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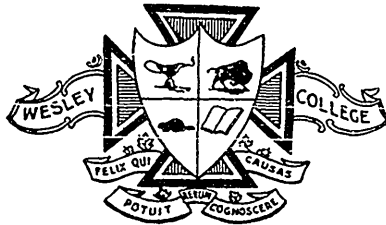
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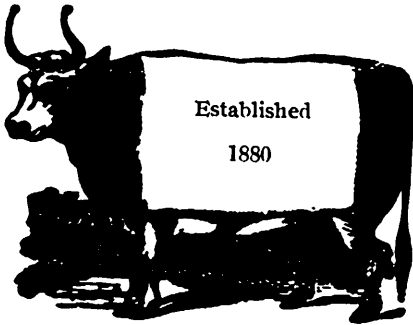
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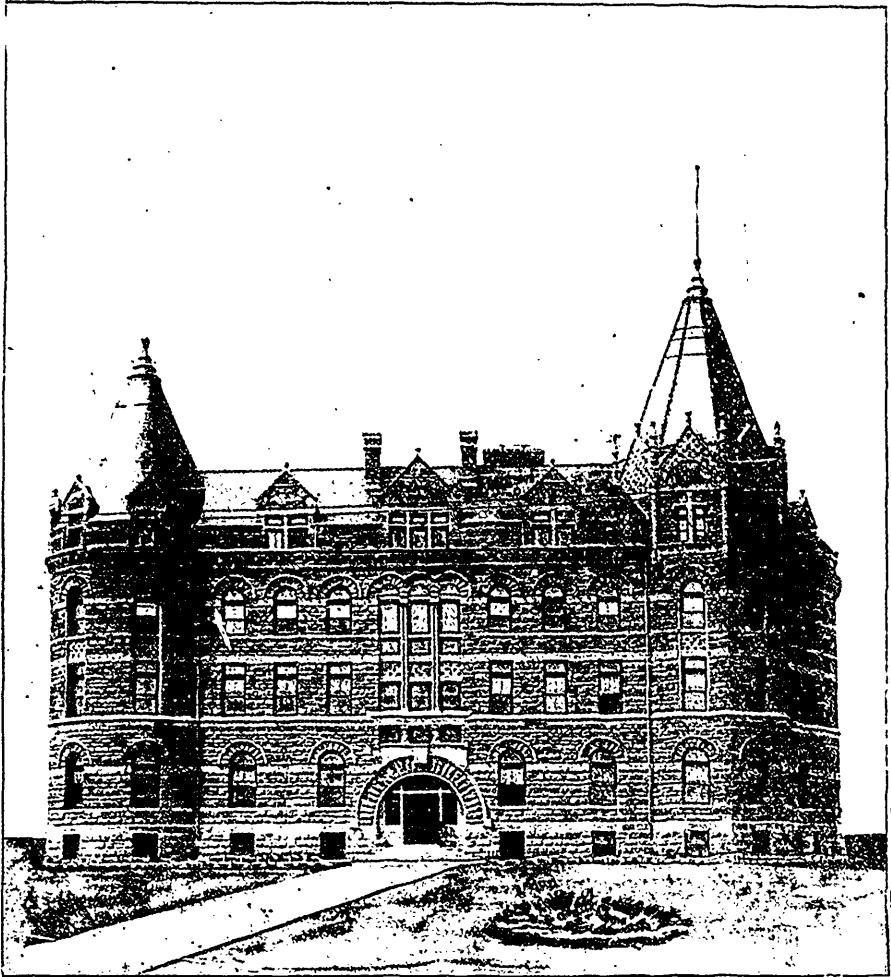
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EDITORIALS

October has come again and announces the fact that College has opened. With the opening of College the thoughts of vacation and hours of leisure must give way to hours of ceaseless work. But we are not sorry, even though the portals of summer have closed behind us, for we are students once more, and ours is a particularly happy and joyous life. Once more we roam with pleasure through the halls where beauty and chivalry have met, and look confidently forward that we too will realize much of the happiness and the beneficial results we are striving after.

As this month we write our editorials a great responsibility seems to rest upon us. In fact, it is the legacy the retiring staff left us. "The white man's burden of bringing this paper into the front ranks of College journalism." Again, it may be the task of maintaining our College paper at its present high standard. Just what a College paper should be we have not been able to find out. Probably a more important question is, "What should our College journal be?" True, we believe it ought to be a reflex of our College life, but we also believe it ought to be something more. Were we to be content with a rehearsal of local news, we should live in the past. Our ambition carries us farther. As students we are forming opinions that will crystallize in active life, and play no unimportant part in moulding the character and shaping the destiny of our age. We need, then, to live not in the past, but

in the future, for to-day passes away so quickly that we are scarce conscious of its presence. He who lives and thinks and acts for the future is he who will economize time and press into every moment the fullest activity of which he is capable.

The student should have something more in view during his four years' course than the acquisition of a degree. He should be a student of current events. During the past few months Winnipeg has been visited by Mr. Douglas, Mr. Reade, and Eugene V. Debs, all intent upon the solution of the great labor problem of to-day. On the other hand, we count ourselves fortunate in being able to hear the Rev. Dr. Sutherland present Christian socialism. We may not have the grievances of larger cities and in such aggravated forms, but we have enough to engage the mind of the observing student.

