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University College

THE MEDICAL MATRICULATION

There are some anomalies in connection with this examination which I wish briefly to mention through the columns of THE WHITE AND BLUE, trusting that by so doing they may come under the notice of those interested in the welfare of our university.

There are several ways by which one can enter upon the professional studies of-some one of our The arts matriculation will never be a popular many medical curricula, and if all these methods mode of entering the medical course.

were on the same footing, then that course which would likely prove the most useful would certainly become the most popular. But these modes of entering are, however, far from being on an equality There is an examination before the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and one for each university, which are calculated to test a man's literary attainments, also to give him the right of proceeding at once to special branches of study.

The various other universities accept the Council matriculation with the exception of Toronto. This regulation has been in existence only for a short time - its effects being felt for the first time last spring. The consequence is that nearly all take the Council entrance examination and apply for acceptance and registration in some university. which as I have above stated is granted by all except Toronto. The effect is to reduce the number of medical students on the class list. The excellence of the curriculum of Toronto University would render her degree in medicine very popular, were it not for this one drawback. Not many candidates for matriculation are willing to read two different sets of texts, and come to the city on two separate occasions to pass the examinations. The Council does not accept Toronto University men, nor does Toronto University accept the Councilmen. Here then is a deadlock, and as stated nearly all take the examination prescribed by the Council, and on its guarantee enter Trinity or Cobourg. Out of about eighty first year students, Toronto shall not likely receive more than a dozen. The strength of a university lies in the number of her graduates, and to lessen this number is simply to weaken her by so much. This loss Toronto may yet feel, indeed, has felt. A more liberal policy with regard to accepting the educational standard of others is necessary. It is not the stringency of entrance work, but the excellence of the after course that constitutes the main boast of a medical education. No one would attempt to deny that a good literary training is highly desirable in any special profession; yet when the difference lies in the discrimination between two matriculation examinations, practically equal, it is very much like straining at gnats and swallowing camels. The easiest way to overcome this anomaly is for the Senate of Toronto University and the Council to agree upon a suitable matriculation in medicine which shall be accepted by both. It is clear unjustice to force candidates to come twice to the city from distant parts of the province-it may be from other provinces-to pass two examinations when one is all that is really required. As things now stand there is no alternative. The Council examination is absolutely compulsory. To avoid two examinations, and the time and expense of coming twice to the city to pass

them the great majority go to other universities.

It may be said in reply that the council accepts the matriculation in arts of any university. This is quite true; but it will never meet the difficulty.

There was an unintentional mis-statement in our reference to the law examinations of this university last week. Special provision is made for barristers admitted to the Law Society or for graduates in arts of a certain number of years standing taking the degree outside of the ordinary course.

We cannot altogether agree with our correspondent of last week who advocated the formation of a provincial library out of our university library and the legislative library. His proposal is hardly practical. But there is no reason why, under proper regulations, our students should not have access to the parliamentary library when it is located in the park. Under such an arrangement they would have access to over sixty thousand volumes, a privilege enjoyed by very few colleges on this continent.

The Fournal has completely changed its tune on the question of degrees in law. It is now doing its best to stir up the authorities of Queen's to start a department of law-a much more legitimate task than that of trying to hinder the passage of the motion before the Law Society respecting bachelors of laws of this university.

THE ROWING ASSOCIATION.

The circular about to be issued by the students to the friends, graduates, and under graduates of the University, asking for their aid in establishing a boating association, is published below. The history of the scheme from its inception is as follows:-Some time ago a meeting of students to consider the matter was held; a unanimous feeling in favor of the project was manifested; a committee was appointed to issue a prospectus and take charge of all moneys collected and now the prospectus is about to be sent out. The powers of this organizing committee cease when they report and hand over the money to a general meeting of the graduates and undergraduates to be called hereafter, when the association will be duly organized, a site will be selected and a boat house erected. The whole policy of the club is left to this future meeting. The organizing committee are taking on themselves the onerous duty of collecting the three thousand dollars necessary to put the scheme on a good foundation. Provision has been made for the addition of other names to the committee, and a further effort will be made to have it as representative as possible.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, Feb., 1880.

