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## Actual Flame Super-sedes Hot Air at Forrest Building

Last Thursday night a group of students—Messrs. Fred McInnis, Phil Lewis, Clarence Bisset, Jack Atwood, Rex Moore, and Albert Walsh were busy in the Law Library. When at about 10 o'clock their studies were disturbed by a roaring sound in the air shaft outside the Library. It sounded like paper set afire in a chimney and immediately the students started on a tour of investigation.

Hastening from room to room, they came upon one where the crackling of wood and tiny tongues of flame reaching up through the floor told the story of a fire between the ceiling of the basement and the floor of the class room. Some one rang in an alarm of fire and other gathered the fire extinguishers of the building and rushed them to the room, where they were brought into play.

Meanwhile Jack Atwood seeing the necessity of getting at the source of the fire, began tearing up a portion of the flooring and leaning into the aperture thus created, brought the extinguishers handed him to bear on the flames and so held the fire in temporary abeyance. The fire department responded promptly. Cutting floor and ceiling they reached the source of the trouble and in a short time the blaze was completely extinguished.

Had no one been present at the time the fire would in all probability have gained such headway that it would have been an impossibility to save the building; and there is no doubt that on account of the prompt action of these students, the Forrest Building stands today. Mr. Atwood's clothes were badly burnt by the flames but beyond this temporary indisposition, no other casualty was reported and none of the students are the worse for their thrilling experience.

## Statement of Students' Council

Editor Gazette.  
Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a statement of rugby and track which I would like you to publish for the general benefit of the student body. It is rather difficult to gather much information from the annual financial statement of the Students' Council—as the subject matter cannot but be treated in a more or less general manner. I am, therefore, submitting these as part of a series of accounts itemized insofar as they can be, with which I hope to furnish the student body to enlighten them on the financial administration of the various organizations and bodies controlled by the Council.

Yours very truly,

J. GERALD GODSOE,  
Sec'y-Treas. of the Council.

### Rugby 1925-26.

Expenditures.	
Equipment (1st and 2nd teams)	\$ 368.33
Meals—Murray Homestead	157.14
Trip—U. N. B. and St. John	600.00
Trip—Acadia	25.00
Acadia—Dalhousie game—	
Studley	27.00
Registration Fees	21.25
Affiliation Fee	12.00
Telegrams, Long-distance Phone	
Calls	10.95
Oranges, Pop, Gum—City League	28.30
Bandages, Medical Supplies	31.55
Incidentals	23.53
Burlesque Show—Freshmen	9.00
Total	\$1314.05
Receipts.	
U. N. B.—St. John trip	260.00
Play-off-Game Wanderers	
Grounds	245.11
*Games (two) at Studley	133.19
Net Expense	\$ 638.30
Net Expense	\$ 675.75

\*This is only one-half the total receipts the other half being paid to the University on outstanding debt contracted in erection of bleachers.

### Track.

Expenditures.	
Hammer, Vaulting Pole	\$ 20.85
Expressage	2.75
Net Expenditures	\$ 23.60

## Dalhousie Glee and Dramatic Society

On Wednesday of last week the Glee Club presented its first program of the New Year to a large and enthusiastic audience. "Short and snappy" is about the best phrase to describe the evening's entertainment, which had two very novel features. The opening number consisted of three songs—"Three Fishers," by Kingsley; "Here's to the Maiden" by Sheridan; "and the old Welsh folksong "All through the Night"—sung by Lee Chisholm's male choir. The singing was not quite so good perhaps as on Nov. 25th; but considering that a number were absent (the distinguished conductor himself being forced to join in) and that but little ensemble practice was possible since the holidays, the boys did remarkably well—the part-singing in "All through the Night" being excellent. Let's hope to see twice Wednesday's number there next time. Roy Wiles accompanied effectively as usual. The second number was probably an exhibition of that fascinating new development of Terpsichorean art—"The Charleston." It was executed with great skill and "pep" by Mr. Dechman and Miss Margolian—whilst the audience watched with bated breath and devouring eyes the complicated gyrations and manoeuvres which feature the dance. Roy Woodill at the piano and D. Jakeman with his "Sax" provided jazz of irresistible liveliness. The last half of the dance was repeated after vociferous applause. A one-act play by A. A. Milne called "Fair Mistress Dorothy"—a satire on the days "when Knighthood was in flower" (as the present remarked in his touching prologue) was the next number.

The members of the cast all did their parts well, though Margaret Robertson as "Dorothy" was possibly not so lively in her part as the villain taken by John Morton; and the hero well portrayed by Ken Smith. K. Wainwright made a flawless decrepid old father and the manner in which the two farm-hands (Harry Bell and Evan Clarke) assisted the hero off to prison with the aid of a pitch-fork and a shovel was truly masterly. The final number was a novelty ballet dance by Albert Mahon which certainly "went over big" in every sense of the expression. The make-up and costume left nothing (almost!) to be desired and the dance itself would have done credit to glen Allen of "Dumbells" fame or even to Paulowa herself. Roy Woodill again distinguished himself as an accompanist and the dance was endorsed amid great applause. Much to the regret of all, the violin solo which was to have been the final number, had to be called off owing to the violinist being ill with German measles. The rest of the evening was spent delightfully in dancing to the strains of D. Berry's jazz orchestra.

The evening as a whole was most enjoyable from every standpoint and has set a good standard for coming shows. Perhaps some of us might summon up enough courage to ask Miss Margolian and her partner to show us "the Charleston" with the view of making use of said dance to enable us to get to 9 o'clock lectures on time.

