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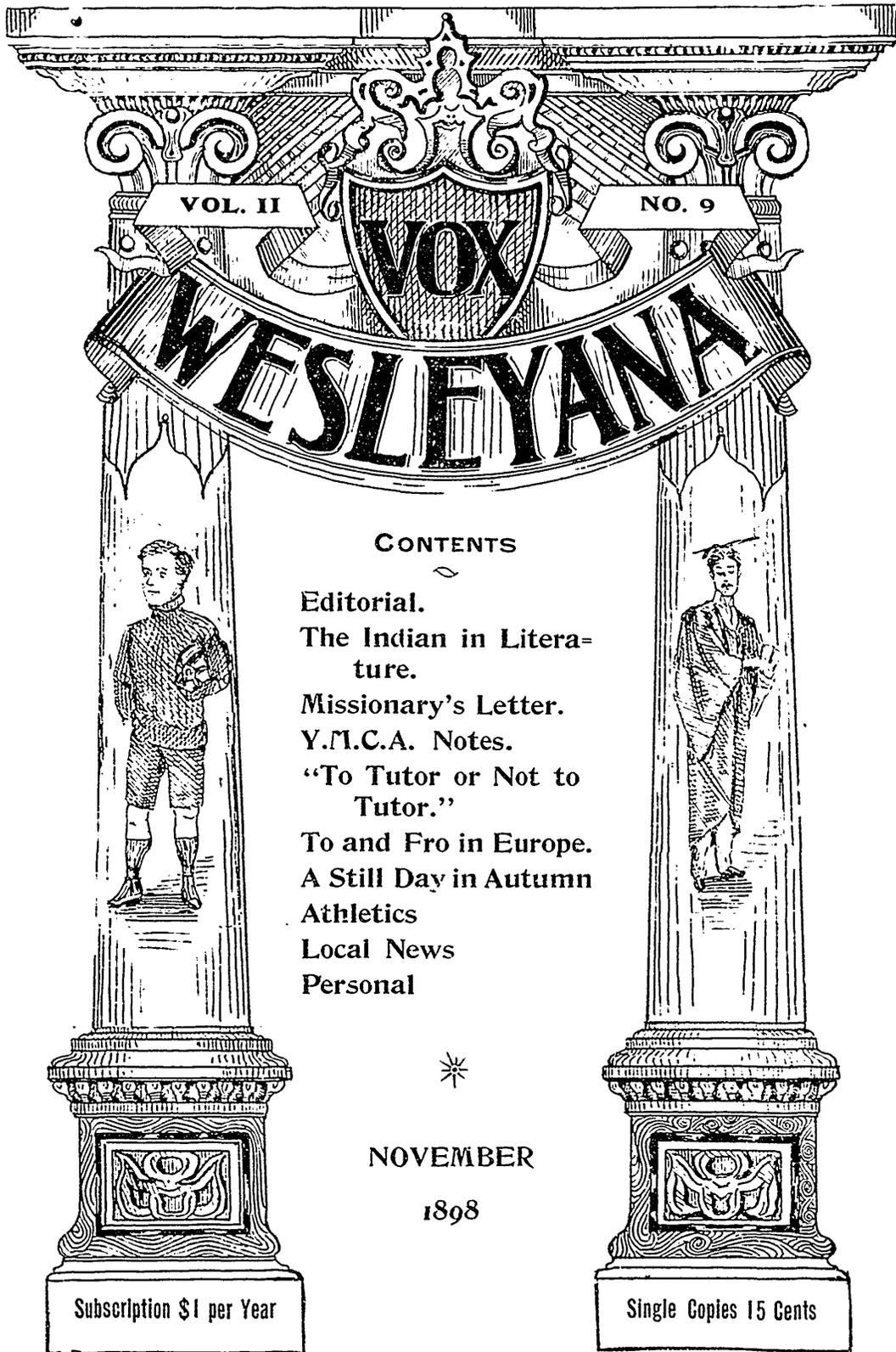
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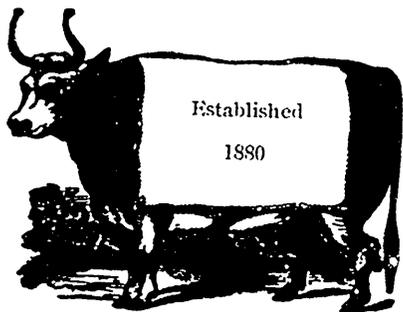
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Much criticism is being offered at present, both in public and in private, respecting the methods of education in vogue in Canada. The charges laid at the door of the system are, first, that young people are not fitted by the education received in either primary or secondary schools for usefulness in any trade or profession. It is contended that the boy graduate of either the school or the college finds himself on the threshold of life's responsibilities unprepared for either office or bench. Our method of education is not practical, hence not useful, and ought not to continue. Again, the system is charged with the large migration of boys from the country to the cities, from the farm to the profession. Are these objections well taken? In regard to the first, it is truly said that the object of the system of education is not directly fitness for the shop or the office. Neither teacher nor pupil has expressly before his thought any specific line of work in life. The uniformity of the curriculum of the different schools precludes the thought of the diversity of the different trades, professions and callings. Thus, for the statement objection is true. But what is the end of our education? Is it simply to make a man a better instrument for discharging the duties, routine and otherwise, of responsibility, or is it to so train and develop the powers with which nature has endowed him that he will be a better man, a better citizen and a more independent thinker? In every line of life man must use his mental powers. Even the humblest position of trust and responsibility requires more or less independent thinking and self-reliance. A man's fitness for the position will not depend upon his acquisition of a few formal rules, but upon

his capacity to do that which is rapidly becoming the sole function of man, namely, to think, and to direct by means of thought. If, then, a man's fitness is his ability to use independently, accurately and quickly, his mental powers. The education, then, which aims to develop and train thought is certainly reaching, if not directly yet indirectly, and to our mind much more effectually, the end of preparation for life work in our growing country. The glory of manhood is not that it has learned to do a piece of technical work alone, but that it stands master of its own powers, by whose cultivation it can the better manipulate the manifold forces of nature and art, and the more easily acquire proficiency in some one particular art. For the development of these powers in this general way what can be better suited than mathematics for the reasoning powers, the study of languages and physical science for memory and observation. We trust our age is not becoming too much a slave to the practical and the useful. We think that a certain student set forth the true end of education when he said: "I find myself in possession of this as a result of a college course, that now I am able to grapple with difficulties which before I could not approach," and in addition manifested his fitness not only to enter upon his chosen profession, but also upon any. We think that possibly our system of education has had too much of the ready-made character about it. There has been too much of the attempt to make all minds follow the same mould. There has been too much uniformity and not enough regard for the varying characteristics and tendencies of individuals, but still, even where more regard was paid to varying phases of personality, the end of education must

look beyond the mere ability to make an easy and comfortable living, out into the wider fields of the life of the individual and the development of our race socially and politically.

