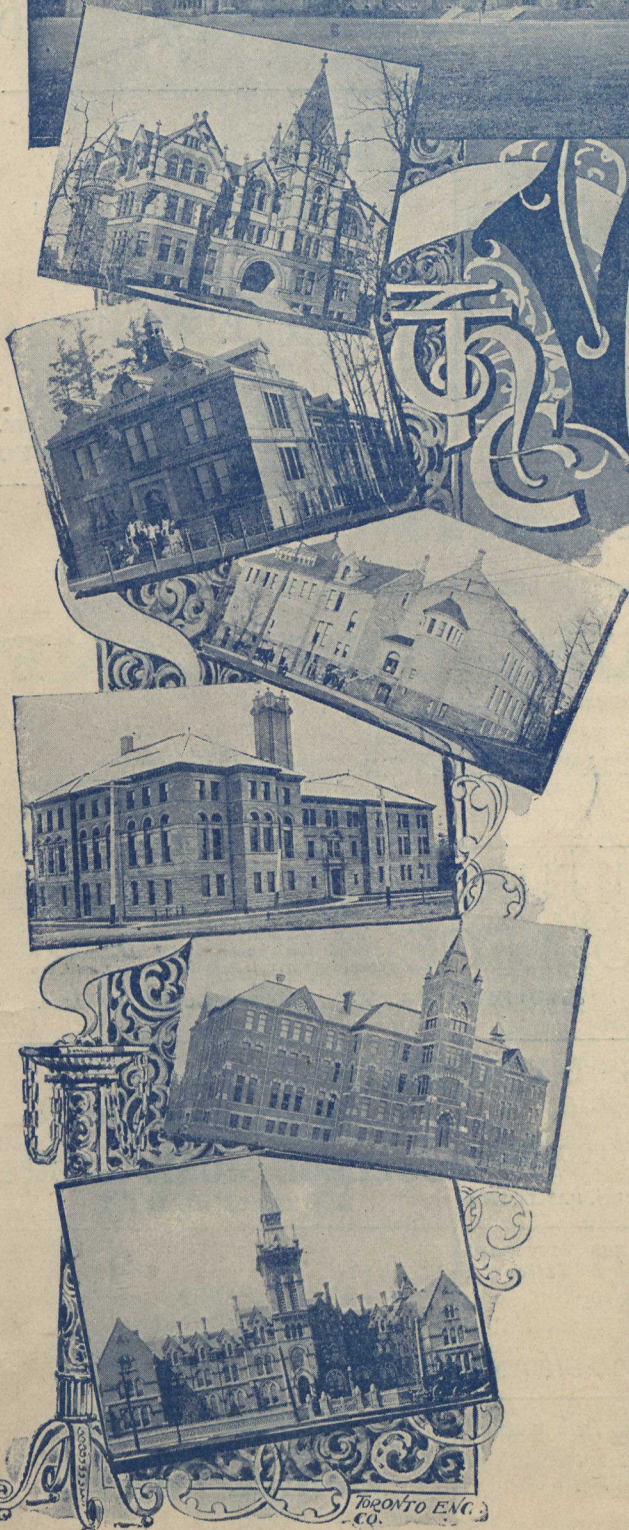


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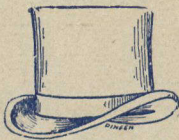
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No. I.

HEARTS' EASE.

Heart's ease!
Hast thou found it?
Oh, give it to me;
Deep thanks,
From this full breast,
Will flow out to thee.

Is't sure,
To cure all pain,
And leave none unhealed?
Yes, sure;
But for thee, then,
Man's heart will be sealed.

—Xouthe.

AIM AND METHOD IN UNIVERSITY WORK.

One of the most familiar experiences of the University instructor is that of hearing members of graduating classes express regret that the time of separation has come, and that the four years of opportunity are ended. The period of undergraduate life, which seemed so long when it was still in the future, now that it has receded into the past, appears but the briefest span; and the young graduate commonly remarks that he had scarcely time to pull himself together and get his bearings, before the course was over, and Alma Mater bowed him out, a bachelor. Often, too, he volunteers the confession of an uneasy consciousness that the time of opportunity was not as fully seized and utilized as it might have been, that his activity was, to say the least, intermittent, often misdirected, and therefore to some extent abortive.

Now, after making all necessary allowance for the modesty and humility of our graduates—and surely if a man does not learn modesty and humility here, his course has been in vain—it cannot be denied that the confession of the departing graduate contains much truth; for who among us has ever risen to the extreme upper limit of his possibilities in any period of life? He would be rather more than human, who, with a just perception of what his opportunity was, and a true estimate of the manner in which he has embraced it, could honestly claim perfection of achievement.

At the same time, I am not willing to believe that the shortcoming to which our graduate so regretfully refers, has been due, in any considerable proportion of cases, to his own indolence. No doubt human nature is indolent; no doubt hard work is more or less distasteful to us all, and thoroughly repugnant to some; and yet I believe that of those who come to this University,

an immense majority come prepared to conquer in themselves whatever native inclination to idleness they may find there, and set resolutely about the accomplishment of the end for which they have come. In my own experience, I have found the real cause of failure to consist more commonly in the lack of a clear aim and a definite method, than in any unwillingness to do the work required by the end in view. I have, therefore, entitled this paper, "Aim and Method," in the hope that I might say something that would be of service to the student who desires to make the best use of his present opportunity. And I put *aim* before *method*, because I believe it goes before it in reality. Method depends upon aim, everywhere, and always. The question: *What* do you propose doing? precedes, and determines the answer to the question: *How* do you propose doing it? In building a boat or a barn, in acquiring a fortune, conquering an empire, or obtaining an education, this is the necessary order; first *what*? then *how*? If there be no aim, there can be no method. And if there be a clearly-conceived aim, the method of procedure will, to a very large extent, take care of itself. I am, therefore, more concerned about our ideal than about our way of realizing it, and shall devote more space to the former than to the latter topic. In doing so, I am fully aware of the risk I run. I shall incur the censure of those who pride themselves on being "practical," and affect scorn of all ideals; of those who say "we have no time for vaporizing about ideals; our business is to translate the actual paragraph, to determine the character of the actual substance before us on the laboratory table, to solve the actual equation, to pass the actual examination, to carry off the coveted prize, and take the coveted standing in the class lists." To all of whom I deem it necessary only to reply, that while professing to despise ideals, they themselves are really following ideals of a certain sort. The fact is, the much-vaunted "actual" can be comprehended and manipulated, only in relation to an ideal. Without the latter, our actual has no real, intelligible being, but is a mere blur, an opaque, incorrigible enigma.

Seeing, then, that we all have ideals of some sort, why not have the best, largest, truest, that can be conceived? Why be content with the part, when we may have the whole? And if you ask me what that highest ideal is, to which all else is tributary, I do not hesitate to reply that it is *manhood* and *womanhood*, in the largest and most comprehensive sense of those terms. To fill the mind with useful information regarding nature and her laws of operation in the region physical and the region mental; to trace again, in historical study, the courses which men's thoughts and deeds have followed

in the past; to familiarize one's self, through language and literature, with the best thoughts of the greatest minds in all ages; to keep one's body in perfect condition by means of athletic and dietary measures; to seek the highest academic honors possible; these are all worthy objects of endeavor; but, I repeat, they are partials, not totals, means, not ends. Man is more than muscle; he is more even than intellect. Man is *character*. A sound body and a well-informed mind are enormous advantages, and should be sought with all diligence; but neither by itself, nor both taken together, can constitute the ideal of culture. "'Tis not a soul," says Montaigne, "'tis not a body, that we are training up, but a *man*, and we ought not to divide him." As the work of creation culminated in the production of man, the masterpiece of Divine creative energy, so culture culminates in the development of manhood, and the only adequate motto of the educator is that expressed in the words "Unto a complete man." The man physical, the man intellectual, the man moral and spiritual, these, taken separately, are but phases of the complete man. These phases are, of course, not all of equal importance or worth, though all are essential to the fullest manhood. There can be no doubt, I think, as to the pre-eminence of the moral and spiritual. The absolutely final test of manhood will always be a moral and spiritual one. "There is only one thing in the universe," says Kant, "that is absolutely and on its own account good, and that is a good will." And when Kant said "a good will," he meant a good man; that is to say, a man whose predominating habits, motives, activities, are directed to the exemplification in his life of the highest moral ideal. Prof. James proposes to gauge a man's education by the promptness and facility with which he adjusts himself to the constant changes that are taking place in his environmental conditions. The test is a good one, so far as it goes, but it requires to be supplemented by the ethical ideal. Two expert burglars, not long ago, finding themselves in jail in an Ontario town, picked the lock of their cell, and with the help of a heap of cordwood and a rope, scaled the prison walls and escaped. Were they cultured men? They adjusted themselves with surprising promptness and facility to the altered conditions of their environment. But they are scarcely the sort of men we are anxious to graduate from our courses. The world needs men and women who have been so trained, that they respond to all the changing conditions of life, not only promptly and easily, but also *rightly*, i.e., according to the highest ethical ideal. And if a student spend his four years here and go away, having made no progress in the direction of this ideal, he has suffered great loss, even though he may meanwhile have gained the whole world of intellectual or social or physical culture.

