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THERE is something sad in taking up for perhaps the last time a subject which has been the means of giving us so much copy as the Campus Scheme. A mass meeting was held on the 2nd, which was a very remarkable mass meeting in that a great deal of business was transacted. To secure funds for the work a loan will be asked for—to pay the interest on which and secure a sinking fund, about \$75 annually will be raised. This amount is very low as we see from the following:—The subscription to the Athletic Association has been placed at \$1, half of which will be devoted to the new scheme. From 300 students then \$150 could be raised and this sum will be augmented by the Foot Ball Clubs and by gate receipts. A loan of \$500 at 6 per cent would mean \$30 annual interest—so that even a novice in figures can see that the new scheme must be a success. Tenders will be immediately asked for the work, so that matches can be played next session on the new ground. A cinder path will be put round the ground. Perhaps we are slow but we are very sure.

WE have given in a former issue the invitation address to Queen's by the University of Edinburgh. The following answer will be read on the 18th of April by the Chancellor, who will represent Queen's in person. The answer has been suitably engrossed:—

## The Senate of Queen's College and University,

Kingston, Canada, avail themselves of the present auspicious occasion to offer their cordial congratulations to the authorities of the University of Edinburgh, to the University Court, the Senate and the University Council of that celebrated seat of learning. Founded when the desire for a higher education was being more widely felt, the University of Edinburgh has ever since exerted a most beneficial influence on the intellectual and religious development of the nation, while from its halls have gone forth, into all parts of the civilized world, those who have won eminence in the various spheres of activity and made its name illustrious. Among the Universities of Europe it has held a place second to none. Of the many distinguished men who have filled its chairs, the Gregory's, Maclaurin, Black, Playfair, Stewart, Hamilton and Chalmers, are names of renown in every land.

Queen's College was constituted by Royal Charter in the year 1841. Its founders modelled it after the Universities of Scotland, particularly after that of Edinburgh. The first Principal and Professors received their education in Edinburgh University, and two of the latest additions to its staff claim the same Alma Mater. We have special reasons, therefore, for rejoicing in the celebration of the Three Hundredth Anniversary of so great an Institution. No greetings of this day are warmer than those that are borne from the daughter across the sea. We thank God that you have done so much for the Cause of Religion and Science, and our earnest prayer is that your future will be crowned with even greater prosperity than your past, and that your fame will acquire a brighter lustre as the centuries come and go.

In name and by authority of  
Queen's College and University.

SANFORD FLEMING, *Chancellor.*

ALEXANDER MORRIS, *Chairman of Trustees.*

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**T**HOUGH the Missionary Association undertook more work than usual for next summer, the funds have been provided already for the travelling expenses required. A collection, taken on its behalf in Convocation Hall, when the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, B.D., preached, on April 6th, amounted to \$62.00. And the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland has sent a first donation of £50 sterling, specially for work in Manitoba and the North West. The Colonial Committee's donation is to mark their appreciation of the work undertaken by the students, and in view of "the interesting connection of long existence between Queen's College and the Church of Scotland." Such proofs of confidence should stimulate the Association to still greater things than they have yet accomplished.

**W**E HAVE the portraits of Liddel, Machar and Leitch, and we learn with much pleasure that we are to receive at next Convocation the portraits also of Ex-Principals Cook and Snodgrass. Old friends and students are presenting them, the portrait of Dr. Snodgrass executed by an Edinburgh artist, and Dr. Cook's by Notman of Montreal. Dr. Cook is entitled to a specially prominent place, for he not only filled the Principalship, but was our first Chancellor. We trust that he may find it possible to be present on the occasion to receive the portrait from the Rev. Robert Campbell who represents the donors, and to hand it over to the College authorities. The present generation of students would like to hear 'the old man eloquent.' It is possible that Dr. Snodgrass may also be present, and his portrait will be presented by the Rev. Alexander MacGillivray. These presentations, along with the valedictories, the prize poem, and probably speeches from distinguished visitors will make the Convocation on Tuesday afternoon as interesting as

the great Convocation on Wednesday always is. On Wednesday, the degree of D. Sc. will be conferred for the first time, in addition to the degrees of B. A., M. A., M. D., B. D., D. D., and LL. D. Visitors to the closing ceremonies of the Session would do well to come on Monday and remain till Thursday evening.

**T**HE Executive Committee of the University Council has published the programme for the closing ceremonies. On account of the *Conversazione* being held on Tuesday evening at 8 P.M., the Council, which is summoned to meet on the same evening at 7 P.M., will not have much time to spend on its deliberations; but it is understood that it will adjourn to meet on Wednesday morning, should any subject of importance come up for consideration. Would it not be well for the Council to discuss the University question, and indicate what attitude Queen's should take on such points as Federation, Legislative Aid and the whole relation of the Legislature to Higher Education?

**D**URING the last week our Association Foot-Ball team received a challenge from the Montreal club to play a match game either here or in Montreal on the 5th of May. Unfortunately our Club cannot accept. The session closes before the time mentioned; already some members of the team have left the city, and it is no made up team we want to put in the field against the above Club. However we take this first rate opportunity of remarking, first that the Montreal Club are to be congratulated upon having taken up the Association game and second that we hope to see them here early next Autumn, to assist at the opening of the University Lawn, by a Foot-ball Tournament.

SOME time during the coming August, the members of the American Canoe Association will hold their annual meeting on Grindstone Island. With the exception of last year, when the canoeists met on Stony Lake, the place of meeting has been at Lake George. This year, however, both the time and place are very convenient to Kingstonians, many of whom will no doubt avail themselves of the opportunity of spending a couple of weeks in such an enjoyable way. It is more than probable that quite a number of the boys of Queen's will be on hand. Would it not be a good idea, then, for all such to rally under one flag and form a Queen's College Camp? To arrange matters properly a meeting should be held at once, when details as to uniform, place of meeting, etc., could be attended to.

FOR some time we have been deliberating whether we should descend to notice the *Globe* and *Mail* and their respective hosts of political parasites, as they wrangle over this "bribery scandal." An editorial, however, in the last issue of *'Varsity* has determined us that we too should denounce this dust-throwing by which the organs are endeavoring to cloud the political atmosphere and hide whatever is questionable in the doings of their "party." To discuss the question itself is yet premature. On the surface a moral victory seemed to have been gained by the Government, but they are putting it to a bad use indeed. We do not believe that the majority of either party will sanction all that has been done by either side. Surely the Conservative party of Ontario is too great and respectable to need descend to bribery to carry on its opposition; surely its stock of good men and true is not so low as that it needs bolster and defend such shams as some of its agents have proved themselves to be; surely too the prospects of the Reform party have not waned so much that

they need glory in this national disgrace and hasten to use it as political capital. If ever there was a time when an honest expression of opinion, an honest endeavor to punish wrong simply because it is wrong, would be hailed with satisfaction by all whose opinion is worth the having it is now, and yet we find this question being argued altogether upon side lines and with a much wordiness which bids fair to swamp completely the real point at issue.

