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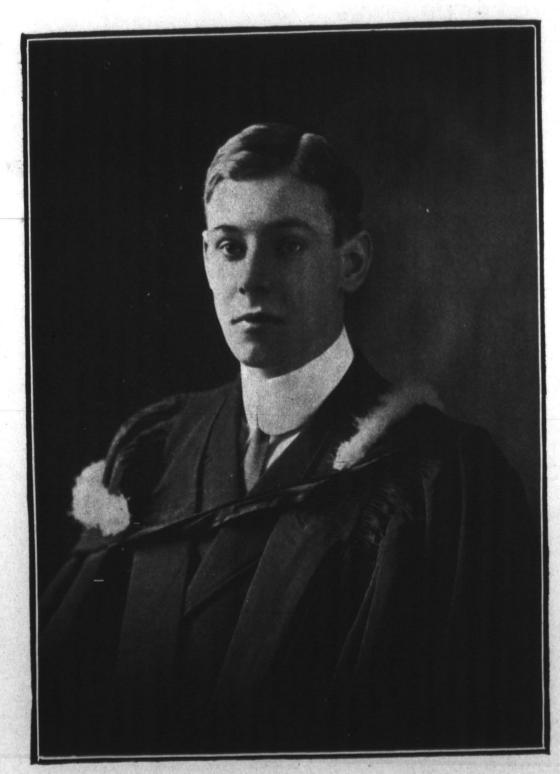
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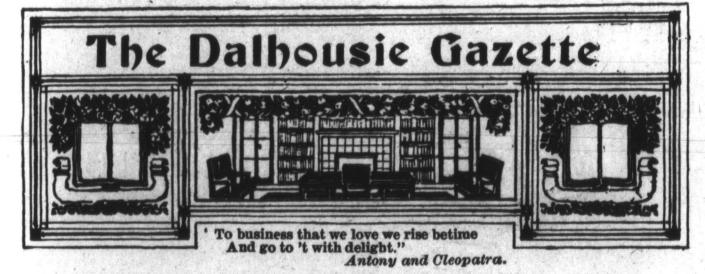
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OLLEGE spirit is something that should be cultivated by every lover of Dalhousie. The question has often arisen, whether our students are not utterly devoid of that species of enthusiasm which tends to generate college spirit. The great majority seems to regard the University as a place where learning is dispensed at a nominal fee, and after that is ended, there is nothing left to be desired; Dalhousie has performed its obligation to the student and the student has, in like manner, finished the work which has been given him to do. Such a state of affairs was never intended to exist and should never have been tolerated by the institution. At our college, it is a well known fact that all the student organizations never flourish at one and the same time. One year, the many headed multitude booms one branch and another year it booms another, but never yet has it bent its energies toward making all the societies successful during the same period. As is very noticeable this year, one or two societies are going ahead by leaps and bounds, while the rest and residue have gone into mere oblivion, sans supporters, sans cash, sans enthusiasm, sans everything. Why this lopsided condition of affairs and why the toleration of the few to the exclusion of the many? Is it not the overthrow of college spirit and college pride, caused by the influx of sensation and selfishness? Is it not, to use a common expression, another case of "too much Johnson?" We at Dalhousie should endeavour to make all our societies successful and strive to select men at the proper time, who will uphold the various branches of our college life, in spite of the wiles and whims of an unstable community or the fickelenss of an unsatisfied student body. (184)

UR standard bearers for the intercollegiated ebate have been chosen and on them has been thrust the onus of defending our debating prowess and our collegiate honor. They will do their duty nobly, but they must be aided by their contemporaries, skilled and unskilled. Enthusiasm is an excellent thing, but in a situation of this kind it must be accompanied by help and encouragement. Our debating team needs the aid and assistance of every professor, student and co-ed in the university. "Words, idle words," will not win the debate, but sympathy, work and well placed interest will do much to strengthen our representatives for the stern fight which is before them. The knockers should hibernate until after the fray and allow the enthusiast to occupy the limelight. Every inmate of the University should pull for the home team and squelch the horrible forebodings of the chronic grouch and the pessimistic prophet. It has been done before and we ask all our supporters to do it again. Only thus, can we expect to reward the men who are working so hard to win and expecting the student body to do its part to make the road easier.

