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Editorial Topics.

OUR NEW PROVOST.

In its April issue THE REVIEW announced editorially the gratifying fact that Trinity University had at last secured a Provost. The great interest excited throughout Canada in this appointment, and in the public press the almost interminable correspondence with reference thereto will be remembered by all. The inevitable fruit of caution and commendable deliberation was the appointment of a superior man. And that those who had the matter in hand were especially favoured in their endeavours, all who have come in contact with our present Provost bear ready testimony. Naturally the matter was one of the liveliest interest to undergraduates. Apart from the necessary qualifications of scholarship, the earnest hope was expressed that the new Head would be able, to some extent at least, to assimilate his ideas to theirs and to accord a liberal sympathy to the governing spirit of our college life. Although the acquaintance between the Provost and the undergraduates is as yet slight, THE REVIEW is pleased to note the strength of the impression that the Provost has recognized the true spirit pervading the place. We venture to predict that he will be foremost to encourage the preservation of our time-honoured institutions, and to foster all that is best in the thought and life of Trinity. This idea found expression in the provost's admirable sermon of Sunday, October 12th. We publish the sermon in full for the benefit of our readers. When he spoke of progress, of loyalty, of the "tone" of the college, and of making Trinity the home of scholars and gentlemen, all who were so fortunate as to be present appreciated the evident sincerity of the speaker and the happy expression of his ideas; in short, it was felt that he had struck the right note. THE REVIEW, on behalf of the undergraduates, begs to extend to Provost Welch and his charming wife the heartiest of welcomes. We express the hope that the Provost's relations with Canada will be a source of constant pleasure to himself, and ultimately of lasting benefit to Trinity and to the country.

HALL CAINE. Few who have been delighted with the works of this gifted writer can fail to be interested in the personality of their author. Once to have been uplifted by the sublime unselfishness, the God-like self-abnegation of Pete or Red Jason, is to conceive an immense admiration for the creator of such noble characters. To have joined in sympathy in the fierce struggle of contending emotions with Dan Mylrea and Philip Christian, is to experience a personal interest in the man who can thus depict the height of human passion, the depth of human despair. We are as a rule prone to isolate our favourite authors from the rest of the busy work-a-day world, to think of them as dreamers set apart, living in another sphere. Perhaps this is why so many people, meeting for the first time a favourite from stageland or the world of letters, confess to a feeling of disappointment. Hall Caine from all that we can learn is certainly no dreamer, so if any romantic females have his photograph enshrined in their boudoirs between a statue of Apollo and the likeness of the latest comic opera tenor, they had better take it down. The Society of British Authors knew what they were about in choosing Mr. Caine as their representative to discuss with Canadians the vexed question of copyright. A literary man of note was needed of course; but in addition the requisite gifts of tact, diplomacy and knowledge of the world, were of first importance. All of these qualities seem to be possessed by Hall Caine in no slight degree. Confident in his opinions he has been emboldened to meet the Canadian publishers and state to some extent the position of the British authors. The banquet tendered him by the publishers of Toronto at the National Club on Saturday October 26th was a distinct success, and the guest of the evening made a most favourable impression. His address was a masterpiece and contained a liberal exposition of the question from the standpoint of his clients to wit the British authors. It is a pleasant thing to have among us, even for a fleeting visit, a man of such brilliant genius. The fact that a spirit of compromise is entering into the councils of those who have hitherto been inflexible in their position, speaks volumes for Hall Caine's success as an ambassador.

PROFESSOR BOYS' POEMS.

We are glad to publish in this number a poem from the pen of the late Professor Boys. The one that we have selected appeared in the Review of February 1888, and was at that time so popular that we have chosen it as the first of a number of poems by the same author which we hope to publish during the coming year. Our object in doing so is to call attention to the fact that there are a number of Professors Boys' verses, sufficient to fill a fair-sized volume, in the possession of Professor Clark. Many of these poems are of real merit, and it is regrettable that they have been hitherto for the most part unpublished. An effort was made a few years ago to collect the verses and publish them in book form, but the number of copies subscribed for in advance was insufficient to guarantee the success of the undertaking. An agitation has lately been set on foot to make another effort to accomplish the desired end, and Professor Clark, who had the matter in hand before, has volunteered to edit the volume and engineer the work of publication. It seems to us that this is a work that Trinity might well take in hand and one not unworthy of her efforts. Should there be any

general desire to see the works of our sometime popular professor of classics in print, the Review is prepared to lend any aid in its power. We would gladly superintend a list of those willing to become subscribers and also publish the opinions of any who may be interested in the matter.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Since the successful conclusion of Toronto University's annual athletic sports, some conversation has been indulged in among university men regarding the feasibility of annual Canadian inter-collegiate sports. Should any definite steps follow on this preliminary discussion, needless to say, the scheme would have Trinity's hearty co-operation. Every college and school has its athletic games under the fullest sanction and approval of the authorities. These tests of speed strength and endurance are an integral part of the education of youth. The strength of the British Empire is built on them. The Duke of Wellington once said that Waterloo was won on the playing-fields of Rugby and Eton. An exaggerated athleticism is of course to be avoided; but the cultivation of excellence in many sports, along proper lines and in due proportion, is to be applauded and encouraged. We consider that the institution of annual contests between our various universities would be an un-mixed blessing. It would bring together the best athletes from different Canadian colleges to contest under good auspices for suitable trophies. A spirit of generous rivalry would be engendered and men would be encouraged in moderate living with a definite aim. The contests, being varied in their nature, would permit of all colleges being represented with a fair chance of carrying off a portion of the honours. We shall await with interest the opening of negotiations in this matter.

It is our sad task occasionally to record the death of someone who has been in one way or another connected with our University. At times however such events come home to us with more than ordinary force. This is the case in the present instance. Mr. L. V. Fessenden, B.A., youngest son of Rev. Fessenden, M.A., of Ancaster, was a graduate of '93 in Honor Classics and is well remembered as an undergraduate by many now in Residence. He was one of the cleverest men in College during his course here, took a very active part in the Literary Institute proceedings and in sports, and was a most promising man in every way. The news of his sudden end came as a shock to all. We can but freely express our sorrow. To his aged parents whose grief we can well imagine, THE REVIEW desires respectfully to convey the deepest sympathy.

Another sad event of the same kind we have to record. Rev. Vincent Price, an old Trinity man, who had been suffering from heart trouble for some years past, died very suddenly under the most painful circumstances. He was in England with his mother when the end came. He graduated some years ago but is still affectionately remembered by many, though he is unknown to the majority of us. We desire to express our deep regret at his death.

PRACTICAL INSTRUCTION.

The facilities for practical instruction in the Natural Science Department of Trinity have recently been increased by the purchase of a valuable series of illustrations, consisting of fifty-seven large geological charts prepared by Professor Von Zittle of the University of Munich, Bavaria. Already a large part of Professor Montgomery's private collection of geological and mineralogical specimens

has been deposited in handsome glass cases in Room No. 1 of the West Wing of the College building, and this collection has been enlarged by the addition of several hundred Canadian specimens gathered during the summer vacation. A catalogue of Professor Montgomery's collection, and also of the University collections of corals, shells and birds, is now in course of preparation. When completed, the catalogue will show that there are placed at the service of the students, without fee or charge, not only good useful collections such as are seen in most colleges and universities, but also many rare and valuable specimens, that are not found in the average college museum.

In these and in other ways the University and College authorities have been manifesting a lively interest in the geological and biological sciences; and we believe their interest continues, and that they aim to develop a museum and natural science department second to none in the Dominion. This is a worthy purpose, and those who endeavour to accomplish it deserve the sympathy and co-operation of every friend of Trinity. Our University has many things of which she may justly be proud. Many of Trinity University graduates have attained high positions in Law and in the Church. The Medical Department of Trinity University is at least equal to the best in the land. Her medical graduates have won high standing in Europe and America. At the present time it can be truthfully said, that there are in our museum in Trinity University many geological and prehistoric specimens that have no duplicates in any of the other museums of Canada.

