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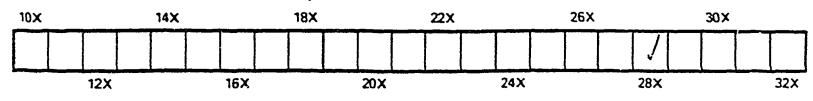
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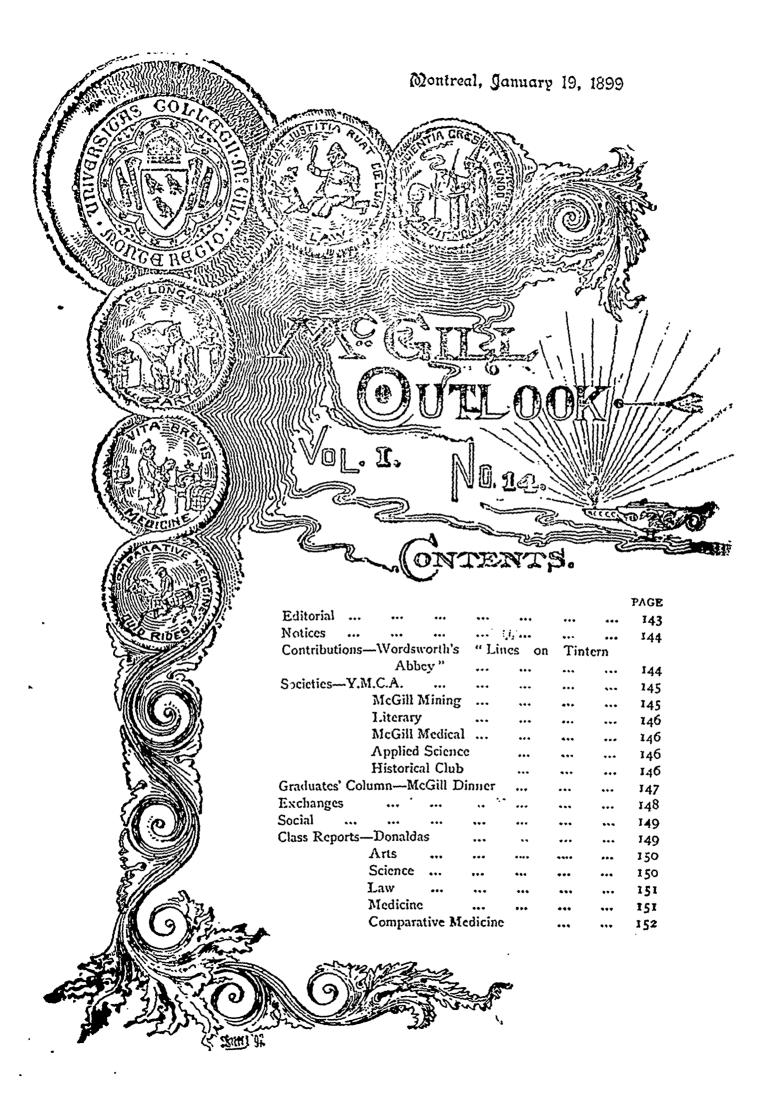
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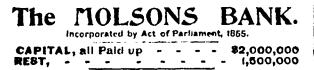
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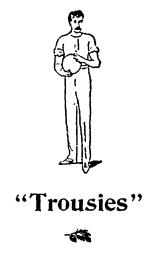
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Editorial.

MIE Skating Rink and the Arts Conversazione are the topics of College conversation at present. The Skating Club is to be congratulated upon the two magnificent sheets of ice which stretch over the Campus. The lighting and dressing-rooms are all that one could desire, and the old difficulty of wading through a long stretch of snow on one's skates from the dressing-room to the ice is happily now avoided. Nothing but satisfaction is expressed on every hand, and the Skating Club should have its membership list filled to overflowing. Great preparations are being made for the Conversazione in Arts on Thursday, at which a large attendance is expected. The Arts building is, of course, old and worn-looking and hard to decorate, but the primal necessities of good music, a good dancing floor and a good supper will not fail to be provided, and that is what one looks for more than for decorations. It is a great pity that McGill has not a really large hall for receptions and other social affairs. At 'Varsity we are told the gymnasium is used ; alas ! there is no gymnasium at McGill worthy the name ; whereas, using lecture rooms or the library for social purposes involves such an amount of labour and expense that it hardly seems worth while. To those who think recreation waste of valuable time we quote :

> " All work and no play Makes Jack a dull boy."

NOTICES.

The Arts Conversacione will be held to-night, Thursday, Jan. 19. Tickets can be obtained from the Secretary, Mr. Arnold Wainwright, at the Arts Building.

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WORDSWORTH'S, "LINES ON TINTERN ABBEY."

A true " Child of Nature," Wordsworth's communion with her was of his sweetest and most dearly prized possessions. She was ever his guide and in-structress, and to her he owed his life of sweet contentment and tranquility.

The bird on the wing, the tall trees, the waving grass, the rippling brook, were to him a never-failing source of delight and admiration ; as he himself exclaimed,-simply, and without exaggeration :-

"To me, the meanest flower that blows can give "Thoughts that do often lie too deep for tears.

