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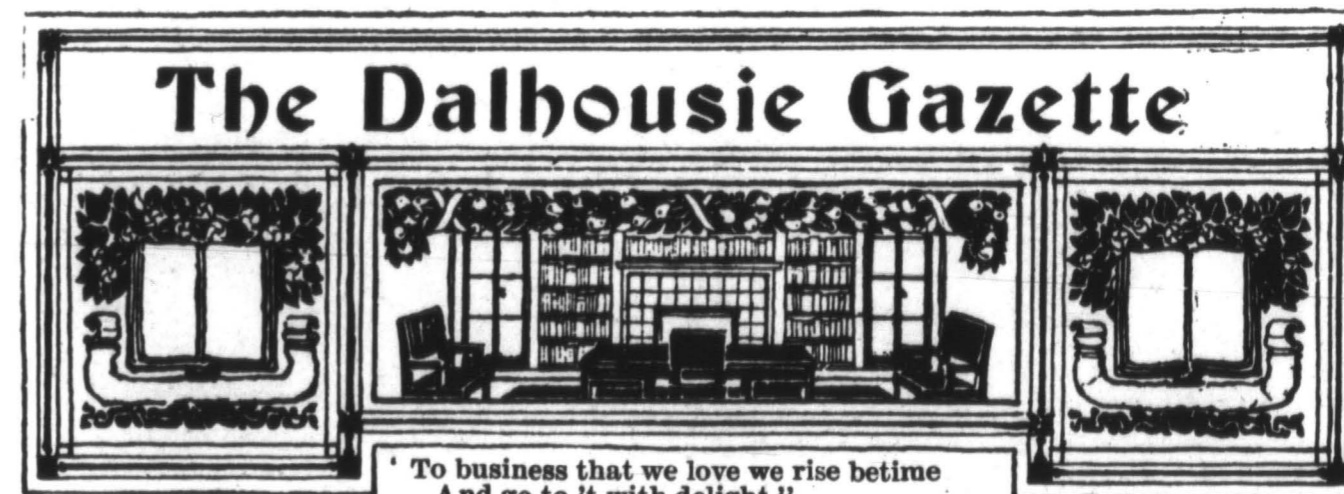
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## EDITORIALS

**W**HAT is the Senate doing for Dalhousie? The Senate as well as the Student has its part to play in the unification of the University. It may be a despotic body settling our affairs by a turn of the thumb or it may be otherwise. For the sake of Dalhousie, it is advisable for our Senate to be otherwise. Unless it and the student body work in unison, there is much to be desired. The day of despotic government has long ago disappeared below the horizon of civilization and in its place a democratic one holds sway. What is a democratic government? Government by the demos, or people. Surely the student is as much to be considered as belonging to the people of the University as the Senate is. Surely he should have a say in the government. To have a popular government the ideas of both Senate and student should meet on neutral grounds. If the mountain will not come to Mahomet and Mahomet will not come to the mountain, both should go half way. So it is with these bodies. Wherever the good of the University is concerned, the party in the wrong should give in, but unfortunately there are times when this is not so. The Senate is no more infallible than the student body. There is, however, much more elasticity in the latter, because it is said that age should come before beauty. To insure progress, the men in both bodies should be broad minded enough to weigh each others views and meet along the line of least resistance. Dalhousie needs big men in her senate. Men whose views once expressed, never change, unless there is ample reason for it. Let it never be said that our senate has been ever a drag on our wheels, but rather that from it goes forth the fiat of a united Dalhousie, which sets the wheels of progress in motion to overthrow despotism and establish a square deal for all.

**D**alhousie wants united class exercises this year. Last year, this important function of Convocation week was somewhat disjointed. Arts, Medicine and Dentistry had their usual exercises in the School for the Blind, while Law held forth in the Law Library. The former were held in the afternoon, the latter in the evening. This is not as it should be. In order to have a united university, we must present a united front on class day. These exercises must be held at the same time, the same place and before the same audience. They would be too long for the afternoon but not for the evening. Could they not be held on Wednesday of Convocation week at 8 p. m., in some central locality? This would enable many, who cannot find time to come out in the afternoon, to be present and enter into the spirit of the gathering. It would be a fitting preliminary for the Convocation on the morrow. In former days there were two Convocations, one for Law and another for the remainder of the faculties. This has passed into History. Would it not be well to merge the class exercises in the same manner? It is a matter for the University Seniors to decide. We await results.

**F**or many years the U. S. C. has been hiring a piano at the rate of \$50.00 per annum. We need a piano, more especially since the rejuvenation of the Glee Club and the reorganization of the Y. M. C. A. If we had bought this instrument ten years ago and just paid the said \$50.00 on it every year, it would belong to the college in fee simple now. This was not done, but in order to provide for the future our new U. S. C. proposes to invest in such a piano as soon as possible, in order that in later years there will be no regrets. Our student body has not a large bank account, nor a guardian "angel" to back it in times of stress and storm. Its only fund is the students and in this case they will have to help if we are to have that hapsicord. There are 420 men and women in the University. If each contributes \$1.00 per head, that will mean \$420.00 and the end achieved. The average student stays at Dalhousie four years, so that all you are asked to subscribe is the somewhat small and insignificant sum of 25c. per year to help furnish music, enjoyment and

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**A** new song book is about to be issued. It contains all the college songs, past, present and future. It is the work of an energetic band of students who have taken the time and trouble to compile and publish it. A short time ago, a list of subscribers was asked for and the result was very gratifying, for a preliminary canvass. However, more money is needed and half the students of the college have not as yet subscribed. Christmas is near at hand and it would be a good way to celebrate it, by buying one of the new song books for yourself, your sister or your best girl. It is gratifying to know that at last the lyrics of Dalhousie are to be codified and placed on the market. The success of the scheme depends on the students and they must make it a success. Every male and female student should feel it incumbent upon them, to endeavour to bring about the sale of as many copies of this book as possible. Everyone will be surprised to find how little trouble it takes to perform their part in making this venture a howling success. Everybody wants a song book and it is up to the student to see that none are overlooked.

**T**he premature snow and cold raw winds remind us that the time is close at hand when Jack Frost will once more become preeminent. This means that the season of hockey and skating is near at hand. It is to be hoped that the Hockey team and skating club will be as successful as in former years and that the old enthusiasm will not be found wanting. The early bird catches the worm and so it is with these clubs. The longer they prepare, the better the results. Get busy skaters and hockeyists and make winter sports boom at old Dal this year.

**O**nce more the season of good cheer has rolled around, bringing to some the gladness that comes from pleasant memories of the past and to others the sadness produced by the memories of those, who last year celebrated the festive season with them, but who will never do so again. How strangely mixed, this sadness and gladness, at a time when gladness should reign supreme. Whatever our feelings may be, it is well for us never to forget what Christmas stands for and endeavour to do the good that lies nearest us, when the opportunity comes our way. To all, the Gazette wishes a pleasant season and a refreshing vacation, free from the cares of work and brim full of the cup of rejoicing.



### MacRAE'S HISTORY OF ALBERTA.

Some twenty years ago, "Archie" MacRae was going about the corridors of Dalhousie like any other undergraduate, but with a distinctive air about him. Then he took his degree and disappeared. The college that knew him once, knew him no more. He returned to his native land with a German doctorate, and took Horace Greeley's famous advice to young men. Now, he is Archibald Oswald MacRae, Ph. D., Principal of Western Canada College, a large and flourishing residential school for boys in the centre of Calgary, and a power in the land. Though so far from his old *Alma Mater*, MacRae does not forget Dalhousie, or Dalhousians. The latter he engages, whenever possible, as masters in his big school. Ramsay Armitage was there for a couple of years, and was followed by MacLeod.

In Alberta, Dr. MacRae has not only made his home and built up a most successful educational institution, but he has identified himself with the great and growing province. He has made himself acquainted with its origins, he has informed himself as to its political development and he has got into touch with its traditions. The result is a portly "History of Alberta," which has just been issued by the "Western Canada History Company." To the task of writing history, Dr. MacRae brings the trained intelligence of the scholar, genuine enthusiasm for his subject and, something scholars rarely acquire, a lively and vigorous style. In his preface, he more than justifies himself for taking up the "history" of a brand new territory, telling incidentally a curious story of German professional limitation. Justification was not necessary with anyone who knows what history really is.

