....A. Savage Lucullus.....J. Lynott Philistius.....J. Mulligan Hermeon.....C. McRea Calonthe.....E. Bradley Damon.....Prof. Kirkpatrick

A very successful meeting of the St. Charles Literary Society was held on the evening of the 20th inst. Mr. Lynott occupied the chair. He put his hand to the helm the moment he took his seat, and in less time than it takes to tell, he had evolved an impromptu debate for the orators present. Some splendid oratory was listened to, Messrs. Donovan and Dugan distinguishing themselves in a very brilliant manner. Mr. McCarthy followed with a very interesting essay on the Boston subway, describing this unique construction in its every detail.

Mr. J. Lynett, the vice-president, following with a learned and logical paper on "Cause."

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO DINNER

This Great College Event will be Held on Friday Evening, Dec. 18.

COMMITTEE NOW AT WORK

A Large Number of Prominent Men Expected to be Present, Including the Governor-General.

The chief topic of absorbing interest in the undergraduate circles of University College will be, from now on, the University Dinner, of which previous mention has already been made in these columns. The Rugby season is now practically over; everybody has made arrangements for the Rugby dance; so that the next matter of "vital importance" to hold the attention of the College man is the Dinner.

It would not be amiss to advert to the history of this proposed event and to its claims upon the undergraduate. As has been already mentioned, it was only two years ago that a University dinner was within recent years discussed as a possibility and successfully carried through. Prior to that time it had been the custom for each class to hold its own dinner. Although an attempt was made last year to hold a dinner, it was found that the number of subscribers was too limited to warrant the committee in taking definite steps towards its realization. The Literary Society, which is taking the matter in hand this year, has through its executive made considerable progress in its preparations. The names of the committee appointed were published in a recent number. Since that time the various sub-committees have been appointed, the members of which are as follows: Invitation and Reception—A. McDougall, '99, J. J. Gibson, '99, E. P. Brown, '01, J. D. Cunningham, '00, and D. A. Ross, S.P.S. Finance—S. A. Dickson, '99, H. D. Graham, '99, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Biggs, and Lorn Allan, S.P.S. Decoration—H. D. Graham, '99, H. McLagan, '99, A. N. Mitchell, '00, J. D. Cunningham, '00, Messrs. Irwin and Briggs. Refreshment and Menu—G. W. Ross, '99, W. H. Alexander, '99, D. E. Kilgour, '00, and Mr. D. A. Ross, S.P.S. Entertainment—J. T. Richardson, '99, E. P. Brown, '01, and W. Boyd, S.P.S.

The Faculty has appointed as its committee: Honorary president, President Loudon; honorary secretary, Professor Fletcher; honorary treasurer, Professor Baker. The list of guests has not as yet been definitely decided upon. The Faculty will, however, invite their own guests, which procedure will be also adopted by the student body. Representatives from sister Colleges will be present, including McGill, Queen's, Trinity and the two Medical Colleges of Toronto. It is also expected that the Governor-General will be present. The price of the ticket, it has been decided, shall not exceed \$1.50. The date of this event, which will take place in the gymnasium, has been announced for Dec. 16th. Subscription lists are in circulation in the various years, but up to date the number of names could not consistently, with modesty, be called legion. If the holding of a University dinner be of any material service in developing a more vigorous College spirit, in bringing the Faculty and the Undergraduate members of the University into contact, and lastly, in storing away in the mind an event around which may cluster some of the happiest memories of that happiest stage of a student's existence—his undergraduate life—then surely Varsity men can contrive to go in for this event and still keep the wolf from the door. A College dinner is a recognized institution in most of our sister Colleges in this city. Trinity University, the Medical Faculty of our own University and Trinity Medical College each hold their annual dinner. It remains for University College to take her place on a scale befitting her dignity and the position she holds among the Universities of the Dominion.

The University of Toronto Baseball Club will hold its annual meeting on Wednesday afternoon of next week, in Students' Union. The meeting this year is held earlier than usual, in order to give the management sufficient time to arrange for the spring trip, which it is expected will include a number of games with American College teams. Every student of the affiliated Colleges of the University is invited to be present next Wednesday.

At the meeting of the Varsity Classical Association Tuesday afternoon, Mr. N. L. Wilson, '00, read a very interesting paper on "The Mythological Element in the Greek Poets." Mr. G. E. Will also contributed to the afternoon's program with a paper on "Cicero, citizen and statesman." Both papers displayed considerable care in preparation and thoughtful study, and reflect much credit on the readers.

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Heard in the Halls.

Mr. C. E. S. Tapscott, B.A., '97, is at Osgoode.

Miss G. Ahner is greatly missed from the class of '01.

Mr. A. D. McIntyre, B.A., '97, is engaged in business in the city.

Miss Mabel Bapty, B.A., '97, is a member of the staff of Haverall Hall.

"Fides" Nicol, B.A., '97, is taking his second year in Divinity at Yale.

Mr. D. E. Kilgour, '00, followed a large chrysanthemum to Rosedale last Saturday afternoon.

Miss M. A. Nash and Miss B. G. Sullivan, are two more absentees from the century class.

Mr. W. K. Stewart, B.A., '97, is taking his second year in Ph. D. work at Harvard University.

B. A. C. Craig, B.A., '94, is engaged in mining, and bids fair to become a semi-millionaire.

Dr. "Garney" Holmes is pursuing a post-graduate course on the eye, ear, throat and nose at Vienna.

Drs. C. C. Fissette and H. W. Spence, of '98, are taking post graduate work in London, England.

Miss C. A. Cameron, '99, is not attending lectures, but hopes to graduate with the class next spring.

Trinity will hold its annual concert and dance in Convocation Hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 1st.

W. J. Shortreed, '99, an old member of the Glee Club, is now in Edinburgh, Scotland, studying medicine.

A considerable number of the Victoria College girls intend joining the Ladies' Fencing Club at Varsity.

Dr. W. G. MacCallum, B.A., '94, is now assistant demonstrator in bacteriology at Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Walter F. Maybury, B.A., house surgeon at the General Hospital last year, is now practising in Ottawa.

Mr. C. G. Cowan, '99, has just returned from Kansas, where he has spent the greater part of his prolonged vacation.

Arthur H. Campbell, '97, of football fame, has charge of the New York office of the Robinson-Edwards Lumber Co.

"Jew" Wallbridge, B.A., '97, is another of Varsity's numerous contributions to the graduate galaxy of talent at Osgoode.