Again, that the young men are coming from the farm into the professions is a fact which many educationists regret, but is the case with which an education is acquired the explanation of it? Will not the explanation be found in the fact that young men have found farming too ill-paid and despised drudgery? Elevate the social rank of the farmer, better his condition financially. Let a wider education beyond the mere elements, and in many cases there is not even that to make itself felt. Bring in a condition of affairs in which the farmer will be less the prey of the combine and the corporation, and it will soon be manifest that the young men are anxious to put their best thought into this as well as into any other line of life. The explanation of the migration must be found in the condition which true education is seeking to relieve.

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Amidst the shouts of welcome and hearty handshakings of reunion steals the sad recollections of one who comes not back again. Since last we met, one of *our number has gone*

"Beneath the low green tent,

Whose curtain never outward swings."

It is not enough to say that we mourn the loss of the most talented elocutionist our College has known, for there are many who feel that a break in the circle of personal friendships has been made that even time may never fill, and who not only now, but in the months and years to come, will mourn

"The touch of a vanished hand,  
And the sound of a voice that is still."

## THE INDIAN IN LITERATURE

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As the thoughtful traveller wends his way across the limitless expanse of our western country his attention is involuntarily arrested by some mouldering relic of an age now passed away, when the buffalo lorded it over the unfurrowed plain, the deer grazed unscared by the din of commerce, and the "untutored" savage, in all his primitive hardihood and simple dignity, wandered forth, the undisputed monarch of the soil.

There are few studies more interesting than that of the Indians of our country, yet how few there are who devote more than a passing thought to the history of that race, who, while our ancestors with York or Lancaster contended for supremacy, hunted the bear among the gloomy recesses of the primeval woods or in their frail canoes stemmed the perilous rapids of our streams. The ideal Indian has long since vacated our midst, the buffalo lodge, with its decoration of scalp-locks and picture-writing, is no more, yet much remains. The objects that witnessed his heroic deeds abide, and, would we but listen, speak to us in eloquent tones.

"Fleeting years have borne away

The voice of Alfarata,  
Still sweeps the river on,  
The blue Juniata."

It is not the purpose of this paper to inquire into the causes that have led to the Indian's decline, but merely to review in the briefest possible space the effect of their life and traditions upon the literature of civilization.

Close upon the heels of discovery in the early days pressed the missionaries from various countries of Europe. To these was given the task of making the first investigations among the Indians, and numerous works in different tongues issued from their press. These works were not destined to lasting permanence. Yet the writings of John Eliot or David Brainerd are not without merit and are certainly worthy of careful perusal. To historians such as these have succeeded in later times men of more philosophical

mind, and antiquarians of such eminence as Bancroft and Dr. Wilson have found in Indian history subjects for their best efforts.

Pass from the realm of research to the domain of the novelist. Here we see the Indian being steadily utilized to provide entertainment for the great reading public. His romantic life and legends form the groundwork of many of the best productions of our ablest writers of fiction. In this connection they are probably surpassed only by the tales of mediæval chivalry. The well-known works of such writers as Ballantyne, Fennimore Cooper and others attest the value to novelists of Indian manners and customs.

But it is to the poet, perhaps more than to the antiquarian or the novelist that the Indian is interesting. This is not surprising when we consider that his very life and habits, to say nothing of his religion, partakes in a large measure of poetry, and that, too, of the best and noblest. There is scarcely a great poet, American or English, of modern times, who has not referred, at a greater or less length, to Indian legends. Among English poets two only will I mention, Pope and Campbell. Pope's reference is not long, but must not, therefore, be despised. One of the finest portions of his *Essay on Man* is his reference to the religion of the Indian—

"Whose untutored mind  
Sees God in clouds or hears him in the  
wind."

Campbell deals at greater length with the same theme. He takes the haunts of the Indian for the scene of what is, perhaps, his best production, namely, "*Gertrude of Wyoming*." The depicting of the Indian's striking individuality calls forth all his latent powers. Witness this couplet—

"As monumental bronze unchanged his  
look,  
A soul that pity touched but never shook."  
Can we say that a theme calling forth

such powers of description is without effect? I think not.

Let us turn now to American writers. Many are the instances that could be here enumerated, showing the amount of space devoted by poets of our own country to the same subject, but one or two will suffice. Longfellow has embalmed his memory in the legend of Hiawatha, a poem that will endure as long as lingers in the human breast the freshness and simplicity of nature. Among Canadian poets Chas. Moir, F.R.S.C., the poet of the Northwest has taken the story of the heroic Tecumseh as the subject of his noblest work, and Sir J. D. Edgar has

found in the legends of "The White Stone Canoe" the substance of one of the sweetest and most pathetic songs in Canadian literature. I can not refrain from giving an abstract of it. Akeka, having lost his wife, becomes disconsolate, and sets out in quest of her. On the borders of the spirit land he launches in a "canoe of dazzling whiteness." Soon he perceives at his side another canoe similar to his own, in which he discovers his long lost companion. After a short sojourn in the land of souls, he returns to earth to spend his remaining years in endeavoring to elevate and ennoble his kindred.

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### OUR MISSIONARY'S LETTER

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Mr. Endicott writes to "The Boys" from Kia-Ting, Province of Sz Chuan, China, under date of Sept. 6th. The letter reached us on 23rd of October, and was read at the Y.M.C.A. meeting, 26th ult. Accompanying the letter is a map of the district. The letter is so interesting that we give it here, in extenso, so to speak.

Dear Fellow Students: Christian greetings to all! Even though it is not my privilege to be personally acquainted with many of the students now in attendance at Wesley Colledge, I write to you on the assumption that the missionary interests of West China are still close to your hearts.

Let us begin at once to lay before you what our plans are for the next few months.

At our council meeting, held in May, we concluded after discussion that the time had at length come when we could, with intelligence and mutual advantage, agree to a division of territory with our sister missions. In Sz Chuan we have of Protestant missions, the China Inland, Methodist Episcopal, Friends, English Church, American Baptist, London Missionary, and our own. While the large cities are usually occupied by two or three societies, yet the aim is to map out rough-

ly certain large districts in the province and give one to each society as its own special field. In this way we may hope to cover a wider field and also avoid complications the one with the other. Many of these districts have been occupied for years, but the one we have taken is unoccupied and may be considered virgin soil, no regular work has been attempted here. The only work hitherto done has been the irregular visits of colporteurs and missionaries for the purpose of distributing Christian literature. Our district is in the form of a rough triangle, having its apex at Chentu. Its base is a line drawn from Kia-Ting to Tsi-Liu-Ching. This road from Kia-Ting to Tsi-Liu-Ching, I am the only one of our mission thus far to go over. It runs almost entirely through the hilly country, but there is a constant succession of populous towns and villages. There is one large walled district city named Yün Hsien, through which we pass, and of which I will speak again presently. The town of Tsi-Liu-Ching is one of the very busiest places in China. It is the heart of the "Black Country" of West China. If you will turn to Dr. Hart's book on Western China, you will find a lot of very interesting information concerning its

famous salt wells. There is an immense population here. Near this place is another important town, Fu Shun, also unoccupied. This town has quite a reputation for scholarly and well-to-do men. Now, in all probability the next station we open for foreign workers will be either at Tsi-Liu-Ching or Fu-Shun, our three stations will then be Chentu, Kia-Fing, and, say, Tsi-Liu-Ching, at the three angles of our triangle respectively. The journey from any one of these places to any other can be made in a little more than three days, and the whole journey made in our own district. Altogether it forms a most compact and conveniently worked district. I have been appointed the work of itinerating this year as far as Tsi-Liu-Ching, as opportunity may offer, for leaving our work in Kia-Ting.