*'Varsity* believes that the remedy for all such evils is to be found in the better education of our legislators. To this we subscribe; but if the political press continues to give such pictures of public life in Canada as we have of late been treated to we would like to ask, what encouragement is there for our young men to enter politics when they feel that to be successful they must adopt means which outrage their sense of honor and of patriotism; what a prospect too if the laws and interests of our young dominion must continue to be so prostituted till the leaven of better education shall have given public opinion back bone enough to sweep forever from recognition the lobby politicians who now reign, and to assert to the world that if such policy was ours, 'tis not ours now.

SOME of our readers may be desirous of getting behind the scenes to know something of the working of the JOURNAL from a business point of view—a very worthy desire and one which to a small extent we can satisfy in a short notice. Statutory declaration has just been made to our circulation as 625. The actual number may be somewhat larger as we pay for an average issue of 640. In many cases one JOURNAL falls into the hands of a score of readers so that we are not over the mark in placing the number of our readers at at least 3000, and these are scattered from Ocean to Ocean

though we say it, who should'nt say it. Certain improvements are mooted for next session,—an addition of four pages to the size and also an artistic cover. All this means an additional outlay of perhaps \$150 and it is a question whether the subscription should not be increased. Among additional announcements for next year we hope to receive the professional cards of many of our medical and legal graduates. A one inch space will cost you \$3, smaller space \$2. Send your cards to the business manager. They will be encouraging to us, profitable to yourselves, and interesting to your old classmates and all our readers.

### ❖POETRY.❖

#### ANTICIPATION.

ANTICIPATION is the oil that feeds  
 The flame of life. It is the Siren fair  
 That sings at twilight in the hollow reeds,  
 And drowns the moaning discord of despair.  
 Nay, now in darkest hour it comes to me  
 It dulls the edge of every present care  
 Blots from the tablets of the memory  
 What hath been ill, or is, inscribing there  
 In golden letters, that which yet may be  
 Of earth's good things my individual share ;  
 And should the days be drearier in age,  
 And disappointment part of my estate,  
 With fortune I shall not a warfare wage,  
 But sing my song as now, as now anticipate.

GEO. F. CAMERON.

Patience Hath its Reward.—The cup representing the Football Championship will be here in a few days. While speaking of football we wish to remark to the proper Committee that arrangements should be made by which the suits as soon as ready can be expressed to those wishing them.

A girl's favorite Roman hero.—Marius.

The *Wooster Collegian* has a libel suit on hand. It satirized a fair co-ed some forty years of age who now brings a suit for damages to the tune of \$40,000. 'Rah for co-education.

Prof. explaining a point in physiology : " Now take my arm." A co-ed who has been dozing on the back seat rouses up and murmurs : " Thank you, I guess I will ; it is rather slippery ; " and then seeing the whole class look round subsides into blushes.

We have always expressed our opinion of our contemporaries without regard to consequences, and it is highly probable that we shall continue so to do, until the *Sunbeam* is no more.—*Sunbeam*. Ha, that's news !

### LABORATORY NOTES.

#### ATMOSPHERIC DUST.

ON January 13th, 1884, a large quantity of snow was collected from a point about half way between the University building and the Observatory. The snow was melted, evaporated to dryness, and the dark residue was examined with the microscope. With a low power it appeared to be composed of black particles matted together by delicate fibres. Here and there were the characteristic crystals of common salt, resembling four stairways narrowing down to a central point. With greater magnification the black particles were seen to be irregular masses of carbonaceous matter, and the fibres appeared to be chiefly of vegetable origin, such as cotton. One or two fibres were evidently from colored cloth. These substances were derived from the smoke and dust of the city, but they did not constitute the whole of the residue. With a very high power there could be seen thousands of minute, transparent, colorless granules along with larger particles of an irregular shape and glassy appearance. These resembled very much figurings and descriptions of volcanic dust which have been published. In addition to these irregularly shaped particles, there were many definite crystals of a prismatic form which gave a fine play of colors when viewed with the polarised light. In order to test the solubility of these substances a drop of water was allowed to find its way among them. The salt crystals disappeared, all the other objects remaining undissolved. The prismatic crystals are in all probability of volcanic origin, as they are not usual constituents of atmospheric dust. Then a quantity of the residue was tested with a magnet. The poles of the latter became covered with black particles arranged in the characteristic way. These were scraped off and placed on a clean glass slide. When the magnet was brought slowly near they were *seen* to spring to it, leaving no doubt as to their magnetic nature. (It must be remembered, however, that there are iron works in this neighborhood, and it is possible that these particles may have originated from their furnaces. To test this and other interesting points, it is the writer's intention to carry on a series, continuous as far as possible, of examinations of rain and snow during the coming years.) These magnetic particles are very characteristic of volcanic and meteoric dust. A second sample of snow freshly fallen on March 10th, gave a somewhat different residue. Besides the usual dust and smoke particles there were crystals of common salt, and a few very small prisms somewhat like the much larger ones described above. The minute granules were there in great force and a few needle-like crystals of ammonium nitrate were noticed.

The conclusions to be drawn from this examination of atmospheric dust are favorable to the 'dust' theory of the *green sun*, purple sunset glow, and other phenomena which followed the volcanic eruption of Krakatoa. The dust which came down with the snow of January 13th

contained larger particles than that which fell on March roth. The large heavy particles fell faster and reached the earth first. Later came the more finely divided matter. No doubt a careful and continuous examination of the dust which falls during our Canadian winters will reveal some interesting facts.

Queen's University, Kingston, March 26th, '84.

**WHAT I SAW.**

NO. III.—I. O. U.

The other day our reporter wandering through the corridors was attracted by strange sounds, apparently issuing from Divinity Hall. He was about to liken them to the noise of the roar of many waters, but they had not the booming rhythm of such rushing swelling floods as they break upon the shore. However, he thought it would be well to investigate the cause of this unnatural phenomenon and accordingly he entered the room. It was a picturesque sight. Scattered about the room, some sitting, some standing, some talking and some keeping silence, were twenty or thirty young men, whom he thinks he has seen before, clothed but he is afraid, not in their right minds. Indeed he came to the conclusion that the Hall must now be used as a temporary mad-house, especially intended for those whose insanity is the result of *debt*. They were there in all stages from the imbecile to the raging maniac. When our reporter entered they had all risen with one accord and were shrieking forth in one long agonizing cry, (freezing the blood in his veins and raising on end the hair of his bald spot,) whose burden he caught amidst snatches of horrid laughter to be the awful words, I. O. Poor creatures these words seemed to haunt them, showing the mental agony in which they writhed.