Mr. Jack Rowland, B.A., '96, has been appointed to a lucrative position as Greek reader in the University of California.

Mr. F. J. Birchard, '99, has been compelled through ill health to give up his year. He is at present staying at Beaverton.

H. L. Jordan, '97, Jack Counsell and P. W. O'Flynn, '96, are articulated with the legal firm of Barwick, Aylesworth & Franks.

C. C. Bell, B.A., '96, is the latest recruit from the Medical School of Toronto University. C. C. has joined the Queen's Own.

Miss Tennant, '99, Arts, read a very interesting paper on "Barrie," before the Modern Language Club, Monday afternoon.

"Bob" Martin, Varsity's genial janitor, is taking orders for the Christmas number of Saturday Night. Put your name on his list.

Mr. Geo. Graham, B.A., '97, now a junior Toronto Med, has just recovered from an indisposition which has kept him confined to his room for some time.

Vance Bilton, '00, who has played with the Varsity lacrosse team for the last two years, has gone out West. He intends spending the next year on one of the large ranches in Assiniboia.

"Lockie" Burwash, the stalwart centre scrimmage of the last championship team, is still canvassing the mineralogical formation of the Yukon.

Leo Embury, formerly of '99, was a successful candidate in the Freshman exams. at Osgoode last spring. This very companionable young man is at present an indispensable adjunct to his firm's office, Brampton.

Mr. Walter H. Robinson, for some years conductor of the University Glee Club, was recently married to Miss Minnie Hessin, who is well known in Toronto musical circles. Mr. Robinson is at present teaching in New York.

Mr. C. M. Keys, B. A., '97, who is teaching at Bishop Ridley, has been appointed fencing master extraordinary to that institution. Clemmie has recently been favoring his friends with treatises upon the beauties of being a "moulder."

Miss H. M. Austin has dropped her Varsity course to pursue her studies at the Conservatory of Music. Although she will not graduate with her class of '01, she continues to come to College as an "occasional"—taking pass English with the Sophomores.

A very valuable acquisition to the Book-room of the Varsity Library is a finely bound set of Punch, containing Vols. 20-'98—that is, the years from 1851-'90. This will be a great treat to those students who are old-fashioned enough to swear by Mr. Punch.

The construction of a new story in the stackroom of the University Library is nearing completion. When the Library was built in 1892 shelves were erected on only two floors, sufficient space being left, however, for the building of a third story when the occasion should require it.

The invitations are out for the Rugby dance—the smaller tickets being attached by small heart-shaped clasps. They are to be obtained from Miss Salter, or from the janitor—The dance promises to be a great success. Coming as it does so near Thanksgiving, many of the graduates will be present.

Mr. H. Dallas Cameron, B.A., the baritone chanticleer of '97, is now the "game" bird of the Presbyterian Monastery on Spadina Crescent. "Cam" took his freshman year in Divinity at San Anselmo, Cal., where he spent a delightful winter. There is no place like Toronto, however; and—here he is.

Grant Cooper, B.A., '97, the quondam star centre of the Varsity lacrosse team, is a diligent searcher after that portion of the truth which comes within the province of the Hamilton School of Pedagogy. Mr. J. W. Sifton, B.A., '97, also takes an occasional glance through the curriculum of that institution.

The weekly lecture in Catholic philosophy at St. Michael's College will be held on Friday evening this week, instead of Thursday, which is the regular night for the lectures in the series. This change is made on account of Thursday being Thanksgiving. On Friday evening Dr. Teefy will lecture on Psychology.

Grave fears were entertained last week that Dr. Wickett's gown had been irretrievably lost, no traces of it being discoverable in any part of the Students' Union. Further investigation brought to light the fact that some of the members of the Ladies' Lit were privy to its whereabouts, and it was ultimately recovered.

Miss Leah Sherwood of Napanee, a graduate of '97 in the Department of Natural Science, has recently been appointed chemical analyst in a large smelting establishment in Deseronto. Miss Sherwood was the third lady student to take the full Science course, and last year qualified as a teacher of Science at the Ontario Normal College.

The hours arranged for the Ladies' Fencing Club are: Monday, from 3 to 4, Tuesday and Thursday, from 10 to 11, Wednesday from 9 to 10, and Friday from 2 to 3, the latter being for the advanced or senior pupils. It is expected that a Saturday morning class will soon be formed for those who are unable to attend any of the classes during the week.

A new departure has been made this year in the arrangements for the awarding of the McCaul gold medal. Hitherto a special examination was held early in the Easter term, upon the merits of which the award was made. In future this examination will be discontinued, and the medal will go to the student taking the highest marks upon the spring exams.

The first Intercollege debate will be held between Varsity and Trinity, at Trinity College, on Friday evening, Dec. 2nd. The question under discussion will be: Resolved, that War is a necessary Means for the Advancement of Civilization. Messrs. D. T. Owen and K. McKwen, of Trinity, will uphold the affirmative, and Messrs. W. H. Alexander and F. W. Anderson, of Varsity, the negative.

The annual meeting of the Women's Residence Association was held on Wednesday of last week, when the following officers were elected for the year: Hon. pres., Mrs. Loudon; pres., Miss L. Hamilton; vice-presidents, Miss Lawler, Miss Robertson, Miss C. Ross, Miss B. Lawson; treasurer, Mrs. Torrington; secretary, Miss Salter; councillors, Mrs. McCurdy, Miss Street, Miss G. Hunter, Miss M. MacMurphy, Miss K. Fleming. Representatives from the undergrads elected last term at the annual election of the Women's Lit Society: Assistant secretary, Miss N. Cleary, '99; 4th year

representative, Miss H. Woolverton, '99; 3rd year representative, Miss H. Hughes, '00; 2nd year representative, Miss M. Watt, '01.

Last Wednesday Varsity and Knox had one of their old-time battles on the Association field. Varsity's forwards, although playing a good combination game, were not up to their usual good style and were repeatedly stopped by Munroe at back and McGillivray in goal. Varsity's half-back line was weakened by the absence of Biggs, but managed to keep the Knox forwards from becoming too dangerous. The game after an hour's play resulted in a tie.

During vacation Mr. Jack Baird, B.A., '97, was in attendance at the summer session of Leipzig University, pursuing postgraduate work under the celebrated psychologist, Dr. Wundt. He is at present continuing his researches in the psychological laboratory of University College. Jack has developed a very healthy appetite for "weiners" and their concomitants. Those who wish to hear his stories would find it advisable to propitiate his muse with an offering of these delicacies.