As soon as we reached home after our council meeting we learned that several men in Yui Hsien of respectable families had been to Kia-Ting to endeavor to get one of the missions to open up work in their city. They had read a good deal of the scriptures and several tracts and expressed the desire to have some one come to their city and teach them more fully concerning "the way." Very soon we learned that the magistrate there—who has not a good name among his own people even—had arrested some of the leading men who had taken steps to get Christian work started in their city. They were charged with various crimes, and one of them was beaten in the yamen. After some weeks the men were released and the charges dropped; but whether

because there was no just ground for action or because of the fear of the foreigner is not quite clear.

Since that time I have been waited upon by deputations urging us to go and start work in the city, but there seems much ground for fear that many of these men are actuated by for other than Christian motives in their request. It seems quite probable, however, that the first lot of men were quite sincere in their wish to get us to come to them, being truly desirous to learn of the Saviour. At the trial before the magistrate they were urged to promise that they would have no more to do with Christianity and offered liberty of doing so, but they stubbornly refused. The C. I. M. who received the men when they came has given the matter entirely into our hands to deal with. I purpose starting (D. V.) in a few days for the city and hope to spend some time there investigating into affairs as well as possible. Will you not keep Yui Hsien steadily before you in your prayers. Remember the difficulties of the work and the devices of Satan, and pray that your comrade may be enriched with all wisdom and grace and enabled of God to truly plant a church of true believers in this place. Let prayer be made continually to God that He will pour out His spirit upon the city, and that multitudes be converted to Him.

I trust I shall have news to gladden your hearts during the coming winter.

Again let me urge you to pray.

With kindest regards, I am,

Faithfully yours,

JAMES ENDICOTT.



## Y. M. C. A. NOTES

Mr. J. Halpenny is leading the mission study class with much acceptance. The class is "an eye-opener" in a double sense. It meets on Saturday morning at 7 o'clock.

We are pleased to learn that an effort is to be made to enlarge the missionary library. John G. Paton's 3rd volume and other books of equal value and interest are now available.

The topic card shows no less than five addresses concerning the Bible and Bible

study, and indicates that we are actually about to follow the precedent of our able Prof. Stewart. He has given an address on that subject, and is the leader of the study class.

The year has commenced very auspiciously. Increased numbers of students is accompanied with increased activity in our Y. M. C. A. Our accessions this year are happily of a virile, seasoned sort of stuff, who have less idea of axe-grinding than may sometimes be seen, even with the naked eye.

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### "TO TUTOR OR NOT TO TUTOR"

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"Of making many tutors there is no end," etc., etc.

Nevertheless, we believe tutors to be as helpful as they are—at this stage of our progress — indispensable. Contrast between professor and tutor is not thought of in this item, but a glance is taken at the question per se.

Without doubt, the province of the tutor is in the field of elementary knowledge for the wide range, the complete survey, the imperious sweep of the professional mind which gathers, compares, correlates and systematizes, to him is lacking. But in this arena, with the equipment possessed by the average tutor, he will do credit to himself and his Alma Mater.

To a far-off shrine he is about to guide a band of pilgrims; the eagle poised on high, with one extended glance, may take in the entire road the devotee has to travel: its windings, its turns, its intersections—the ground plan of the way.

Only the elevation is seen by the guide, but the rocks, the pitfalls, the quagmires, the steep declines, are all known to him. Fresh from the memory of encounters

with Titanic monsters, he knows their vulnerable points, and too he has seen the awful vision of some distant "peloteron" on a near approach, "Fade into the light of common day."

Who better fitted to guide than he in whose mind is yet a living picture of the way he has come?

And again, ambitious of success, the tutor is all alertness and energy and no turn is neglected, no opportunity overlooked that is of advantage to his class.

One danger may be pointed out—not that the amount taught or learned may be insufficient, but that it may not be reduced by the tutor or pupil to a systematized body of knowledge.

A systematic knowledge is to its possessor a disciplined army, beside which a mere collection of facts, is a disordered rabble.

All success to Wesley's tutors, and may they add luminous pages of *gestarum rerum* to her past.

(Will some of the suffering ones discourse on the balance of the text? "And much tutoring is a weariness to the flesh." —Ed.)

## TO AND FRO IN EUROPE

Miss Clara Bull, who was one of our most popular students when at Wesley, has very recently returned from a four months' tour through England and the Continent. She accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Bull, Miss Annie and Master George. The outgoing ocean voyage was thoroughly enjoyable and passed without mishap. While in England, London claimed the greater share of their three weeks' stay. Westminster Abbey, St. Paul's, the Strand, Hyde Park, Rotten Row, Trafalgar Square and other places were visited, and the surging crowds of London thoroughfares were studied with great interest. From her graphic portrayals of London life, we would judge Miss Bull well qualified to write a work on "London life from the top of an omnibus."

Then on to "gay Patee" via Dieppe and Rouen, and smoky chimneys and grimy buildings are exchanged for expansive boulevards and suburban scenery of elegant grandeur.

From Paris to Rome, stopping at the borders of Italy to get rid of the dust and grime of travel. Here, at Turin, an exhibition of the arts and manufactures of Italy was in full swing. In glass-blowing and silk weaving the Italians show wonderful skill.

Three days in classical old Rome, with its stern forbidding architecture, unrelieved by any gay adornments. Everything seems ancient to a Canadian, but to the Roman of to-day, "modern" life begins at the 12th century, "old" at the 1st, and "ancient" 500 B. C. No Hesperian city, this, Gothic, Grecian Roman and what not, styles of architecture—all the buildings are of one type, low, massive and severe. Here visits were made to the Vatican, the great Cathedral of St. Peter's, the Catacombs, the Capuchin Church, which is elaborately decorated with the bones of 4,000 monks. Skeletons on every side of you in every conceivable posture. Here, too, were works of the great Angelo and Raphael.

Then to Naples, with its bay of unparalleled splendor, surrounded by beautiful vine-clad hills. The very presence of the city—dirty, squalid, infested with beggars, is a pollution to the crystal purity of these caerulean waters. Here the omnipresence of the lion was shown by the presence in the bay of the British squadron, with its stately yet formidable men-of-war. Now, for Mount Vesuvius, 13 miles distant. With carriages the trip is made in only five hours. Slow, you say! Well, perhaps, but considering that the minimum incline is 40°, while the maximum is 60°, it is not too bad. Alighting at the top, a walk of 15 minutes over loose ashes and lava brings you to the crater. The hot sulphurous breath of the monster forbids more than a hasty glance into its cavernous maw, although this same is about 12 feet in diameter. "Then down the lava-strewn sides of this historic volcano, and we are again at Naples. Back again into Rome and on to "Beautiful Venice."