F. C. P.

## Council Meeting

The Students' Council held a meeting in the Munro Room on Thursday, Jan. 14th, 1926. This being the first meeting of the new year, much important business was transacted.

Additional grants were made to the D. A. A. C., D. G. A. C., Gazette, Delta Lambda, Debating, Society and the rink to cover expenses for the second term. A committee was chosen of two members from each faculty to endeavor to raise funds for buying gymnasium supplies and equipment.

A letter from the Senate was read which is hoped will clear up for good a long standing dispute with the D. A. A. C. as to the eligibility of King's and Pine Hill players on teams representing Dalhousie. It has been agreed that on a liberal interpretation of the constitution of the Council that the latter should be able to play on Dalhousie Teams.

It was announced that the Glee and Dramatic Club would put on a play during Convocation week and the Council was urged to support the matter. It is understood that the Council will guarantee to indemnify the Majestic Theatre for any damage caused on that occasion.

## A New Year Prayer.

O Young New Year standing with folded wings,  
Help me to seek all pure and lovely things.

O Young New Year stealing on quiet feet,  
O lead my steps in ways wholesome and sweet.

O Young New Year with clear, unsullied eyes,  
Guide me to find the light that never dies.

O Young New Year, fraught with new hope, new love,  
Renew my faltering faith in God above.

O Young New Year, I know not what you bring—  
O Keep me loyal to the Christ my King.

O Young New Year that cometh not again,  
Help me to love and serve my fellow-men.

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## New Leaves and Old

To the philosophic mind there is something mildly amusing in the peculiar attraction that human nature seems to find in what is commonly known as "turning over a new leaf." The practice is almost universal, and most of all at the beginning of a new year the fever runs exceptionally high and few escape its contagion.

For example, have not you, gentle reader, come back from the Christmas vacation full of good resolutions and glowing with the laudable intention of beginning the new term with a new code of conduct, all the faults and follies of former days being discarded, and a reign of conscientious adherence to duty theoretically, if not as yet practically, inaugurated?

We have all turned over a good many leaves in our day and I suppose we shall go on doing so until the last leaf of all in our book is turned over! But alas! it is a sad fact that when the test comes poor frail humanity falters and often miserably fails. Our lofty resolutions crumble into nothingness and custom's iron grip holds us fast. Our fair new leaves are all too soon smirched and blotted.

Personally, at such times, I find both charm and encouragement in turning over the leaves backwards. The Past, as well as the Future, holds entrancing visions. Chronicles of bygone days, they bring many half-forgotten things to our remembrance, the memory of which thrills our whole being so that for one glorious hour the heavy mantle of the Present slips from our wearied shoulders. Haunting thoughts of what might have been may, indeed, throng in upon us as we turn back the leaves of golden chances thrust aside and irrevocably lost. But it is not of these that we think now. Time, that bends the back and furrows the brow of all men, can dissipate the keenest sorrow and regret, and Time leaves us memories from which the bitterness has passed away so that there remains only a serene tenderness. So there is an elusive grace, a nameless fascination, in these old pages in which the Past is glorified by memory's magic glass.

And we need not be discouraged if the clean new page of 1926 seems to become crumpled and blotted all too soon. Let us take heart of grace in the fact that in the right perspective it will lose its soiled look and bear only the record of golden deeds and of high endeavors.

It is worth while then, you ask, to turn over new leaves at all, to make new resolutions? Yes, verily. But let us not fuss too much as to what is being written on the pages. Leave that to the Great Overseer who alone has the correct perspective. Let us keep only this little thought in mind—that God does not look us over for great achievements, or for class distinctions, but only to see if we did our best. If we take for our motto the old one "Ever do and be the best", we may go forward strong and of good courage, knowing that when the Dark Angel writes *Finis* on the last page of life, he also blots out all our failures.

B.

## WITH APOLOGIES TO I. H. R.

Warm brown maiden, kindly weed,  
I hail thee, Lady Nicotine!  
At daylight's close, when nerves are keyed,  
With lights turned low, I love to read  
Alone with you, a pal indeed!  
—A pal of glowing friendly mien.  
Warm brown maiden, kindly weed,  
I love thee, Lady Nicotine!

## Imperial Debaters Uphold Protocol

Representatives of British Universities win decision of Judge. Audience vote for Dalhousie Side.

A. H. E. Molson impressive speaker.

Dalhousie Debaters Uphold Prestige of Sodales.

By L. W. FRASER.

Basing their case on the argument that the Geneva Protocol is the best method by which the world can secure permanent, satisfactory and lasting peace and urging that the acceptance of the protocol would bring about that sense of international security which is necessary before there can be any real disarmament the Imperial debaters from Great Britain, on Saturday evening, won the unanimous decision of three judges over the Dalhousie University debaters who contended that the Protocol was not worth of the support of Britain and the Dominions. The debate was a particularly keen one and as the verbal exchange passed back and forth across the platform the large audience which numbered nearly one thousand expressed its approval in applause.

The British Universities were represented by Paul Reed of King's College, London, A. H. E. Molson of Oxford, and President of the Oxford Union Society, and T. P. McDonald of Edinburgh University. H. A. Davidson, W. Jarvis McCurdy, and George Farquhar, appeared on the platform for Dalhousie.