The few score persons who turned out to the open meeting of the Classical Association, held on Tuesday last, have scarcely ceased yet to congratulate themselves on having been present to enjoy such a genuine treat, or to pity those who have not the discernment to attend a "good thing" even when they know of it. Professor Fletcher opened the proceedings by a neat speech, after which he called on Mr. E. Hardy, '02, for a piano solo. The University is indeed fortunate in being able to count such a talented musician among its undergraduates; and the Freshman class in particular is to be felicitated on possessing, as one of their members, a gentleman of such high musical reputation. The hearty encore which Mr. Hardy received was certainly no more than his desert. Professor Huntingford, of Trinity University, next delivered the first lecture of the evening, his subject being the "Delphic Oracle." He held the attention of his audience throughout, alike by the breadth of his illustration and the humor of his incidents; nor did he fail to give a very exact and faithful historical delineation of the marvellously acute forecasts of Pythonic shrine. Mr. W. L. Grant, of Upper Canada College, was introduced by the chairman as one of Canada's most promising scholars, and one may well justify such an introduction by reference to the very beautiful and appreciative paper which he read on the "Anthology of the Greeks." To those who were not in any measure acquainted with the wonderful paths of the poems contained in that collection, the lecture came as a revelation; while even those who knew something of it already were charmed by the truly artistic manner in which Mr. Grant touched on the most salient points of his subject. After the usual vote of thanks the meeting broke up well pleased with the evening's entertainment.

Nothing could have been more thoroughly enjoyed than the delightful "At Home" given by Mrs. Mavor last Thursday evening. The spacious home in University crescent was found to be the ideal place for a large dance—a hearty welcome, a charming hostess, mutual acquaintances, a splendid floor, and the most excellent music—what more could one possibly desire? In the welcoming of her guests Mrs. Mavor was ably assisted by Miss G. Burgess and Miss A. W. Patterson. A dainty dance card was presented to each new comer by Miss Dora and Master Willie Mavor. It is to be regretted that the latter, in his picturesque Scotch costume, could not be persuaded to dance the Highland Fling, in which, as it was ascertained, he excels. Dancing began shortly after seven, to the surprise, evidently, of those who thought it best to come fashionably late, the program of twenty numbers, supplemented by many an encore and extra, being furnished by Glionna's orchestra. Between dances, the library upstairs, converted for the time being into the supper room, offered an excellent excuse for cosy tete-a-tetes. It was unanimously agreed that there were many belles. Miss Edna Bilton, '02, perhaps, carrying off the palm. The extreme kindness of Professor and Mrs. Mavor will long be remembered by the Varsity students, who everywhere vote last Thursday, as the most enjoyable evening ever spent during the academic years. Among those present were noticed: The President and Mrs. Loudon, Mrs. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Pelham Edgar, Miss Salter, Miss Boulthbee, Miss Ellis, the Misses Mortimer Clark, the Misses MacMurphy, the Misses Parkin, Miss Vandersmissen, Miss Willson, Mr. J. Roy Perry, B.A., Mr. G. Mortimer Clark, B.A., Mr. J. Jennings, B.A., and Monsieur Siegfried, of Paris, France. The following undergrads can testify to the great success of the dance: Misses Alexander, Andison, Bilton, Burgess, Cleary, Cockburn, Conlin, Dennis, Dickson, Easson, Forrest, Hughes, Jamieson, Johnston, Kennedy, Lang, Macdonald, McMahon, Manson, M. E. Mason, Morrison, Patterson, Peers, Smith, Turner, Wegg, Woolverton, L. K. White, B. B. White, D. F. Wright, L. Wright, and Messrs. Armstrong, Aylesworth, Armour, Bogart, Bradford, Brophy, Brown, E. P., Brown, F. E., Cassidy, Chapman, Clare, Cleary, Cooper, Dickson, S. A., Donovan, Douglas, Doyle, Fisher, Garvey, Graham, H. D., Greene, Greig, Halliday, Hanley, Harrison, Hill, Hunter, Hogg, Jerymn, Johns, Kingston, Lozier, Mackay, McFarland, McGibbon, Mitchell, A. N., Monds, Morrison, Mulcahy, Peacock, Potain, Richardson, Ritchie, Robertson, Russell, Sadler, Sinclair, Stewart, Stovel, Stratton, Thackeray, Waldie, Wilcox and Woods.

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If the Queen's men care to take a few lessons in genuine politeness, let me refer them to our R.M.C. friends, who are to my mind, gentlemen par excellence, as indeed Her Majesty's cadets should be. They played against Varsity II, a game that was hard and fast, but, thank goodness! it was a game between gentlemen and their compeers, not one characterized by the tactics of the street-corner gang, or the prize ring. The soldier boys fought hard to avoid defeat, but when they were beaten they threw up their hats like men, and cheered for the victors, and there was a genuineness in their hand-shake of congratulation, that spoke the true sport and gentleman. Gentlemen cadets, as the military affairs of the empire are in the hands of young spartans like yourselves, the men of Varsity feel sure that on each, and every occasion

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Football is now about over and I am going to save this last little corner to make an appeal for the success of the University Dinner, which it is proposed to hold on Dec. 16th. Let the undergraduates rally to the support of this institution, which I will undertake to endorse without asking Mr. Good's consent. It is a student function, when for once in our lives we all sit down at the common board and listen to the common prattle; and we have an opportunity to hear on such occasions the deliverance of distinguished men. Of the gastronomic charms I say nought.

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Next time Guy goes scorching he better look where he is going, and also would advise him not to do so in the crescent. Accidents will occur.

The final arrangements have been made to hold the annual dinner at Webb's, Dec. 9th. The tickets will be very cheap this year as an inducement. Come and hear the celebrities spout.

Monds has been carrying out some experiments in electric lighting and heating, to the great discomfort of his fellow beings. He had better take care.

Where did Richards of the third year get his knife?

Keith Edgar, whose eyes compelled him to leave S.P.S. last April, has spent the spring and summer with the surveying party which was running the C.P.R. line from Parry Sound to Sudbury. At present he is in the engineer's office at the Union Station engaged in preparing maps and diagrams of the route.

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AMONG THE TRINITY MEDS

A Number of Interesting Things that Happen at this School in a Week

Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 17th, the football team met the McMaster braves on the lawn behind University College. The ground was in dreadful condition for Association ball—wet and sloppy—so that the penalty for a kick at the ball was inevitably a muddy bed.