HE long dreamed of Intercollegiate Hockey League did not materialize this year and our hockey team has had to be content with their endeavours to capture the championship of the Halifax Amateur League. Itisregretable that negotiations to unite the Maritime Universities, in this branch of sport, have been an utter failure. Here, in Halifax, are two collegiate teams worthy a place in any hockey union but because of misunderstanding and misrepresentation, they have been excluded from enjoying the pleasure of contending in friendly rivalry with their sister colleges outside the city. The colleges of Quebec and Ontario have their Hockey Union and though at times they squabble and fall out, yet they have always managed to pull together in order to decide the Intercollegiate Championships. We have material in the Maritime Provinces for an eight team union, or for a two, four team sectional league, the winners of both sections to play off.

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Such a league would mean a closer union of our Maritime institutions, and a quickening of the friendly relations that should always exist between them. Moses has passed away, but surely there is in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick, some clear headed deliverer whose energy and broad mindedness may be able to bridge the chasm of Intercollegiate obstinacy.

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OUR FIFTH RHODES SCHOLAR.

Dalhousie University has selected her fifth Rhodes Scholar in the person of Walter Melville Billman.

Mr. Billman, who is in his twenty-first year, was born just outside the limits of the City of Halifax, on the western side of the North West Arm, and he received the elementary part of his education in the ungraded school of that district. From this school he passed, at the age of twelve, into the Halifax County Academy. During the four years which he spent here, he achieved a record which has probably never been equalled and certainly has never been surpassed by any student of that institution, not only leading his class in every year and winning the medals offered for the highest standing, but by his average of 94 1-2 obtained in the provincial examinations on the work of Grade XI, establishing a record for high school pupils throughout the province which has not been equalled either before or since.

In the autumn of 1909 Mr. Billman passed from the Academy into the University. Here in the competitive examination, open to all incoming students he took the highest place, thereby securing the coveted MacKenzie Bursary, and his scholastic record throughout his University course has been a brilliant one. The subjects in which he has more particularly distinguished himself include the classical languages Greek and Latin, English and Mathematics. Since the beginning of his Junior Year he has been specializing in Greek and Latin, and, if we may judge of the future by the past, there is little doubt that at the close of the present session he will obtain his degree from the University with High Honours in those subjects.

Notwithstanding the signal successes which he has won in the field of scholarship, Mr. Billman is no mere bookworm or recluse. He has by no means neglected the athletic and social sides of college life. In athletic sports he has taken a more or less prominent part, in football, basketball, tennis, rifle-shooting, running, rowing, swimming, and skating, while the number of responsible positions to which he has been elected in the various student

organizations are an indication of his popularity with his fellow-students and of their confidence in him.

The Gazette extends to Mr. Billman its heartiest congratulations.

BROWNING, THE OPTIMIST.

Life at its best abounds in the gladness of meeting tempered by the sadness of farewell. Pleasures come into existence, only to be drowned by the sorrows which follow them. Optimism is created, only sooner or later to be effaced by the gloom of pessimism. The great man is great, in the eyes of the world, just so long as he is invincible and as soon as he loses this invincibility, he is looked upon as an old warhorse, whose race is finished and whose end is near. To the youth, such thoughts as these must end in dark foreboding and inevitable gloom, for youth fears old age with its long night and diminishing strength, its preparation and its death. Such reflections must sooner or later, if continued, end in the fearfulness of pessimism and the terror of unbelief.

Every malady, however, has some cure and to the down-hearted, down-trodden and downcast, the sublime optimism of that Prince of Optimists, Robert Browning, must come as an alleviation of the sorrow, which seems to press too heavily upon him. A comrade in distress and a very present help in trouble is Browning with his keen insight and his upward look. He, himself, was acquainted with this world's ennui, its victories and defeats, its successes and failures. He, too, must have passed through the long watches of the night, when "thinking too precisely on the event" had banished sleep from his overworked system and left nought but "the ills which flesh is heir to" for comfort and sustenance. Yet over and above all this, he rose triumphant and in his every act and work has handed down to posterity, an optimistic spirit which is not only rare but well worthy of emulation.

Browning's chief interest was in the human soul. He was a lover of men. He saw in each face, some mission and in every soul a great possibility. He believed that every person had his own work to do, and that task, however small, should be accomplished before all else. So it is not an inexperienced doctor, to whom we have come, to receive the cure for this melancholy but to a man sympathetic, thoughtful and above all practical in his solution. G. K. Chesterton says, "Browning's optimism was a result of experience experience which is for some mysterious reason generally understood in the sense of a sad disillusioning experience. Browning's faith was founded upon joyful experience, not in the sense that he selected his joyful experiences and ignored his painful ones, but in the sense that his joyful experiences selected themselves and stood out in his memory by virtue of their own extraordinary intensity. . . With him the great concrete experiences which God made always come first, his own deductions and experiences always second."