Although the decision of the judges was against them the Dal. men were far from being out of it and at all times during the debates they exchanged word for word with their more experienced rivals. When at the conclusion of the argument the chairman called for an "aye" and "nay" vote on the merits of the resolution the volume of "nays" was clearly the heavier showing that a large section of the audience was with the local debaters.

### Third Imperial Debate.

The advent of the third Imperial team on the Dalhousie platform was awaited with the same interest which surrounded the two previous debates, with Oxford in 1923 and Cambridge in 1924. The characteristic style of debating previously displayed had pleased the Halifax audiences and had gone far to remodel the system of debate within the Dalhousie Society. Influenced by the overseas debaters the Dalhousie orators have during the past three years got further and further away from the old system of set speeches and have developed the freer style at which the men from Oxford and Cambridge are past masters.

The Imperial team which visited here last week presented one striking contrast to their countrymen who preceded them, the 1926 team was more willing to debate the resolution and less inclined to wander afield and indulge in the casual repartee which so delighted the audiences at the Oxford and Cambridge debates. Mindful of the past debates the audience was prepared to listen to and enjoy several minutes of introductory remarks from each of the Imperial debaters, but found that the visitors were out for business and prepared to use their whole 15 minutes in argument. Whether or not this contrast should be marked up for or against the 1926 team, is of course a matter of personal opinion and whatever that

## Are you an Absentee?

A report in "The Varsity", University of Toronto, on the student debates at Hart House says:

"The keen interest taken by students in these debates was evidenced on Tuesday night when the Lecture Room of Hart House was filled to overflowing and some members were obliged to sit on the floor during the proceedings."

At the last meeting of Sodales the interest of the students of Dalhousie was evidenced by their absence—less than a

opinion may be all will alike agree that the Imperial team of 1926 was comprised of three eloquent and courteous speakers who will always be assured of a full house in the event of another appearance on the Halifax platform.

### Upheld Prestige.

The Dalhousie men although the losers well upheld the prestige of their Society. Displaying a well balanced and thoughtful case the local debaters pounded away at the case of their opponents and at the conclusion of the debate had convinced a very large part of the audience that the Geneva Protocol was not worth of the support of Britain and the Dominions.

Colonel W. E. Thompson speaker of the Chair and introduced the speaker to the audience. The judges of the debate were Mr. Justice Chisholm, Hon. J. A. Walker and Mayor Kenny. The formal subject was announced as being "Resolved that the Geneva Protocol is worthy of the support of Great Britain and the Dominions", with the Imperial team arguing the affirmative and Dalhousie contending in the negative.

Paul Reed of King's College, London was the first speaker to take the floor. He conveyed the greetings of the students in the Old Land and said that he and his colleagues had come to Canada to learn something of the problems and opportunities here and that they were indeed learning a great deal. Proceeding then to a discussion of the resolution the speaker urged that wars and armed warfare should be done away with and that active measures should be taken by the nations to accomplish that end. He declared that the Geneva protocol supplemented the League of Nations and was an ambitious attempt designed for the settlement of international disputes through arbitration. The alternative to the acceptance of the Protocol was the continuance of arms. "We do not contend that the Protocol is perfect but if we are to wait for perfection we must wait a long time, although imperfect it is much better than the alternative of militarism," concluded the speaker.

### The Difficulties Involved.

H. A. Davidson replied for Dalhousie. He said that the Protocol was too serious an experiment to attempt without reasonable assurance of success and this assurance he argued was entirely lacking. Instead of the Protocol helping to avoid disputes it would in reality be an additional source of irritation. The speaker dealt in some detail with the manner in which, under the Protocol, a nation might become involved in a dispute in far away territories and in which the nation had no interest and little sympathy. A council comprised of foreign politicians could never successfully dictate the foreign policy of another country.

"If the voters are still a factor in determining the country's foreign policy, (Continued on page 4.)

score of men and not a single Co-ed being present.

In the above contrast the onlooker might find one reason why Ontario forges ahead while Nova Scotia is neglected. If we won't take an interest in College activities it is likely that later on we'll concern ourselves with the interests of our province—and remember if we don't, nobody else will.

Let us therefore make at least two New Year Resolutions.

1. Resolved that we support Sodales by attending regularly and speaking when opportunity arises.

Qu.



# "The Dalhousie Gazette."

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## "Hope Springs Eternal"—

From time to time there comes to the editors of the *Gazette*, from here or there words of criticism and words of praise. Just a few words of either of course, but an editor's ears are always most attentive. That is what ears are for, particularly an editor's. Some of the praise may have been deserved; some was not. For both we are truly grateful. Flattery produces a pleasant sensation if not a pleasing affect. To our critics we are also indebted. Criticism, of a constructive nature, is most helpful. We are reminded that the fault with which our censors most frequently take issue is our partiality towards criticism! This seems almost illogical on their part. It is true that we could devote much time and space to laudations of the efficiency of the invigilators while examinations were in session. We could eulogize endlessly on the beauties of the ladies in residence at Sheriff Hall. And so on and on. But successful people and projects take care of themselves. It is the unsuccessful and the neglected which require attention and aid. So with this hypothesis as our maxim we shall continue our present policy in the hope that somewhere, at some time, somebody may realize the justice of our claims and take the responsibility upon himself of doing something.