We believe Vox has a duty to perform in noting the trend of public thought and keeping in touch with every real, live issue that presents itself. We may not solve the problems, that we may leave for wiser heads, but we will try to heed those calls that lure us away from self, and bid us devote our strength and talents to the building of a nobler national manhood.

THE INTELLECTUAL LIFE OF OUR COLLEGE.

For some time we have been of the opinion that the intellectual life of our College is not what it should be. We do not mean to insinuate that we are not the intellectual equal of the other Colleges, for the University examination results of the last two years have established our claim to appear in the front ranks, but we do deprecate the fact that the examinations have been about the only place where our vitality has been shown. It is almost a libel on our College that this state of things has existed so long.

We must not suppose the College authorities are wholly to blame in this matter, for the great responsibility seems to us to rest on the students. It may be there has been no opportunity, but we should have made one. The Philosophical Society of Manitoba and Wesley Colleges has been a step in the right direction, where, by a discussion of practical themes, the student has had to travel out of the ordinary paths to fully gather material and information for the subject in hand.

There ought to be devised some method this year whereby the Literary Society could invite papers to be prepared and read, which would not merely mean so much time spent in their composition, but would result in something of practical value, as well as the general culture of the student.

A committee might be formed which could confer with some member or members of the Faculty, to see if something could be done in the way of a prize, that would be sure to call forth a liberal response from the students. Could a good competition be gotten, with competent judges to decide the literary merit of the composition, we believe a good deal would be accomplished to better the present state of affairs.

OUR WAR.

That dream of universal peace, when the war drum would throb no longer, seems not to find its fulfilment in the present. Almost simultaneously with the rising of the Peace Conference at The Hague comes the strutting ultimatum from President Kruger that has roused the militarism of Britain to war heat.

At the late conference Great Britain came in for a great deal of unfavorable comment because she would not go the length of some other nations in subscribing to questions of military tactics, but not a voice is heard in condemnation of her patience in dealing with the Dutch Republic. The conduct of the latter for some time past has been more irritating than conciliatory, so that we were not surprised when war was declared.

Thus for the second time in a few months we have seen the spectacle of a great nation forced to war in the cause of humanity. The United States freed Cuba from the tyranny of Catholic Spain, Great Britain goes to free her own people from a tyranny carried on in the name of religion, and to give her people that liberty which has been the proud possession of Britains for centuries.

The outlook, should the war be protracted, is that it will be a particularly bloody one, owing to the manner of Boer warfare. Of the ultimate result, however, we cannot be in doubt, it must result in the expansion of Britain's territory and influence.

THE BAPTIST COLLEGE.

The Baptist College is now an assured fact, having commenced work in Brandon at the opening of the Fall term. From the announcement we notice it is not the intention of the management to carry on University work further than the Previous year.

The College opens under the most favorable circumstances, not the least of which is its central location in the second city of Manitoba. The work of Professor McKee in Rapid City and Brandon during the last twenty years has had a widespread influence in Western Manitoba. The College now practically carries on the work begun so long ago. Its foundation has been laid, and it is now for the new staff to see that the superstructure is in keeping.

Prof. McKee has been an earnest and painstaking teacher, has shown a marked devotion to the interests of education in this new Province, and it is not a little regret his many friends feel at his not being appointed Principal. However, since the Baptist church has decided otherwise, we welcome Principal McDiarmid in our midst. We welcome him not only as a Christian gentleman and citizen, but as a man of broad mind and high ideals, who will do much for the cause of education.

HOW BESEBALL STARTED.

The devil was the first coacher. He coached Eve when she stole first. Adam stole second. When Isaac met Rebekah at the well she was walking with a pitcher. Samson struck out a good many times when he beat the Philistines. Moses made his first run when he slew the Egyptians. Cain made a base hit when he killed Abel. Abraham made a sacrifice. The prodigal son made a home run. David was a long distance thrower, and Moses shut out the Egyptians at the Red Sea.—Ex.

The executive are thinking of appointing Frank Richardson as coach for the Seniors, in place of Halladay, '99. Frank made a "hit" the first night he chased the pig-skin.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

It is impossible to live in these days without facing some of the great problems of citizenship. There is so much discussion, there are so many ardent advocates of so many different theories, that one cannot be ignorant of some of the questions, though he may be very uncertain of the answers. Surrounded by innumerable controversies, in which the last word will not be said for some time, it is steady to our thought as Christians to remember that "Christ was the greatest of Social Reformers," and "he that followeth Him shall not walk in darkness." While theorists are disputing, there are plain duties resting upon every Christian citizen, and what some of them are Mr. Price Hughes states very clearly and forcibly in the following letter that was written specially for the Methodist young people of Manitoba:—

REV. HUGH PRICE HUGHES' LETTER.