Venice is built on about 400 islands. All its streets are waterways. Not a horse or equipage of any kind to be seen, except on one of the largest islands, the Lido, where there are two or three carriages and four horses. Freight is carried in barges, passengers in gondolas. Here may be seen the house of Desdemona, also Browning's, and a shop bearing yet the sign, "Shylock, the money-lender." Here, too, one may cross the Rialto and the "Bridge of Sighs" leading from the Doge's palace to the prison. St. Mark's Cathedral is a magnificent structure, supported on 500 pillars, with its interior finished in 22-carat gold.

From here we pass to Milan, and then on to the famous lakes of Italy, Como, Maggiore and Lugano. Up Lake Como we visited Isola Bella, an island 3 acres in area, formed into ten terraces, surrounded by an enclosure and covered with plants brought from the world over.

And now for the Alps. In a diligence

we climb the mountains by the Simplona pass, built by Napoleon. It took seven hours to ascend and two hours to descend. On the top we passed St. Bernard monastery, and one of the monks entering our diligence gave us opportunity of studying a member of this order.

Entering the Rhone valley, Matini first claims attention.

Swiss scenery is a gigantic mosaic of the most exquisite greens. The women do the work, the men the loafing. And now we come to Chamouix at the foot of Mount Blanc. It takes two days to climb this mountain and one, to come down, although some descend in shorter time. Here we saw the famous Mer de glos glacier.

At Genoa we saw the meeting of the waters of the Rhone and Arne. The former of a bright blue and the latter of a dull gray, flowing side by side, without mingling for quite a distance, until they reach a curve.

Further on at Interlaken we climbed the Mengle Alp and the Jungfrau. The climb leads over a glacier to Grindewold. And now to the most beautiful of Swiss towns, the lovely Lucerne. Climbing the ridge at this place, one gets a view of immense expanse seeming to cover myriads of mountain tops. Then by boat to Brienz, surrounded on all sides by mountain scenery of unsurpassed grandeur. We found Zurich to be a beautiful city of new

buildings, and at Nauhausen we view the wonderful falls of the Rhine. At Mayence we embark on the river and scenes of indescribable beauty follow each other in rapid succession, as we sail on between terraced banks lined with castles of varying age and grandeur. Reaching Cologne, we go overland to Amsterdam—the Venice of the North.

The coronation of Wilhemina had just taken place, and the city was elaborately festooned and decorated. Here, in an immense picture gallery, were gathered the Rembrandt collection of pictures. Here also is the famous diamond-cutting establishment employing 17,000 men.

From Amsterdam we went to Antwerp, where we viewed Reuben's pictures, his finest being "The Descent from the Cross." The Antwerp Cathedral is filled with most wonderful allegorical carving.

Then on to Brussels, a Paris in miniature, clean and orderly; cafes and restaurants monopolize the sidewalks. At Wiertz is the famous museum, and from thence we made a flying trip to Waterloo. The ancient battlefield is covered by a mound 150 feet high, surmounted by a huge lion.

Finally we reach Ostend, and then across to London, and after spending a few days at the famous old Chester, we find ourselves again on an ocean greyhound bound for home.

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If there's anything that worries a woman,  
 Its something she ought not to know,  
 But you bet she will find it out somehow,  
 If she gets the least kind of a show.  
 Now, we'll wager ten cents to a farthing  
 This poem already she's read,  
 We knew she'd get at it somehow,  
 If she had to stand on her head.—E.X.

"A STILL DAY IN AUTUMN"

I love to wander through the woodlands  
 hoary,  
 In the soft gloom of an autumnal day,  
 When summer gathers up her robes of  
 glory  
 And like a dream of beauty glides away.  
 How through each loved familiar path she  
 lingers,  
 Serenely smiling through the golden  
 mist,  
 Turning the wild grape with her dewy  
 fingers,  
 Till the cool emerald turns to amethyst.  
 Kindling the faint stars of the hazel, shin-  
 ing  
 To light the gloom of autumn's mould-  
 ering halls  
 With hoary plumes the climate's enliven-  
 ing,  
 Where o'er the rocks her withered gar-  
 lands fall.  
 Warm lights are on the sleepy uplands  
 waning,  
 Beneath her dark clouds along the hori-  
 zon rolled,  
 The plant sunbeams through their fringes  
 raining  
 Bathe all the hills in melancholy gold.  
 The moist winds breathe of crisped leaves  
 and flowers,  
 In the damp hollows of the woodland  
 sown.  
 Mingling the freshness of autumnal show-  
 ers,  
 With spicy airs from cedar alleys  
 blown.

Beside the brook and don the umbered  
 meadows,  
 Where yellow fern tufts fleck the faded  
 ground,  
 With folded lips beneath their palmy  
 shadows,  
 The gentian nods, in dreamy slumbers  
 bound.  
 Upon those soft fringed lids the bees sit  
 brooding,  
 Like a fond love, loath to say farewell,  
 Or, with shut wings, through silken folds  
 intruding,  
 Creeps near her heart his drowsy tale  
 to tell.  
 The little birds upon the hillsides lonely,  
 Flit noiselessly along from spray to  
 spray,  
 Silent as a sweet wandering thought, that  
 only  
 Shows its bright wings and softly glides  
 away.  
 The scentless flowers in the warm sun-  
 light dreaming,  
 Forget to breathe their fullness of de-  
 light,  
 And through the tranced woods soft airs  
 are streaming,  
 Still as the dew-fall of the summer night.  
 So in my heart a sweet unwonted feeling  
 Stirs like the wind in Ocean's hollow  
 shell,  
 Through all its secret chambers sadly  
 stealing.  
 Yet finds no words its mystic charm to  
 tell.

—SarahHelen Whitman.

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A Freshman once to Hades went,  
 Thinking that he might learn.  
 They sent him back to earth again.  
 He was too green to burn. —Ex.

## ATHLETICS

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The readers of the athletic department of Vox will miss this year the breezy notes and carefully written articles of our genial predecessor, Charlie St. John. But, although Charlie was sometimes remiss in his duties as athletic editor, it can never be said that he was wanted at a football or hockey match and could not be found. It is as captain of our football team that we will miss him most, and it is sincerely hoped that the amount of "rustling" which Charlie did for the different athletic societies will not this year devolve on his humble successor.

Athletics to Wesley students has narrowed itself down to mean football. The all-important question in athletic circles is, Have we a good football team, and what are our chances for the cup this year? The innovation of a Rugby team last year proved a good one, and every Wesley supporter has reason to feel proud of the showing made by our team. Had the finals been played off, as all Wesley players wished, there is no doubt but that the cup would have perched on our shelf this year.

Things looked gloomy for our Rugby team this year. It was a hard matter to find new blood enough in a short week to fill the places left vacant by such men as Jones, Hiron, Gilbert, St. John, Doran, Donahue. Then, our quarter, Mr. Leveque, was laid off with a severe cut in his hand. Somehow or other, we got a team together, and although many were "green" players, we gave St. John's a close call for victory in our first match.

