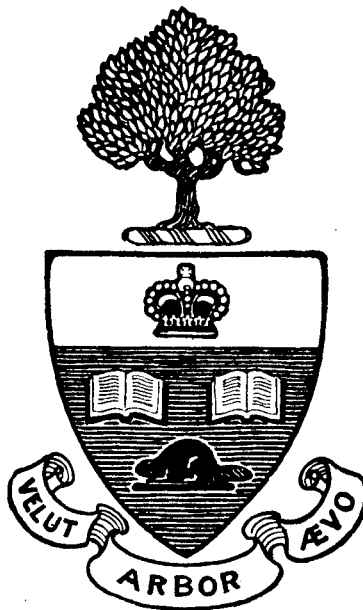


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Experiments in Sapphics

THE SLEEPING BEAUTY

By L. Owen

Age-old silence dwelt in the charmed chamber,
Plunged in shadow, heavy with musk of rose leaves,
Golden sunbeams over the couch of damask
 Glittered but moved not.

Magic slumber staying the swelling bosom,
Breathless, half-hid under a mass of tresses,
Clasping silk shrouds moulded to fairy roundness,
 There lay the princess.

Deep-wove day dreams hovered before her eye-lids,
Closed in long sleep. Happy she seemed and more so
Wrapped in heaven's visions than acting this world's—
 Pity wake her.

Comes the proud prince: sees in the slumbering figure
And the fair face destiny's haunting vision.
Then o'er rose lips, gates of the life-dawn, stooping
 Reverently kissed them.

Lo the day breaks; streaming through eyes of azure,
Bursts the life light, rousing her soul of slumber.
Then her rose lips parting o'er pearly whiteness
 Smiled him a welcome.

NIGHT-FALL IN OCTOBER

By Thorleif Larsen

Clouds piled wave-high rolling in massed confusion,
Crowd on madly, seeking in vain for shelter,
Fleeing fear-fraught over the warring heavens,
 Fleeing in terror.

Harried cloud-sprites flee the pursuing onrush,
Whirling westward, borne in their cars of glory,
Robed in wrath-wrought garments of black and purple,
 Hiding the sunset.

Then the storm-gods, panting with lust of conflict,
Rush in frenzy, pinioned on wings of lightning,
Leaping were-wild over the swaying tree-tops,
 Yelling in triumph.

Bursting forth in glorious benediction
Through the cloud-veil lingers the sun ere setting,
Staying self-poised thus for a splendid moment,
 Startling the turmoil.

Awed and fearful then at the wild, strange wonder,
Cease the grappling elements as uncertain—
But once more they close and the struggle rages
 On into darkness.



The Residence Scheme

The end of the year will see the first of the long awaited residences. Four units designed to hold from forty to fifty men each are now being contracted for, but only one will be ready for occupation next term.

Matters of discipline in each house are to be controlled by the resident students. The residence will be absolutely free from University control and some person or persons selected for the purpose will pass upon the eligibility of applicants for rooms. Accommodation will probably be available for men now paying \$4 per week for board and room.

This in effect is the first report given out by Z. A. Lash, chairman of the board in charge of the new residence. Mr. Lash's colleagues on the board are W. T. White, Secretary; E. C. Whitney, S. H. Blake, J. W. Flavelle, and the Chancellor and President of the University as ex-officio members. They have after a personal investigation of the methods of English and Scottish Universities decided in favor of the unit system and the elimination of possible failure by reason of the erection of a large and costly single residence. The architects are now at work designing three-storey structures all detached and so ar-

ranged that each will in itself be a complete residence.

The board have foreseen the difficulty of selecting from the probable 1,100 or more applicants the comparatively small number for whom accommodation can be provided. They have decided that admittance will not be granted by any arbitrary rule. Priority of application will not be a factor, but some basis of general character, class standing, health and so on will be taken into account. Vacancies will later be filled by the same plan. This is the only difference from the Edinburgh method where the students elect their successors. The reason for this divergence is the fear that certain cliques may gain control of certain houses.

The stand taken by the board in the matter of house management is interesting. A committee appointed by the students, supplemented by such members as the board shall direct, will be placed in charge of each house. They will manage everything except fixed rules about hours, absence from residence and some other matters, all of course subject to the final decision of the board.

Arrangements will if possible be made by which students in residence may take meals in

the University dining hall, but an endeavor will be made to provide breakfasts in residence. A restaurant would be impossible at first, but might be accomplished later.

No scale of prices can yet be announced, but Mr. Lash says he thinks that better accommodation can be given at the same price as most men are now paying or the same accommodation can be given at reduced prices. Certain furnishings will be supplied, but the men must bring their own bedding, towels, pillows, decorations, etc.

The scheme is already upon a sound financial basis. Mr. E. C. Whitney has given \$40,000 and the Ontario Government \$50,000, and donors whose names have not yet been made public have brought the total up to nearly \$160,000. The site of the residences will be at the corner of Hoskin Avenue and Devonshire Place.

The Board of Trustees who will build and will manage the residences will elect their own successors, and will not be responsible in any way to the University. If the latter should become dissatisfied with the management of any residence the only redress would be to refuse to allow students to attend college while living there.



UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINE

Edinburgh University may call herself with grim jocoseness the "alma mater" of her students, but if she be a mother at all she is one of a very heroic and Spartan cast, who conceals her maternal affection with remarkable success. The only signs of interest which she ever deigns to evince towards her alumni are upon those not infrequent occasions when guineas are to be demanded from them. Then one is surprised to find how carefully the old hen has counted her chickens, and how promptly the demand is conveyed to each one of the thousands throughout the Empire who, in spite of neglect, cherish a sneaking kindness for their old college. There is symbolism in the very look of her, square and massive, grim and grey, with never a pillar or carving to break the dead monotony of the great stone walls. She is learned, she is practical, and she is useful. There is little sentiment or romance in her composition, however, and in this she does but conform to the instincts of the nation of which she is the youngest but the most flourishing teacher.

A lad coming up to an English University finds himself in an enlarged and enlightened public school. If he has passed through Harrow or Eton there is no very abrupt transition between the life which he has led in the sixth form and that which he finds awaiting him on the banks of the Cam or the Isis. Certain rooms are found for him which have been inhabited by generations of students in the past, and will be by as many in the future. His religion is cared for, and he is expected to put in an appearance at hall and chapel. He must be within bounds at a fixed time. If he behave indecorously he is liable to be pounced upon and reported by special officials, and a code of punishments is hung perpetually over his head. In return for all this his University takes a keen interest in him. She pats him on the back if he succeeds. Prizes and scholarships, and fine fat fellowships are thrown plenti-

fully in his way if he will but gird up his loins and aspire to them.