Alas! for the rarity  
Of Christian charity,  
Under the sun;  
Oh! it was pitiful!  
Near a whole room full,  
Coin they had none.

Again and again the sickening cry was repeated, rising sometimes to a shout of appalling intensity and then dwindling dolefully down to a dismal wail of dark despair. Then a dreamy far away look would come into their eyes as they looked into space and pictured in their delirious imagination, a pitiless unrelenting creditor and with a gasping groan they would mutter, I. O. U. Verily so affected was our tender hearted scribe by the awful yet touching scene, that he joined with them in the sweet and soothing words of Walt Whitman, "Oh, you! Oh, me too! Oh, me some more! Oh thunder!!!" Then a sudden frenzy would seize hold on them and with clenched fists and rigid limbs, showing the smoldering and scarcely subdued passion that surged through their veins, they would grind forth the guilt-proving words, I. O. U. This would be as quickly followed by another freak of their disordered brains, as uttering the same criminating articulations, they jerked them out by the wildest and most fantastic gesticulations. At one time throwing their hands heavenward in imploring supplication, or with a hit-out-from-the-shoulder movement, they would level the finger of scorn in derision at one another, while a few, seemingly having a vague idea that the day of their trials and tribulations was over, and that they were being changed in some mysterious way into those little flying cherubs we have seen in three-for-a-cent chromos, who float with seraphic movement through the air, flapped their arms with bird-like grace. Here the reporter hid his face for something in his handkerchief, striving in vain

to control the inward convulsions that racked his sympathetic body. In the meantime their Keeper, taking advantage of the exhaustion in which these supernatural exhibitions had left them, by some mesmeric magnetism brought their wills completely under his control. He had apparently come to the conclusion that since they must make these unearthly noises and fantastic gestures, they might as well do it if possible in an oratorical, rhetorical, and theatrical manner, and he is spending his time in the vain hope of making them artists of the first water. Accordingly, when our man looked up again he had commenced to put them through their facings. Taking their own words, he was seeking to teach them to drop their voice deep down in the depths of their throats and gradually raise it with a swelling roll until it reached a note Adelaide Patti might be proud of. It is not known whether these poor young men envied the execution of these extremes or not, but it is of no importance, for though they grew green with envy they could never reach them. The individual attempts, as they were called upon by the Keeper, to go through these vocal gymnastics, were combination gems of ridiculous sublimity. Some of them on the word of command would clutch the back of a bench with nervous grasp, moisten their teeth with a forward stroke of their tongue and wet their lips as it swept back again, pucker their mouths into a good imitation of a fish like the Snucker, and then all being wrought up to a proper pitch, would gasp O-O-o as if they were the same fish dying. One of the patients was so short that he found it utterly impossible to get anywhere near the low notes, so he was a failure likewise. These choice exhibits were interspersed with others whose nasal excellency would have put an old New England farmer to shame. The rendering of the "Bells," especially the "Wedding Bells," their special fondness for which was painful to witness, probably reminding them of a happy by-gone day, though whether of their own nuptials or those of their parents it was not for us to surmise,—was very musical and harmonious if you don't care what you say. But the most electrifying event of the hour was the vocal charge of the Light Brigade. On the command to make ready, each man began to inflate himself with wind, until by the redness of their faces, the painful protrusion of their optics, the knotted veins upon their foreheads and the marvelous distension of their cheeks, it seemed as if something would soon give way, but just at this moment the order was given to charge, and the result of this sudden letting loose of these pent up forces was simply terrific. Explosion after explosion rent the air in the most startling manner, leaving the men in such an excited condition that it is well they were not the original brigadiers. From the fierce deeds of the soldiery, they next turned to peaceful rural scenes, and in the recital of that pathetic reminiscence, "It's just twenty years ago, Tom," the audience of one was vividly reminded of his early school days, when he and his comrades used to read the same selection all together to the sweet tune of monotony. This was followed by an exercise in gesticulation of really fine pantomimic effect if it is intended they should be vehicles of meaning, for some of them told the writer of long practice in the nursery, one would almost think the child was really there, as they tossed up and down their hands and arms, so natural was the movement. We congratulate especially a tall "Blue Nose" on his success in this line. Others again, instead of crying for the moon made frantic endeavors to pluck it from its place in the firmament. The whole exhibition was wound up by a recitation from one of the inmates, which was a genuine piece of oratory rendered with the easy gracefulness peculiar to the speaker. We don't remember what it was about now, but the latter part was finished in something of this style: Keeper, (*sotto-voce*) "How doth " Patient, (full and strong);

"How doth"; Keeper, "the little" Pat., "the little"; K., "busy bee," P., "busy bee"; "Delight,"—"Delight"; "to bark and bite,"—"to bark and bite"; "It gathers honey all the day,"—"It gathers honey all the day;" and eats it up at night,"—"and eats it up at night."

Upon making enquiries afterwards we were told, though we could hardly believe our ears, that these gentlemen are not insane at all, and what we had just visited, the result of which we have depicted above, was the Elocution Class.

### ✽CORRESPONDENCE.✽

To the Editors of the Q. C. Journal.

DEAR SIRS:—I undertake to write you on a point about which many of those in the University, who have a sense of the fitness of things I know must have often exercised themselves privately, but to which no one seems to have been moved, so far as I can remember, to allude publicly. The subject is to a certain extent a delicate one; but as the JOURNAL is the medium through which topics interesting to Students may be discussed, there can be no harm in bringing it up at this juncture.

I allude to the absurd fashion, which it seems custom has decreed, that graduates should assume for their laureation. I am no man milliner, but I am confident that many will agree with me in deprecating that incongruous style in which succeeding classes have seemed to think it necessary to imitate their predecessors. I will not describe it—in fact I could not, but the chief characteristics are a white choker and white kids. It would appear to be an attempt at full dress. But this cannot be, for men who for years have had the customary swallow tail, discard it on Convocation Day, but still seem to think the choker and kids necessary for the laureation to pass off with due *eclat*. How many of those passing through College are not society men and have no thought of becoming so—and so do not possess what is called "full dress"; then I say, why in the name of all that is sensible, do they not content themselves with wearing ordinary morning dress. Full dress to which choker and white gloves are incidents, is meant to be worn alone, add academic costume to it and the appearance of the wearer is not only not fashionable— if that be the idea aimed at, but it is the reverse of sensible. But honestly I don't believe there is any particular idea aimed at. The fashion I complain of is just begotten of custom, and you will agree with me that foolish customs should be done away with, when the conviction of their absurdity is arrived at. I trust that the remarks in this letter will not be thought to be those of a fastidious critic. Those who dislike incongruities I am sure will not think me such. Let me finish, Sirs, by expressing a strong hope that the next blossoming batch of Bachelors will set a new fashion in this matter and not make necessary any more such communications as this. From an

ALUMNUS.