DRAR SIR.—The establishment of a university boat club has long been considered desirable by many graduates and undergraduates of Toronto university; and the latter believe that the time has friends of the institution, the scheme can be successfully carried through.

The necessity of combining physical exercise with mental exertion long since led to the establishment of boat clubs at many of the great universities of Europe and America, and the same reason exists here for following the example which has been set in these countries.

The present proposal is to lease or purchase a site on which to erect a suitable club house, supply the necessary boats, and commence active operations as soon as possible.

It is intended that the club, once established, shall be entirely self-supporting, as there is no doubt that a large number of members can be secured not only from men in Toronto, but also from those scattered throughout the Province, as the club house (apart from legitimate athletic purposes,) will form a pleasant meeting place for old college friends.

The first outlay will of course be considerable. It is estimated that \$3000 at least will be required to float the scheme; but with this amount guaranteed, the undergraduates feel sure the project can be carried through, and they are prepared to use all their endeavors to make the club worthy of our Alma Mater

The scheme has the hearty sympathy of the professors and faculty in general, and accordingly it only remains for the graduates and friends of the college to come forward and lend their liberal support for the university boat club to become an established fact.

The undergraduates trust that they will not appeal to your generosity in vain, and that you will fill up the enclosed card with as large an amount as you can afford to bestow on so worthy

> Yours truly. G. G. S. LINDSEY, Secretary of Committee for Organization of Toronto University Boat Club.

COMMITTEE.— C. C. McCaul, B.A.; J. A. Culham, B.A.; W. J. Loudon; W. F. Maclean; H. A. Fairbank; D. Armour; E. W. H. Blake; H.T. Brock; W. K. Macdougall; H. B. Wright.

During the last five years the establishment of a university boat club has frequently been a subject of consideration by the undergraduates and retiring graduates, and it has only been because the opinion prevailed that the time had not come for the successful carrying out of the idea, that active steps have not before now been taken for its realization. Now, however, it has been determined to commence operations; and as the work progresses, the encouragement met with on all sides, indicates that the efforts are not being made in vain, and will ultimately be crowned with success.

Late in January last a meeting of the undergraduates was called, when a committee was appointed to issue a prospectus and collect money. But here there power ends. To a meeting of graduates and undergraduates to be held in May, this committee is to hand over the money collected. If the meeting feel that the funds at its disposal warrants the carrying out of the project, it only remains to set about work at once

It must be evident to everyone that there is much to be done; and it is only by the hearty co-operation of the graduates and undergraduates with the committee that the boat club can ever be established, and if established, be maintained." If the subject is not talked up and supported by every university man, but is left to the few-as unfortunately come, when with sufficient encouragement from the to many of our undertakings are-it will meet with but poor if any success.

> Individuals may argue that they cannot see how they are to derive any personal benefit from a university boat club. This want of spirit which has such a wide spread existence among us, is fatal in its effects, and the sooner it is got rid of, the better. In all European and American universities every man is a member of the boat club, even if he never sees a boat from the beginning to the end of his academic career. Not everyone can be an

active member, but this should not prevent him from supporting an institution which affords the opportunity of physical exercise to all, and thus better fit them for mental exertion. Few things put the names of Oxford and Cambridge in the mouth of everybo y so readily as a contest between their eights.

The success of the project will be in proportion to the amount of interest evinced in it, and it is therefore the duty of every university man to use al! his own endeavors, and secure those of others, to aid the committee, who will be very glad of the help, to make the club what the University of Toronto boat club should be, not the last, but the first in the Dominion.

G. G. S.-L.

NATURAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION.

The regular meeting was held on Wednesday evening last. C. C. McCaul B. A., was proposed for membership.

Mr. A. McGill read a paper on the 'ossifications of the visceral arches' tracing their development, describing their structure, pointing out their homologies and the modifications which they present in different classes of the vertebrata.

Mr. S. Philps read an interesting paper on aerial navigation showing the various improvements made, the difficulties still to be overcome, and its uses.

Mr. E. F. Langstaff read a paper descriptive of the atomic theory and the methods employed in determining the atomics weights of the elements and the number of atoms in the different molecules.