8 Taviton Street, Gordon Square, W. C., June 17, 1899.

My Dear Sir.—I am much interested in what you say of the tide if immigration which is setting strongly towards Manitoba. Those who have the opportunity of peopling a new country like yours, with no entail of misery, and with no tradition of strife, but all the blessings of the most advanced Christian civilization and a fair field and no favor—are privileged beyond the power of imagination, but there is one very great peril, illustrated on a gigantic scale in the history of the United States. Pioneers, settlers and colonists may be so absorbed in their own prosperous business life, and in looking after their private religion, that they may grossly neglect their public duties. In England the very necessity of fighting against tyrannous kings and insolent priests has created in us, as in our fathers, the deep consciousness that "the price of freedom is eternal vigilance;" that those who would obtain and retain the priceless blessings of civil and religious freedom must spare no effort and no sacrifice, and that no greater calamity can befall any State than the neglect on the part of Christian citizens of their municipal and imperial duties. If we leave the making of laws and the administration of laws to the world, the flesh and the devil, that trinity of evil will cheerfully undertake the job. Look at the United States. The good citizens of that great commonwealth have neglected their political duties on a gigantic scale. They have allowed Mammonism and all the vices to capture the political machine, and to demoralize local government. There was a time, even in my life, when English Wesleyan Methodists were so completely blinded by the god of this world that many of them gloried in the neglect of their public duties. Now we realize that we must fight the devil in town councils and parliament, as much as in prayer-meetings and sacramental services, and that it is really an irrelevant farce for us to utter the Lord's Prayer unless we are prepared to co-operate with the Lord in every sphere and relation of human life, in hastening the establishment and the universal supremacy of the kingdom of righteousness. I do, therefore, most earnestly beg the young men and the young women of our communion in Manitoba to remember that Christ came into this world not to save individual souls, but to organize a Christian church, and that the

Christian church itself exists not for its own sake, but for the sake of mankind, and is really the Christian Salvation Army, organized and led by Jesus Christ, in order to destroy all the strongholds of evil, and to reconstruct human society on a Christian oasis. All gifts and privileges, whether physical, mental or spiritual, which God bestows upon any of us are granted not for the aggrandizement, but as an instrument of righteousness, to be used by us in disciplined co-operation with one another, to succor the friendless, to help the unprivileged, and to recover for all men their divine birthright of a noble life. All churches will be judged in the twentieth century by the extent to which they are able to stay the ravages of strong drink, and to destroy the facilities, now provided by the social organism, for lust, gambling and war. The love of money is the great evil against which we must incessantly fight. We cannot serve God and mammon, and we must all intelligently and resolutely choose to serve God. You have recently won in Manitoba a glorious victory over the Pope of Rome, the deadly enemy of human freedom and of human rights in every country where his baneful influence exists. The friends of truth and of freedom in all lands have rejoiced over your stubborn refusal to become the dupes and slaves of the papacy. That was a good beginning for a young State, and I trust that Manitoba may be conspicuous among all the people for all time, by its refusal to bow the knee to any priest except the one Priest, Jesus Christ, or to accept any authority in the State itself which does not submit to Christ who is King as well as Priest, and whom it is our highest duty and joy to obey in all things.

Yours very sincerely,

H. PRICE HUGHES.

CANADA TO ENGLAND.

Mother of many prosperous lands,
 Thy children in this far off west,—
 Seeing that vague and undefined,
 A cloud comes up to mar our rest,
 Fearing that busy tongues, whose speech
 Is mischief, may have caused a breach,
 And frayed the delicate links which bind
 Our people each to each,—
 With loving hearts and outstretched hand
 Send greeting real and kind.
 When recent danger threatened near,
 We nerved our hearts to play our part;
 Not making boast nor feeling fear;
 But as the news of insult spread
 We're none to dally or to lag;
 For all the grand old island spirit
 Which Britain's chivalrous sons inherit
 Was roused, and as one heart, one head,
 We rallied round our flag.
 And now as then then unchanged, the same
 Though filling each our separate spheres:
 Thy joys, thy griefs, and thy good name

Are ours, and or in good or ill;
 Our pride of race we have not lost,
 And aye it is our loftiest boast
 That we are Britons still!
 And in the gradual lapse of years
 We look that 'neath those distant skies
 Another England shall arise,—
 A noble scion of the old,—
 Still to herself and lineage true,
 This is our hope, and as for you.
 Be just as you are, generous, mother,
 And let not those who rashly speak
 Things that they know not, render weak.
 The lies that bind us to each other.

—Anonymous.

THE CONFUSED DAWN.

Young Man—

What are the vision and the cry
 That haunt the new Canadian soul?
 Dim grandeur spreads, we know not why,
 O'er mountain, forest, tree and knoll,
 And murmurs, indistinctly, fly,—
 Some magic moment sure is nigh.
 O Seer, the curtain roll!

Seer—

The vision mortal it is this—
 Dead mountain, forest, knoll and tree.
 Awaken all endued with bliss,
 A native land. O think!—to be—
 Thy native land—and ne'er amiss,
 Its smile shall, like a lover's kiss,
 From henceforth seem to thee.
 The cry thou couldst not understand,
 Which runs thro' that new realm of light,
 From Briton's to Vancouver's strand,
 O'er many a lovely landscape bright,
 It is their waking utterance grand,
 The great refrain. "A native land!"
 Thine be the ear, the sight.