So in his "Rabbi Ben Ezra" the poet invites the melan-

choly man to enter into these experiences:

"Grow old along with me! The best is yet to be.

The last of life, for which the first was made,

Our times are in his hand

Who saith, 'A whole I planned,

Youth shows but half; trust God, see all,

Nor be afraid!"

Such sublime faith in the future, such a confident view of what is to come cannot but dispell the gloom which has settled down upon the head of *Il Penseroso*. Then what an enlightenment to go into the poem thoroughly, to enter into the poet's thought, his optimism and his great solution. To take from there the brighter view of life and to perceive the silver lining which adorns every dark cloud. To find that after all, there is something to live and to die for and to discover among the erstwhile dwe lers of this old world, one who has solved the problem for himself.

Emerson says, "The poet has a new thought: he has a whole new experience to unfold, he will tell us how it was with him, and all men will be the richer in his fortune."

What is the new thought? What, the new experience? Is it not aptly portrayed in the following lines?

"Not once beat, 'Praise be thine!'

I see the whole design,

I, who saw power, see now love perfect too,

Perfect I call thy plan, Thanks that I was a man!

Maker, remake, complete I trust what thou shalt do!" "

Can the doubter now mumble over to himself, "Is life worth living?" Has not Browning answered the query and justified existence? Has he not solved the problem which has troubled the universe for so long Where lies the deficiency, with the producer or with his product? with the potter or with his clay? Clear and loud the ringing notes of optimism peal forth "Maker, remake complete, I trust what thou shalt do'.' Thus has he ferreted out the disease and propounded the remedy. but Browning goes still further in his analysis and advises mankind "to look not down, but up." In other words to turn its face to the sun and allow the joyful experiences of life to get the upper hand. To do the work that we have to do and do it with a will, ever rising to the occasion and suppressing the sorrows, thinking only of the good which has been ours and the blessings which have come our way.

"So take and use thy work,
Amend what flaws may lurk,
What strain o' the stuff, what warpings past the aim!
My times be in Thy hand!
Perfect the cup is planned!
Let age approve of youth and death approve the same!"



ARE DALHOUSIANS WELL-READ?

The college man should be the best read man in the community. Every facility is given to assist him in making a wide acquaintance with books. Men of learning are paid to guide his faltering and hesitating feet in the mysterious and formidable ways of history, science and philosophy. Priceless volumes are his to fondle for the asking. The business of the college man is the perusal of books. Does the average Dalhousian, then, look after his business

properly?

From an examination of the slips filed for books taken from the Arts Library, the writer found that the average number of volumes called for in any one day during the middle of a session is about twelve. The average is slightly less at the beginning and end of terms, because there is less leisure. At this rate sixty books are taken our every week, or 1200 during a college year. There are 260 Arts students at present in Dalhousie. If each student takes out books, he must according to the above figures read between four and five books from September to April. As, however, some few take out a large number of volumes there must be many who never do any general reading. Out of 25 average students who were approached on the subject three-quarters said they did little or no general reading, except current magazines. The others mentioned lists which showed their reading to be very desultory and in many cases of very little value. Novels predominate, especially the works of Dickens and other nineteenth century writers. The other books seem to be on economics and history for the most part. What I have mentioned are facts, and such facts are eye-openers.

Her most ardent admirers will hardly claim that Dalhousie is a centre of culture. It is a place where men work harder, perhaps, than in any other college; it has sent out more men who have attained high positions as students and teachers and fewer men of culture than any other institution in Canada. At Dalhousie Robert Louis Steven-

son would have committed suicide.

What is wrong about Dalhousie is this:—the very atmosphere of the place is permeated with the spirit that makes the clever man happy and the dull man miserable. Culture counts for nothing. Thus it is that Dalhousie men may speak badly and write badly, and still feel tolerably comfortable before leaving college. Of course one must be careful not to disparage knowledge and the getting of it in the college classes; it is better to be able to make 85 than 25. But when was it decreed that to make men specialists was more important than to make men cultured and well-read gentlemen?

With regard to this culture to be got from wide reading it may be said of the Dalhousian in the words of J. S. Mill, "Ignorant he comes to college, ignorant he goes away." And why should he not. The making of marks is the only criterion by which he is judged. This wrong way of looking at the question is an evil that grows. Neglect of culture is the first step toward despising culture entirely.

The fault of the undergraduate's failure to actively seize on the humanities is not altogether his. A writer in one of the leading Canadian journals holds that the Canadian B. A. is not a full man—in the Baconian sense—because in Canadian life there is so far missing an insistent force urging him to read for the sake of reading. The same opinion applies to Dalhousie. The undergraduate does not read widely and deeply, because he can get through life without it.