NOW that the holidays are close at hand and the season of repairs and improvements is approaching I wish to call the attention of the Senate and Students to the consideration of a matter which I am sure will meet with the hearty approval of all.

Many students have a vacant hour or two between classes and consider it but a waste of time to go home owing to the distance of their boarding house from the college. Many also compare lectures, and still another class indulge in an occasional "Grind." Now, cannot a room be fitted up in the Basement where this work

could be done and thus save the Students the trouble of running from one boarding house to another at night trying to collect the fragments of some lecture. As it is, such work cannot be done in the college, as it cannot be done without talking and talking is prohibited in the Reading room. In all the other leading Educational institutions in the Province we find such rooms, even in the Royal Military College, an institution of Order and Discipline we find a room of this kind. Now if other institutions have proved them a success (and decidedly they have or they would have abolished them) why can we not have one in Queen's? Other institutions have their Reading rooms, Lecture rooms &c., but they have this room too. Since Queen's is not a Residency I know of no better means of binding the students together and causing them to realize that they are students of the same Alma Mater. I hope that this mention of the matter will be sufficient to cause the students to take action and let us have the room in readiness for the beginning of next session.

### ✽COLLEGE SOCIETIES.✽

#### OSSIANIC SOCIETY.

THE above Society held its annual meeting on Saturday, March 22nd. Matters concerning the welfare of the Society were discussed at length. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Patrons— { M. C. Cameron, M.P.  
              { Rev. H. Lamont, D.D.

Bard—Evan McColl.

Hon. President—Rev. J. Chisholm, B.A.

President—John McNeil.

Vice-President—Neil Campbell, B.A.

Secy.-Treas—M. McKinnon.

Librarian—J. McKinnon.

Executive Committee—Profs. Harris and Nicholson, D. M. Robertson, J. McLeod, B.A., and W. A. McPherson.

#### Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

REV. DR. T. L. CUYLER sent the following message to the Annual meeting of the New York, Y. M. C. A.'s: "Follow Paul in doctrine, Lincoln in patriotism, and Moody in work for souls."

The Association at the University of Michigan, have purchased a lot for \$2,500.00, and purpose erecting a building upon it at an estimated cost of \$15,000.00. The members of this Association have faith in the future. They believe that Christ's work in the Colleges, is to be a permanent one, growing and strengthening from year to year, hence they seek to provide a building, which, in the years to come, will afford every possible convenience for the promotion of that work in their loved Alma Mater.

At present there is only one building owned by a College Y. M. C. A., it is that of the Hanover College Association, Indiana. However, nearly all of the College Associations in the different states have at least one room, nicely furnished, and fitted up specially for this work. Prominent workers say that they find this absolutely essential to success. If any College Association is to exert the best possible influence, it requires not only a room in which to hold its different meetings, but some place

which it can call its own, a Home, so to speak, made sacred by the memories of friendship and Christian fellowship to which the strangers may be invited, a centre from which radiate a thousand helpful influences.

For us at Queen's it may seem altogether vain even to speak of obtaining a room solely for the use of our Association, since every room in or about the College is already fully occupied; still the fact remains that we need one, and if we keep alive the expectation and desire, the opportunity of obtaining one may present itself much sooner than we imagine.

In the meantime it is not possible to make a better use of the means already in our power for reaching and interesting new students, and promoting a general friendliness among all? Certainly it is. At present, we know it to be a fact that many of the freshman class often spend a whole session at College without becoming personally acquainted with more than a few of their fellow-students. For the last two or three years at the beginning of each successive session the Y. M. C. A. has talked of having a reception for the new students; but it has always ended in talk. Now, it is certain that in no way are young men so easily influenced either for good or evil as through their social nature, and at no time during their College course are they so open to influence as at the very beginning. Consequently a Reception such as has been proposed—a free and easy social happy time—is the very thing required, and ought to be a regular feature in our Y.M.C.A. work. We have talked long enough, the beginning of next session is the time to act, and that there be no failure, would it not be well to make arrangements as far as possible at the last business meeting this spring?

#### ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

THE officers of this Association for the coming year are:—

- Hon. President—Prof. Marshall.
  - President—T. A. Bertram.
  - Sec.-Treas.—W. G. Bain.
  - Com.—Divinity—S. W. Dyde.
  - Arts—G. W. Mitchell, H. H. Pirie, J. J. McLennan.
  - Medicine—J. Stirling, W. F. Coy, H. A. Martin.
- This Association has charge of the Campus Improvement Scheme.

Affairs are lively in University College just now. The Society election is over and the result indicates that the vote must have been throughout on straight party lines—the majorities ranging in the neighborhood of 9. We quote from a letter received from one who is evidently of the "outside party." "We had a wild time all that night. Last year the "Inside party" got the start of us but this year we took old father Time by the forelock and also by the fetlock and got the start of them. We got an organization of about 50 fellows to hold the entrance and they hoisted the other fellows round just as they pleased. \* \* \* The glee club made a tour through Galt and Guelph. In Galt we were treated as princes of the blood. In Guelph our audience was not large but those who stayed away will "thrash their dads," when they learn what a treat they missed."

### ⇒DIVINITY HALL.←

THE Bulletin of the Home Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church is just published, containing the names of students who have undertaken to do mission work this summer, and the names of the Presbyteries to which they have been appointed. The following is a list of our own Students:—

- GLENGARRY—Alex. McLachlan, '84.
- OTTAWA—John Moore, B.A., '81, and Robert Gow, B.A., '83.
- BROCKVILLE—Fred. W. Johnston, '85.
- LANARK & RENFREW—Adam R. Linton, B.A., '81, Johnston Henderson, '85, Jas. A. Brown, B.A., '83.
- KINGSTON—Jas. Bennett, B.A., Alex. McAulay, B.A., '83, Louis Perrin, '84, Rich. Whiteman, '86, D. J. Hyland, '85, Stephen Childerhose, '84, Alex. K. McLeod, Jas. P. McNaughton, '84, John McKinnon, '86, Jas. W. H. Milne, '85, Will. Allan, '86, Geo. R. Lang, '85, Jas. F. Smith, '85, Will. Hay, B.A., '83, Peter M. Pollock, B.A., '81.
- BARRIE—N. McKay, '87, Thos. McEwan, '87.
- PETERBORO—Orr Bennett, '86.
- TORONTO—Alfred Gandier, '84, Jas. Rattray, '86.
- OWEN SOUND—John Hay, B.A., '81.
- GUELPH—Jas. A. Grant.
- CHATHAM—John McLeod, B.A., '83.
- SARNIA—And. Patterson.
- MANITOBA—Arpad Givan, B.A., '83, Donald Munro, '84.