### RUGBY.

#### St. John's vs. Wesley—1-3.

The first match of the season was played on Saturday, Oct. 8th, against St. John's. The team which represented Wesley on the gridiron was as follows:

Back, Laidlaw; half-backs, McPherson, Logan, McKenty; quarter back, Sparling; scrim. Wheeldon, Roblin, Wilson; wings,

Robson, Saunders, Finklestein, Poile, Cummings, Carper, Spear.

Wesley won the toss and chose to kick with the wind, aided by which they scored 3 points in the first half. These were made singly, Roblin being responsible for one and Logan another point. The other point came very near being a touchdown, but the ball eluded the grasp of both Cummings and Spear, and was kicked into the touch goal by St. John's. Wesley had decidedly the advantage during this half, the ball only reaching our goal line a few times. The second half St. John's pressed and scored four points, singles, mostly from free kicks. The violations of the rules made by our boys, who were new to the game, were closely watched by the referee, who invariably gave free kicks against us. Fred Wilson, who dropped in for a day or two, just helped us to put our old scrim line on the field, and the way they pushed St. John's, with Norquay in centre, showed that we have the best scrim line in the league. All the boys played very well, and with a little practice we expect to put a team in the field that in future will be still harder to beat.

#### Winnipeg vs. Wesley—1-0.

This was Wesley's second appearance in the senior series this fall, and with a team strengthened by Leveque, Gilbert, McKenty and Hall, won the hardest and best game played this fall. The ground was not in the best condition, being somewhat soft and a trifle slippery, owing to the recent rain.

Winnipeg won the toss and kicked with the wind, which was just a slight breeze. The ball was kicked down to Wesley's halves, who returned, and shortly afterwards a touch in goal was scored. Wesley stock went up, and it looked as if they could win as they liked, but the Winnipeggers became aroused and for the remainder of the first half kept the ball pretty much on our half of the field. Good work by Wesley's halves kept their scoring down to one point—a rouge.

In the second half Wesley went away at the drop of the hat and scored 8 points before time was called, making the final score, 9-1, in Wesley's favor. The first was a touch in goal from one of Logan's long kicks. Next a touchdown by Hall, which we failed to convert. Close following up shortly afterwards forced the Winnipeggs to make a safety touch, and this was soon followed by a touch in goal.

Wesley's victory was due to the splendid work of the scrim, the rapid and accurate passing of Leveque, and the excellent kicking of the half-backs, especially Logan. Added to this, the wings were always in evidence when tackling was necessary and when required to follow up fast. It would indeed be hard to say that any one played a specially good game when all did their share so well. Of course, "Bug" Gilbert played his old position of right guard in his usual style, and we are sorry that he will not be with us the remainder of the season. Hall is a splendid addition on the outside wing, and, with McKenty, makes a good pair. Carwell, as left guard, was quite as good as his old mate, Gilbert, and Jack Flett filled Wilson's position in the scrim to the satisfaction of even such heavyweights as Roblin and Wheeldon.

The following composed the Wesley team:—

Back, Laidlaw; half-backs, McPherson, Logan, Sparling; quarter-back, Leveque, scrim, Wheeldon, Roblin, Flett; wings, Gilbert, Saunders, McKenty, Hall, Carwell, Cummings, Spear.

Dragoons vs. Wesley—1-36.

The third and last senior match of the season was played under very unfavorable circumstances. For some time previous it had been raining and snowing alternately, which made the ground in such a state that good playing was out of question. The match had been conceded to our boys, but the fact that the team had to be patched up with so many juniors made the older boys somewhat anxious. The old and new blood, however, proved quite enough for their opponents and scored as they pleased, as the score

of 36 to 1 indicates. As every boy took a share in the scoring, it would be unfair to particularize, except to mention that Thompson, Finklestein and St. John are a promising trio and manfully supplied the places of the senior boys.

The following composed the team:—

Back, Laidlaw; half-backs, Sparling, Logan, Finklestein; quarter, Leveque; scrim, Flett, Wheeldon, Roblin; wings, Spear, Carper, Cummings, Carwell, Thompson, St. John, Saunders.

### JUNIOR RUGBY.

Winnipeg vs. Wesley—16-3.

Those who failed to see this match missed something worth seeing; not however, from a scientific standpoint of view, but rather from the pleasurable. Out of the fifteen players, there were perhaps a half a dozen who knew anything about the game. This, however, did not prevent the greenies from going in to win, and would have done so had the Winnipeggs not been a little better than them. The Winnipeggs, winning the toss, elected to play with the wind, and by some very pretty pass work secured a touchdown in short order. The backs and halfbacks were very strong and backed the wings well.

On Wesley's side many good chances were lost through lack of knowledge, and although the will was there they were unable to secure more than 3 points to their opponents' 16.

St. John's vs. Wesley—4-11.

The second game in the junior series resulted more successfully than the previous one. Made wise by adversity, they memorized a few rules and went on to the field with the determination of "doing or dying." The St. John's, too, were equally determined to carry off the laurels and gave our boys a hard time, keeping them from scoring. The players on either side showed more zeal than science, for at different periods about half the players were piled up in a heap. The half-backs of our team were much superior to the St. John's, and never muffed a ball. The tackling of Cecil St. John and

Firklestein was the feature of the game. Walker, at centre half, played a very good game.

#### INTERCOLLEGIATE SPORTS.

The much-talked-of sports are over and our boys are quite satisfied with the result. Only three teams were represented—the Medicals, the St. John's and the Wesleys. Owing to some misunderstanding, the 'Tobas did not compete, which is much regretted by all. There was no lack of sport, however, and we very naturally think we would have been on top at any rate. There are some good athletes in the college, and only training is necessary to make them fit to compete with the best.

The strong hold of Wesley is in its fleetness and not its strength of arm. All the races, with only one exception, the hurdle race, went to us while the feats of strength went elsewhere. Our lead over the other colleges is much greater than the most sanguine had hoped for, and is much greater than any College has ever had.

This not only means that the cup now belongs to us, but that the cup and medal for the greatest individual scores are also to be the property of our boys. Spear leads with 27 points; Laidlaw second, with 27, and Tait ties for third place with 17. The total score for the different Colleges is as follows:—

1—Wesley .....	101 points
2—St. John's .....	68½ points
3—Medicals .....	44½ points

The jumping events were quite a surprise to us, and doubtless to the other Colleges also. In the broad jump Laidlaw and Spear secured first and second places respectively, and in the high jump and pole vault we tied for second place.

100 yards — 1st, Tait; 2nd, Simpson. Time, 11 3-5 seconds.

This very interesting race provided quite a surprise to the knowing ones, as they had not counted on Tait, but had thought that either Simpson or Laidlaw would be a winner. The black horse got a good

start and came in about a foot ahead of Simpson.

220 yards—1st Spear; 2nd, Laidlaw and Simpson. Time, 24½ sec.

Wesley again took the lead, and it looked as if they would win first and second place, but Simpson coming up strong tied Laidlaw for second place.

Running High Jump—1st, Dunsford, St. John; 2nd, Brett and Laidlaw, Wesley. Height, 4 ft. 11 in.

Dunsford deserved this event, as he was certainly the superior of the other competitors.

120 yards Hurdle—1st, Brett, St. John; 2nd, Dunsford, St. John.

