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## INTRODUCTORY.

In presenting to the students, graduates and well-wishers of McGill, the first number of the FORTNIGHTLY, the editors feel that a careful statement of the events leading up to this re-establishment of a representative University Journal, and an explanation as to its basis, aims, and ambitions, will not be out of place, and at the same time will be well appreciated by those disposed to take an interest in its welfare.

It may be said by way of introduction to those not already aware of the fact, that the FORTNIGHTLY is not the first of the literary ventures undertaken by the students of McGill.

The *University Gazette*, discontinued for the past two years, acted as a forerunner and filled in a creditable manner, the function required of it, namely to mirror the intellectual and literary progress of the University, and also to act as a chronicle of College item and class report.

The paper was run by a company which was to have been composed of the undergraduates themselves, and shares were issued at a moderate price. Difficulties, however arose, interest flagged, complaints of various natures came in from the different faculties, and finally the Directors of the paper ceased its publication.

Such has been the past history of University journalism in McGill, and lack of interest and support both financially and otherwise has been the rock on which our first publication came to grief.

For two years therefore, the Students have remained without a College journal, and we may safely say that to an appreciable extent the different interests of the University have consequently suffered.

Our new Journal THE MCGILL FORTNIGHTLY has been established on a firmer basis than our predecessor. Committees have had the matter under consideration for some months past.

The various difficulties have been by them, we hope, successfully surmounted, and the promoters come before the Students with a paper properly constituted, a strong business directorate, and an editorial board who will at least endeavor to fulfil in a creditable manner the onerous and responsible task placed before them.

The management consists of two boards—one of a purely business character, and the other having sole charge of the Editorial Department.

Each faculty elects a business manager and an editor—one to represent them on the business board and the other on the editorial staff.

"Class-reporters" have been elected by the various years of the different faculties whose duty it shall be to canvas for, collect, and hand in to the faculty editors all matter intended for publication, and at the same time aid such editors in the matter of contribution. Such is the machinery provided for by the constitution of the paper, and it remains only with the Students themselves to make of the FORTNIGHTLY the success which its promoters hope for and which they have proper reason to expect.

Regarding the allotment of space, the editors recognize the necessity of providing reading matter of a varied character and description in order to meet the different wants and demands of the several elements represented in the University. It is however the intention of the Editorial Board to keep the literary standard and tone of the paper as high as possible, recognizing at the same time and giving full attention to reports of the various societies, faculty items, College news, exchanges and class reports.

The hearty co-operation, therefore, of each and every Student is asked for and expected. Suggestions and communications will at all times be most gladly taken into consideration by the Board of Management, who realize that the success of the paper will consist in the satisfaction which it gives to its subscribers.

We are sorry to have to briefly notice in these columns a difference of opinion which seems to have arisen between the Second Year Medicine, and the students of the other faculties of the University on the subject of what has been known as "University Night." An examination into the causes of this peculiar "split" is not necessary, as the whole question has

already been debated at some length by the different Faculties interested, and would only reveal an existing state of circumstances incomprehensible to an outsider.

We are of opinion that if a more generous spirit had been shown on the one hand and a more conciliatory method on the other, all necessity of Division would have been obviated.

Faculty spirit should never be allowed to run so high as to eclipse other feelings for the University's general advancement and welfare.

Any little difference, however, which may have occurred will lead, let us hope, to a more perfect unanimity among the students in the future.

### To the Students of the University.

One of the first questions to settle, on entering college as a student, is the form and amount of exercise to take for sound health if he be so fortunate as to start out with a good constitution, or to improve his health if it be not so good as he could wish.

"The man with a first class brain, a third class stomach and a fourth class liver is beginning to find out that he is not really a strong man."

The weak spot will give way when the strain of continued work comes, for, as Holmes says:—

"'Tis mighty plain

That the weakest place mus' stan' the strain

'N' the way t' fix it uz I maintain

Is only jest

T' make that place uz strong uz the rest."

This weakest place for the student is usually the digestive system. Why?

Firstly, because a sedentary life does not bring into action the body trunk, the movements of which act as a natural stimulant to the functions of digestion and excretion.

Secondly, because prolonged brain work depletes the stomach of blood, and thus delays, if it does not arrest, the digestive process, congesting the brain and making the head feel hot, dull and heavy. This effectually banishes sleep: you toss about in bed, throw off the clothes, and finally get up in despair, and pick up a book till from very exhaustion sleep comes at last.

Thirdly, most men who come to college have been accustomed to a certain amount of manual work accompanied by a hearty appetite satisfied only by a big meal.

This heavy eating is continued from habit after entering college; but now, instead of nourishing the body, the excess of food is positively poisonous, for the system has to get rid of the superfluity which it cannot burn up in its inactive muscles, an undue strain is thus put on the excretory organs that they are unable to properly stand.

A fourth year man told me some time ago that the only way he could keep himself free from his old enemy, dyspepsia, was by regular work in the gymnasium. If he stopped it for any length of time the effects began to show in a return of his old trouble. He was literally

being poisoned by undigested food that regular gymnastic exercises enabled him to use to the best advantage.

One who has not experienced it can scarcely understand the ravenous appetite, the warm glow and the feeling of fitness felt after an hour's exercise in which is combined work for both arms and legs and trunk, short of exhaustion, in quantity, but enough to make him feel healthily tired.

It makes his other work go with a *vim* and a *snap* that is unknown to the ordinary mortal, and the sleep that follows, if not the sleep of the "just," is at least the sleep of the *healthy*.

The form and amount of exercise to take varies with the man who asks it and his object in presenting the question.

If you are one of that class of men who take naturally to athletics, and are physically qualified to take part in them: safely, then our football and hockey clubs want you to don the white jersey and to uphold the honor of your Alma Mater on the campus or ice.

A student loses a great deal of the pleasure and benefit of a college course by keeping aloof from its sports.

Nowhere do men of the various faculties become better known to one another or form such firm friendships as on the football field.

If football does not appeal to you, the annual games afford an opportunity to cultivate your speed, strength and agility; but the real benefit is obtained not from the contest itself but from the course of preliminary training that is necessary if you are to become very proficient. There is certain success for the man who is willing to practise faithfully and who is determined to excel. McGill greatly needs more such men to fill up her football and hockey teams and uphold her athletic reputation.

To those who wish to combine recreation with benefit, and without the violence or danger of athletics, I would recommend gymnastics. Three hours a week in the gymnasium will be found the most profitable investment a man can make on beginning his college term.

The course of exercises is designed to bring into action the entire muscular system, beginning with the arms in the bridge ladder work and ending with the legs and feet in vaulting, the barbell and club exercises being especially good for the muscles of the trunk.

An hour's work there induces a vigorous circulation in the muscles with a consequent feeling of warmth and comfort all over the body, except the region of the stomach, which presents most of the characters of an "aching void." The first soreness and stiffness soon wears off and the hands become hardened and strengthened.

Every man should determine at the start of a new session that, whatever else may go to the wall, the gymnasium shall regularly find him stripped for action and hungry for work.

To those who have any weakness or defect the class exercises may be unsuitable; any such should consult the instructor before starting, and thus prevent the chance of accident or injury. To those who fancy they

have no time to attend gymnasium work, the writer would recommend a course of about 10 or 15 minutes every morning and evening, or both, with light dumbbells or a barbell, or even without apparatus at all.

This alone may be effectual in keeping the body in good condition to digest both your "daily bread" and that mental pabulum, less material but not less important for mental growth, that McGill supplies in such quantities and so rich in quality that it requires a well nourished and vigorous brain for its proper digestion and assimilation.

R. TAIT MCKENZIE, M.D.

### The Death of Ambition.

(AN UNFINISHED SIMILE).