The blame rests with the system of education which aims to turn out graduates, instead of men of culture, taste, and refinement. "Overloaded curricula, over-crowded classes, and a paucity of professors are defects in the academic structure which give rise to the most vulnerable feature of the system—its lack of sympathy and inspiration." His reading is crude because there is no personal touch of an instructor.

A college course gives more leisure to be profitably used in attaining culture which comes from wide reading, than any other pursuit a man can be engaged in. It is worth while now and then to pause and take stock to see if the best use is being made of the opportunity to become well acquainted with "the best of what has been thought and said in the world."

R. A. C.

A PICKWICK CLUB.

A new club at Dalhousie! Even the supposition seems unwarranted until one realizes how devoid the "College by the Sea" is of institutions that can properly be called clubs. It has societies that are open to all, a democratic spirit that is to be commended; but it has no institutions with a restriction on membership—no congenial clubs—, such as are the pride of the student, and the subject of many happy thoughts, in after years for the graduate of colleges and universities across the border and in the old country.

The needed institution, the writer has in mind is a winter club, comfortably housed in some rooms near the college where those fellow-loving mortals who desire a club-like atmosphere may meet, talk, read and play indoor table games for pastime and recreation; where the reclining "lover of the weed" may shoot his shafts of argument through rings of smoke, and pierce an air of placid contentment with his lurid denunciations of the common-boarding house and its traditions.

The reader may ask why such a club should exist. He, however, would not be a "common" boarder nor a lonesome lodger who would seriously ask this question. That boarding houses are scarce and many of them, uncongenial every student knows. The lodging and rooming system is an extreme for which human nature is not adapted. It is lonesome. The club steps in and gives the touch of comradeship necessary for every man. The city clubs, for obvious reasons, are undesirable for students. The Y. M. C. A. cannot fill the gap here more than it can in the American educational centres; for no spirit of relaxation pervades it. A Y M. C. A. is a working institution in itself. The students therefore must organize societies to their own liking.

Assuming that the need for such a club exists, one may next ask, is the proposition feasible? The most obvious answer to this question would be that they exist in all other universities, where the ambition of every student is to gain admittance to some exclusive fraternity. In Dalhousie's case no university buildings or rooms would

be necessary or procurable for some time to come. A room or two could be rented near the college for a small sum. The cost of fitting up and supplying fuel, light and the other necessities could be covered by a small membership fee. The club, being a private institution, would be outside the jurisdiction of the Faculty and the Council of the Students of the University. Members would be elected by ballot or by some other means. Men who have won distinction in athletics, studies or debating are in some colleges given the preference in becoming members of such a club; and those who have acquitted themselves with great distinction to their Alma Mater or Society are made life members. The aim, however, is to bring together men who are worth knowing, those who appreciate the society of their fellows and those whose dispositions are of such a kind that would do honor to a club.

Dalhousie is a busy college, a working institution; and any proposal for an addition to the number of its societies is often regarded with disfavor. Yet it must regretfully be admitted that in comparison with the other colleges even in our own country, Dalhousie lacks the spirit of close fellowship: that in this respect the college is no better than the average high school. Truly, there is plenty of work to be done, but no more is accomplished than in the large universities. Furthermore, the time is coming when at Studley such an institution as is here outlined must flourish. Now is the time a Pickwick club ought to be formed, while Dalhousie stands on the ground where she achieved her fame so that a tradition of fraternal companionship may pass along with others to the "congenial souls" who shall dwell in the "patures new" on the slopes of the Arm.



THE INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE.

Without a doubt the most important event of the college term is the intercollegiate debate. Yet, in the mind of the average student of this university, it is not accorded the position that it deserves. What is more important to any man, whatever his profession in life may be, than to be able to express himself fluently in correct

clear English?

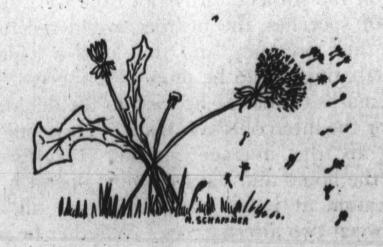
Second only to this premier test of oratorical ability are the contests held by the college debating societies. Frequently one hears complaints of the small attendance at these debates. To a certain extent the general student body is to blame, but not entirely. One of the chief causes of the lack of interest taken in these debates is the small amount of study put upon the subject under discussion by the average speaker. He usually regards the debate as a practical joke, and when his material on the question has been exhausted, he resorts to petty personal remarks upon his opponent. Such a state of affairs should not exist. The audience is not there to listen to a personal criticism, but to learn what they can from the various speeches, both as regards presentation and information on the subject. If more time were spent in the preparing of speeches, the hearers would receive more in return for their presence, and thus it is a logical conclusion that debating would be more of a success.

