

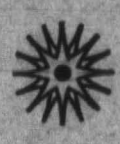
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**DEATH OF PROF. LAWSON.**

ON assembling for classes on the morning of the 11th inst., a wave of genuine and profound sorrow spread through the whole University by the announcement of the demise of our revered Emeritus Professor of Chemistry, Dr. Lawson. By the students he was regarded not more as a respected and faithful instructor than as a kindly and sympathetic friend. The loss to the College, and indeed to the whole community, is irreparable, for his was a busy life, "spending and being spent" for others. Reference is made on another page to the labors of Dr. Lawson, particularly in the fields of Science and Agriculture. While to these the loss will doubtless be great, it is to us as Dalhousians that it specially appeals, and as Dalhousians we mourn him. The best of his life was given to us, and his long and useful career in this College can never be forgotten. To graduates, far and wide, the news of Dr. Lawson's death will recall many cherished and tender memories of happy days spent in the Chemistry Class-room. To the friends and relatives of the deceased, the GAZETTE, as the mouthpiece of the students, extends a heartfelt sympathy and

assurances that we share with them a deep sense of personal bereavement. The memory of this truly great and good man should surely be an incentive to us as students to emulate his eminently useful life and genuinely humble character.

THE funeral of Dr. Lawson took place on the morning of the 14th and was attended by a large concourse of citizens. Students to the number of over two hundred preceded the hearse, while the University Senate and Governors occupied a position immediately following the chief mourners. A service was held in St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church, where a most impressive and touching address was delivered by President Forrest on the life of his beloved colleague. The floral offerings were beautiful, and included wreaths from both the Senate and students of the University.

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#### FOOTBALL TROPHY.

WE heartily congratulate "Our friends, the Enemy" on winning the coveted football trophy for 1895, as reported in another column. The games throughout the whole series were characterized by the best of good feeling, and the players on all sides won for themselves well merited applause by their gentlemanly deportment. The change in the feeling existent, particularly between ourselves and the Wanderers, during the past few years, has been remarkable and is certainly a good omen of the times. To-day, we see only a laudable desire on the part of the various enthusiasts to have their respective teams win and the old time bitterness is buried in oblivion. To Captain Grierson and his plucky fifteen, the GAZETTE extends a fraternal paw and, while we cannot conscientiously say that the result is particularly pleasing to us, we can at least assure them that there exists no rancour in our minds, for we were fairly beaten.

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To complete the files of the GAZETTE deposited in the Library, there are wanting Nos. 1 and 2, Vol. XVI. (1883), and No. 7 of Vol. XVIII. (Feb., 1886). Anyone having these copies will confer a lasting favor by mailing them to us, as it is desirable to have our bound volumes perfected.

#### THE LATE DR. CORNISH.

IN the "Exchange Column" of our last issue appeared an extract from the *McGill Fortnightly* anent the death of Dr. Cornish, late Professor of Classics in that University. To the average Dalhousie student of to-day, it is perhaps not generally known that the deceased gentleman once occupied, for a short time, the Classical Chair in Dalhousie. In 1856, the Arts Faculty of Gorham College, Liverpool, N. S., was transferred to this College "with a view to the furtherance of the establishment of a Provincial University," and as a member of that Faculty came Dr. Cornish. He remained but a short time, when he received an appointment at McGill, where he labored till a few months before his death. Dr. Cornish was not only an excellent instructor, but a scholar of wide attainments, and leaves behind him the record of a long and useful career.

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#### PICTOU ACADEMY.

A GREAT blow to the educational interests of the Maritime Provinces has been occasioned by the burning of the justly famed Pictou Academy. To Dalhousie the loss of this splendid building is specially significant, as being one of the most prolific sources from which we draw our undergraduates. Of the brilliant record of this institution we need not speak; it is engraven deep in the history of educational struggles in Nova Scotia. To Principal McLellan and his able staff of assistants (three of them are our graduates), the GAZETTE extends sincerest sympathy, and hopes that a building may soon rise on the ashes of the old, destined to perpetuate worthily the traditions insensibly clinging to the very name of "Pictou Academy."

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#### CITY REPORTERS.

MUCH dissatisfaction has been expressed among the students regarding the manner in which the league football games have been reported in the daily press of the city. Not only have the reports been frequently incorrect, but in some instances have exhibited a pronounced bias against the College. The climax was reached by the *Morning Chronicle* of the 11th inst., whose account of the

final battle between the Wanderers and Dalhousie certainly demands comment. It strikes one as being somewhat incongruous to place over the account of a "draw," the deceptive caption, "How the game was *won*" (the italics are our own), to say nothing of the many mis-statements which the same article contained. Of the latter it is unnecessary to particularize, but one thing is evident,—either the *Chronicle's* reporter is a blind partisan, or else his knowledge of football is extremely limited. Nothing else could account for the statement that, "in the second half the ball was for the greater part of the time within the College 30 yard line," which, to anyone who witnessed the game with unprejudiced eyesight, must seem ludicrously false. We are not croaking over the result, but we do like justice and truth, especially from a professedly non-partisan paper.

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#### THE NEEDS OF DALHOUSIE.

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AN attempt to discuss thoroughly a subject of so wide a compass as "The Needs of Dalhousie," in the limited space at one's disposal, must necessarily involve powers of condensation far beyond those of the present writer. Our wants are legion, and it will be enough if one can present what seems to him *the* pressing need, in anything like the manner that so important a matter deserves. What Dalhousie most of all needs, then, if she is to continue as the leader of Maritime intellectual life, is a Library and a Library Building. Our Arts Library at present contains, roughly speaking, some 5000 volumes; certainly an insignificant number for a first class University. A well-equipped college should have a library of, let us say, at least five times that size, and even this is an extremely moderate estimate, considering the various departments of Science, Philosophy, History, Economics, English, etc., that it must necessarily comprise. Indeed, it seems but a drop in the bucket compared with those of many of our sister Universities. We are adding now about 200 volumes a year to our shelves, and it would require nothing but the intelligence of one of the Freshmen whom the genial Professor of Mathematics is now "breaking in," to calculate that at least a century must elapse ere we reach even this very low standard. For the benefit of our children of the third and fourth generation our present growth might suffice, but we can hardly be accused of