Early in the game the want of practice showed itself in our Meds, and the Theologs seemed to have the game right in their mitt. Inside of ten minutes two goals were scored against the Red and Black. Then our men seemed to wake up and to the end held their own.

The ground was too slippery for very neat playing, but several good runs were made by men on both sides. If Trinity had played the first ten minutes as they played the last forty the score would not have been 3 to 1. Of course our boys are handicapped heavily in the lack of any suitable grounds for practice, and our College can never expect to show to advantage in the intercollegiate football arena all the latent skill there is in her athletic students. However, we feel proud of our football team and think that, all things considered, they are a great credit to their College. May they have better luck next time! Capt. Halliday deserves it.

Medical queries have for the nonce taken a back seat in our final room, and all the superfluous inquisitiveness of the boys is being exercised in trying to find out "Who's the best man in this town?" Many and wonderful are the names suggested, but all have been swamped by the one great and only "Hiram Walker." "Willie" Kerr is so interested in the argument that he is developing quite a good voice and may go on the stage. Each president of our societies declares the other is the man, but the rest of the years think it's only another "family compact," and are frowning it down, and quite rightly too.

On Thursday evening last, the men of the Primary years spent the time after 4.30 in trying to see who could yell the loudest. A lot of them are mighty good at it. The lecturer in the final room thought they ought to be locked up, but all those who sit upon the step-ladder may rest peacefully in the assurance that George Peers won't let any of them be locked up. He wouldn't on Hallowe'en, and will take care of them yet. Of course it was only one of the professor's bon mots.

A suggestion for our fourth year's future doorplates: "Operating done while you wait."

Recipe for all students who think the dinner hour a waste of time:—Take a five grain capsule of bouillon as prepared by any of our third year bacteriologists and then drink two pints of water and in five minutes your stomach will be full of soup.—N. B. This is for the benefit of our friends of other schools.

Medical Note:—"Borrowing may be a disease, but lending is insanity."

It isn't often that the final room echoes with such cheers as greeted our lecturer in Medical Jurisprudence on Thursday evening, after his two weeks in the wilds of the north. Both he and Dr. Teskey report a good time with lots of deer. All are glad that others besides themselves are having a good time.

To Harry Marshall, '99, is due the credit of trying to promote a new time-table, which will put all our lectures in the morning, leaving us the afternoon for hospital work, reading or loafing. As it is we are at college all day, feel guilty if we go out at night, and have to skip lectures to go down town. We hope the men won't let it drop.

Levy's back. He reports a regular blizzard encountered while driving. The carriage upset three times but nothing more than his dignity was hurt.

On Thursday morning Dr. Fotheringham addressed the Y.M.C.A. on "Evolution." The address was very instructive and was given in his usual terse, scholarly way. Everybody appreciates very much the interest which the Faculty takes in Y.M.C.A. proceedings.

"Geordie" Jamieson says it's a snap to sell the dinner tickets and that the menu card is to be a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

Court King brought forward a proposition on Friday night to send invitations to our banquet to some American Colleges. The question was discussed by Davy Wilson, who thinks it would be a stepping stone to the great Anglo-American Alliance. Davy heartily backs all alliances, and is even in sympathy with the Christian Alliance.

The regular meeting of the Medical Society was held on Tuesday night, Nov. 15, President Sam Eagleson presiding. The meeting opened with a most interesting paper on "Bone Lesions following Typhoid" by Dr. R. C. Parsons. The paper was ably discussed by Drs. Anderson, Shuttleworth, Bethune and Mr. Peers, '99. Alf Scully then charmed the audience with a vocal solo. He will represent our musical department also at Bishop's. Mr. S. Foote, '99, told an interesting story of "Post-partum hemorrhage," away in the backwoods—log cabin, one chair, rocks, trees, etc. This was followed by a good song from "Jamaica," Johnston, '99. Dr. Page followed with a paper on "Hypertrophic Cirrhosis of the Liver," which pleased everyone and was well discussed. The meeting closed with a report of a P.M. at T.G.H., given by J. H. Johnston, who had acted as official scribe on the occasion. Several of the boys are Scribes, but we are happy to say none are Pharisees.

Conspicuous by its absence.—Levy's moustache.

"See a good thing, rush it along."—Fleming and Elliott.

"There are no flies on us."—The "subs."

"There's a place where they don't shovel snow."—Alex.

Alf Watson has returned from a duck shooting expedition up north. It is not known how many brace he bagged.

Up till a few days ago Lyness had a most luxuriant moustache; but it evidently became a burden to him, or perhaps he feared the frosts of winter would be too much for it. At any rate he has undergone the operation of having it removed. It is not known whether he took ether or chloroform; suffice it to say the operation was successful, and he lives to tell the tale. However, we hope that "Aprille with his shoures soote" will cause it to blossom forth with renewed vigor.

Some of the gentlemen in the primary room have very sensitive mucous membranes, and as a result are subject to violent fits of coughing when sulphur fumes, P₂O₅ and the like are given off in their presence. So strongly were they affected the other day that the professor found it necessary to make some remarks. He thinks they will have to improve their manners in this life or they will be forced to cough a good deal more in the next. Take warning, gentlemen, in time, and turn from the error of your ways!

At time of writing there is a great rumbling among the dry bones as the freshmen are up for sentence. Those who are successful begin dissecting on the 21st. Take a smoke, ye freshmen, take a smoke!

They say that many a game-bird has fallen under the unerring aim of our Professor in Medical Jurisprudence, and that, though many have been remembered, he has overlooked the fact that some who sit under him have entered the vale of the Benedict. These things would grace any table, but you can't think of everything!

The notice is up that all fees must be paid before Nov. 15th. Our Faculty can make very bad-tasting pills for us to swallow when they try. I'd like anyone to show up any sugar-coating on this one.

Sam Johnston has returned to the ranks of the primary year, and now occupies a prominent place in the first row of benches.

The examination on bones and brain for primary men was held on Friday and Saturday. The pons Varolii has created more interest among them than did ever the pons that Cæsar built across the Rhine, or the one thrown over the Hellespont by Herxes. It will be some time before they get back to the language of every-day life, after living so continuously among the fissures and ventricles of the brain.

Thanks to the generosity of Mr. Wrinch two new punching bags have been put up in our commodious and already "splendidly equipped" gym. The famous rhyme of Mark Twain,

Punch, brothers punch,
Punch with care,
would seem to be specially applicable now. The boys have shown a great interest in the bags, and a few months' practice will make them fully prepared for next Hallowe'en.