Notwithstanding all these and many more things, there is still much to be done, and especially for the natural sciences. Amongst several needs may be mentioned a place in which the collection may be properly exhibited and preserved. Some are well cared for now, but their location in different parts of the building causes great inconvenience, to say nothing of the difficulty of arrangement and the lack of light caused by the want of a proper room or rooms in which to classify and exhibit them. There should be a suitable building for museum and lectures erected upon the grounds near the West Wing. Here is a grand opportunity for some wealthy citizen of our country to perpetuate his name in doing good by founding a Science Hall or Museum in connection with Trinity. In the meantime, however, until sufficient means are obtained for the erection of such a building, steps ought to be taken to provide for the museum collections belonging to the University, as well as for those deposited, and for all scientific donations that may be accepted. We regret to know that the very fine donations made last year by Messrs. Shaw, Troop and McTavish cannot be placed on exhibition because of the want of proper cases. This is poor encouragement for those friends who would be pleased to contribute specimens if they could feel assured that their contributions would be properly exhibited. It is hoped that sufficient cases may soon be furnished, and that those collections at present in the corridors may be removed to some well-lighted room where they may be readily seen and studied.

COMMON THINGS.

OF DRESSING UP.

I can hardly remember the time when dressing up was not a joy; not "dressing up smart" of course, that is a thing abhorrent to the normal infant mind. I can remember howling for an hour or more in misery on the nursery floor because the new clothes were not in every respect the same as the old ones. You may put this down to a hereditary Conservative instinct, but the real reason is that oldness and possibly squalour of garments is associated in most minds, male minds anyhow, with comfort, a thought which at times induces people of maturer age who possess

shirts, to don a sweater, perhaps clean and perhaps not, and keep it on most of the day. For all that, dressing up smart, within limits, has its good side, since it denotes a certain amount of self-respect. But real dressing up has no connection at all with self-respect. When 'Arry goes out with 'Arriet on a bank 'oliday in England, it is merely the desire to be free from conventionalities, strengthened by excitement and perhaps beer, which makes him put on her 'at with the artful feathers, giving her his own, and even turn his coat inside out. It is from no sordid love of display; a couple of children will do it by themselves with no audience, and be kings and queens or savages with the same "mise en scène," and a spectator would spoil all the reality of it. I had discovered a much nobler use for that new bonnet of my aunt's than she ever had, the first time I saw it. It suited "the king of the Cannibal islands" down to the ground, but she happened to come in while we were dressing up, and we got a dressing down instead. The untutored savage delights in bizarre effects, just as the small boy likes putting on a mask or a false nose, and ever since man emerged from barbarism he has had longings to relapse temporarily into it again. This made the Athenians dress up as Satyrs with goat's legs on the stage, and devote one drama in every four to this form of amusement. And nowadays when civilization is arrayed in more sombre clothes than at any period before, the black-coated, top-hatted dweller in London puts these things far away when he goes for his outing on the Thames, and gets himself up in a veritable blazer of all colours of the rainbow, such as serious people are shy of on the American continent. But over here there are fancy balls at times, and who is there who is not glad to get away from civilization into the country, where in the bush or in his canoe coats don't matter and flannel takes the place of cloth. Blessed barbarism! it will crop out, and though when forced upon our notice by other people at unsuitable times it is intolerable, in its own time and place it saves the world from much priggishness.

THE DYING PUGILIST.

Good morning, Parson, I'm glad you've come; I reckon I'm going fast,
My seconds have got me up once more: the next round 'll be my last.
Death had me over the ropes that time, and the knock down blow was square,
Another like that, and I guess you'll see my sponge go up in the air.
Time was this fist like a hammer would bruize, and cut like a razor, too;
Now look at it lying here weak as a babe's, with bones a'most coming through.
Death's champion now, and no mistake; when he sends his challenge in,
There's no backing out, you've got to fight, and at last he's bound to win.
I hate those whining canting chaps, wot was here the other day,
And talks and talks, and won't never hear wot a feller has to say,
Leastways not unless he cants like them, but you're summit like a man;
You lets a poor cove say just what he feels, and say it as best he can.
I went with the rest as a young un, and larned what they teach at Sunday School,
And remembers bits of it even now, so I aint altogether a fool.
But, bless yer, the things they told us there, didn't take no hold on me then;
Poor critters! they seemed to mean business, but they wasn't my notion o' men.

Why! a big feller one day was kicking a little chap half his size,
So I gave him a wunner wot sent him to grass and blackened both his eyes;
And a long-tongued, saller skinned super, never axed about wrong or right,
But jawed away the whole afternoon how wicked it was to fight.
There's two chaps, though, in the Bible whose stories I never forgot;
One's Samson wot licked the Philistius, and let 'em have it so hot:
Tother's David, wot tackled the giant with only a stone and a sling;
It warn't wot you'd call a reglar mill, but a wonderful plucky thing.
And the big chap had blustered and bullied, cos he didn't think nobody'd fight;
So I cheered when the light weight knocked him out, for I thought it served him right.
Them as sets up for being so pious says prize fighting's terrible sin,
So it *is*—when yer sells yer backer's, and doesn't go in to win.
A sneaking cuss wot would go for to play sich an out and out blackguard trick,
Hadn't ought to be squarely fought, but pitched from the ring like a dog with a kick.
Fights aint so dangerous, not by half, as many a kind of sport
Wot a cove may take up, and nobody to care to say as he hadn't ought.
There's soldiers, firemen, railway men, and a heap of others too,
Has a much better chance, o' being killed, a'most everything they do.
In useful perfessions, yer'll say perhaps, it's right to risk life and limb,
Well, wot gets a feller his living, says I, is precious useful to *him*.
A rattling mill *is* a roughish sight, when claret's flying about,
Or a nose gets smashed, or a chap goes down with a regular clean knockout.
Howsomdever sich things is trifles to *us*. They'd finish the likes o' you;
But a good man—in proper condition o' course—is all right in an hour or two.
And the fuss is all made by fellers as hasn't no right to speak,
Whippersnappers o' straw which a tap on the jaw would knock 'em slap into next week.
There's just where the trouble comes in, yer see; folk's don't know wot other chaps feel;
And yer soft mollycoddles han't no idee wot it is to have muscles like steel,
And a bull-dog's head on yer shoulders, wot a sledge hammer hardly could break,
And a great lion's heart in your body, wot's ready to give and to take.
Tother chap, maybe, gets on your ribs with his right, and shoots his left straight in yer phiz;
And just as he's thinking to knock yer out, you gets right and left upon his;
And yer backers cheer like mad, and bets more free as yer puts in the blows;
There a sort o' wild Injun joy in it all sich as nothing comes nigh wot I knows.
Just shake off the parson a minute, and look at it straight like a man;
Here's stalwart chaps with a living to get, and to get the best way they can.
How's coves like us to get on in the world as aint overburdened with brains?
Would yer have us go working as navvies with spades, and laying down roads for trains?

We'd fight just the same, cos it's in us, but in drunken quarrels,
like fools,
Instead o' fair matches with London P.R., or Markis o' Queens-
bury rules,
And get into fights without training, and some of us p'raps be
killed,
For its that wot does it ; I shudder to think wot a lot o' blood
might be spilled.
Folks natral cottons to things in wot they can knock all com-
ers out,
And men wot's *good enough men* can't see no harm in a friendly
bout.
There's many a bloke you'd think wos a saint, the way he takes
on about sin,
But meetings and preachings is his P.R. wot he finds himself
champion in.
And we fight as a matter o' business, not in malice, that ain't
our plan ;
And a true boxer'd hit an old woman as soon as hurt an ornary
man.
There was Billy the Kentucky chicken, a feller wot took his
place
On a railway car, when he gave him his mind, up and hit him
square in the face.
If he'd knocked the bloke's head off his shoulders 'twould
hardly have been unfair.
But he jest ketched hold of him, collar and pants, and held him
up in the air,
For a second or two, then laid him down, as a mother might
lay her child,
And when he begged pardon, let him up, and shook his hand
and smiled.
Us pugilists aint all brutal. No sir ; I denies it flat ;
And I rayther think as none but a pug would have done such a
thing as that.
In the matter o' liquor, and wuss than that, we's much like
others, I think,
But a pugilist aint never good for much wot's regular given to
drink.
You can't go stoopidly fooling round with a heavy fight to come.
And it's all times best, if a feller knows how, to keep clear o'
tbe women and rum.
So in training I allus lived strictly square, but when business
was all got through,
I drank pretty free and sometimes had—well I did as *you*
gentlemen do.
And it's that wot makes me feel so bad, and that's the only thing
As I sees any call to be sorry for, and hooray ! says I, for the
ring.
But I wants to make my peace with God, so I likes to hear you
preach ;
Its awful to think o' standing up to sich odds in weight and
reach.
So I keeps on saying again and again that little bit of a prayer,
And I hopes to Heaven they'll let me in—but *is there no prize*
fights there ?