Such remarks cannot be applied to the debater who has qualified for the intercollegiate team. He is one of the few exceptions to the average speaker mentioned above. Many are the hours and days he must spend in the study of the question at issue, but this is not all. He must choose between two alternatives. Whether he will neglect his class work and fear of failure or the debate. This fact is of much importance in a college like Dalhousie, where the debater receives no consideration whatever in regard to his class work. Theformer almost invariably must go, yet seldom does he receive credit for the decision.

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When finally, the contending teams have crossed swords and the verdict of the judges has been given that the home team has won, thunders of applause are heard and the team is received with acclamation on every hand. The impulse of the moment having passed, the debaters return to their boarding houses, not for a several weeks rest, but to grind and study in order to overtake several months neglected work. On the other hand, if defeat is the word, praise for the debater is reduced to a minimum, and it is a safe bet that within a day, half the students in the college will have all the weak points of the debaters thoroughly criticized, and may even go so far as to have a team picked out, in their minds which would have won. Surely, this state of affairs should not exist. Honour, equal to that accorded a victorious team, should be paid in defeat to those, who, with a great sacrifice to themselves, have given their best efforts to uphold the prestige of their college in debate.

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OBITUARY.

We have once more to regretfully chronicle the death of one of our fellow-students, which took place during the Christmas recess.

Stewart Logan, a student registered in the Faculty of Dentistry, in his first year had completed his examinations with credit to himself and his college and had returned to his home at Shubenacadie to spend his holiday. While there he contracted a very severe cold which later developed into pneumonia and pleurisy, resulting in his death on January 13th.

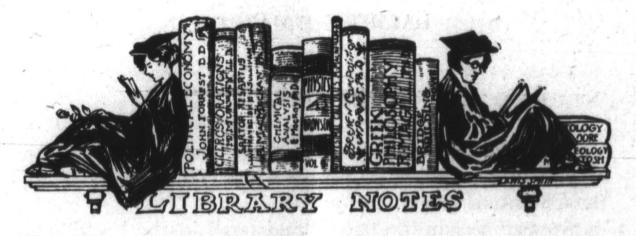
Stewart was a bright, ambitious and promising student, but owing to the fact that he was living out of the City, he was perhaps not so well known as some of his fellows yet by those who knew him best, he was regarded as a clever student and a good companion.

He was born at Shubenacadie on April 24th, 1893 and received his earlier education in the school at his home. At sixteen years of age, he taught school for one year in Hants County and then entered Dr. Randall's office in Truro, where he remained for two years and which he left to enter Dalhousie Dental College last September.

Both the Students' Council and his own class sent a wreath and his class as well sent a representative to attend the funeral.

He leaves to mourn the loss, a father, mother, three brothers and two sisters with whom today the studentbody of Dalhousie University deeply sympathize.





"Bibliotheca a Dallusia valde desiderata."

McCulloch's Fun.—As is well known, our first President (or Principal, to give him his proper title) had hardly landed when he plunged into a religious (or theological) controversy with the redoubtable Bishop Burke. The champions were well matched, Hector against Achilles. It might be supposed that the famous odium theologicum urged them to the fray, but the advertisement of McCulloch's second book, "Popery Again Condemned" suggests a very different temper. It appeared in the Royal Nova Scotia Gazette for April 10, 1811 and contains the following versicle, which can hardly be considered perfectly serious.

"In hoc est hoax, cum quiz et joksez Et smokem, roastem, toastem folksez Fee fau fum—

Psalmanazar.

But McCulloch was a joker. The very title of his book "Mephiboseth Setpoure" proves it. When shall we find a man now-a-days entering into any controversy with such a saving sense of humor?

Amantium Irae.—What the two disputants really thought of each other is best seen from this anecdote in Biship Burke's Memoirs. He waged some hotly contested controversial battles, but never cherished feelings of animosity. For years he had written against the Rev. Mr. McCullough, a Presbyterian minister residing at Pictou. Neither had ever met the other. One day Bishop Burke noticing a stranger in the street, enquired his name. He was informed that it was Mr. McCullough, his opponent. Dr. Burke went up to his old time foe,

introduced himself, invited him to his house, where they passed an hour or two in friendly conversation. Each probably found that the other was not so black as he had imagined."