selfishness if we regard the wants of our own day rather than those of the Class of 2000. More books, and particularly books of reference, are required in every department, and required *at once*. The need is imperative if we are to continue drawing the best men of the Maritime Provinces. But, irrespective of size, there is another vital objection to the library of to-day. From the points of view of situation, light and ventilation, the character of the room in which it is contained is anything but desirable. Situate in the noisiest part of the building, almost everyone entering or leaving the College passes by its door, which, on account of the imperfect ventilation, is necessarily kept open. The reading-room adjoins, and is the students' safety valve, the place chosen for all fights and larks, to the amusement, no doubt, of the immediate participants, but not to the edification of the nervous student who painfully peruses, it may be, an intricate and profound treatise in the next room. Directly beneath the laboratories, there is no part of the College so liable to take fire, and our books, though comparatively few, are at a continual risk, and are surely worthy of better attempts at preservation. Indeed, so valuable is the library, even as it stands, that it is doubtful if it could be replaced in case of loss, and certainly not without a great outlay. The number of Dalhousie students suffering from weak eye-sight has been frequently deplored, and it surely ought to be the care of somebody to see that the sun's beams have a free course into the room where so many of them do their reading. To-day, a row of shelves practically excludes the sunlight from the south side of the room, leaving it to straggle in by the dusty windows on the east. From now till the middle of February the gas is lighted during the greater part of the afternoon, but as this involves such an atmospheric stifling, most of the students prefer to go home, and the library is generally deserted by four o'clock.

There is but one remedy for the evil, and that is a modern, fire-proof building, the best place for which is probably between the Law wing and College street. Even if the present growth of the library is not accelerated, something must needs be done ere long in the way of extension. As Dalhousie expands, as she has in the last few years, the cry ascends for more class rooms, but remains unanswered. The growth of the Law School is a problem in itself that must soon be solved. Of

our magnificent Law Library, easily the finest in the Lower Provinces, we are justly proud. At the lowest estimate, it must be worth \$15,000. Already the number of its consulting students has become so great as to make necessary a temporary extension. But this has only deferred settlement of the difficulty, and a year or two more will witness a further encroachment on our already too limited space. There can, to my mind, be no reason why both problems should not be solved at once. The same building, and in fact the same librarian, could do for both libraries, and the double purpose of space and economy be served. Such an arrangement would at once remove all objections to the present *status*, and provide increased accommodation in the main building. As to the cost, one is safe in placing \$10,000 as the outside figure. A building could easily be erected far within that margin large enough for present demands, and so constructed as to allow of enlargement at either end as our growth required. The building in which the Garrison Officers' Library in this city is contained cost only \$6,000, and is eminently suitable for its purpose.

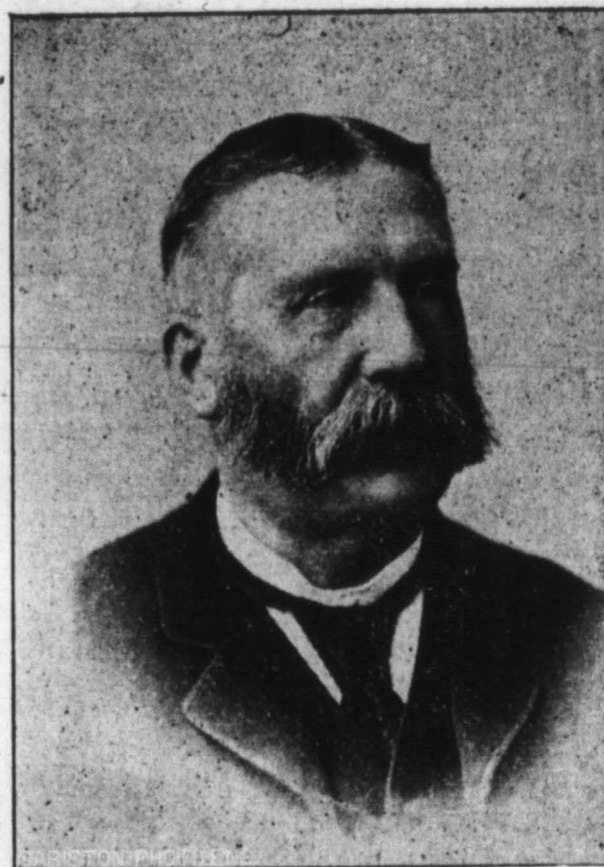
One thing is certain,—the problem of "more room," in one of its aspects, must be faced soon, and what solution can be better than one which will at the same time dispose of innumerable difficulties of a different nature. To enunciate a scheme for raising the requisite money is not my purpose. That rather pertains to the Alumni Association, and one is confident, from their past efforts for Dalhousie's welfare, that if the urgency of the need is presented to them, the funds necessary to remove it will soon be available. M.

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OBITUARY.—The GAZETTE regrets that in a former issue it neglected to refer to the death of Dr. M. C. Atkinson of Bristol, N. B., who died during the past summer. Dr. Atkinson was a well-known and very successful man in his profession and in New Brunswick Provincial politics, in which as the representative of Carleton County, he was a powerful factor. By his death his constituents lose an able and honest representative, and our New Brunswick Alumni Association a man who took an active interest in its affairs.

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PROFESSOR GEORGE LAWSON.



At the opening of the session we had to record, with much regret, the retirement of Prof. Lawson, on account of failing health, from the active discharge of the duties of the Chair of Chemistry. It was hoped by all his friends that the rest thus secured would result in the renewing of his health and the regaining of his wonted activity. But it was not so to be; and to-day we have with the deepest sorrow to chronicle his death.