Naturally, Dr. MacRae devotes a great deal of space to the early exploration. He quotes freely from the picturesque narratives of the early adventurers into the Great Lone Land, letting them speak for themselves. The Hudson Bay factors were the rulers of the wilderness, not long ago. The records of the Great Company are not half known: when they are given to the world, they will be eagerly read. Indian character, folk-lore, legends, customs have very strong attractions for him. He writes:

"What the Red Race said and did, how they loved and won and lost, fevered and fought and died; how this people of philosophic calm, if but of broken expression, viewed "life's fitful dream" will never be known in any of its fulness. No one need waive away, or attempt to waive away, the thought that will not die:—this people of the inscrutable face and lofty mien, had an ancestry as profound, as noble, as extraordinary as any of the wonderful Orientals. The American Red Man is no less incomprehensible, no less mysterious, no less inscrutable to the Caucasian of Europe, and his offspring in these Western continents, than the Asiatic Oriental." This racial mystery allures him to gather up every possible scrap of information, although he cannot use all his material.

The romance of the fur-trade has busied many pens. Dr. MacRae gives many interesting details of its operations. There is a vivid description of a "brigade" setting out. "There were usually eight boats or canoes drawn up on the sandy beach. Coming and going were the many hunters and trappers, voyageurs and freighters—several French Canadians, some Brules, some Indians. Arrayed in their gay colored garb, boats decorated with flags and bright ribbons, their wives and sweethearts gathered about in their best attire to wish them a long good-bye, they made in truth a pleasing effect. Among the motley crowd could be seen some handsome men, some comely women.

\* \* \* Before starting off, it was customary to distribute a small quantity of rum among the men," and this together with the probably considerable amount surreptitiously obtained, naturally increased the hilarity and excitement of the departure. The Pierres became gratuitously profuse in their farewells, returning again and again to clasp the hands of the entire company, claiming every one as a brother; the Antoinnes violently gesticulative, declaimed with cheerful irrelevance some old chanson about the glory of their ancestors; while the Baptistes hung limply lachrymose upon the necks of their best friends, murmuring maudlin sentiment into their respective ears. Here and there, sober and with an air of great importance, stalked a sturdy steersman, getting his men well in hand, and having an eye to the lading of his particular boat. Busy clerks and voluble porters



vied with chatting, laughing women in augmenting the babel of sound." The account of the coming of the white men, the founding and constitutional development of the new province is also very good. A final chapter summarizes the marvellous material development of Alberta.

In fact, Dr. MacRae has written what is bound to be the standard history of his adopted province for many years to come. The scholar is seen in the plentiful aids to understanding in the shape of an index and a bibliography. A number of illustrations increase the interest of the volume. One cannot but be struck by the number, the size and the magnificence of the school buildings in Edmonton. They make our material provision for education here in the east look rather shabby and cheap. In his preface Dr. MacRae refers to the haste in composition and the omission of many things he would have liked to insert. It is to be hoped that he will continue his researches, and to embody his results in other equally pleasing and valuable shape.

### "THE LAW DINNER."

The feast was set in order,  
The corks were flying wide,  
When Freddie Long sat down to eat  
With a judge on either side.

The glasses clinked and clattered  
The laughter rose and fell  
And intermingled here and there  
Rang forth that rousing yell:—

Lindley, Anson, Pollock, Beaven  
All good lawyers go to Heaven  
Odgers, Thayer, Blackstone, Snell,  
All the rest can go to—in what is the  
name of that place, Lofty?  
Oh yes, thanks—Pine Hill!

The oysters were delicious,  
The turkeys better still.  
"Did I hear some one say 'Champagne?'"  
Please pass the bottle, Bill!"

Then rose the good Sir Shorty  
And, lifting high his head  
He smiled as only angels smile,  
And reverently said:

"Oh Bacchus, father Bacchus  
Give ear to our behests  
And let thy ruddy nectar flow  
Beneath our legal vests."

Sir Shorty's prayer was answered,  
The buttons split in twain  
And underneath the table slid  
Full many a legal Swain.

In order to assuage any doubt which may exist in the reader's mind as to the meaning of the last stanza, the writer of this article wishes to explain that it is customary at every law dinner at 11.30 or thereabouts, for every student to crawl beneath the table and see whether the legs are made of mahogany or cedar.

But soon the feast was over,  
And speeches held the hour  
And wondrous, fluent orators  
Gave token of their power.

Lord Benjamin of Dartmouth,  
A jurist wise is he,  
Responded to the bench's toast,  
And filled our hearts with glee.

He spake of Lefty Louie,  
He spake of Gyp the Blood,  
And made Great Hector laugh so hard  
He almost broke a stud.

Then followed William Wallace,  
Who, in a speech sublime,  
Related how a student once  
Mistook him for a crime.

Next came the wise Count Mellish  
And he, midst great applause,  
Informed us of the Seven Fangs  
Of misery's gaping jaws.

And then spake Jencks, the learned,  
The Queen of all the day  
Then Patterson and Hector spake  
And eloquent waxed they.

They eulogized good Weldon,  
Sir Richard, called the Saint,  
The Dean, beloved of all our hearts,  
Sans fear, sans foe, sans taint.

Thus fared the sumptuous banquet  
And when the clock struck one,  
With hand in hand we sang "Lang syne"  
And drank to fame and fun.

"Next morning very early,  
'Bout half past two-three-four"  
A few young, future lawyers  
Were rolling on the floor.

And some had grown weary  
With hot and heavy heads  
And with uncertain footsteps,  
Had sought their downy beds

And others, full of pity,  
Knelt down in soulful bliss  
And said, "God help the sailor boys  
On such a night as this!"

O. B. J., '14



### MORE DANIELS COME TO JUDGMENT

The historical and smoky walls of the Moot Court room had never witnessed such a scene. Girls—where no one but a Law boy and his pipe ever ventured! Girls—and so many! The Moot Court room groaned in spirit, for it looked as tho' the Suffragettes had triumphed and the good old days when it was the shrine of "Our Lady Nicotine" would soon vanish. However, it was only for one night, and even the Court room was forced to acknowledge that it had never spent a more cheerful evening. That was the time the Delta Gamma held its famous Mock Trial on "The Case of Jennie Brice."

If you have read the last few numbers of "Everybody's Magazine," you know all about "Jennie Brice." If you haven't, the story will help you pass a pleasant and creepy evening—after the exams, of course. By Mary Roberts Thinhart, it is one of the most thrilling detective mysteries that has appeared for some time and it was the plot of "Jennie Brice" that the Delta Gamma, on November 29th, took as a basis for the trial. Philip Ludley, the prisoner, is accused of the murder of his wife, an actress, whose stage name is Jennie Brice, and the mass of circumstantial evidence against him is appalling. However, the evidence is only circumstantial. And the Delta Gamma jury, after staying out ten hours, brought in a verdict of "Not Guilty" whereupon one of the witnesses fainted with joy, and had to be brought to with the Crier's red and blue bandana handkerchief.

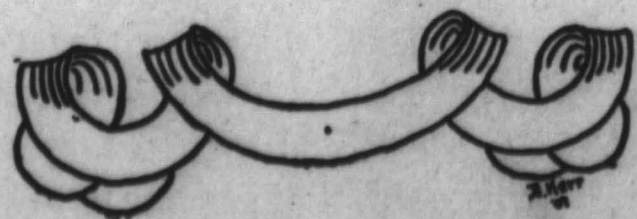
The judge in charge of the case was Miss Mary Fletcher, whose reputation is international. Her charge to the jury was a marvel of judicial fairness and showed a nice comprehension of legal technicalities, such as only a man thoroughly conversant with Blackstone and all the other men who write those awful looking law books, could possess. Margaret Nicoll, K. C. acted for the crown and her witnesses underwent one of the most searching examinations ever held out side the Munro Room in April. Her charge to the jury was cool, dispassionate, and logical; her references to the lawyer for the defence's speech were witty and telling, and had the jury been composed of any

but the pick of the Delta Gamma, there is little doubt but that she would have influenced them unduly. The defence, too, put up a good fight. For every witness for the crown, they had an equally telling revelation, and under the skilled cross examination of the crown's witnesses, the counsel for the defense, Hon. Kathleen Allen, LLB, DCL, brought many things to light that had at first been hidden. In her speech to the jury, Miss Allen so worked on the sympathy of her hearers that many of them were almost reduced to tears. Only the prisoner preserved a stony calm throughout.