As some fair swan, of inland seas the pride,  
That trusts her scornful plumage to the tide;  
Down to the ocean with the stream she flows,  
As yet the unshaken mirror of repose.  
But swifter soon the treacherous currents speed;  
Alarmed, she marks the broader banks recede,  
Looks for the lily that she loved to woo,  
And sees the waters deepen into blue:  
Shrinks from the roughness of the embracing wave,  
And screams a fearful chant, with none to save:  
Then, among tangled seaweed floating high,  
The rash adventurer folds her wings—to die!

GEO. MURRAY.

Montreal.

### Sonner.

I have no temple, heaven-built and dight  
With orient wealth of pearl and massy gold;  
No casket diamonded, whose depths fast hold  
My Deity, cased from the eager sight  
Of vulgar eye; but in the slumberous night  
I enter, when the vesper bell hath tolled.  
The fane none other knoweth, and I fold  
My hands in prayer, a pious Eremitic.  
O Spirit that oft led me where the ways  
Crossed, mossy boles and fields of summer wheat—  
Rill-watered dells all pranked with crocus-blaze,  
Beneath the paly forests—Spirit sweet,  
It may be at the mystic end of days  
Thou lead thy son before the Paraclete.

CHAS. E. MOYSE.

### The Illness of Doctor Ross.

We have with sorrow to chronicle the steady decrease in strength of Dr. George Ross, the vice dean of the Medical Faculty and professor of Medicine. We fear that the class of 1892-93 can scarcely expect to listen to the clear and comprehensive course which, in former years, it has been the privilege of the Medical Students to attend. We shall yet hope to hear that his illness has taken a more favorable turn, and that ere long the distinguished professor may again be with us.

### Sir Wm. Dawson.

We are pleased to note that the venerable Principal of the University is now recovering from his late severe illness, and that his friends hope he will soon

be sufficiently strong to stand the fatigues of a journey to the South, where, upon the advice of his physicians Drs. Blackadar, Stewart and Craik, he proposes spending the next few months. While he will be greatly missed in all the Faculties, we trust that this trip may speedily result in his complete restoration to health. Not only will his absence be felt in the lecture room, where for many years he has given to the Students the results of his researches and study, but still more shall his wise counsels and experience be missed at the head of affairs. More than most Principals, he has given of his time and energy to promote the interests of his University. On more than one occasion, when the University was in difficulties, he did not hesitate to come to the rescue with help from his own private funds, and it is largely owing to his fostering care and wise management at many critical periods in her growth that McGill has risen from a small college to the proud position which she now holds. We hope that with renewed health he may long be able to superintend her continued development along the broad line of liberal thought on which he has ever been desirous of seeing her advance.

### The Fall of Assyria.

(See Ezekiel XXXI, a chapter which Dr. Davidson, in his well known work on "Prophecy," calls "the truest and noblest monument of Oriental History.")

Mighty Assyrian! in thy glory thou  
Wast like some Cedar on a mountain's brow;  
Soaring with beauteous boughs, in lordly pride,  
He loved to fling his shadow far and wide,  
Fair in his greatness, for his root was set  
Where the vast multitude of waters met.

Beasts of the forest came and hid their young  
Where the tall Cedar's canopy was hung,  
Wild birds their nests amid his branches made,  
And distant Peoples dwelt beneath his shade,  
Till in God's Eden every goodly tree  
With envy drooped his stateliness to see.

Then was he lifted up with fierce disdain,  
And sought in solitary strength to reign;  
But God looked down, and bade the spoiler's hand  
Cast the proud boaster from his pleasant land;  
They drove him forth in lonely woe to dwell,  
And nations shuddered as the scorner fell!

GEO. MURRAY.

Montreal.

### To Wordsworth.

Like mighty Alp whose base is round beset  
With murmurs from the lips of common men,  
The housewife's song, the echoes of the glen—  
Shepherds and folds—th' interminable fret  
Where winding trodden parts run to a net  
Around the market-cross, the shout from fen  
Of childish sporting beyond austere ken,  
The plaintive wail of lover's flagelet—  
O'er all thou risest to eternal light  
Soft falling upon solitary ways,  
And pilgrim climbing to that Pisgah height  
Scans musingly the land of future days;  
Grand soul! thy crest which cleaves th' æth'rial air  
Stands rooted on thy world—Humanity.

CHAS. E. MOYSE.

### Sports Night.

The annual day of sports having come to an end, the traditional "night at the theatre" followed. This event, always looked forward to by students and friends of the University, passed off most creditably. For reasons which cannot here be explained, the "Meds" formed the large mass of those taking part, yet the choruses rendered on the street and in the theatre did not seem to lack anything in volume. Shortly before 7 o'clock, the south gate of the University presented an animated scene, for nearly three hundred students were there. Soon the historic banners of the "Faculty of Medicine" were waved aloft, and in regular order followed, two by two, the long procession with its choruses, "horn-blowing" and college cries. Having arrived at the Academy and ascended the steep stairways leading to the "gods," cheer after cheer went forth as the purple and white banner of "Bishop's College" was held aloft fraternally with our own historic banner of "McGill." Many hearts in the audience grew tender when the din and confusion subsided and the strains of "old McGill *Alma Mater*" filled the auditorium. Chorus after chorus came, each one rendered with due regard to light and shade, reflecting much credit upon all concerned. The play "Joseph" was of a character not quite suited for such an occasion, yet on the whole it was fairly well put on, receiving at times well merited applause. Miss de Wolfe, the leading lady, was the recipient of a beautiful bouquet, which was ingeniously lowered from the gallery by the Second Year President to the stage. She charmingly acknowledged it, and was enthusiastically cheered. During the evening Mr. Lambly conducted the singing, Messrs. Fry and Fay were soloists, Messrs. Jackson and Harwood flutists, and Mr. Fairie presided at the piano. Amongst those in the audience were noticed professors of the University, also instructors and demonstrators, all of whom were enthusiastically welcomed. Coming, as it does, once a year, the field meeting of the McG. A.A. should not only stimulate healthy rivalry among the various faculties, but be a strong bond of union between them besides. It has been more than once suggested by old graduates that it would be a capital plan to have an annual university theatre night, when graduates, undergraduates and friends of the University might attend, and enjoy between acts the well known songs and choruses of old McGill. Great good could only result from such a scheme; harmony would be promoted between the various faculties, the University *esprit de corps* would be strengthened, and the friends of the University would be forcibly reminded each year that there "is nothing the matter with old McGill, for She's all right." The public is hardly aware of the strength and importance of McGill University and that she numbers nearly a thousand students on her rolls! Theatre night would give a chance to demonstrate her numerical strength in a pleasant way. With judicious management, theatre night could be made the source of considerable revenue to the Students, which might be divided among the various college organizations, such as the Athletic

Association, the Gymnasium, the Musical Association, etc., etc. In a future issue we shall return to this subject, and submit to some extent the details of a scheme which will serve the purposes above indicated, also devoting some attention to college music.

**All Students are requested to forward Subscriptions to the business managers of their respective Faculties as the proper conduction of the "Fortnightly" largely depends on the prompt collection of the monies due the Board of Management.**

### McGill Medical Society,

A largely attended and thoroughly representative meeting of this Society was held on Saturday evening, Oct. 8 inst., in the upper reading room of the College, when the customary annual address was delivered by the new president, Mr. T. A. Dewar, of the final year. During the course of the address, Mr. Dewar reviewed the history of the Society from its foundation, and briefly referred to its early struggles against its great enemy "Indifference," at the same time passing eulogies upon those ardent students of the past, by whom the Society was kept alive, and whose names now adorn the medical profession. The speaker urged those present to keep the torch of scientific enthusiasm burning brightly, by evincing new interest in the Society, as it now offered to its members many new advantages. After the secretary, Mr. J. J. Ross, of the 3rd year, had read the minutes of the previous meeting, and other business transacted, the programme committee reported that during the session many distinguished men would come before the Society with original papers, of which due notice would be given.