There is nothing of this in a Scotch University. The young aspirant pays his pound, and finds himself a student. After that he may do absolutely what he will. There are certain classes going on at certain hours which he may attend if he choose. If not, he may stay away without the slightest remonstrance from the college. As to religion, he may worship the sun, or have a private fetish of his own upon the mantelpiece of his lodgings for all that the University cares. He may live where he likes, he may keep what hours he chooses, and he is at liberty to break every commandment in the decalogue as long as he behaves himself with some approach to decency within the academical precincts. In every way he is absolutely his own master. Examinations are periodically held at which he may appear or not, as he chooses. The University is a great unsympathetic machine, taking in a stream of raw-boned catilaginous youths at one end, and turning them out at the other as learned divines, astute lawyers, and skilful medical men. Of every thousand of the raw material about six hundred emerge at the other side. The remainder are broken in the process.

The merits and faults of this Scotch system are alike evident. Left entirely to his own devices in a far from moral city, many a lad falls at the very starting point of his life's race, never to rise again. Many become idlers or take to drink, while others, after wasting time and money which they could ill afford, leave the college with nothing learned save vice. On the other hand, those whose manliness and good sense keep them straight have gone through a training which lasts them for life. They have been tried, and have not been found wanting. They have learned self-reliance, confidence, and in a word have become men of the world while their confreres in England are still magnified school-boys.

—A Conan Doyle.



OTHER UNIVERSITIES

The Princeton Field-house which was destroyed by fire last fall is being rebuilt at a cost of \$11,600.

The Committee for Employment of Students in Columbia reports that last year its students earned \$92,436.20.

The University of Wisconsin has received \$10,000 to endow two scholarships expressly for women students.

The Polyclinic Medical School, N.Y., has a number of American army officers specializing in gunshot wounds.

Columbia has made academic standing requisite for University athletics. As a result the Rugby captain has resigned.

Columbia has received from a descendant of the original secretary the manuscript constitution of the Literary Society, dated 1808. The rules impose a fine of 12½c. for not speaking when appointed to do so.

Three seniors have been dismissed from the Annapolis Military Academy for hazing.

Freshmen are to be allowed to enter Columbia in February, as well as hitherto in June.

The Yale Dining Hall has been enlarged to seat 1,068, yet it opens this term with a large waiting list.

"The Mercury," of New York City College, is posting a daily bulletin in the main hall with notices and news.

The newspaper correspondents in Cornell have organized to prevent the dissemination of exaggerated and false reports.

In April the dramatic society of Brown's will produce its annual play—this year, Goldsmith's "She Stoops to Conquer."

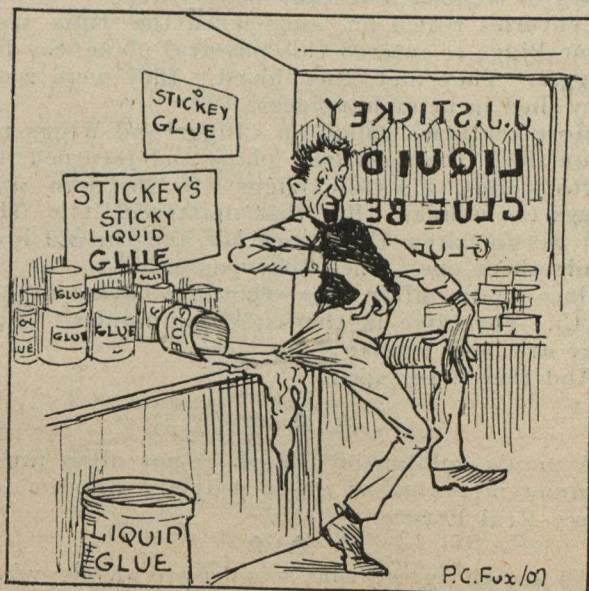
The Faculty of Columbia desires that class executives be elected in the spring so that they may be held responsible for the hustle in the early fall.

In April the Triangle Club (the dramatic society of Princeton), are to play "Tobasco-Land," a musical comedy, written expressly for themselves.

In the latter part of March Oxford and Cambridge are to play a game of chess by cable with Cornell, Brown and Pennsylvania Universities, for the Isaac L. Rice trophy.

President Eliot last week spoke strongly against college or class spirit which separates the smaller units of a University. Contemporaneous interest rather than membership in the same class, he says, should be the basis of University friendships.

The Students' Building Committee of Bryn Mawr is raising funds in a novel manner. It has secured autographed copies of over one hundred books by Theo. Roosevelt, Geo. Meredith, Marie Corelli, Conan Doyle and others which it is selling at exorbitant prices. It has also secured a private performance of "Much Ado about Nothing" by the Ben Greet Company.



STUCK ON HIS JOB

A NIGHTMARE—OR BETTER DEAD

Jones was dead tired. There had been a meeting of the Students' Parliament the day before and the strain of listening to orations all night without getting a chance to speak himself had been too much for him. So he dozed off into an uneasy slumber.

He was in Hades. He knew it was Hades because he saw the President and Junius Junior walking arm in arm. He was in the midst of a haggard crowd, most of whom wore undergraduate gowns. Many of the faces, pale and drawn as they were, seemed familiar and presently he found himself beside a man whom he had known, in his freshman year, as Business Manager of the Year Book. The ex-Manager was dressed in a long patchwork robe, which on inspection, proved to be made of unpaid bills, laundry tickets and other valuable manuscripts. He too looked pale and worn but happier far than when on earth and in office.

Jones falteringly addressed the ex-Manager and asked for an explanation.

You see, said the latter, this is Hades. The tortures of Sisyphus and Tantalus that you used to read about have been abolished. They weren't Torreyd enough for hell. Instead we have a much more ingenious system which a predecessor of mine on the Year Book invented. The shades for whom the worst punishment is reserved, are arranged as they arrive into bodies of 400. Those in the hall are known as "The Four Hundred" and form the aristocracy of crime. By the way, what are you here for?

Jones (proudly)—I was a stereoscope agent.

Ex-Manager (with a new respect)—You are indeed a worthy addition. Well, to resume, you see that richly dressed man over there with the cloth over his head? He is the photographer. I forget whether he was a pauper or a country school teacher on earth, but now by the law of compensation, he holds his present high position.

Our number will soon be complete and then we will begin. We are first arranged in groups of two and photographs taken of each group. Then by the law of combinations we are arranged in all possible groups of three. This goes on till we have reached a single group of 400.

Jones (terrified)—And is that the end of it?

Oh! no. It's time then to start all over again.

Just then a bell rang and Jones staggered to his feet and rubbed his eyes. It was the telephone. Still trembling he placed the receiver at his ear. Hello—D'Orsay's at 2 o'clock.—Will I wear a g—

Then he collapsed. The coroner's verdict was heart-failure, but his friends said—photophobia.