But to return. Though the greatest thing in man is the moral and spiritual, yet the aim of education is the culture, not of any one phase of man's nature by itself, but of the whole man. For it must be borne in mind that these "phases," of which we have spoken, are but *phases*, not separate entities that can be cultivated independently of one another. May I repeat the commonplace of modern psychology, that man is not a bundle of separate faculties, but an indivisible personality, a single life, into which all the so-called "faculties" enter as constituent elements. And in such manner do they enter, that each is intimately related

to, and closely dependent upon, the others. None can be affected without affecting the rest. If one member suffer, all the members suffer with it.

So much for the *aim* or *purpose* of education. It is the most liberal culture possible, of the entire man, physical, mental, moral, with the ethical and spiritual as the keystone and touchstone of the whole process.

As we anticipated, the true *method* in education follows by an easy deduction, when once we have determined its *aim*. The method, in one word, is this: Suffer no phase of your being to fall into neglect, but cultivate the entire man, testing everything, finally, by an ethical criterion. If any one side of your being has been neglected, endeavor now to strengthen that side. Repair the breaches in the wall. This principle applies to nearly all questions of policy that come up for solution. "What courses of study shall I select?" Well, what courses do you need most, for the full-orbed culture of your manhood? No *general* rule can be laid down. The schools of the Renaissance required all their pupils to learn Latin and Greek, and nothing else. There have been other times when the ideal seemed to be to learn, *not* Latin and Greek, *but everything else*; and the last error, as Dr. Quick well says, is worse than the first. "To what extent shall I frequent the campus?" Well, if your muscles are already like ropes of steel, with constant athletic exercise, and if at the same time, you have scarcely a bowing acquaintance with your books, and your name has hitherto fought a rear-guard action in the examination lists, then it is about time that you retrenched somewhat in muscular exertion, and spent time in the cultivation of brain. If, on the other hand, you are a bookworm and a recluse, with a mind surcharged with information, and a body dyspeptic and insomniac, it would be well for you to gird up your loins, and move out in pursuit of the pig-skin and the puck. Are you inclined to be dilatory and unsystematic in study, and so to let the Autumn days go by unimproved, that you must needs wear yourself out with frantic midnight toil in the early Spring? Then spend the first evening of term in mapping out your work and constructing a program, which, if carried out, will ensure the thorough completion of the year's work; then harness yourself inexorably and unflinchingly to that programme, and go through with it, week by week, *from the beginning of October*, no matter how great the allurements may be to do otherwise. Are you inclined to be unsocial and reserved, caring only for your studies, and not at all for your fellow-students? Then you will lose one of the greatest opportunities of your life, if you do not overcome, to some extent, this tendency. One of the chief regrets of the writer, as he looks back over his own undergraduate career, is that he did not become acquainted with more men. For those with whom he did form acquaintanceship, have since those days become so widely scattered, both in locality and in occupation, that to-day they constitute living links of interest for him, in almost every country in the world, and almost every subject of human interest. Add to this the sterling, manly character of the majority of them, and the wholesome influence they exercised upon his life, and the writer is free to confess that they constitute one of the most precious of his legacies from Alma Mater.

And so one might go on, touching every practical question regarding the best use of our present opportunity in the light of this ideal, and according to the

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prescriptions of this method. But this paper is already too long, and, I fear, too hortatory. My only excuse is, that I have written under a strong conviction, that the ideal here set forth is the only absolutely worthy one, and that the method which I have tried to describe is one well calculated to realize that ideal.

F. TRACY.

CONVOCAATION.

Nineteen Hundred and One! The first College year of the new century! With all the glow and freshness of a new era, we saw it ushered in on the afternoon of Tuesday, October 2nd.

Convocation this year will long be remembered as a notable event; not merely as a mile-stone in the history of a great institution, not merely as a stepping-stone in the lives of two thousand students, but as the inauguration of what we trust will be a new period of progress and prosperity in the life of our beloved Alma Mater.

The occasion had many unique features. For the first time in the history of the University, Convocation was held in the open air. The day was perfect, and the "old grey towers," amid their splendid surroundings, never looked more beautiful. In the grove, immediately east of the Main Building, an immense flag-staff, flanked on either side by a rusty, battered old cannon, formed the center for the interesting ceremony. To the west, the pretty tennis courts, with their white players, and the broad campus, with its jostling Rugby champions, displayed to good advantage the athletic side of University life, and added an air of activity to the whole scene. The Band of the Queen's Own Rifles, too, contributed in an excellent manner to the afternoon's proceedings.

On the platform, with President Loudon, were the Faculty of University College, while the audience consisted largely of the student body and their friends. Sharp at 3.30, the President, in well chosen words, opened the meeting, and announced the first item on the programme. This was the awarding of the Prizes, Medals, and Scholarships won at the last regular examinations. In announcing these, Prof. Ramsay Wright, Dr. Coleman, and Prof. Maurice Hutton, each in a happy speech, expressed, on behalf of University College, their appreciation to the donors, and congratulated the winners.

The next part of the programme was an unusually interesting feature, consisting of two presentations to the University. The first was that of a handsome Union Jack by Mr. Harry Gooderham, on behalf of the Toronto Chapter of the Zeta Psi Fraternity. The presentation formally made, Miss Mowat unfurled the flag by pulling a cord of blue and white, and, as the flag was run up to the masthead by Prof. Lang, the new member of the Faculty, the band struck up "God Save the Queen," and, led by the students' lusty voices, three hearty cheers were given.

The other presentation, which followed immediately, was not less appreciated, and consisted of the two old cannon already mentioned. They are relics of special interest in Canadian history, having been used by the French, and sunk by Wolfe in Louisbourg Harbor in 1758. They have recently been reclaimed from the deep, and became the first Class memorial to be

left at Toronto University. As such they were presented, on behalf of the Year '01, by Mr. E. F. Burton (Arts), and Mr. Edgar Guy (S.P.S.). Both these gentlemen, in short addresses, spoke feelingly of the love and devotion which their Classes bear to the University. The guns were presented as an ornament to the College grounds, and to tell through years to come that in the year 1901, a Class went forward from the halls of the University "with a living love for their Alma Mater." Both presentations were fittingly acknowledged by the President.

Not the least interesting part of the programme were the addresses which followed; and naturally enough, with the Union Jack above, and the historic guns on either side, the speakers burst forth in one flow of patriotism. Chancellor Burwash, of Victoria; Provost Macklem, of Trinity; the Rev. Father Teefy, the Rev. Armstrong Black, and Chancellor Wallace, of McMaster, followed each other in splendid addresses. The University was congratulated, the students were praised, the donations were admired, and in a deeper and more eloquent strain, each paid a glowing tribute to our glorious Empire, and "the Flag we love."

As an event, Convocation was a distinct success. Perhaps being held in the open air, it was not appreciated to the same extent as in former years; perhaps the students lacked, in some degree, their usual spirit of enthusiasm; perhaps they missed sorely the time-honored "hustle." But we are looking forward, and all these, we trust, and much more, will be ours in some day not far distant, when the students of Toronto University shall realize one of their dearest dreams, and shall meet in a new Convocation Hall.

CHANGES IN THE FACULTY.

Dr. W. R. Lang, of Glasgow University, has been appointed Professor of Chemistry, in the place of Professor Pike, who has retired to a beautiful little resort on the South coast of Devonshire, England. Professor Lang brings with him the highest credentials, and, moreover, is possessed of a genial disposition, which has already won him many friends in our midst.

McGregor Young, Esq., one of Toronto's prominent young barristers, has taken the place of Hon. David Mills, as Professor of Constitutional Law.

Professor A. H. F. Lefroy has been reappointed Professor of Jurisprudence, History of English Law, and History of Roman Law, in the Political Science Department.