## Students' Union

Difficult as it may be to believe there are a few bright spots in an editor's life,—moments during which he can forget that great devouring monster, the printer, close his ears to the giant's ink-thirsty cry "Copy, copy!" and turn his thoughts to more pleasant things. Such an opportunity came to us a few days ago when our friends from across the water made their fleeting call. Our first impressions, received from the last row of seats in the Gymnasium on Saturday night was that they were rather stubborn gentlemen and strongly inclined toward argument.

Having discarded their official capacities, however, they seemed much more reasonable and most receptive conversationalists. They were extremely interested in the most trivial college activities, while we, in turn, learned much of English university life.

It is indubitably true that undergraduates of the English universities have much wider powers in the control of their own interests than have our Canadian students. And this is due in considerable extent, to the existence of a students' union, representative of all the universities. Conferences are held at convenient centres and the organization is one of great power.

Such a union of Canadian colleges and students would be of supreme value to us all. The accomplishments made possible by organization cannot be over estimated.

In Canada, however, we have vast obstacles to surmount which do not prevail in the Mother Country. Foremost among these is the difficulty of transportation, the great distances which lie between our colleges. England compares roughly in size with the Maritime Provinces. To hold a conference of Maritime College representatives would be comparatively simple. But when the most central point is fifteen hundred miles from either coast, difficulties arise at a speed which eclipses the most fleetly express.

Again, the English universities are, as an average wealthier than ours. Naturally they have attained a much greater development and their imperative needs are relatively few. The students as well, are better to do in England. Higher education, we believe is less general in Europe than in the more democratic new world. The result is that the Canadian student must acquire his learning at minimum costs.

It is true that we have the Students Christian Association which, to a certain extent, forms a band among our colleges, from Vancouver to the Atlantic coast. But the S. C. A. is not necessarily formed of representative students. Its very method of enrollment prohibited this. It possesses no authoritative power in the colleges in which it exists. Its active interests extend only to individual students and not to universities and university requirements.

The students' councils are the representative bodies in each college and it is through them that a general union could best be effected. Difficult and impracticable as it may prove to be it is undoubtedly worth thorough investigation, and honest endeavors towards its promotion should be made.

Mr. R. Munn-May and his colleagues hope to arouse interest in the movement at the colleges which they visit. At Toronto and McGill they will attempt to stimulate interest to the point of action.

We wish them every success in the project which they are fostering, and to our wishes we add whatever support and assistance we may possess.

## SEVERANCE

We stood that night upon the wrack-  
 strewn marge,  
 The wind slept calm. Milky the moon  
 did glow  
 With opal's fire on the surf below—  
 The surf of chilly ocean, with his large  
 E'er restless surge. Dark stones of  
 beady size,  
 Oft spray kissed by the slow on coming  
 tide  
 (Leaving anew the wav'ring sands  
 flung wide,)  
 Cold glittered there—dead-set like us-  
 urers' eyes.  
 Behind us far, the rock-girt cliffs so grim,  
 Loomed high, jet-black in grandeur  
 quite aloof  
 Beneath old Earth's star-sown' and  
 sparkling roof  
 Of velvet sky—'gainst which plumed  
 clouds did swim.

Ah me! since parting then, the tide of  
 years  
 With lagging steps of leaden months  
 so long  
 But slow hath crept. Anew—as oft—  
 it sears  
 My aching heart—for on its bosom  
 strong  
 It hath disdained to bear me to thy shore;  
 Where, bliss-mad like the wheeling  
 gulls above  
 That night, would I behold thy face  
 once more  
 Content. Tell me, dost still remem-  
 ber, love?

F. C. P.

The two 1925 Rhodes' Scholars for Quebec, are Mr. Eugene Alfred Forsey, of Ottawa, and graduate in Arts from McGill 1925; and Jean Casgrain, Law student at the University of Montreal.

## From Mail Bag

The Authors' Club,  
 London, S. W.

To the Editor,  
 The Dalhousie Gazette.

Sir:  
 Your medical number of Nov. 27th, has just reached me and I can scarcely tell you how much I find in it that is interesting to me. For a medical school to have developed within fifteen years from the small nucleus I can remember to the splendidly efficient organization of today, is in itself a feat of which any University might be proud.

I am very glad that I have lived to see the day when the University, in which I spent so many happy years, has been declared to be in "Class A", for I cannot forget how I and my colleagues looked forward, at times hopelessly, to that consummation.

I am certain I do not mistake anything anything when I say that no one was more conscious than I of certain shortcomings in connection with the teaching, to make bricks without straw may be a useful discipline, but it is not an encouraging occupation.

I can imagine with what satisfaction the President regards this official recognition. In the account of the Department of Physiology, from the pen of my friend Dr. Hattie, there is one statement which is not quite correct. It is the sentence; "there was no mammalian work of any kind." The italics are mine. While it is true that the students did not themselves perform experiments on living mammals, yet every session I demonstrated on the anaesthetized rabbit certain fundamental phenomena. One of the students gave the anaesthetic for me.