The date of this red letter event in Trinity's calendar—the annual dinner—is booked for Thursday, Dec. 1, and not, as announced in our last number, Nov. 30. The preparations are progressing in a most favorable manner and great enthusiasm is displayed on all hands to have this year's banquet eclipse all previous efforts. The price of the tickets will be reduced to the lowest possible figure which will admit of the preparation of a dinner befitting the dignity and honor of old Trinity.

Dr. Grasett has just returned from a few days' duck shooting. The tenor of the Doctor's remarks would lead one to infer that the birds were "out of sight."

Dr. Dunnsville, '98, is in control of the Oakville Sanitarium.

Dean Geikie and Dr. Sheard are as usual taking an active interest in promoting the success of the dinner and are materially facilitating the efforts of the executive who are leaving no stone unturned in the way of preparation. The invitation card is a very neat affair, while the menu card, which is in course of preparation, promises to be a gem of art as well as an acquisition to the *bric-a-brac* of those who will be present at the dinner. Some of the Trinity undergraduates are of opinion that the friendly Anglo-American relations have come to such a state of maturity as to warrant an extension of the school's hospitality to the medical colleges of Detroit and Buffalo.

The secretary, Mr. F. C. Walker, has already received replies from a number of prominent speakers accepting the invitations to be present. Among the number already heard from are Senator Allan, Dr. G. R. Parkin, Prof. Clark, Hon. Dr. Montague, Dr. Briggs, Mr. William Houston and several others.

Dr. Harvey Clare, Trinity's gold medalist in '96, has opened an office at Tweed, Ont.

"Jack" Thompson is enjoying a well-earned vacation, which has taken the form of duck shooting.

Jimmy Moore has returned from a fruitless campaign in South Ontario in the interests of Charles Calder, ex-M.P.P. Mr. Moore reports that the Grit cup of corruption is filled to overflowing.

Charlie's pulse has at length reached the normal after the Hallowe'en exhilaration.

The innumerable friends of Angus Drinnan were glad to welcome him back to old Trinity after an absence of some eighteen months.

UPPER CANADA COLLEGE

The first team met its Waterloo on the Trinity campus on Wednesday last. Although fairly defeated, Capt. Rutter, Waldie and Britton were indeed missed. Smaller things than this have turned the tide. The Trinity wings were almost double the weight of those in blue and white. Parmenter, Griffith and King were the main stays of Trinity team. The repeated runs of Parmenter around the end were a feature of the game. In the first half the ball was mostly in Trinity's territory, and U.C.C. scored three points, chiefly due to the punting of the back line. Just as time was called, Parmenter rushed over for a touch-down, making the score 13-3. Referee—Pud. Kent.

DAY BOYS VS. BOARDERS

For a number of days the village boys have labored under the impression that their team could easily defeat the boarders. Ideas have changed. Ned Boyd and his followers have hung up their dirty clothes for the season. "Captain" Billings won the toss, and kicked with the wind and rain. The boarders succeeded in running up a score of 28 points before the whistle was blown for half time. The day boys' total was 0. The second half was a repetition of the first, barring perhaps, Boyd's peculiar tactics. From half way he rushed towards his own goal, banged into the goal post, knocking the crossbar down upon Jackson's head, and bringing the game to a sudden end. Boarders, 43; day boys, 0. Referee, "Pete" Waldie.

NOTES

Billings had his thumb hurt. Colors have been given out to the entire fifteen.

The annual "Old Boys" match will be played on Tuesday of this week.

"Bun" Moore intends going into the coal business with his father, in Thacker, Virginia.

Britton fell down stairs and injured his knee cap. He will be round again soon however.

"Jimmy" Worts will in all probability fill a place on the forward line when the ice arrives.

F. Vernon Jones will enter R. M. C. next year.

A. E. Beck is attending McGill.

WYCLIFFE COLLEGE.

The Rev. Wm. Hunter, of the graduating class of '96, returned from England a few days ago and is now in charge of the Parish of Sunderland.

The delegates who attended the Inter-Collegiate Missionary Convention at Kingston returned home last Monday. They report a very successful convention and are well pleased with the entertainment which they received from the citizens of Kingston and the students of Queen's University.

Rev. R. McNamara, of Georgetown, paid the college a flying visit on Saturday last week.

The regular business meeting of the Wycliffe Literary and Theological Society was held on Friday evening last. A very animated discussion took place in connection with the report of the "At Home" committee. At first there seemed to be views directly opposed to each other in reference to the adoption of the report, but after some amendments were made to the original report the opposing forces came together and the report was unanimously adopted by the society. A report was also read from the committee appointed to place suggestions before the society concerning the revival of college customs and traditions. The consideration of this report was left over until the next meeting of the society.

A practice match was played between the McMaster and Wycliffe football teams last Thursday afternoon on the University Campus. The former displayed greater combination and defeated their opponents by a score of two goals to none.

KNOX COLLEGE

On Friday evening last the Students' Missionary Society held a very successful open meeting. A large number assembled to enjoy the program, which was well carried out.

At the last meeting of the Literary Society, the program was a mock parliament. Splendid wit and good humour made a first-class entertainment.

On Tuesday evening, 15th inst., in honor of Dr. Proudfoot's jubilee ministry, the students were treated to a genuine oyster supper.

Knoxonians were delighted to hear from their old friend, James Little, who is faithfully proclaiming the Truth in Alberta.

J. G. Cheyne, under-medical advice, is remaining two weeks longer at home, that he may be entirely restored to health.

Rev. W. Moffat, of London, passed through the city last week on his return from a trip to the Old Land.

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VARSITY FALLS BEFORE OTTAWA

(Continued from Page 1.)

Varsity's hard luck in the second half was appalling. First, Eddie Bayly called back the ball from as honest a play as was ever made, insisting that Blackwood had not given McGee five yards, when every unprejudiced spectator thought he had about five miles; then, again, Armour's recall from what we hoped was a try; and, once more, that awful stroke of bad fortune when a punt from Southam struck one of Varsity's goal posts and spoilt Billy Boyd's catch. This was particularly hard, as it is a thing which happens about once in a hundred kicks, and because on this occasion it gave Ottawa possession of the ball about ten yards from Varsity's line. Of course Ottawa had their bad luck, too, notably when Walters got over the line, and lacking sense to fall on the ball, was pushed into touch-in-goal by Beal; but still, of what luck was going, Varsity got the bag end.