It is understood that Dr. W. L. Miller will be appointed Associate Professor of Physical Chemistry, and Dr. F. B. Kenrick and Mr. F. B. Allan, lecturers in Chemistry.

MR. LANGTON'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Langton wishes to announce that he will speak to the students on the subject of "How to Use the Library," on Wednesday next at 4 p.m., notice of place to be given later. Mr. Langton's address ought to be of great service not only to the students of the First Year, but to those of all the Years; as it will deal with a problem upon which we have all felt the need of some light.

"OH FROSH."

"I trust in Heaven we are green."—Tennyson.

It is with this delightful epithet that the energetic Soph. in my native town meets the raw, innocent Freshman. To the Freshman at Toronto more respect is paid, at least our class got more, and far be it from any purpose of mine to advocate the introduction of the term at Varsity; but it has generally gained the attention of our green friends in the past—perhaps it may be successful yet once again.

When the Freshman commences his College course at Varsity he naturally feels a little bewildered. If he did not, he would belie his name. He, of course, takes the Seniors for classmates, calls the Beadle the janitor, and generally displays his ignorance. He will do well, then, to take the advice that flows from a Sophomoric pen, which stoops, not to conquer, but to aid him.

The first and greatest mistake that the Freshman makes, and the mistake that he is most likely to make, is that he forms his conception of Varsity from the Calendar. Now, the Calendar, as a text book, is really carried out in a masterly fashion, and to the Registrar, or whoever composed it, much praise is due. But the Freshman gathers from it that his work is quite the only thing worth living for, exams. the chief end of the Freshman, and that these attended to, he is free to leave Varsity to herself. Nothing could be more untrue, nothing more foolish. Real College life is largely outside of lectures, outside of books. You are enjoying it, not when you make the acquaintance of Cicero or Dante, but that of your fellow-students. At Varsity, young men gather from all over Canada, perhaps from other countries; and during your brief stay here, Oh Frosh! it is your first duty to get to work and know these fellows.

The Freshman will find his task a hard one if he thinks he can complete it at lectures. While he will make some acquaintances there they will be less lasting, less valuable. No! he must look for friends outside of lecture hours. Naturally, if he belongs to a Frat., the fellows in his own Frat. will be his strongest friends. But at Varsity, unlike the American Colleges, where practically everybody belongs to some Fraternity, it is unfortunately granted to comparatively few of us to be thus honored. The Freshman, however, who has the sense to take up sports—and Gym. work should be compulsory in the Freshman year—will be richly rewarded; the athletes are, by reputation, a jolly crowd, and the friendships he makes there will be most enjoyable as well as most valuable.

Out of football, hockey, cricket, tennis, golf, lacrosse, baseball and Gym. work, the Freshman may take his pick; in some, if not in all, he will certainly find congenial friends.

On the other hand, to the Freshman, the Chess Club will hardly appeal so strongly; chess requires a little thinking.

The Harmonic Club will, perhaps, prove more enjoyable. It includes a Glee Club, a Mandolin, Guitar and Banjo Club, and a lately-organized string Orchestra Club; and on the Christmas tour even the Freshman may expect to be lionized for a whole week!

To many the Y.M.C.A. Building will be a good place to meet men. The Association represents a movement worthy of the united support of Varsity.

Nor must the Freshman forget to attend all the receptions—the Rugby and the Dinner. Besides being Varsity functions, they constitute the social department, at present somewhat restricted in the absence of a Residence, of our College life.

To enumerate all that "Pious Aeneas" must do, would quite destroy our Freshman's mental capacity, if he is not already at his wits' end. He should faithfully attend all the Lit. meetings, where, under a bi-partizan Executive, he will hear discussed the future of the Country, of the Empire, and of the World; he should go at least twice a week to the meetings of his departmental association (known, Oh Frosh! as the dry bones, up-to-dates, lovers of wisdom, or chiefly males, as the case may be); he should take a lively interest in his Class, and, of course, be on the Executive Committee; he must be sure to turn out to all patriotic demonstrations, and he must never miss a football match; he should go to the Dining-Hall very regularly—we eat three times a day at Varsity; and, lastly, he ought to contribute ferociously to VARSITY in anything but poetry.

If the Freshman has thus far survived this whirl of instructions, let him remember, in conclusion, that it is from the new comers that the Upper Class men and the Alumni hope for invigoration; to be frank, we expect you to be fresh. The Freshman year is the year in which a Class reputation is made or marred; if '04, which celebrates with its entrance an important turning-point in the history of Varsity, and the end of the nineteenth century, aspires to make a name for itself, let it see that it sets to it early, and let its members come forward as true Alumni of our devoted Alma Mater!

SOPHOMORE.

CAPS AND GOWNS.

It will, no doubt, be of interest to all the VARSITY readers to learn that the agitations of last year, re the Cap and Gown question, have resulted in a practical movement. It will be remembered that the Second Year made a brave endeavor, through its Executive, to secure this feature in University life; and that a petition was liberally signed by all the Years to that effect. During the vacation about one hundred neat and handy lockers were placed in the main basement for the use of those who wish to see this idea proceeded with. This action, we understand, has been taken by the Trustees of the University, at the intimation of the University Council; and is to be a sort of "feeler," to see just how far the popularity of the scheme has advanced. A committee, J. C. Ross informs us, has been enquiring among the city tailors regarding prices; and we may expect to hear of some very tempting offers whereby all can easily help along a movement that has for its aim a revival and creation of College life and sentiment within the walls of our Alma Mater. A nominal fee will be charged for the use of the lockers.

LAURIER MEETING.

We are requested to say that arrangements are being made by which the top gallery of Massey Hall will be reserved for the students on the evening of Oct. 16th, when Sir Wilfrid Laurier will address the meeting.

LOUISBOURG IN 1900.

By H. N. SHAW, B.A.

Lying upon the grass behind the beautiful main building of Toronto University some few days ago, I saw two old, rusty, cannon. Something about them seemed familiar, and when I paused for a longer look at the curious relics of a by-gone day, there flashed across my mind the memory of a bright, rare day in July, when, standing upon the deck of a diver's vessel, I saw these same cannon drawn up from beneath the placid waters of the beautiful Harbor of Louisbourg.

Of the many historic spots of this Canada of ours, probably not one contains so much of interest to the student of history or would so repay a thoughtful, somewhat prolonged visit, as the little fishing hamlet—once the wealthy and almost impregnable town of Louisbourg. It was my happy lot during the summer to spend a week here, and it was one which will ever remain with me as being well spent in creating material for the development of artistic imagination by means of association with the remains of historic fact.

The traveler who would visit this famous spot must take train at Sydney on the Sydney and Louisbourg Railroad. A quick ride through most beautiful, satisfying sea and lake scenery will bring him to New Louisbourg, where, if he values his digestion and good temper, he will not remain long. He finds an irregularly built, commonplace town, destitute of anything more than an apology for an hotel, and containing nothing of interest to the traveler. If he is wise, he will walk the three miles round the harbor, by the pretty Roman Catholic chapel, so suggestive of the earnest religious feeling of the former inhabitants of this part of Cape Breton, across the fields to the beach, where suddenly bursts full upon his view in the distance two large stone arches—the ruins of part of the casements, where, during the siege, the hapless women and children sought shelter. On, he walks, passing over the narrow roadway between the harbor front and the Dauphin's Bastion, into all that now remains, ruin and desolation, of that town, which, in years gone by, cost the French such a vast sum of money to fortify, and which, by its strength, natural as well as man-made fortifications, threatened to annihilate the commercial interests of the English colonies. The line of the fortifications is still preserved. One can easily trace the positions of the Dauphin's, King's, Queen's and other bastions. The immense heaps of stone, brought, some of them from Normandy, and some from New England, and the remains of the five casements, three of which are almost intact, reveal the vast labor which must have been devoted to fortifying the town, but also how thoroughly the English sappers did their work in the destruction of it. The few fishermen's cottages are uninteresting, but one can plainly trace the plan of the town from the old French streets, the foundation walls of the hospital, the old church, barracks and other buildings, while down by the sea, outside the south of the town, are many mounds, still perfect in shape, where sleep those who once lived, loved, and perhaps gave their lives in defence of home and friends.

The harbor is one of the most beautiful on the Atlantic coast. At its mouth is an island, where once frowned the Island Battery, rugged and grim; it stands as though, even yet, it would shield the remains of past life and wealth. When one stands upon its rocky

heights and watches the narrow passage through which the ships must sail into the harbor, it ceases to be a matter of wonder that in the siege of 1745 the English fleet found it so difficult to enter, and the French fleet remained so secure.