J. L.



BARBARISMS

When Lang-uid poets cry their wares,
Or when of classic muse he'll Reade
The Barbour-ous Editor splits hairs,
And nothing Rex, to nought gives heed.

To Larsen-y and deeds of crime
He's not averse when debts he's Owen
And he has said full many a time
A Scully'd crack to get a loan.

DELIBERATIONS OF THE UNLITERARY SOCIETY

By Matthias Rex

Last night's meeting of the Unliterary Society was brief but busy.

J. A. Macbeth introduced his long pending motion for the suspension of members who had not paid their fees. The motion was seconded by G. B. Coutts in a very short address.

"Gentlemen, I think——."

There was a storm of disapproval.

"As I was saying, gentlemen, I think——."

The shouts were repeated.

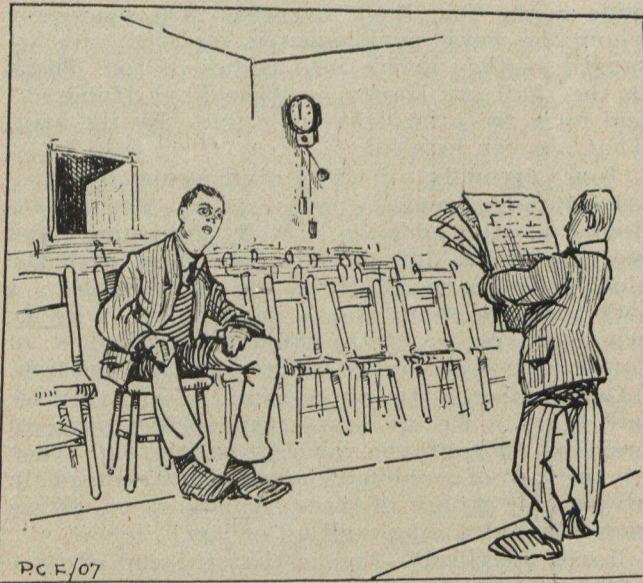
"Mr. Coutts," said the President sadly. "The meeting I fear cannot agree with you even thus far."

The motion was put and lost by a vote of 2 to 52.

A second motion to expel those who had paid their fees carried by an overwhelming majority. Messrs. Coutts and Macbeth were immediately thrust out.

"On our programme to-night," said the President, "is a paper by A. F. B. Clarke, our gifted fellow-student, on Andrew Lang, the litterateur. Mr. Clark ——."

The member thus designated wandered absent-ly up to the front and unrolling a large sheaf of copy commenced:



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“—— EXCEPT ONE MEMBER AND THE READER”

"There is one among the lustrous constellations shining in our literary world of whom I would speak to-night. He is a man who after years of work in his chosen field has finally attained to the highest honor and authority we can give a man. He is quoted as a master should be on all subjects which his facile pen has touched. I refer to John Lang. ——."

There was a moment of tense silence followed by an uproar.

"Gentlemen, I beg to hand in my resignation. I find I have not time to devote ——."

But his voice was lost in the tumult. The speaker seized the leg of the table in a firm grip and when the noise abated he said:

"I wrote it and I'm going to read it." He commenced again, but the room was fast emptying. The President had gone, the Secretary had deserted. All were gone—except one member and the reader.

VARSITY PRIMER

By Animem

Do you see the Lights in there, my dears? That is a De-part-men-tal Soc-i-et-y hold-ing a meet-ing. What is a De-part-men-tal Soc-i-et-y? A De-part-men-tal Soc-i-et-y is a Lit-tle Co-ter-ie of Stud-ents ban-ded to-get-her for the Im-prove-ment of their minds. But that is not all they have to do. Ev-er-y year they get a Pic-ture tak-en at Two Plunks each. Those Gent-le-men, in there are the Pres-i-dent and the Sec-ret-ar-y. Oh, no, they will not be Lone-some. They have the Speak-er of the Ev-en-ing for Com-pan-y.

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What is Var-si-ty Poi-it-ics? Var-si-ty Pol-it-ics is where two Par-ties take up the same Is-sue and fight Each Ot-her for the Ad-vance-ment of it. There are Two Par-ties in the Lit-er-ar-y Soc-i-et-y. They are the Un-ion-ist and the Old Lit. What is the Dif-fer-ence bet-ween them? Sure-ly it is ver-y Simp-le. The Un-ion-ists have by far the Best Men, while on the Ot-her Hand the Old Lit. Par-ty have by far the Best Men. Which one would I ad-vice you to join? Oh, the one with the Best Men by all means.

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Do you see that Man read-ing a Book? He is a Re-cent Grad-u-ate. How do I know he is Re-cent? Be-cause he puts B.A. after his Sig-nat-ure. He is read-ing the Lives of Fam-ous Men to see what Sal-ary they Start-ed on. Pres-ent-ly he will be trying to Re-con-cile Mun-if-i-cence and Eight Dol-lars Per. Will he be ab-le to do it? Ah, my child-ren, Nec-ess-i-ty is the Mot-her of a great man-y things be-side In-vent-ion.

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WHEN EVEN KARMA FAILS

Once in the dim vistas of the past, says the Theosophists, long before the Atlantean civilization passed, there lived a man and his name was Biggs. And there was a woman too and her name was Wiggs. In the course of time they fell in love, they became engaged and they married. No cloud marred their happiness and after many years of wedded love they passed over.

Centuries rolled on, and when the time was come Biggs re-entered this physical plane. So did Wiggs. They met, they loved, they were wed, they died in utter happiness.

More centuries rolled on. Biggs and Wiggs re-lin-quis-hed the spir-itual plane and returned to earth. But this time Wiggs was the man and Biggs the woman. But that mattered little. The old passion drew them together and the old love made them one. Then they passed.

Once again after ages they are back on this earth. They live in the same community. But they are both women.

And they never speak.

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A man's opinion of himself is not of so much commercial value as other people's opinion of him.—Real Estate.

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We are all agreed that women are angels; what we have not settled on is the color.—Glasgow University Magazine.

UNUS EX PLURIBUS

This year by Mr. Rhodes' plan,
A right good plan each one agrees,
Old 'Varsity elects a man
To send out over seas.

The lucky candidate we know
Three years will live in clover,
Yet those who fail, to drown their woe
May well be half seas over.



THEN AND NOW

By R. C. R.

When beaux and wits of former days
Of "good things" spoke, they meant
The flashing of a brilliant phrase,
A bright thought's ornament.

But modern wits and beaux I wis
Have lost those classic graces;
To them a "good thing" simply is
A hot tip on the races.



THE ECONOMIC MAN

By K. Khan

"The economic hypothesis of an omniscient being, devoid of all sentiment and emotion and actuated solely by a regard for his own material interests."

"Were you around your rendezvous?"
His speech was short;
"Believe me, I've been waiting you,"
Her old retort.
—But did he?—No.
He was the Economic Man.