The Collegians certainly died game. Their braces in the second half, on many occasions for substantial gains, were evidences of unbending pluck and nerve still remaining, but where it came to a dead shove Varsity very seldom managed to get the best of it, and no wonder either, in view of the heavy odds against them in point of weight.

Some mention must be made of Tart Hills' wonderful plunging runs, which on this occasion, as heretofore, won him much applause. Probably the best man to enquire from on this point would be Shillington of Ottawa, who attempted to stop one of the most successful of them, sustaining material damage in the said effort.

For a long time the score remained at 4-3 and it really seemed as if that was going to be the final tally; but on a couple of rouges and the touch-in-goal previously mentioned, the men from the Capital rolled up three more single points.

The game ended with the ball in Varsity territory, somewhere in the vicinity of the 30-yard line. Varsity was still playing a snappy game while their opponents were becoming distinctly weary. Great credit is due to the "Prof." for the excellent trim in which his men were on the field, and in large part for the excellent endurance they displayed.

The much discussed question of the college scrimmage calls perhaps for attention in brief. They were not so much inferior to the Ottawa trio as the papers would have led one to imagine, and yet there is no denying that the ball never came out at Varsity's side with the quickness and neatness which Kennedy furnished for Ottawa. When the pigskin did come out on Varsity's side, it did so in a dazed kind of way, as if apologizing for its mistake, while when it went to Kenny, it took no devious or uncertain course. In view, however, of the great superiority in weight held by the Ottawa team and of Kennedy's long experience in scrimmage, it would seem that the Varsity scrimmage has nothing to be ashamed of in connection with Saturday's game.

One hardly had a fair chance to compare the work of Biggs and Kenny, owing to the disparity in scrimmaging already mentioned but it seems reasonably certain that Biggs, when he has had Kenny's experience in senior company, will be superior enough to him in line-bucking and tackling to out-class him before another year is over. Biggs can also go into the line and play a warm game.

Beal's work at full was of an extremely difficult nature, and differences of judgment exist as to some of his plays; but of him it may still be said that he is extremely sure in catching and relieving. Whether he could stop a big man like Kennedy in a tight pinch, is an open question.

Boyd played the defensive game of the half-back division, and played it well, too. There can be no dispute as to his first-class rank. MacKenzie and Hills both showed a tendency to fumble, the latter more so than ever, but nervousness may well be their excuse, and one cannot but pardon their every error when one reflects on the general brilliancy of their play.

Our wings covered themselves with glory. MacKenzie and Meredith gave the Walters a good time, probably as warm as they have ever had; while Caldwell, Burnside and Armour did effective work both in offensive and defensive play. Blackwood and Darling made many splendid runs, and indeed one would have imagined they were out for the 100-yard Canadian championship. Many an Ottawa must have wished that 5 yards was given on a free kick. It became, in fact, a piece of heroism to attempt the catch of a free kick with Blackwood or Burnside bearing down upon you.

The whole game was a marvellous exhibition of what football should be, and was marred by very little roughness that a spectator could see, except Kennedy's ill-natured attempts on one or two occasions to scrag in touch. The Rough Riders must do their severe work at home, as they have been very gentle on all their out-of-town trips.

The officials were first-class men beyond a doubt, and did their duty to the best of their ability; but Grant Fitzgibbon, in his efforts to show that he was not prejudiced in favor of Varsity, certainly soaked them on free kicks. There were times when the whole Ottawa wing line was offside without being penalized. But let us say nothing against the officials; for managing a Rugby game is a thankless task, and no doubt Bayly and Fitzgibbon did their best.

Such a game we shall not soon see again. It was a match where after all it was a toss-up who would win; and, as has been said already, the blue and white had decidedly the worst luck. But let us recognize that we were beaten fairly and squarely, though by a narrow margin, not forgetting at the same time to congratulate the captain and the team who have represented the University of Toronto on the football field as she was never represented before. Three cheers for Varsity XV of '98!

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The Play's the Thing

Manager Sheppard made a capital shot when he bagged "A Brace of Partridges" for the bill of fare of the theatre-going public during Thanksgiving week. "A Brace of Partridges," as will have been seen from the press notices, is a lively comedy of English rural life by the famous playwright, Richard Ganthony, and is presented for the first time in Toronto by the Strand Comedy Company, from the Strand Theatre, London. For the past two months it has had a phenomenal run at the Madison Square Theatre, New York. Superlative terms can alone suffice to portray the excellence of the initial performance here on Monday evening. He must have been indeed a pachyderm and a curmudgeon who did not leave the house in a state bordering upon apoplexy. The company, which is entirely English, is a very strong and clever one throughout. Mr. H. Reeves Smith, in the dual title role of the Partridge cousins, makes a very brilliant star and keeps the audience convulsed from start to finish. His impersonations of the somewhat serious Hon. Arthur Partridge and the droll Alfred Partridge, his impetuous cousin, is perfect, while the lightning rapidity with which he makes the necessary changes of costume is simply marvellous. Miss Jessie Bakeman as Peggy Stubbs, the daughter of the landlord of the Red Lion, gives an ideal presentation of a very charming rural Phyllis. Mr. George Shelton as Spiffins, a city waiter, and Mr. Cecil Thornbury, as Snap, the bailiff, are very clever mirth makers. The scenery is remarkably fine, particularly the opening scene in the common room of the Red Lion, where the old country "pub" can be seen in all its wealth and glory. The show is one of the best provided for the holiday week during the past few years and should not be missed.

Uncle Tom's Cabin with sumptuous scenery and good program of Coon songs and dances is the bill at the Princess this week. This play is too historic to need any careful review. It has lived in the heart of one generation and will doubtless continue to live after the present generation has passed away. The production at the Princess is certainly superior to those we have seen in recent years. Mr. Robert Cummings' Legree is unusually good and Mr. Stuart has another opportunity of displaying his versatility in the role of Uncle Tom. The work of Miss Andrews as Ophelia, and Mr. Kingstone is also very well done. To those who have never yet seen the play, it is very unlikely that they will ever see it presented better than it is put on at the Princess this week.

UNIVERSITY MEDS

The men of the second and first years who objected to the annual dinner being held in the gymnasium are very properly saying nothing at present, but have accepted the committee's decision as final, and are going to unite with the others to make the occasion a grand success. They owe their support to the committee and will meet their obligations faithfully. Every man will be on hand. Mr. Riches, one of the menu committee, reports that the sample bill of fare served last week to the committee by Mr. Webb, was simply out of sight. With such a good healthy committee we don't doubt his word in the least, and feel sure that the spread served at the dinner will put every individual in just as good humor as the sample did the menu committee.