Prof. Lawson was born in 1827 at Newport, Fifeshire, Scotland. After completing his school education he entered upon the study of law; but his strong natural taste for scientific work led him to abandon a legal career and to enter the University of Edinburgh, with the object of studying the natural and physical sciences. His studies in Edinburgh extended over a period of ten years, during which time he was also occupied with scientific and literary work in connection with the University and with several of the scientific institutions of that city. He was for a time Curator of the University Herbarium, and was thus brought into either personal contact or correspondence with the leading botanists of the day. He was also for some time Demonstrator of Botany under Professor J. H. Balfour; and in that capacity, he conducted a select class for advanced students, teaching the practical use of the microscope and methods of research in regard to the minute structure and development of plants. This class was one of the first of the kind conducted in Great Britain, and corresponded to what are now known as biological laboratory classes. The preparation of the Catalogue of the Library of the Royal Society of Edinburgh was entrusted to him at this time, and was carried out to the great satisfaction of the Society. He acted also as secretary of several scientific institutions, in particular of the Royal Physical Society, in which office he had as colleague the late Sir Wyville Thomson, afterwards Chief of the Scientific Staff of the *Challenger* expedition.

In the year 1858 he was appointed to the Professorship of Chemistry and Natural History in Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, and to the great regret of the leading scientific men in Edinburgh, evidenced by their presenting him with an address, a silver salver, and a purse of sovereigns, he accepted the appointment. At Queen's College, a new laboratory and class-room for the teaching of chemistry being in course of construction, Dr. Lawson organized a system of practical laboratory teaching similar to that introduced in Edinburgh by Wilson and Macadam. The college grounds were also laid out by him as a botanic garden, and the study of botany was thus made as practical as that of chemistry.

In 1863, on the reorganization of Dalhousie College, Dr. Lawson resigned his chair at Queen's College and accepted the Professorship of Chemistry and Mineralogy here. From that date until the present, for a period of thirty-two years, he has conducted the chemical department in this college. He has had no assistance whatever, and his appliances have been meagre. Nevertheless he not only always gave well illustrated courses of lectures, but from the very first, at great labor to himself, he conducted a practical class, holding, at a time when the majority of teachers of chemistry were satisfied with mere study at second hand, that fruitful study of science can be carried out only by direct experimental investigation.

In addition to the work of his chair he also for many years conducted a class in botany, entirely without remuneration from the Board of Governors. In former years this class was held in summer; and many of his old students will remember the enthusiasm with which he led them to the haunts of his well-loved plants. As in chemistry so also in botany he would have liked to make his teaching largely observational and experimental; but lack of appliances stood in his way.

During his residence in Halifax he was always ready to give assistance to struggling educational institutions. For years he delivered courses of lectures in chemistry and botany to the students of the Halifax Medical College; and though recently these classes were amalgamated with the ordinary college classes, he still gave special lectures on the medical aspects of these subjects. He was one of the organizers of the Technological Institute; and when that useful evening school ceased to exist, he conducted for some years, and intended to conduct periodically, an evening class in theoretical and practical chemistry, especially for men engaged in chemical industries.

Soon after his coming to Nova Scotia, a Board of Agriculture was established by the Legislature and his previous profound study of British agriculture led to his appointment to the secretaryship of the Board. He discharged the duties of this office from 1864 to 1885, when the functions of the Board were assumed directly by the Government, and he was appointed Secretary for Agriculture. His connection with agriculture was rendered still more intimate by the fact that he for many years himself conducted a farm, largely we believe a stock farm, at Sackville, N. S. Whether intended to be so or not, it was generally regarded as a model of what such a farm ought to be.

Prof. Lawson's scientific work began in 1846, when, at the early age of 19 years, he communicated a series of papers to the *Phytologist*, embodying the results of botanical observations. From that time until

the present, but few years passed in which he did not make some contribution, smaller or larger, to the advancement either of his favorite subject of botany or of some allied subject. Before coming to Canada he had made a distinct reputation as a botanist, having published in this department of science forty-four papers and one book, and having prepared the manuscript of a second book, which, however, through the death of one of the members of the firm which had undertaken to issue it, was never published. In addition, he had published a few papers in other departments of natural science, a work on British agriculture, and the catalogue of the Royal Society's Library, and he had for two years issued a monthly serial containing treatises on the field crops of Britain.

During his five years' residence at Kingston his scientific activity was unabated, notwithstanding the large amount of work which fell to his hands in organizing the science teaching of Queen's College. To this period belong thirteen botanical papers, one chemical paper, and one agricultural pamphlet. In this period also falls the organization of the Botanical Society of Canada, which he was largely instrumental in founding, and which in the few years of its active existence did good work in promoting the study of botany in Canada.

During his connection with Dalhousie College, Prof. Lawson published thirty-one botanical papers, four on chemical subjects, and one in zoology. In addition he issued the *Journal of Agriculture* for twelve years, the *Annual Report of the Secretary of Agriculture* for thirty years, the *Crop Reports of Nova Scotia* for six years, a special *Report on Cattle Pastures*, and the *Nova Scotia Register of Thoroughbred Cattle*.

The total number of his communications to scientific societies, each of which represents some addition to knowledge, is as follows:—In Botany, 93; in Zoology, 4; in Chemistry, 5; and in subjects difficult to classify, 5. These in themselves form a far larger body of work than it is the privilege of most scientific men to have been able to execute. And when one thinks, in addition, of the work involved in the long series of reports, treatises, &c., of a practical kind, which his ready pen produced, and of the articles in reviews and other periodicals and in cyclopædias, of which no mention has been made above, one begins to form some estimate of the enormous industry, patience, perseverance and minute attention to detail, of which our late Professor was capable.

As to the value of his scientific work the writer would not venture to offer an opinion. He doubtless reached no wide generalisations;—it is given to few men to do so;—but he added greatly to our knowledge of plant life, and made especially large contributions to our knowledge of the geographical distribution of plants. Whether or not he possessed the ability to do what is called, in German phrase, epoch-making work, it is impossible to say; for his lot was cast in circumstances in which such work was practically impossible. But although he was unable to pursue his investigations with the appliances and by the methods which he would have selected, had the colleges with which he was connected possessed adequate equipment, he nevertheless resolutely did what he could; and he has consequently left behind him a mass of useful work accomplished, of which his friends and the college may be justly proud.