### Young Men's Christian Association.

This Society, ever active for the best interests of the students, has begun its work for the session. The vacancies caused by the death of the energetic president, Mr. R. M. Campbell, Med. '94, and the resignation of Vice President Hamilton, who remains out of college for a year, were filled at the first business meeting. Mr. H. W. Goff, B.A., Med. '92, being elected president, and Mr. F. J. Day, Arts '94, first vice-president. A special service in memory of Mr. Campbell was held on Sunday afternoon, 9th inst. Last Sunday a very interesting talk was given by Dr. Evans, a former president of the Association. The usual prayer-meeting on Tuesday evening in No. 1 Arts Room has been resumed. An excellent little hand-book containing much useful information for students, both new and old, has been published, and distributed among the different faculties. An active canvass is being made for new members. New men cannot do better than connect themselves with the Association, which at all times receives the hearty support of the students of the Faculty.

The annual reception of the McGill Y. M. C. A., tendered to the students of the several faculties, took place on Tuesday evening, 18th inst.

It proved the most successful in the history of the Association. The corridors presented a bright and

cheering appearance, having been tastefully decorated for the occasion. About a thousand invitations were issued, and most of them must have been accepted. Short addresses were delivered by Pres. H. M. Goff, B.A. (Med. '93), Dr. Johnson and Rev. Prof. Warriner. F. M. Fry (Med '94), sang a solc. An excellent orchestra enlivened the proceedings at intervals through out the evening. The unprecedented success of this gathering was no doubt due in a large measure to the interest taken in the entertainment by members of the Donalda department who were present in large numbers, and also played an important part in providing decorations and in looking after the refreshments.

### Undergraduates' Literary Society.

The Literary Society held its first meeting on Sept. 30th. The following were elected officers for the session:—W. Donahue, president; 1st and 2nd vice-presidents, F. H. Graham and J. C. Watt; treasurer, F. Lambert; secretary, H. A. Honeyman; assistant secretary, W. G. G. Cole; programme committee, J. A. McPhail, C. Mansur, G. D. Ireland, W. C. Sutherland, J. E. Robertson. These gentlemen possess in a high degree the qualities which are necessary for the success of the Society, from the grace of the chairman to the discrimination of the programme committee.

The second meeting was held on the evening of Friday, Oct. 17th. Mr. Townsend read a long but able and interesting essay on Tennyson's *Princess*. Mr. Day followed with a song in his usual captivating style. But then came the event of the evening, the debate upon the resolution that the Philosophy Honor Course is preferable to the English Honor Course, a resolution which is certainly debatable. It was upheld by Messrs. J. Brown, J. W. A. Hickson and A. Graham, and opposed by Messrs. McIver, MacKeracher and S. M. Dickson. The negative had the advantage in breadth of treatment and eloquence of expression, but the decision of the meeting showed too well that it had been outdone in subtlety and persistency of argument. This was to be expected. The meeting adjourned at eleven o'clock. Although the hour was so late, all went away well pleased from the largest meeting of the Literary Society which has been known for some years.

The next meeting was held on the evening of Saturday, Oct. 15th. The attendance was not so good as at the previous meeting, and although Mr. Dresser presided perfectly well, there was an irregularity, and the pleasant face of the chairman was missed. But "Billy" had been very busy with the *Brits* that afternoon.

The programme opened with a reading from Mackay Edgar, who sufficiently showed that he had not forgotten Mr. Andrew's teaching. Mr. David Davis then read an essay on Scott, short and comprehensive, excellent both in subject matter and manner of expression. After a song by Mr. Muir, the debate opened. Resolved, that Capital Punishment is justifiable. The speakers for the affirmative side were Messrs. Gurd, Ireland and Mullen; and for the negative side Messrs. Mahaffy, Watt and Robertson. All did themselves credit; and the new men attracted attention. In Mr.

Mullen's case, it is becoming recognized by his fellows that his ability as a debater is only one of many attainments. The speech of Mr. Jas. Brown, the critic for the evening, was characterized by his customary precision and force. The vote of the meeting, according to the arguments advanced, declared that it considered *Capital Punishment* justifiable, thereby supporting the decision of the Shamrocks, so gloriously demonstrated a few hours before.

To the great delight of the Society, Mr. S. Carmichael, formerly one of our most active members, found time to attend both of these meetings. At the former he acted as critic.

The Society was never in a condition so flourishing as that in which it is at present.

### Delta Sigma Society.

The annual business meeting of the Delta Sigma Society was held on Thursday, Sept. 29th. Owing to the absence of the retiring secretary, the reading of the report was postponed until the next meeting of the Society. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—President, Miss James; Vice-President, Miss Brown; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Travis; Asst. Sec-Treasurer, Miss Pitcher.

The first regular meeting of the Society took place on October the 13th, the President in the chair. New members were enrolled, the annual report read and approved, and there followed a discussion on the question of the annual lecture. It was unanimously agreed that Professor Moyse should be requested to deliver the fourth of this series in the Molson Hall on the occasion of the last meeting of the Society this session.

A lively discussion ensued as to the advisability of renewing the office of critic at the monthly debates. It was decided in favor of retaining this functionary, the opinion of the members being that the knowledge of ensuing criticism would have a salutary effect upon those debating, warning them to avoid fallacies and inaccuracies, as well as all unauthenticated statements.

Miss Gertrude Seymour followed with an essay on the "Legends of Canada." Appropriate readings were here introduced, which embodied many amusing, as well as pathetic tales of the earlier settlement of Canada.

### Young Women's Christian Association.

This Society has been founded to satisfy the gradually increasing wants of the students, it being found that such a society as the old Theo Dora, purely missionary in its aim, was on too narrow a footing for the work now required among the ladies.

Devotional meetings are held by the Society every Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock. All ladies are welcome to attend these meetings.

### Donald Y. W. C. A.

On the last day of the month of September, it was our privilege to attend a charming entertainment

given by the officers and members of the Donald Y. W. C. A. The object was to welcome to old McGill, and this society, all new comers, thus affording them an opportunity of becoming better acquainted with each other, and with those enviable beings who have but a dim recollection of having once been "green and fresh in this old world."

Mr. Lafleur kindly lectured in his own class room, thereby leaving class room No. 2 free for the transformation scene. At 2 p.m. the door of said class room closed upon desks, black-board, and ink stained floors, opening at 5 p.m. to disclose a unique drawing-room, carpeted with soft rugs, and made home like by the addition of easy chairs, five o'clock tea tables, portieres, pretty drapes and numerous small nothings which give delight to gather about them.

Flowers and foliage plants were artistically displayed, and the gracious welcome of our president, Miss Hunt, completed a picture which opened up a new feature of the *tout ensemble* of college life. One or two features of the entertainment were new to us, delicious sandwiches were bound by a narrow band of scarlet ribbon, so in an unobtrusive way do we honor our colors, cake, fruit and bonbons were served from delicate chip baskets, picturesquely adorned with smilax, ferns and leaves. It was whispered that Miss E. Radford and Miss Mac Kenzie, assisted by a few willing hands, had acted the part of fairies; but since fairies have the knack of evading pursuit nothing definite could be ascertained.

Music made a delightful break in the merry chatter of the hour. Miss A. Radford, answering to an *encore* for a charming French "chanson." Miss E. Reid and Miss F. Botterel followed with selections as fittingly chosen. Miss Whiteaves recited with great expressiveness "a Legend of Bregens."