Did time and space permit, I should like to write of the traditions and interesting details told me by the pilot stationed upon this island, and also by the hardy fishermen, whose thoughtful courtesy and kindness to the traveler made the week pass so pleasantly and profitably. I should like, also, to speak of the underground passage, discovered not long ago, and of the pleasant day which I, with another traveler, spent in digging to the bottom of an old French well, and of the interesting souvenirs and relics found in the debris; but I must pass on to the day when it was my pleasure to first see the cannon which have called forth these recollections.

Sitting in a row boat, and under the guidance of old Patrick Kennedy, who discovered the location of the wreck of the "Prudence," we rowed a short distance from the land; and as the tide was low, we could distinctly see the beams of the old French war vessel. A few hours later we stood upon the deck of the diver's vessel, when, at a given signal, the lifting engine placed upon the deck began to work. But it had no mean task to perform. Slowly, the chain tightened, and slowly, very slowly, did it wind, until there gradually appeared above the surface of the water, an immense cannon, covered with mud, mussels, slimy and creeping sea-life, broken pieces of cannon ball and sea-weed—the accumulation of one hundred and fifty years of inactivity at the bottom of the harbor. Slowly it rose—its immense weight causing the vessel, upon which we stood, to lean heavily to the side as if to meet it and welcome it back to the light of day. Then all hands put to work to draw it over, and at last it was safely lowered and rested upon the deck. Then, again, the diver donned his suit, and made his way down out of sight to adjust the chains about the comrade of the iron monster, and when once securely fastened, it also was drawn up to rejoin its fellow.

What a wealth of imagery such a picture called forth! I wish it were in my power to express all that I saw and felt that day! But suffice it to say, that although the historic spots of Europe have, in days gone by, afforded me enjoyment and profit, I am convinced that the student of history will find, as I have found, that our own country, and especially the place of which I write, supplies ample opportunity for thoughtful study and historic investigation.

FRESHMEN.

Figures ascertained from Mr. Brebner show an increase in the number of First Year students over that of last year. Especially is this so in Medicine, where it is, indeed, the banner year since 1887. The increase is also marked in S.P.S. In Arts it is not so striking, but here it must be remembered that every year an increasing number of students enter the Second Year for the first year of their course, thus reducing the number in the First Year at Varsity. The authorities are recognizing the importance of this tendency, which, if it continues, will practically result in a three years' University course instead of four.

COLLEGE GIRL.

Superintending Editor, Miss F. M. Wicher, '02.

I had decided to write about Convocation, but my sentiments may be held in abeyance as that subject is to be discussed elsewhere in this number of VARSITY.

As I sit by my study-table, and wait for another theme to inspire me, only one comes to me, a theme not new, with nothing indeed to recommend it, save that it is always near to the College girl. I refer to the sanctum sanctorum for which every soul should yearn. The appellation of such a refuge is generally "the den," the name my attic chamber also bears.

To-night my elysian retreat is decked out with Autumn leaves. To me it is a bower of beauty. In sympathy with the occupant of the "snug little kingdom, up four pairs of stairs," with the attic philosopher, and even with the merry gentleman, that took "le voyage autour de ma chambre," I find myself holding calm, cheerful views of life, and can discover no cause for sadness, except in the recollection that all the world cannot withdraw to a quiet nook.

There are certain requirements for dens. They should always be at the top of a house—unless, indeed, you happen to be an ill-tempered and not-over-polite individual, whom visitors would not molest at any cost. A den, too, must be neat, or you will flee to it in vain for tranquility. It should teem with pleasant recollections, in the shape of photographs and nicknacks, worthless, perhaps, in the eyes of the unsympathetic, respected by friends, but revered by their possessor. It is better not furnished fashionably—that would turn your thoughts to the pomps and vanities of the world. Rather let it be made cosy with such furniture as is relegated at intervals to the store-room, and be liberal in garnishing it with books. Above all, if you would have the den sacred and inviolable, profane it not yourself by admitting an uncongenial spirit. One such visitant will bring you many hours of painful afterthought. Wounded, mortified, humbled, you will recall the cold scrutiny of your favorite cosy-corner, and too late will realize that somewhat of the sanctity of your life has departed from you.

The influence of environment on the formation of character has, doubtless, been over-estimated. Beautiful homes may cultivate the aesthetic taste, yet are as likely to engender effeminacy, selfishness, or pride. But is it possible that any ill influences could cling to the walls and ceiling of an attic room fitted up with despised remnants of household goods, and with a few personal appurtenances prized by the owner mainly for their associations? Surely not. Nor yet is such a room, considered abstractly, a moral power at all. It is simply because of the mysterious charm—the hedonic tone, if you will—which pervades a den, that solace, peace, and rest are derived thence. And solace, peace and rest are elements, undoubtedly, in moral development.

Having proved to my own satisfaction that a den is a moral farce, I am content to leave the subject to your own consideration.

Last Thursday afternoon, the Cabinet of the Y.W.C.A. were at Home to the women students of the incoming First Year. A couple of hours were very pleasantly spent in a social way, the President, Miss

Macdonald, giving a short address of welcome. After a solo rendered by Miss Robertson, light refreshments were served by the committee in charge.

On Tuesday afternoon, October 16th, at five o'clock sharp, Mr. J. Campbell White, representative of Canadian Colleges' Mission, will address the Young Woman's Christian Association in the Y.M.C.A. building. An urgent invitation is extended to all the women students to be present.

WYCLIFFE COLLEGE.

The opening week of the term has been marked by several events, which, though important, have not yet found official recognition in the College Calendar. On Wednesday night the Freshmen were duly and truly initiated. "Ainslie" Green, '01, was master of ceremonies, and the awe which his very name inspires in the hearts of the new men testifies how faithfully he accomplished his work. Peace was restored on in the wee small hours in the morning, and the weary, but smiling, victims, now undergraduates in deed, as well as name, were allowed to return to their well-earned rest.

On the following evening, Thursday, the order of proceedings was reversed. The Seniors invited their new fellow-residents to a sumptuous repast, to which, needless to say, ample justice was done. Afterwards, short, spicy speeches were given bearing on the relation of the Freshman to his College and his University. Of the two gatherings, it is hard to say which was the more enjoyable. Neither of them will be soon forgotten.

R. A. Armstrong, '00, has returned to College from the Metropolis of Brechin, where he has been spending the summer. Incidentally, or perhaps owing to the phenomenal growth throughout the land this year, he has become the proud possessor of a moustache. But the same old smile is there yet, and "Gussie" says that though he may look older, he feels just as young as ever.

R. Milman, another member of the glorious Century Class, has registered in Wycliffe this year. Among other graduates in Arts, from '00, are G. H. Wilson, T. Rushbrooke, T. Savary, and H. Cotton. Judging by the luxurious manner in which some of them are fitting up their "dens," they evidently intend to mitigate the hard ways of learning with whatever pleasures comfort can afford. The rooms in Residence are more homelike than perhaps they ever were before.

The many lady friends of H. M. P. DeRoche, '01, have been greatly exercised over his delayed return. Rumor has it that "Pat's" onerous duties, as last year's musical director for his Class, have completely annihilated, or at least sadly disarranged his bronchial "apparati." It is sincerely hoped that there is no truth in the report.

Kilmaster, '03, has come over into Residence this year. He has joined the Sages of his year, and registered in the Honor Department of Philosophy.

All those who had the pleasure of knowing Arthur Covert, of the Class of '01, will learn with deep regret of his sad death but a few weeks ago. Covert, who had been away for a year near his home, in New Brunswick, had intended returning to take up work again this fall. His friends and relatives have our most sincere sympathy in their great trial.

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE.

Superintending Editor, W. Duff, '01.

The Association Football Team of the School held their annual meeting on Thursday last, and elected the following officers: Hon. President, C. H. C. Wright, B.A.Sc.; President, E. Gibson; Vice-President, R. H. Barrett; Secretary-Treasurer, W. P. Brereton; Manager, J. T. Broughton; Captain, F. C. Jackson; Committee, Fourth Year, G. Dickson; Third Year, W. H. Chace; Second Year, Whelihan; First Year, Young. The boys have been out practising, and a number of the Freshmen are showing up well. The team loses only two of its last year's men.

"Doc." Jackson, being again Captain, everybody expects him to bring the cup to the School, and the Freshmen have promised him a grand tapping if he fails to do so.

It is easy to see that the School has not lost its charms for the old students. We have them returning for the post graduate work.