The outward marks which show the esteem in which scientific work is held by scientific men, are received only in small measure by the retiring worker who lives far from the centres of research. Nevertheless,



Dr. Lawson was not without such cheering evidence of appreciation. The degree of Ph. D. was conferred upon him by the University of Giessen, and that of LL. D. by McGill University, Montreal. He was a Fellow of the Botanical Society and of the Royal Physical Society of Edinburgh, and of the Institute of Chemistry of Great Britain, an Honorary Member of the Edinburgh Geological and of the Scottish Arboricultural Societies, a Corresponding Member of the Royal Horticultural Society of London, and of the Society of the Natural Sciences of Cherbourg, one of the original Fellows and an ex-President of the Royal Society of Canada, and a member of various other learned societies. At the time of his death he was President of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science of which he had been a member and an active supporter for thirty-one years.

As a teacher, especially in the department of botany, Prof. Lawson had a rare power of rousing enthusiasm in his pupils, and stimulating them to exercise and develop their own powers of observation. The writer was assured some few years ago by one of the leading botanists of Canada that at that date all the leading Canadian botanists, who had been trained in Canada, were pupils of Dr. Lawson; and this fact speaks volumes for the ability of their teacher. Science is studied in colleges not with the object of producing scientific men, but for the intellectual benefit of all; but the fact that a goodly number of the students of a subject are so stimulated by the teacher as to devote their lives to it, is evidence of the intellectual stimulus which all must have obtained. In chemistry he had not the same interest as he had in botany, and he could not therefore have the same stimulating power. In teaching this subject, moreover, he was always handicapped, very seriously handicapped, by the lack of proper appliances. Nevertheless the extent of his knowledge of the subject was so wide, and his resource as an experimenter was so great, that there were few methods or processes which the student had to leave his laboratory without having had experience of. If it was impossible to procure the necessary apparatus, he always found it possible to put together what would at least serve to illustrate the principle involved. Perhaps the most striking feature of his character as a practical teacher was the obvious joy with which he welcomed the kind of pupil who gives the most trouble, the pupil, namely, who seeks guidance in special technical applications of a subject. To Dr. Lawson such a pupil meant a man in earnest in his work, with whom therefore he was ready to take infinite pains; while the extent of his own knowledge was so great that he seemed to be able to take up and teach the technical departments of his subjects with little more than ordinary effort.

As a man, he had in large measure the characteristics which make it possible, by personal contact to gain the confidence of, and to influence, large bodies of men. He was kindly, sympathetic, courteous, patient, careful of the feelings of others, and always willing to serve others from the rich stores of his wide knowledge. It was these beauties of character, far more deeply marked in him than in most men, which gained for him the warm affection of those who studied under him, and the well grounded esteem of the farmers of Nova Scotia who for so long a period have been largely guided by his advice.

These few pages give but a feeble account of the great work which our late Professor did for his college and for his adopted country. They may serve, however, to show that by Dr. Lawson's death, the Province of Nova Scotia loses a man who, through his profound knowledge and his public spirit, was able to exert a large influence on the development of its most important industry, the college loses a member of its teaching staff who through his activity and success in research had been largely instrumental in making the reputation which it now possesses abroad as well as at home, and his students lose a teacher who through his self-sacrificing efforts on their behalf had made himself deeply revered by them and warmly beloved.

#### COLLEGE NOTES.

FULL returns to date, November 15, give the number of students enrolled in the University at 307.

OWING to the death of Dr. Lawson no classes were held in the University on Monday, the 11th, or Thursday, the 14th.

THE large number of students attending the funeral of the late Professor, tends to show in a slight degree the great esteem in which he was held.

THANKS-GIVING is with us once again. The "Pluggers" celebrate it by harder study, the affectionate student goes home to see the family, the lodger buys a turkey, and the editor issues the "GAZETTE."

WE do not wish to find fault with meetings held, during the ordinary lecture hours in the "Munro" room. However, of late, the noise made at some of them has interfered so seriously with classes, that we would humbly suggest that less singing, whistling and applauding be indulged in at these gatherings.

ON the evening of Nov. 9th, some unknown student broke the glass of the Bulletin board, while endeavouring to pry it open. Presumably he was trying to insert a notice, expressing regret at the loss of the trophy. It is time that persons of this stamp were dealt with in a summary manner.

THE Faculty has again spoken; and the students must obey. The result is, that there will be no "At Home" on "Munro Day," and the only celebration prepared is the customary telegram. This is really too bad, surely something might be done as in other colleges, to enliven the students during the long and dreary term.

THE Reading Room grievance has been so frequently written up in the GAZETTE columns that one almost despairs of giving expression to anything new on this particular subject. Were the matter less important to the students we would apologize for adding another line to what has already been written. It is with more or less disgust that one refers to the matter and

nothing but the consciousness of duty could induce us to take any further part in the discussion.

We need more room. It is perfectly useless to place newspapers, etc., in what is now known as the Reading Room so long as it is used as a general rendezvous by the students. Are the students then to blame for the present very disagreeable state of affairs? Until it is shown that there is some other suitable place to which they can resort during the intervals between lectures, the students will answer, "No." It is not desirable that they should stand round the halls, and the gymnasium is not inviting.

Does then the blame rest upon the Faculty? We think so. We consider that with very little effort on their part an additional room could be given to the students. In this the newspapers, &c., could be conveniently placed, while that part of the building, now by courtesy called the Reading Room could be used as a students waiting room. It is humiliating to confess that Dalhousie has no such apartment.

Opposite the Professor's waiting room there is a small place admirably situated for a Reading Room. We have never been permitted to cross its threshold, and when we undertook, a day or two ago, to enquire into the matter, the janitor, to whose authority we duly bow, informed us we could not have that room, "because some books are kept there." Whose books we do not know. If they belong to the college why are they not in the library? If they are owned outside of the college is it right that outsiders should be accommodated whilst Dalhousie's own students suffer serious inconvenience? Perhaps, it is not possible to give us this room. On the next floor, however, opposite the Classical Room is another. This is not so conveniently situated as the former one, but we are not disposed to be unreasonable. Let the Faculty grant us the use of this room and we are satisfied. The students would gladly furnish it at their own expense.