Towards the close of the entertainment Miss Hunt took up a somewhat isolated position in one corner of her impromptu drawing-room, and, by the dauntless courage which eye and prose bespoke, commanded attention. Her words were to the point—giving an outline of the work undertaken by the society; she closed with a cordial invitation to all Students to help, assuring them of a kindly welcome from every member.

### The Montreal Veterinary Medical Association.

This Society held its eighteenth annual meeting in the lecture room of the Faculty of Comparative Medicine on Thursday evening, October 13th.

The business of the meeting was the election of officers for the session of 1892-93 and the nomination of new members. The following are the officers for the session:—

Dr. D. McEachran, Honorary President.  
Dr. Wesley Mills, President.  
Dr. M. C. Baker, 1st Vice-President.  
Dr. C. McEachran, 2nd Vice-President  
Mr. O. G. Orr, Secretary-Treasurer.  
Mr. W. S. Plaskett, Librarian.

Dr. Mills on taking the chair thanked the Association for the honor conferred, showing his appreciation of

the same and the interest he took in the Society and its work by the enthusiastic address, which he delivered in his usual unapproachable style. He pointed out, among other things, that the social and intellectual future of a man depended on his present application to duties, and that societies of this kind did more to cultivate and fit a man for this future than anything else. He emphasized the necessity of attending all meetings and entering into the discussions. As the profession of veterinary medicine is daily growing, the character of the papers read must improve with it. He asked the members who had papers to write to be more original than in the past.

The Honorary President, the Dean of the Faculty, then added some well chosen remarks. He advised the members to bring some of their personal friends to the meetings, as this would tend to form a correct impression of the high standing of the profession.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 27th, when the candidates nominated will be balloted for.

Mr. Denny will read a paper on Antiseptics, and Mr. Lamb report a case of fistula.

### The Society for the Study of Comparative Psychology.

The above Society held its annual meeting for election of officers in the lecture room of the Faculty of Comparative Medicine on Thursday the 13th inst. The President, Dr. Wesley Mills, occupied the chair.

Officers for the ensuing session are as follows:—

Dr. D. McEachran, Honorary President.  
Dr. Wesley Mills, President.  
Dr. M. C. Baker, 1st Vice-President.  
Mr. Brainerd, 2nd Vice-President.  
Mr. Sturrock, Secretary-Treasurer.  
Mr. Ewing, Corresponding Secretary.

This Society—which is the only one in existence—has for its principal object the study of the psychological aspect of the mind of the lower animals, and to correct the erroneous prevailing impression among the laity that our "poor relations" are destitute of even the germs of psychical power. The scientific world of late years have paid considerable attention to the subject, and have agreed that the distinction between the psychical power of man and his closer relations is one of degree rather than kind.

### That Freshman.

I'm a scholar of renown in my little country town;  
I'm a man of most inimitable parts;  
I am fit for any Faculty, I would just as soon have tackled  
Course in Medicine, or Science, as in Arts.

*Chorus.*

I'm the acme of ability, solve all questions with facility;  
In my brains the fruits of knowledge bloom and grow;  
And, whatever I may light on, I'm an *admirable Crichton*;  
I'm a——I'm a blooming Freshman, don't you know?

I see Chemistry right through, and Geology and Zoo;  
Huxley's all a hoax and Darwin doesn't wear;  
Think you'll be plucked in Botany?—on the Faculty there  
not any

Man with me in Science studies can compare.

*Chorus.*

There is no one learned more in the ancient classic lore ;  
Plato, Homer, and the plays, I reckon good ;  
But, according to my dad's tone, I don't equal Mr. Gladstone  
In Theology and Greek and chopping wood.

*Chorus.*

I've read Richter, Schiller, Kant, all the German works extant ;  
Wolf to me is quite as tame as any laub ;  
And in Hebrew, I'm a genius,—I have struggled with Gesenius,  
And I'll strike a dagesh-forty on exam.

*Chorus.*

I cansteer my way through Hume, Hartley's haze, and Berkley's  
spume ;  
On the sea of thought my sail is long unfurled ;  
And my father knows philosophy, and he felt 'twould be a loss  
if he

Didn't let me give my wisdom to the world.

*Chorus.*

Mathematics is a go, all the Algebra I know,  
Trigonometry I studied for a year ;  
But my fort is English literature, and I hold that I am fitter at  
your  
Age to lecture in the same than you to hear.

*Chorus.*

I've read Shelley through, and Scott, Moore and Byron too—you  
ought,  
And for Southey's epic poems saved my pell ;  
And I spent my hoarded pennies on all the latest rhymes of  
Tennyson ;  
And I write a little poetry myself.

*Chorus.*

I admit Professor Smith is a *prosaic* of pith ;  
Just at present he and Justin lead the rank ;  
But the finest pen of all, a—classic style had Lord Macaulay—  
I've decided Matthew Arnold was a crank.

*Chorus.*

I'm an orator, no mistake,—so, I think, is Mr. Blake,—  
I know how to handle metaphor and trope ;  
Ah! won't I win notoriety in the Literary Society !  
And my class will make me President, I hope.

*Chorus.*

CAP'N. GOUN.

### McGill University Annual Sport.

The annual games of the Association were held on Friday the 21st instant, and were a great success in point of the numbers of the spectators, and the magnificence of the weather. The entries for the different events were, however, below the average, although the work done was in many cases equal if not superior to older established records. The officers and committee of the Association deserve the sincere thanks of the Students at large. Their task—an onerous one—was well filled and to the satisfaction of all.

The following are the officers and committee of the McGill University Athletic Association, on whom the success of the games depended :—

Hon. president, Sir J. W. Dawson, LL.D., F.R.S. ; president, D. Hamilton, Med. ; vice-president, A. S. Cleaves, Comp. Med. ; secretary, J. A. Cameron, Law ; hon-treasurer, Prof. B. J. Harrington, B.A., Ph.D. ; treasurer, H. M. Jaques, Med.

COMMITTEE: Arts—H. M. Killaly and J. C. Hick-

son ; Law—A. R. Johnson, B.A., and G. W. Mac-Dougall, B.A. ; Medicine—J. D. Cameron and J. Tees, B.A. ; Applied Science—J. Featherston and H. C. Baker ; Comp. Med.—G. Campbell and S. Thayer ; Theology—D. Guthrie, B.A., R. O. Ross, B.A., and J. Leach.

The following are the results of the various events :

Kicking football—1, G. H. Mathewson, 168 ft. 5½ in. ; 2, H. B. Yates, 151 ft. 8 in. Record broken.

Throwing hammer (16 lbs.)—1, Baskin, 61 ft. ; 2, J. T. Whyte, 60 ft. 4 in.

Running broad jump—1, Murphy, 18 ft. 8 in. ; 2, Milburne, 18 ft. 7 in.

Throwing heavy weight (56 lbs.)—1, Baskin, 21 ft. 5½ in. ; 2, J. T. Whyte, 16 ft. 7 in. Record broken.

Throwing cricket ball—1, Boucher, 284 ft. 6 in. ; 2, Wood, 281 ft. 10 in.

Standing broad jump—1, Milburne, 9 ft. 11 in. ; 2, Murphy, 9 ft. 7½ in.

Hurdle race (first heat)—1, J. T. Whyte, 20 sec. ; 2, J. Brown.

Hurdle race (second heat)—1, Milburne, 20 sec. ; 2, McIvor.

Hurdle race (third heat)—J. Brown, 1 ; McIvor, 2, Time 20 sec.

Putting shot (16 lbs.)—1, Knapp, 32 ft. 10½ in. ; 2, J. D. Cameron, 32 ft.