AMONG the many wise things the trustees of Queen's have done lately, one of the least important has not been the appointment of Rev. Professor Parker of Trinity College Toronto, as Watkins lecturer in elocution. It is very difficult to get a teacher in elocution whose mannerisms do not entirely outweigh any good he accomplishes. On the other hand there are excellent public readers and speakers who are complete failures as far as teaching is concerned. Good teaching ability, freedom from glaring mannerisms, and a simple natural system, are indispensable to a successful professor of elocution. All these Prof. Parker seems to possess. He has come rather late in the session for students to profit fully from his excellent teaching yet all who have attended his instructions unanimously express their satisfaction with the genial professor's efforts. We hope his appointment is a permanent one.

THE members of the graduating class in Theology wish to express their appreciation of the kindness of an unknown friend in Montreal who has presented each of them with a copy of Mr. Croil's useful and interesting book, "The Missionary Problem." Hundreds of books are yearly donated to large libraries where the majority of them lie buried forever. Hence as Dr. Talmage says—"Many public libraries are but the sepulchres of old books." How much wiser it would be to follow the course of the kind Montreal friend and apply some of this wasted money in adding a useful book now and again to the scanty libraries of students and pastors.

THE eight graduates in Theology—John Moore, B.A., Peter M. Pollock, B.A., Adam R. Linton, B.A., James F. Somerville, B.A., James Murray, B.A., James Bennett, B.A., Daniel McTavish, M.A., and W. H. W. Boyle passed a most successful preliminary examination before the Presbytery of Kingston, on the 18th of March. Their examination for license to preach, is to take place before the same Presbytery on the 29th of April. They will therefore be licensed to preach in all probability before the College session closes. Lose no time is the spirit of the age.

### POPULAR APOLOGETICS.

WHILE the Science of Apologetics in its learned aspect is taught with more or less efficiency in all our Theological Colleges, yet young men upon leaving College often find themselves unable to answer popular objections to religion, that meet them on all sides. To answer such cavils and difficulties with the arguments and syllogisms of Scientific Apologetics, would be somewhat like shooting mosquitos with a Krupp cannon. Yet mosquito sceptics are very conceited and persistent and generally give the christian worker more trouble than the Goliath infidels. The veriest children, with a wise sort of look, call themselves Agnostics, and though it is not difficult to show an intelligent man the fallacies underlying Agnosticism, yet it is difficult to make it so simple that these children may understand they are but fools. A mere numskull will tell you now-a-days with the utmost assurance that Buddha and Mahomet are as well entitled to be called Saviours as Christ. To the thorough student of comparative religions this objection has no weight, but how can we show this in a popular way to a man who knows little about Buddhism and has never seen a copy of the Koran in his life! In short, much of our defence of religion like much of our preaching, has been above the heads of the common people. A man without logic or reason can stand upon a platform and set forth his objections in such a ridiculous light as to draw forth shouts of applause. Thus the *profanum vulgus* are laughed into scepticism by men who in their ignorance contradict themselves in almost every sentence they utter. Let students be trained to answer these objections and they will always be ready to give a Roland for every Oliver.

### ROYAL COLLEGE.

#### MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

THE Examinations in Medicine are over and the Medical Students are happy or the reverse, according as the decision of the examiners was "passed" or "plucked."

Now seems the appropriate time to make a few observations upon the method of conducting these examinations.

We will first notice a few respects in which improvements have been made and then suggest some alterations which we think would be for the better.

The examinations are of two kinds—written and oral—

every student must take both. This is well. In the first place it is a severer test and in the second place it avoids the possibility of any student cribbing his way through.

The questions for the written are dictated by the examiner. This precludes the possibility of students obtaining the questions before the examinations and is therefore to be commended.

The order of merit is not published—all the satisfaction a student can now obtain (*i.e.* officially) is that he has been successful or has failed. Formerly every student had the satisfaction of knowing exactly what percentage he made in each subject. "Why was the change made?" might be reasonably asked. The Faculty say, because occasionally a student was dissatisfied with his marks in some subjects. So that it happens that because of the old system causing dissatisfaction to one student, they abandoned the old system for the new which gives satisfaction to none but dissatisfaction to all. Moreover we believe that a student has the right to know what percentage he makes. It seems to us rather a cavalier method of treating the students to say to them, "you have passed" or "you have been plucked." Besides were the order of merit made known there would be better work done by the students in general. At present the only way in which a student can have his name specially mentioned is to win a prize and as the number of prizes is limited all cannot get one. A student who wins a prize is no better, as far as the published lists show, than one who has got through by the "skin of his teeth." We would greatly like to see a return to the old system in this particular.

To the mode of conducting the honor examinations all the students most emphatically object and we most certainly agree with them. At present the rule is that every student who makes 60 per cent. in every subject has the right of being examined for honors. So far so good—we hold that every student who comes up to the standard should be enrolled in the calendar as an honor man and should also be furnished with a certificate to that effect. As a matter of fact however every student who makes the required percentage does not go up for honors. Before the examinations begin he must signify his intention to the examiners, of going up for honors. Now many students not feeling confident of taking this high stand do not send in their names as honor candidates and are thus shut out from any chance of winning honors. Moreover as the standing of the students is not published it is never known (*i.e.* from an official source) who are entitled to compete and who are not. All who have had sufficient confidence in their own ability to meet the requirements and have signified their intention of so doing are allowed to go up. Now as a matter of fact, though the results are not published, it is well known in the college that, in the past, students who have not made their 60 per cent. in all subjects, because they had the cheek to send in their names, have been allowed to compete for honors and have been awarded the positions notwithstanding the fact that others had made the required per cent. but had not sent in their names. This is, to say the least, manifestly unjust and we sincerely hope that before next spring this crying evil and glaring injustice will be rectified.

The *Gazette* says that Lord Dalhousie in answer to Prof. Schurman wrote that all educated Scotchmen would pronounce the "ou" in Dalhousie like the "ow" in "now."

"What are you laughing at, my dear?" asked Mrs. Jones of her husband, who was chuckling over his morning paper. "Something I saw here," he replied; "but it's hardly funny enough for two."—*Adelphian*.



→PERSONALS.←

REV JOHN MORDY, M.A., '75, has resigned the pastorate of St. Paul's Church, Walkerton.

PETER M. POLLOCK, B.A., '81, occupied the pulpit of the Congregational Church in Brockville, Sunday the 30th ult.