But it will be objected that one of the Professors uses this small room for his extra class. That may be. But with all due deference to the said Professor could not the work be done fully as well in the ordinary class room? If so, is it just to place an imaginary or barely perceptible advantage to the Professor who occasionally uses that room against the interests of the whole student body? We firmly believe that the Professor in question would be the very last to stand between the students and any real good. Our plan may call for more or less self-sacrifice on the part of the Faculty, but surely we have a right to expect, nay we are sure, that to a man they have our best interests at heart. Because we stand firm in this belief we hope to see the vexed Reading Room question speedily and satisfactorily solved. We do not ask for the unreasonable. Gentlemen, meet us half way.

### FOOT-BALL.

THE Senior League games are over and the trophy is ours no longer. Having held it for two years we were naturally anxious to win it for a third; but the fates have decreed otherwise, and now it is entrusted to the Wanderers for safe keeping until another year rolls around. No one can deny our weakness on October 19th, when the Wanderers crossed our line for the first time in three years; but that one goal meant the trophy to them. The miserable weather and slippery field on the day of the last match prevented either team from doing their best and neither side scored. This of course gave the trophy to the Wanderers. As far as the trophy was concerned, the draw was as bad to us as a defeat; but there is a great satisfaction in the fact that the "red and black" were unable to get behind our line. On a fine day and a dry field there is good reason to believe that the result would have been far different, and that we would not have been called upon to give up the trophy without one more hard struggle.

We congratulate the Wanderers on their well-earned success and hope that next year will see good clean foot-ball and that the best team may win.

DALHOUSIE'S second game with the Service was played October 30th, on the Wanderers' grounds. The teams were changed slightly since the previous match, McNairn taking Bigelow's place at half, and he Schurman's among the forwards. The Service won the toss and chose to defend the west goal, with a slight wind to aid them and a bright sun dazzling the eyes of their opponents. The kick-off was well returned and the ball was soon scrimmaged at the Service 25-yard line. The leather was forced forward and soon went over the line. The referee ordered a scrimmage 5 yards, but "Barney" got the ball and dodged across. No goal was kicked—score 3-0. The ball was kicked off and well returned by Maxwell. Fawcett shortly after this secured the pig skin and made a nice run, but was brought down by McNairn. Some scrimmaging now ensued and nice playing was done by "Cliffy," Barnstead, McNairn and Robb, the latter securing the second try. The goal failed—score 6-0. The Service team now forced the fighting and the ball was soon down to Dalhousie's 25-yard line; but Barnstead and McNairn, by pretty passing and dribbling carried it away from the College goal, and the third try was made by McNairn—score 9-0. The Service kicked off well and had the play for some time in Dalhousie's territory, but "Lauchie," Grant and Robb broke through their forwards and the fourth try was soon scored—scored 12-0. Dalhousie returned the kick-off well, and a series of mauls ensued quite

near the Service goal line. The forwards on both sides worked hard. McRae and McVicar gained a few yards, but Jones got possession of the ball and made a slight gain for his side. Wood made a pretty run, and, when the ball was scrimmaged, Barnstead dashed across the line making another try. Again there was no goal—score 15-0. Some good playing was seen when the ball was kicked off. For Dalhousie, Grant, Bigelow and McLean, L, worked hard but had their work cut out by Fawcett, Jones and Jamieson. "Barney" passed the ball to Maxwell, and he made a good run. When he was tackled, he passed to Bigelow, who made the sixth try—score 18-0.

The second half was characterised by better playing on the part of the Service team. Our boys seemed contented with what had been scored. Maxwell took Turner's place at full back, while the latter played at half. When the ball was kicked off it came with a rush to the College 25-yard line, Payne and Underhill doing some excellent work for their side. Some splendid passing was done by the Service, and our team followed suit. Wood, C. McLean and McIntosh, by hard play, worked the ball to within 5 yards of their opponents' goal, but it soon came back to half field. Some good scrimmaging followed. McIntosh and "Lauchie" brought the ball back to their opponents' 25-yard line. Fawcett got the leather but was forced into touch by L. McLean, who, from the throw in, carried it to within two feet of the Service line. Now there was a stubborn fight. Riddle got the ball, and, eluding Dalhousie's forwards and half-backs, dashed away for the College goal. McIntosh was after him, however, and soon downed him; but he passed to Bailey, he to Jamieson, and he to Payne, resulting in a gain of 50 yards for the Service. Wood made a beautiful run about this time but was tackled by Fawcett. From the scrim following the tackle, "Cliffy" got the ball and dashed across, securing the last try which Turner converted into a goal—score 23-0. Time was then almost up and the game ended with the play at half field.

THE morning of Nov. 9th presented a sad sight to all lovers of sport in Halifax, and especially to the hosts of fair ones who had followed all the games eagerly, either from love of the sport or from a desire to display their charms to the thousands that thronged the ropes at each league game. Rain fell steadily all day and the field was in a very bad condition. The game was called for 3.15, and, promptly to the minute, the teams lined out. The only change in our team was that Fullerton replaced Bigelow in the scrimmage, playing centre with McVicar, while McRae, owing to an injured leg, left his accustomed place and played back of centre. The Wanderers kicked off and, Cliffy making a bad return, the ball went into touch about midway between our goal and the twenty-five line. After the first few

minutes the ball became so slippery that good kicking or holding it was impossible. For the first few scrims. the Wanderers seemed to get the ball, and time and time again they were right on our line. By hard work, however, our boys got it out to our twenty-five, but Pickering by a fine kick put it in touch a few feet from our line. Then followed scrim on scrim and once more our boys forced the ball back. Parsons soon after made the best run of the day but was tackled about ten yards from our line. A scrim. followed, and, the ball being heeled over, our boys touched for safety. The kick out was well returned by the Wanderers and the game again closed in in our territory. Maul followed maul and once more Dalhousie touched down. After the kick out the game was more even, and McIntosh by two splendid kicks into touch gained a lot of ground and transferred the battle to the Wanderers' half. When half time was called the ball was about centre field and neither side had scored.