A. B.

TRINITY COLLEGE SCHOOL LETTER.

To the Editor of TRINITY UNIVERSITY REVIEW.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—The Michaelmas Term opened on
September 19th, but as the new building was not ready
for occupation a large majority of the boys did not return
until two weeks later. In the meantime those who had
come back were quartered in the S. Lawrence Hall, and on
the 1st of October we were able to take possession of the
main part of our new building, which we were very glad
to do. At present the chapel and west wing are unfin-

ished, but the work on both is being pushed forward as
rapidly as possible, and we hope that all will be completed
in six weeks' time. Our new school is a handsome build-
ing, considerably larger than its predecessor, and in every
way more commodious and suitable, while the covered way
between the school and the gymnasium will bring all the
buildings under one roof. The old tower still remains, a
relic of, we hope, a not inglorious past ; but it is to be
repointed and additions are to be made to it. The school
buildings are heated throughout by steam from two
immense boilers in the basement, so that our personal
comfort is assured, while hot and cold water is laid on all
through the building, and we feel that all considered our
school when finished will be second to none in Canada.
We hope to welcome many Old Boys and friends of Trinity
College School on Speech Day, the date of which will be
announced hereafter. The annual meeting of the Old
Boys' Association will be held on that day.

This term we have the pleasure of welcoming a new
master, Mr. J. H. Collinson, a scholar of Queen's College,
Cambridge, who comes to us from our old rival, Upper
Canada College. Their loss is our gain, for Mr. Collinson
earned a well-deserved popularity both as a teacher and a
generous supporter of school games.

We have also to chronicle the departure of Mr. Macken-
zie and Mr. Hitchens, and to congratulate the former on
his marriage last July and his new appointment. We
must also extend our very best wishes to another old mas-
ter, his brother, the Rev. A. W. Mackenzie, who was
married in August. His loss last Xmas was felt severely,
and we hope that from his new home at Lakefield he will
send us many recruits.

It is too early yet to make predictions as to next year's
examinations, but we confidently hope that more than one
name will appear in Trinity's scholarship list ; there are
four or five aspirants for commissions in Her Majesty's
army, and several candidates for McGill and other univer-
sities.

Football is in full swing, though we were severely handi-
capped by the late beginning of our season. The XV. has
worked loyally to uphold the school traditions, and to win
for themselves as high a place in the football world as they
succeeded in obtaining on the cricket field last season ; and
by the way, we may remark that the school has rarely, if
ever, known so successful a year in cricket. Ten matches
won out of eleven played is a proud record, and reflects
great credit on Captain DuMoulin and his lieutenants, of
whom Tucker was "facile princeps." But to return to
football : we have so far played three matches. On the
23rd Cobourg and Port Hope united, which we won by
16 points to 6, mainly owing to the excellent work of the
scrimmage and Palmer at quarter ; on the 25th, Trinity
2nd XV., who defeated us by 11 points to 7, thanks
mainly to their superior weight. On the 26th we were
beaten by Bishop Ridley College, the score standing 16 to
8 in their favour. Our Toronto experience has proved
useful to us and shown us many faults, and though beaten
we still hope to carry the red and black to victory on
November 9th. That is the date of our match with
U.C.C., on our own grounds. Every member of the XV.
is doing his best to reverse the result of previous years,
and in the next REVIEW we hope to chronicle a victory.
May it be so. We meet Trinity on the 1st November,
and Peterboro' on the 6th and 16th.

The athletic sports came off on the 17th 18th and 19th
of October, and, though no records were broken, some good
races were run. At present Macgregor heads the list for
the challenge cup. In the larger fields of sport we notice
a number of Old Boys on the Osgoode, Trinity, Hamilton
and other XV.'s. Goldthwaite ('94-'95) won the quarter-
mile race at Princeton and established a new record ; D.
W. Saunders and A. F. R. Martin were on the Canadian

International XI.; H. J. Tucker ('93-'95) made a good showing at Philadelphia in July, while his brother, W. E. Tucker, is captain of Rugby football at Cambridge—a unique distinction for a Canadian school.

Our numbers are growing, and in a few months we hope to come within measurable distance of our usual numbers, and in a year or two to exceed them; and with this wish, Mr. Editor, I will subscribe myself,

Yours, etc.,
T. C. S.

CONVOCATION.

The notices calling the annual meeting of the Convocation this year have not been sent out as early as usual, owing to the wish to send out the report of the executive committee at the same time. First of the functions connected with the annual gathering is the service in the college chapel, to be held on Monday evening November 11th, at which the Ven. Archdeacon Evans, of Montreal, on whom the degree of D.C.L., pro honoris causa was last year conferred, will be the special preacher. On Tuesday, the 12th, at 11 a.m., the annual meeting will be held, and with an interval of an hour for luncheon will continue all day. A number of important questions are to be discussed at it besides the annual report, and several changes in the constitution of Convocation are proposed. One of them is concerned with the standing of Bachelors of Arts of four years standing or less, a matter discussed at the meeting held last March at Trinity of all the graduates in and near Toronto.

On Tuesday evening the annual dinner will be held in the Convocation Hall. An attempt is to be made to have the price of tickets less than formerly, and to that end it is proposed to charge \$1.50 and \$2.00 if wine be included, instead of \$2.00 and \$2.50 as was found necessary to avoid a deficit last year. The steward of the college has consented to look after the catering and an excellent dinner is assured.

It is hoped that the annual meeting and dinner will be a success in every way this year. It will be the official welcome on the part of Convocation to our new Provost, and a right hearty welcome we feel sure it will be. But it is a case of "the more the merrier," and we bespeak a good turn out this year on the part of all our members and associate members who can possibly attend. Invitations to the dinner have been sent to the Governor-General (who unfortunately is away in British Columbia at present), the Lieut.-Governor of Ontario, the Mayor of Toronto and the Minister of Education, and it is hoped that some of these distinguished gentlemen will be present.

In connection with the complaint that the younger graduates of Trinity do not take the interest they should in Convocation, it may encourage some of our friends to know that the graduating class of '95 has joined, almost to a man, and we hope to complete the number. This is not only due to their esprit de corps, but also to the changes proposed and carried into effect at last year's annual meeting. Attempts have been made, successful in some cases, to reach graduates of a little older standing, but it is always more difficult to get hold of a man who has turned his back on his college life than one who is just leaving with his memory dwelling on what the place has done for him. The example of '95 should be imitated by the years which come after, for after all the support which Trinity requires for her very life is the support of her own children. Other friends may help in the future, as they generously helped in the past, but no college which is not supported by the state can flourish unless she wins the affection of those who come to her and retains it after they have left. If she has their affection she will have as hearty a support in Convocation as in any of the other ways they are able to afford it.

A meeting in the interests of Convocation was held in

July at Prescott, the Rev. Mr. Patton, one of Trinity's graduates, recently appointed to the charge of the church there, worked up the meeting energetically beforehand. As a consequence it was very well attended indeed. The principle speakers were Archdeacon Bedford-Jones, Rev. A. L. MacTear and the clerk of Convocation, and the following morning several subscriptions towards Convocation were donated. The object of the meeting, however, was rather to rouse sympathy for Trinity in that town than to directly collect money. During one of the speeches the electric lights suddenly went out, and the speaker had to talk in the darkness while lamps were being brought in.

College Chronicle.

COLLEGE CUTS.

THE FIRST YEAR.

The freshmen are a disappointment somewhat this year. Not intrinsically of course, for we have found them a first rate set of fellows, but in numbers. True the class is nearly as large as usual, but we expected a number more. We do not know how it is but the examinations proved fatal to many a good man last July. Several who intended to come up to Trinity have, in consequence, drifted into banks or law offices or other low places of that description. Poor fellows! Imagine a glorious career in Trinity blighted by an examination! Imagine being hurled from the dazzling position of a Trinity freshman (not to speak of undergraduate in general) to sit behind the bars of a banking office!