Capt. Sproat had his men out for a Rugby practice on Saturday morning. A game was arranged with the S.P.S. men, who were out for a similar purpose. Ansley, Gray and McCollum were not with the Medicals, so the School had the advantage, scoring 5 points against 0. However, the practice was a good hard one, and a few more such would make both these teams important factors in the Mulock series.

The freshmen, having gotten through the ordeal of the first bone examination, were initiated into the mysteries of practical anatomy last week. They are not unanimous in declaring their fondness for it, but there is a "fellow feeling" about it that will soon overcome their scruples.

The great and only George declares the year a fine one, away ahead of their predecessors, and adds that some of them will long remember him. Doubtless they will have occasion to do so.

Dr. Smale assumed the leadership of the Bible class, which meets Sunday morning from 10 o'clock to 10.40 in the Y.M.C.A. building. The primary medicals are fortunate in having secured the Doctor's services. This year will be taken up with a study of the life of Christ. The class is sure to be a successful and profitable one.

Thanksgiving day will prove an enjoyable break in the term's work. Many of the boys are going home to spend a couple of days. There will probably be a boycott placed on Friday's lectures, that the absentees may not miss anything.

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Cyrano de Bergerac.

Dr. Carlyle, the well-known actor and professor of dramatic art at the Toronto College of Music, will read this famous play of Rostand's at the College, Wednesday afternoon of this week at 3 o'clock. Admission to students, 25 cents.

McMASTER HALL.

The Ladies' Literary League of McMaster University held its annual open meeting in the University Chapel on Friday evening. This meeting has always been considered one of the events in the literary life at McMaster; for the ladies always have something of especial interest to present to the friends and acquaintances who attend. This year a programme of great merit, containing many new features, was produced and executed with marked ability by all who participated in it. Miss Bessie N. Newman presided during the evening and in a delicate address welcomed all present to the meeting.

Several orations were declaimed from the rostrum by the lady undergrads, having for their subjects several of the Queens of history and of the present day. Miss Alice Nesbitt spoke of the life, work and aims of the Empress Maria Theresa of Austria-Hungary, and Miss Mary Blackadar, '02, gave a glimpse of the life of Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, a young Queen who has yet a history to make. Miss Kate Armstrong, '01, in her speech carried the audience back to the times of Queen Esther, as the representative Queen of those times. Miss Bertha Gile, '00, again evinced her ability as an elocutionist in the selection, "Mary, Queen of Scots." Miss Nellie Cahoon, '00, gave a very interesting address on Queen Louise of Prussia. These orations and recitations were interspersed with musical selections by University talent and two artist friends of the institution. The piano duet by Miss Hargrave and Miss O. A. Gaylord was excellent, as also the piano solo by Miss Gertrude Carey, of Moulton Ladies' College. Miss Hilda Davis and Miss Theresa Flanagan appeared for the first time before a McMaster audience, winning for themselves a place in the esteem of those present as artists of no mean ability. Miss Hilda Davis, as a violinist, gave evidence of a very high order of ability in the two selections, "A Hungarian Air," and "Air de Ballet." Her execution was finished and artistic, and her interpretation of the selections true and sympathetic. Both selections were received with great applause and encored. The vocal solo by Miss Theresa Flanagan was excellent. Her voice is capable of great range, full of melody and powerful, as was evidenced by the ease and clearness with which she sang her highest notes. She sang as her first selection "Sing On," and to an encore, "Your Beaming Eyes." The ladies deserve great credit for the excellent program provided, and much of this success was due to the efforts of the executive of the society composed of these officers:—President, Miss Bessie W. Newman, '09; vice-president, Miss Octavia A. Gaylord, '00; secretary, Miss Grace Wallace, '02; critic, Miss Nellie Cahoon, '00; pianist, Miss Mary Blackadar, '02.

McMaster I. and Varsity II. met on Varsity Athletic grounds on Saturday morning and engaged in a contest for supremacy in Association football. Both sides worked hard and the game contained some brilliant plays. The honors of the game were about equal, Varsity having the better in the first half and McMaster the advantage in the second. Score, 0-0. The following comprised McMaster II.: Goal, Shaw; backs, Faulkner, McLaurin; half-backs, Wood, Vining, Lamont; forwards, Simpson, Sprague, McLay, Sayles, Fox.

McMaster I. and the Trinity Meds came together last Wednesday in the Intercollegiate series. McMaster had the better of the game throughout and won by 3-1. McMaster's team: goal, Baker; half-backs, Reid, Guyatt; backs, Torrie, Penge, Cornish; forwards, Dr. Hooper, Thompson, McDonald, Dr. McLay, Zavitz.

This year the Woodstock College football team will travel to Toronto to play the annual Thanksgiving Day game with McMaster. The game will take place in the morning on Varsity Athletic grounds. For the last two years the games have resulted a tie, and this year there is much speculation as to the result.

NOTES

Metaphysics—"Does space alone exist in the mind?"—Newman.

Professor—"Where was the sermon on the mount preached?" Excited Student—"In a boat on Lake Galilee."

"Das ist schlecht, schlecht."—Herr Tapscott.

"Aaron between meals."—Tipperary—Tip-ze.

The top flat nightingales are practising diligently these days "In the evening by the moonlight."

Bishop—"Silence there, or your blood be upon your own heads!"

"Is she Irish?"—Cornwall.

"I won't stand it; there has been too much noise."—From "A Tempest in a Teapot."—Tighe.

The Toronto-Trinity game will be on, positively this week, and a warm time is expected. Toronto will, as usual, play a straight college team.

W. F. McKay, '00, who was in England all summer, has at last got back to work.

TRINITY UNIVERSITY.

The Trinity football team has well established its reputation this week. U. C. C. and St. Michael's College have both fallen before our men, and we are justly proud of them. The keenest interest in the game is evinced by nearly every Trinity man, and those who don't play are ever on hand at the game to help to victory with moral suasion the players of our College.

The Literary Institute this year bids fair to be as interesting and profitable as in years past. The meetings have been well attended, both in point of numbers and of order.

Messrs. McKwen and Owen have been chosen to represent the Literary Institute in the inter-collegiate debate with Varsity on December 2nd.

The Rev. James Huntingdon, O.H.C., gave a most helpful and earnest address in the College chapel, which was well filled by a good representation, both of Arts and Divinity men.