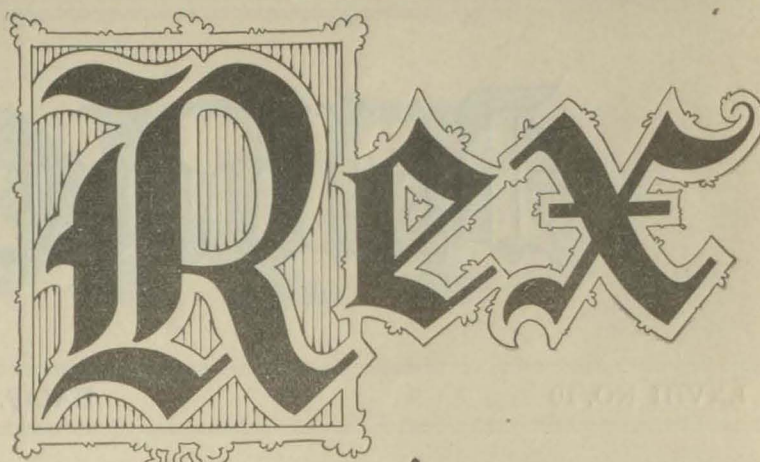
More than "frog-work" was carried out in the room in the basement. The students made a number of observations largely on one another, on the physiology of the senses and of the nervous system.

In Dr. Hattie's otherwise exhaustive account of the development of the Medical Faculty he has forgotten to mention a particularly interesting little course of instruction in which he himself participated; I refer to the Lectures on Medical Ethics. I believe I am correct in saying that this course of three lectures was the first of its kind to be given in any Canadian University. Dr. J. G. MacDougall dealt with the relations of the practitioner to the public, Dr. Hattie with those of the practitioner to his brother-physicians, while I discussed his relations to the patient.

I mention this merely to show how anxious I and my colleagues were to make the Dalhousie School of Medicine as efficient as possible in every direction.

I need not emphasize the many obstacles which we encountered, especially owing to the war; but I for one always had the assurance that the Governors were as anxious as any of us to develop the school; but that even they could not perform a miracle. The Faculty of Medicine at Dalhousie University is not the only Faculty of Medicine I have seen evolve from small beginnings. When I went to St. Andrews University in 1898 there was no laboratory of any kind in the Physiology Department—I started three, those of Physiology, Histology and Biochemistry.

This same process of differentiation and division of labour I have been privileged to see once more and it cannot but be a source of gratification to me to



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know how surprisingly rapid has been the rise of the Dalhousie School of Medicine. I count it a great privilege to have been able to assist in the earlier years when we seemed to be doing little else than laying foundations.

I am,  
 Yours faithfully,  
 (Sgd.) D. FRASER HARRIS.

Ed. note.—Dr. Fraser Harris is evidently under the misimpression that Dr. Hattie wrote the article, in the Medical Issue, on the Department of Physiology. This was written by one of the students in the Medical Faculty.

To the Editor,  
 Dalhousie Gazette.

Dear Editor:  
 When I picked up the *Gazette* dated December third, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, I saw an article, a long article, but a very interesting one. It was the editorial, and was entitled, "Waste up! Dalhousians." However, I must admit, it had an altogether opposite effect on me, as you shall see. I read the article thru with great interest.

The first paragraph which interested me was entitled, "The Sermon." Yes, it was a sermon, a s-vere little sermon too, but I feel assured that it hit the mark at which it was aimed. As I read it there came to me a feeling of appreciation for the amount of work and time which the editor and his capable staff give to this, our college paper.

On reading the next paragraph, which was entitled, "It's Up to You", this feeling deepened until I determined to do my share to support our editor, and thereby our college paper. "It's Up to You." "You." Yes, that evidently means me as well as all the other Dalhousians who are interested in the success of the *Dalhousie Gazette*.

"The little black box." How often I've passed the little black box in the library hanging there on the wall without so much as one friendly manuscript peeping thru the bars at the bottom. Most of us refuse that little box even our slightest effort.

Musing thus there came into my mind the words of the text, "Inasmuch as you have done it unto the least of these, you have done it unto me." How well these words could be adjusted to suit this occasion. "Inasmuch as you have given to this little box, you have given unto me, your college paper."

While I was pondering on the paragraph entitled, "A Blacker Picture," I began to nod. Soon I slept,—and dreamed. (One will sleep when one is ensconced cozily in an armchair, before a blazing grate fire, on a bleak December afternoon.)

It was Thursday morning. The *Gazette* were piled high on the Library desk. I took my copy, then seated myself at a nearby desk. I turned directly to the editorial. I always read the editorial first because it always interests me the most. It was entitled, "And this isn't half." I wondered, "Isn't half of what?" I was not kept wondering long. As I

read I realized that the title referred to the troubles of the Editor. He was pouring them out upon the pages of the *Gazette*. He was almost in a state of despair. Manuscripts had been pouring into his office. Each time he entered his office he was forced to plough his way thru piles and piles of papers. Several new waste paper baskets were needed to receive those articles which were thrown aside. The little black box in the Library had to be replaced by one vastly larger. Many new assistants had to be added to the staff. What did it all mean?

Only this, that the plea of the staff of the *Gazette*, "It's up to You," had been heard and answered by all. The result was—, well a whole lot worse than the editor had bargained for. His plea had been heard by those who could write as well as those who couldn't write, the latter were greatly in the majority, and therefore the office of the *Gazette* was flooded with prose and poetry, nonsense and doggerel. Poor Mr. Editor!

The fire cracked, a stone exploded in the grate, and I awoke. I stretched. Had I been dreaming? Then the whole dream came back to me. At first it struck me as being funny and I began to laugh. Then I saw the serious side of it. Not more than twenty minutes before I had been contemplating sending a contribution to the *Gazette*. I picked up the paper from where it had fallen at my feet. The first sentence which caught my eye was, "There are scores of people at Dal who can write, but never do write." That is very true, but it made me think, "There are also scores of people at Dal who can't write but often do write." I am one of the latter class. Despite that fact I have decided to write this letter to tell you about my dream. It can do no harm. Who knows? Perhaps it is just practice we need in order to become one of those who can write. At any rate we can try.