Sheriff Nelson kept excellent order, tho', at one time, a witness, Dr. Littlefield had to be suppressed. (You remember how, in "Alice in Wonderland," they tied the guinea pigs and sat on them? This wasn't as bad as that.) The crier was a distraction, and, as a result, the court ruled that in future red and blue bandanas, silk hats, and thread-wound glasses should be prohibited to criers, and that they should be forced to drink strong coffee and imbibe anti-sneezing mixture. At the same time, it was put on file that, hereafter, witnesses should be required to don a uniform before entering the box, as, on this occasion, some of the costumes proved a trial to the gravity, even of the learned members of the Bench.

One of the pleasing features of the trial was the active interest taken in it by the gallant co-eds. Unfortunately, the constitution of Delta Gamma excludes men, but when one can obtain a reserved seat on the porch of the furnace room, or on the Law stairs, what difference does it make? It was a pity, however, that everyone could not have seen the trial, for, thanks to the local hits, the evidence, and the witnesses themselves, it was a laugh from start to finish.

H. R. C.



### THE SINE CURA D. G. D.

Few things have excited more comment around the halls than the appearance on the bulletin board Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 26, of the notice calling the first regular meeting of the Sine Cura, D. G. D. society for Friday evening, Nov. 29. At the top of the notice appeared an excellent drawing of a skull with a cigarette inserted between the jaws. The skull was propped against a bottle of "Forty Overproof" and supported by a pack of cards. Beneath this sketch appeared the following neatly printed notice.

"The first regular meeting of the Sine Cura, D. G. D. will be held on the old camping ground of our lodge on Friday, Nov. 29th at 10 o'clock. The necessary requirements are:

1. Absolute defiance of the Faculty.
2. Must smoke, chew, drink, swear and have a bad character.
3. Must not belong to U. S. C.
4. Must be a Hellian in general.
5. Must never plug.

By order or  
Diabolus."

The notice speaks for itself and seems to be the logical result of the abolition of hazing by the order of the newly constituted Students Council. We say it is the logical result because we know and you know that students, finding the benefits derived from such a harmless practise as hazing are forbidden them by the Students Council, naturally feel they must resort to secret procedure. This apparently is the first of such secret societies. The standard called for is not high and from a university standpoint is not a desirable one but we cannot help feeling that under the circumstances it is the natural evolution of a college spirit which is bound to have some outlet. Every student has a certain amount of "spirits" animal or otherwise, which in former years has been spent very beneficially, to all concerned, in hazing and since this custom is forbidden we find this spirit making its appearance in a

much more undesirable guise. Of course the presence of secret societies in a college is a question of debate, but there can be no doubt that this society is not for the betterment of relations between student and student, and between student and Faculty. The requirements mentioned are ample evidence of this. The first one, as you see, calls for absolute defiance of the Faculty. In all probability this, as a piece of impertinence, stands unparalleled in the history of the College. But some one may ask is it impertinent and for our part we must confess we don't know. The Sine Cura, D. G. D. is probably made up of persons who feel themselves to be "without care" and hence without responsibility to anyone. If this is so then it follows naturally that its members must live in absolute defiance of the Faculty in order to fulfill their "D. G. D." ideals. Besides the possibility of duplicity on the part of one or more members of the Faculty may account for such a rule. But, note, we do not say it does, we only suggest it might. With the sentiments in Clause No. 1, we agree in so far as it is practicable, but we do not feel the need of making it public.

One is dumbfounded when Clauses 2 and 4 are considered, for there one sees that the outcome of such requisites will make for a bigger and "badder" Dalhousie instead of the much desired and dreamt of bigger and better Dalhousie. This spirit is in direct opposition to the wishes of the Faculty, who, I am afraid, would be only too pleased if each student lose those wings which his mother thinks he already has. Students too, have often been heard to lament that the only meeting in which they could obtain the interest of the Faculty was a prayer meeting and evidently the Sine Cura has been formed to combat such an idea.

Clause 3 seems to regard the Students Council as part of the Faculty and such a view seems to be well founded. Of course, we, as non-members, do not feel ourselves to be in a position to make any definite assertions regarding the relationship existing between the Faculty and the U. S. C., but the idea expressed by the Sine Cura on this point certainly appeals to us. It shows that the Students Council, in its present state, does not appeal to even the average student as a council which has his interests at heart.

But then, the ineffectiveness of the council might be explained by this very fact that it has not the students' interests at heart. Think it over.

The restriction to membership made by Clause 5 would not exclude very many Dalhousie students in spite of the impertinent methods of the Committee on Studies and Attendance. We own that we are startled to find utterance given to such expressions at this period of the College year as the student is bound to be the loser by adhering to this rule.

The Student Body is already beginning to feel the subtle influence of this society and furthermore they have no means of overcoming this influence because they know not with whom they have to deal.

The membership of the Society is limited to thirteen, and these thirteen, animated with a single heart and urged forward from within themselves to the accomplishments of many designs, will surely give a good (pardon the adjective) account of themselves.

The chances of finding out the membership of this society appear to be slim since the notices are found signed always with the same signature "Diabolus", a gentleman who holds the office of Past Grand Master, an office which he fills, no doubt, in a very acceptable manner.

The constitution of this society reveals to us in fact, the purposes for which it was created are namely:

1. To revive a disappearing college spirit.
2. To challenge the orders of the Faculty.
3. To help retain among the Student Body a proper spirit which will aid in resisting any infringements on the students' rights by the Faculty.
4. To live up to the teachings of their Past Grand Master.

One does not feel like openly wishing this new society welcome and bidding it God speed throughout its existence, but one may tell the Society that its course will be watched with interest not only by the students but by the Faculty as well.

M. E. D.

## AROUND THE HALLS.

**Improvements Wise and Otherwise.**

**Exit** Former students at Dalhousie, especially the ladies, will remember with a certain degree of pleasure and displeasure, the strength testing door which formerly opened into the main corridor of the Arts Building. It has disappeared and in its place a somewhat lighter and quite as serviceable structure is now to be found. No longer does the fair co-ed have to wait upon the topmost granite step for some gallant to throw open the stubborn portal. Now she does the work herself and feels that Dalhousie is at last in accord with the motto, "Equal rights for all." While many may think this innovation to be a step in advance, others will remember, with a tinge of regret, the bye-gone days when inability to swing the heavy door gained for some Hercules the long to be remembered smile of the benighted seeker after higher education.

**Innovation.** The vacant space under the stairs has been put to many uses. At one time it was called the Reading-Room. At a later date, it became the distribution centre for the Gazette and the repository for examination benches, disused platforms, cosy corners and lemonade glasses. At last it seems to have gained a fixed position. It is to become the rendezvous of the Y. M. C. A. Here will be found the general secretary, always waiting with the hand of welcome outstretched, palm uppermost. A nicely varnished partition has been erected and an additional radiator installed to keep "A. D." from getting "cold feet." The change is a welcome one.

**Murmurings.** Many rumors are afloat concerning the instability of the University Calendars, especially the Law Calendar. From the legal end of the building come the sighs and groans of overworked students, all of whom have to take at least three more subjects than the maximum allowed by the Senate. The embryo lawyers maintain that a man entering Dalhousie, at the present time, knows not what awaits him, and that before the end of his course,

he may be taking an entirely different array of classes than that which he started out to pursue. In fact by the latest rulings of the Law faculty, a third year man can be cheated out of his degree, by having thrust upon him such a number of new subjects as to make graduation impossible. If this is so, and it is so, we advise the new man to "**beware of the University when it sends calendars.**" Your course is all in the discretion of the faculties who mould it as they see fit; as to subjects, years, etc. **Beware my friend Beware.**