For him the world had few attractions,-fame, wealth, popularity were but secondary considerations. So long as he was free to enjoy God's earth as it appeared, unspoilt by the desecrating hand of man, so long as he could revel in the sunshine and beauty of the world, Wordsworth could exclaim truly, as did another less inspired worshipper of nature's charms :-

- "I care not Fortune, what you me deny :
- "You cannot rob me of free Nature's grace ;
- "You cannot shut the windows of the sky
- "Through which Aurora shows her brightening face;
- "You cannot bar my constant feet to trace
- "The woods and lawns, by living stream, at eve; "Let health my nerves and liner fibres brace,
- "And I their toys to the great children leave :
- "Of fancy, reason, virtue, none can we bereave."

The whole world, all Nature, Wordsworth believed to be permeated with the Spirit of a Divine Power. His doctrine was simple and direct, viz., every living thing testifies to the greatness of God, and lives to its Creator's praise. Man alone is oftentimes un-grateful and forgetful of his Maker. "Let Nature be your teacher," cries Wordsworth; then indeed shall we behold the wondrous kindnesses and marvellous workings of Providence, and in so doing learn to live calmly and peacefully,---nor shall we

"Scan His work in vain,--God is His Own In'erpreter, And He will make it plain."

In the poem of "Tintern Abbey" we find the most perfect outpouring of a poetic soul, feeling to its very depths, and responding with every fibre of its being to the great Voice of Nature ;--dwelling in perfect unison and unspeakable delight amid the wondrous beauties and marvels of creation. The poem was written on the occasion of Wordsworth's revisiting the banks of the river Wye in 1798, after a period of many years' absence, during which time he appears to have treasured in his memory many precious recollections of past hours spent there. Now once more he views the well-remembered scenes, and his heart overflows with rapturous joy.

He speaks of the

- " Steep and lofty cliffs,
- "That on a wild seeluded scene impress "Thoughts of more deep seelusion, and connect "The landscape with the quiet of the sky."

He again beholds the

- "Plots of cottage-ground, these orchard-tufts. "Which at this season, with their unripe fruits, "Are clad in one green hue, and lose themselves "Among the woods and copses, nor disturb the wild
- green landscape."

Again he views the pastoral farms,

- "Green to the very door; and wreaths of smoke "Sent up in silence from among the trees!"

The next few lines help us to realize how great was the effect of Nature upon Wordsworth, and how even from afar he felt her influence shedding peace and contentment over him at all times. "These beauteous forms," he cries

"Through a long absence have not been to me

- "As is a landscape to a blindman's eye; "But oft in lonely rooms, and mid the din "Of towns and cities, I have owed to them "In hours of weariness sensations aweet,

- "Felt in the blood, and felt along the heartfeelings too,
- "Of unremembered pleasure, such perhaps, "As have no slight or trivial influence "On that best portion of a good man's life, "Bis little nameless unremembered acts

- " Of kindness and of love."

Yea, even more than this did Nature do for Wordsworth. She carried him, so to speak, "out of him-self;" she lifted him in spirit far above the world, showing him wonders hidden from other eyes,-casting over him

" That blessed mood

"In which the burden of the mystery, "In which the heavy and the weary weight "Of all this unintelligible world "Is lightened."

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He now looks back to the years of his boyhood, remembering the fascination which Nature had for him even there. His wild passionate love for her grandeur and beauty in the days when

"The sounding cataract

no more.

"Haunted me like a passion

"That time is past, and all its aching joys are now

"And all its dizzy raptures."

Yet the poet's love is no less deep than formerly; rather has it increased in intensity; the joyous impetuosity and wild enthusiasm of youth have resolved themselves into the calm deep love which has brought with it

" The joy

"Of elevated thoughts; a sense sublime "Of something far more deeply interfused, "Whose dwelling is the light of setting suns, "And the round ocean, and the living air,

"And the blue sky, and in the mind of man"— "A motion and a spirit that impels "All thinking things, all objects of all thought, "And rolls through all things."

Wordsworth urges man to cultivate this love for Nature, which has brought him happiness in such large measure. There is within each one of us, he declares, a faculty, which, if properly trained, will grow into sympathy with and respond to Nature's voice. Then as time passes we shall come to feel

that she is indeed our friend, and find contentment in the knowledge that

"Nature never did betray the heart that loved her."

She will lead us onward, ever revealing to us newer and deeper joys; she will raise our thoughts to higher things and fill our minds with purer motives and nobler desires, so that we shall go on our way rejoicing, our lives brightened and cheered knowing that " all which we behold

" Is full of blessings."

Thus will her influence left us above the cares, sorrows, petty annoyances,-even the the injustices of the world,

"Nor greetings where no kindness is, nor all "The dreary intercourse of daily life, "Shall e'er prevail against us."

Towards the end of the poem Wordsworth ad-dresses himself to his sister, Dorothy, for whom he had a deep and lasting affection. Her influence had, at all times, a softening and ennobling effect on him. He concludes his ode by declaring, that her memory shall ever

"Be as a dwelling place, "For all sweet sounds and harmonies..... "If I should te where I no more can hear "Thy voice, nor catch from thy mild eyes these · gleams "Of past existence—wilt thou then forget " That on the banks of this delightful stream "We stood together"..... thou forget "That after many wanderings, many years "Of absence, these steep woods and lofty cliffs, "And this green pastoral landscape were to me "More dear, both for themselves and for thy sake t"

January 10th, 1899.

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Societies.

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Y.M.C.A.

Congratulations to our worthy president, Mr. A. H. Gordon, on his appointment as Valedictorian of the Graduating Class in Medicine. We always knew that Alvah "was all right," but now we have additional proof.