—W. D. Lighthall.



RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT

“Pectus Theologum Fecit.”

Motto for October Number:—

“Whether ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do it all to the glory of God.”

St. Paul.

THOUGHTS FOR THE OPENING TERM.

Whether our vacation has been spent behind the plow and in the harvest; in the store or travelling the broad prairie; naturally our thought has often gone out in query: “Well, I wonder what kind of a term it will be? I wonder what kind of fellows I shall meet?” and so on. It is not too much to predict that the term will be just what we make it, and the fellows considerably what we lead them to be. Remember the power of influence. Shall it not be the best term Wesley has ever experienced? And what do we mean by “best?” Surely not from the standpoint of study or athletic sports alone. True, we the here to study, and without something to keep our bodies in good condition, our minds will not do the best work, but let us never forget we are here *to live*, and as we live so shall the final success of the year be judged.

The lowest view of life which we can entertain is that self-contained and selfish conception, which, according to natural law, robs us of our manhood and brings us to the level of the brute.

“God pity us all, as we jostle each other,

“God pardon us all for the triumph we feel

“When a brother goes down 'neath his load on the heather,

“Pierced to the heart; words are keener than steel,

“And mightier far for woe or for weal.”

The highest and noblest view is that which God presents: Self-sacrifice for the sake of others. Here, then, we have another very important element entering into the definition of “best term.” The spiritual must be added to the physical and intellectual in order to produce such a result.

This brings us to the thought, Why cannot these three be included in the life of every student? Why should any boy or girl of Wesley be unduly proportioned? Simply because a man is a Theolog. is there any reason why he should not seek to have a good physique, so that he may be able to bear the burden and heat of student life? On the other hand, is there any excuse for those who are studying in other departments neglecting the spiritual side of their being? Ample measures are being taken to provide suitable food for the spiritual life of every student. In addition to the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. work in the College, every student is advised to join with one of the city churches, so that each may have a church home. The young men's class held in the College every Sabbath morning, at 9.30, and conducted by Prof. Riddell, has proved a blessing to all who have attended it.

In connection with our other thought, let it be emphasized, whether we take

our exercise on the football field, the handball court, the skating rink, or in the daily walk, let us secure it somehow.

There is little need for dealing at length with the intellectual point here, for any man or woman who attends College and does not work faithfully in this department has utterly failed to comprehend the value of time and the object for which Wesley College exists. There is, however, a great fear of developing the intellectual at the expense of the spiritual. Let us beware! It was well said by one of our professors last term: "If students, in their College course, forfeit the smallest part of their spiritual life, they are paying far too dear for their education."

Let us all seek to combine these three—the physical, intellectual and spiritual—thus making the coming term the best we have yet known.

ARROWS SHOT AT A VENTURE.

When you come to College do not leave your religion at home.

The best kind of rest is change of occupation, not inactivity; therefore, rise early every Sunday morning and attend the Young Men's Class held in Assembly Room at 9.30.

Education is not mere learning or the acquisition of knowledge—the acquisition of a treasure to be laid up in the mind and to remain there without living energy. Education is the cultivation and development of thinking power, and a man who has not secured for himself this has so far wasted the years of his education.—*Ex-President Dwight.*

When you do come down from the summits you do not come away from God. There is no task in life in which you do not need Him.—*Phillips Brooks.*

NEWS ITEMS.

The first meeting of the Y. M. C. A. in the new term was held on Wednesday evening, October 4th, when twenty-five were in attendance, and a stirring address was delivered by Prof. Riddell, urging the need of decision for Christ in the opening days.

This was also the prominent thought at our first class meeting on Sunday morning, October 8th, when twenty-nine were present.

We are glad that the revival spirit is manifest at the beginning of the term. May it be wafted into a mighty flame.

The lady students are always to the front in religious work, and we have noticed that the Y. W. C. A. is in full swing with a very good attendance.

There were thirty-four in attendance at the Missionary Meeting of the Y. M. C. A. on the evening of October 11th, when A. A. Thompson delivered a very clear and interesting address on "Our Work in China." The chief facts noticed were as follows:—China is without question the oldest nation in the world, dating 2,000 years before Christ. Two reasons may be assigned for this:—

- 1st. Their geographical situation.
- 2nd. Their belief that they are the favored of Heaven.

He spoke of their defective educational system, pointed out that they are the most superstitious people in the world, and proceeded with a brief account of our work in the Province of Sz Chuen, with Chentu as its capital, dwelling especially on the labors of the Rev. Jas. Endicott, the College Missionary.

An earnest appeal was made for the prayers and financial aid of every student in order that this good work may be carried on more effectually.

Reference was made to the noble work which is being conducted in the Yukon by Bro. Hetherington.