D. L. H. Forbes, '01, has been engaged for the past month or so in the pursuit of typhoid microbes in Winnipeg. The battles of the crisis have now been succeeded by the guerilla warfare of convalescence.

Dick Knight, Billy Matheson, G. Powers, W. Larkworthy, Curly Zahar, and Ernie Wolverton, have returned to the fold after a year's lone wandering.

Walter Thorold, our worthy President of the Engineering Society, has at last turned up, and by that happy smile of his it is easily seen that he is in for hard work.

We are sorry to learn that "Lexie" Isbester is laid up with typhoid fever. Lexie's recovery is hoped for by all. He will be greatly missed on both the Rugby and Hockey teams.

The School landed another championship Saturday, when George M. Bertram defeated Dingman in the finals of the undergraduate tennis championship.

The First Year is here again bigger and fresher than ever. In the number are many husky gentlemen, who should figure prominently in athletics. Safety in numbers is the motto of the Freshmen. They still parade the halls with their heads very high in the air. It is the duty of the Second Year to lower them—dampening their ardor as well as their anatomy.

Last Thursday work at the School commenced in earnest. An even dozen Freshmen, seeing a notice, which stated that blocks could be had in the Second Year drafting room, wandered downstairs, and although they did not get the blocks, they had the distinction of being the first men tapped. A feeble attempt at retaliation was made by the Freshmen, in a body, but the Faculty, always the friend of the Second Year, quickly dispersed the crowd.

Fleck, of last year's Varsity I. team, along with McKittrick, a candidate for the Senior scrimmage this year, will help to make up for the loss of such men as Burnside, Isbester, McArthur, and others, in the Mulock Cup Series.

We regret that Mr. Duff, our esteemed lecturer in Applied Mechanics, has found it necessary, on account of ill-health, to obtain leave of absence from this term's work. That the year he contemplates spending in Algonquin Park will enable him to take up work again next fall with his old enthusiasm and success is the sin-

cere wish of both the Faculty and the students of the School. In the meantime, his work is being taken by other members of the staff.

THE HUSTLE.

One mob charges up a hill against another mob; mob No. 2 proceeds to scrap with mob No. 1; and when time is called, after a half hour's pulling, pushing, and shouting, each mob cheers for itself and the other, and the hustle is over.

To the hustle between '03 and '04 two facts lent unusual interest. In the first place, the big reputation that the present Sophomores had made last year was comparable only with the wonderful rumors concerning the Freshmen of this year; and, secondly, the hustle was of an entirely new form. Instead of assisting the Freshmen out of the Gym., the Sophomores arranged that they should have a large flag of a suitable color, which the Freshmen were to defend at all costs. The Sophomores, aided by a few kindly-dispositioned Juniors and Seniors, planned to retake the banner; and the novel character of the scrap attracted an admiring crowd, which cheered both sides impartially, and on one occasion rolled gracefully down on top of a seething scrimmage. As a preliminary evidence of their kindly disposition, the Sophomores invited the Freshmen to a Mass Meeting in the Students' Union, where they were addressed by the officers of the different associations.

Much refreshed by this intellectual feast, the Freshmen marched bravely out to the arduous physical task which awaited them. Scarcely had they reached the assigned hill and surrounded their banner, when they had to meet both side and frontal attacks from the enemy. To keep the latter from the top of the hill was impossible, and the flag was soon carried down into the gully, where it unfortunately lost company with the flagstaff. This bamboo stick was soon bent and twisted and broken, so that it had to be discarded. Meanwhile the flag was more keenly contested than ever. The Sophomores gradually gained ground, however, and when time was called, they had succeeded in getting the flag almost as far as the Gym. building. Only one Freshman had hold of the banner, and it was greedily torn up to make trophies and souvenirs.

To say that the Sophomores won is only to give the usual verdict; but as we are presenting mere facts, we will not continue such a trivial discussion. The fellows of '04 put up as plucky a fight as one sees in many years; hearty congratulations to them, and may they keep up the reputation they have won. The "flag-rush" has passed the experimental stage, and will, it is hoped, entirely supersede the old-fashioned, though time-honored, hustle of by-gone years.

NOTE.

It gives us pleasure to note the prominence of another Varsity graduate. T. Hamer Greenwood, '95, has accepted the Liberal nomination for South Grimsby, England. Tom is a rising member of the London Bar; and while the elections seem to be very Unionist, his old friends hope to see South Grimsby represented by a Canadian. From the present features of Old Country politics, it would seem that her children are rising up and calling her blessed.

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TORONTO, October 17th, 1900.

THE OUTLOOK.

At the opening of a new Academic Year, it becomes the pleasant duty of VARSITY once more to extend greetings to the students, graduates and friends of the University of Toronto. In the observance of this time-honored custom it is particularly pleasant to note peculiar circumstances attending the opening of the present year, which are apparently very auspicious for our Alma Mater.

First, among the graduates, it would seem, there has been a marked stiffening in the ranks of late in response to a call awakening them from their lethargy and indifference, which has gone forth from the newly organized Alumni Association. As yet, of course, it would be foolish to pass judgment on the success of the Alumni Association, which is only in its initial stage; but there can be no doubt that, if successful, it will fill a long-felt need in the University. It will bind together with stronger bonds Toronto's scattered Alumni, it will renew in them their old *esprit de corps*, it will stimulate their interest and active support of the University, and it will be the means of disseminating throughout the general masses of the people a knowledge of the advantages and needs of their National University. The task of launching such an enterprise successfully is, indeed, a difficult one; but if its promoters are impelled solely by a desire for the public good, if they are willing to assume the burden of work such a task demands, if they command the universal support and confidence of Toronto's Alumni in all lands, they are bound to succeed, and the University, as a whole, will owe them a deep debt of gratitude. Two things in particular argue well for the success of the Association, the Presidency of Dr. Reeve, and the establishment, on a practical business basis, of the *Alumni Monthly*. On the whole, the movement is important; and, with good promise for its success, the outlook among the graduates is somewhat brighter than usual.

Among the undergraduates, the outlook is also bright. Our numbers have been increased. Moreover,

the same exuberance and buoyancy of good spirits at the beginning of a new term, exist as in former years, though, by this time they are gradually settling down into the regular channels of College life. No stronger proof of this could be given than to call to mind the memorable hustle of last week, which took place without a hitch, and was an all-round, good-natured fight. We congratulate both '03 and '04 on their prowess, and would express the hope that Varsity will see many more such hustles, and that the day may never come when this good old College custom will be abandoned.

Then, again, a significant event has occurred which also calls for congratulation. We refer to the presentation of memorials to the University on Convocation Day, by three sections of the undergraduate Alumni. The memorial spirit has been growing gradually among the undergraduates, but never reached any practical culmination till this year, which, indeed, is somewhat surprising, as the practice is quite common in other Universities. The event is an important one in the history of the University, marking, as it does, the beginning of a new movement. Hitherto, there has been plenty of loyalty to Varsity among the students, but not enough of the spirit that desires to make some sacrifice, some tangible expression of loyalty and gratitude for benefits received. It is now apparent that the students, as well as the graduates, are beginning to take a more active interest in their Alma Mater for her own sake.

But of all the favorable circumstances attending the opening of the present year at Varsity, that which gives most promise of permanent good is not the hustle, nor even the presentation of memorials, but the Dining Hall. At first sight, the Dining Hall might be considered a somewhat prosaic subject for congratulation; but on second thoughts it will be seen that such an institution will do more for the student than merely supply him with good board at reasonable rates, though that, doubtless, is an important consideration, and after the trials experienced at some boarding-houses, one might even wax eloquent on it. The crying need at Varsity, as everyone knows, is College spirit; and, although this is a most hackneyed subject, anything which will tend to strengthen such spirit should be welcomed by every undergraduate. We shall never have the best College Spirit at Varsity so long as students remain scattered about the city, as separate units, in boarding-houses. The College world, in an ideal condition, is an isolated world, a distinct College community, possessing an energetic, social and public life of its own, created by students residing in common lodgings, eating at common tables, and participating in common conversations, sports and festivities. It is largely such conditions as these which keep Oxford and Cambridge fresh and green with the vitality of new life, and have enabled them for centuries to hold their places

among Englishmen as the two great National Universities. At Toronto, what we need most is a large, fully-equipped Residence. So far the financial difficulties in the way have been insurmountable; but with University reorganization in sight we may well hope to see fully realized in the near future the ideal which the promoters of the Dining Hall had in view. In the meantime, the Dining Hall will largely fill the need; and, in view of these social privileges, and also the advantage of good board, we would urge every student who can, and has not already done so, to patronize it.