Wishing the staff of the *Dalhousie Gazette* a bright and prosperous New Year.

I am,  
 DREAMER—Arts '29.

## GLORY FOR DALHOUSIE.

Come, sons of old Dalhousie, cheer your sandy team!  
 Rouse out a welcome to your me of steel and steam!  
 They win the victory and tonight the birds will scream,  
 "This is Dalhousie Day!"

Chorus:  
 Glory, glory for Dalhousie!  
 Glory, glory for Dalhousie!  
 Glory, glory for Dalhousie!  
 This is Dalhousie day!

Whoop up the chorus, boys, let everybody sing!  
 Swell out your lusty lungs and send it with a swing!  
 And for Dalhousie, boys, we'll make the welkin ring;  
 "This is Dalhousie's Day!"

## KEEP FRIDAY THE 12th OPEN!

It's the **Junior-Senior Dance!**

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 THE AFFAIR OF THE YEAR! NUMBER 12 ON FEBRUARY!



Review Critic

We are glad to welcome to our table the December edition of the "Red and White," a quarterly magazine published by the students of St. Dunstan's University, Charlottetown, P. E. I. It is really an unusually interesting and fresh collection of poetry and original short stories.

The "Acadia Bulletin," which is the Alumni publication of Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S., contains a very interesting and illustrated article describing their new building, University Hall, which replaces the old College Hall, destroyed by fire in December, 1920.

Seven times during the college year "The New Brunswickan" is published by the students of the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, N. B. In size and make-up it compares very favorably with the "Red and White," mentioned above, but its literary value is noticeably inferior, the chief incentive for literary endeavor, in the November number at least, being the winning of the Maritime Intercollegiate Championship in football by the U. N. B. players.

"The Contact Point" is certainly a suggestive title for the publication of the Dental School of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, at San Francisco, U. S. A. A particularly interesting article for Easterners is the description of a trip among the Calaveras, which is the largest grove of the largest trees in the world.

Since the last publication of the "Dalhousie Gazette" we have received, in addition to the above, one or more numbers of the following: "The McGill Daily," "The Varsity," "The Gateway," "The Argosy Weekly," "Ypsi Sem," "Western Gazette," "Xaverian Weekly," "The Odyssey," "The Sheaf," "The Collegian," "The Student," "Trinity University Review," "The Gold and Black," "The Tattler," "The New Outlook," "The Canadian Student," "The Merchiston."

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On Sunday afternoon the visiting students were again the guests of honor at a small tea given by Miss Lowe at Sheriff Hall. Old debaters were present as well as representatives from the various organizations at Dal. and King's, and the members of the debating advisory board.

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Engineering Notes

A special meeting of the Engineering Society was held on January 11th. The social committee brought in a report on a proposed class party to be held near the end of January. After a short discussion it was decided to have a sleigh drive followed by a dance at the house of one of the members of the society who offered it for the occasion.

The Engineers have obtained the use of the rink two hours a week for hockey practice. Considering our number the turnout has been good, but the rink can accommodate lots more. We can stand much more enthusiasm and support at our gym periods however, and our basketball team needs all the practice it can get.

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Corn on the Cob

As I took a seat in the dining car, I glanced around and saw my friend Smith sitting alone nearby with an unusually contented expression upon his fat, genial face. Poor old Smithy! I knew him fairly well and had even been invited to a meal or two at his house.

So now I decided that he must be off on a trip by himself and was ordering one rousing repast to celebrate his temporary liberation from "health-bread", nut butter and Postum. Now Smith is naturally a timid soul, shrinking from notoriety like paper from a flame, so I was naturally much surprised when I saw the waiter set before him a dish containing several luscious ears of golden corn. Why the surprise? Well, we are all of us corn fans more or less I suppose, but how many of us would risk our reputations by attempting to eat corn-on-the-cob in public—and a dining car at that? Mighty few, I think.

He selected an ear, buttered it liberally on all sides, took hold of it in the classic "mouth-organ clutch" and started operations at once with the same nonchalance as if he were going to play "Tannhauser's Triumph" in twenty-two flats for the Shah of Persia. Even with the train going, I could hear the gurgling and splashing and could presently see one stream of liquid butter disappearing under his cuff—to what unfathomable depths, I knew not. It was ghastly, I tell you.

He had finished one ear and was preparing to tackle another, when the hard-

hearted waiter ushered a stout lady of forbidding countenance to the seat opposite him. I glanced at her and realized that she was Mrs. Smith's most ardent co-worker in her campaign for food-reform. As for Smith himself, when he saw that grim visage—melancholy as a hair pin on a tombstone, his colour, now beety-red, now ashen, waxed and waned alarmingly under its glistening mask of liquid butter and he trembled as if stricken with palsy.

But it was too late to repent now, so with desperate determination, he started in again. He soon abandoned the "mouth-organ clutch" under those eagle eyes and tried the more fastidious "piccolo-hold" (or "flute-grip") by which one butters only a little patch of the cob at a time, nibbling it daintily from one side. At this point the train struck a particularly tortuous stretch of track. The car swayed from side to side, so did Smith, so did the corn cob. Well lubricated as it was, the skidding hazards were too great to avoid and the wretched thing slipped from his grasp falling into the dish of liquid butter with disastrous results to the table-cloth.