However, it cannot be helped, so with a sigh and a tear for the unhappy victims of the late exams we turn and console ourselves with those who have passed the dread trial. We are glad to see some scholarship among them. While many first rate men have come up of late years there has been just a little weakness in point of scholarship except in the case of a few. We hear with—with (we can hardly express with what feelings) that a certain Mr. Boyle of '98 took scholarships at matriculation in Classics, Mathematics and Divinity. We do not know in how many other subjects besides, but our imagination wanders in every department of human knowledge. We congratulate the fortunate Mr. Boyle and are grateful to him too—grateful that such success has attended, not some unknown outsider, but a man who is in residence in Trinity itself. We wish him success and honour throughout his course.

The East has sent up a large contingent of first year men. We are informed that Ottawa alone has contributed six. Upper Canada and Port Hope seem to have gone back on us this year. Men from these schools are generally first-class, all-round men in learning and athletics, so we are specially disappointed in their case.

We welcome the new members of the University and hope that, taking example by their seniors in standing, they will be, every man, full of a genuine college spirit and year spirit of loyalty and earnestness.

From all indications the prospects are bright for the re-organization of the banjo and guitar club, that erstwhile, flourishing institution set on foot by Algie Vernon of '93 fame. To be a member of the above requires that applicants not only possess musical qualifications of a high order, and that the novelty man have a strict idea of time and a ready manipulation of his instruments, but also a soul full of self-denial and charity, a disposition truly generous and gallant, and a digestion capable of absorbing anything.

For verily the banjo men are the foremost in the noble band who work for church and charity; it is they who tear themselves from their books, be take themselves to some

school-house miles off in the suburbs, dispense charming strains for hours, make maidens' hearts beat apace, capture the small boy on the back seat, and retire covered with glory and encores to partake of a sweet but most heterogeneous meal, and all for love! Our dramatists' good qualities, especially that of self-denial, are proverbial, but the B. and G. men run them a pretty good race.

While not strict Sabbatarians we are of course sufficiently moral, or at least Conservative, not to join in the miserable sinner's plea for Sunday cars, besides we are too fond of our Sunday tramp to do so. On the strength then of the above named morality and conservatism we feel justified in asking the August faculty's consideration. All members of this most worshipful body must be conversant with the delights of the Sunday evening supper, truly the most enjoyable of prandial occasions, but to have to cut short the sweet moments that ensue, and hurry out our long—long way ere the grim porter shoots his bolt at 11 is to say the least a hardship of which we have long sought relief. Let us hope that our complaint will be considered, and that an extra hour be given us, wherein to wend our necessarily heavy way home, for undue haste post coenam has ruined many a digestion.

Recent publications—"Two thousand miles on a ten dollar 'bike,'" by D. M. Baldwin.

The meetings of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood Convention, addressed as they have been by some of the most eloquent and well-known men in Canada, have naturally attracted many Trinity men. At every meeting were to be seen a goodly number of faces familiar about college.

The Dean hit the nail on the head in his sermon on St. Simon and St. Jude's day. He spoke forcibly and feelingly upon the brotherhood that exists between all who are under Trinity's roof. He declared (and we feel that it is true) that the authorities were not here merely as disciplinarians but as leaders and helpers in every possible way. He besought the men to feel and know that this is actually the case and to respond to it on their part.

We ought to and do feel ourselves fortunate in having men over us who we know have the welfare of the college and every individual in it first and foremost in their hearts and thoughts.

The spirit of the Dean's remarks is carried out to a large extent amongst us. Let us see that the feeling of brotherhood not only is kept up as it has been but is increased every day. For we believe that a feeling of brotherhood as well as one of circumstances is the only basis and source of a true college spirit.

S. Hilda's rejoices in a goodly (and good-looking) number of "freshmen" this year. S. Hilda's increasing and continued success has been such as to necessitate an extension of the college buildings in order to make room for the present incoming year. The deepest gratification is felt by all at the satisfactory prospects of this college. May the present one be far from its least happy and useful season.

It is highly interesting, and even quite entertaining, for an old stager who has gone through the mill himself to stroll about the corridors and drop casually in upon the inexperienced squatter. You may not be welcomed, ten chances to one you are not, for the denizen of the new abode is in anything but a good humour. There he stands, shirt sleeves rolled up and far from clean, trousers bearing unmistakable marks of recent severe knee drill, something that was once a collar melted into his shirt, tie under his left ear, hair like a thoroughbred Circassian, and a face

like a well boiled owl reeking buckets full. Poor youthful Uncle Podger, we may laugh at you at the time and so deepen the dye on your face, and run the risk of feeling that same hammer that has so often mistaken your fingers for the tacks, but it is just another way of showing our sympathy for your plight; we've been there ourselves. The pictures, if they had not come to grief before, would never hang straight, neither would the curtains; something was always in the way (ourselves, principally), and after sundry smashes had taken place and we thought everything in shape, we surveyed the result of our many hours' labour with feelings of satisfaction, not to say pride, though when we came to count the cost we often wished we had left matters to an experienced hand. The said casual observer, as he wanders from room to room, concludes that things are still much the same in this respect; verily the residence man graduates in more than Arts and Divinity! What a practical being will he become! What an unmixed blessing to the household will he be when moving or house-cleaning comes on! What a patient, long-suffering creature! What an ideal husband!

Honest John, the famous hill climber and holder of the unpaced record to London, was unfortunately unable to carry off the Dunlop trophy this year. In addition to his being a scratch man, his machine was of too fine a texture to stand the strain, the fact that he was leading the last mile with both tires deflated and sundry spokes broken, speaks for itself.

We hasten to congratulate our popular professor of Divinity on his entrance to the happy and exalted state man below may attain to, viz., the enrolment among the noble army of benedicts. We regret that the reverend gentleman's characteristic modesty would not permit of a ceremony at a later and more convenient date, so that his well-wishers in college might have had a chance of being present on such an auspicious occasion, and we of the upper corridor specially regret that his cosy sanctum now lacks its owner's evening presence; in fact we lie down to rest now with a feeling of uneasiness, deprived as we are of our guardian angel. Now that the term is fairly started and our handsome chapel claims its usual quota of fair attendants, we can understand Prof. Cayley's claim to be the happiest and most fortunate of mortals, and only hope that the other members of the faculty, who heretofore have been rather dilatory in this respect, will, taking the present case not merely as an example, but as the ideal of what this blessed state should be, act promptly, ere love's light flicker and be wholly quenched.

What a change has taken place in the appearance of college affairs! With '95 departed, '96 advanced to the "otium cum dignitate" of Third Year, and '97 to the unspeakable and dazzling altitude of Second Year men, things are turned upside down. But Time, that calm old disciplinarian will even all irregularities and mould things into shape again. The Third Year, of course, are experienced men, and will carry themselves with dignity and gravity, but the Second Year are yet to be tried. Let them beware lest looking down from the dizzy height of their exalted post their youthful heads swim and they topple to the earth.

A fine course of lectures on Literature will be given in S. George's Hall. The names of the lecturers ensure something much out of the ordinary. They are: Rev. Provost Welch, M.A.; Rev. Professor Clark, M.A., D.C.L.; Rev. Professor Rigby, M.A.; Rev. Canon Sutherland, M.A., of Hamilton, and Rev. H. Symonds, M.A., of Peterborough. The lectures began on November 1st, and will take place on successive Fridays at 3.30 p.m. Tickets to admit one

person to the full course \$2.00, and three tickets for three persons for the whole course \$5.00. Admission to single lecture 50 cents. Special arrangements will be made for schools. Further particulars later. The proceeds will be in aid of S. Hilda's.

A wise rule has been lately put into force. By it a graduate is permitted to enter immediately into the second year of the Divinity class, taking part of the work of the first year as well, thus enabling him to shorten his course from six years to five. This is a step in the right direction and is a long-desired change.

We have got pianos at both the eastern and western sections of the building on which the respective owners (and one or two of their friends) occasionally perform to the edification of their friends and the misery of the unfortunates who room overhead.

There was an interesting controversy between "Isaac" and "Paddy" in Professor Clark's room during a lecture. It was a case of brute force versus science (for Paddy is a "rational animal"). Contrary to poetic justice, science wasn't in it, and Paddy has registered a vow never again to "sass" a dog bigger than himself.