In answer to questions, Mr. J. Nason enumerated the instances in which circular muscle fibres occur external to the longitudinal fibres; and Mr. J. McBride, described the relations and functions of the different farts of the reproductive organs in the trematodes.

TORONTO SCHOOL OF MEDICINE,

It is our painful duty to record the death of one of our students, Mr. W. O. Guthrie of the first year, which took place at his home on Queen St., 19th inst. He was a young man of exemplary character; and his kindly manner won the respect of all his fellow students. He died of typhoid fever complicated with pneumonia.

The regular meeting of the Literary and Debating Society was held on 19th, inst, when the following gentlemen were elected officers for next year, J. T. Duncan, president, W. E. Edmonson, vice-president; W. Johnson, secretary; W. A. Ross, treasurer; G. S. Bingham, J. Bell and W. A. Watson, committee. Mr. I. Ferguson then read an essay on 'The Ethnology of the Jews.'

THE Gilchrist scholar of 1877 was Wm. L. Goodwin of Mount Allison college, Sackville, N.B. His record in the old country is thus given by the Argosy: London: 1st B. Sc. first division, with honors in chemistry and physics. Edinburgh: medal and first-class honors in chemistry; Hope scholarship (value £50), with which is associated the position of 'Hope assistant to the professor of chemistry;' medal and first prize in physics; Neil Arnot prize of the value of £50.

THE UNIVERSITY EXAMINERS, 1880. secretary-treasurer and three committeemen select- UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LIBRARY AND

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The Senate of the University of Toronto met on Monday last and appointed the examiners for 1880. Appended is the list, the names of graduates of tio this University being marked by an asterisk :-

George *Kennedy, M.A., LL.D. (gold medallist in metaphysics, 1857), Toronto. T. D. *DELAMERE M.A. (silver medallist in metaphysics, 1866),

MEDICINE.

Physiology and Comparative Anatomy—Wm. OSLER, M.D. (McGill, 1872; professor of institutes of me licine, McGill College), Montreal,

Surgery and Anatomy-E. C. MALLOCH, M.D. (McGill, 1863), Hamilton.

Medicine and Therapeutics -J. Workman. M.D. (late superintendent of the asylum of the Insane),

Midwifery and Medical Jurisprudence-Daniel CLARK, M.D.(superintendent asylum of the Insane), Toronto.

MEDICINE AND ARTS.

Chemistry-Wm. H. PIKE, M.A. (Oxon; professor of chemistry, University College), Toronto. Natural History - Charles S. MINOT, S.B., S.D. Boston.

ARTS.

Greek and Latin-John *FLETCHER, M.A.(Oxon; gold medallist, classics, Toronto, 1872; professor in the University of New Brunswick). Rev. F. H. "WALLACE, M.A., D.D. (gold medallist, classics, 1873), Toronto, F. W. "Krer, M.A. (Oxon; gold medallist, classics, 1875), Toronto.

Mathematics-Charles CARPMAEL, M.A. (sixth wrangler Cautab. 1869; superintendent of the Meterological societies, Toronto. A. K. Blaceka, Dak, B.A. (gold medallist, mathematics, 1876), Ottawa. F. E. "HAYTER, B.A. (gold medallist, mathematics, 1878), Ottawa.

English and History-F. E. SEYMOUR, M.A. (gold medallist, modern languages, 1864), Madoc. J. H. *Long, B.A. (gold medallist, modern languages, 1873), Brantford.

Modern Languages-Rev. James Roy, M.A. (Victoria), Montreal. Rev. Reinhold von PIRCH

(University of Berlin), Toronto.

Mineralogy and Geology-George M. Dawson, F. G. S., (geological survey of Canada), Ottawa. Mental and Moral Science—Rev. Geo. P. Young, M.A. (Edin.; professor of metaphysics and ethics, University College), Toronto. Rev. J. Clarke Mur-RAY, L.L.D. (Glasgow; professor of logic, and men-tal and moral philosophy, McGill College), Montreal.

Oriental Languages- Rev. J. M. King, M. A., (Edin.), Toronto.

Meterology-Chas, CARPMAEL, M.A.

CIVIL ENGINEERING.