The addresses of Mr. Tory on Sunday afternoon on "The Ideals of Christianity" as worked out in history are proving eminently helpful and interesting. Miss Luke's solo on Sunday was very much appreciated.

Mr. Tory's next address will be "The Christian Idea of Man."

THE MCGILL MINING SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Mining Society was held in the mining lecture room on Friday evening, with an attendance of about twenty five. The paper was on "Mining in British Columbia," by Mr. Walter Adams, a Graduate ot '93. Mr. Adams having been among the first of McGill's Mining Engineers in the Slocan and other districts of the West was able to treat this subject in a very thorough manner. He gave a historical sketch of most of the prominent mines, and illustrated his discussion by means of some very fine photographs of the properties and surrounding country. Dr. Porter, having just received a number of lantern slides from the Provincial Minister of Mines for British Columbia, exhibited them, further illustrating the lecture.

LITERARY SOCIETY.

The first meeting of the Lite.ary Society, after the holidays, was held on Friday evening, 13th, the attendance being rather small. Mr. Place was appointed as one of the delegates to represent McGill in the approaching debate with Toronto University instead of Mr. McMaster, who, through illness, will be unable to take part. It was also decided that Mr. Baikie's \$10.00 book order he expended as last year, that is \$5.00 will be given for the best speech and \$5.00 for the best essay, the date of the competition being fixed as Feb:uary 24.

After the business was concluded a very good programme was rendered. Mr. Harper (Arts, 'ot), read some selections from Bret Harte, and Mr. Thompson read an essay on the subject "Anger."

The debate then followed, and was on the subject, "Resolved that Sir Wilfred Laurier's policy of senate reform as outlined in his speech in the Monument Nationale, is a good one."

Messrs. Thompson, Westover and Robinson spoke on the affirmative, and the speakers on the negative were Messrs. Brown, E. O. McNaughton and Place. After a very interesting and spirited debate the decision was given in the negative, and the meeting adjourned.

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McGILL MEDICAL SOCIETY.

In spite of the snowstorm on Friday night, 6th January, a fair sized audience attended the meeting of the above Society. The programme of the evening was greatly increased in interest by the presence of Prof. Mills, who "dropped in" involuntarily during the course of the evening, and narrated some of his experiences in the "Fatherland." The members of the Society were not a little flattered by the kind but unbiased compliment paid them by the worthy professor, who said that, in his judgment and knowledge, the McGill Medical Society was broader and more comprehensive in its programme than any other similar Society in the world.

The first paper on the programme was that of Mr. A. H. Gordon, viz: "Rest a Therapeutic Agent." It was very interesting in its nature, and Mr. Gordon showed a comprehensive and technical knowledge of the subject.

Prof. Mills presented some personal experiences in the domain of rest, physiological and pathological, and demonstrated the fact that change of occupation was a rest in itself, and renewed vigor could be afforded one faculty by simple employment of another in a different l ne of work.

Mr. H. Ross, B.A., next followed with a paper on the "Best Treatment for Fractures of Patella." Although very didactic in his style, Mr. Ross gave some valuable "pointers" as regards this much-discussed subject, and enlightened many of the members present as to the correct treatment in accidents of this sort.

Mr. E. O. Dyer's "Lumbar Puncture" was a really splendid paper on a very novel subject, presenting some interesting matter with a full description of the method of procedure. Before the meeting closed the vice-president, Mr. Craig, made the aunouncement that arrangements were being made for the publication of Dr. J. C. Cameron's address delivered prior to the holidays.

After Mr. J. R. O'Brien had moved a vote of thanks to the cssayists of the evening, the meeting adjourned.

APPLIED SCIENCE SOCIETY.

In the Physics Building on Monday night Mr. Walter E. Snow, of Sturtevant Co., of Boston, delivered an exceedingly interesting and instructive lecture upon Mechanical Draft for steam boilers. The lecturer was introduced to a large audience of Undergraduates and others interested in the subject by Dr. Bovey.

Mr. Snow enumerated the various methods in use for the introduction of forced and induced draft, both in marine and stationary boilers; the lecture was copiously illustrated with diagrams and curves showing the relative cost of natural and forced draft. From these it was shown that the saving in the cost of fuel, etc., and often in the actual economy of space was very considerable, when mechanical draft was used. With mechanical draft the large and costly stack necessary when the natural draft system is used can often be entirely dispensed with, a hearty vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Skaife, which was seconded by Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Skaife introduced the question of the heating of buildings by the use of fans. Mr. Snow replied to this in a brief and concise manner.

At the conclusion of the discussion which followed the lecture, it was announced by Dean Bovey that, beginning with the 30th of this month, a series of four lectures upon submarine telegraphy would be delivered.

The lecturer upon this occasion will be Mr. A. E. Kennelly, l'resident of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Mr. Kennelly has had a long and varied experience in this subject, and, as it is one which at the present time is exciting considerable comment in scientific circles, these lectures cannot fail to be of the utmost interest both to the student and the qualified engineer. It has been arranged to give at least one of them under the auspices of the Applied Science Society.

THE HISTORICAL CLUB.

The Historical Club held its first meeting since the Christmas vacation last Thursday evening in the McGill Y.M.C.A. There was a large attendance of members, and the meeting proved a most satisfactory one in every way. The subject under consideration was "Jeanne d'Arc," and papers were read on different phases of her remarkable career. Dr. Colby introduced the subject, tracing in outline, the early years of Jeanne before her entrance on the stage of French history. The Dr. also sketched the general, political situation of France in Europe at the time of her appearance. Mr. Nutter then took up the history of the relief of Orleans, and gave a vivid description of that event.