We are glad to see that the departed grads. and undergrads. have not altogether forgotten their late place of residence, judging by the numbers who have visited us lately. We sincerely wish that many more would follow their example, for in so doing they are not merely the honoured guests of certain individuals, but loving and well-wishing sons of a noble College. Perhaps heretofore we have complained that our grads. do not visit us as they should, and that in this respect they neglect what we think is their bounden duty. It is true many have wandered far from home and have not had the chance of returning to the scene of their happiest days as often as they may have desired, and again there are certain selfish individuals who have got what they could from their University, and give nothing in return save their occasional selfish presence at some college function. But this past scantiness of visits on the part at least of the older grads may, sad to say, be laid at our own door. It is rather hard on a man of past generations who loves his college to be treated, as he often is, in a distant fashion, even after he has disclosed his identity with the place. It is for both students and faculty to unite in this matter and give every old grad. and undergrad. the hearty welcome and entertainment he expects and deserves. To do so is to make lasting friends for Trinity, and to dispel the present uneasiness Convocation feels about procuring young blood to offset some of the inevitable blue-mould which will gather more or less on any corporate institution. A little more judicious tact and due consideration on our part, to entertain and welcome without distinction the departed who visit us from time to time, would make Convocation more of an alumni association than it is at present, and advance the welfare of the college, and who knows but that sometimes we may be entertaining an angel unawares?

A thoroughbred brindle bull pup whose name, Isaac, bears his features, guards the classical precincts of the east. For what specific purpose Mr. Isaac was imported is still a matter of conjecture; it may be some bloody contest of which we know nothing is impending; perhaps again, the rev. gentleman has gone in for breeding; perhaps Isaac may help to enforce order among the fresh and mischievous, and prowl the corridors as the fitting and terrible symbol of authority. Whatever role the gentleman fills, it is best to keep on the right side of him, for

though one of his kind may be gentle as a lamb on most occasions, he has, when his dander's up, a tenacity and fixedness of purpose known the world over.

Talent is like murder in so far that both of them have a way of sooner or later coming out and showing themselves. The former when persevered in is bound to increase and prosper, and it strikes one as a sin and a shame to see this precious gift so often wasted and dissipated. To give a practical illustration, why does the gentleman who made such an admirable knight of the hammer at the recent auction of the Society's magazines, persist in disguising the fact and throw himself away on some trumpery profession? In so doing he is unfair to himself, to his parents, and to his University. The cut of his clothes, the poise, the gloss, the style of the characteristic headpiece, the angle at which the cigar was held between the teeth, the voice, the vocabulary, the originality of phraseology, the subtle manner in which the innocent bidder was led on, are but a few of the necessary virtues possessed by the gentleman above mentioned. Young man, time, these days is shorter than ever, the so-called learned professions are overstocked. Take our advice, hang out the red flag on King Street and the mint won't be able to turn out money fast enough for you.

LITERARY INSTITUTE.

We believe that there is a growing interest in the Literary Institute. The number of men who desire to take advantage of the opportunities it offers is undoubtedly increasing. We sincerely hope so. We hope that all, from "freshman" to "grad," will feel desirous of and at perfect liberty to take part in its meetings.

The "Lit." began the season with a packed house and an enthusiastic meeting.

The first meeting, on Friday, the 11th, was as usual merely "a starter." There was no programme and the only business were the nominations for membership. Some twenty-four new members were nominated.

At the second meeting, on the 18th, the imposing ceremony of introducing the new members took place. To describe the scene is beyond the power of pen and is so familiar to most men as to render description unnecessary. Suffice to say that the house kept (a certain amount of) good order and the new members were as retiring or as bumptious, as nervous or as self-confident as the average batch of "freshmen," and as their seniors allowed them to be.

A good deal of business was got through. Papers for the reading room were decided upon, and the nomination for the vacant office of Secretary took place. Rev. R. Seaborn was elected by acclamation to fill the position. The programme was supplied by the new members. We cannot say it was brilliant, but this doubtless arose from nervousness and the rather inattentive character of the house.

The third meeting of the Literary Institute was held on Friday evening, Oct. 25th, Mr. Osborne, First Vice-President in the chair. Some business was gone through and some new members introduced and then the literary programme began. The debate was on the recent complications between Japan and China. Though the subject was a fairly difficult one Messrs. MacGill, M.A., and Wright on the affirmative and Messrs. Gwynn B.A., and Bradburn, on the negative, did remarkably well. Mr. MacGill's speech especially showed knowledge and ability. It was full of information and delivered in a concise and polished manner. A good discussion followed from the body of the house. Mr. MacCallum's reading (one of Bret Hart's touching, pathetic poems) showed preparation and was well rendered.

NOTES.

The Council has many improvements in view so we are informed. We hope to be able to chronicle improvements in the Reading Room and Library.

The "Lit." is fortunate in getting a first rate man in the place of Mr. Rogers. Mr. Seaborne is just the man for the position in our opinion from every point of view.

We all regret the resignation of Mr. Rogers, who was elected Secretary of the "Lit." last year. Mr. Rogers unfortunately did not come back this year and we all regret the loss of an able and popular man.

BISHOP DUDLEY AND MR. McBEE.

On Monday evening, the 28th, a very large and representative audience assembled in Convocation Hall to hear addresses from Rev. Dr. Dudley, Bishop of Kentucky, and Mr. Silas McBee. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Missionary and Theological Society. Mr. McBee was the first speaker and dwelt for a short time upon the subject of Christian education, giving in illustration a short resume of the history of the University of the South, in which he is deeply interested. He showed how the efforts of truly brave Christian men had succeeded in overcoming most exceptional obstacles and in establishing at last the University. Bishop Dudley followed and spoke along the same line, laying special stress upon the fact that a missionary spirit should, above all things, characterize a Christian university. With the power and eloquence for which he is distinguished he brought this great truth home and finished with a telling appeal to young men to hasten to the front where the fight was the hottest and the danger greatest. It is quite unnecessary to pass any eulogium upon the addresses of these brilliant men. Suffice it to say that we are deeply grateful to them for their presence here and grateful for the strong, brave words they have spoken to us. We wish we could give a detailed account of the addresses but space forbids. At the close of the meeting the men lined up in the corridor and gave the Bishop three hearty cheers and a "tiger."

MR. EUGENE STOCK.

Mr. Eugene Stock addressed a large audience in Convocation Hall on Tuesday, 29th. This meeting, like the one on Monday evening, was held under the auspices of the Missionary and Theological Society. Mr. Stock is known all over the world as the Secretary of the Church Missionary Society. He has travelled widely and is, of course, perfectly informed on all missionary work, both in the foreign and domestic fields. On Tuesday evening the audience listened with the greatest interest to Mr. Stock's address. He dwelt mainly upon the work in India, giving sketches of medical, educational and Evangelistic missionary work at Delhi, Pashawar and Agra. Personal reminiscences and graphic accounts of incidents of the work in India made the address most attractive and furnished an insight into the practical working of things impossible to be obtained from any but an eye witness. Hence the address was of great value as well as interest. Bishop Dudley's remark that ignorance of missions is the chief cause of lack of interest in them is certainly true, and so we believe that the information given by Mr. Stock will bear fruit in a deepened interest in missionary work. Mr. Stock has our heartfelt thanks for his effort on Tuesday evening.

We were glad to see the familiar faces of Glyn Osler and J. D. McMurrich of class '95 in Hall one evening last week. Jack's merry laugh and Glynn's repartee sounded quite like old times.

SPORTS.

Michaelmas term opened as usual on October 10th, and all the "old sports" and others are back again, with a few regrettable exceptions, in the swim of lectures, work and sport. Of those who have not come back to join us in another year's joys and sorrows, some have graduated and are married, others were plucked, or rather are indisposed, and to make up this deficiency we have a batch of Freshmen who—well, are doing their best. Nevertheless the football season is in full swing on the campus "beside our college home," and Trinity expects every man to do his duty.

F. A. P. Chadwick, B.A., has been elected captain of the team for the ensuing year, a position which he is most capable of filling and which he well deserves. Last year he demonstrated both his ability as a player and his executive powers as a captain—so here's to him and may his efforts be justly rewarded in the match of the year—(with Toronto University.)