I. *GALBRAITH, M.A., C.E. (gold medallist, mathematics, and prince's prizeman, 1868, and professor of civil engineering, School of Practical Science),

The examinations in medicine begin on Wednesday, April 14th, and the examinations in law, arts. and civil engineering on May 5th.

THE RUGBY CLUB.

At the annual meeting of the Rugby Union football club the following by-laws were adopted:

1. The club shall be called the University College Rugby Union Football Club.

All graduates, undergraduates and non-matriculants shall be eligible as members.

3. The officers shall be a chairman, captain,

ed from each of the first three years

4. Two more committee men shall be elected in October from and by the then first year.

5. The committeemen shall collect the subscripns from their respective years.

6. The election of all officers, with the exception of the captain and the two committeemen from the first year, shall take place, by ballot, at the annual meeting

7. The annual meeting shall be held in Feb'y.

8. The teams shall be elected annually by the

committee early in the Michaelmas term.

9. Undergraduates and non-matriculants shall alone be eligible as members of the team, or committee.

10. The chairman shall preside at all meetings of the club and comittee, and in his absence the captain, if both b absent the sec'y.

ii. The sec.-tre surer shall keep correct minutes of all meetings of the club and committee, shall receive and account for all moneys belonging to the club, shall pay all expenses and at the annual meeting submit his report.

12. Five members shall form a quorum, of the committee.

13. The chairman may at any time call a meet-

ing of the club or committee and must do so if requested by any three members.

14. The annual subscription shall be 25cts. 15. All matches shall be arranged by the captain and secretary except such as are played with clubs out of Toronto, which shall be arranged by the

16. The captain shall notify his team of all

matches by placing a notice on the board at least two days before they come off. 17. The captain shall be appointed from and by the team as early as possible after their election.

18. The chairman, captain and secy-treas. are ex-officio members of the committee. 19. Ten members shall form a quorum of the

club. 20. Any member desiring to make a change in

the by-laws shall notify the chairman of his motion coupled with the names of at least two other members.

21. The chairman shall then post the motion upon the board and call a general meeting for a day not earlier than two weeks from the date of the notice.

22. A two-thirds vote of the members present shall be necessary to alter the by-laws.

COLLEGE ITEMS.

M. M. Fenwick, B. A., '70, assistant master in Rockwood Academy, was married recently.

THE Association football club has been practising a good deal of late.

THE students of the School of Science are now ngaged in taking pratical lessons in land surveying. The park is their favorite field of operations.

SEVERAL cases of specimens for the museum arrived this week from Paris, and are now being unpacked.

THE glee club has ordered a copy of Carmina Collegensia, and they will soon be engaged on some of the college choruses contained therein.

THE annual meeting of the football club (Association rules) will be held on Wednesday next in Prof. Young's lecture room, at three o'clock. full attendance is expected.

SEVERAL communications have been received from students anent the pond which was filled for a few days lately. Junius, Jr., suspects the rowing club intend utilizing it; another thinks the natural science professors wish to obtain specimens therein; another that our friends of the Baptist college, soon to be erected near by, hope to use it for purposes of immersion.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

The one hundred and fifteenth meeting of this ociety was held last night, Mr. Goldwin Smith in the chair. D. B. Kerr read an essay on Byron as a poet; T. E. Inglis gave a reading—Macauley's 'War of the League.' The subject for debate, 'Is life worth living?' was discussed by Messrs. Gilmour and Maclean on the affirmative, and on the negative by Messrs. Jackson and Davis. The chairman in reviewing the debate shewed, in a few well put remarks, the vast inductive nature of the question, and said that in taking this life without any belief in a hereafter into account he was totally at a loss, and consequently gave no decision. With a vote of thanks to Mr. Goldwin Smith for his kindness in acting as chairman, and to the ladies for their presence, the meeting adjourned.

THERE has been considerable talk and correspondence in these columns in regard to a football match next fall between our Rugby club and the Hárvard team. From what we can learn these reports rest on a conversation between one of our students and a member of the Harvard team. Nothing officially has passed between the clubs, though there is no reason why a challenge should not, and one probably will, soon be sent from one side or the other.