He was followed by Mr. B. C. Crowell, who gave an admirable paper on the "Trial." Mr. Crowell's paper evidenced much research and careful preparation. The "Trial"—so-called—was dealt with in as impartial a way as possible, the speaker leaving his hearers to form their own opinions regarding the justice of its sentence.

Mr. MacMillan then read an able paper on "Psychological Views Regarding Joan's Inspiratic" After discussing the various theories held, the essayist dweit particularly on that of "Paranoia" as being the most probable. The general impression seemed to be, nevertheless, that it would do the world little harm if more people were similiarly deranged.

Altogether, a most profitable evening was spent, and one auguring well for the future of the Club.

Braduates' Column.

MCGILL DINNER.

KOOTENAY GRADUATES HOLD A PLEASANT DINNER AT ROSSLAND.

The Rossland Miner contains the following :---

"Behold a crowd from Old McGill In Rossland met once more, To cist all care aside and talk Of happy days of yore."

The Graduates of Old McGill, residing in the Kootenays, held their Second Annual Dinner last Friday at the Clarendon. Twelve of the fourteen McGill men who make Rossland their home were present, and four other Graduates of the school were present from outside towns. The Dinner was a pleasant one, as only College reunions can be. Dr. Reddick presided, and among those present were W. A. Carlyle, W. F. Ferrier, R. E. Palmer, Wm. MacDougall, A. W. Davis, Dr. J. T. McKenzie, F. A. Wilkin, R. H. Stewart, J. N. Turnbull, W. M. Archbald, A. A. Cole, G. G. Hare, of the C. P. R. survey ; Mr. Hillary, of Nelson ; J. C. Gwillim, of Slocan City, and Mr. Ainlee.

The toast list was a clever and an entertaining one. Dr. Reddick proposed the "Queen and the Dominion," which was loyally responded to. R. E. Palmer sang a rousing College song, the chorus of which all the Graduates joined with a vim. Dr. Mc-Kenzie toasted "Alma Mater," and briefly touched upon some of the glorious achievements of the school that had fostered them. In responding to "The Mining Industry," W. A. Carlyle reviewed the marvelous development of the Kootenay country and the future that it presented.

A. A. Cole made one of the successes of the evening in a clever dialect recitation of Drummond's Habitant pastoral, Le Vieux Temps.

F. A. Wilkin, who for a text used the modest legend, "Surely We Are the People and Wisdom Shall Die With Us," gave a humorous response to "Ourselves."

The foibles of the Graduates were gently deal: with in a witty topical song composed by J. M. Turnbull and sung by A. A. Cole.

W. M. Archbald concluded the toast programme with a response to "The Ladies," which was drunk with the devoutness that characterizes McGill men when they toast that sentiment.

The first Annual Dinner of the Graduates of the College in West Kootenay was held last year in Slocan City. A plan is now under consideration to form a West Kootenay Association of Graduates of McGill University.—Montreal Gazette.

Mr. John Hislop, Science '84, has lately been exceed Mayor of Skagway. The daily Alaskan, in an account of the election, speaks very highly of the new Mayor and of the great things expected of him. Mr. Hislop is a physical giant, and was a noted athlete when attending McGill. He is now assistant chief engineer of the Pacific and Arctic Railway and Navigation Company, and has been closely identified with the recent development of Skagway and its surroundings.

Exchanges.

Over \$13,000,000 were given to the support of educational institutions in America during the past year.—Aricl.

The alumni of Harvard will crect a memorial arch in memory of her students who fell in the Hispanio-American war.

Prizes for debating amounting to \$1,300 annually are offered to the students of the University of Chicago.

Chicago University has the largest proportion of female students of any of the just Universities of the country. The total number of students in attendance last term was 2,126, 459 of whom were women.—Columbia Spectator.

Yale authorities have engaged the services of a private detective to "look out for the safety of the College mildings and property in the day time." This was done on account of the numerous thelts that have recently occurred.

Johns Hopkins University has recently established ainew system of instruction in forensics, under the direction of Professor Guy Carleton Lee. The Senior Class is organized as the Senate and the Junior Class as the House of Representatives.

Last year the Facility of a certain College in Illinois added dancing to its curriculum, and this year reports a great improvement in the social bearing of the students. Such a departure as this is very uncommon in the higher institutions of learning; it is worthy of consideration. An ordinary student shakes all over when called upon by certain instructors to recite, and it is very probable that at the end of a year's course in dancing he could shake his feet, at least, with a great deal more grace. —Ariel.

The debt of Columbia University, incurred in the removal of its site to Morningside Heights, is simply

enormous, being \$3,750,000, with an annual interest of \$150,000, at four per cent., besides \$00,000 cur rent expenses. The annual expenditure would be a fine endownment for many a college, while the interest on the debt would run half a dozen colleges that are doing very useful work. The University will manage to get its debt paid by the same sort of generosity that has raised the money for Barnard College, the women's adjunct to the University.

There is plenty of money waiting to be given away for good purposes if one will ask wisely for it. -Independent.

A MAGNIFICENT HOME.