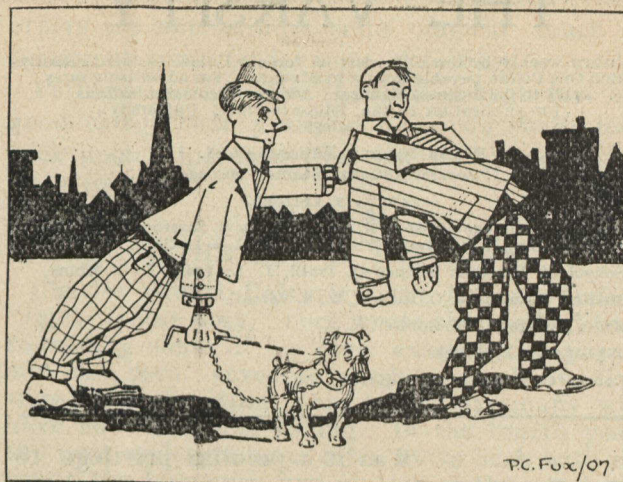
He knew no ladies at the rink,
What should he do?
Oh, coy and fetching was the wink
To him she threw.
—Well, did he?—No.
He was the Economic Man.

They sat together on the stair,
Her fav'rite place;
Above, a mistletoe affair
Hung o'er her face.
—Oh, did he?—No.
He was the Economic Man.

"We play McGill next week," said he,
With eager eye.
"Oh, that's the game I'd love to see,"
Was her reply.
—And did she?—No.
He was the Economic Man.



I remember, I remember,
Nothing further after that,
But I wakened in the morning.
On an alien lobby mat,
And I felt not unpersuaded
(Though my reasons were not clear)
That I'd spent a merry Christmas
And a prosperous New Year.
—Glasgow University Magazine.



COLLEGE SPORTS

(President Roosevelt has said that college sports are going to the dogs.)

A tale we now in doggerel
Tho' oft retailed again retell,
Clad in glad rags or football togs,
Our sports are going to the dogs.

What with high balls and half-and-half
None can foretell the aftermath.
To rescue them from this debacle
Will almost need a block and tackle.

And now so oft have critics stormed
Our sports must surely be reformed
—If thou dost this, for evermore
O, Roosevelt we shall Theodore.

L.



THE FOOL'S DICTIONARY

- B. A.—The pinnacle on which the foundation of the University is built.
- Convocation Haul—\$100,000.
- Mater—The other half of Alma.
- Classics—A post mortem examination.
- Residence—A dream of our grandchildren.
- Theology—Fire insurance.
- Hell—Dr. Torrey's asylum for the incurables of the universe.
- General course—A net for acrobats.
- Queen's Hall—Lazenby's Nirvana.
- Victoria College—A place where they don't smoke—yet.
- Civil Engineers—Men who take into the wilds a civilization they have not.
- The Varsity—The poets' sinecure.
- Political Science—The art of doing nothing in order that you may do somebody.
- Moderns—Vivisection.
- Natural Science—A harp without hands.
- Plug—(None of the staff know).



Shopping by mail will never be entirely popular until Uncle Sam puts out an issue of 98-cent dollar bills.—Ex.

"Honestly, if I were called upon to advise a young man how best to succeed in life I should tell him to wear out two suits of dress clothes every year."—Alfred Henry Lewis.

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Our Privileges

Was it a peculiar privilege to be a fellow-student of Sir Gilbert Parker and of Hon. Edward Blake and to know them with all the intimacy of youth? Years ago these men were Toronto undergraduates. But a year never passes in which this University does not graduate several students who afterwards become notable men. The student of the days when Blake and Parker were undergraduates had no advantage in this respect over the student of to-day, for, according to statistics, there are a dozen men now at College who will be big men of the future. It behoves the present day student to find these men and to know them—they can generally be found—and not to pass through College ignoring the privilege of their friendship, or it shall be said of him that he

"Like the base Indian threw a pearl away
Richer than all his tribe."

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College Clubs

One of the professors in University College said the other day that where one got the greatest benefit out of University life was in the small informal student clubs about the College, where great questions were discussed without dogma and without prejudice. At such times, he said, one "seemed to grow visibly." There are a number of such clubs about University College already; but we venture to suggest that there is room for more. First year men especially would do well to form such clubs, with a view to continuing them throughout their course. They could model them on the plan of any of the existing clubs. The Thirteen Club, which we understand wears evening clothes, meets irregularly and is addressed by the guest of the evening, who is some prominent man. Professor Goldwin Smith entertained the Club at his home last term. The Speculative Club, which was named after the club to which Robert Louis Stevenson belonged at Edinburgh University, and was sug-

gested by Gladstone's Essay Club at Oxford, meets fortnightly for dinner together. After dinner, a subject is introduced and discussed informally, though the speakers are subject to the ruling of a chairman or "Dictator," as he is called. The Iconoclasts' Club has a similar constitution, as also has a fourth club which shall be nameless. The Historical Club hardly lends itself to imitation; it meets in the houses of prominent gentlemen in the city, and discusses present day political and international questions. All these clubs are exclusive and limited in membership, but there is no reason why those who appreciate the value of such clubs should not form ones of their own.

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The Faculty of Applied Science as at present constituted occupies an anomalous position.

Theoretically it is a faculty of the University, practically it is a separate institution. It is true that a few lectures in its curriculum are delivered by University professors, but, with the exception of the Discipline Committee, that is almost the only bond of union. Its management is practically distinct and the authority over it of the titular head of the University is as real as that conferred by the title "King of France," formerly held by British sovereigns. The result of this is a certain amount of confusion.

It takes, for example, three years in engineering to graduate from the "School," but four from the University, that is to obtain the degree of B.A.Sc. And there are many places where a graduate of Toronto University would be recognized while the degree (?) "Grad. S.P.S." would be as unintelligible as the School yell. It is time for some one in authority to differentiate the functions of a Technical School and a University Faculty.

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The School and the Physics Department

There can be very little doubt that unless the "School" is brought into closer relations with the University, the reverse process must take place. Already a tendency in this direction has been shown. In the fall of 1904, a department of Physics was established in the "School" where engineering students now take their work in pure Physics instead of, as formerly, with University professors. No one would propose extending this to pure mathematics, but it seems almost as reasonable in one case as in the other. This process of decentralization is all the more regrettable at this time when a University Physics building is about to be built.

Discipline in the Residence

It is interesting to note Mr. Lash's reasons for giving students charge of discipline in the University residence. "It is necessary for the success of the residence. We must recognize the democratic genius of the country. The students are not children, and the earlier they are entrusted with their own affairs the better will they manage them in after life. When students are given responsibility they evince their best qualities. If trouble arises they will have themselves to blame and can apply the remedy. The students will welcome this. The same principle exists in Edinburgh and has made the residence popular and successful."