I was now really concerned for the safety of my friend's reason. He sat there looking like bad news from Siberia, whilst the more compassionate of the people nearby strove to avert their eyes from the pitiable spectacle.

He seized the thing again however, and behind the improvised screen of a menu-card, went back to the "mouth-organ clutch". But alas for his hopes to finish in peace! The heartless waiter soon pounced upon the menu-card for the use of a newly arrived patron and there was Smith once more exposed to the withering glances of his table companion. His napkin by this time had assumed that pale lemon color (or is it "ecru") which is quite fashionable it seems. There was nothing to do but to try the piccolo-hold again. He got along fairly well for a time but soon the train hit another sharp curve, his fingers skidded again and the ill-fated corn cob thus liberated struck his tumbler of water (which had gyrated too near the edge of the table) knocking it over into his lap and on to the floor, "magnum cum clamore."

My friend was now altogether past acting rationally, so I was not surprised to see him jump up, grab his plate and rush from the car in breathless haste—dripping with butter and water both.

He told me afterwards that he had gone out to the end of the car and there finished the confounded stuff in peaceful seclusion, returning when his grim vis-avis had departed.

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# SPORT



## Imperial Debaters

(Continued from page 1.)

the Protocol is already doomed to failure," declared Mr. Davidson.  
 A. H. E. Molson, of Oxford and President of the Oxford Union Society, was, in the opinion of many, easily the best speaker on the platform. With a characteristically English accent he took his audience into his confidence and then proceeded to sweep aside the arguments of his opponents. The manner in which he turned to his own advantage an argument used by the preceding speaker was a brilliant bit of debating and brought a burst of well deserved applause.

### Organized Civilization.

Mr. Molson admitted the difficulties involved but argued that anything which gave a reasonable hope of doing away with war was worthy of support. He said, "I do not argue that by the Protocol you can entirely eliminate war, you cannot hope to do that just as you cannot eliminate murder, but just as all civilization has been organized against murder, so all civilization can be organized against war."  
 W. Jarvis McCurdy continued for Dalhousie and pointed to the many international difficulties which would prevent the Protocol from being successfully carried out. The signatory state stood to lose through the operation of the machinery while the offending state could ally itself with non-members such as the United States and Germany and thus secure a real advantage in trade. The speaker drew a picture of the difficulties which might arise between the United States and Canada and declared that the Protocol was not worthy of support because it was not workable.

### The Crying Need.

T. B. McDonald of Edinburgh University closed the case for the Affirmative. "Disarmament," he declared, "is the crying need of the world, the Geneva Protocol is the first step in obtaining that sense of security which must precede disarmament." The speaker argued that the machinery offered by the affirmative was the best method by which permanent, satisfactory and lasting peace could be secured.  
 George Farquhar closed the debate. Mr. Farquhar who debated for Dalhousie in 1907 and who is now studying Law entered the debate with little notice when the leader of the Dal team W. E. Darby became incapacitated through a train accident. The speaker reiterated the objections to the Protocol and suggested other measures which would be better calculated to bring about international peace.

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## Interfaculty Sport

The Editor,  
 Dalhousie Gazette.  
 Dear Sir:

In view of the column on Interfaculty Sport which appeared in a recent issue of the Gazette I should like to make a few comments.  
 The committee managing Interfaculty sport is made up of the managers of the teams participating in that branch of sport with the Vice-President of the D. A. A. C. to act as chairman. By this arrangement the control of the sport is in the hands of those who should be most interested in it, and who in turn have been elected to carry out the wishes of their society.

The object of the committee is to provide for any demand for "Interfaculty Sport" not to create that demand. If any person feels that the leagues provided are not sufficiently long, or are improperly conducted, he should call his manager to account and ask for explanation.

One of the chief difficulties is that managers are elected by Societies without being consulted previously and, if absent from the meeting, without being notified of their election. Again the executives of the societies should have the power to deal with any proposal or small expenditure of the Interfaculty Committee, without the delay occasioned by calling a general meeting of the Society.

The Football league was severely criticized. I saw most of the games and think that considering that many of the players were ignorant of the rules, the refereeing was sufficiently strict. Breaches of good conduct on the field were not to be seen and I do not think they were present to any marked extent. The league completed one round and due to adverse weather conditions and the lateness of the season it was considered inadvisable to start another.

As only two hours a week are provided for all teams, time for play is very limited. To get over this difficulty I would suggest that next year the committee run two games a week, one on Tuesday and one on Thursday beginning at one o'clock, and that lunch be provided for the players at the Murray Homestead. This was carried out to a small extent this year and with success. The average cost per head was Twenty-one cents.

The Basketball and Hockey Leagues are drawn up and will be gotten under way immediately. The basketball will be played on Saturday afternoon. A suggestion to play one night a week as well was voted down by the managers. The Hockey League will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Noon, and Saturday at 2.00 p. m. Again a suggestion to play at night was rejected. The committee is determined that refereeing shall be strict and impartial, and that all attempts to spoil the game by poor sportsmanship will be severely dealt with.

I cannot see any objection to playing second team men for, in spite of the talk so many desiring to play, all faculties have difficulty in making up full teams. If those having criticisms to offer would sign them it would help to find the source of much of the present trouble.

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## Basketball

Dalhousie 25—Wanderers 17.