The Journal (Queen's college) Feb. 7th, had a most peculiar article on 'university consolidation.' It occupied two pages, was printed in small type and over the heading was displayed in large letters the word 'contributed,' the editor evidently not wishing to father it in any way. To the writer, university consolidation is an impossibility; but to show this was only a secondary aim; his great object was to belittle University College. After he has belittled it down sufficiently (in his estimation) he turns round and says Queen's college is as good a college, if not, perhaps, a little better-than University College anyway. He is entitled to his opinion, and so is that old lady in the Rockwood asylum who thinks she is Queen Victoria, and who holds mock court in bedlam. But people sometimes laugh at her pretensions.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE has no colors and the Fournal is trying to stir up the students to adopt some.

PRINCETON expects to have Hanlan's trainer to look after their class crews.

M. C. Cameron, M.P., of Goderich has founded a scholarship of \$60 per annum to be given to the best Gaelic scholar or speaker in Queen's college, Kingston.

Quite an excitement was raised the other day, when a senior was caught sewing on buttons with mucilage. That was the way the tailors fastened them on, he said .- The Argosy.

AT Harvard, one-third of the class which enters college is lost before graduation. At Yale, about two-fifths of the entering class is left behind. At Columbia, between twenty-five and forty per cent.

> There was a fair maiden at Vassar. In drawing no one could surpass her, She drew like Lorraine, Both a very long train, And a check that astonished the cashier. -Yale Record.

AN EARLIER TERM

In a late number of the WHITE AND BLUE there appeared an article on a subject which has not attracted the attention it deserves. I mean the question of a September term. I propose enumerating some of the advantages which such a change would entail, and taking exception to what appears to me an error on the part of L in his article. He says 'September is not particularly pleasing as a holiday month.' This is simply incorrect. Every one admits that September is one of the finest months of the Canadian year. With it the intense heat of August begins to mitigate. It is in fact the mean between the two extremes of summer and winter. On the score, however, of its being an unpleasant month, L urges the desirability of including it in the Michaelmas term. For the trating their lectures. opposite reason I adopt the same view. September is a cricket month, a football month, and a boating If the College Council are still determined to retain month. If, then, our college boat club is to be a success, it is not only desirable, but absolutely necessary, that September should be the beginning of the term. The idea of getting up a boat club for the sake of one rowing month carries absurdity on the face of it. October is a rowing month. November certainly is not; nor will anyone, be he ever so an enthusiastic admirer of our Canadian climate, claim April as such. According, then, to the present terms, October is the only month in which the boats could be used. It is true that the men who live in Toronto would have the benefit of the club during the summer. But are the rest of the students to be expected to contribute yearly to a club of which the Toronto men would alone enjoy the benefit, and in which they themselves would, in all probability, never handle an oar? Ifhowever, the terms were changed there would be three clear rowing months--September, October, and May. This would enable the crews to have two annual races if they desired. One at the end of October, the other at the end of May. Some one will, perhaps, object that if the academical year commence in September the spring examinations will take place in April. Certainly. I think, however, I shall not be thought too rash if I say that the crews of the previous autumn would be willing to remain in Toronto during May, a month in which there is little going on elsewhere to make it desirable for them to leave town.

From what I have said it may be supposed that wish to oppose the boat club scheme. Nothing is further from my intentions. I heartily hope it may be carried through. All I say is, that with the terms as they are a boat club is impossible.

But it is not boating only that would be benefitted by the change; football, cricket, athletics generally would share in the advantage. The yearly complaint amongst the students is that by the time we are able to celebrate our annual games the weather is too uncertain to be depended upon, and too cold for the spectators. It is the same with the football clubs. As soon as the teams are organized and in working order the season has almost reached its close.

And then again the cricket club, which is at present almost a nonentity, with an additional playing month, might become as popular amongst us as football.

follow from an earlier term only from an atheletic point of view. The benefits from a reading point of view are. as L pointed out, obvious. The final cram, for instance, which generally takes place during March and April would be greatly obviated, as more work would have to be done during the Michaelmas term. The abolition of this bane of our college course, which is comparatively unknown in England, should alone be sufficient to recom. mend the change to the College Council.