Proposed Club House

Everyone is glad that the University Residence scheme is an assured fact, and yet great as are its possibilities it will be years before it can directly effect more than one-tenth of our undergraduates. Half the sum necessary to house a hundred men in residences would have bought and equipped the Technical School as a club house—and this would have a direct and profound influence upon every undergraduate. If three dollars should be collected with the regular College fees from each of sixteen hundred students, comprising the male students of University College, and those in Applied Science and Medicine, it would be more than sufficient to meet the running expenses of such a club house.

Ben Greet Once More

Of special interest to students will be the engagement of the Ben Greet players at Massey Hall for the week commencing February 5th. So far are the management from eschewing students, as has become the custom at certain of our theatres, they have realized that students as a class are perhaps the most intelligent patrons of the drama. The proposal that there be a student night should be welcomed in view of the eagerness with which the engagement is being awaited.

The Editor Prophesies

Verse writing is so common among our students that it has become a licensed subject to joke upon and many are the facetious and even the sarcastic things said of the poets. Not long ago a Varsity editor had to ask editorially for more contributions in verse for his paper; now we have verses galore, witty and grave and gay, even a sixty page volume of undergraduate poems of which every loyal son of Varsity should have a copy. Some lack smoothness and some are pretty foolish (the editor must say this or he

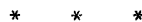
would not be considered a good critic), and others are not without some magical touch of beauty or some tender note of feeling.

Perhaps we are not thankful enough for our good things. In years to come we shall look back upon this as a time unusually prolific in good verse.

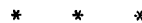


AT THE SIGN OF THE GOWN

Charles Stuart Calverley, the famous Oxford "light-weight poet," once wrote that he had been re-reading some of his early examination papers and had been vexed to see how excellent they were. One imagines that there are many who have had the same feeling. In the fourth year, the poor undergraduate often looks back with envy at the buoyancy and elation with which he answered an exam. paper in his first year. In the first year, one sometimes comes out from the examination hall with a feeling of having swept the paper; in the fourth year, one never sweeps a paper. There seems to be a repressive tendency about a University course that, whatever else it may do, crushes the fine flower of youthful joyousness.



The freshness of freshmen is not all evil. It is impossible, of course, out in the big world; but the more one can retain of part of it during his University course, the better. The other day a prominent graduate of the University said that it was a common mistake of University men to think that mentality was everything in the race of life; it was not, he said; it was not even the most important thing. The most important thing was hope, buoyancy, courage, the faculty of keeping one's head high and one's eyes glad—in short, the thing that the freshman has, and the senior too often has not. That was what counted in life, even more than mentality; and if he had to choose between the man who had hope and courage, but no great mentality, and the man who had mentality, but no great hope and courage, he said he would put his money on the first man every time.



An English journalist, Claudius Clear, once said in print that if a University education did nothing else for a man, it knocked the conceit out of him. Probably that is as near the truth as one can get. The trouble with the freshness of the freshman, his hope and his buoyancy, is that too much of it rests on a false self-esteem. To get rid of this, to be endowed with "the broken and the contrite heart," while at the same time preserving that elemental quality of courage and of hope that springs eternal in the human breast—this is the great problem and the great achievement of a college training.

The Stroller.



The writer of "Barbarisms" on page 219 seems to think the editor is hard on verse writers, but the fact that his verses are published shows the contrary.

THE COLLEGE GIRL

Edited by Miss J. M. Adie.

AN "AUSFLUG"

By Daisy P. Macdonald, ex-'06

We were all students of the summer course in Marburg University, Germany, and had purchased tickets for a walking excursion out into the country. By half-past one in the afternoon about sixty students had collected at the meeting-place previously arranged, and we separated into groups to walk up to the castle on the top of the hill.

It was very novel and interesting—this friendly group of people from all parts of the world. The talkative American was there, exercising his vocal organs in the German language, and amusing everyone by his witty remarks, and his skillful combination of a northern twang, a southern drawl, and very bad German. The Englishman had thawed somewhat out of his usual reticence, but found the change almost too much for him, and was in a continual state of surprise at finding himself "hail-fellow-well-met" with "foreigners." The Irishman insisted on speaking English to all who would listen to him, while the Scotchman, having lately been in Paris, had not yet accustomed his mind to the idea of learning German and insistently spoke French. Then there was the "burly" Russian, who spoke all languages well, the suave Italian who kept at the side of the pretty Welsh girl and made German seem a soft, beautiful language when he spoke. French, Swedes, Spaniards, Dutch and even East Indians were there, and all were highly delighted with one another.

We walked slowly up through the quaint little narrow streets with their old houses, on some of which were quite elaborate carvings, and the mottoes in verse that are so "echt Deutsch," as an English lady remarked. The castle proved to be even older and more dilapidated than the houses, and hardly more interesting, with the exception of a room full of old manuscripts upon which Professor Seehaussen made comments.

It was with some relief that we left the dingy old rooms and took our way down the side of the mountain opposite to the town. A delightful walk brought us to Marbach, where, entering the little inn, we were served with coffee and cakes. It was interesting to learn that the room we occupied was a favorite one for duels between the students of the university, and the dark stains on walls, floor and ceiling gave evidence of many a bloody encounter.

After refreshments, the tables were moved aside, music began, and with it dancing. Nearly all joined heartily in the German dances, and found them easy to learn and very enjoyable. Occasionally, however, a Russian would startle us by leading his partner down the room in a mad rush, stamping as they went, or all would turn to look with great interest at the American couples and applaud them heartily.

Outside in the gardens there were parties drinking beer and enjoying quiet conversations among themselves, while some of the students had collected to play games somewhat similar to cross-tag. Men and women of every age and nationality rushed about utterly unmindful of onlookers.

Evening came on all too soon, and with a pleasant walk home, one of the most enjoyable days I have ever spent came to an end.



THE JANUARY SCARE

By K. E. S.

At this season of the year there seems to be a malady prevalent among us undergraduates. It manifests itself by a remarkable tendency to work, by a period of self-reproach, an utter lack of courage to look into the future and a profound desire to borrow other people's notes.

It begins to show its first symptoms when, on our return from the Christmas holidays, the books are taken out of the trunk and placed upon the dusty shelves. We remember with what resolutions they went home with us and how they daily stared at us from some unfrequented corner of the room. We realize that we are now launched into the Easter term, that no longer Christmas is between us and the Days of Wrath. As soon as we are fairly unpacked we rush to the Library and sign for several books, sharpen our pencils and fill our pens anew while fears and noble aspirations contend within our hearts.

In pronounced cases this malady has been known to run from seven to ten days and even after recovery there have been known to be relapses. During the time that the fever rages, in our daily walk about the campus we point to the Convocation Hall which is progressing so surely and we whisper, "It is to be done for Convocation, see how quickly it is growing!" and it becomes a sort of automatic time-keeper marking relentlessly the flight of the days, while the busy figures swarming about it seem to typify the nervous and abiding energy which possesses us.