The University Club, of New York, will probably move into its new house, corner of Fifty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, some time about the last of next March. The building, which is being rapidly pushed to completion, will cost when finished in the neighborhood of \$600,000. Its site was acquired at some-thing over \$500,000. The general style of the structure, which is divided into three main stories, each story being sub-divided, will be Italian Renaissance, and the exterior will be built of pink Milford granite. On the main floor are the lounging room, offices and great hall, while the second floor contains the library, writing rooms, pipe rooms and bachelor apartments. On the third floor the great dining room, council room and kitchens are situated. Above all is a roof-garden. In the basement is located a swimming pool and Turkish bath, bowling alleys and bicycle storeroom. In a word, the building from top to bottom will be as complete and handsome a house as money and modern ingenuity can make it. The medallions of the Colleges, which are reproduced on the walls of the library and reading rooms, are used as the starting point for appropriate designs in clay modelling, the whole producing a picturesque and artistic effect.

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ARTS 1900.

A very enjoyable reception was given by the Year 1900 Arts to the students of the Donalda Department on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Colby and Miss Gairdner, the Lady Superintendent, received, and Dr. Colby ably filled the office of chairman. The McGill Y. M. C. A. building, which had been very prettily decorated by the students, was the scene of the event. A programme, which consisted of musical and literary selections, was rendered by the class aided by the Donaldas of 1900. Among the items may be noticed readings by Dr. Colby and Mr. Frank L. Horsfall, a piano solo by Miss McGregor, besides choruses by members of the year. Miss Lundie and Mr. Geo. W. Scott kindly furnished music for the promenades. The committee, to whom the success of the evening was largely due, consisted of Mr. J. Appleton Nutter, chairman, and Messrs. Robt. Elder and B. C. Crowell.

ARTS 1901.

A very successful entertainment was given Wednesday evening, January 11, to the Donalda students by the Second Year Arts. It took the form of a skating party on the McGill rink during the first part of the evening, and afterwards a programme of topical conversations, interspersed by musical selections, in the McGill Y. M. C. A., which proved very interesting and entertaining. Light refreshments were passed around at the close of a most enjoyable evening. Those who did not participate in theskating remained in the Y. M. C. A. and enjoyed some interesting guessing contests, music and conversation. The programmes were very prettily got up, and were very favorably commented upon. Among those who helped to receive were : Prof. and Mrs. Penhallow, Miss Gairdner, Miss Derrick and Dr. Colby. The committee, to whom a large part of the success of the evening is due, were Messrs. J. H. Copeman, the president of the year, F. J. Tees, W. J. Scott, W. G. MacNaughton, P. Molson, C. Carruthers and R. J. Harper.

Elass Reports.

DONALDAS.

The Donaldas beg to offer their heartiest thanks to the gentlemen of 1900 and 1901 Arts for the delightful reception tendered the Donaldas on Tuesday, January tenth, and the skating party on Wednesday, January eleventh. Such reunions as these help to foster College spirit more successfully than anything else. Would there were more of them ! The Seniors feel especially grateful for their invitations, and are glad to think that those who shall come after them will have the friendship and companionship of our charming hosts of last week. We are giad to say that at McGill, unlike many other Colleges, the lady student is not considered a grim blue stocking, a being to be avoided, but a jolly companionable girl, who enjoys an evening's pleasure all the more because she has plenty of brain work to do in the day time. So we say-

> " 1900 ! and 1901 ! Thanks awfully ! "

When are we to pay our party calls?

Why wasn't Texas hungry when supper-time came at the skating party?

The Misses Gairdner entertained the Donaldas at a very delightful five o'clock tea on Friday, Jan. 6. A feature of the afternoon was a huge Twelfth Night Cake containing a ring, a piece of money and other symbolical articles. We won't tell who is to be a "Bachelor Maid," but it is a Senior.

We are glad to have Miss King with us again after her bad attack of la grippe.

It is hoped that every Donalda will do her best to help in making the Arts Conversatione a success.

The girls had a good chance to test the College Rink and their own skaling powers last week. A finer sheet of ice could not be found in the city, and the dressing-room for the Donaldas is all that could be wished in regard to warmth, comfort and nearness to the ice. Every Donalda Undergraduate, Graduate and Partial ought to join the Rink, for there is a splendid time awaiting each if she will but invest in a ticket.

We hope the Masquerade will come off very soon. The one held two years ago will long be remembered as a highly enjoyable affair.

The Donaldas of 'oz are surely enjoying themselves if one may judge by the number of invitations they have received lately. If it goes on much longer it is feared they will not be so fortunate in the Finals at April as they were in the Christmas exams. The first of these white messengers of joy to arrive were those bidding us to the Misses Gairdner's At Home. We take this opportunity of thanking them for their kindness and hospitality. While we were still studying these another issue was put in our letter rack. This was to mform us that 1900 would be At Home to us and the other Donaldas in the Y. M. C. A. on Tuesday evening. Seeing that they did not specify the time, we went early and stayed late, according to the Freshies in general.

Next came 'ot's invitations asking us to skate, talk, eat and be merry, which we all did to the best of our ability.

Mere words cannot express our appreciation of the kindness of these Two Years.

Last and probably least (as it only extended to one) was the invitation given by a professor to one of our members to accompany him to the theatre.

ARTS.

LOURTH YEAR.

Messrs. Robertson and Thomson had the honor of representing '99 at the junior "At Home" on the 10th. They report having spent an enjoyable time.

Mr. Goodall was sent as our representative to the Sophomore skating party on the 11th, when we learn a very pleasant and successful entertainment was given to the Donaldas.

When is there going to be a meeting of the committee appointed to look after the class-pin?