Our meeting of the 18th October was a grand success. E. J. Hodgins brought us a message in season. After reading a brief lesson from I Chronicles, Chapter 29, he selected as the subject of his remarks the words, "Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?" and said:—

I. Consecration as a term means given up to God, made holy. The points noticed were:

1st. The need of a "filled hand service." God objects to a lukewarm service.
2nd. Willingness. Consecration suggests entire sanctification, and the lack of this in Christians leads to skepticism in the world. Christ said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me." He does this by His cross and by His followers, through their exemplary lives.

II. Then what is the relation of consecration to college men?

1st. It suggests *work for Christ*. Readiness for service. We must not throw off responsibility here.

2nd. Our time should be consecrated.

(a) Our special time for meetings of religious service. One hour per week means only two days of fifteen hours during the term.

(b) Our studies should all be consecrated.

(c) Our sports likewise may be used in developing Christian character and preparing us for the battle of life. In everything we should ask, "What would Jesus do?"

A very interesting letter from Rev. James Endicott was read by Mr. Tanner.

Our attendance is increasing; 42 last week. That's right, boys! Let us make this the banner year for Y. M. C. A. and Sunday morning class.

The following from the Virden Advance speaks for itself: "Some men make a success of whatever they undertake. The many friends of Rev. M. M. Bennett, B. A., will be pleased to learn of his continued success, but in a field quite new to him until now—the field of matrimony. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bennett. They are now returning from Ontario, Mrs. Bennett's former home, and will for the present live in Grenfell, Assa., where Mr. Bennett has been stationed by Conference, the especial request of the Grenfell church.

Old Carp's graceful figure will not be seen on the football field this year.

Dave Bastedo, 'or, is back again and will be a welcome addition to the hockey and football teams.

Carter says he is out of football for good. It's the sincere wish of all Wesley students that it may be so. Thanks, old man, for your help in the past.

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What's the Latin for Oke? "Queer cus." Bad joke.

Isn't it about time a gymnasium committee was appointed.

"Say, fellows! Stop talking and let me go to sleep."—C. S.

"Sunshine still must follow rain," but dish-washing follows receptions.

Only a few know why Lindsay shaves every day. We won't give it away, though.

"Oh! I just dropped in an off-hand sort of way."—St. J— in G.'s room.
When shall we three meet again?—S—s, L—y, and St. J—.

Room 13 was the scene of a little festival the other night. Those reception cakes are—out of sight.

Just as we go to press we learn that our esteemed business manager, Mr. R. E. McCullagh, B. A., is confined to his room through sickness. We hope it may not be for long.

Let not our readers be alarmed if this issue of Vox seems to take a rather sad and dreary view of life. Our editor-in-chief is preparing the leading articles between the twitches of a severe attack of rheumatism. We trust that before this issue is out he will be up and among the boys again.

Miss Ida Baker has been elected to fill the position of Literary Editor of Vox. Miss Jamieson resigned owing to ill health preventing attendance at College. While we are sorry to lose Miss Jamieson, we welcome the new Literary Editor to our editorial table, feeling confident that the department will be brighter than ever.

Wesley College Bard has granted the degree of Doctor of Divinity to the Rev. Leonard Gaetz, President of the Manitoba and Northwest Conference, and the Rev. Prof. Stewart, B. D. With the graduates of Wesley and the present students no more popular move could have been made than in the conferring of this degree on Prof. Stewart.

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So Wesley has entered on another College session. We miss many familiar faces among the boys and girls. Though they have gone their ways, it is something to know that they upheld the honor of the College in their day. We are apt to think of the good old times, but such thoughts are idle. Let us remember that it rests with ourselves what our College shall be this year in every department. Wesley expects every man to do his duty.

Wesley is a great stickler for precedent, and so, according to the custom of our forefathers, the evening of the reception was chosen for the initiation of our Freshmen. This is a mild affair in Wesley, the merest mark of good fellowship, and passed off in excellent form, each Freshman ascending with the greatest ease and alacrity. The absence of anything approaching roughness was a commendable feature of the proceeding.

That the Freshman's reception is taking a place in our College life second only to the annual dinner was shown on Friday, the 13th, when a large number of Wesley's students, graduates and friends assembled to welcome the new students to our College halls. The chair was taken by Dr. Laird, who opened the programme as Dr. Laird can, with a few words of greeting and counsel to the new students.

The committee, in preparing those geographical puzzles, no doubt had an eye to the number of lasting friendships which would be formed during their solution.

Among the numbers rendered during the evening a vocal solo by Miss Johnston and an instrumental by Miss Robinson are deserving of special notice. A vocal solo by A. Berner and a recitation by G. Tanner were also well given. This part of the programme closed with "God Save the Queen," and all repaired to the library, where choice refreshments, provided by the ladies in ample supply, were served. The whole affair was skilfully carried out and the ladies are to be congratulated on the reception of '99.

The heights by freshmen reached, not kept,
 Are still attained by sudden flight;
 For they, while they would fain have slept,
 Are soaring upwards in the night.