However, this disease is rarely fatal and never chronic, so at the end of a week or so we begin to improve, our courage returns, we cease to mortify the flesh to such an alarming extent, and before the results of the supplemental examinations are out we are on the high road to recovery from this our annual January Scare.



NOTES

Invitations have been issued by the Furnishing Committee of the Women's Residence for a reception to be given Saturday afternoon, January 27th, at Queen's Hall.

Cards are also out for a dance to be given by the Dean and Students' in residence on Friday evening, February 2nd.

Hockey prospects are anything but bright just at present, but the schedule of games in the Women's Athletic League is as follows:

January 20th—St. Hilda's vs. Victoria.

" 27th—Univ. College vs. St. Hilda's.

February 3rd—Victoria vs. Univ. College.

" 10th—Victoria vs. St. Hilda's.

" 17th—St. Hilda's vs. Univ. College.

" 24th—Univ. College vs. Victoria.

In each instance the games are to be played at the college first named, and they are to be governed by the Intercollegiate rules.

There was an unusually large number of the girls present at the Y.W.C.A. meeting last Tuesday to hear Miss Rankin's practical and interesting talk on the Nashville Conference.

SPORTS

Edited by H. D. Scully

HOCKEY

VARSVITY, 4; INTERSCHOLASTICS, 3

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 20.—The Varsity hockey team of Toronto made its debut at Duquesne Garden this evening, and played some of the fastest hockey seen in years here. It was necessary for the Canadians to go some, as they had for opponents the Interscholastics, of Pittsburg, about as fast a hockey aggregation as there is in Pennsylvania. The Toronto boys won, 4 to 3. The last half was about as fast playing as can well be imagined, for the home team played to tie the score, and kept the puck most of the time in the visitors' territory.

Toronto started the game at a whirlwind pace, and managed to roll up four goals during the first half of fifteen minutes. The home team managed to get two, and the score stood 4 to 2 when both teams took the ice for the second half. It was now the turn of the Interscholastics to set the pace, and they did so to the king's taste. After about five minutes of play Herron managed to make a pretty goal, and this made it 4 to 3. How desperately Pittsburg fought for the tying goal, and how gallantly the Canadians defended, cannot be well told, as it should have been seen to be properly appreciated.

There were times when the 1,500 spectators were on their chairs, yelling like mad, but the wonderful goal work of Keith was too much for the local men, when they would try for a shot. Both Harold Clarke and Herb. Clarke came in for a good share of applause, and Laidlaw, who played left wing, frequently brought down the house by his fast work. The band burst into "God Save the King" as the victorious Canadians went to their dressing-rooms.

Toronto—Keith, goal; Hanley, point; Harold Clarke, cover-point; Herb. Clarke, centre; Martin, rover; Toms, right wing; Laidlaw, left wing.

VARSVITY, 7; CARNEGIE TECHNICALS, 1

Varsity won a very fast game on Saturday night at Duquesne Rink, Pittsburg, from the Carnegie Technical School. The game was rather rough, there being a great deal of tripping and slashing, in which Varsity acted purely on the defensive, but on the whole it was a far better exhibition than Friday's game.

That Varsity did not win by a larger score was due to the phenomenal work of Carnegie's goal keeper, who managed to keep the score a tie up to full time. In the ten minutes extra time Varsity pulled together and played in the best form this season. A perfect deluge of shots went in and six of them reached the net leaving the score seven to one in favor of Varsity. The defence had not much to do, and the whole forward line played well together. The team:

Goal, Keith; point, Broadfoot; cover, Montague; rover, Martin; centre, Herb. Clarke; wings, Toms and Laidlaw.

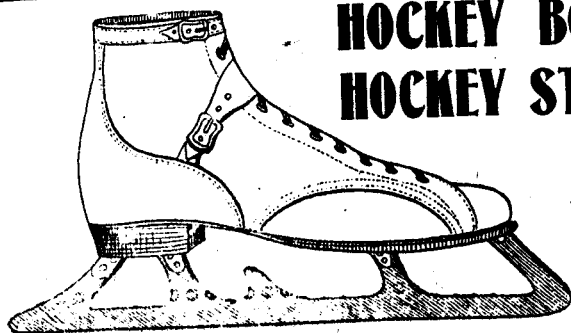


NOTES

The resignation of Mr. Woodworth, a graduate, as manager of the Hockey Club in the middle of the season presents the strongest argument against graduate management of University Athletic Clubs. The shortness of the hockey season makes permanence and uniformity of management most absolute essentials for the success of the Club. This year's example shows that graduate management falls short of these requirements, and, although the success of the Club this season may not be impaired by the manager's resignation, still it is easy to see that evil results might follow. The management of any club is not a gift to be used as the individual receiving it sees fit. It is a trust involving the duty of rendering the best services the interests of the club demand. We do not maintain that Mr. Woodworth should sacrifice his chances of success in business for the Hockey Club, but we do assert that before undertaking the management of the Club at all, he should have been certain that his interests would not conflict with that of the Hockey Club.

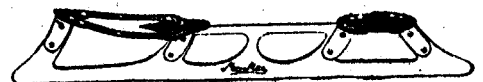
G. L. Ramsay, most widely known as "Gir," was elected to the position left vacant by Mr. Woodworth last week. If experience is a guarantee of success Mr. Ramsay is entitled to expect it, as he last year managed the Varsity H. team. He has started in fairly well by winning the two games at Pittsburg last week. We hope his success will continue in the Intercollegiate series.

Varsity plays McGill at the Mutual Street Rink next Friday night, January 26th. Every student should be there to encourage the team. With hard ice, a fast game is assured, and Varsity will pull out a close victory. A win for Varsity would give them a great chance for the championship, as McGill defeated Queen's 6 to 5 in Montreal. Don't forget the game next Friday night.



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Engineers dance takes place in Gymnasium to-night.

Miss H. Blachford, soprano, assisted by Mr. Frank Blachford, violinist; Mr. Norman Joliffe, baritone, and Miss E. Cunningham, accompanist, will appear in an organ recital in St. George's Hall, at 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, JAN. 26TH.

Medical Society election.

University College Literary and Scientific Society meet in Students' Union, at 8 p.m.

Osgoode Hall First Year Literary and Legal Society hold a debate at 4.30 p.m.

Final inter-year debate between '06 and '08, in Students' Union.

Conservatory Hall, vocal recital, Miss Mildred Lawson, assisted by Miss Mary Callwell, pianist; Mr. Paul Hahn, cellist, and Mr. Hubert Eisdale, tenor, at 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JAN. 27TH.