Tug of war (first pull) :

*Medicine.*

*Arts.*

Baskin,

J. S. Gordon,

Hamilton.

Ireland,

Hart,

Gordon,

Ross,

McGregor.

Barelay,

Bucker,

Hamilton,

Brown.

J. McCrae, Capt.

J. Gunn, Capt.

Arts got the drop, and maintained what they thus won, 3¾ inches.

*Comparative Medicine.*

*Science.*

Tracy,

Stevenson,

Orr,

McDougall,

Ewing,

Olive,

Cleaves, S.,

Huntingdon,

McAlpin,

William,

Moody.

Johnston.

Comparative medicine, won by 1¾ inches.

High jump—1, Kilally, 5 ft. 5 in. ; 2, Deardin, St. Francis College, 5 ft. 2 in.

In a subsequent jump Kilally cleared 5 ft. 6¼ inches, thus beating the college record by ¼ of an inch.

100 yards (first heat)—1, Balfour ; 2, Blackburn. Time, 11 2-5 sec.

100 yards (second heat)—1, Deardin ; 2, Milburne. Time, 11 2-5.

100 yards, final—1, Balfour ; 2, Blackburn. Time, 11 1- sec.

880 yards run—F. M. Fry, 2 min. 26 sec. ; 2, Cowan.

One mile bicycle—1, Edwards ; 2, Bishop. Time, 3.20 3-5.



Hurdle race, final—1, J. Brown. Time, 19 4/5 sec.; White and Milburne, dead heat. There was practically no difference between the three, as they rose over every hurdle together. Brown finished just a trifle ahead. White won second place in the run over.

Tug-of-war, final—1, Arts, by 1 1/2 in.

440 yards run—1, Tees; 2, Fry. Time, 55 4/5 sec.

Sack race—1, Cowan; Bishop and Baker tied for second place. The race was decided by the turn of a coin. Baker winning.

Pole leap—1, Milburne, 9 ft. 9 1/2 in.; 2, Murphy, 9 ft 22 in. Record broken.

One mile run—1, Bickerdike; 2, Greig. Time, 4 min. 59 sec.

220 yards run—1, Tees, 24 2/5 sec.; 2, Olive.

One mile walk—1, G. Robins, time 8 min. 13 1/2 sec.; 2, J. Bron. Record broken.

#### MCGILL UNIVERSITY RECORDS.

Below will be found the records made by the McGill men during the past eight years complete up to date:

Kicking the football—G. H. Mathewson, 168 feet 5 1/2 inches.

Throwing the cricket ball—C. Ault, 108 yards 11 inches.

Putting the shot, 16 lbs.—Thompson, 34 feet 1/2 inch.  
Throwing heavy weight, 56 lbs.—Baskin, 21 feet 5 1/2 inches.

Throwing the hammer, 16 lbs.—N. Watson, 76 feet 9 inches.

Standing broad jump—Springle, 9 feet 11 1/2 inches.

Running broad jump—Jacquays, 19 feet 9 inches.

Running high jump—Kilally, 5 feet 6 1/4 inches.

Pole leap—Milburn, 9 feet 9 1/2 inches.

One mile bicycle—Williams, 3 min. 21 3/4 sec.

One mile run—McTaggart, 4 min. 54 1/2 sec.

One-half mile run—McTaggart, 2 min. 7 sec.

440 yards run—Hutchinson, 55 1/4 sec.

220 yards run—Clerk, 24 1/5 sec.

100 yards run—Kennedy, 10 2/5 sec.

120 yards hurdle—No authentic record, as far as kept, Connolly, 19 1/2 sec.

One mile walk—Robins, 8 min. 13 1/2 sec.

The records that were broken yesterday were kicking the football 160 feet, made by P. Robertson; throwing heavy weight 20 feet 4 3/4 inches, made by Kentschell; high jump, 5 feet 6 inches, made by McKenzie; pole leap, 9 feet, made by Harrison; one mile walk, 8 min. 15 sec., made by Swaby.

### Quebec Rugby Foot Ball Union.

#### SCHEDULE OF GAMES 1892.

##### SENIOR.

	Won by	Score.
Oct. 1. Montreal vs. Britannia..	Britannia Gr'ds	Montreal, 11.4
" 8. McGill vs. Montreal..	McGill	" Montreal, 11.7
" 15. McGill vs. Britannia..	"	" Britannia, 8.5
" 22. Britannia vs. Montreal..	Montreal	" Montreal, 22.12
" 29. McGill vs. Montreal..	"	"
Nov. 5. McGill vs. Britannia..	Britannia	"

##### INTERMEDIATE.

Oct. 8. Montreal vs. Britannia..	Britannia Gr'ds	Montreal, 23.0
" 8. Quebec vs. Len'xvi'le..	Len'xvi'e	" Quebec, 18.12
" 15. Montreal vs. McGill....	Montreal	" McGill, 12.4
" 15. Britannia vs. Lennoxv'e..	Len'xvi'e	" Len'xvi'e, 33.0
" 22. Montreal vs. Quebec....	Quebec	" Quebec, 31.0
" 22. McGill vs. Lennoxv'e..	McGill	" McGill, 48.2
" 29. McGill vs. Britannia..	"	"
Nov. 3. Britannia vs. Quebec....	Britannia	"
" 5. Montreal vs. Lennoxv'e..	Montreal	"
" 5. McGill vs. Quebec....	Quebec	"

##### JUNIOR.

Oct. 1. McGill vs. Montreal..	McGill Gr'ds	McGill, 21.0
" 8. Montreal vs. Britannia..	Montreal	" Montreal, 33.0
" 15. Britannia vs. McGill....	Britannia	" Britannia, 4.2
" 22. Britannia vs. Montreal..	Britannia	" Montreal, 16.4
Nov. 5. McGill vs. Britannia..	McGill	"
" 12. Montreal vs. McGill....	Montreal	"

### Medical Class Reports.

On Tuesday the lower Lecture-room at McGill was the scene of a closely-contested election. The Fourth year men held their annual meeting for the purpose of filling the offices of President, Secretary and Class Reporter. It was well known for some time previously that two candidates were running for presidency, viz., Messrs. Bostwick and Ayles. Both men are very popular and the even distribution of the votes gave rise to much excitement. Mr. Carroll occupied the chair. At first it was announced that the vote had resulted in a tie, and a recount was demanded. The recount showed :-

Mr. Bostwick, 30.

Mr. Ayles, 28.

For the office of Secretary, Messrs. Cooper and McMorrine were proposed, Mr. Cooper being elected. Mr. Phillimore was chosen Class-Reporter.

One thing may be said, that although the elections were keenly contested, there was a marked absence of anything approaching ill-feeling.

When the "Students' Jemmic" rises before the Class in the Theatre of the Hospital, and scans the assembled students, every man becomes instantly absorbed in his note-book. When the unhappy victim has been summoned to tell all he knows, and a great deal more that he doesn't know, the remainder of the class gives utterance to a prolonged sigh of relief.

If I remember my French lessons rightly,  
Though I admit I was stupid and lazy,  
*La fleur* is the French for a *flower*,  
And Dr. Lafleur is a *daisy*!

Dr. Ruttan, who always takes a vast interest in McGill College Athletic Sports, has recently given the Meds a handsome notice-board for the posting of Athletic notices only.

For the convenience of Students attending the General Hospital the lectures are now given at the college in the morning, thus saving much unnecessary walking to and fro the Hospital.