A business meeting of the Literary Society was held on the 20th. Mr. A. A. Thompson, B. A., and Miss Playfair, '02, were elected critics. Committees were appointed to look after the tuning of the piano and the purchasing of dishes for Wesley's social events, which are largely under the control of that society. The treasurer reports the society to be in good financial condition. This is encouraging. We have every reason to believe the staff of officers in charge this year will give our "Lits" the place they should hold in the education of Wesley students. But the officers cannot do all. The apathy of the student-body may kill the "Lit." or their support may make it go. To the students, old and new. We say, "Let us

makt it go." The older students are well aware of the good derived from the Literary Society. We trust our new students will take advantage of every opportunity the society affords. By so doing you can improve yourselves and help the "Lit." as well.

OPEN LETTER.

We invite your attention to this copy of Vox Wesleyana, a journal published by the students of Wesley College, which doubtless has been under your notice before. The editorial staff, whose names appear on page 1 of this issue, are students well adapted to handle successfully the several departments under their control, and intend by earnest effort and careful selection of material to make Vox Wesleyana not only useful and creditable to the institution, but beneficial and delightful to its readers. There will appear from time to time in its columns articles from noted authors. In the issued placed in your hands you will find an article from the pen of Hugh Price Hughes on "Christian Citizenship." The personal column will also contain information and notes of interest concerning graduates and ex-students of Wesley. It is the design of the journal not only to place College news and up-to-date articles in the hands of the boys here and to foster a fellowship and *esprit de corps* among present and ex-students of Wesley, but also to furnish extended information concerning, and therefore increased regard for the institution among its supporters of the West. We therefore intend to give the journal a much wider circulation than it has heretofore had. We trust, then, that you, as an ex-student of Wesley or as a supporter of Western Methodism and Methodist institutions, if you have never before subscribed, will consider it not only a privilege but a duty to become a subscriber. If your name is now on our list we wish to thank you for your patronage and to solicit a renewal. The amount of subscription is only one dollar per annum. Address all business communications to the undersigned.

I am, Dear Sir,

Very sincerely yours,

R. E. McCULLAGH,
Business Manager, Wesley College, Winnipeg.

Cornell Lane has gone south to attend College.

Miss Sadie Ruttan, '99, is teaching at Neepawa.

Miss Aggie Harris spent her holidays at her home in the city.

Messrs. Vernon and Atwood have taken up their residence in Minnesota.

Rev. H. J. Kinley, '98, visited the city in September on a very interesting mission.

Dr. R. M. Riddell and Dr. W. R. Sparling, old Wesley students, are practicing in the city.

Rev. S. P. Riddell has gone to Evanston, Ill., to pursue a second year's course in Theology.

Mr. McGhee's many friends will be pleased to learn of his success in his new field of labor near Duluth.

Rev. W. S. A. Crux, B. A., of Emerson, preached in McDougall church on Sunday, 22nd inst.

We must also note the marriage of F. M. Wootton, Geo. T. Stewart and John Scott, particulars of which are not yet to hand.

Messrs. A. A. Thompson, B. A., and R. E. McCullagh, B. A., have returned to Wesley to continue their work in the B. D. course.

Mr. N. H. Carwell, '99, author of "The Fall of the Apothecary," and other stories, is attending the Normal session in Regina.

Mr. B. B. Halladay, '99, has returned from a few weeks' outing in Rat Portage, and has secured a position on the Grain Exchange.

Mr. Irwin, for some years janitor of Wesley, has opened up a hardware store in Miami. Vox extends its greetings to his successor.

Rumor says the Rev. Dr. McLean has been bitten by a kissing bug. We wonder if any of the ordination class have suffered likewise.

Rev. Prof. Riddell was present at the dedication of a new church on the Gladstone circuit, Brandon district, on Sunday, October 15th.

Miss Winnifred Beall, '99, is at present suffering from an attack of typhoid fever. Her many friends hope for her speedy convalescence.

We learn that Miss Jamieson has taken a trip to Ontario for her health. Wesley looks forward to her speedy recovery and return.

We always like to hear of success following Wesley's grads. This time fortune has smiled on the home of Dr. H. A. Gordon ——— twins.

A very interesting event occurred in Kerfoot, near Carberry, where the Rev. C. H. Cross, B. A., and Miss Abbott were married by Rev. J. C. Switzer.

Mr. T. J. Small has made a phenomenal record during vacation in the sale of books. He sold over 600, and is now busy placing orders ere he returns to College.

Mr. R. E. Clement, B. A., of Brandon, was wedded recently to one of Brandon's fairest daughters, Miss Aleta Paisley. Vox joins the many other friends in sending congratulations.

Rev. J. G. Elliott is now lathing his house for the second time. His first attempt was not a success, the laths being too far apart. This has put him back a couple of weeks, yet he hopes to be settled before the cold weather sets in.

To the already long list of weddings which we chronicle this month comes the tidings from the Northern Gold Fields that our distinguished graduate, Rev. A. E. Hetherington, B. A., has been joined in the bonds of matrimony to Miss Swan.