Owing to the large number of competitors, this was run off in three heats, the first two of each heat having a chance for the final. In the first heat Brett and Simpson won first and second respectively, and in the second Dunsford and Tait. In the final heat the St. John's boys were too speedy and won first and second places.

Quarter Mile—1st, Laidlaw; 2nd, Montgomery, Medicals.

This was a surprise to a great number, for although Laidlaw was known to be speedy on short distances, it was not thought he could stand it for a quarter of a mile. Staying well in the rear, he allowed the others to make the pace, and when about one hundred yards from the finish, made a pretty spurt and landed first.

Tug-of-War—The tug-of-war was perhaps the most interesting event of the day. The Meds. were thought by all but the St. John's to have a snap, and certainly their appearance gave that impression. "The best laid schemes gang aft a-glee," however, and the bone choppers at the end of ten minutes were declared vanquished. The stalwart Wesleysites then tried their hand at it, but although they were cheered on by Capt. Carwell till he couldn't cheer any more, the boys from the north soon had the rope all to themselves.

Running Broad Jump—1st. Laidlaw :  
2nd, Spear.

When this result was made known, the boys gave vent to their enthusiasm in different ways, as it was thought we could not make more than 7 points out of it.

Pole Vault—1st, Hall ; 2nd, Tait.

This event was hotly contested by the three Colleges, and it is likely would have gone to Brett, of St. John's, had he not unfortunately sprained his wrist. As it was, Hall, of the Meds., took first, and Tait second.

Half-mile Run—1st, Spear ; 2nd, Bing.  
**Medicals.**

Each College had counted on this race, and consequently it caused some excitement. Spear again cleverly demonstrated that he had no superior on long distances by winning first place easily.

Relay Race — 1st, Wesley ; 2nd, St. John's.

Owing to darkness, this race had to be postponed until the following Wednesday. The Medicals withdrew, thus leaving only two entries. From start to finish our boys led, increasing it as they went along, and the last man won as he pleased. The following composed the team : Bawden, Halladay, Tait, Spear.

Mile Race—1st, Spear ; 2nd, Grundy. St. John's.

This, as was conceded by all, was captured quite handily by Spear.

Bicycle Race—1st, Sipprell ; 2nd, Grundy. St. John's.

This race was a sure thing for Carper, but to make it more interesting for all he dropped out and allowed Grundy and Sipprell to struggle for first place. Mr. Carper is to be thanked for this gentlemanly act, as it draws the boys together and lends a tone to athletics. The race resulted in an easy victory for Sipprell.

#### FOOTBALL.

Both Rugby and Association clubs have organized for the season's play, with the following officers for each :—

Rugby—

Hon. Pres.—Mr. R. J. Whitla.

President—Prof. Cochrane.

Vice-Pres.—Mr. J. Leveque.

Captain—F. W. Sparling.

Sec.-Treas—B. B. Halladay.

Executive Committee—McKenty, Carwell, Spear, Roblin, Wheeldon.

Representatives — F. W. Sparling, C. Logan, S. R. Laidlaw.

Association—

Hon. Pres.—Mr. J. G. Morgan.

President—Prof. Riddell.

Vice-Pres.—H. Wheeldon.

Captain—S. R. Laidlaw.

Sec.-Treas.—B. B. Halladay.

Executive Committee — Spear, Robson, Wheeldon, McCrossan, Roblin, Laidlaw ex officio.

Representatives to Intercollegiate Association—Robson, Spear, Laidlaw.

#### NOTES.

Some one proposed a camp stool and umbrella for our lazy full back.

Leveque was with us in our last two games, which goes a long way towards accounting for our wins.

They say our Rugby scrim line are "tough nuts to crack." We have seen no flaws on Roblin, Wheeldon's or Flett's craniums as yet, and infer that up to date they have not been cracked.

The following players have been classified as seniors in the Rugby club : Sparling, Leveque, Poile, Wheeldon, Wilson, Roblin, Spear, Cummings, Saunders, McKenty, Carper, Carwell, Laidlaw.

Carper must have found out that he could "go some" this summer to get away with most of the eastern crack bicycle riders in the C.V.A. meet. Since then he makes a touchdown at Rugby every time he finds a hairpin.

Association prospects now claim our attention. Half-backs seem to be numerous. Of course, Spear and Wheeldon are still with us. Several promising freshmen have shown good form in the first practice, amongst others, Semmons, and Bennett. Backs are at a premium, and forwards are none too plentiful. Baw-

den and White, however, have seen a ball before and Cecil St. John is showing good form.

The athletic editor (who, by the way is not "all there") wishes to convey his thanks to Mr. Bawden for his kindness in writing up some of the best articles which appear under the heading of Athletics this issue. Many thanks, Ed., we will do as much for you sometime.

Wesley has at last won a championship. The cup accompanying the athletic championship will this year decorate the Wesley halls. Not only this, but the individual cup will grace Mr. E. B. Spear's room, who now enjoys the title of College

champion athlete. It is to be hoped that the gold and silver medals will also be forthcoming.

The eastern trip of the Carberry football team last summer was an unqualified success. It was simply a "starring tour" for Charlie St. John, who played full back for the Carberry team. A record of only one defeat from the crack eastern teams speaks volumes for our western kickers. Charlie has since settled down to the stern realities of life, and is now training the growing idea of Melita how to shoot, and it can easily be supposed that Charlie will use a football in many of his object lessons.

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## LOCAL NEWS

Subscribe to Vox.

Athletics are the order of the day.

The very rainy weather lately has caused an excessive use of the "natural mat."

Mr. H. W. Dobson, who has been confined to his room for a few days, is once more able to be about.

"Milton was married for the third time in — and immediately wrote Paradise Lost." — Selection from General Mair's Essay.

Mr. Leavens has been laid up for a few days on account of a sprained ankle.

A good many of the students availed themselves of the opportunity of hearing Dr. King lecture in the Philosophical Society on the evening of the 21st.

Subscriber — Why is my paper always damp?

Editor — Because there is so much due on it. — Ex.

Mr. Leslie Dilworth had a narrow escape from being run over by the train the other morning. Mr. Dilworth, while jumping from the train in motion, slipped on some ice and was dragged for quite a distance before he was able to free himself.

The Intercollegiate Y.M.C.A. reception in Westminster Church was largely attended by the students. A most interesting programme was rendered, including addresses by Dr. King and W. A. McIntyre. At the close of the programme refreshments were served by the ladies of the church.

On the evening of October 14th the ladies gave their annual reception to the new students in Convocation Hall. After an enjoyable social time had been spent, and an interesting programme rendered, an adjournment was made to the library, where refreshments were served. When everyone had fully enjoyed the good things there, the assembly dispersed after the singing of the national anthem.

FOUR EPITAPHS.

Deep wisdom—Swelled head:  
Brain fever—he's dead.

A Senior.

Fair one leaves him—hope's fled,  
Heart broken—he's dead.

A Junior.

Went skating—'tis said,  
Floor hit him—he's dead,

A Sophomore.

Milk famine—not fed,  
Starvation—he's dead.

A Freshman.