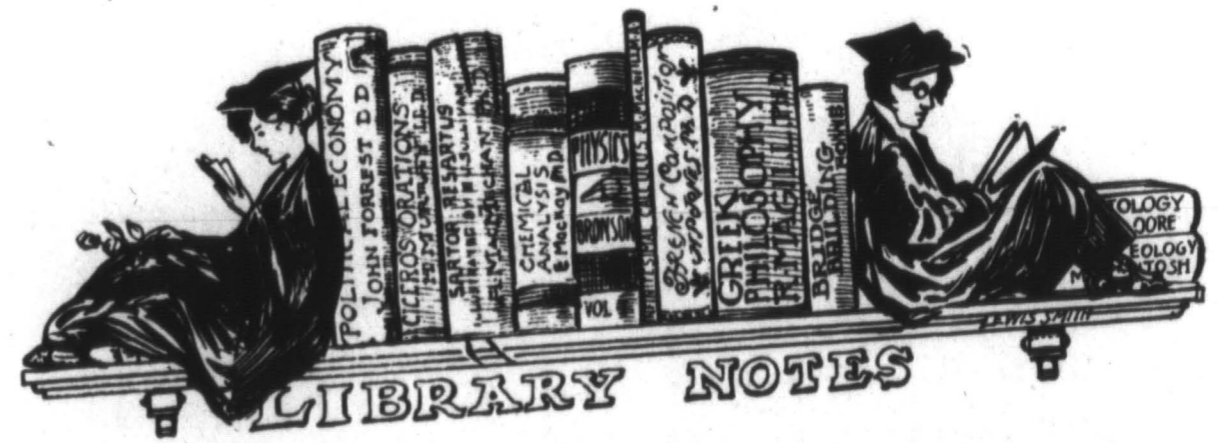
**Relics.** For many years the Munro Room was the Art Gallery of the University. Around its walls were to be found the fac similes of those who had gone before. As decade after decade slipped by the Munro Room grew too small to have its walls adorned with all the class pictures and gradually the corridors were called into service time and time again. In this manner, the once bare and un-artistic halls of Dalhousie became the picture gallery of the University and as the new comer lounged around, he was ever reminded of the deeds of those whose faces smiled down upon him from their gilded frames. This was a much to be commended change, but read the sequel. Today in the Bell Room with their faces turned to the wall are to be seen the photos of the last five or six classes that have left our precincts. Why this change? If a majority are worthy of a place in the Hall of Fame, why not all? The glass of the 1912 Arts picture has been broken and no one seems to assume any responsibility. This is a serious affair and should be remedied as soon as possible. No graduate likes to see his class group maltreated. No wanderer from the outside would like to see his photo turned to the wall. Yet, if he were to walk through our halls today that sad scene would meet his eye. Undergraduates, it is up to you. Cherish the groups of former classes or you cannot hope future ones to cherish yours. See to it that these pictures are re-hung and given their proper places with other groups of Dalhousie.

**Uniformity.** Many a time and oft the cry has gone up for uniform decoration in Dalhousie. This cry should once more be raised with regard to our heating apparatus.

When the college authorities are gilding one radiator, or one set of pipes, would it not be advisable to gild them all rather than have the new gilt show up the relics of former antiquity? In the main hall one sees, at present, a very dingy radiator with beautiful golden pipes leading from it and though the pipes are a very important part of the apparatus, they form a very small part of the surface to be decorated. A thorough regilding would not be a bad idea. Try it.

**Unsought Gifts.** This column wishes to call attention to the entirely new ornaments that have apparently been presented some months ago to the College authorities. They have been particularly noticeable since the Thanksgiving dance and Alumnae Bazaar and the impression is gradually gaining ground that they were donated by some guest at either of these functions. Like many donations to Dalhousie, these persons do not wish to divulge their whereabouts. The hereinbefore in part recited ornaments are at present in the bell room and take the form and shape of two large and commodious ice cream freezers, with nothing in them, not even the remains of old decency. They look somewhat out of place in these apartments and should be moved to some other, more suitable place, i. e. the place from whence they came. It is somebody's business to look after the trans-shipment of these precious receptacles and the sooner that person is discovered the better.

**Greetings.** Christmas season is now at hand and for a couple of weeks the gay scenes of today will be obliterated only to re-open again after the new year in greater force and vigour. We wish all a pleasant holiday and hope that a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year will enable them to return better able to take part in the brilliant affairs of the college than heretofore.



*"Bibliotheca a Dalhousia valde desiderata."*

**A Bargain.**—A much needed work of reference has recently been obtained viz: a long set of "Notes and Queries." The first, second, third, fourth and fifth series are complete. They were obtained from a gentleman leaving the city at a very moderate price—twenty-five dollars for sixty-five volumes. With the rare early series safe on our shelves, it will be comparatively easy to pick up the later ones and have the complete set.

**Local Color.**—As long ago as the crowded registration days in September, a stranger turned up in the Library on a unique errand. He was engaged in writing a Canadian novel and one of the characters in it was a Dalhousian. What role he played was not quite clear; but it was not the villain's. So the literary stranger desired information regarding the history of the college, and he was given the *Gazette* containing the classical account (by "Pat"?) of our first victory over the Wanderers, to read.

*"It was a famous victory."*

Subsequently he obtained the historical number produced under G. G. Sedgewick's editorship and the Macdonald Memorial number. These ought to give him the point of view. But wasn't it an odd event?

**Dalhousie Authors.**—We have had our own novelists. J. Macdonald Oxley wrote a number of stories for boys. Only a few of them are to be found in the Canadian Corner. Long before his day, Professor De Mille wrote novels that were published in *Harper's Monthly Magazine*. One

of them was translated into French, "The American Baron," and another "The Lady of the Ice," was dramatized. De Mille died in 1880 at the age of forty-six, with about thirty books to his credit. His novels are still being printed and sold.

**Class Memorials.**—They have rather sunk into the background lately. One class—not to be named at present—has distinct ambitions. It wishes to raise a thousand dollars—the sum suggested when class memorials were first mooted, in Charlie Lindsay's time. The idea is that this memorial should take the shape of some permanent decoration for the Macdonald Memorial Library.

**Macdonald Memorial.**—It is the opinion of Certain Authorities that if any building of the New Dalhousie should be decorative, that building should be the Library. Reasons for such a view are not hard to find. The exterior can easily be made impressive and space can be found within for various consistent decorations. One distinguished Alumna had a plan for obtaining a copy of Angelo's David. This suggestion that the reading room might be brightened up by one piece of fine stained glass—Tiffany, for choice—has not fallen on barren ground. The Droeshout portrait re-drawn with the original coloring of the Stratford bust, the doublet scarlet and richly "guarded," the stiff white linen band, and underneath the last three lines from Arnold's sonnet—would certainly look well. There should be some place also for memorial tablets. Malcolm's name should never be forgotten in Dalhousie; nor the names of the men who went to the front in '85 and '99. Dalhousie has never made much of a display of goods in her front window. The absence of any outward and visible sign of our traditions strikes the stranger within our gates. This is a real defect.

**A Propos.**—One of the new buildings to arise at Studley will bear the name of an honored Dalhousie professor. The woman's residence will always be known by the name of Forrest Hall. Why not extend the principle and name the Chemical and Physical Laboratory from another professor who helped to fix our standards

in the day of small things, when Dalhousie was struggling for bare existence, when students were few, and when salaries were small? It would not be hard to suggest a name that would meet with wide approval.

**Muniment Room.** Some one of the new Dalhousie buildings should have a fire-and-damp-proof room, in which to preserve our accumulating records and documents. Its natural place would be in the Library. Dr. Forrest has a number of interesting papers which he has signified the intention of giving. Then, there should be some fitting place to display the J. J. Stewart collection of coins.

#### Hardware Clerk's Proposal.

Dear Bell, I love you Mower each day!  
Of all the girls you are my Pick;  
And if I ever have my way,

You may be sure I'll Steel you quick.  
When first I Saw your golden Locks,  
The Keys to which I hold in part,  
I hoped I could with Tackle-blocks  
Draw you more closely to my heart.

Could I in my Repeating Arms  
But Clasp you, little maid divine,  
I'd Bolt you there with all your charms  
And Rivet your sweet lips to mine.  
I'd Chain your heart's door fast and fair  
And Nail the Hinges on with bliss;  
I really love you, on the Square;  
You'll find no Grater love than this.

So now I'll Screw my courage up  
And Axe you if my name will fit?  
If so, you're just the needed cup  
Of Punch to Brace me up a Bit.  
So come tonight and we will File  
The papers, dearest little Plumb.  
I'll meet you at the outer stile—  
Just Wire me if you Can Nut come.  
Your adjustable Jack. (Exchanges.)