THE VARSITY.

With this issue, VARSITY begins its twentieth year, under a new management. In assuming the editorial duties, we feel a due sense of responsibility devolving upon us, and humility as to our own powers. However, we shall apply ourselves faithfully to the performance of the duties entrusted to us, and will rely on the hearty co-operation and support of our readers for success. Lack of space prevents any enlargement on our plans here; but we may say that for the Fall Term, at least, the news will probably form the predominant feature of the paper. The members of the staff will be glad to receive any interesting items of news from VARSITY readers, either at the sanctum or elsewhere. At the same time, the literary part of the paper will not be neglected, and we wish, at the beginning, to make an urgent appeal for contributions from VARSITY readers. In this respect, more than any other, the success of the paper depends on the students, rather than on the Editors, whose duties are confined to their several departments. Poetry, short, pithy articles, stories and sketches, bearing, if possible, on University life, will be welcomed by the Editor, and, if they come up to the standard required by the students' paper, will be gladly published. We invite, also, correspondence on questions of interest to the student body. If this support is given, as we feel confident it will, VARSITY will again weather safely through the dangers and uncertainties of another voyage.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Editor wishes to remind contributors that he cannot publish anonymous contributions. If a nom-de-plume is used, the identity of the writer must be known to him; but he would request that, if possible, the writer's own name be signed instead of a nom-de-plume.

We shall publish next week an article on "The Management of Athletics," from the pen of G. W. Ross, '98, formerly Editor of VARSITY.

The University Council has granted VARSITY a *sanctum* in the fourth house of the old Residence, adjoining the Dining Hall. This room, we hope, will soon be fitted up in proper style; but in the meantime VAR-

SITY has already taken up its quarters there, and will be glad to meet all its old friends, and get acquainted with new ones. The Editor will generally be found in the office from five to six in the afternoon.

Owing to inexperience and an early issue, the Editors have labored this week at a disadvantage. We hope, however, by next issue to be in full working order.

THE CALENDAR.

Friday, Oct. 12th.—

Field Day—Athletic Field, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 13th.—

Rugby, Varsity I. vs. McGill—Montreal.

Varsity II. vs. Trinity—At Trinity—2.30.

Wednesday, Oct. 17th.—

Class of '02, elections—West Hall—4.15 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 19th.—

First meeting of Lit.—Students' Union.—8 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 20th.—

Rugby, Varsity II. vs. Trinity—Athletic Field, 2.30.

Y.M.C.A. NOTES.

The Y.M.C.A. has started the year with renewed energy. The building has been materially improved; the Handbook issue is almost exhausted, and competent judges say it is a good one. The reception was all that could be desired in point of numbers and interest.

Professor McCurdy's Bible Class for Third and Fourth Year students and Graduates was very largely attended at its opening meeting on Sunday morning. The number will continue to grow as the course becomes more widely known. The other Bible Classes all started strong. There is, however, yet room for a number of other students to join these classes.

Dr. Armstrong Black will preach the first University sermon of the session, on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 21st. Keep the date open.

Don't forget the Thursday evening address at 5 p.m. This will undoubtedly be an interesting meeting.

AMONG THE COLLEGES.

Amherst College is now equipped with a grand stand, costing, in toto, over \$11,000.

An ordinary American can rush, as we learn from an exchange, lasts one and a half minutes.

Freshmen at Cornell are forbidden to smoke pipes on the streets or on the Campus, and must not wear silk hats in Ithaca. The "Daily Sun" gravely adds that "these rules are not made in any spirit of hazing."

From "The News," we learn that a Yale Democratic Club is ready for the fray, and a Republican Club is in the process of formation.

The "Amherst Student" publishes a list of preachers for the College Church, which includes such eminent men as Dr. Hall, of New York; Prof. Genung and Rev. Lyman Abbott.

Co-education is not in favor at the University of Pennsylvania, the Senior Class is heading a movement aiming to make it impossible for women to study there.

The staff at Columbia University is increased this year from 339 to 350.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

AT THE DINING HALL.

No one can estimate the influence for good that can be exerted upon our national life by the strong, united endeavors of the great body of University of Toronto graduates, nor the benefits that can be bestowed upon the University itself, if the graduates do nothing more than educate the people of the province to see the necessity of supporting adequately the leading center of our educational life. The knowledge of these facts called into being during the last academic term the University of Toronto Alumni Association. Lofty were the aims of its founders, high their enthusiasm; who can say that the results, even up to the present time, have belied their expectations? A general committee was chosen by a large and enthusiastic meeting of the graduates, inspired by the success of the club of the ex-students, now resident in Ottawa. The committee has endeavored to reach and place in communication with the central organization all University graduates, and has favored the idea of forming local alumni associations. It has decided upon issuing a monthly journal, as the best mode of reaching and uniting all possible members. Of this journal, one number has appeared, and its excellence has merited the success it has won. The committee, moreover, thought it well to avail itself of the chance given by the first commencement after the organization of the Alumni to assemble the graduates and rouse them into enthusiasm for the new paper. Accordingly, a business meeting was held on the afternoon of the day preceding Commencement, and in the evening the first banquet of the University of Toronto graduates was held in the University Gymnasium. All will be well if the public gatherings of this kind equal this the first in the history of the institution. Through the summer much progress has been made in the Association's work. On Saturday evening, September 29th, a large number of prominent graduates, invited by Dr. Reeve, President of the Association, to confer upon the formation of a University Club, met in the new University Dining Hall. Strong speeches were made in favor of the project, and its early realisation may be looked for. The meeting was concluded by a dinner provided by the kindness of the President.

Everything augurs the great success of the University Alumni Association. But we must not be lured by the general enthusiasm, by the pleasing prospects of grand results, to forget that finances are required, that money and work are at the bottom of all. Hence every graduate and every undergraduate—for this latter class is eligible for membership—should contribute at once his share toward the prosperous conduct of the organization. Never let slip from the mind the motto of the Alumni: "Unitas, Libertas, Pietas." Ever cling to it, both here and in the broader life of the future *extra universitatem*.
E. J. KYLIE.

"I think there's a storm, Bruin," said the Fox. "Stop your Lion," roared the Bear. "Well, I'm not a Boa, if I am a crawler," said the Black Snake. Then they gave three cheers, and a Tiger, and passed the growler.—Selected.

First Soph.: "Is Cl—p—son a finished elocutionist?"
Second Soph.: "Well, not yet; but some of the boys are making threats."

One hundred and thirty regular weekly tickets were sold for the first week, besides a large number of occasionals. The Dean expresses himself as much pleased at the showing.

The portrait of Professor Young, to the right of the fire-place, is the gift of Dr. Reeve, Dean of the Medical Faculty.

The Dining Hall and adjoining suite of rooms are becoming the common rendezvous of men from all courses.

The Sophs. are waiting anxiously to see the first Freshman seat himself at the Faculty table.

Two Sophomores were very angry the other evening because their hats had disappeared. After a long search they found that each had the hat of the other. Now they both have suspicions.

The popular President of the Alumni Association entertained the Faculty and a number of business men in the Hall on the evening of Saturday, 29th ult. A conference was held on the subject of the formation of a University Club, which was followed by refreshments, served in excellent style. No practical result was arrived at, but we have learned that a plan is now under consideration which will likely be carried out soon.

SELECTED LIST OF NEW BOOKS ADDED TO THE LIBRARY, MAY TO SEPT., 1900.

Smyth, H. W., Greek Melic Poets; Hime, H. W. L., Lucian, the Syrian Satirist; Meynell, A., John Ruskin; Cornford, L. C., Robert Louis Stevenson; Festing, G., John Hookham Frere and His Friends; Payn, J., The Backwater of Life; Veitch, J., The Feeling for Nature in Scottish Poetry, 2 Vols.; Kingsley, G. H., Notes on Sport and Travel; Baube-Grohman, W. A., Fifteen Years' Sport and Life in Western America; Bent, T., Southern Arabia; Steevens, G. W., in India; Smith, A. H., Chinese Characteristics; Smith, A. H., Village Life in China; Reeves, T. P., The Long White Cloud (New Zealand); Holmes, T. R., Caesar's Conquest of Gaul; Sayce, A. H., Babylonians and Assyrians; Willson, B., The Great Company, 2 Vols.; Lecky, W. E. H., The Map of Life; Paulsen, F., A System of Ethics; McCulloch, J. R., Literature of Political Economy; Russell, B., German Social Democracy; Metcalfe, J., Universal Old Age Pensions; Rowntree & Sherwell, The Temperance Problem and Social Reform; Bowley, A. L., Wages in the United Kingdom in the 19th Century; Goodnow, F. J., Municipal Problems; Wilcox, D. F., Study of City Government; Strutt, J. W., Scientific Papers, Vol. I.; Nernst, W., Theoretical Chemistry; Tarr, R. S., Economic Geology of the United States; Dana, J. D., Volcanoes; Moore, C. H., Gothic Architecture.