The Lecture Theatre of the Chemical Building, at 3 p.m. "George Meredith," by Pelham Edgar, Ph. D., Professor of French in Victoria College.

The Furnishing Committee and the girls in residence at Queen's Hall, "at home," from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, JAN. 28TH.

University sermon, in Wycliffe Convocation Hall, by Rev. J. A. Macdonald, Editor of The Globe, at 11 a.m.

MONDAY, JAN. 29TH

Regular meeting of the Modern Language Club.

Massey Hall, the National Chorus, conducted by Dr. Albert Ham, two nights only.

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News of the Graduates

The Rev. John Ross, B.A., '76, has accepted a call to the Presbyterian church at Port Dalhousie.

Dr. Leonard Pantou, '04, is practising medicine at Chicago. (Address: Columbia Block, 9215 Commercial Ave., South Chicago.)

Dr. E. C. Burson, '04, has been appointed chief of the intern staff at the General Hospital, Toronto.

Mr. F. S. Carr, B.A., '04, is now in Innisfail, Alta.

Mr. A. M. Hindson, B.A., '04, is teaching at Leavings, Alta.

Mr. P. W. Currie, B.A., '04, is at present at 429 Slater street, Ottawa.

Mr. Sydney B. Woods, B.A., LL.B., '04, is Deputy Attorney-General for the Province of Alberta.

Dr. David Bradley Neely, '99, is practising medicine at Humbolt, Sask.

Mr. R. J. Younge, B.A., '02, has resigned the secretaryship of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to become sales manager of the Canadian Rubber Co., Montreal.

Mr. W. Hamar Greenwood, B.A., '97, has been elected member of the Imperial Parliament for the City of York, England.

Mr. D. P. McColl, B.A., '92, of Regina, is Deputy Commissioner of Education for the Province of Saskatchewan.

University College

The meeting of the "Lit" on Friday night was well attended. Business of a minor nature occupied the evening. Mr. George Little delivered himself of a most vituperative speech, attacking most violently the committee which had allowed the Glory Song to be played as a waltz at the Arts dance. The attack was met and answered by several who felt the seriousness of Mr. Little's charges. Mr. Little has since whispered in our ear

that he intended by this speech to qualify for a leather medal as the "College humorist."

While speaking of the Glory Song we must not omit mention of Mr. N. L. Harton-Speck, who was appointed usher at Massey Hall, and declares that he was so overcome by the dignity of his position that he was constrained to be converted.

Mr. R. Wherry sat at the feet of Dr. Sunderland for an hour on Sunday, and has now pronounced leanings to Unitarianism, which Mr. Harton is bravely endeavoring to correct.

Alas! how changed is that Harton from him who used to return flushed with victory from throwing Stygian paint at noughty-nine.

Mr. A. D. Cridland informs us that he lost a sponge-cake not far from Queen's Hall on his way home. "Crid" is very anxious concerning its whereabouts. He is very much afraid someone has eaten it, but hopes he will recover.

Someone was reading aloud recently notice of a series of lectures inflicted on the students of New York, on life and customs at Oxford. All who heard deeply sympathize with the University of New York.

It is rumoured that Mr. J. O. Carlisle, '06, is engaged. Further announcements later.

The class of '06 held a meeting on Monday with a view to the permanent organization of the year.

The Eavesdropper

"We won't have Dr. Torrey long
If the students waltz to the 'Glory Song.'"

The poet requested that his name should not be published.

W. H.—Have you read Roebuck?

E. O.—Yes, and Timbuctoo.

M. N.—O, say! let's play pool since we got the new Q's. R you on?

O'Flynn (at billiards)—A fellow is handicapped when playing School

men, as they get lots of practice at drawing.

C. L.—I can tell in what church a person was educated by his idea of the sacrament. From what you say you are a high churchman.

W. C.—Well; not exactly. You see, I am a strict Calvinist.

"Where do you live west?"

"On the east side of North street, just south of Bloor."

Joe McGoey (suddenly seized with the divine afflatus)—Hold on! Hold on! I think I have something that rhymes. Listen.

Faculty of Applied Science

The meeting of the Engineering Society on Wednesday of last week was very well attended. Prof. Stewart gave an illustrated lecture on some experiences of the party who journeyed to Labrador to view the solar eclipse. Prof. Stewart was appointed advance guard of the expedition, and fixed camping grounds on a site most fitted for the taking of observations. He showed views of the instruments used in observations, views of the party and of interesting places along the route, and of events which occurred on the trip.

The School Y. M. C. although only a year old, has become quite an energetic organization. The Association intends to send delegates—six if possible—to the Student Volunteer Convention, to be held from Feb. 28 to March 4, at Nashville, Tennessee. This convention, like that held here four years ago, will bring delegates from all parts of the world.

The Y. M. C. A. is holding a series of suppers, the first of which was held last Friday at the University Y. M. C. A. parlors. These suppers are intended, with programme, to last from 6 to 8 p. m. One hundred and thirty men attended last Friday. The programme consisted of solos by Messrs. Blackwood and Saunders, and addresses by Mr. Angus and by Mr. Groves, the editor of the Canadian Engineer.

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Most of the architects of the School attended the annual convention of the O. A. A. last week. A number of civils attended the meeting on Wednesday afternoon, when a paper on "Modern Fireproofing" was read.

Messrs. H. J. McCausland, B. A. Sc., '04, and M. A. Stewart, '05, visited old acquaintances at the School last week.

A meeting of the second year was held on Thursday, 17th, to consider the advisability of having an oyster supper for the year. It was decided to canvass the year and hold the supper if sixty of the year were ready to support it. Last fall's "strike" committee was appointed to look after the matter.

At the same meeting Messrs. J. A. Stiles and D. J. McGugan were elected as representatives to the University Discipline Committee, to act when that body finally decides to look into the causes of dissatisfaction among the students.

As a result of the extra holidays the second year had last term some nine members of the class have dropped out, among whom are H. G. Wright, J. W. Pierce and A. Pearson. The second year oyster supper will be held on Friday, the 26th inst., at McConkey's.

Arrangements for the graduating class dance are progressing satisfactorily. The dance is to be held in the east hall of the main building on Feb. 9. To prevent crowding tickets are to be issued for sixty couples only. The graduating class ball promises to become an annual affair. Those who attended the '05 dance will be anxious to attend this year.

Faculty of Medicine

The enthusiasm of the large numbers of men who attended the nominations on Friday afternoon was quite an encouraging sign for the future of the Medical and Athletic Societies. Some of the nominators varied their encomiums of those nominated by a few gentle thrusts at the way our Executives have conducted business in the past, and it was remarkable that some of these very same men were among those who had not enough respect for themselves or the meeting to remain to its close. True, our Executives in the past have not done all they might, but what can they do without the support of the individual members? They must have every man's support and the recognition of the faculty. There are to be two very interesting meetings in the near future;—let every one show his loyalty by attending, and make our only society the success and benefit it ought to be, and will be.