The second half was started in a pelting rain and in its character was a repetition of the first half. If anything, the game was in our favour but the ball kept pretty near centre field. Our forwards had the advantage and cannot be praised too highly for the way in which they shoved their nine opponents. Townshend and Forrest were ably met by McLean and Barnstead, but it was not a day for the quarters and halves. Grant and Lauchie McLean did some fine dribbling, but the Wanderers were on the ball the whole time and drove the leather back. McNairn received a knock in the head and went out for about five minutes, but soon returned to his place and played well. Time was called with the ball in our territory, neither side having scored. Considering the day, it was a great game and gives an idea of what the game would have been on a good day with a dry field. Naturally the Wanderers were elated and we were sad, but it was defeat and not disgrace, so we hope for better things next year.

The following is a table of the points scored throughout the season. The winner of each game is in italics.

	Points.	
<i>Dalhousie</i> vs. United Service .....	12	3
Dalhousie vs. <i>Wanderers</i> .....	5	0
<i>Dalhousie</i> vs. United Service.....	23	0
<i>Wanderers</i> vs. United Service.....	17	0
<i>Wanderers</i> vs. United Service.....	18	0
<i>Wanderers</i> vs. Dalhousie.....	0	0
TOTAL.		
	For.	Against.
Dalhousie .....	35	8
Wanderers .....	40	0
United Service .....	3	70

## JUNIORS.

THE second game with the Wanderers was played Oct. 26th on the Wanderers' grounds and resulted in a defeat for the "yellow and black." Our team was clearly superior for the game was almost entirely in the Wanderers' territory, but the "red and black" managed to secure a try. For our team Putnam, Miller and Read among the forwards played well, while Mont, Aitken, and Lawson played a strong half game. Our forwards always controlled the ball but our quarters were weak. The game ended 3—0.

On Oct. 30th our team played the Academy on the Crescents' grounds. This game was entirely one-sided. The College team simply walked over their opponents and won by a score of 14—0.

THE second game with the Academy was played on Nov. 6th on the Wanderers' grounds. Miller was absent. Again our boys won by a score of 8—0. The "yellow and black" players all did well. McNeill makes a good quarter and Cordiner, a new player, showed up well. So did George Wood, who will make a good first team half next year. Dalhousie and Wanderers are now tied for the second trophy and the play off game will be played soon. Captain Lawson had a strong team this year, but while forwards and halves were good the quarters, with the exception of McNeill, were poor.

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**Correspondence.**


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DEAR GAZETTE,—What's the matter with Dalhousie, anyway? Students playing against her, students shouting against her at the matches and rejoicing when she lost the trophy on Saturday, and then, worst of all, discord amongst the students themselves. "Senior," in the last GAZETTE, touched on the matter and recent events have laid the whole sore open. It is time for something to be done, and that quickly. It is a matter for congratulation that it is chiefly Freshmen, in both the Arts and Law Faculties, who are the guilty parties, and I think it is for the other members of these classes to deal with them. Let such men be completely ostracised and they won't be long coming to their senses. In the old days, such a state of affairs was unheard of, but to-day the evil exists and must be stamped out before it spreads. The University welcomes city students, and happily more are coming year after year. Now, living as these men do in the city, their sympathies may be with the Wanderers. If they cannot throw in their lot with us, in common decency let them be quiet, and not make insulting remarks about their fellow students from the country who, in nine cases out of ten are better born and better bred,—better intellectually and better physically than they. Lastly, about the discord amongst the students themselves. Why need it be? All should desire the welfare of Alma Mater, and all should do everything in their

power to further her interests. Now this can only be done by perfect unity. Let those who are Y. M. C. A. men not look down on their "weaker brothers," and let not the "weaker brothers" sneer at the well meant efforts of the Y. M. C. A. Let us all have one aim—that of aiding our College in every way; and let us cultivate such an *esprit de corps* that we may look back with satisfaction and not feel forced to say that the old days were better than the new. Hoping that the students will take the matter to heart, and thanking you, Mr. Editor, for the space, I am yours etc.,  
SENIOR No. 2.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE GAZETTE:—In the last number of the GAZETTE you corrected two or three statements made in the article, "Advance Dalhousie." Would you insert the following.—The mark of interrogation (?) after Fellow, opposite Miss Ritchie's name, should be removed. The marks of interrogation were inserted because the writer could not verify at that time, by reference to the Cornell Calendars or otherwise, his belief that both Miss Ritchie and Mr. Coffin had held Fellowships. Dr. A. R. Hill is PROF. of Psychology and Education. According to the Register of Johns Hopkins University, for 1894-5, Mr. W. R. Fraser was Prof of Classical Philology in University of Nebraska, '92-3. Since that time he may have received an appointment from Colorado.

THE COMPILER.

[In reference to the above, a graduate writes:—"Mr. W. R. Fraser is now in Baltimore. His thesis on the 'Figures of Greek Orators' has been accepted by the authorities of Johns Hopkins, and he will get his Ph. D. next spring."—The article in question did not pretend to be absolutely correct in its minor details, and it was unavoidable that error should creep in. We trust that all necessary corrections have now been made.—EDS.]

DEAR GAZETTE:—Knowing that you have considerable influence with the powers that be, I write hoping to enlist your sympathies in what appears to a respectable number of us a just cause.

You have, I doubt not, observed with much pride the lofty, stable and beautiful fence that surrounds two sides and a half of our College square. Why such a barricade was deemed necessary on the west and south sides, I have never been able to understand satisfactorily. Perhaps the Faculty, in its wondrous wisdom, thought thus to protect our stately College building against the Pine Hill vandal horde. But a little reflection has shown me that those agile braves could easily enter by the eastern side, on which there is no protection whatsoever. Such considerations have led me to conclude that the fence is of no practical utility. It is if merely ornamental—beautiful exceedingly, as our friend, "Rev." W. F. Currier, would say.

Now, some thirty or forty of us would be ever grateful if you could persuade the Faculty to punch a hole for us somewhere in the vicinity of the south-west corner. They have already, after mature deliberation, granted such a boon to those approaching the College from the north, and we feel that if the Faculty were carefully approached, and our claims properly presented, they would perhaps see their way clear to invest in a hole in the south-west corner.

Yours hopefully,

MAUDE.