—Ex.

As a Vox scribe was wending his way quietly homeward, the other evening, from the Y. M. C. A. reception, when opposite the college he was stopped by hearing a voice. He looked and saw a figure on the

steps of the college a figure marvellously like that of a junior mathematician, and listening, he heard a voice in socratic accents declaiming :—

I was that one

Who trod alone,

The banquet hall deserted.

The lights all fled,

My hopes are dead,

For all but me departed.

Now in this stilly night,

Ere slumber's chain has bound me,

I vow by all my height

Benny ne'er again shall down me.

A loud "Amen" stopped the speaker at this point, and a tall figure, with the first shadow of whiskers, appeared around the corner. The two clasped hands in sympathy, as those who had a common sorrow. The scribe passed on.

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PERSONAL AND EXCHANGE

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In order to make this department as interesting as possible, we would be pleased at any time to receive items of interest concerning any of our students or ex-students.

Principal Peterson, of McGill University, paid a short visit to the College in October.

We are sorry to lose Mr. Lousley from our halls, after a stay of one year. He may probably return next year.

Rev. W. S. A. Crux, B.A., of Emerson, visited Wesley the first week in October and attended lectures in Theology and Philosophy.

Rev. Mr. Cleaver visited the resident students one evening last week. We were pleased to see him and hope the visit will be repeated.

Mr. W. B. Clayton, an ex-student of Wesley, has also gone to Uncle Sam's domain. He has settled in Detroit, where he is studying dentistry.

We were all pleased to see Percy Gilbert a few days ago. Percy came down from Neepawa for the match against the Winnipegs, and, as usual, proved himself a tower of strength to our team.

Mr. S. Wilkinson, '99, has taken charge of the Fort Rouge Methodist church during the sickness of the regular pastor, Rev. S. R. Brown, B.A.

We regret that particulars of the following weddings are not to hand: H. Whitmore, V. H. Rust, A. W. G. Martin and Mr. Attwood. However, we extend congratulations and wish all a very prosperous and happy life.

Mr. F. C. Wilson, '99, was in the city for a few days at the beginning of this month. Although in the city only for a few days, Fred was luckily here for the St. John's vs. Wesley match and used his strength with telling effect in the scrim.

Word has been received recently from Rev. S. R. Brown, B.A., who is at present in Huntingdon, P.Q. His many friends will be pleased to learn that his health is considerably improved, and a prospect consequently of being able to resume work next conference.

Our athletic editor, Mr. S. R. Laidlaw, '99, suffered a severe accident on the 1st inst. The index finger of his right hand became caught by a slamming door and the end of it was taken off. The doctor cut off the bone about half way between the end of the finger and the first joint.

Mr. M. C. Markle, B.A., favored us with a call on his way back from a visit to friends in Toronto and Chatham. Merv. will be much missed on the forward line this winter. No more will "Well played, Merv.," resound in shrill treble from the side as the ball flies down the right wing.

Rev. W. W. Abbott, B.A., and Miss Scott, of Macdonald, were married at the home of the bride's parents in September. Rev. M. M. Bennett, B.A., assisted in the ceremony. We learn from a local contemporary that Miss Scott is a most estimable young lady and one well calculated to adorn a Methodist parsonage.

The boys take this opportunity of expressing their sympathy with the Rev. G. J. Elliott, B. D., in the death of his brother. Mr. Elliott came to this conference from Ontario on being appointed to the Umatilla mission, Neepawa district. About three weeks after his arrival he was taken ill with typhoid fever and died a few days late at the Dauphin parsonage.

We extend congratulations to Mr. H. P. Carper, '99, for the magnificent showing he made in the C. W. A. Dominion meet during the past summer. "Carp." won first place in the novice, first in the mile handicap, and third in the five-mile handicap. This is a showing to be proud of, when it is considered that all the crack riders of the Dominion were present and competed.

During the past summer Dr. Laird spent a two months' vacation on the Continent. He spent most of his time in Germany, to which place he accompanied his sister, who is taking a post-graduate course in Berlin. The Dr. visited the different universities, especially those of Berlin and Breslau, examining the mineralogical and

chemical collections, after which he took a flying trip through Eastern Silesia, Cologne, Baden and the Rhine provinces.

During September, Principal Sparling, in his capacity as President of the Manitoba and Northwest Conference, attended the Quadrennial Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, which was held in Toronto. The Dr. was accompanied east by Mrs. and Miss Sparling, who spent the time during which conference was held in visiting the eastern cities. On their return trip they spent a week in Chicago. While there they visited the Chicago University. They returned just in time for the opening of college.

During holiday time, Prof. and Mrs. Osborne made a trip to England and the Continent. After landing at Liverpool they arranged for a wheeling tour, with London as their objective point. The journey occupied three weeks, and was made via Chester, Stratford, Windsor and Oxford. Sailing across to Antwerp, they visited Brussels, Waterloo and Cologne, and thence up the Rhine to Mayence. Leaving the Rhine at Heidleburg, they journeyed through the Black Forest to Switzerland, through the St. Gothard Pass to Italy, and then rested for a week at the beautiful Italian lakes. After visiting Venice and Florence, they returned to Paris via the Mount Cenis route, and from thence, after a stay of ten days, across the channel, and then home. They did not visit Rome on account of the heat. The Professor says that a person contemplating a trip similar to the above would be wise to go direct from New York to Naples, and then tour Italy before the weather became too warm.

In the spring of '97 John Israel Thorne went forth from the halls of Wesley to itinerate in the Edmonton district. The solitude of bachelor life, however, was not congenial to his nature, so in the balmy days of June, '98, he wended his way to Spy Hill. Although the morning of the 29th of June broke dark and gloomy, it had no depressing effect upon J. I.'s spirits, for he was that day to claim a life in-

terest in the fair maiden whose charms had followed him, even in his waking dreams. In the early hours of that eventful morning another Wesley boy was anxiously watching the lowering clouds, for Rev. J. M. Murchison, who was to officiate at the wedding, had to brave the swollen torrent of the mighty Assiniboine before he could reach the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll. At the time appointed Mr. Murchison (who, by the way, was rehearsing for a coming event) gently but firmly tied the knot which bound Mr. Thorne and Miss Carroll for life.

A number of the students of last year had a suspicion that Rev. J. M. Murchison, better known in college circles as "Murchy," was preparing a trap for him-

self. Developments show that the suspicion was well founded. In Zion church, on the Foxwarren circuit, on August 16, Rev. H. J. Miller sprung the trap, and "Murchy" is no longer free. Miss M. E. Laycock, of Foxwarren, was caught at the same time. A large number of friends were present on the occasion, and manifested their sympathy with the unfortunate couple by leaving many beautiful and useful presents to make the way as bright as possible. We sympathize greatly with "Murchy," but as it seems to be the way of all flesh, especially theological flesh, we join with their many friends in wishing the young couple every success in life, and are confident that "Murchy's" well-known pluck and energy will bring him through all right.