—"I say, most emphatically, that if I were offered the choice between four years' academic education, and four years in Residence, I would, without the slightest hesitation, choose the four years in Residence."—A. B. Aylesworth, Q.C., at Dr. Reeves' dinner in the University Dining Hall, September 29th.

SPORTS.

Editor, Frank McFarland, '01.

FOOTBALL.

Football at Varsity is booming. One has only to notice the number of players that occupy both campus and lawn every afternoon to be well aware of that fact. Of course everybody is discussing the teams' prospects, and especially those of the "firsts." The all-absorbing topic is: "Shall we be able to win the Inter-Collegiate Championship for the third time?" A scrutiny of the probable make-up of the team is quite encouraging. Norman Beal, at full back, is one of the best in the business. The halves, Brown, Baldwin and Aylesworth, compare favorably with any line we have ever had. Baldwin is described by one of the morning papers as a "second McKenzie." Biggs has left a hole at quarter which will be hard to fill. The choice for the position seems to lie between Ballard and Chown. Much valuable weight has been added to the line, the scrimmage and wings averaging about ten pounds more than last year. From both McGill and Queen's come disquieting rumors of strengthened teams, and the championship cinched, but don't believe a word of it. The championship is going to stay right here. Varsity will have the hardest kind of work winning the City Championship from the Argonauts, but we have no fear of the result. Captain Brown, Manager Douglas, and Coachers Barr and Burnside, are working most energetically to put a strong, well-balanced team in the field, and we believe they will be successful.

As far as can be ascertained at present, the line-up at the McGill grounds on Saturday next will be: back, Beale; half-backs, Brown (Captain), Baldwin, Aylesworth; quarter, Chown; scrimmage, Douglas, McLennan, Hunt; wings, Henderson, Meredith, inside; Gibson, Harrison, middle; McCollum, Armstrong, outside; Burnside, flying.

PUNTS.

"Rusty" Mullin, of the championship team of 1895, turned out and played quarter one afternoon, but concluded he was too old to recommence his football career.

Henderson and Meredith make a splendid pair of inside wings.

Varsity is certainly fortunate in the matter of coaches this year. "Biddy" Barr and "Thrift" Burnside ought to know all there is to the game.

"Gussie" Armstrong is into the game again, despite parental objections.

The III's are holding full practises every day on the lawn. There should be no lack of material from which to pick a team.

The following is the standing of the clubs in the Senior Series of the O.R.F.U.:

	Won.	Lost.
Argonauts	2	0
Rough Riders	1	1
Granites	1	1
Tigers	0	2

"Bob" Telford, of last year's team, is playing wing for the Rough Riders.

"Biddy" Barr will not play this year, but will confine his attention to coaching.

TENNIS.

It is safe to say that the Varsity Tennis Club has never held such a successful tournament as the one which has just closed. Both in the number of contestants and in the quality of the play, this year's tournament far outstrips its predecessors, and the fact that it has proved an unqualified success must be particularly gratifying to the President and Secretary of the Club, Mr. Paterson and Mr. Cochrane, who have displayed commendable energy and foresight in its management. A particularly pleasing feature was the fact that the audiences this year were much larger than ever before. Outsiders seemed to realize that they were sure of seeing first-class tennis, and consequently the courts were surrounded by spectators almost every afternoon. A detailed account of the play is out of the question in a limited space, but some of the matches deserve particular mention. The final of the Open Singles, between Paterson and Love, was one of the finest matches ever seen on the Varsity courts. Love won the first set and almost took the second, but Paterson outstayed him, eventually winning by 3-1. Much interest centred in the match between Miss Hedley and Miss Summerhayes, the Canadian champion in the final of the Ladies' Open, which the latter won in straight sets. In the semi-finals of the Mixed Doubles, Love and Mrs. Burgess beat McMaster and Miss Summerhayes in straight sets, each of which was closely contested.

SERVES.

Ralph Burns did some contortionist movements that were worthy of Sheas'. One spectator was heard to remark that he was "as loose-jointed as a string of fish."

Mrs. Burgess and Miss Taylor excited much favorable comment by the excellent form which they displayed.

The outlay of a few dollars on the courts would be an action much appreciated by the players.

During some of the matches, particularly on the day of the "hustle," much annoyance to the players was caused by thoughtless persons walking directly across the courts where play was going on.

The entry list was as follows: Open Singles, 16; Handicap Singles, 44; Undergraduate Championship, 12; Novice Singles, 24; Men's Doubles, 12; Mixed Doubles, 8; Ladies' Open Singles, 10; Ladies' Handicap Singles, 16. The closeness of the play in the handicap events bore excellent testimony to the skilful work of the handicapper.

Bertram is Undergraduate Champion; another athletic honor goes to the S.P.S.

TRACK ATHLETICS.

The Annual Games are at hand, and the Varsity—McGill meet is only a week away. Last year the Eastern athletes rather "played rag" with our representatives, but the prospects are that they will have a much harder proposition to face in the coming meet. There are a number of men who have been training faithfully,

and we shall expect great things of them when they meet the chosen of "Old McGill." There seems to be no reason why we should be so far behind McGill in this particular branch of sport. In football, cricket, and all the other departments our teams are equal, and often superior, to those of the Eastern College. Our facilities for training are excellent, and we have an instructor whose equal cannot be found in Canada. Why, then, is it that we are so far behind McGill in this particular branch of sport. The reason seems to be apparent in the fact that while the football team has thirty or forty competitors for places, the track team has probably fifteen or twenty. That is football and track athletics coming at the same time of the year clash, and this state of affairs is detrimental to the latter. The question arises: "What is to be done about it?" The remedy seems to have been found already, and to be operating at the present time. The inauguration of the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Meet seems to be the stimulus which was needed to revive track athletics at Varsity. Already there has taken place a quite perceptible awakening of interest in this branch of sport, and the prospects are that before very many years, places on the track team will be quite as eagerly sought after as those on the football team.

NOTES.

V. E. Henderson told the Freshmen some things about Varsity athletics during "the calm before the storm" on Friday.

Let everybody turn out to both meets. It is far more fun than "plugging," and it is a duty you owe both to the Athletic Association and to the contestants. Combination tickets can be purchased at a reduced rate which will admit to both meets.

One who ought to know has given us the following list of probable winners:—

100 yards dash—1st Orton (Dent); 2nd, Gray (Med). ;
Half-mile run—1st, Henderson (Med); 2nd, Peterson, 3rd, Orton (Dent).

220 yards run—1st, Gurney (S.P.S.); 2nd, Orton (Dent).

Quarter-mile run—1st, Orton (Dent); 2nd, Peterson.

Mile run—1st, Cumming (S.P.S.); 2nd, Henderson.

Broad jump—1st, Gray (Med); 2nd, Gander (Arts); 3rd, Orton (Dent).

Pole vault—1st, Biggs (Arts); 2nd, Elwell (S.P.S.); 3rd, Peterson.

Throwing the Discus—1st, Biggs (Arts); 2nd, Gray (Med)

Putting the shot—1st, Gray (Med); 2nd, Bucke; 3rd, Biggs (Arts)..

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And "Kiss me dear,"
The way of it!

"Dost love me, sweet?"
And "answer coy;"
Fast his heart beat,
The wicked boy.
But *what a crime,*
With shocking wit,
That *she* should rhyme,
The way of it!

"The red lips show
The parted pearls;"
O face aglow;
O flower of girls!
O red lips' pout!
— Well, when they quit,
She wrote it out,
The way of it!

With "golden curls,"
And "darker hair;"
"O pearl of girls,
Beyond compare."

ROTUNDA.

Superintending Editor, F. H. Wood, 'or.

A. S. Wilson, 'oo, is studying Divinity at the University of Chicago.

Miss E. M. Fleming, 'oo, is on the staff of a Ladies' College in Ottawa.