Scoring the first Dalhousie First Team victory of the New Year and avenging both a football and a hockey defeat the Senior Basketball Team by superior combination work and quickness in handling the ball beat the Wanderers in an overtime game at the "Y" gym last Saturday night. It might be as well to mention here that the League timetable was drawn up a long time ago, and that accounts for the game being played the same night as the big Dalhousie defeat, so the game had to be played or forfeited.

At the end of the first period the score stood in Dal's favor. In the second the Wanderers crept slowly up till they were a point or so ahead. Then Dal tried the score. About this time Wilson was put off the floor for four personal fouls and Langstroth went on instead. This made a large difference for Wilson was playing his first game for two years, and consequently was rather off his stride.

The overtime hadn't gone far when Hewat, who played with Dal last year, netted the ball for the Wanderers. But then Dal woke up and playing a brilliant game ran in 10 points. Only a fair sized crowd witnessed the game, Dal's supporters numbering about 20. Dal plays her league games every Saturday night and all of them at the "Y" gym. That Saturday she plays the crack "Y" team who Saturday night defeated the champions of last year. As this is going to be a particularly hard game, Manager Tupper begs to suggest that his team get a little better support on next Saturday night.

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## Dal - Kings 1. Wanderers 6.

The Dal-King's team went down to its fifth consecutive defeat of the season last Friday evening.

With the best setting for a victory that a Dalhousie Hockey team has had for years the Varsity team cracked badly in the second period and went to bits with a 6-1 defeat written up against it. And this trouncing was administered by a team which only a week before had themselves been beaten 11-1 by the Crescents. It is, to say the least, not only disheartening but disgraceful. Last year we lost the first game when we shouldn't have, but then last year there was some excuse for the team played well during the last two periods. But Friday night. Well the only reason why Dal appeared strong in the first period was because the Wanderers were just sparing, picking out the weak spots, and any other team but the Wanderers would have needed only five minutes to do that. It was far easier to pick out the strong spots, but the Tiger was a Leopard that night and the spots kept changing.

Lewis was effective, but was overworked and received very poor support. Wilson was poor. He hardly ever got past center ice and when he did it was only to lose the puck at the defence when a pass might have at least have taken it as far as the goal tender. Ernst, worked hard. But what was the use, time after time as he rushed down the ice forwards would watch him go by and then skate curiously after him as though they were saying to themselves "Now where on earth is he going?" George, however, seems rather afraid to use his weight. Not once did he check, easily or otherwise, giving one the impression, if you didn't know him, that he was rather afraid to come into contact with an opponent. Bates was good, no doubt about that, but a few hard, and most of them illegitimate, checks soon knocked the speed out of him. At times he not only had to pass the entire Wanderers team to get at the goal but the two Dal wing men as well. They seemed to tie with each other in getting in Fatie's way. First one, then the other, then both would skate in front of him, then they would come to life and down the ice three abreast they would dash, but it wouldn't last. One or the other would muddle his pass and away they went, back to their "interference competition". They didn't check. Why to watch those forwards, admittedly light, making their feeble efforts to check you wouldn't think that any one of them ever played a game of poker in his life. All this criticism is not because Dalhousie lost, for that's all in a life time, but to see the way that team or rather "bunch," played Friday night must have been enough to turn Joe MacManus' hair grey.

This as you can see is not an account of the game but a good knocking and a well merited, but not a personal criticism. There are only two things you can do to a defeated team console them and criticize them. The Gazette consoles them because of their defeat but criticizes them because of their playing.

## Basketball League

There are two Dal teams in the league this year. The Dal Second Team and one from Pine Hill. On Friday evening the Dalhousie Team took St. John's into camp to the tune 27-16. The game was fairly close in the first period which produced the best brand of basketball of the game. Dalhousie, however managed to emerge with a three point lead and having half a victory under their belts they went onto the floor for the second half determined not to be cheated of victory. When the period was over it was found the Dalhousie had scored just twice as many as their opponents. Dal's superior condition and snappier work around the basket accounted for the victory. Bill Clarke was top scorer having 10 points to his credit. Lest Miller who is showing great form their year netted 7. Lee's remarkable speed stood him in good stead and he is a particularly valuable man on a big floor Sperry at center, though he only scored 2 points, was in a large measure responsible for the victory. In spite of his short stature he managed to secure the ball almost every time and at that from an opponent who stood head and shoulders over him.

Clarke 10, Douglas 2, Miller 7, Sperry 2, Hewat 3, Jones 3, A. T. Bradshaw referee.

So far Pine Hill has played two games and under the efficient coaching of Bill Richardson they have come out on top in both of them.

It is not a new inexperienced team that is representing Dalhousie and King's this year, but one which contains five players of last year's Championship team. The writer has been following the Dalhousie practices fairly steadily and he has also watched the Wanderers three or four times both before and after their Crescent defeat. The difference between the two was most marked, the Wanderer's worked all the time they were on the ice, worked hard and in a determined manner. The Dalhousians on the other hand has too much of a carefree manner they take things too easily, practising in the same way as a lot of little boys with a tin-can puck on a pond would play.

Unless Manager MacManus can knock some combination and spirit into his team, and its not his fault that it isn't already there, then it looks as though Dal's five championship players will be down looking up at the end of the season, and they will have only themselves to blame. If the team would get some spirit into it, get down to business and really try and make each practise better than the last then there is every hope that once again Dal will top the league. Until this is done they can't expect to get the support that is due them as Dalhousie's Hockey team.

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