A very pleasant event took place on Wednesday morning, September 27th, at the home of Mrs. E. J. Rogers, Boissevain, being the marriage of her daughter, May, to Rev. Leslie Davidson Post, Methodist pastor at Foxwarren. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Harrison, pastor of the Methodist church, Boissevain, in the presence of the family and intimate friends of the bride.—Free Press Correspondence.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland was the scene of a pleasant event last month, when their daughter, Nellie, was married to the Rev. S. Wilkinson, B. A., the assistant pastor of Grace church. Miss Kate Lane, B. A., was bridesmaid, while Rev. H. J. Kinley, of Pierson, supported the groom. The same day the happy couple left for a short trip to Detroit Lake, Minn. After spending some time here the parental homestead at Fort Ellice, Man., was visited, where, it is needless to say, they spent a thoroughly pleasant time. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson have our best wishes for the future.

SPORTS DEPARTMENT

A tendency to monopolize the handball court has been noticed in former years. A little unselfishness would not come amiss here.

The pharmacy boys are being accommodated with a new college. We hope in a few years to see this college strong enough to enter a team in the intercollegiate series.

We are looking forward to some good football from Wesley's junior team this year. Ever since the cup was put up for the champions in this series, junior football has occupied no mean place in College athletics.

The enthusiastic support of Wesley girls at all our football matches has become proverbial. We have every reason to believe that this year will in no way differ from the former ones, unless it be in outdoing them. Support from the side of the rope is an important factor of football contests. Let Wesley's supporters give the boys the benefit of their voices when the game waxes warm.

The Wesleys were exceedingly close to the championship both last year the preceding one. As good playing and a little better luck will give them the mug this year. It looks, though, as if the playing might be better than formerly. We learn that the executive has appointed T. D. Brown, '00, as captain of this team. Brown captained the junior team in '97-'98, when they did such good work, being defeated but once. With hard practice we see no reason why this team should not win out this season.

The gymnasium committee of last year were the first to engage a regular teacher for this branch of athletics. A class was formed and great progress made, one or two attaining especial proficiency. We should be sorry to see this good work dropped. Indeed, we think the whole gymnasium apparatus should be placed within reach of the students and a competent teacher secured at once. There is no knowing what possibilities in this direction the College contains. The "gym." is a good place to find out.:

At our annual football meeting it was decided to hold a series of inter-class matches. One of these, with the picked teams of the Seniors and Juniors on one side and the Previous, Prelims and Theol gues on the other, made a very interesting game. The Sniors were somewhat handicapped by the absence of one or two of their best players, yet the result of 2-0 against them was a decided victory for the lower years. It is gratifying to notice such good material among our freshmen, and we welcome them as the men who will do their part to keep up Wesley's end in athletics. Among the new men we noticed especially the play of Campbell in centre forward and Young in half-back.

The halls of old Wesley again resound with the joyous laughter of voices, and the camps is dotted with figures making strenuous efforts to catch the pigskin. Very few of the old faces are to be seen, and the names of Laidlaw, Carter, Spear, Wheelton, Robson and Halladay, so familiar in the days gone by, are spoken of only by the few. To those who knew the above players it would seem that the

chances of Wesley for the year '00 were very slim indeed; for was not Laidlaw our crack forward; Carter the redoubtable goalkeeper; Spear and Wheeldon our swift and stalwart half-backs; Robson our sure defence, and Halladay, Wesley's famous roofer.

Wesley, and Wesley students in general, owe a great deal to these athletes for upholding its fair name in the various sports so creditably.

A few old standbys remain, however, among the most prominent being George McCrossan, Tate, Semmens, Brown and Wylie, who will no doubt step into the broken ranks and push things along as usual.

If numbers can lend assurance, Wesley's chances in the different sports are very bright, as a greater number of Freshies are on hand this year than ever before. Several of these appear to be very likely fellows and will no doubt catch places on the football and hockey teams.

On Monday, the 9th, a large number of students met in the Assembly Room and reorganized the football club. The following officers were elected:—

Hon. President	Mr. J. G. Morgan.
President	Prof. Riddell.
Vice-President	T. D. Brown.
Secretary-Treasurer	E. R. Wylie.
Captain	Nelson Semmens.
Executive Committee . .	Messrs. Lane, McCrossan and Tate.
Representatives to the Intercollegiate Council	Messrs. McCrossan and Tate.

The feeling of the meeting was strongly in favor of a double series instead of the single one, as was played last year. It was thought that football had suffered by the change, and it was urged upon the representatives to try their best and have the double series, as formerly.

A great number of outsiders view with regret our withdrawal from the Rugby league and think that Wesley has taken a step backwards. But in the opinion of those who are best able to judge this is not so, and this decision was reached only after a careful consideration. The chief objections raised were that Wesley was the only club in the league all of whose players were students, and that matches came at such a time that it was impossible for the boys to get a team together. In view of this and the fact that such old reliables as Carwell, Roblin, Wilson, Wheeldon, Sparling, Laidlaw, etc., were gone, it was deemed best not to divide our strength, but to push Association football for all it was worth.

At this early date it would be unwise to predict results, as little or nothing is known of the new material. We nevertheless expect to get a fair share of what is going, and indeed even aspire for the intercollegiate championship.

FOOTBALL ITEMS.

Halladay has struck a new job and will no more carry the bag for the football teams.

Tate is back and will again figure on the forward line.

The Mathematical hockey team will be strengthened by two new importations, Veal and Bastedo.