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Indignation sits upon the noble brow of the Immortal Cook. Formerly the hour for closing each lecture was announced by the ringing of a time-honored bell which has survived many generations of medical students. And now the modern improvements of the city of Montreal have stepped into McGill. Cook's bell, with the horse-cars, is to be relegated to the past! Electrical gongs have been placed in the various Departments, and their deep, discordant "clangs" re-echo through the corridors of old McGill. "Them science fellows are playin' the deuce," exclaims the revered and conservative janitor, "I shan't know soon where my College has *gong* to!"

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Rumor hath it that one of the Final Year Medicine is about to write an "Ode to a Dollar Bill," commenting—

"I saw it but a moment—  
That crisp one dollar bill!"

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There is a large attendance of Third year men at the Fourth year lectures. This is the beginning of the session. "A new broom sweeps clean"

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An interesting anatomical item recently appeared in the *Montreal Gazette*. Here is an extract:—

"Montreal appears to have a small-sized man with a large œsophagus and an unusually developed vermiform appendage who..... stored away somewhere in the recesses of his interior ten dozen and three large sized malpecques."

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Yes, the appendix must have been pretty well developed, and the man who performed the feat would pose better as an anatomical curiosity than as the amateur record holder for the consumption of oysters.

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Doctor Roddick's genial presence in the theatre and wards of the Montreal General Hospital always reminds the student that old McGill still rules, for indeed one cannot think of McGill without thinking of Dr. Roddick, nor the reverse. His recent operation for removal of a portion of the lower jaw has called forth many encomiums of praise. Every move was marked by that calmness and decision which only comes from long experience and careful observation.

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The graduates and nurses of the M.G.H. have issued cards for an "At Home" to be held in the Victoria Armory, on Tuesday evening, Nov. 1st.

Mr. Robert M. Campbell, of Medicine '94, died on the 28th of August last, after a prolonged and very trying illness. The loss of Mr. Campbell will not only be felt by a wide circle of friends but also by the various organizations of the University in which he took an enthusiastic interest, and more especially by the University Young Men's Christian Association, of which he had been elected President for this session.

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The election of officers for the 3rd year Medicine resulted as follows:—President, H. E. York; secretary, Mr. James Pritchard, B.A.; Class reporter, Harry S. Shaw.

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Dissecting has begun early this session, material appearing as early as the 6th.

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O ye Freshmen, ye are a cheeky set. We have beheld you passing up many times and have oft listed to your loud talking in the dissecting room. Ye'd better lie low.

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The senior class in Practical Physiology has been divided, one division meeting on Friday, the other on Saturday. The class numbers over one hundred.

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Is your name Church?

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Wanted: to rent or borrow a pipe (smoking pipe), for use evenings in the dissecting room. Tobacco may accompany pipe. Leave pipe with Cook or N. McKinnon.

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Cook to Freshman: "Where is the chump you dissect with?"

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John Gleason is obliged to be out of town Saturday and Sunday of each week. He has charge of a drug store at Cowansville.

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We are glad to welcome to the Second Year, Mr. Quain of Trinity and Mr. Russell of Laval University.

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At a class-meeting of the Second Year, F. Johnstone was elected president and A. V. McGannon, secretary.

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Freshmen in Medicine number about 90, including dental students. They pull well together, and so far there are no splits.

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Officers are elected *pro tem* only, the fellows thinking it best not to be too familiar on so short acquaintance. The election for permanent officers will take place shortly.

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Plucking of Innocents has just begun in the Dissecting Room.

### Science Jottings.

Three cases of new chemical apparatus arrived recently from Germany, to be added to the all-ready splendidly equipped laboratories of the Third and Fourth years. A great deal is intended for organic analysis, and will replace tedious methods, hitherto taking up much valuable time, by quicker and more complete forms. A large number of laboratory requisites were also contained in the boxes, so as to enable the work of the various years to proceed in the most approved manner.

The Second and Third years in Chemistry and Mining do not appreciate the presence of the all-permeating freshmen in their laboratory, compelled by the increased number of students and inefficiency of the First year laboratory; but with the present state of things it cannot be avoided.

Dr. Harrington is having more time this year for work in his own laboratory owing to the Second and Third years Chemistry and Mining and the Class in Determinative Mineralogy being placed under the guidance of Mr. Nevil N. Evans.

A new sulphuretted hydrogen generator, of larger dimensions than the one now in use, is being made for the Second and Third year laboratory under the direction of Mr. Evans, and will be a present from Mr. Milton L. Hersey, chemist of the C.P.R. The apparatus will be of great benefit, as every former Chemistry student can readily perceive.

Van B. finds a partial outlet for his superabundant energy in vigorously chaining along tie-lines, etc. So swiftly does he move that his fellow-labors can with difficulty be persuaded to take the other end of his chain.

At the Sports, a number of Undergrads, were seen to be sporting artistic bows of steel grey and blue ribbons, which turn out to be the class colors of Applied Science '94, who hope that this, the first step in this direction, will receive general approval.

It is currently reported that Prof. Tressler of the Workman Building has become a freshman in Arts through taking the course in Chemistry.

We learn that the highly ornamental white ribbon worn on the cap of a certain instructor in the work-shops is an official badge of office and not merely due to the æsthetic taste of the wearer.

At a general meeting of Applied Science, the feeling was strongly in favor of a University pin rather than separate Faculty pins, though some of the years intend to have class pins before they graduate.

A prominent feature of the daily surveying excursion is A—th's lanky form, seen to the greatest advantage when side by side with a 15 foot surveyor's rod.

The election of class officers for 1892-93 in the different years in the Faculty of Applied Science has resulted as follows:—

4th Year: Pres., J. A. McPhail.  
Vice-Pres., W. P. Lawrie.  
Sec.-Treas., W. Bowden.  
3rd Year: Pres., A. R. Holden.  
Vice-Pres., W. A. Duff.  
Sec.-Treas., R. A. Gunn.  
2nd Year: Pres., W. Angus.  
Vice-Pres., F. A. Wilkins.  
Sec.-Treas., G. McDougall.  
1st Year: Pres., G. Alley.  
Vice-Pres., R. Balfour.  
Sec.-Treas., A. Purres.

The Science freshmen seem a very meek assortment. The 2nd year are waiting with commendable patience for hostile demonstrations and have even gently endeavored to stimulate such by capturing and elevating a few of the freshies but as yet without result.

Now that the Faculty of Applied Science has buildings for its exclusive use, the Students have inaugurated an Applied Science Reading Room, a cozy and very convenient room having been set aside by the Faculty for that purpose.

The Committee from the various years having charge of the Room consists of:—

T. McLeod, '93,	Chairman
L. Herdt, '93	
J. K. Henry, B.A., '94	
A. A. Cole, B.A., '94	
F. A. Wilkins, '95	
H. Jones, '96	

who have gathered together a select but varied assortment of the most popular monthlies and weeklies, besides the leading dailies from most of the large towns that send students to McGill.

The Applied Science Glee Club has opened its first year of active work, under favorable auspices, and looks forward to a profitable session's work.

The weekly practices, held in the top floor of the Technical Building, are thoroughly enjoyed by the members, and, under the leadership of the talented conductor, Mr. Price, should be of great musical value to those attending.

The officers and committee are as follows:—

Hon. Pres., Dr. B. J. Harrington.
Hon. Treas., Mr. N. N. Evans, M. Ap.Sc.
President, J. H. Featherston, '93
Vice-Pres., W. R. Askwith, '95
Secretary, A. R. Holden, '94
Treasurer, J. A. Burns, '93
H. D. Herdt, '93
J. H. Larmouth, '94
F. M. Becket, '95
S. McBean, '96

The Club expect to give a concert next February, and are asking for the cordial assistance of all the

Science students, that they may do honor to their Alma Mater and their Faculty.

We were pleased to see J. G. H. Purves, Ap. Sc. '92, about the buildings last week while on a short visit to the city. He is at present engaged at the Sydney Mines.