Silent Gifts.—The Good Dalhousian does good by stealth, and, is far from blushing to find it fame, he won't allow even his name to be given to the eager constituency of this great family journal. Fame has absolutely no chance with him. He heads her off; ropes and throws her before she even thinks of starting in her wild career. The Good Dalhousian gives books to the Library—books, or the cash equivalent—but he prohibits that publicity which encourages the others.

Two Cases.—There are two cases, literal and metaphysical. The first wooden one comes from—there! the name of its donor almost slipped in; and the other was given by—never mind!—say, by Whatsisname in—. There it goes again. Any way there are the two wooden cases full of books for Dalhousie, both given by Dalhousians and both with all the freight charges Prepaid! They started on their journey several thousand miles apart and they met in the unpacking-room, where Alec smote them with a hammer until they yielded up their contents. That is as much as may be safely revealed. But the books are here and the heart of the Librarian is made fat by the sight thereof. The grateful thanks of the Senatus Academicus and of the whole Dalhousie community is hereby offered to these Two Good Dalhousians.



THE MEDICAL STUDENTS' DINNER.

The marked success which attended the experimental venture of a "Med." Dinner last year stamped it at once as an annual fixture on the list of University functions.

The date selected was January the fifteenth; the place, the Halifax Hotel, and from the resumption of lectures after the mid-sessional holidays the slogan that resounded through the medical corridors was "The Ides of January remember." Indeed, so pleasant were the reminiscences of the 1912 function, that e'en our grave lecturers—(N. B. This is not intended as a pun)—"could scarce forbear to cheer."

A capable committee, consisting of Messrs. Lebbetter (Chairman), McKenzie, Brown, Currie and Fuller, had completed all preliminary arrangements, and to these gentlemen must go much of the credit for the very enjoy-

able evening spent by all.

The mere mention that the event was staged at The Halifax is sufficient comment on the excellency of the menu, which was calculated to tempt the most veritable epicure present. An expert analysis by Professors Harris, E. McKay and Corston, of the respective chairs of Physiology, Chemistry and Hygiene, brought forth the unanimous report that, while the liquids were somewhat below the proper percentage by volume and of a rather bland character, the proteids, carbohydrates, and fats were precisely proportioned for an ideal diet. This assurance being given all proceeded to do justice to the many tempting dishes arrayed before them.

Mr. A. H. McKinnon, '13, alias "Sheriff", the genial president of the Medical Students' Society, was particularly happy in the role of toastmaster, and opened the post prandial exercises with sentiments of fervent loyalty

to "The King."

In proposing the toast to Canada, J. A. Currie, '16, sustained, his reputation as an orator of the first water. Dr. Hattie's response, well merited the attention with which it was received.

The University was proposed by C. L. Gass who handled his subject with the neatness of a veteran. President McKenzie and Dr. E. McKay responded, the latter receiving the ovation of the evening.

Dr. Murdoch Chisholm in proposing the Profession was heard, as always, with rapt attention, his well drawn parable of "the charcoal of charity" being undoubtedly the finest sentiment of the evening. Drs. Kirkpatrick and Hogan were both particularly interesting in their responses.

Mr. Moore, '15, proposed the Faculty and kept his audience in almost constant laughter by the unique frankness with which he held up to that august assemblage

the figurative mirror of student opinion.

Dr. N. E. McKay, our distinguished professor of Surgery responded, and, in greeting his pupils as his fellow-students, cemented anew the strong bond of friendship and sympathy which has ever characterized his relations with the Medical Students. The unexpected announcement of his resignation, at the close of the present session from the Chair of Surgery called forth expressions of the deepest regret, and all join in the hope that Dr. McKay may see his way clear to reconsider his decision, and long continue to grace the chair of Surgery at Dalhousie

The Graduates were next in the list, and in proposing this toast Mr. Gregory Tompkins, '14 won for himself an eviable reputation as an after dinner speaker, and was quite the "find" of the evening. Mr. Finlay on behalf of the stately and learned Seniors made a most pleasing

reply.

It remained for the Chauncey Depew of the Medical College, viz, T. A. Lebbetter ,'13, to toast the winsome charms and sparkling eyes of the fair ladies. The "versatile un" delivered with a vengeance, and his brilliant effort will long remain a classic in **strictly medical** literature.

The gathering dispersed in the prescribed manner, all

voting the Med Dinner the best ever.