The Science students will not have it all their own way this year, but will have to take second place to the Philosophers.



EXCHANGE-REVIEW DEPT.

“Herbert Spencer at Seventy-Nine” will be the title of an instructive account of the great philosopher’s life during the last ten years, which will appear in “Appletons’ Popular Science Monthly” for August. A brief history of his life work, the various occurrences attending its completion and a number of interesting and characteristic facts regarding his habits and peculiarities will be given. A fine engraving, made from Mr. Spencer’s latest photograph, will accompany the article.

OUR EXCHANGES.

Exchanges for the present month are *Silver and Gold*, *The Colby Echo*, *The Nor-West Farmer*, and *The Georgetown College Journal*. This latter is one of the freshest and best written journals that comes to our office.

The exchanges are beginning to come in from all quarters of the continent. This in itself means the re-opening of Colleges and the gathering of thousands of students, new and old, ready to fight the battles and win the laurels of College life.

Manitoba College Journal contains a write-up of the College Professors of the summer session—Prof. Hamill and Iverach. Several interesting biographical sketches appear of members of the graduating class in Theology.

The *Northwest Baptist* gives an account of current church news with the announcement of the new Brandon College.

The Midland, from Atchison, Kansas, contains a very pointed article on the study of English literature. The writer claims that of knowledge of the philosophy of literature is necessary in order that it may become a true interpretation of the inner history and life of the Anglo-Saxon race. In a short editorial the editor contends that a four years’ college course is the best training for the practical side of life.

The Western Presbyterian is a new publication added to our exchange list. The editor is the Rev. R. G. McBeth, who has been closely identified with all phases of church life in the West. In the first issue an excellent article appears under the title, “Wanted—A Principal.” The new Principal of Manitoba College must be a man of large sympathies, generous motives, and above all must have an intellectual and spiritual personality that will make an indelible impression on those who are to be students in the College, “the Princeton of the West.”

Acta Victoriana is in our opinion better than ever. The leading article is a comparison of two great poets, Tennyson and Browning, on death. An article on College journalism takes the position that a College paper should be “characterized by a devotion to the need of the times.” The many phases of social life are voices calling to the student of the times to take up the great problem of social reform. To be a factor in forming the literature of our nation is another point on the College paper’s horizon, and by striving to reach these two objective points, the paper vindicates its right to existence.

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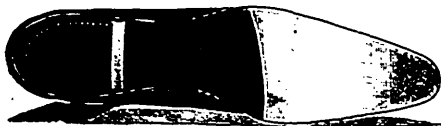


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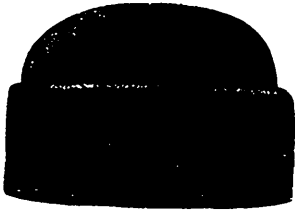
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Net Gain in Insurance in force, \$67,000,195

***Total Paid-for Insurance in force January 1, 1899, \$944,021,120**

Total Assets, \$215,944,811

	1897	1898	INCREASE
New Premiums	\$6,659,815	\$7,700,906	\$984,900
Renewal Premiums	26,821,145	27,981,742	1,666,788
Interest, Rents, etc.	8,812,124	9,799,268	987,144
TOTAL INCOME	\$41,793,084	\$45,481,916	\$3,688,832
Death Claims, Endowments and Annuities	\$14,052,909	\$15,390,978	\$1,339,470
Dividends and other Payments to Policy-holders	5,356,546	6,128,887	772,341
Loaned to Policy-holders during the year 1898, at 5 per cent. int.	3,877,997	4,013,544	635,547
TOTAL TO POLICY-HOLDERS	\$22,787,452	\$25,538,409	\$2,748,957
ASSETS	\$200,694,440	\$215,944,811	\$15,250,371
Insurance in force January 1, 1899	\$877,020,929	\$944,021,120	\$67,000,191
Total Number of Policies in force	332,958	378,934	40,976
SURPLUS	\$33,372,031	\$2,838,626	\$30,533,405
Additional Policy Reserve voluntarily set aside by the Company	\$26,414,234
Surplus Reserve Funds voluntarily set aside by the Company	\$8,623,319
Other Funds for all other contingencies	\$4,504,148

PARTICULAR NOTICE

1. No Policy or sum of Insurance is included in the Company's report for 1898, as new issues of otherwise, except where the first or renewal premium therefor, as provided in the contract, has been paid to the Company in cash.
2. The rate of interest on the total amount of admitted invested assets was 4 3/4 per cent., which is higher than that of 1897.
3. The ratio of expenses to premium income decreased during the year.
4. During the year the Company placed over \$17,000,000 more new insurance than it did in 1897.

The New-York Life Insurance Company is composed of over 330,000 policy holders who are the company, who own the company, and who alone receive the profits of the company.

The Cash Dividends declared for 1899 amount to \$2,913,638. This is a larger sum than that of 1898. The company being purely a mutual one, every dollar of this large sum will be drawn by the policy-holders themselves during the year 1899. In 1898 this company distributed to its policy-holders in dividends a larger sum than did any other American Life Insurance Company in that year.

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