Dalhousie College, Nov. 13th, 1895.

### College Societies.

Y. M. C. A.—On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 3, the Munro Room was crowded, the attraction being a lecture on 'Evolution and Ethics' by Dr. Sexton. This "twisty" subject was well, though not exhaustively, treated, and the lecture was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The first Missionary meeting of the session was held on Saturday evening, Oct. 26. The papers read were good and were listened to with much interest. The following was the programme:—"The Evangelization of the World in this Generation"; "The Necessity," D. M. Reid; "The Possibility," A. H. Denoon; "How made a Fact," Miss E. Baker; "The Student Volunteer Movement," A. F. Robb.

PHILOMATHIC held its second meeting on Nov. 1st. "Does the end justify the means?" was the question for discussion. Mr. G. A. Sutherland in a well written paper cleverly upheld the affirmative. No action, he contended, is right or wrong in itself, but depends for its justification or condemnation on the motive which incites it, that is, the end for which it is done. Mr. Sutherland was followed by Mr. E. P. Robins, B. A., who discussed the question in a paper which amply justified his philosophical reputation. Confusion, he said, arises on this question through not making a clear distinction between mediate and ultimate end. The true end is self-realization. Means are nothing in themselves; but evil—evil being that which defeats the true end—can never be justified. Both papers were much appreciated. A brief discussion followed. Then meeting adjourned.

A special GENERAL STUDENTS' MEETING was summoned on Nov. 11th. A committee was appointed to draw up a resolution expressing the sorrow of the students for the death of Prof. Lawson, and conveying their sympathy to the bereaved relatives. The committee was also authorized to procure a wreath, and to make arrangements for the attendance of the students at the funeral.

The following is a copy of the resolution adopted:

*Resolved,* That we, the students of the University of Dalhousie, feel with keenest sorrow, the untimely and lamentable death of our Professor, Dr. Lawson, who for the past thirty-three years has labored so arduously as a Professor of this university: That we have personally lost a true and earnest friend, who loved the students, and toiled so strenuously to impart to them the knowledge of which he was master: That not only do we mourn with deepest grief the death of a personal friend to the students, but also the incomparable and irremediable loss of one whose service to Dalhousie was of sterling worth, whose enthusiasm and untiring efforts for the success of Dalhousie, and the progress of science in Nova Scotia were marked by no

limit; as a citizen his influence was felt far and wide; but as our Professor he was loved: That we shall always look back with fond remembrance and gratitude to the profitable studies pursued under the guidance of Professor Lawson; and that we take this opportunity of recording in the Minute Book of this meeting the true and heartfelt sympathy for a bereaved family, which words fail to express

Signed on behalf of the university students.

H. V. BIGELOW, *President.*

J. C. MURRAY, *Secretary.*

*General Students Meeting.*

Nov. 11th, 1895.

SODALES.—The first meeting was held on the night of the 18th October. President Cummings in a neat and eloquent speech welcomed all present, and showed the benefit to be derived from the society. He said that it was rumoured that Acadia intended challenging us for an intercollegiate debate. The applause of the audience betokened a desire to meet them. Announcing the subject to be "Whether Newfoundland would be bettered by entering the Canadian Confederation," he called on Mr. Gunn to open the debate, which he did, claiming that it would not benefit Newfoundland. Mr. A. G. Cummings who followed, contended that it would; by an eloquent speech of twenty minutes, he graphically pictured the present condition of Newfoundland, and then contrasted how she would be under Confederation.

Messrs. J. C. Murray, H. T. Archibald, McAskill and others addressed the meeting, after which the debate was closed in the usual manner.

Mr. Nicholson performed the duties of critic in his customary thorough manner.

THE second meeting was held Nov. 2nd. The "New Woman in all her Phases" was the question discussed.

Mr. Murray McNeill in opening, showed a knowledge of women both new and old, that could be surpassed by no knowledge except that of the respondent, Mr. H. T. Archibald.

Mr. McNeill spoke in favor of the New Woman movement, and Mr. Archibald contra. Messrs. Hebb, Shaw, C. McLean, McDougall and others supported the opener, whilst the respondent was ably followed by Messrs. Gunn, O'Donoghue and A. E. Cummings.

Mr. J. C. Murray's critique was a feature of the evening.

Before the meeting closed, Mr. Gunn, seconded by Mr. McNeill moved that the Arts Students' Society be communicated with regarding the fact the Sodales felt hampered by being connected with that society, and now wanted its independence, which would be asserted if it were not given. The resolution was adopted by the meeting, and a committee consisting of Messrs. Gunn, Cumming and Munro was appointed to communicate with the Arts Students' Society and to draw up a new constitution.

## Exchanges.

*Knox College Monthly* is one of our most valuable exchanges.

THE *Varsity's* leading editorial for Oct. 30th, is entitled "Clubs and Societies." The article indirectly deals with a subject in which Dalhousians are at present peculiarly interested.

THE *McGill Fortnightly* of Oct. 30th, begins its first editorial thus: "Are we to have a University Dinner this year? It looks like it;" and ends with "Let us have a University Dinner."

ALTHOUGH the *Medical Bulletin* and *The Journal of the American Medical Association* are especially interesting to the Meds., still there is much in both interesting to the general reader.

THE general appearance of *Acta Victoriana* predisposes one in its favour, and the impression is strengthened by a perusal of its contents. In the October number is an article on Louis Pasteur well worth reading.

THE *International Art Printer*, "A medium for the exchange of ideas among printers; showing specimens of every day jobwork and ad. composition," is, as one would expect, a thing of beauty.

NO. 1, Vol. xxii., of the *Acadia Athenæum* is before us. We were sorry to find that the *Athenæum* did not see its way clear to publish Prof. Jones' address, "Words as an instrument of mental culture" in full. We found it most interesting reading.

THE *O. A. C. Review* is up to its usual standard. Hereafter "to make the *Review* still more interesting the agricultural editors are allowed the privilege of soliciting from time to time, articles from some of the leading agricultural writers of Canada and the United States."