It would certainly be better that a meeting be called soon in order that we come to some definite arrangement as to what we are to do. It is the wish of some that a new departure be made this year and a class ring be got out instead. While a ring has many advantages over a pin, yet the extra cost it would incur might keep some who otherwise would purchase a class emblem from getting anything. However, it might be arranged so that numbers of the Class may be able to get either one or the other.

Mr. Laurie was highly pleased with his trip to Toronto and with the cordial reception given him by the Undergraduates of 'Varsity at their annual dunner.

As the night for the "Conversat," draws near, we would urge the Seniors to try and attend this most important social function in connection with Arts. Come out '99, and do not miss this last opportunity.

THIRD YEAK.

Since reading the stories of hidden wealth in the back of the OUTLOOK last week, some of the hard-up members of our Year are reported to have been busily engaged in pulling apart their bedsteads to the consternation of their landladies, while other have been visiting old clothes and furniture shops in search of hidden gold.

We now have a specialist on mental diseases in our Year. Members wishing to have their cases diagnosed can see him when he is not at lectures. His specialty is paranoia.

SECOND YEAR.

Professor in Mechanics' Lecture, explaining Parallelogram of Motion-"You can't be in two places at once, unless you're a bird."

Student, suchenly waking up-"How I wish I was a bird."

Our theological brother turned up for a ten o'clock lecture on Thursday morning at 10.10. We also hear that he made a midnight excursion "ad montem occidentis solis" the evening before. It's a queer coincidence, and the Class were not slow in "catching on."

Why won't Pius Bill wear a hat when skating? He is causing the ladies great anxiety.

We beg to express our regret at Mr. Morin's illness, and hope that he will soon be with us again.

We are glad to hear that A. V. McLeod is recovering from his illness.

We congratalate 1900 on their successful At Home.

Wednesday, Jan. 11, P.M.-Lost, Strayed or STOLEN-a httle Scotchman from Ontario.

What became of all the macaroons?

SCIENCE.

FOURTH YEAR.

The end of the 'Xmas holidays and the ushering in of the year '99 bring to our minds in a two-fold manner the responsibilities of our Class. True, every Year has its responsibilities, but the mere mention of the year 1899 reminds us forcibly that the figures '99, by which our Class has been designated in the past, have now a deeper meaning. In a word, on April 28th next, many of us will cease to be Undergraduates of Old McGill. Again, this prospectum makes us all reminiscent, and we realize more than ever how many have been plucked out of our Class since its inception.

The Dean, like an "up to date" dairyman, has weeded out the poor cattle from his herd, until he has a collection of Jerseys (electricals), Galloways (Architects), Shorthorns (Civils), Holsteins (Miners) and Ayrshires (Mechanicals) of which any man might feel proud.

Fourth Year men returned late from their vacation, but are now all on deck, and getting ready for the final tussle in their Scientific Course. A little *fracas* just before Christinas resulted disastrously for three of the Miners, but we hope they'll be with us at Convocation just the same.

Civils have said good-bye to cement testing with all its joys and sorrows. Among the latter was the swallowing of the dust and the coating of one's hands and clothes with artificial stone. Colpitts looks as if a cyclone had struck him or a mule had kicked him, but it's only hockey.

Wm. A. Moore, of Science '99, and a miner at that, has been highly honored at Ottawa. He has been appointed a lieutenant in the Governor-General's Body Guard. Lord Minto has good taste.

Jack Whyte has been appointed to represent Science at the Arts' Conversat.

The Fourth Year was well represented at the meetings of the Convention of Civil Engineers, particularly on the trip to Grande Mere, which was very much enjoyed.

THIRD YEAR.

Mr. Montgomery, captain of our Hockey Team, would like to see as many of the men as possible turn up at the practice. The ice is reserved for 1900 on Monday afternoon from two o'clock until three, and on Friday evening from eight till nine. As we have a match this Thursday with Science 'or, and two others on Jan. 30, and Feb. 9, with the First and Fourth Years respectively, it is absolutely necessary that our men should get in all the practice possible in order to maintain our prestige and figure prominently in the Inter-Faculty matches ; we hope to win.

A number of our men, including Electricals, Miners and Mechanicals as well as Civils, have made application to join the Society of Civil Engineers, and a few have regularly attended the meetings of the Convention held last week. The Year was also represented by three men who were enabled to go on the Grande Mere trip through the kindness of the Society and see the famous pulp mills at that place.

The half-dozen students of the Year who attended the meeting of the Mining Society last Friday in Prof. J. Bonsall Porter's lecture room were well repaid by listening to Mr. Adam's interesting and instructive account of the different mining districts of British Columbia.

Freddy and Fritz, of the Mining Course, have voluntarily but rashly caused themselves to be ostracised from membership in the Ancient Order of the Moustache Club of Science.

SECOND YEAK.

The Year is settling down again to work. The results of the recent examinations have been posted; and they are on the whole very creditable, Less than half-a-dozen men were subjected to that most painful of processes " plucking."

The Western men nearly all arrived Monday last. Although lectures started nominally Thursday, until Monday there were never more than mineteen at any one lecture.

For particulars of the social function in the Chemistry building last December, apply to—well we all know him. He attended, but not in blue overalls this time. There is a little list of articles posted in the Surveying class room. The articles in question are the things lost in the St. Andrew's survey, and which are to be charged up to those who were using them most. No caution money this year, Miners, or Civils. You will be fortunate if the five spot covers the losses.

LAW.

Mr. Carter of the Third Year has the sincere sympathy of the whole class in the sad loss which he has just sustained, by the death of his brother.

MEDICINE.

THIRD YEAR.