The cultivation of self-respect and self-control were the two points emphasized by Rev. Dr. Wilson in a forceful address to the medical students on Wednesday afternoon last in the north lecture theatre.

A prominent sophomore prepared a banquet for two of his lady friends recently, only to find that the fattened chicken had prematurely disappeared. The course of true love never did run smoothly, and U. S. C. has the sincere sympathy of his classmates.

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"Your vote and influence; have a cigarette?" We hear that dozens of times every day. In fact, that's all we hear, and, to tell the truth, everybody wishes the election were over with. We haven't the time (particularly those of the second year) to discuss the merit or lack of merit, of a whole army of aspirants for honors. The elections come at a time of the year when we honestly can't afford the time to get "enthused." They come at a time of the year when many of the very best men refuse to come out for office simply because it means neglect of their work. These same men would enter, body and soul, into the contest were it to come during the fall term, when they were not working under pressure. We would have a contest that is a contest: a contest which would demand and get the interest of everybody. Let the Medical Society discuss this question of time of elections seriously before another election day rolls around.

The several years were last week addressed by active workers of the Y. M. C. A. National Convention Committee. It is proposed to send two members to the Nashville Convention from each year in medicine, and the different years are asked to aid the scheme financially. Collectors have been around and, we understand, are meeting with very fair success. This is a worthy cause, and it is hoped that every man of every year may see his way clear to contribute.

Ye shades of Cyclops! '09 boasts of a phrenologist. This professor is a pretty smooth gent; in fact, is a regular "cuckoo." What he can't tell about your "bums" isn't worth knowing. The dignified senior, the mighty junior and the turbulent sophomore can not phase him. And the freshmen! Well, you just ought to hear him "tell" them.

It is almost an assured fact that the Senate will sanction the resolution of our Medical Society, making a fee of \$1.25 for Medical and Athletic Society compulsory. This will prove a great advantage to the incoming Executive.

Voting will take place on Friday evening, Jan. 26th, in Medical Building.

The faculty and students have contributed well towards the expenses of sending our delegates to Nashville Y. M. C. A. Convention. We are sure it will prove a great benefit to every one.

Two freshmen, well introduced to themselves, walked into a down-town restaurant last week and ordered some well-cooked pork chops for their dinner. The waitress sized up her customers and gave this order to the cook: "Two on the pork."

Wycliffe College

Some of the most ardent lovers of music in the College, having constituted themselves a committee for the development and encouragement of vocal disturbances throughout the halls and corridors, last week waited upon one of our most promising sound producers, namely, Mr. Despard, and presented him with an illuminated address in recognition of his strenuous efforts in the manufacture of tin tin whistles and fog-horns.

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The debate between Wycliffe and Osgoode will be held at Osgoode on Tuesday night.

Rev. E. A. McIntyre, B.A., curate of St Paul's Church, has been compelled, through illness, to take a holiday. He is at present in London.

As we go to press, we have just received the sad news of the death of the Reverend Principal Sheraton. His death will be a very serious blow to the college and to the University. Varsity extends its sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Sheraton.

Knox College

Dave Harum used to say that a reasonable amount of fleas were good for a dog; kept him from worrying about being a dog. In the same spirit of homely philosophy the faculty are still providing the Knox students with term exams. It keeps them from worrying about being Knox students.

Many of the students last week partook of the kindly Scottish hospitality of Professors Robertson, Kennedy and Kilpatrick.

For the convenience of those who are obliged to take Sunday service outside the city, an effort was made to have the Monday lectures transferred to Saturday, but the powers that be thought otherwise.

At the Trinity conversazione last week, J. W. Gordon, B.A., was present as the representative of Knox College, and spent a most enjoyable evening.

One of the most helpful addresses given at the student conference last week was that delivered by Dr. Kennedy.

When the Knox vocalists attempt to sing one of the popular songs, the general effect sounds like several persons singing in many different keys, wherefore a visitor recently enquired if the dining hall was the Conservatory of Music.

At the meeting of the Missionary Society last week, C. A. Malcolm presented his report of work in Buffalo Plains, Sask., and J. E. Thompson his report for Conger, Ont. The most important feature of the meeting, in fact, one marking a new epoch in the history of the Society, was the report of the Revision Committee. By adopting this report, the Society has broadened its scope to include all the missionary work of members of Knox College, home and foreign. Provision was made for the holding of at least two foreign mission meetings during the year.

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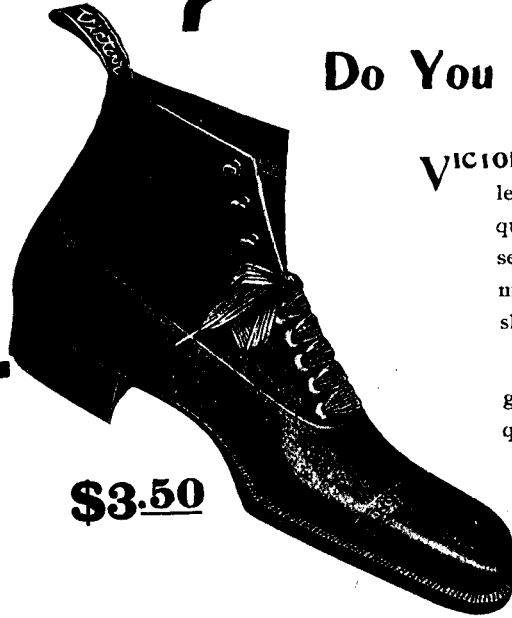
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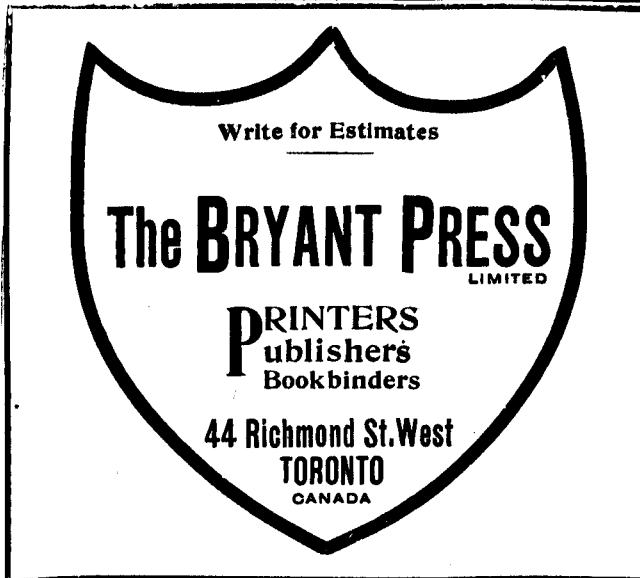
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