Another advantage would be this. The lectures yould commence at a time when botanical and zoological subjects could easily be procured for the natural history classes. The difficulty of procuring these, under the present arrangement, lays the professors under a considerable disadvantage in illus-

I have not yet mentioned the college examinations these wearisome encumbrances a September term would not necessitate their abolition. The first might still continue to be held in December and the second during the first week of April, thus postponing the university examinations until, say the 12th, leaving ample time for their completion before the end of the month. Such an arrangement would not interfere with the schools of the province. The matriculation examination, which is

possible, and I hope L will pardon me if in doing disposed of beforehand. so I have gone over again a good deal of the ground which he has already covered. If a few more were to take the question up and it should be found to meet the general approval of the students a petition might be got up and sent in to the Council before the close of the present term.

HUMILIS.

THE RUGBY GAME.

The last number of the WHITE AND BLUE CORtained some remarks on the subject of a match with Harvard next Autumn. I have been given to understand that Harvard would be willing to play in Toronto if a sum of \$200 were guaranteed them. This sum could easily be raised. I would suggest the following plan: If the tickets were put at 50c. each, a sale of 400 would be necessary. The committee consists of 14 members. If, then, each member undertook to dispose of 30 tickets, or failing to do so to make good the amount, a sum of over \$200 would be obtained. In a place like Toronto the sale of 400 tickets could be a matter of no difficulty, and could only fail through the negligence or indifference of the committee. Thus, then, would the guarantee fund be secured, and as S. O. C.' remarked, could be handed to the treasurer of the visiting club on their arrival. Judging from the remarks of several of the students I have no hesitation in saying that sufficient money could be raised by contributions not only to pay for advertising, but also to entertain the Harvard men at dinner the evening after the match.

to play; and even then, only on the supposition that tonian.

So far I have considered the gain which would the team will be willing to meet and go into active training some time before the term commences. As there are no fourth year men on the team now it is probable that, unless some very good men matriculate in June, the present team will be re-appointed next term. At any rate, 12 of the team might be selected before vacation with the understanding that some of them may, at the discretion of the committee, be compelled to resign should better men present themselves. This would leave at least three places open to the freshmen, and give the rest of the team an opportunity of training before the commencement of the term. The match at Detroit last year, though a draw, was in favor of the Ann Arbor men, and few will deny that Harvard is a better team than theirs. Our men, then, must, if they expect to have any success against Harvard-or any other first-class clubput in considerable practice, and with this in view be willing to go into a regular course of waining for at least six weeks before the game.

As regards the place for the match there will be some difference of opinion. Our own ground, although there may be some objections to it, is on the whole the best. If men were placed at the four gates of entrance to collect tickets they could, with the assistance of policemen, easily prevent any but ticket-holders from entering. And even if any unwelcome visitors should come over the fence all that concerns them, would still be held in June. their presence would not financially trouble us, as I have endeavoured to put the case as plainly as the requisite number of tickets shall have been Rugay.

MISS NEILSON.

A good deal of newspaper talk has been going on lately about Miss Neilson; a certain class seem to consider it the right thing to run down her acting and contrast it unfavorably with that of other artists, especially foregin ones. I have never had the pleasure of visiting Europe, and therefore have to confine my ideas of good acting chiefly to the Toronto stage: and there may be, possibly are, better actresses than Miss Neilson, but there is no doubt that she has surpassed all others who have visited Toronto, in the portrayal of Shakespeare's heroines, and for anyone to sneer at the enthusiasm (roused by such beauty and talent) of a number of college boys seems to me to show, not only a narrow mind, but one entirely incapable of appreciating the beautiful. Should Miss Neilson give us the pleasure of again seeing her in Toronto, I have no doubt there will be found plenty of college boys ready to brave the sneers of the ill-natured and draw her home again. MACK.

THE diploma of the dental department of Michigan and Harvard are the only ones in America that admit their possessor to practice in the British kingdom.

PRINCETON (future) telescope, 22 inch.; Harvard college, 15 in.; Hamilton, 15 inch.; Michigan university, 12.5 inch.; Vassar, 12.3 inch.; Oxford England, 12.2 inch.; Cambridge, England, 12 Now, as regards the time, the last week in October is as early as we could expect to be able