DR. JAMES D. DUNLOP, Napanee, who attended the Royal last session, has secured the practice of the late Dr. McGurn, at Alpena, Mich., and has already taken up his abode there.

REV. H. LAMONT, D.D., an Alumnus of '64, formerly of Dalhousie Mills, Glengarry, was inducted on the 27th of February, to the pastoral charge of Florence and Dawn in the Presbytery of Chatham.

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD, LL.D., '63, Premier of the Dominion is, we are sorry to say, suffering from so severe a cold as to be incapacitated for the performance of his essential duties for the present.

CHAS. T. EMPEY, M.D., '80, entered into "a world-without-end bargain" with a young heiress, Miss Edith Nelson, at Cross Hills, Yorkshire, Eng., on the 12th ult. We "wish them all sorts of prosperity."

PRINCIPAL GRANT and the Rev. Dr. Jardine, M.A., B.D., '63, opened the new church in the village of Renfrew on Sabbath, March 9th, with appropriate and impressive dedicatory services. This church, costing between \$13,000 and \$14,000, is entirely free from debt.

REV. JOHN JENKINS, D.D., LL.D., Montreal, one of the Trustees of our University, is at present supplying with much acceptance, the pulpit of St. Andrew's Church, during the absence of its pastor in Scotland. The doctor is preaching a series of five discourses on "Natural and Revealed Theology."

Rev. John Ferguson, M.A., B.D., '79, of Chesley, Ont., has just closed a most successful series of evangelistic meetings in connection with his congregation. The congregation has nearly quadrupled since his ordination there four years ago, and a fine new church is in course of erection.

REV. THOS. WARDROPE, D.D., '80, Guelph, Rev. Kenneth MacLennan, M.A., '49, Charlottetown, P. E. I., Rev. Prof. McLaren, D.D., '83, Knox College, Toronto, and Principal McKnight, Halifax, are the nominees of the different Presbyteries so far for the Moderatorship of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, which meets June 4th, in St. James' Square Church, Toronto.

This is not a joke, therefore don't laugh. It is written for whom it may concern, therefore hold an inquiry meeting in your mind. But especially for Divinity students, therefore ye guilty ones give heed unto my words. It is not meet that an unordained man should conduct divine worship in a gown, the insignia of that office. It is not meet that while in the pulpit, bandana or silk handkerchiefs should be used. Such gaudy apparel is an insult to the feelings and a grievous abomination to a cultured audience and not to be countenanced even in the backwoods. Let a word from the wise be sufficient.

→DE NOBIS NOBILIBUS.←

THE Prof. of Physics the other day, speaking of the number of syllables a person could articulate in a second, said that the average number was set at 5 or 6. But he added, though he had made numerous attempts he had not been able to pronounce more than 3 per second; he had, therefore come to the conclusion that this statistician must have been experimenting on women. We leave it to the ladies to decide whether this is a compliment or not, though Shakespeare says "to be slow in words is woman's only virtue."

*Johnny Morgan with acoustical variations:*

Professor Marshall plays the organ,  
While Dennis kicks the drum,  
The boys, they bang their tambourines,  
And they all have so much fun.

Some of the members of the class called for a song to accompany the Prof's. instrumental, but he couldn't see it in that light.

Conundrum.—Why is a certain student boarding on William street always in twilight?

Because he lives between *Knicht* and *Day*.

In answer to the Professor of Hebrew, Mr. G——n insisted that the derivation of *Virgin* is *vir*—a man and *gin*—a trap.

Excited Soph—(after lecture in logic). No sir! Prof. Watson can't prove me to be a fool by *that* method.

Mr. M.—Well he can by another very easily.

Soph.—What is it?

Mr. M.—By *Immediate Inference*.

Our Staff, as of course it is needless to inform our admiring readers is the *creme a la creme* of the University, and that such loveliness as ours might be perpetuated, as the sparkling brilliancy of our thoughts have been in these eleven numbers, it was decided after much anxious thought to have our 'pictur took,' that it might stand as a beacon light to guide in the choice of future JOURNALS, staffs, in short, that it might become the imperial standard. For we ourselves fully realize that through us the JOURNAL has reached the Augustan period of its history. We felt that the eyes of the literary world were upon us, and that duty called us to sacrifice ourselves for the good of posterity, notwithstanding our proverbial innate modesty and our unnatural shrinking from being brought in the remotest manner into public notice. The fatal day and hour therefore were named when we should meet at the place of torture. We need not tell of the hours it took to induce our heroic members to toe the scratch. Nor how the fighting Ed. was forced to fix his eyes on a pretty girl's photo, but was not allowed to wink at her on pain of instant ejection. Nor how it took a whistling animal of unknown species, two abbreviated humming birds and a mutilated rabbit to keep the Divinity men in focus. Nor how the Man. Ed. and the Sec.-Treas. tried to look learned and business-like over an interesting treatise on such momentous questions as, "Is it an ox?" and another book dedicated to the Lost tribes of Israel. Nor how our Medico was allowed to look right into the camera without injury to himself or it, while our dude tried to gaze successfully on vacuo. All these and many other things happened to us, but at last after having stood fire for four rounds with as much steadiness as could be expected under such trying circumstances, we were allowed to go.

## THEY SAY

THAT very few now expect as large a mark at the final as they did six months ago.

That the Professors should not forget the days when they too were afraid of a flunk.

That Heath can get as much practice out of the Glee Club in 15 minutes as any other man in one hour.

That the ladies will wear the red, blue and yellow.

That the Montreal Foot-Ball Club knows where to find foes worthy of their—shoe leather.

That if they had Joseph's coat for a sample the Footballers might be able to choose a costume.

That it's not an unmixed evil if the Exec. Com. of the A.M.S. doesn't work.

That we're glad to see Prof. Dupuis recovered.

That the JOURNAL in its new dress will be "the finest published."

That :

There's at present in Queen's a young stude

Who considers himself quite a dude,

But when through a mash

He is late for his hash,

He at once becomes more than subdued.

That in speaking of the Syrens of Greek mythology and of the mermaids of Northern fame, Professor Marshall paid a well merited compliment to the merry maids who float with bewitching languor over our own lakes.

That Dennis and Aulbert will not take their sheepskins this year, but will continue to act in their present capacities.

That on the 1st, one of our bashful students (for we have one) had pinned to the back of his coat the appropriate legend, "Silence is Golden."

That the University band will be reorganized, with the Glee Club Silver Cornet band as a nucleus.

That John has tolled the hours on the College gong with unflinching regularity during the session.

That Prof. Marshall has purchased "Elmhurst."

That the men in Monsieur Geaudry's French class occasionally speak English.