The Artsmen have a wide reputation for the word "push" on their front door. We suggest that they now substitute the word "pull."

Science not disheartened.

The morning following the sports a number of men were seen pulling a horse and roller about the football field in spite of the efforts of the horse to pull the other way.

We learned on enquiry that they were science men practising for next year's tug-of-war.

Q. Why did Mac "phail" to see a *Pyraisi* cross the meridian after his long and intent observation on Tuesday night? A. Because he tried to view her through an opaque metal shutter in the observatory roof, which a way had interposed between his line of vision and heaven's dome.

What's the matter with the smoking room of the Third Year Science, where the merry tale goes round while they rest from their labors.

Professor—Every breath you draw is an inspiration.  
Delighted junior—Does that hold good during exams?

Prof. putting a slide under the microscope.—Here are some nice epithelial scales from the inside of my cheek, examine them carefully and tell me what you think they look like.

Unthinking student—Metal disks, sir.  
Exit student.

### Law.

The Students in Law may now be considered as fairly settled down to hard professional work both in the office and lecture room.

The session opened on the 2nd of September last, several weeks before the other Faculties and lectures, have since been kept up with a regularity alarming to those whom necessity or intention forces to be absent.

First year registrations are larger than ever, and embody a strong Ottawa contingent.

Keen competition is looked for in the first year scholarships.

The election of Faculty Officers resulted as follows:—

President, Aimé Geoffrion; Vice-President, Gordon MacDougall, B.A.; Secretary-Treasurer, Wm. Patterson, B.A.

The Faculty Moot Court, for the trial of fictitious cases, has also been resumed. Choice of officers resulted as follows:—

President, A. R. Johnson, B.A.; Secretary-Treasurer, L. G. Glass; Committee, R. B. Hutchison, A. G. Jones, S. Carmichael.

Prof. Geoffrion, Q.C., has kindly consented to act as judge at the first meeting of the Court and has submitted the following case for the consideration of counsel—

A (creditor) is a creditor of B (insolvent) for \$10,00 and has a mortgage for his claim on real estate sold to C (*tiers-détenteur*) who has paid his purchase-price in full.

The claim of A (creditor) is further secured by a surety (D); B is an insolvent. A (creditor) has taken an hypothecary action against C for his claim. D (surety) who has made a legal tender to A for the full amount of his claim in capital, interest and costs before any plea filed by defendant C (*tiers-détenteur*) intervenes, makes a deposit (consignation) of the amount tendered and asks to be subrogated to A (creditor) and continue his action against C (*tiers-détenteur*).

C (*tiers-détenteur*) on the hypothecary action served upon him, files a declaration of his readiness to pay the amount of the mortgage, and also makes a *consignation* requesting subrogation to the rights of A (creditor). The Attorneys of A, C and D are invited to complete the issues and submit the case.

For Plaintiff, C. W. Harwood & W. Walsh.

For Defendant, F. J. Curran & L. G. Glass.

For Intervenant, A. R. Johnson & A. G. Jones.

A large addition has recently been made to the Faculty Library in the shape of some \$2,500.00 worth of Law books, purchased by our worthy Dean Trencholme during his vacation on the other side.

The collection consists of valuable French Law Reports as well as certain English sets invaluable to the careful student. The Faculty bids soon to equal if not eclipse any of the other Faculties in the completeness of its equipment.

Great satisfaction has been expressed by certain of the Professors, that the number of Students, especially in the second and third years, who were "forced" to catch trains about 4.30 p.m., has been materially diminished.

J.....hs is said to be memorizing Dalloz "*Recueils Alphabétiques*."

"Yes, gentlemen the pick of the Saxon Slave market went to Irish landlords." (Suppressed cheers from the Hibernian element in rear.)

Law is gradually becoming an athletic as well as an intellectual faculty.

The first fifteen of the Football Club has the support of four of our members.

With all due deference to the architects of the Fraser Institute, the Students in law would be greatly pleased if the subject of "Ventilation" could be solved without reference to the Code of Civil Procedure.

R.I.P.—The Italians of New Orleans have been again heard from; a modern instance of "*the empire of brutal force and superstition.*"

### Arts News.

In spite of the unusual havoc of the Matriculation examination, the Freshman class in Arts is extremely large.

How is the man who was "trying to scrape an acquaintance with the cinder track?"

The following have been appointed class reporters: 4th year, A. Mahaffy; 3rd year, W. P. Garret; 2nd year, R. H. Rogers; 1st year, G. Campbell.

Prof.: Are you an Undergraduate or a Partial, Mr. Softy? Mr. S.: I'm a Reverend.

Chaucer writes with considerable ease—final's, you know.

Arts is going to start a glee club, which, we suppose, every man will join at once. Twelve men were appointed to constitute a Committee, of which Mr. Donahue is chairman and Mr. MacKeracher is secretary.

The class of '94 is publishing a sheet of its own songs.

When the Arts tug-of-war team was in training, it went down to one of the police stations and practised with some of "*the finest.*" We presume the team tried to get on the good side of these gentlemen so that there might be no danger of their being *plucked* on Sports Day.

Every Freshman is desired to compete for the Faculty song and to sign his name three times a day in the Library register.

So active is my intellect,  
So pliant is my pen,  
They always put me in the list  
Of supplemental men.

The class elections in the several years resulted as follows:—4th year: pres., Mansur; vice-pres., Gordon; sec., Brown. 3rd year: pres., Day; vice-pres., A. Graham; sec., Boyd. 2nd year: pres., M. MacIntosh; vice-pres., Smyth; sec., A. Burnett. 1st year: pres.,

S. Archibald; vice-pres., W. Turner; sec., M. Edgar. The following were elected to the Reading Room Committee: from the 4th year, Hickson and McIver; from the 3rd year, Davis and MacKeracher; from the 1st year, Lynch and Molson.

Perhaps the most popular lectures in the Arts course are those in Zoology, given by Sir William Dawson, and which are at present efficiently taken by Mr. Deeks during Sir William's very regrettable illness. The Faculty may well feel proud that these lectures have not to be suspended or that foreign aid has not to be called upon. There is only one drawback that the students feel, and which will be particularly felt at the time of examinations, and it is that they are not supplied with phonographs. No stenographer need apply.

We are led to suppose that the French class of the third year are to form a French dramatic club under the direction of Professor Darcy. We have not yet heard what is the character of the play or when it is to be placed on the boards. We hope to give more particulars soon.

On Saturday at least the students of the second year do not suffer from lack of exercise. Some affirm that the Botanical "exertion" on Saturday forenoon is sufficient exercise for the whole week. The mountain is certainly a fine gymnasium.

The fourth year Arts made a grand muster this year. The examiners dealt somewhat kindly last spring—thanks for this irrepressible voice of conscience which seemed to be stilled during their first two years while their numbers were considerably diminished by the much-dreaded "plucking" process.

The freshmen of last session have returned to College in the dignified character of Sophomores. That annual epidemic known as the sessional exams, wrought sad havoc in their ranks—15 out of a class of about 45 having fallen victims to its ravages. Of the survivors a considerable number had to resort to *snaps* in order to finally eradicate the effects of the disease.

### Comparative Medicine.

At the annual meetings for the election of class officers in the different years, the foil wing were chosen.

#### THIRD YEAR.

President.....Glen Campbell.

Class Reporter..A. W. Tracy.

As president, "Glen," who is an extremely popular man, will no doubt perform his many duties in a satisfactory manner. A vote of thanks was then tendered the former president, A. S. Cleaves, for the very able method in which he discharged his duties in the past.

#### SECOND YEAR.

President..... Sherman Cleaves.