We welcome to the exchange table No. I, Vol. I of "The Sheaf" printed by the students of the University of Saskatchewan. This first number is of special interest to Dalhousians for considerable of its contents deals with the record of Dalhousie graduates in the West. The leading article in it is contributed by Dr. Murray, President of the University and formerly Professor of Philosophy at Dalhousie. It also contains brief biographies of Professor Brehaut who graduated from Dalhousie in 1904, and of Professor Burgess who received the degree of B. Sc. in 1904 from Dalhousie. We wish for the Sheaf the desire of its editors, "that its quality, tone, and purpose may ever be consistent with that high ideal which their university embodies—Deo et Patria."

The Western University Gazette maintains its usual standard of excellence and contains an able article on Tuberculosis and the great necessity for forming "T. B." Associations.

The Queen's Journal contains an interesting editorial dealing with social life at Queens. It directs attention to the increased number and cost of the large functions, and to the feeling that opportunities for social enjoyment are not evenly distributed. Whatever may be said regarding the cost of social functions at Dalhousie, one thing is certain and that is the number has little chances of increasing. A Senate ruling is the reason.

Broke, broke,
Though the first of the month it be,
But the money's worth of the dues I've paid
Will never come back to me.

The January Argosy contains the following:-

"Hockey is at a standstill at present. The action taken by the faculties of Acadia and Mount Allison has made the double schedule drawn up in St. John, for the league between the four colleges, U. N. B., Acadia, Kings and Mount Allison impossible.

"A conference is being arranged, and it now remains to be seen whether a single schedule may be decided on. The prospects for the arrangement of a single schedule are poor, as a single schedule between four teams must necessarily be one-sided."

We have little to offer as a comment on the above. It is true that intercollegiate hockey is dead in the Maritime provinces, but the blame should fall on those who deserve it. It should fall on those who were responsible for the formation of a four team league. The only solution for intercollegiate hockey lies in having two leagues with a final championship game between the respective winners. It is impossible to arrange this for the present season but it is not too early to arrange it for next year. In any case an opportunity ought to be given to St. Francis Xavier and to Dalhousie instead of trying to shelve them as was done this year.

We gratefully acknowledge receipt of the following:—
The Sheaf, The Student, Blue and White, the Intercollegian,
The M. S. A., Lassell Leaves, Chicago Register, Normal
College Gazette, the O' Kanagan Lyceum, Queen's Journal,
Revue Economique Canadienne, L'Etudiant, The Gateway,
St. John's College Magazine, Lux Columbiana, The Western
University Gazette, Acadia Athenaeum, The Argosy, McMaster University Monthly, The King's College Record,?
Vox Populi, MacGill Daily and Truro News.



-Acta Victoriana

COLLEGE NOTES. .

The Sophomore Sleigh Drive.—The 1915 class Sleigh Drive proved to be one of the most successful social functions of the season. This important event took place on the evening of February 7th. Clamour and tumult marked the course of the drive till even the calm and stately walls of Mount St. Vincent re-echoed to the wholesome sound of "Rebo Ribo Rabo Rall". Though the evening was somewhat chilly, not a lady complained of cold hands. After a very pleasant drive the sleighs drew up before the residence of Mr. G. S. Campbell. There the host and hostess had very kindly prepared a most acceptable repast which received ample justice. The remainder of the evening was spent in singing and dancing The whole party was charmed by Mrs. Campbell's rendering of "Will ye no come back again" and other good old Scotch airs. College songs also were not forgotten. The familiar strains of "Where! O where! are the verdant Freshmen" were wafted to far off Morris Street "Where Lawley lay that night." No one, however, dared to ask about the Freshettes for that would have been dangerous. After a most enjoyable evening the party broke up, with many expressions of gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Campbell for their kind hospitality, and also to Mrs. Bronson for her kindness in acting, in such an efficient way, the difficult part of chaperon.

The Delta Gamma "Pow Wow."—The annual Delta Gamma "At Home" was held on Friday, January 1. th. The weather was on a par with that which greeted the "At Home" of the previous year, but in spite of this one draw back; the "Pow Wow" was an immense success.

Those who were fortunate in receiving invitations upon entering, discovered, that the university within had changed itself into a miniature forest. The ladies' waiting room had been transformed into Hiawatha's Lodge from the roof of which were suspended huge spruce boughs, whilst the walls were decked with canoe paddles, Indian mats, spears and skins of wild animals. Everything suggested the Indian's teepee. The Munro room

was decorated with the Delta Gamma colors, Red and Green, and here in the "Happy Hunting Grounds," the guests were received by the President of the Delta Gamma, Miss Allen, and the chaperones, Mrs. Forrest and Mrs. Jones. The library contained a huge spruce tree, bearing Xmas gifts to all the members of the Senior class, nor were the Faculty forgotten, each member of which received a package of conversational lozenges. Knowing the messages stamped on the lozenges, one ventures to say that none of the professors showed them to their wives, and that they are being treasured as they ought to be. Upstairs a spruce camp was placed in which it was possible for one to have his hand read. Needless to say many gathered around it. Lemonade was served from the Engineering room, and in the Law Library refreshments were served.