A suggestion to the Third Year.—It would be a good idea to have two Class Eeporters, one for each group, for as it is now one-half of the Class scarcely knows whether the other half is in existence.

Notice.—If ever anyone sees coming around a corner a face be-whiskered with crushed-strawberrycolored wires, let him know that it is the famous beard of Her - - rt R - ss, and forthwith fall down on his knees and worship it.

Private Ruth - - - ord of Company 9, Pathological Engineering Corps, is reminded that no insubordination will be countenanced by his Captain.

Last week was a tickler for work. If this goes on all winter we shall be pretty looking skeletons in the spring.

A bystander who saw Co - ts' first skate this year reports as follows: With a rush he came to ice, but much nearer than he wanted to. There was an awful thud. He got up, nothing daunted, but immediately tripped over one of his feet. Again he rose now fully in accord with the spirit of the game. This time he advanced about 10 yards when the ice came up and struck him on the back of the head. Then he gave it up as a bad job, and crawled on all fours to the side of the rink and away. In his escape his head had swept so much of the ice that the manager gave him back his ten cents. The friends who met him on his way home told him that he looked as if he had had a *skate on*.

SECOND YEAR.

It is easily observable, by looking at the dissecting-room, that all the members of the Second Year have returned, and "with ardour supreme have at last buckled to." When they first came their countenances gave expression to their feelings in the three dimensions of length, *BREADTH* and thickness. It seems, however, that gradually the breadth is getting less conspicuous as the work progresses, and no doubt there will soon be left only the length and thickness. By a further process of elimination it can't be doubted that eventually nothing will remain but the length. This will no doubt continue its predominance till the "Ides of March" draw near, and will last (provided it don't disappear and leave a blank) until the Easter holidays, about which time the usual dimensions-length, breadth and thickness-will be resumed-though doubtless the breadth will be most conspicuous.

In spite of the fact that the Medical Faculty have very recently received \$100,000, the Pass List of the First Year exams. shew a deficiency of 64 names at least. We are anxiously awaiting the answer of some reliable mathematician to the problem designated thus: $5 \times 64 =?$

By the general "outlook" of things one would think it would be more righteous for the First Year to pay hospital fees than the Second Year. N'est ce pas ?

Recent observations go to show that the Second Year enjoyed themselves so much during " Christmas vacation" that all their " superficial levity " has been used up. Physiologically, this is good !

At a recent meeting of the Second Year Mr. Belanger was elected Captain of the Second Year Hockey Team. It was a close contest "twixt" him and Mr. Wilson, the majority being only 5.

FIRST YEAR.

McEachran, who has been ill for some time at the Royal Victoria Hospital, has returned home. Mr. McEachran wishes the best of success to all his classmates.

Some New Year's Resolutions of the Freshmen :

P-y. Never to have his name in the Honor list again.

V. W.-To take up more work, as everything is so easy in the First Year, and to breathe screner air above the common herd. A--s. To cultivate his originality.

Some forty or fifty others have resolved to take special examination in June in Biology and Practical Chemistry.

An undeveloped mass of protoplasm (Amœba Hevricu) coming to a state of rest in the front row of the Physiology lecture room, was swooped down upon by a Hydra (Warti) and disturbed. The Amæba, throwing out his pseudopodia, gallantly resisted, and a windy battle followed; finally one of the higher animals was heard approaching, and the Anneba and Hydra separated by simple fission, the Hydra moving to a higher plane. The other young and growing organisms were much enlightened by the scen-. -

COMPARATIVE MEDICINE.

Those students who were present at the dinner given by Professor Chas. McEachran will not readily forget the charming manner in which our host and hostess entertained us on this occasion. We trust that those who spent their holidays at home enjoyed themselves as well as we did who stayed in Montreal.

The thanks of the students are extended to our Professor of Anatomy, who intends holding monthly written examinations; these will be of incalculable value to many of us.

We congratulate Mr. Gellatly on his appointment as Valedictorian for Class '99.

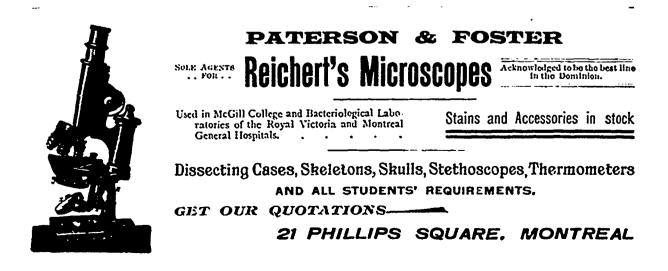
We trust that our Dean may soon recover from his knee trouble, that he may be with us again.

The Alumni Association of old Graduates of the Faculty of Comparative Medicine will be held shortly in Montreal.

The regular meeting of the Psychological Society will take place on Thursday evening, Jan. 19, in the Library of the Faculty.