The Queens Journal contains a synopsis of an address by Professor McNeill on George Bernard Shaw. Part of it reads as follows:—"Shaw stands in the foremost rank of present day critics of life. His critical shafts he let loose chiefly at the stable, conventional order, and believed that the theatre would take the place of the Church. Shaw's contribution is the drama of discussion, in which story is subordinated to problem. He conceives of the drama as a vehicle for the expression of new ideas, to be worthy of equal prestige with the essay. Its mission is to provide not mere recreation, but intellectual food for humanity to discuss. He flings his manifestos of war in the teeth of Society. The Seven Deadly Sins, he declares, are Respectability, Conventional Virtue, Filial Affection, Modesty, Love, Devotion to Women and Romance. These strange views are to be found colouring his plays, each of which is composed with such distinct purposes in view."

The MacDonald College Magazine for November is an excellent production and contains an interesting article on "Popular Flowers of the Future." The interest in such a subject from a commercial standpoint becomes evident at once when one considers that bulbs to the value of \$5,000,000.00 are sent every year to England from Holland. "An acre of wheat or potatoes may be put down as worth from \$50.00 to \$150.00 according to the locality and variety; an acre of choice daffodils or narcisses may be worth anything from \$250.00 to \$250,000.00. But still because of this, one would not advise students to leave the University for the farm altho some students might do so with profit.

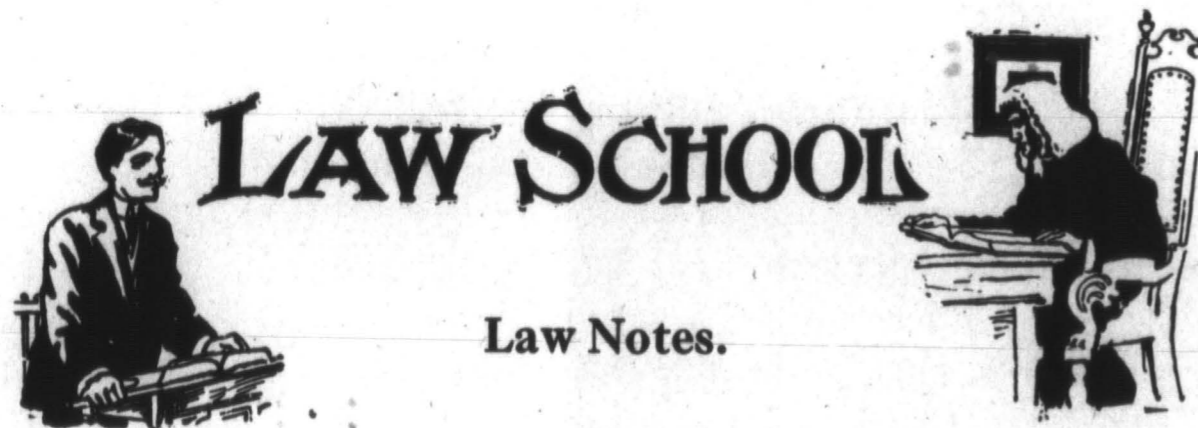
The Acadia-Mount Allison Football Game is interestingly described in both the "Athenaeum," and "Argosy." Only on one point do they materially differ, and that is as to the satisfaction with which the game was refereed. The "misunderstanding" which arose is certainly to be regretted in this, as in any other like case.

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following magazines:—*Revue Canadienne*; *The Intercollegian*; *The Scroll*; *Western University Gazette*; *The Colorado Index*; *Queen's Journal*; *McGill Daily*; *The Gateway*; *The Student*; *Vox Collegie*; *L'Etudiant*; *The Xaverian*; *The Mitre*; *The Collegian*; *Stevens Indicator*; *The Canadian Mining Journal*; *The Scientific American*; *The Trinity University Review*; *The Argosy*; *The Acadia Athenaeum*; *The O'Kanagan Lyceum*; *Lux Columbiana*; *The Normal College Gazette* and *The MacDonald, College Magazine*.



A quiet retreat





### DALHOUSIE MOCK PARLIAMENT.

The debate on the Naval Question was resumed on Monday evening, the 18th November. There were a large attendance of members present and the galleries were filled to overflowing. Mr. Pineo (Kings') contended that there was no emergency and thus no need of such a contribution. Mr. Graham (Rugby) following, made an eloquent appeal for the legislation and so persuaded his audience that on division three opposition members voted with the Government. Mr. Barron (Much Ado About Nothing) now threw himself into the debate but his windy efforts made no impression except on the Speaker, who repeatedly called him to order. Next arose Mr. Hugh Stairs (Barclay's) who strongly favored contribution to the Empire. He quoted largely from Latin authorities to prove his points. Others took part, all eager to place themselves on record one way or another. Prominent among the speeches was that of Mr. Michaud (Madawaska) in French, whose views on the subject were not at all appreciated by Mr. Robichaud. Up to date the House has not understood quite thoroughly what Mr. Michaud was trying to get through him on this occasion. On division the measure was passed by a large majority to the evident dismay of the opposition forces.

On Nov. 25th, in an effort to secure better representation for the Maritime Provinces, the progressive McPherson went down to glorious defeat. The Hon. Minister of Justice (Mr. Stewart) opened fire with a strenuous appeal for better terms of representation for the Provinces by the sea. He dwelt upon the manner in which the West was

outnumbering the East and the need of some fixed unit in order that the Maritime Provinces would not lose their political identity. The opposition did not seriously oppose the scheme, having determined to oust the Government by steam roller methods. This they did to their evident delight and once more the allies of the arch one frustrated all attempts to introduce progressive and up to date legislation. The Premier at once tendered the resignation of his Cabinet to the Governor General (J. A. MacMillan) who immediately called upon Hon. E. T. Parker to form a cabinet, which he did calling upon the following to assist him in holding the reins of power.

Premier, President of the Council	Hon. E. T. Parker
Minister of Finance - - -	Hon. J. E. Michaud
Minister of Justice - - -	Hon. A. T. MacKay
Minister of Public Works (Buildings, Houses, etc.) - - -	Hon. J. A. MacMillan
Minister of Marine and Fisheries	Hon. Mr. Pineo
Minister of Labor - - -	Hon. W. H. Skinner

The Speech from the throne provided for a solution of the Asiatic Question, Free Trade, Establishing of a Hot Air Fleet to enable the government to put their only stock in trade into good use and the Emancipating of the Law Student from the Thralls of Slavery. To all of these, severally, the attention of the House is invited and it is expected that the session will be an interesting one.



## COLLEGE NOTES.

**Dramatic Club.**—The meetings of this society have continued to grow in popularity with the students. Miss Crawford has been untiring in her efforts for better singing and for the introduction of a real Dalhousie Orchestra. Her efforts have been crowned with success, and things are beginning to shape themselves for another Dalhousie Play.

**The Y. M. C. A.**—The meetings this month have been unusually good. The Series of Sunday afternoon lectures closed on December first. Judge Russell was the speaker of the day, and he was a fit finale of a very splendid course.

**Arts and Science Debating Society.**—Nov. 1st. Resolved that the principle of Referendum should be added to the Constitution of Canada. Messrs. MacLeod and MacAulay upheld the Resolution which was opposed by Messrs. Milne and Fox. A very unsatisfactory feature of this otherwise good debate was that there were no intermediate speakers. The Resolution was lost. An excellent critique was given by Mr. Parker.

Nov. 8th. The Resolution for the evening read "Resolved that Orientals should be excluded from Canada. It was supported by Messrs. MacKay and McInnes, and opposed by Messrs. Johnson and Fraser. Messrs. Salter, Swanson, Graham, Stairs and Stewart joined in the general discussion. The Resolution was sustained. Mr. Rutledge gave a helpful critique.

Nov. 15th. "Resolved that the Suffrage should be extended to the women of Canada." Messrs. J. A. Dawson and McCurdy upheld the "Rights of women." Messrs. MacLeod and MacAskill opposed it. Messrs. Leslie, M. T. MacLeod, Fox, MacQuarrie and Salter joined in the general discussion. Mr. Graham read a very interesting and instructive critique.

Nov. 22. "Resolved that the Senate of Canada should be abolished." Messrs. Leslie and Martin upheld the resolution which was opposed by Messrs. Campbell and

Stairs.. Mr. Fraser, and others took part in the general discussion. A very good critique was impartially given by M. MacLeod.

**The Sophomore Walking Party.**—On the evening of November 2nd, took place one of the most pleasant parties of the season. The night was perfect, and the spirits of the Party harmonized with it in every respect. After traversing a pleasant and well chosen course, a light lunch was served to the party at the Colonial Tea Rooms. Mrs. MacNeil had very kindly consented to act as Chaperon, and as is always the case with her, she acquitted herself nobly. After a very pleasant evening, the party broke up, looking forward with pleasure to the next merry meeting.