Prizes were awarded to two who were successful in a Limerick competition, and now many of the girls are asking who told Gordon and Lloyd Smith the right answers. Who did?

The thoughtfulness of the Delta Gamma, in sending several bricks of ice cream to the V. G. H., to the City Home, and to the boys of the Law School, was greatly appreciated by the recipients of the ices.

The "At Home" was a perfect success and reflects the greatest credit on the officers for the way in which it was managed.

"Everything was lovely and the goose hung high."

Junior Party.—On the evening of January twenty fourth, a very enjoyable entertainment was tendered the fourteen class by Rev. Robt. and Mrs. Johnson of St. Andrews. The first item on the programme was a guessing contest, which was won by Mr. Mahon and lady partner. Other important items were a recitation by Miss Sear, two songs by Miss Reeves of St. Andrews choir and the singing of college songs, when Miss McDonald officiated at the piano. All participants acquitted themselves in a masterly manner. After the singing of Auld Lang Syne all departed to their homes satisfied that Rev. and Mrs. Johnson deserve the highest commendation for their ability as entertainers.

January 23. The final trial debate was held on Thursday, January the twenty third. The Resolution read "Resolved that Trades Un'ons are more beneficial than detrimental to society." Messrs. Auld, MacLeod and MacQuarry supported the resolution which was opposed by Messrs. MacLennan, Archibald and Irving. Each one of the six did themselves credt, and the contest for the final honours was close. Dr. MacMillan, Judge Russel and Mr. I. C. O'Mullin had kindly consented to act as judges. While they were out consulting as to the three who should make the team, Dr. Forrest in the capacity of chairman kept the audience in good humour by some witty remarks. Dalhousians should always be proud to have Dr. Forest present at their meetings. After some time the judges returned nominating Messrs. Auld, Mac-Quarry and Irving as the Representatives of Dalhousie in the coming constest.

Arts and Science.—January 27th. On this date took place the first debate of the year 1913. The Subject read "Resolved that Canada should build a navy of her own rather than contribute directly to the British navy." Messrs. Guildford and Clemen supported the resolution which was opposed by Messrs. Yeoman and Fraser. Mr. McLeod acted as Critic. The resolution was sustained.

Jan. 31. "Resolved that The U. S. A. is justified in exempting her coast wise trade from toll through the Panama Canal." Messrs. MacLennan and Zinc supported the Resolution was which opposed by Messrs. McAskill and MacDonald. Messrs. MacLeod, Salter, Stairs, McInnes and others joined in the general discussion. The resolution was lost. Mr. Young officiated as Critic.



PERSONAL.

On Monday evening, January 13th, the residence of Dr. A. R. Cunningham, Pleasant Street, Halifax was the scene of a very pretty wedding in which several Dalhousie generations will be interested. The bride, Miss Frances Muriel Cunningham is a graduate, her brother is a double graduate—Arts and Medicine, and her father was an able and greatly loved professor in the Medical College and a member of the University Senate.

The groom, Mr. Peter Hay McCurrach, a native of Perth, is a stranger in Halifax, but his stalwart bearing, and genial manners have won him the favour of all who have met him during the few days of his residence here.

The ceremony was performed by Professor Stewart of the Presbyterian College. After supper the happy couple left, amid a shower of congratulations and sincere good wishes, for their home in Greenwood, B. C. where the groom is in Government employment.

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She hardly looked at me.
But hastened on down Morris Street,
Just come from Dalhousie.

"In Forrest Hall, my little girl,
How many may you be!"
"How many? Eleven in all," she said,
And stopped to talk with me."

"And where are they, I pray you tell," She answered, "Eleven are we, Eight of us in pairs do dwell, And three together be."

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"Then thank you, pretty maid," said I,
And gently stroked her head.
"To learn your lessons always try
And be a good co-ed."

And, parting from the little lass, I these dread words let fall. "The girl who's plucked in her exams, Must forfeit Forrest Hall!"

M--ney to Freshette—"Are all your bands taken?"
Freshette—All but the last and I am going home with
my sister."

M--ney-"I don't want it, I didn't ask you for it."

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