Owing to the lateness of the opening of college our first match did not take place till Oct. 22nd. This was a friendly game with the Lornes, which resulted in a victory for Trinity by a score of 7 to 6. The game was not called until nearly 5 o'clock, and so finished in darkness. It was a closely contested game, the Lornes not scoring until the last five minutes. We expect a return match.

The second match of the season was with Osgoode II., on the campus. Trinity won handily in a forty-minute game, by a score of 20 to 1. It was not a particularly fast game, the wings not over-exerting themselves to get after the ball. Campbell and Tremayne were shining exceptions. The scrimmage worked very well together and Bain, at quarter, played a splendid game. Senkler's punting was the feature of the back division.

The first round of the inter-year games for the Martin cup will be over ere we go to press. '96, under "Duke" Campbell, will have beaten the Freshmen under "Gimbo" Jones, and the Divinity class, with Gwyn at the head, will have downed '97, under the sturdy Senkler, or vice versa?

Entering a second XV. in the Junior series of the O. R. F. U. ties was not a signal success. The idea was to encourage those men who were not on the first XV. to practice systematically, and so train them for next year to fill the vacancies on the first XV. But this was knocked on the head by the utter defeat to which 'Varsity III. treated us in the first round. The reason, we think, is the same that is put forward for not entering a team in the Senior series, which is, that college opens so late in the season that it is impossible to get a team in sufficient training and practice to cope with the other Senior teams which have been at work for three or four weeks before we reorganise. The score of the first match with Varsity III, was 35 to 0, which speaks for itself. Trinity II allowed the second game to go by default.

On Wednesday, 23rd, Parkdale Collegiate Institute defeated Trinity II. by a score of 19 to 2. But the following Friday the tide of fortune changed and our second won a game from T. C. S. on the campus. This match was won by the superior weight and strength of the scrimmage and wings of the home team. Of these, Martin, Warren and Heaven deserve special mention. Jones, at quarter, played a reliable game. The School felt the absence of DuMoulin on the wing, who was unable to accompany them on their trip. Strathy played a brilliant game at full back, he is a sure tackle and punts well. The score was 11 to 7. The visitors were entertained at luncheon after the game.

Great credit is due to D. F. Campbell, '96, for the sportsmanlike way in which he traveled to Kingston and captured the quarter-mile (open) of the Queen's games, as the representative of our Athletic Association. The weather

was hardly conducive to fast time, as there was a strong east wind and a continuous rain. After "slipping around" a wet track and dodging a tree in the stretch, he won handily in 56½ seconds. His reception, to say the least of it, was peculiar.

In the Toronto University games on Friday, Oct. 18th, Campbell got second in the quarter and C. A. Heaven, '96, got third in the half. R. H. M. Temple, '97, ran a very plucky race in the mile and finished fourth. H. MacKellar, of Trinity Medical, finished first in the inter-collegiate bicycle race.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

A general meeting of the Athletic Association was held on Thursday, Oct. 23rd, the president, Mr. H. B. Gwyn, in the chair. The order of business was short, only two matters of any importance occupying the attention of the meeting.

A communication was read from Mr. A. F. R. Martin, honorary vice-president of the Association, tendering his resignation on the ground that certain amendments to the constitution, which the honorary vice-president understood to have been promised by the president of last year, had not been introduced. The matter was explained to the meeting and a warm discussion ensued. The consensus of opinion was that Mr. Martin had left the Association no alternative but to introduce the required legislation forthwith, or to accept his resignation. However, the meeting was unanimous in expressing regret that so able and interested an officer should deem it necessary to resign his position, and the members of the Association were loth to accept the resignation. A loophole of escape seemed to be the fact that Mr. Martin based his argument on a presumably authoritative promise made by the ex-president. The question at once arose as to the significance of such a promise, and a general desire was felt to ascertain from Mr. Martin its precise terms. Further, the majority of members were under the impression that the honorary vice-president's wishes had been met by Mr. Osborne's motion at the general meeting during last Lent Term. All this was embodied in a motion moved by Mr. Osborne and seconded by Mr. Chadwick, to the effect that the secretary express to Mr. Martin the desire of the Association to hear from him again before taking final action in the matter. The interest of the honorary vice-president in the Association is thoroughly appreciated. The election of two members to fill the positions on the committee made vacant by the resignations of Messrs. D. M. Rogers and J. H. Douglas, resulted in the selection of Messrs. Osborne and Broughall. Regret was expressed that the two retiring members were not with us again. "Dave's jokes (?) and "Joe's" oratorical discourses will be sadly missed this year. A vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. J. C. Chapell for his kindness in donating a sum of money to the Athletic Association.

St. Simon and St. Jude's day was devoted to sport. As is the custom, the steeplechase was run in the morning. The distance is somewhat over a mile and was won by C. A. Heaven, '96, against a strong head wind in 6.40 minutes, which is about a minute slower than last year's time made by the same man. E. G. Warren, '96, finished second, R. H. M. Temple, '97, was third, and A. L. Becher, '96, finished fourth "without the whip." Chadwick, B.A., and Marling Ireland and Richards of the freshman class also ran.

In the afternoon '96 defeated '98 in the first round of the inter-year games by a score of 34 to 0. The freshmen won the toss and elected to kick with the wind. In the first five minutes of the game Locke, '96, secured a try which was shortly followed by three, two of which Martin converted, making the score at half time 20 to 0 in favor of '96. In the second half '98 failed to score while '96 made 12 points. Mr. H. H. Bedford-Jones and Mr.

White ably assisted '98, and Gimbo Jones at quarter played a hard game. '96 played only a fair game and they will have to brace up before they meet either the Divines or '97. But Heaven at quarter deserves mention as well as Bushel Martin and Warren in the scrimmage.

At 4.30 on the same afternoon the Divinity class downed '97 after a hard fight which finished in the dark. The game started off with a rush, each team scoring a try before the ball had been once scrimmaged. At ten minutes before time the score stood 16 to 16, and the Divines, by a succession of rushes and scrimmages forced the ball over their opponents' line for a try, making the score 20 to 16. The game continued in the dusk, but no more scoring was done. For the Church, Captain Gwyn and Swayne in the scrimmage, and Mockridge and Chadwick at half, played the most divine games. Cooper at quarter was a success also in spite of his ill-treatment. For '97 Senkler at half and Shaw and Temple on the wings were the stars.

About twenty convivial spirits headed by Lorne Becher attended the first Osgoode-Queen's match at Rosedale in one of Bond's handsome drags. Their melodious and stentorian yell of "Osgoode! Osgoode! Who's good? Osgoode. The whole blank team is good," we are sure encouraged the home team to do as well as it did. They were well accompanied on the horn by Frank Wolverton.

T. C. S. met with defeat on the University lawn at the hands of the Ridley College boys on Saturday, 26th, by a score of 16 to 8. Unfortunately for T. C. S., Robertson, their plucky little captain, had his collar bone broken and so will be unable to play with his team against Upper Canada College.

On account of the inclemency of the weather on Tuesday, 29th, the annual sports were postponed until the following day, a detailed account of which will appear in our next issue.

We have continually to chronicle some deed of generosity on the part of various members of the faculty, whose interest in all of our institutions seems to be ever green. The men thoroughly appreciate the kindness of the Provost and Professors Jones and Huntingford in presenting handsome prizes for competition at the athletic sports.

Immediate steps should be taken to perfect the plan of action regarding next year's international inter-collegiate cricket match. Doubtless our energetic secretary Mr. D. F. Campbell has the matter in his thoughts. It was chiefly owing to Mr. Campbell's keen interest and untiring efforts that the first of these annual matches was brought to so successful an issue. He is continually proving himself to be the right man in the right place.

PERSONALS.

Professor Huntingford spent the summer vacation in England.

The Provost attended the opening of the Western University at London.

Rev. Frank Du Moulin, M.A., spent a delightful summer vacation in England and the Continent.

Rev. J. McKee McLennan has been appointed Curate of St. Matthias, Toronto.

The Provost and Professors Jones, Clark and Rigby attended the opening of Upper Canada College.

Rev. William Carter, M.A., of Barbadoes, a graduate of Trinity, preached on Sunday, the 20th inst., in St. Matthias Church.

Professor Clark has been on the sick list for some days. We are delighted to hear that he is getting about again.

Rev. C. H. Shutt, M.A., a graduate of Trinity, paid us a short visit during the opening days of term. It is always delightful to see old faces.