That *apropos* of collars, a young lady friend compared a freshman's the other evening to the whitewashed fence around the asylum, and

That we're very tired after our 31 days March.

**CRAZE IN HEAD DRESSING.**—Some days ago a student appeared at the college classes as bald as a baby. This brought immediate notoriety. Not to be outdone one of the JOURNAL editors took to curling his hair and parting it in the middle.—*Whig*.

I know Dyde will try to blame somebody else.—*Wright*.

Kind of an *excentric* joke.—*McTavish*.

The *Whig's* dun it now.—*McRossie, Sec.-Treas.*

That's Wright, eh?—*Dyde*.

Right you are young fellow.—*Farrell*.

That's a good joke—Hair! Hair!—*Cumberland*.

I'm not responsible for it, I swear.—*Shannon*.

It can't be me for my hair curls naturally.—*Cameron*.

More work for the Fighting Editor! The man who would *write* that ought to be annihilated.—*Gandier*.

His head new reap'd show'd like a stubble field.—*Billy Shakespeare*.

And Wight, fresh as brydegroom to his mate, came dancing forth, shaking his drawie hayre.—*Neddie Spenser*.

## \*EXCHANGES.\*

## AS OTHERS SEE US.

IT has been our duty during the session to comment upon the different exchanges. The criticisms, favorable or the reverse, have been presented to our readers. But we have taken as well as given. In mercantile affairs it would be rather a singular procedure to render a statement only of what goes out. What comes in must be accorded equal prominence. It is, then, only to act like business men to publish our credit as well as our debit account. Unlike the modern business man, however, our receipts have fully equalled our expenditure. As far as that goes the Secy.-Treas., green with envy, will consider the Exchange Editor one of a thousand.

## OVER THE LINE.

In selecting a plan for this unique article no one will accuse us of lack of patriotism if we place our esteemed Yankee brothers and sisters first.

"As we were sitting in our study the other evening, a feeling of sadness stole over us as we read the pile of exchanges that covered the floor. We felt as we never felt before the frivolity pervading American colleges. As we read mash story after mash story we asked ourselves the question, does the American college youth consider mashing the *summum bonum* of existence? Sad indeed was the answer to this query given by the college press of our own beloved land. In the midst of this gloomy reverie suddenly there came joy and hope from Canada. We gazed long and steadfastly at the *Astrum Alberti*. We saw possibility for the future as we read of "moral and religious teaching," "University consolidation," etc. The clouds parted. The sky drew brighter still as we fondly poured over the QUEEN'S COLLEGE JOURNAL. There the muse is suppressed. Sonnets such as grace the pages of *Acta* are tabooed. But such topics as these engross the attention of the Canadian youth: "Standard Time," State Aid to Colleges," "Foreign Missions," and "Foot-Ball."—*Nassau Literary Magazine*, Princeton.

After mature deliberation we have come to the conclusion that the exchange editor of the *Lit.* is a keen sighted individual, and that we cannot but echo his opinion.

The *Notre Dame Scholastic* has been pleased to bestow upon us several extended and flattering notices. But, like most ladies who have condescended to be gracious to the opposite sex, she has suddenly become cool and distant again. Evidently she does not approve of intimacy. She says:—

The QUEEN'S COLLEGE JOURNAL seems to share the innocent delusion—so prevalent at Vassar—that egregious mistakes in orthography and grammar constitute the highest form of wit. On this principle, we are presented with a very comical column, opening thus.

Here the *Scholastic* quotes a portion of our 'Game of Rugby,' and thus continues:—

We pause here to give our readers time to laugh—time to realize the side-splitting and original humor evolved by spelling *was w-u-z*; time to realize what a funny man it takes to spell *have* without the final *e*. Acting under the delusion we have already mentioned the JOURNAL grows still more witty in the "clipping" from its ex-

changes; but we cannot well afford to reproduce further such very peculiar humor. Our own copy we have forwarded to the "Indiana Asylum for Imbecile Youth," where it has been warmly welcomed by the inmates, who regard it as a very funny paper, indeed!

Like Prince Hal "our tongue is rough and our condition is not smooth, having neither the voice nor the heart of flattery" about us. Yet if Mademoiselle *Scholastic* will play the part of the French Princess Kate, and take into favor again a "fellow of plain and uncoined constancy," the JOURNAL will not be slow to play the part of Prince Hal.

The next clipping is from the *Cou's D'Etat*. This worthy paper has seen fit to admonish us as the typical Senior admonishes the typical Freshman. Anyone can recognize the style of the admonition. It runs as follows:

Praise is agreeable to all and to editors in particular. It is astonishing to see how many exchange men expect nothing but praise from those whom they have praised. One complains because another of whom he has spoken in a complimentary manner, sees fit to criticize him. He calls this unkind. This spirit is very noticeable in a great many of our exchanges. The last thing of this sort which has come to our notice is in the Q. C. JOURNAL. The exchange editor wants the papers on this side of the line to "treat the JOURNAL as the JOURNAL has at all times treated them." Although we always read its columns with pleasure and consider it a valuable exchange, we must ask the JOURNAL a question. What if we cannot treat you as you treat us? No doubt you have bestowed your praise where you thought it belonged, and we dare say that your "Yankee Exchanges" have done the same. If they remind you of your faults do not complain, remembering the saying: "When men abuse us, we should suspect ourselves, and when they praise us, them."

When it was asked, "What if we cannot treat you as you treat us?" at first we felt like answering, "Oh! we never thought you could." But now we are of a more friendly turn and would say, "Really, now *Cou's D'Etat*, you can if you'll try, you know. But the trouble is you won't try. Of course it's no easy matter, it must be confessed, and it needs time and patience. Rome wasn't built in a day. Even we have taken the better part of a session to realize the difficulty, and doubt if we just completely realize it yet. Hard is the good as Plato says. But it's worth the bother. Try it friend—it's worth the bother."

We must bid good-bye to our brothers over the line and with the next clipping, short and sweet, to our sisters as well. The last notice is from our fair friends of Lexington, Ky:—

With pleasure we greet our Canadian friend—the Q. C. JOURNAL.—*Hamilton College Monthly*.

All hands on board the Q. C. JOURNAL gratefully acknowledge the salutation and return the greeting.

OVER THE SEA.

*The Oxford and Cambridge Undergraduates' Journal* is the only paper from over the sea that favors us with a visit, and its visits are few and far between. Some time ago it quoted from the JOURNAL an editorial on the fiscal policy of the Government in its relation to the Colleges. It prefaced the quotation with these remarks:

"The prohibitory import dues in Canada have caused a good deal of discussion one way and another, but the places of learning have, as a rule, agreed with their continuance. It is all very well to speak in the abstract about a question of this kind, but it is an altogether different matter when the fiscal laws are to be regarded from the personal standpoint. QUEEN'S COLLEGE JOURNAL thus complains of inconvenience lately experienced.