**Sodales Debating Society.**—Nov. 7th. The debate should have been between 14, and 16 and Medicine. Medicine defaulted. Messrs. MacLennan and Ratee for 15 and 13 supported the Resolution which read, "Resolved that Capital Punishment should be abolished." Messrs. Macaulay and Lawley opposed it. The Resolution was lost.

Nov. 21st. "Resolved that Trades Unions have been more beneficial than detrimental to society. This was the first and semi trial debate. Messrs. M. B. Archibald, J. A. MacMillan, M. Ferguson and C. M. McInnes upheld the Resolution. Messrs. MacKinnon, Auld and Mahabir opposed it. This being a trial, no decision was given.



## EPOCH MAKERS OF MEDICINE.

A large audience attended the fourth lecture of this course on Friday evening, November 29th, 1912. It was on Stephen Hales, the man who first understood ventilation. Born in 1677 and dying in 1761, this great scientist was the first to appreciate the fact that the air around all living things must be continually changed. He invented a bellows for sucking the impure air out of buildings and it was such a success that it was installed in prisons hospitals and ships. As a result of this invention and its introduction, the number of cases of typhus fever was greatly reduced.

Ventilation for human beings may be defined as the removal of impure air and the incoming of pure air, without causing a draught. A draught may be defined as any movement of the air, so rapid or at so low a temperature, as to remove bodily heat too quickly. One of the results of imperfect ventilation is the basilli of tuberculosis among the inhabitants of wind swept islands. There is plenty of fresh air, but it is prevented from getting into the dwellings because by doing so cold is also admitted.

Typhus fever has been abolished through better general sanitation, but because we have not solved the problem of ventilating the house of the pauper, tuberculosis still lives and reigns.

The Rev. Dr. Hales, B. D., F. R. S., was a Cambridge man and for many years was the rector of Feddington on the Thames. Here Hales experimented and here evolved so many of the theories which the present generation take as simple facts. Like all great men, he had to obey the summons of fate, and in his old Church at St. Mary's in the Meadows his tomb may be found. The mother of George III erected a monument to him in Westminster Abbey, the inscription on which closes with these words. "No lapse of time will weaken your praise, Great Hales, or your titles! England is proud to enroll you among the noblest sons England who can boast a Newton!"

## ALUMNI NOTES.

The following are further notes gleaned from the President when discussing his visit to the West.

In Kamloops, B. C., a night's ride from Vancouver, is a fine group of Dalhousians. Dr. M. G. Archibald (M. D., '98) holds a high place in the regard of every citizen; with him is associated Dr. H. L. Burriss who spent two years in Medicine here. F. J. Dawson, of Christie & Dawson, has gathered about him quite a group of Alumni, F. R. Archibald (B. A., '09); Kenneth G. Chisholm, G. F. Simson and Gordon S. Stairs. J. Ross Archibald (LL. B. '08), A. F. Matthews (B. A. '07, M. A. '09), F. R. Logan (B. A. '04), T. Roy Hall (B. A. '10), and F. F. Smith (B. A. '05) are all rapidly taking possession of the town in their respective spheres.

A sample of how the Law School has annexed the West is shown by the town of Lethbridge; the following graduates have a very prosperous look, L. M. Johnstone (L.L. B. '92), J. N. Ritchie (LL. B. '08), E. C. MacKenzie (LL. B. '08) H. W. Menzie (LL. B. '09). J. H. Prowse (B. A. '07; LL. B. '09) and J. B. Lyons (LL. B. '06) control the neighbouring town of Taber on one side, and Colin A. McLeod (B. A. '01) and W. S. Gray (B. A. '94, LL. B. '99) the town of McLeod on the other side. The President spoke of a very enjoyable meeting with Mr. and Mrs. Prowse (Elizabeth Colquhoun) in the train, going from Lethbridge to Calgary.

At Calgary, President MacKenzie was the guest of honour of the Alumni and Alumnae at dinner, and enthusiasm and pride in their old University were much in evidence. It would require a closely printed page of the *Gazette* to give even a list of Dalhousians in Calgary. They are the leading men in every walk of life. A sort of Dean among our lawyers is R. B. Bennett, M. P. (LL. B. '93), an outstanding figure in Western life. In the educational world there the prominent factor is A. O. Macrae, Ph. D. (B. A. '93) Principal of Western College, who has found time in the thick of his various activities to write a valuable "History of Alberta," a copy of which he has

presented to the Library. Among the others who particularly assisted in making Dr. Mackenzie's visit to Calgary profitable to the University and pleasant to himself may be mentioned J. E. A. Macleod (B. A. '00; LL. B. '03) who is rapidly coming to leadership at the bar of Calgary, and Mrs. Macleod (Ethel Flemming, B. A. '00); Kent Power (B. A. '04; LL. B. '07) whose well-known abilities have been found out by Albertans in the course of a few months, so that he is not only an important factor in the Law Book Publishing firm of Burroughs & Co., and Editor of the Law Reports, but has also lately been appointed official Reporter for the Province of Alberta and Lecturer on Law in the newly formed Calgary University; A. A. McGillivray (LL. B. '06); J. H. Charman (LL. B. '07) and C. W. Matheson who have already established themselves firmly in the practice of the Law. Very keen Alumnae are Norah Power (B. A. '08,) Mrs. (Dr.) George Macdonald, and Mrs. (Dr.) E. B. Roache, a daughter of Prof. Russell, Mrs. McKinlay Cameron (Ethel Munro, B. A. '05), and Mrs. McCutcheon (nee' Ross). In the Engineering profession we have Laurie Eliot, J. W. Hugill and Ben Russell to represent us.

President Mackenzie recalled with particular pleasure a visit to the hospitable home of Harry Patterson (B. A. '06 LL. B. '08) and Mrs. Paterson (Margaret C. Chase) at Didsbury. There were also gathered for the occasion John Barnett (B. A. '05; LL. B. '07) and Mrs. Barnett (Blanche E. Murphy, B. A. '06). Dalhousie will not be forgotten in any place where they foregather.

Though Edmonton rivals Calgary in the promise of a great future, Dalhousians have not yet taken possession of it to the same extent. At the Dalhousie Luncheon held there the President met W. O. Farquharson (B. A. '00; M. D. '04), a busy medical man, who presided; Aubrey W. Fullerton, Irving B. Howatt (B. A. '02; M. A. '12), the Hon. C. R. Mitchell, Minister of Works of Alberta, who spent a year at Dalhousie, Rev. C. A. Myers (B. A. '00), H. H. Parlee of the law firm of Boyle, Parlee & Co., Gerald V. Pelton (LL. B. '09), Ray Milner (LL. B. '11). The Law School is still further represented by E. B. Cogswell, H. A. Dickie (LL. B. '04) M. W. Eagar (LL. B. '05) C. L. Freeman (LL. B. '99), Bruce T. Graham (LL. B. '06) son

of Mr. Justice Graham, and Wallace M. Macdonald (B. A. '81) son of the late Chief Justice; all of whom seem to have found it a profitable place to practice in, if one could judge by the busy looks of their offices, their motor cars and other evidences of prosperity.

Nothing could surpass the spirit of the Alumni who are in Moose Jaw. Though only a handful they gave the President of the University a royal welcome. What made the Dalhousie Dinner there all the more notable was the presence of Easterners who were not Dalhousians, but who in their appreciation of Dalhousie made good imitations of enthusiastic Alumni. Chief of these was Judge F. A. G. Ouseley who presided, and good supporters were Messrs. Trethewey, Pugsley and D. A. McCurdy, in the real estate business, the latter a brother of one of our chief benefactors, F. B. McCurdy, M. P. of this city; Guy C. Pelton in newspaper work, and Dr. Vaughan Black. The Dalhousians present were J. E. Chisholm (LL. B. '06), Alister Fraser (LL. B. '08) whose cheerful countenance was but yesterday to be seen on the football grounds, Netson R. Craig (LL. B. '07), E. L. Thorne City Engineer of Rouleau, who came back for a wife (Katherine Whitman B. A. '10) a few weeks ago, D. D. McCurdy (LL. B. '04), and G. V. Pelton of Edmonton. Before leaving the gathering they determined to make such a contribution to the war chest of Dalhousie as would make all other Western towns look small in comparison, and make Moosejaw a name to be remembered at Dalhousie. J. W. Pennington (M. D. '00) C. R. Morse (LL. B. '07), and O. R. Regan (LL. B. '01) were unable to be present, but sent word to be counted on for doing their share to boost their Alma Mater.