THEOLOGICAL AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Personals—The following gentlemen have taken duty during the summer:—Mr. Francis, B.A., at Norval; Mr. Chadwick, B.A., at St. John's Church, Toronto; Mr. Cooper, at St. Thomas' Church, Toronto; Mr. Fenning at Humber Bay Mission; Mr. Dymond at Cavan; Mr. Burt, at Orangeville; Mr. Warren, at Janeville, Ottawa; Mr. Rounthwaite, at Fairbank.

Meetings—The first general business meeting of the year was held on 21st Oct., in Room 2, the Provost in the chair. There were present the Dean, Prof. Cayley, the Revs. H. H. Bedford-Jones, J. C. Roper, I. H. McCollum, H. P. Lowe, F. Dumoulin, G. F. Davidson and a large number of students. The Provost opened with prayer, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Letters of regret were received from the Bishop, Canon Sweeny, Revs. T. W. Paterson and Canon Mockridge, who particularly asked the society to remember the domestic and foreign missions of the Canadian Church.

A number of satisfactory reports were made from the students in charge of missions during the summer. A large amount of business was done at this meeting and many valuable suggestions were made regarding the college meetings during the winter. The Rev. G. F. Davidson, B.A., was elected to take the place vacant by Mr. Little's departure from the city. After a resolution accepting the reports from the students the meeting adjourned.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee, held on Wednesday, Oct. 22d, Messrs. Starr, B.A., and Dymond were asked to prepare papers on Theosophy for Thursday, Nov. 7th.

Fairbank—The Harvest Festival was held at S. Hilda's Church on Oct. 3d, and was a great success in every way. The decorations were most beautiful. We are indebted to Professor Clark for preaching, and to the Rev. C. L. Ingles and his choir for providing the musical part of the service. On the Sunday following the Rev. T. H. McCollum celebrated, and preached to the largest morning congregation since the church was built. The number of communicants was double what it was the last Harvest Festival. As the Methodists held their anniversary on the same day this is worthy of note. In the afternoon Miss Playter, who has done so much for the mission, brought fifty-six of her Infant Class to the Children's service. In the evening there was also a good, hearty service.

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Reaching forth (A.V.)

Stretching forward (R.V.)

S. Paul, as he dictated the passage in which this word occurs, had in mind, no doubt, the foot-race, which would be so familiar a sight to his readers. He calls up before himself the remembrance of some of those great games at which, probably, he had often been a spectator: he sees the crowded seats filled with an applauding and excited multitude: he sees the stadium below with the runners at the top of their speed, their heads erect, their chests thrown out, their eyes never turned back, but fixed on what he calls the goal, and every nerve and sinew strained to the utmost in the effort of the race.

That is his image: and for the help and guidance of his readers he takes it and applies it to his own life. They are still, in much weakness and imperfection, struggling on: it is the same with himself: he counts not himself to

have apprehended yet: he is still imperfect, though perfection is his goal: and towards that goal he never ceases day by day to press onward: what is past (the things that are behind) is past forever: the ideal still unattained) the things which are before) concerns him now: and to that ideal he is always stretching forward.

What a picture it gives us of a life of strenuous endeavour after higher things: the life of the man who wrote, "I so run as not uncertainly: so fight I, as not beating the air: but I buffet my body and bring it into bondage, lest by any means after that I have preached to others I myself should be rejected:" the life of the man who exhorted Timothy to endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, to be instant in season and out of season, to fight the good fight of the faith, to endure afflictions, and who at its close could look back upon it and say without any boasting, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course."

Progress, unceasing, persistent progress, was indeed a chief characteristic of the life of S. Paul. But there is more than this implied in his use of the foot-race as an illustration. If the runner is ever on the stretch, if he is exerting every muscle to the full, if he keeps his eyes forward, it is that he may reach the sooner to the fixed and definite goal which he has in view. So with S. Paul. His progress was always towards a definite aim: he ran, but he ran as not uncertainly: he was ever stretching forward to the things that are before: his eye was always on the goal as he pressed towards it.

Progress, and progress towards a definite aim and with a fixed purpose—these are the thoughts on which I wish for a few moments to dwell this morning.

And you will not, I trust, think it unnatural or out of place, if speaking to you for the first time in this holy house, this sanctuary of our common home, this sacred centre of our family life, and with a full and deep sense of the great responsibility laid upon me by those who had every right to command and whom I had no choice but to obey, I try to apply the thoughts suggested by the text to our life as a College and our lives as individual members of the College.

The College should ever be moving forward, and moving to a definite aim. The current of the individual life should always be setting towards some clearly defined mark, and that mark the highest possible.

I. And, first, the College in its corporate life.

(a) We are all agreed that stagnation and lethargy must necessarily be fatal. The only hope for an institution as for an individual, in these days of progress, is to keep moving, to advance in line with the advancing life all round.

And in two respects especially, it seems to me, should we be always stretching forward.

(i.) The first is knowledge.

However good the work done here in years gone by has been, better work still should be done in the years to come. For as knowledge grows from more to more, we should claim our share in its increasing store. It is in the power of every member of the College to do something, however small his individual part may be, to secure, not only that we do not fall behind the standard of the past, but that, heirs as we are of all that has gone before, we plant our footsteps a little higher on the hill of intellectual attainment.

(ii.) But there is another respect in which it is of infinitely greater moment that our standard should be always being raised: for if we are not trying consciously to raise it we shall, unconsciously perhaps but no less certainly, fall below what it has been. I mean what it is only possible to describe as the "tone" of the College. Tone is an indefinable thing, almost mysterious; but in a place like this, where numbers are gathered in close intercourse, it is

*Full text of the first sermon preached in Trinity College Chapel by Rev. E. A. Welch, M.A., Provost, October 13th, 1895.

always easily perceptible to any one who knows the particular place at all well. And, naturally, no one knows what a college really is so well as its undergraduates. You know what the tone is, you know exactly where it is all that it should be, and where it might be raised, and, may I say? it is only you, ultimately, who can raise it to yet higher levels.

It is, of course, impossible for any one to make a man either a scholar or a gentleman against his will. But here, at least, the opportunity is offered to you all to gain an education of which no man need be ashamed, and in the social life of the place to acquire those feelings, and to practise those courtesies, the possession and exercise of which are of infinitely more importance than the accident of birth, or the merely superficial polish of breeding. Yes, the opportunity is offered to you: and the fact that it is offered brings with it a grave responsibility. The opportunity is yours, but no one can force you to use it: you must take it or reject it as you will. Only remember, I beseech you, a chance like this comes but once in a lifetime. If you lose it now, you lose it for ever.

(b) Moreover, the progress which we all desire our College should make must be progress on definite lines and toward a definite goal. Not only education, but a religious education, is its object. And when I speak of a religious education, I mean one that does not ignore, but on the contrary tries to cultivate, the spiritual part of the complex nature in which we are created.

I imagine we can, most of us, feel that there is something very defective in any system of education which takes no account of the body. A man whose physique is altogether undeveloped, whether by his misfortune or his fault, is, however well his brain may be stored, a poorer specimen of his kind than he might have been: just as on the other hand one with an empty head, however broad his shoulders, however strong his muscles, is after all not very different, except, indeed, in the sadness of his wasted possibilities, from a magnificent animal. But it is just as fatal, nay, it is immeasurably more fatal, to leave undeveloped and untrained that highest and noblest part of our nature, that side of it on which we are akin to God Himself.

And here again with regard to what the College offers, I must say what I did before. If it is possible to make a man a scholar or a gentleman against his will, still less, even, is it possible to make him a religious man against his will. But here—and now, of course, I am not thinking of those who have come with the already formed intention of devoting themselves to the sacred ministry of the Church—here to all is offered the opportunity of gaining some elementary knowledge at least of eternal truths, some acquaintance with what I may call the theory of religion. Here—and this is of much greater importance—here in the Chapel services day by day, here in the opportunities of frequent communion, are offered to all, if they will but use them, facilities for developing, for training, for educating that highest part of our nature of which I spoke, the starving of which leaves a man a poor stunted creature at the best. And in the social intercourse of man with man, in the excitement of games, in the true delight of real and lasting friendships, the spiritual faculties that are, or may be, enlightened by teaching and developed by the exercise of prayer, find ample sphere for the practice of whatsoever things are true, honourable, just, pure, lovely, and of good report.