THE DOMINION.

As a rule amongst the College journalists of Canada there is to be found a spirit of friendliness and courtesy which is compatible with a healthy rivalry. It is true that even amongst the papers of the same province some rather churlish words have been spoken, but it is a small soul that harbors ill-will. As for us—

We do not know that Canadian alive,  
With whom our soul is any jot at odds,  
More than the infant that is born to-night.

State Aid has given rise to some difference of opinion. The controversy has been engaged in by *'Varsity*, *McGill Univ. Gazette*, *Acta Victoriana*, *Ast. Alberti*, and ourselves; but no bones were broken. The Methodist Union and consequent University Consolidation have caused an interesting set-to between *Acta Victoriana* and *Ast. um Alberti*. Provincial Aid in Nova Scotia has been occupying the attention of the *Record*, *Argosy* and *Dalhousie Gazette*. Of all our secular brothers, the *University Monthly* has stood grandly alone. *Knox College Monthly* and the *Presbyterian College Journal* refrain from carnal warfare. While the *Portfolio* and *Sunbeam* have been too busy sitting as queens amongst the clouds and receiving the homage of their dusky subjects, to take any note of the squabbles of earth.

The attachments, too, of the different papers have been as amusing as their animosities. *'Varsity* has looked down from its dizzy eminence, and hob-a-nobbed in the most human fashion with *McGill University Gazette*. The latter has met the former fully half way. *Sunbeam* at the first sight changed eyes with *'Varsity*. *Sunbeam* (if she will excuse the seeming paradox) has always appeared to us a striking emblem of 'the inconstant moon,' but she has at least in this one instance remained true. The JOURNAL has formed no very close alliances. It makes so bold as to believe that it is looked upon not unfavorably by *Portfolio*. It has received a brother's grip from *Astrum Alberti*, and boasts that it is linked more closely to the *Dalhousie Gazette*, *Argosy*, *Record* and *University Monthly* (if we dare think that our esteem is reciprocated) than any other paper on the continent. As proofs of what has been said. We give the following:

Speaking of the College Question and the attitude of the press, *'Varsity* remarks:

Who have been our opponents? The JOURNAL assists us with a list, not very large, but definitely representative. The Methodist *Guardian*, the Methodist *Monthly*, the *Dominion Churchman*, the *Cobourg World*, and the papers of Kingston and its neighborhood, make up the most of its ponderous category. With respect for the modesty of the Queen's College JOURNAL, we would beg leave to add its name.

'So far as we have seen,' says the JOURNAL, 'few papers outside of Toronto have championed the cause of the institution that loves to dub itself "the Provincial University." Now, we are convinced of one of three things. Either the JOURNAL has not seen very far; or it has been looking through a single eye-glass, and that colored; or, with that logic which is but too common, it does not consider the papers which dare to differ from its opinion worthy of a place in the journalistic classification. And we are inclined to believe in the existence of all these possible positions.

We would like to tell *Varsity* that one of the three positions cannot be believed in by those who are well informed. No member of the staff ever wears an eye-glass, colored or uncolored. The managing Editor wears spectacles but only in winter when the sun is shining brightly. He didn't require to put them on when reading the *Varsity's* Editorial.

McGill *University Gazette* ably seconds *Varsity*. The former says concerning the denominational outcry against Queen's:—

"If ever there was a denominational University in this world Queen's University is such, and the Faculty of Arts is merely a department of that University. If Queen's is not a denominational University, we should like to know where one is to be found. Does the JOURNAL wish to maintain that because in the curriculum of the Arts department there is not laid down a special course in the distinctive doctrines of the Presbyterian Church, the College cannot be called denominational? In that case, we have been living unawares in a blessed state of undenominationalism. Let us no longer make the mistake of calling Victoria, Methodist, and Trinity, Anglican. Have not they among their students, at least half a dozen, who are not Methodists or Episcopalians? All our Universities are undenominational! But we must cry out with D'Arcy McGee, "O sacred inconsistency."

Our Cobourg brother has been very cordial. It is quite true that we shook the dust or, rather mud, from our feet when we left Cobourg last Fall, but that in this case only showed that because of genuine good will on the part of the Queen's men they were impelled to shake feet as well as hands. *Acta* says:—

We sincerely thank Queen's College JOURNAL for the extended and flattering account they give of our late tournament.

On a different occasion the Ex. Ed. of the *Acta* delivers himself of the following:—

"Queen's College JOURNAL favors an article in November's *Acta* with a criticism as long as the article. The critic is dreadfully sarcastic, and the writer of the *Acta* article is rapidly fading away, stricken down in his youthful bloom. \* \* \*

Will we forgive you, JOURNAL, for this merciless handling?" Yea, verily. Go in peace. Sin thus again, and each time receive forgiveness to the joy of the heart.

(To be Continued.)

The *College Rambler* calls its local column "Rambling on the Campus." If the picture on the cover is at all true to the original, the students of Illinois College have chosen an appropriate name for their paper, for the grounds are both pleasant and extensive.

## ❖ITEMS.❖

NOTICE in a Hoboken ferry boat: "The seats in this cabin are reserved for ladies. Gentlemen are requested not to occupy them until the ladies are seated."  
—Ex.

We are pleased to make the acquaintance of the *Wesleyan Bee*.

The College papers of Nova Scotia are discussing provincial aid to their own institutions. The plague is spreading.

The *Bates Student* for March is a credit to the staff.

"Meet me," she said,  
To-morrow night  
"At the garden wall  
"When the sun's gone down."

And here's to-morrow,  
And here am I,  
And there's the wall,  
And the sun's gone down.

Knee breeches were worn at Yale '85's promenade.

We never speak as we pass by—He plucked me on a final.

"Ma," said a thoughtful boy, "I don't think that Solomon was so rich as they say he was." "Why, my dear?" "Because the Bible says he slept with his fathers, and if he had been so rich he would have had a bed of his own."

With this issue of *The Targum* the present Senior Editors cease their jurisdiction over this "greatest paper on earth." So say the editors.

...A young Alexandria miss  
Was asked by her beau for a kiss,  
Demurely contented  
She sweetly assented,  
And their lips looked like this:

○ ○

But her pa interrupted the bliss,  
And said, "Who's this young feller, sis?"  
And without more ado  
The young fellow flew,  
And his eyes looked exactly like this:

○ ○

**This being the last issue but one of this Volume of the JOURNAL, we would request those who have not paid their subscription to it to do so at once that the books may be made up by the close of the session.**

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