Another Saskatchewan town with as yet only a sprinkling of Ours is Regina. E. B. Jonah (LL. B. '08) is rapidly rising in his profession, although quite a late comer. Joseph F. Frame (LL. B. '90) is one of the leaders of the Bar in Saskatchewan, and will soon be further heard from. Another of our Law School men who is rapidly coming to the front is H. Y. Macdonald. And two other good Dalhousians are H. V. Bigelow (LL. B. '96) and Mrs. Bigelow (nee' Tupper). One of the most highly appreciated contributions received by Dr. Mackenzie was from one not in any way connected with Dalhousie, Judge H. W. Newlands

of Regina. His handsome gift was due entirely to his high opinion of our aims and work. Judge Newlands is a native of Dartmouth, and the President speaks in very warm terms of the pleasure he had in meeting him.

The President then began to talk about Saskatoon, which he said he had reserved for the end, like a tidbit; but as he says it deserves a paper to itself, your Alumni Editor will save it for the next issue.

#### NOTICE TO ALUMNI.

At a meeting of the Alumni Association held in Halifax on April 22nd, 1912. The bye-laws were changed to make the Permanent Secretaries of all classes which have graduated from the University, members of the Alumni Executive, ex-officio. All Permanent Secretaries please note this bye-law and forward their names to the Secretary of the Association, Professor MacNeil at once, as he wishes to have a complete list of same.



#### THE DALHOUSIE ENGINEERING SOCIETY.

At a meeting of the students in Engineering at Dalhousie held on October first, a resolution was presented by F. H. Zwicker, and adopted, by which the Engineering Society that formerly existed at Dalhousie was reorganized along new lines. The resolution provided that the new society should be a branch of the Nova Scotia Society of Engineers, and that its membership should be limited to those students of Dalhousie who are included in the membership of its Engineering society.

The committee appointed to draw up a constitution for the society made its report on October 8th. The constitution submitted by the committee was then adopted, and the election of officers resulted as follows:

Honorary President	-	Prof. C. D. Howe
President	- - -	J. B. Hayes
Vice President	- - -	F. H. Zwicker
Secretary-Treasurer	-	W. P. Crowe
Executive	- - -	{ J. B. Carson
		{ G. D. Floyd.

At the suggestion of Prof. Howe it was decided to conduct a series of lectures on "The Field of Engineering." The object of the course being to assist those students who have not yet chosen the particular branch of engineering that they are to follow and to make the members of the society acquainted with some of the prominent engineers of the Province, and the work they are doing. Fortunately for the society, Halifax is the engineering centre of the province, and has located in it engineers who are prominent in every branch of the profession. Through the kindness of these men the executive of the society have been able to arrange a notable course of lectures. It has been so arranged that all of the more important branches of engineering work will be covered.

The first lecture was given by Prof. Howe on November 8th. The speaker gave a general introduction to the course, and then discussed the problems and opportunities men in Structural Engineering. Other speakers and their subjects are as follows.

Prof. F. H. Sexton	- - -	Mining Engineering
F. M. Brown	- - -	Scientific Management
F. W. W. Doane	- - -	Municipal Engineering
P. A. Freeman	- - -	Mechanical Engineering
C. E. W. Dodwell	- - -	Hydraulic Engineering
R. McColl	- - -	Railroad Engineering
F. A. Bowman	- - -	Electrical Engineering

The Dalhousie Engineering Society was most enthusiastically received by its parent society, the Nova Scotia Society of Engineers at their recent annual meeting. Judging by the enthusiasm with which the society has carried out its organization it gives promise of becoming one of the most active of the Dalhousie organizations.

C. D. H.

### LETTER FROM DR. CREIGHTON.

November, 20th, 1912.

To the Editor of the "Dalhousie Gazette," Dalhousie College,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

In a short notice of my appointment to the staff of Swarthmore College, there appears the following on page 25 of the first number of the Gazette: "Dr. Creighton spent the earlier part of the summer conducting chemical researches in the Dalhousie laboratories and the results of this work will be published shortly by the Royal Society of London." This statement is misleading. The research referred to was a joint one with my colleague, Professor D. Fraser Harris, who held a grant from the Royal Society for it. I should like to mention here, also, that it was through the courtesy of Professor Adrian Brown, of the University of Birmingham, that the results of our investigation were published by the Royal Society.

Trusting that you will have space in the next issue of the Gazette for this letter, believe me,

Yours faithfully,

H. JERMAIN CREIGHTON.

### SCENES IN SODALES

(Without Prejudice.)

A university debate was held on Thursday November 21st in the Munro Room. It was on the question of Trade Unions and a large and enthusiastic gathering greeted the budding orators.



Mr. Archibald (Law) who opened for the affirmative felt that there was no need of proving that Trade Unions were not beneficial and did not attempt at any great length to do so. He strove long and nobly, furrowing his classic brow and mopping his golden hair, to convince his critical audience that Trade Unions were the greatest blessing the world had received since the children of Israel were given the manna from Heaven.



Mr. MacKinnon (Arts) endeavoured in his theological style to prove that the defence of the first speaker was false, frivolous and vexatious. His intonation rose and fell as his enthusiasm waxed and waned, like the ritual of the Anglican service. Unions were the greatest curse that mankind had seen since Cain slew Abel. He could not perceive how any group of intelligent students could uphold Trade Unions and still call themselves Christians. At least it was not so in P. E. I., the land of speckled "Murphys" and half shelled oysters, where prohibition reigns supreme and "living waters" can only be obtained at stated seasons. With tears flowing from his plate glass, bow windows, the speaker took his seat, sad because the time was so short and he had said so little.



Far to the right there arose the huge form of the only living descendant of Giant MacAskill, John MacMillan. In a humorous flutter of Johnsonese, he informed his admiring audience that he believed in Trade Unions having seen their good effects in Glace Bay. He need not have told his audience from whence he came, for his whole appearance bespoke more than a casual acquaintance with the red soiled isle.

On and on he went until at last exhausted both in vocabulary and argument he sank into his seat and cried loudly for a glass of Horlick's Malted Milk.



Next came Mr. Auld who was very emphatically opposed to Trade Unions in every detail. No doubt by this time an action has been instituted against him, for slander in calling the Centaur of Cape Breton "A drunken lazy sot" or something of that nature. He may not have meant it for John but at least he looked savagely in that direction and shook his fist in a threatening manner. The speaker showed such a familiarity with the needs of the working man that we are led to believe that at one time in his headlong career, he was a missionary to some mining town. At several junctures in his speech, Mr. Auld nearly committed an assault on the worthy secretary of Sodales, but being warned off in a dream, he sank slowly to rest in the 35c. Morris Chair placed at his disposal.

Next arose Mr. Ferguson who reminded one of Angus Bowser, the genial proprietor of the St. Margaret's Bay Road rendezvous. At least, Angus and he say "hot potatoes" in the same way. He backed up his colleagues in an admirable manner, and at sundry times had to stop to refresh his memory and allow his sentences to assume their proper sequence. He lapsed into tears at the idea of his opponents wishing to do away with Trade Unions and drawing a snow-white handkerchief from his hip pocket, he hid his face behind it and watched the effect on his audience. During his oration the way in which Mr. Ferguson shunted up and down the platform was commented on as a sure sign that the railway was coming into Halifax, as a direct result of the efforts of Trade Unions.

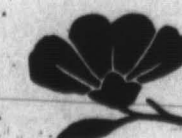


Mr. Mahabir, who had been digesting his notes all the while, now threw himself into the breach. His accent following closely on that of Chauncey Depew enabled him to fascinate the fair ones into an unspeakable admiration. He likened College to a Trade Union and for one in Dalhousie for so short a while, his insight was remarkable. He quoted largely from the great English statesmen but at no time did he venture to dissect the attitude of the present Premier and Minister of Justice of

the Mock Parliament toward Trade Unions. The bell cut short his eloquence and realizing its power he took a back seat.