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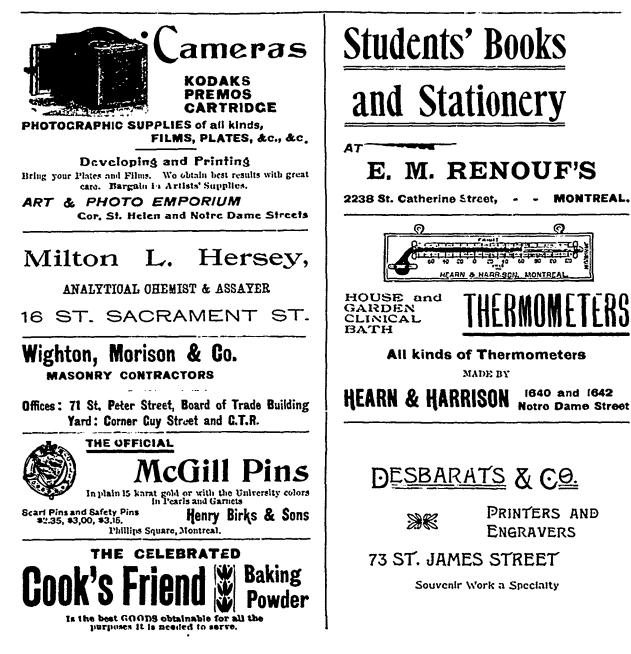


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MONEY IN LITERATURE.

"Old Sleuth," lately deceased, is reported in the practice of his profession to have accumulated half a million. That is a good deal of money to make by the sweat of one's pen. But there are some who have done, and there are others who are doing better yet. Mr. Moody for instance. Already, one book of his has brought him in over twice that amount. Then there is Mr. Kipling. He began quite modestly. To-day he accepts twentyfive cents per word in England, and half a dollar here. We don't blame him. On the contrary. The point is though, where at that rate is Old Sieuth; where, too, is Mr. Moody? Mrs. Humphrey Ward is less monopolian. In eight years with four novels this lady has cleared three hundred thousand dollars. Should she be spared to us, she may beat Scott, who made two million. At present she is only seventy-five thousand behind Anthony Trollope, a hundred thousand behind Bulwer, and two hundred thousand behind Dickens. That is nothing. Besides, in comparison to Mrs. Pinkham, she is simply nowhere. For a poem entitled "Sleep" Tenny-son received a guinea a word. For the "Miserables" Hugo received eighty thousand, and for "Sappho" Daudet received two hundred thousand dollars. We believe Mrs. Pinkham to be much better paid. Miss Corelli is her one rival. The sums which this delicious bareback, saw-dusted circus-rider of the fountain-pen has gathered together, while unbelieva-ble, are wholly deserved. There is but one literary cuss who has done better. What his name is escapes us. We forgot, too, the titles of his works. They are of the variety known as sub-

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- ROWING LIVELY AT OLD HAR-VARD.
- The Decision not to drop Class Crews has Stirred Things up

Cambridge. Jan. 15.—The decision not to drop the class crews this year at Harvard has brought them again in prominence, and the work will begin to-morrow in carnest to pick crews from which the 'Varsity, for the most part, will be eventually chosen. But

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besides the class crews there will be formed a new club to compete against the Weld Boat Club, and as soon as it becomes evident that a man will be useless on his class crew he will be sent to the new club.

The new club as well as the Weld club will each maintain a senior, an interm-diate and a junior crew, and these will race some time after the class races, and the winners of the class races and the winners of interclub races will supply the men for the 'Varsity squad. The chances are, however, that most of the sixteen men in the two winning class crews will be taken to the 'Varsity squad, whereas only a few of the men from the winning club races will find a place on the squad.

AN ARAB PROVERB-"MEN ARE FOUR."

- The man who knows not that he knows not aught--He is a fool; no light shall ever
 - He is a fool; no light shall even reach him.
- Who knows he knows not, and would fain be taught-
- He is but simple; take thou him and teach him.
- But whoso, knowing, knows not that he knows-
- He is asleep; go thou to him and wake him.
- The truly wise both knows, and knows he knows-

Cleave thou to him, and nevermore forsake him,

Spectator, C. E. J.

THE SNAKES AT THE ZOO.

- An event has occurred at the Zoo,
- Very high among marvels we rank it. There's a reptile residing there, who Accidentally swallowed his blanket.
- But that story has now become old, And that feat is surpassed by anotner,
- There's a snake still alive, we are told. Who by accident swallowed his brother.
- One would think such an odd mental fit
- Of abstraction,--excuse the suggestion,--
- Would be followed up after a bit By a fit of acute indigestion.
- And moreover, although one pretend 'to be free from internal sensations. Still, a rupture is apt to attend
- Such a straining of friendly relations.



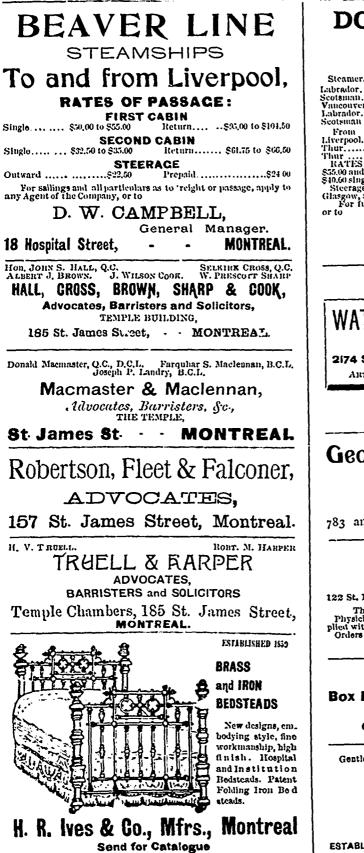
- But there's no such result we can find, Though the former has swallowed the latter.
- So we say it's a triumph of mind, Or of absence of mind, over matter.
- Should there still at the Zoo be a snako
- Who may wish that the record be beaten.
- He must swallow himsen by mistake. And pretend not to know what he's enten.

Spectator.

C. J. BODEN.

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