The Mission Study class has been started once more in the Divinity corridor. The Students' Volunteer course has been chosen for study this year.

A noticeable innovation in the Divinity corridor is the mission reading room, which has been fitted up as a library of works on mission subjects.

PHARMACY NOTES.

President Herb. Collier took advantage of the Varsity excursion to Kingston on the 11th and accompanied the "pigskin chasers" as far as his home in Napanee. Returning on the afternoon train Monday he had the opportunity, at Bowmanville, of understanding what it means for an express to be brought to a sudden stop by a freight. A fraction of a second was all that was necessary to telescope the three cabooses; yet it assisted the occupants of the car very materially in changing seats. Besides the little shaking up no serious injury resulted, except to the engineer and fireman, who jumped. He says he is quite pleased that he did not wait and take the following train which, at Murray Hill, carried so many to death by colliding with the engine of another freight within sixty miles of the first accident.

Mr. A. H. Abbott, of Toronto University, addressed a meeting in the interests of the Y.M.C.A. on Wednesday afternoon. A good number were present and enjoyed his speech very much.

There is talk around the college of forming a hockey team. As there are a number of good players in this year's class it would not be a very hard matter to pick up a team.

Billy Neilson visited his home in Napanee last Sunday.

At a meeting of the class on Friday the 18th, Mr. R. S. Skinner was elected by a very large majority to attend Trinity's Banquet on December the first. Messrs. Livingston and McDuffie were appointed auditors of the treasurer's books for the junior course.

Hair-cuts are the order of the day at Pharmacy. Everybody followed the President's example.

Everybody is getting down to hard study. Our first examination is held on the 29 inst. The rest following one week later.

DENTAL COLLEGE

DOTS FROM '00.

Weary Willie—Tait.

The Ladies' Man—Kelsey.

Slow, but sure—Chambers.

He has an abundant supply of puns—Moore.

"Looked up, lifted up"—Amy.

"Lent a hand"—Gallagher.

Still floating—Island.

Was it admiration for Rugby or for something else that took "Palmer" to Kingston?

Last week's meeting of the R.D.S. may have been interesting, but it fades into insignificance when compared with what is promised for the next. The best bout of the season will be pulled off when Bartlam and Kelsey step into the ring to contest the bantam championship of '00. This is a matter that has been in dispute for some time, as the men are about evenly matched. Bart says he will certainly "lam" Kelsey hard, but Jimmy is confident of being able to put Bart to sleep in no time. Kelsey has been gathering tips from several local pugilists lately, and these, along with his constant training, have put him in the pink of condition. He promises to spring some entirely new and novel tactics that will undoubtedly surprise all concerned. Messrs. Chambers and Monro will second Mr. Kelsey, while Messrs. Gallagher and Elliott with his war-whoop, will perform a similar office for Mr. Bartlam. Betting is generally at even money. Everybody is expected to turn out. For further particulars see small bills.

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"CLASS GOSSIP."

Pretty—Armstrong.

Comrades—Bain and Hoskin.

Plasterer—Dr. Webster.

Neat, not gaudy—Riggs.

Am I an actor?—Lawrence Barrett.

A plump brace—Winnett and Ross.

I want to be a soldier—Kennedy.

Is she not passing fair?—Miss Auburn.

Holmes, sweet Holmes.

Dental "At Home," Dec. 9th.

I believe they talked of me, for they laughed continually.—Frank.

"Stately and tall he moves in the hall, The chief of a thousand for grace." —Dr. Walter.

Plaxton—Did you see the elephant?

Somebody tells me Charlie Bell is looking for a boarding-house.

Give me back my money, then I'll go; Yet I can't forget I love anatomy so. —Harnden, '01.

Can't think—Jonathan Race.

Weary Willie—Tait.

A snap-shot—Hermiston.

PUBLIC DEBATE

HELD AT VARSITY

(Continued from Page 1).

the strengthening of the army and navy, so that at present Great Britain was quite able to cope successfully with those nations who opposed the essentials of her foreign policy. Mr. McKay then proceeded to deal with the foreign policy as manifested in China and America. He deprecated the current idea that Great Britain is lord paramount in China. England does not own China. Moreover, as a matter of fact, the Chinese have a decided preference for Russia. England has, by the rival Indian tea trade, done great injury to this Chinese industry. He also claimed that the possession of Wei-Kei and Hong Kong and the condition attendant upon the recent Anglo-German loan were examples to the triumphs of Lord Salisbury's policy in the far East. In Venezuela the negotiations had been thoroughly satisfactory, and Lord Salisbury had, in the late Hispano-American war, secured by his policy the warm friendship of the American nation for Great Britain.

Mr. Mitchell made an eloquent speech, in which he endeavored to demonstrate that Lord Salisbury had failed to defend English commercial interests as he had promised to do. He referred particularly to his dealings with France in the cases of Siam, Madagascar, Tunis, and West Africa. In Siam commerce had been lost by the cession of Upper States to France without adequate return; in Madagascar English trade had been excluded by the annexation of the island by France, against which no substantial protest had been made; in Tunis England consented to the practical exclusion of British commerce without any *quid pro quo*; while in West Africa great loss of trade had been experienced in the hinterlands of Dahomey, Lagos and the Gold Coast. Mr. Mitchell considered also that the present danger of war with France is entirely due to the lack of a firm stand in the first place; while the lack of conciliatory policy with Russia, although acknowledged as advisable by Lord Salisbury's Government, is painfully evident.

Mr. Kay, who concluded the debate for the negative, alluded to the fact that, owing to the policy of the present leader of the Conservative party in Great Britain, England is prepared to meet any of her opponents. He claimed that despite the opinions of superficial critics and newspaper reports, the sequence of events has gone to show that Lord Salisbury's policy is worthy of the highest commendation. In 1880, when Egypt was in a state of disorder, when life and property were insecure, and Gordon had been assassinated, Great Britain, deserted by France, had single-handed won back Egypt and restored it to a condition of law and order. In 1895 she had recovered Lower Egypt; and quoting from Lord Kitchener, in regard to Fashoda, he maintained that Lord Salisbury's policy was not only sustained by this distinguished soldier; and diplomatist, but also endorsed by Lord Roseberry and other opponents of the Conservative party.

Prof. Baker, in summing up the points, complimented both sides upon the excellence of their arguments and delivery. After a careful consideration, he gave it as his opinion that the arguments of the negative, coupled with their advantage in assignment of sides, had won for them the debate.

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