Mr. McInnes tried gamely for quite a while to overcome a malady which has often attacked more experienced speakers. It, however, conquered him and he resumed his seat amid the applause of every student in the audience. Lord Beaconsfield once experienced the same attack but recovered and afterwards made his audience sit up and take notice. We hope that Mr. McInnes will do the same.

At the end of the debate President Irving of Sodales, resplendent in a white vest and a smiling visage, informed the audience, particularly the female part of it, that as this was a trial debate there would be no decision. Thereupon a rumbling sound was heard at one end of the room, followed by a grunt from the other, to which the President replied "Motion carried" and the whole audience precipitated themselves at once through the nine by five door as if Satan himself was after them. Such is the power of a **rumbling noise** and a **grunt**.



## PERSONALS.

## Chess.

## EDINBURGH CHESS CLUB.

"The new rooms of the Edinburgh Chess Club at 130 George Street were formally declared open this afternoon, when a reception was given by the members.

The President of the Club, Mr. R. Tramm, in welcoming the visitors, said that luster was added to the occasion by the presence among them of the distinguished veteran player, Mr. Blackburne, who represented the genius of chess as perhaps no other man in these had ever done. (Applause.)

The Rev. Dr. Benvie, who also spoke, said he saw no reason, at all why the educative influence and educative power of chess should not be more fully recognized. There was no reason why chess should not be made a course of study in our higher grade schools. It was as good a discipline as most of the parts of mathematics with which they were familiar. Personally, he would say that the educative influence of chess was a far better influence than he ever had from analytical geometry. He hoped to see the day when the teaching of chess would be a recognised class subject. (Applause.)

## BRITISH CHAMPION IN EDINBURGH.

Mr. J. H. Blackburne, in Edinburgh, yesterday, had a light day, as the champion only played at the University Union in the afternoon. Twenty-seven boards were occupied, and the games lasted three and one-half hours, when the result was ascertained to be 24 wins for the veteran and 3 draws, obtained by G. Grant, A. E. P. Vanier, and W. S. Wash. Professor Sir Ludovic J. Grant Bart, who is president of the University Chess Club, welcomed the veteran and expressed the pleasure and instruction which the students always obtained from the visit of the great British chess professor. Dr. Cargill Knott, an old friend of the master's was present, and took a keen interest in the play."

The G. Grant above referred to is Gerald W. Grant, B. A. '12. He was last year President of the Dalhousie Chess Club. May he defeat the champion next time. This is also a stimulant to our own Chess club and all its members.

Mr. John Read B. A. (Dal.) our 1910 Rhodes scholar has been distinguishing himself over at Oxford. Not long ago he won honors at that University in Law and reflected great credit upon himself and his *Alma Mater*. The Gazette wishes "Jack" good luck, hoping that his shadow will never grow less.

Mr. B. W. Russell, B. A. (Mt. A.) LL. B. (Dal. '11) has been admitted as junior partner of the Law firm of O'Connor, Meagher & Russell.

Rudolph A. Clemen (Arts) has been awarded a prize for \$60.00 by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association for his Essay on "Causes of Rural Depopulation in Nova Scotia." The Gazette congratulates the winner and desires to express the hope that the pen, so valiantly used to win this prize, may be still further used to help this University paper in its upward course.



Hints for the Class in Wills, in the absence of their lecturer.

POETICAL WILLS.

All earthly goods I have in store  
To my dear wife I leave for evermore.  
I freely give, no limit do I fix,  
This is my will, and she the executrix.

A quaint will that was admitted to probate ran as follows:—

When I'm laid underneath,  
I give and bequeath,  
To my two loving sisters most dear,  
The whole of my store,  
Were it twice as much more,  
Which God's goodness has given me here.  
And that none may prevent  
This my will and intent,  
Or occasion the least of law-racket,  
With a solemn appeal  
I confirm, sign, and seal  
This the true act and deed of Will Jackett.

This testator was evidently uncertain in his own mind if he had anything to leave or not.

Maybe I am not worth a groat,  
But should I die worth something more  
I leave it all, with my old coat,  
And all my manuscripts in store,  
To those who will the goodness have  
To cause my poor remains to rest  
Within a fitting shell and grave;  
This is the will of Joshua West.

The following will is in distinct contrast to the first mentioned:

Here is my will: I leave to my wife  
Exactly nothing a year for life.  
I found her, while living, the dearest I knew;  
I hope now I'm dead to punish the shrew.  
The whole of my goods I leave to the poor  
(My wife will be one of that I am sure),  
For whom she'd never a word or a crust,  
But I hope that she will now I'm gone to dust.



Captain Mackasey prescribing a stimulus for his discouraged foot-ball team:—

Rx. Hot gass  
Balloonfull  
Extract Lingua Magna ad q. s.  
Ms. Sig. "The Stimulus." To be taken before every game while smelling is prominent.  
Dr. "The Captain."

Dr. Harris—"Mr. Godfrey, what would you consider as the conditions to produce complete tetanus?"  
Mr. Godfrey—"Er—well! an exam in Physiology."

Joker—"I see that my friend Charlie is paying much attention to her of late."  
Student—"To whom, may I enquire?"  
Joker—"To Ethyl Alcohol."

THE INCARCERATION OF EARL.

Once upon a midnight dreary, while Ph-n-ey studied long  
and weary,  
Over many a large and legal volume of forgotten lore—  
While he nodded, nearly napping, suddenly there came a  
tapping,  
As of someone gently shutting, shutting up the heavy outer  
door.  
"Tis the janitor" he muttered, "shutting up the heavy  
outer door—  
Only this and nothing more."

Deep into the darkness peering, down the narrow steps  
 careering,  
 Doubting, seeing things no mortal ever could have seen  
 before;  
 But the silence was unbroken, and the stillness gave no  
 token,  
 And the only words there spoken were, "the sucker locked  
 the door!"  
 This he muttered and an echo murmured back "he locked  
 the door."  
 Merely this and nothing more.

No matter whether you  
 are an Irishman, a Scotchman  
 or an Englishman; whether  
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Then, eftsoons, the air grew bluer, colored by the locked  
 in mewer,  
 Caused by hecklers whose footfalls sounded on the concrete  
 floor.  
 "Fools" he cried "the Fates have sent thee—fetch a key and  
 soon unpent me,  
 Hurry! Hurry! get the Key and open up the outer door."  
 Soon oh soon, that kind Loftivus got the key and opened  
 up the door.

Then quoth Ph-n-ey "Nevermore."

*(With apologies to Edgar Allen Poe.)*

"I have often noticed stuck up on boardings, the  
 warning 'Post no bills,' " remarked the able bodied Law  
 Librarian to his assistant, "and have thought that if a  
 similar notice were only attached to postal letter boxes  
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 much more pleasant occupation than it is at present.

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Piper in Phil I, to Prof:—"Are all fools rogues?"  
Quod erat demonstrandum?

Freshie president, discussing representation for student council:—"We will get a representative on that council or I will leave college. (Suit yourself.)"

Freshie Fraser, being questioned by new lady friend:—  
Lady friend:—"Are you a college man?"  
Fraser:—"No, I am a freshman."

D-ws-n to G. Campb-l in Latin 2—"What does Prof. Murray keep in that room?"  
C-mp-b-l:—"That is where he analyzes Latin roots."

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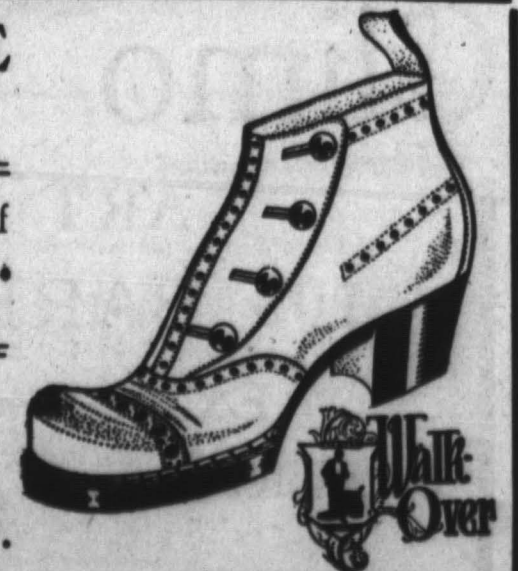
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Dr. Lindsay, in Anatomy II quiz:—"Mr. K-rkp-i-ck, if you wished to ligature the caroted artery, whar s the first thing you would do?"

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