Class Reporter.... R. H. Grattan.

FIRST YEAR.

President.....J. C. Cutting.  
Class Reporter....B. K. Baldwin.

All the class of '93 have returned with the exception of Mr. Wylie and Stephens, who are daily expected.

"Buck" Ewing and Bruce Anderson are playing on the second team, and materially aided that team in piling up 12 against Montreal 2, on Saturday the 15th.

T. Sturrock, who was unavoidably absent the past two sessions, is back, and will graduate with the class of '93.

We are told by good authority that a departure from a certain equilibrium, which an organism in health always maintains, means a diseased condition. Was it to maintain this equilibrium that "Prof. Dick" of the Faculty of Comparative Medicine, finding that there was not enough material to feed his capacious cerebral cells in one faculty, did, in order that this vital balance be kept in a perfect state of co-ordination, join the Faculty of Human Medicine. We trust that he will be as popular in the latter as he was in the former.

Medical Students and others interested in zoology would find it greatly to their benefit if they would visit the Museum of the Veterinary College and view its most recent additions. The animals, though not numerous, are of great rarity, imported to this country from England at an enormous expense—so we are told.

The temporary aberration of the sense of sight, that the gods saw fit to inflict on the janitor of the Medical Faculty during the summer, has not lessened to any appreciable extent his acute powers of discernment, for he has already picked out the *likely* freshies among his old friends the Vets.

"Kit" is holding down his sit in a manner which, if imitated by others, would at least minimize considerable of the tribulations of this world.

The latest at the veterinary college is: "Where did you get that dog?"

The "Donalds."

The first year of Matriculated Donalds students is twenty in number, and in addition three, as partials are preparing to attain to this position at Christmas. We are pleased to notice that in the recent competitive examination for exhibitions, three of their number carried off the honors. This is a sign of the times, and but corroborates a remark made last year by Sir William Dawson, to the effect, that succeeding years bid fair to outrival those preceding in literary attainments and the winning of honors.

Officers for ensuing year elected as follows:—

FOURTH YEAR.

President.....Miss Millar.  
Vice-president..... " Macdonald.  
Secretary ..... " Boright.

THIRD YEAR.

President.....Miss Ogilvy.  
Vice-president..... " Craig.  
Secretary..... " Hargrave.

SECOND YEAR.

President.....Miss Seymour.  
Secretary..... " Cameron.

FIRST YEAR.

President.....Miss Hammond.  
Secretary..... " Henderson.

OFFICERS OF READING ROOM COMMITTEE.

President.....Miss Angus, Arts 1893.  
Sec.-Treas ..... " Warner, " 1894.

CLASS '93.

We are glad to welcome Miss F. Botterell back to McGill, after an absence of two years spent on the Continent, but regret that she is not to rejoin her old classmates.

The Honor Science Class expect to pass some very pleasant and profitable evenings this session, thanks to the kind hospitality extended to them by Dr. and Mrs. Adams.

Miss Ethelwyn Pitcher, gold medalist and valedictorian of Arts '92, is now gracefully fulfilling her duties as lady preceptress of Stanstead College. Though sorry to lose her from our midst, we are pleased that her sphere of usefulness is not limited, knowing that her influence is an elevating one on all who come within its range.

Class 1893 regrets that the happy hours spent with the French professor are to be regarded as past. Gone are the little lectures on etiquette, the gentle intimations to *parlez plus fort*, the ever fresh pun on the name of our youngest, which mark many a bright hour of our career.

By the way, will some one tell us if they have ever had any acquaintance with *soûpe-au-lait*?

Will our honor scientist kindly explain why calcic occurs in such close proximity to the relics of shoemakers' and tinmiths' wares?

Attention is drawn to the fact that important notices are adorning the frame of a mirror in Donalds halls. An explanation is requested.

A report has reached us to the effect that the last expedition of the geology class was marked by the important discovery of a new mineral "lumbago." Its composition may be hypothetical.

### Personals.

Dr Thos. Jamerson, Gold Medalist and Valedictorian of Class '92, has taken up his residence at Niagara Falls, N.Y. His lingering interest in this province was marked by a visit to the Eastern Townships a short time ago.

Dr. G. A. Berwick, of the Montreal Maternity, is, we are glad to state, making a good recovery from his recent attack of typhoid. During his illness his duties have been ably assumed by Dr. T. Taylor.

Dr. J. Norman Taylor (Class '92), of Ottawa, visited Montreal on Saturday, Oct. 15th. About fifteen thousand people greeted him as he appeared on the M.A.A. grounds, as one of the famous Capital Lacrosse Team.

Dr. J. L. Chabot (Class '92) has decided to permanently locate in Ottawa, his birthplace, where he is now doing a good practice.

Dr. Albert Johnston (Class '92) can be consulted at his office on Bleury st., Montreal.

Doctors Langley and Binnore (Class '92) are taking Post Graduate Courses in Edinburgh. It is said that the latter will return as a specialist in diseases of children.

Dr. Geo. H. Duncan, the dinner president (of Class '92), is now located in Victoria, B.C., associated with his brother Dr. J. A. Duncan.

Dr. O. T. McKinnon, the class president of '92, is now in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dr. H. W. Hamilton, B.A. (Class '90), has begun practice on Metcalfe st., Montreal.

Dr. Morphy (Class '90), during his college days one of the leaders of song, has drawn nearer to us, having come in from Lachine to Cote St. Antoine.

Dr. P. J. Hayes (Class '92) practises his profession in Montreal. His office is on Wellington st.

Dr. H. B. Carmichael (Class '92), the gentle anaesthetist of the M. G. H., was taxed to his utmost extremity of patience a few days ago, when his favorite

ætherizer was ruthlessly destroyed by an obstreperous patient. Dr. Carmichael lost a rubber bag, and the patient lost an offending stump.

Rev. John MacDougall, B.A. '86, missionary in China, has returned to Canada for a short time, on account of the ill-health of his wife.

James Le Rossignol, B.A. '88, has been appointed to the chair in Philosophy in the University of Ohio.

W. J. Messenger, B.A. '92, is lecturing in English in McGill College.

L. R. Gregor, B.A., is lecturing in German in McGill College.

W. H. Kollmyer, B.A. '92, is teaching in the Montreal Collegiate Institute.

A. B. Wood, B.A. '92, is Principal of St. Johns High School.

H. M. Jaquays, B.A. '92, is lecturing in St. Francis College.

R. MacDougall, B.A. '90, has gone to Harvard to study Philosophy and English Literature.

Donald Guthrie, B.A. '92, preached during vacation in Chalmers Church, Guelph. The *Toronto Mail* spoke highly of his sermon.

Among the visitors last week we noticed Mr. J. P. Ball, C.E., Applied Science '86, who is now engaged in the construction of the new sewerage in Chicago.

The Applied Science students regret very much that they did not return to town early enough to accord to Prof. Nicolson and his newly married bride the reception that was fitting on the occasion of the close of their wedding trip.

Prof. Chandler's new book on Differential and Integral Calculus is proving a great boon to his classes, and the fact of its being placed on the market at such a very low price is an evidence of the excellent feeling between the Professor and his students.

The appointment of Mr. R. S. Lea as lecturer in Mathematics and Drawing is one which is eminently satisfactory to all concerned, and is an instance of the appreciation which the Faculty of Applied Science has for its old students. Mr. Lea, who is a native of Prince Edward Island, graduated with the highest honors in 1890, and since then has obtained a broad practical experience of such a nature as to peculiarly fit him for his present position.

Mr. E. A. Davis has resumed his studies at McGill after an absence of about two years.

Mr. Moffatt comes to us from Morris College. Both gentlemen are registered at the Wesleyan Theological College.