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## IN MEMORIAM

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Once more Vox is forced to pause and note with grief the sad ravages death has made in the circle of our friends since our last issue. In this instance it would almost seem that death was a respecter of persons, or why did he choose one so young, so promising and so endeared to the hearts of all as the one for whom we now lament—Miss Jennie Stewart. A year ago she was, as far as we could see, as likely to live as any of us, but during the winter months disease became so deeply rooted in her system that all attempts to remove it were in vain. The mild spring days, with the sunshine and flowers, seemed to revive her failing strength, and friends began to hope for a speedy recovery, but the hope was futile. Scarcely had the summer days passed, or autumn begun to tint the woods and fields with fading leaves and flowers, than she, too, passed quietly away Sept. 16th. The numerous floral wreaths sent by those who knew and loved her attest to the fact that she had a wide circle of friends. Wesley

College will miss her much. In the Y.W. C. A. and other College societies, she was always ready to do her part. But perhaps more especially will the Literary society feel her loss, as her excellent powers of elocution were highly prized. The beauty and power of the Christian faith was very apparent during all her illness, after many struggles she gained perfect victory through Christ. The tears of the loved ones were but brushed aside when death again entered the home and claimed the beloved husband and father. The Rev. John Stewart died September 29th, after an earnest day's campaigning in the interests of prohibition. The summons came without any warning about midnight, but he was found ready, and passed to his reward. Mr. Stewart had endeared himself in many ways to the students of Wesley College, for he always had a word of cheer for those who were struggling upward. The students of Wesley, who knew Mr. Stewart and Jennie, sympathize deeply with those who are called to sustain this severe loss.

One of our last year's graduates in the person of Mr. C. W. Doran, B. A., has emigrated to the land of the screaming eagle. Billy is studying medicine in Minneapolis. In a recent letter he says that the life in the States is "out of sight," and in his own well-known modest way asserts that the girls of Minneapolis are all right.

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Prof.—So was Balaam.—Ex.

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A retriever is the most fetching thing in the world.

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The path of ambition leads to a great many political graves.

It is impossible to convince a spider that there is honey in a rose.

Indolence often assumes the mask of patience and gathers in her rewards.

The man who tells you the faults of others will tell others of your faults.

It's pretty hard for some men to keep their wants down to their incomes.

*This world is a dangerous place to live in; people seldom get out of it alive.*

That man never lived who didn't expect to invent something that would make him rich.

Horse-racing is a peculiar thing; the majority of the horses in a race are not in it.

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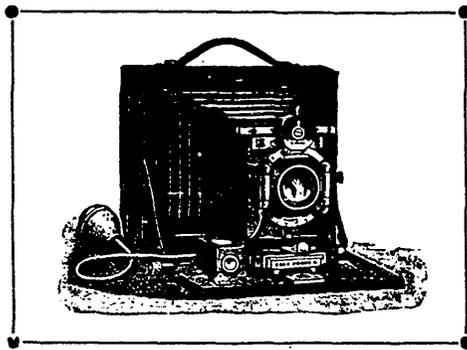
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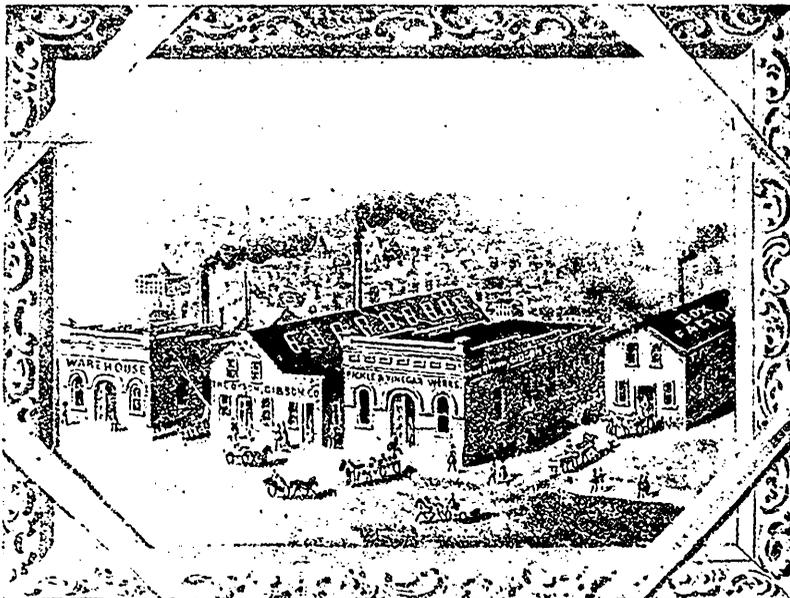
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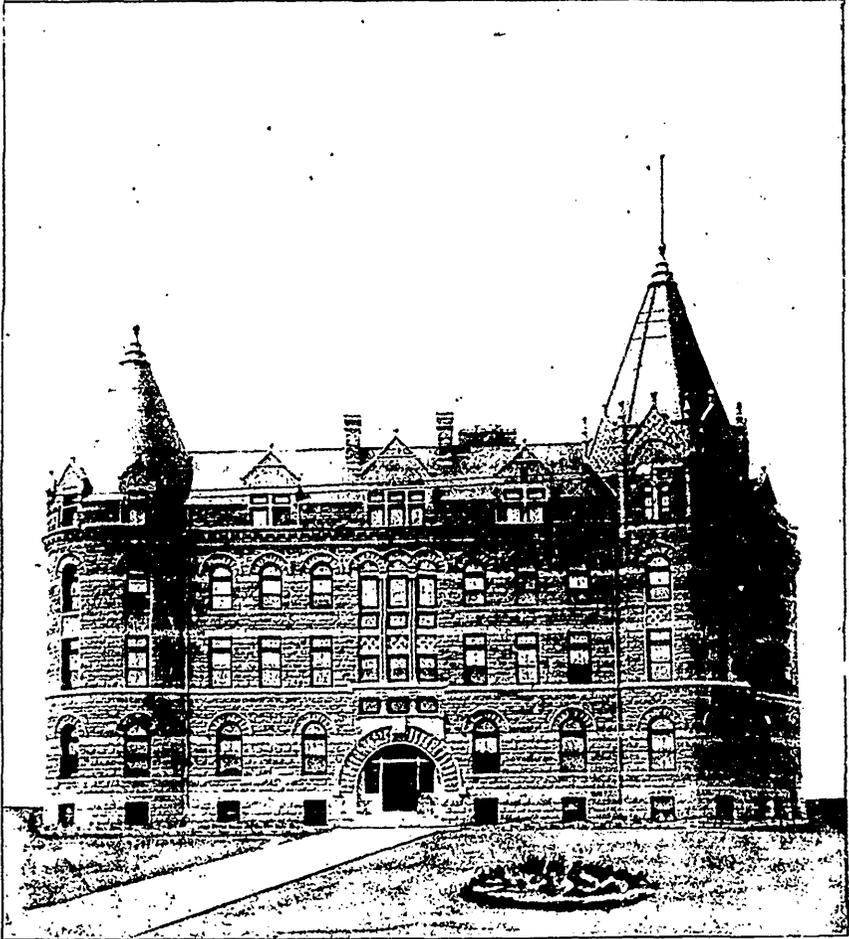
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