II. I have spoken, so far, of the College in its corporate

life. But after all, we can, as a body, make progress only if the individual members of the body recognize that they must each individually move forward.

(a) And so here again each one of us should have a definite goal. The ideal for the college must be your ideal for yourselves. It could only be reached if each member of the college were to realize it in his own person. Trinity men are proud, and justly proud, of their College: still, more, I rejoice to think that they are loyal to it with a loyalty that will last through life. You are proud, and justly proud, I say, of your College, even as we are all proud, and justly proud, of being subjects of a great and mighty empire. But why are we proud? The reason is the same in both cases. Because there is a history, there is a past to be proud of. We are proud to remember that we are the children of the men who, twelve and thirteen centuries ago laid the foundations of our liberties in the old folk-moots, of the men who age by age claimed and gained from king and noble, and parliament, the rights which belong to men as men. It is not because of anything that we ourselves have done that we are proud of our race, but because of the past glories of our fathers whose heirs we are and into whose labours we, their sons, have entered. So, in its measure, with the College. Those who have come and gone before you have made a name for Trinity such that you are proud of the College. And you could not bear to think that when you have gone, and your places are filled, as all too soon they must be filled, by a younger generation, those who come after you would not be proud of the College which will then be theirs as well as yours.

Well, it depends upon yourselves. At any given moment the character of a college is in the hands of its undergraduates to make or mar. And if you want your successors in those benches to be proud of you as you are proud to-day, be sure that you are, and that you do, nothing of which they shall ever be ashamed.

(b) Yes, have a definite ideal for your own personal life: and (next) be ever stretching forward towards it. We, none of us, count ourselves to have attained: we are none of us yet what we may be, what we hope to become, what we will strive to become, either in knowledge or in character, or spiritual depth. For the very best among us life must be an unceasing advance from strength to strength until unto the God of Gods he appeareth in Zion.

And if there is one here whose unspoken thought is that it is of no use for him to try to go forward, because of his own past history, because of the things that are behind, let him remember that S. Paul said of himself that he forgot the things that are behind, as he stretched forward to the things that are before.

Past failures, past sin, should be remembered only to keep us humble; they should never be allowed to paralyze effort. If because of our weakness we cannot, we dare not, hope to go from *strength* to strength, let us not forget that out of weakness we may, by God's infinite mercy and grace in Jesus Christ our Lord, be made strong, and being strengthened with might by His power in the inner man, may then go from strength to further strength.

Yes, let there be no standing still for any one of us, but always a persistent stretching forward. To try to stand still is to abdicate one of the highest prerogatives of humanity.

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A lady recently suggested to Andrew Lang the topic, "Books we have stuck in," she herself frankly admitting that the "Pilgrim's Progress" is one of these books. She never emerged from the Slough of Despond—never saw the land of Beulah, nor had a view of the Delectable Mountains. Mr. Lang says (Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, November) that while he could not forgive her, her remarks pricked his own literary conscience, and he fell to thinking of the books that he had stuck in. He does not speak of mere modern books, in which we all stick blamelessly and "swatter out" (Kailyard style) on the home side of the bog. He acknowledges having stuck in many of these. He was even bogged in "Dombey and Son," in "Little Dorrit," in "Our Mutual Friend," in "The Light That Failed," in "Count Robert of Paris," in "The Professor," and many others. He does not see why one should be either proud or particularly ashamed of such misadventures. Not everybody, he reasons, can read the same modern novels; and we should remember that when we have said "It may be excellent, only I can't read it," we have not criticized nor crushed the work in question; we have only illustrated our own limitations. To quote:

"The fault may be ours, not the book's. 'Don Quixote' is a masterpiece. Granted. But I have often stuck in it, and so did Alexandre Dumas. If any one can read right through the 'Divina Commedia' of Dante, he has something to be proud of: but the service of that epic is crowded with 'the bodies and the bones of those who strove in other days to pass,' and stuck in it! Sir or madame, have you read all the poems of Dante? Have you ever gone through 'Paradise Lost' from 'kiver to kiver'? I decline to make any confession on this point, but I have many a time stuck in 'The Lord of the Isles'; also in 'Rokeby.' Also to 'The Faery Queene,' I doubt if anybody ever did read all of it in our day, except Mr. Saintsbury. 'Endymion' (Keat's) very few have read through; the task is not impossible, but it is most toilsome and dismal. That most readers stick in 'Don Juan' and 'Childe Harold,' I am tolerably assured; many fail to penetrate 'The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire,' and, of course, 'The Anatomy of Melancholy' is not meant to be read in a dull, plodding manner from end to end. There be those who have read all through Tolstoi's and Mr. W. D. Howell's most earnest outpourings, but these men and women must unite a strenuous habit of application with great natural gifts for study. They should devote themselves to nothing more frivolous than pastoral theology, and Mr. Balfour's book about religion and scientific characters must be child's play to them. I admit that I stuck in it, also in the 'Enneads' of Plotinus, and the complete works of Pius, Earl of Mirandola, and in many novels of M. Emile Zola."

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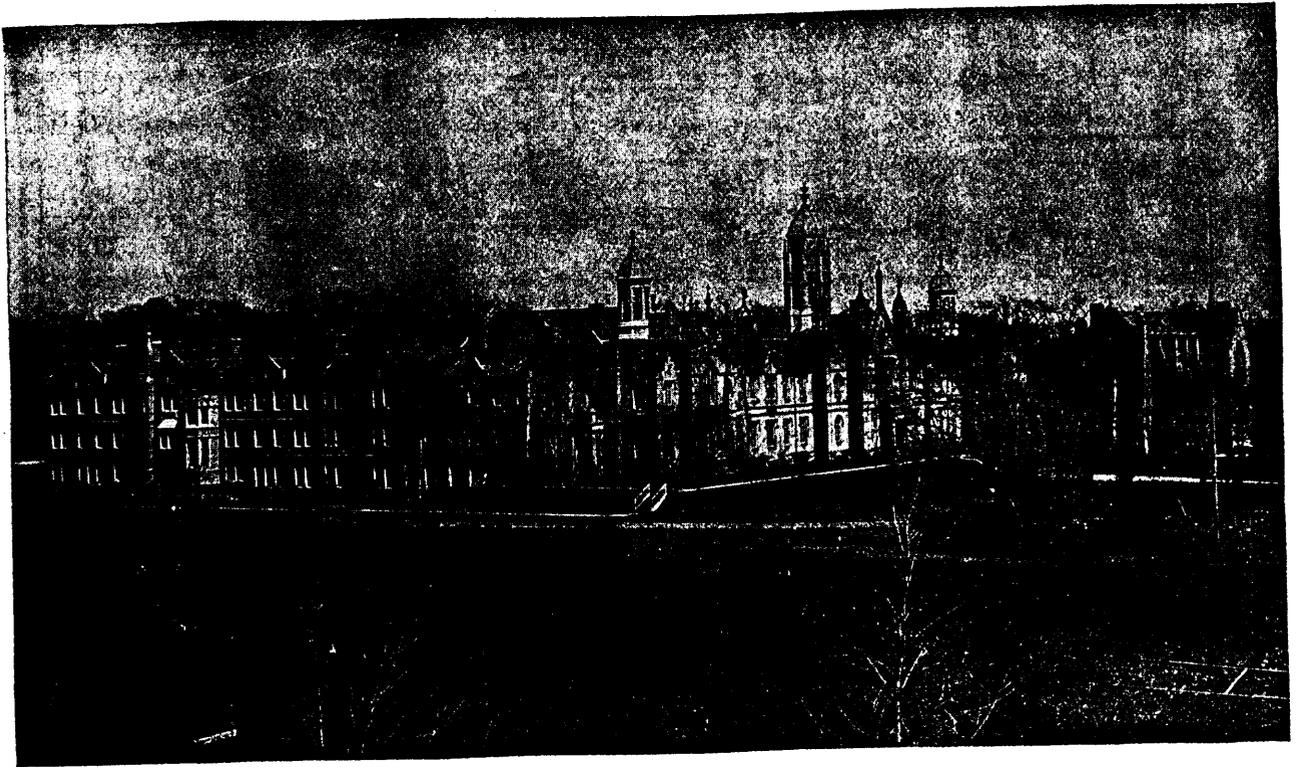
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