B. A. Simpson, 'oo, is warming an office stool at the "Soo," in his own inimitable way.

R. S. Laidlaw, 'oo, leaves this week for Glasgow, where he is about to go into the study of Theology.

Miss C. M. Harrison, 'oo, is instructing the fair inmates of the Presbyterian Ladies' College in the way they should go.

E. V. Neelands, 'oo, S.P.S., is geologist in a Government exploring party on the Albany river.

R. B. Michell, 'oo, Moderns, is taking P. G. work at Harvard.

Miss H. G. B. Woolryche, 'oo, is at present expounding to the young ladies of Mrs. Neville's School.

T. N. Phelan, '02, one of the husky members of Varsity III., severely sprained his ankle while playing Rugby last Thursday.

Miss F. H. M. Neelands, '96, has resumed work at St. Margaret's after a very pleasant sojourn in Berlin, Germany.

C. J. Millar, S.P.S. has returned from South Africa, and looks all the better for his outing, though he was unfortunate enough to spend most of his time in the hospital

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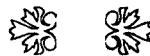
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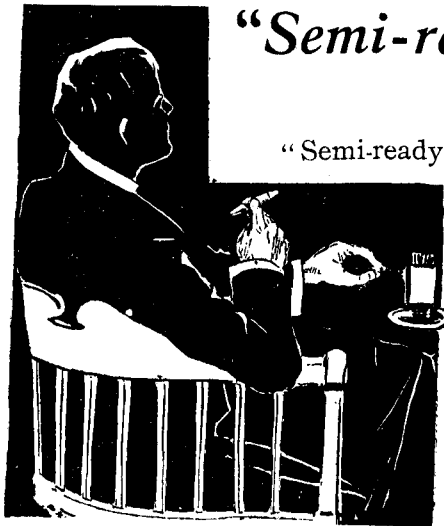


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H. W. McLean, '99, spent three months across the pond, chiefly in contemplating the verdure of the "ould sod."

A. L. McCredie, '01, is reported to be visiting "high personages" in England, more particularly in London, Buckingham Palace, Mansion House, etc.

The face of G. A. Cornish, '00, is seen about Varsity again benign and smiling as a full harvest moon. George has been retained by the authorities to give pointers to Professor Ramsay Wright.

"Bob" Telford is raking in the shekels between smokes for Hon. Wm. Paterson (customs) on the banks of the Ottawa. He is also instructing the "Rough Riders" how they play Rugby at Varsity.

Alex. Macdougall, '99, no longer enjoys a state of single blessedness, having met his ideal in Ottawa. He is still at Cornell.

J. B. Hunter, '09, is private secretary to Hon. Jas. Sutherland. Jimmie is working so hard he has no time to let his hair grow.

Alf. Mitchell, '00, who made his fortune as manager of the *College Topics*, last year, is at present travelling for the *Star*.

The Freshies are indebted to Mr. H. L. Hoyles, who designed the flag so nobly defended and so gloriously lost on Friday last.

A Sophomore is responsible for the yarn that the Freshies were caught trying to rent the lockers in the basement for single rooms.

W. S. (Fizzer) Smith, '00, who steered VARSITY through financial breakers for a period of 24 hours, was back revisiting his old haunts last month, before enrolling in the sawbones dept. of McGill.

H. Symington, '02, has the sympathy of his class-mates in the recent loss of his father.

The present crop of Freshies are particularly easy. Their cheerful innocence had scarcely brightened our corridors when they became the prey of the spoiler. Almost the first notice on the bulletin board was the pathetic appeal of a Freshie for the return of a lost wheel.

Then there is the lamentable tale of the freshman who left his lunch with Charlie. Charlie was absent-minded and hungry. Moral: Take your meals at the dining hall.

Two enterprising sophomores apparently anticipate joining the Ladies' Tennis Club, to judge from their fondness for the quadrangle during practice hours.

J. W. Mitchell, '00, has been appointed Fellow in Political Science. He spent a number of weeks of vacation in the highways and byways of the city in the revision of the voters' lists.

Many seniors were observed in the ranks of '03, living over again the great slaughter of two years ago. They think the battle of "Majuba Hill," of Friday comes very near to an ideal hustle if only the crest of the hill had not been carried so quickly.

"Scotty" Smeaton, '99, has secured the position of Science Master of Iroquois High School.

Geo. Black, '98, has received charge of the Science Department in the State Normal School of Cheney, Washington, and E. J. Saunders, '96, has a similar position at Ellensburg, Wash.

A goodly squad of Century's brilliant men intend taking scholarships at Knox, next spring. S. T. Martin, S. R. Robinson, W. G. Wilson, J. A. Whillans, and A. H. McLeod, are among those who have betaken themselves and their learning within the charmed circle.

Lou. Jones, '00, has entered the arena of newspaperdom, having joined the staff of the St. Thomas *Daily Times*.

G. F. Kay, '00, has a position with the Clergue Company at Sault Ste. Marie, where he will utilize the experience gained while exploring the North with Professor Coleman.

"Mary" McMaster, S.P.S., a one-time "naughty-one" had his toes badly crushed while at work, but his understanding still seems to be on a pretty sound basis.

John Gibson's doughty form is again seen around Varsity. During the summer he rented his intellect to Hon. Mr. Harcourt, and at present is resting after the strain, and incidentally playing inside wing for Varsity.

Among the large number of Varsity men who took a trip to Europe last vacation were the following:—J. A. Whillans, '00; A. L. Chipman, '02; J. H. Woods, '03; A. W. Mackenzie, '02; — Clarke, '03; W. Nichol, '03; W. G. McFarlane, '02; N. R. Gray, '02; J. A. Furse, '01; R. J. Dickenson, '02; A. Baker, '01. Paris was the objective point of most of them.

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Callers at the Y.M.C.A. during the summer were surprised to find the genial secretary playing hide-and-seek around a screen, behind which was his boudoir. It seems that "Bobbie" was turned out of Knox residence early in the season.

G. M. Bertram, '01, S.P.S., had the misfortune to lose the tips of a couple of fingers while at work in the Bertram Engine works last June. But George covered himself with glory and perspiration on the tennis courts during the tournament.

H. G. Wallace captained the Sophs. in their attack on the Freshie's kopje.

W. A. R. Kerr, '99, formerly editor of THE VARSITY, was doing journalistic work in Quebec during his vacation. He shone as one of the examiners in Moderns at Matriculation this year.

Misses M. E. and J. G. Dickson, formerly of '02, are a welcome addition to the ranks of the second year.

Percy Biggs and Jimmie Gray have been working hard on the campus all summer with discus and hammer, and should give good account of themselves in the meet with McGill next week.

Miss M. McPhillips, '02, has given up her University course.

Wycliffe has taken Armstrong, Cotton, Millman and G.H. Wilson, of last year's seniors, under the shadow of her pantry and will give them theological nuts to crack for a season.

Miss A. St. O. Cole and Miss Butterworth, of last year's graduating class, are at the Normal, Hamilton. E. H. A. Watson and W. Emslie have also swelled the town's population by two.

Our enterprising "Sophies" are to be congratulated for the success—a howling success—of their reception to the freshmen. We understand that Messrs. Gillies and Chadsey provided the programme.

As usual a number of the last graduating class have developed a taste for litigation. F. E. Brown, Harvey Graham, A. N. W. Clare, E. P. Flint-off, Harry Sinclair, Freddie Stewart, H. F. Gooderham, R. D. Hume are engaged in the worship of the blind-folded goddess at Osgoode Hall.

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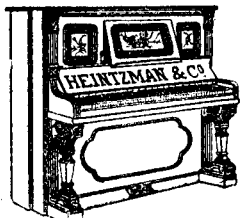
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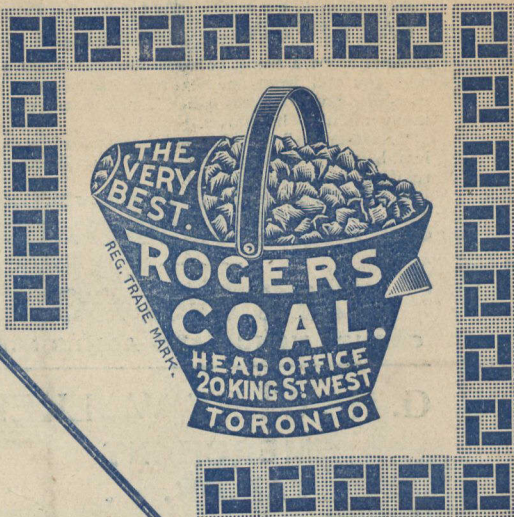
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