THE *Sunbeam*, published by the Ontario Ladies College, Whitby, Ont., is offered at half price to ministers of all denominations. A somewhat suggestive cut occupies a conspicuous place opposite the names of the editorial staff.

THE *Presbyterian College Journal* deserves careful reading. The first number of Vol. xv., is up to the high standard which the *Journal* has always maintained. The article on the "Utility of the Bible" emphasizes a fact that needs attention; and that on "The Minister's working theology," will receive careful attention from our theologues.

THE *Argosy* is again on our table. A former student writes to the *Argosy* saying: "I used to think the Personalia Column

the least important of any in the *Argosy*, but since I left college I find it is about the only part of the *Argosy* we old students care to look at." Could not the old students themselves help to make this column more interesting in all our college papers? Send a "postal" if nothing more, the GAZETTE will be glad to hear from you.

THE *Niagara Index* has an editorial on "Athletics" in which it is observed that, "President Eliot is apparently justified in his much criticized attitude and restrictions of last fall which practically ruined football at Harvard." The opinion has generally been entertained that success on the Campus, &c., was so much valuable advertising for the college. President Eliot maintained that inter-collegiate games created an excessive and unhealthy interest ruinous to college work. He was severely criticized, but events seem to have justified him. Yale, victorious on every field, finds her students decreased from last year, while Harvard despite her defeats numbers an increase of 97 on her lists.

THE *Collegium*, published by the students of St. Dunstan's College, endeavours to render its wearisome commonplaces more attractive by appearing in flaming red. The first sentence of the opening editorial is: "Our heartfelt gratitude is due to contributors for MSS. kindly forwarded." The *Collegium* readers, if there are any outside the sanctum, will feel equally grateful. Judging from what we have seen of the *Collegium*, the more contributed matter it gives its readers the more pleased will the latter be. The exchange editor of the *Collegium* displays considerable knowledge of profanity and whiskey punch; in other respects his education has evidently been neglected. He speaks of Judique, Musquodoboit and Bras d'Or as dependencies of Halifax. What this means we doubt if he himself knows. He confesses that he is not much acquainted with the seat of the Dalhousie University. The confession is needless. No one suspects him of knowing much about that or anything else outside of his own peculiar line. We would not be surprised to find that the *Collegium's* editorial anent young writers and the to-be-continued article on "Insanity" have more or less to do with the *Collegium's* exchange man. If it does not cruelly strain his veracity will the exchange editor be kind enough to quote us correctly whenever he may have occasion to refer to us in future? We like to oblige, but really it is too much to expect us to be willing to clothe our ideas in the *Collegium's* uncouth phraseology. To save our readers trouble, we may say that St. Dunstan's College is located in Charlottetown, P. E. I. Penmanship, Bookkeeping, Arithmetic, etc., are taught in the institution.

### Dallusiensia.

DID Miss W. say M-l-l-r looked sweet while on the football field?

HE forgot his hat but she sent it back safely next morning.

THERE seems to be considerable doubt whether Morrison's initials are A. J. or W. A.

HENRY SAM is disgusted with church socials. He only received one piece of pie.

BY day windows admit light. Do they at night admit darkness? We read they do not.

PROF.—“Since you can do the trisection part of the exercise Mr. L-nd-ay, I will keep you for trisection.”

K-D-Y, (translating Prinummus.)—“Nihil ego in occulto agere soleo.”  
“I am accustomed to do nothing in the dark.” (Applause.)

W. A. M.—“Yes, mam! The boys be teasing me about your daughter.”

MATRON —“I suppose you are offended?”

W. A. M.—“Oh no! I am *rather* flattered.” (Gallant youth.)

NORMAN was seen in the morning,  
A time when most “Sophs” are in bed.  
He wished to purchase a shoe horn  
As his hat was *too small* for his head.

OUTHIT.—“If one circle touch another at more than one point, then, then, then!”

PROF.—“Then the sky would fall.”

H. T. A.—“Evidently he thought me clever, for whenever I said a bright thing he remembered it for months.”

SHE.—“I should think he might.”

(He doesn't go there any more.)

WHEN the Professor drew the eagle with three legs McIn-t-h, “the Soph,” remarked to his seat mate: “That looks like a tame crow I have at home.”

GRAD.—“Now, Professor, will you please give me a class ticket for Fourth Year German?”

PROF.—“Oh yes! Certainly Mademoiselle! Have you passed your matriculation exam. yet?”

FULTON'S a *logician*,  
He knows of things a few,  
If he *locked* his book in his closet  
He'd keep his temper too.

BILLY R. MCK-Y.—“I had great luck to-day.”

“How was that?”

B. R. MCK.—“I went to the football match and left all my money at Pine Hill. Our team was beaten you know.”

ROUTLEDGE, (preparing his English essay with Hebb's assistance.—“Pa! What does Sophistry mean?”

“Sophistry, my lad,” replied Pa, “is an abstract noun derived from *Soph* and is an appropriate word to express the exalted ideas of that tribe.”

HIS Majesty H-bb, by the grace of some one, “Pa” of the freshmen, etc., etc., hath been pleased to sanction the appointment of McL-d, alias “Kisser,” alias “Viking,” to be a quarter-master on board the *Ship-of-the-desert*. The possession of the other three-fourths can be had on application.

FISHER, who is bound to have everything that is going, took the measles, and there was a dead-lock in the business transaction of most of the religious organizations in the city. However, we may state semi-officially that he hopes to meet with them next week as usual.

SCENE: TEACHERS' MEETING, PARK STREET CHURCH

MR. W.—“I hold that conscience is the direct voice of God.”

POLEY, (in tones of pity, mingled with contempt.)—“No! No! My Dear Sir! Had you but read Book iv, ch. 3, of ‘Locke on the Human Understanding,’ you would not have made such an erroneous statement.”

VOICE.—“Yes! Locke.”

(Collapse of Mr. W —, while all the other teachers register solemn vows to take Senior Philosophy at Dalhousie.)

AT the lectures recently given by Dr. Sexton the following questions were asked by the below mentioned students:

BUCHANAN.—“Can a Cape Bretoner, six feet tall, appear in short pants and still claim the protection of the Minor's Act?”

DOUGLAS.—“Is it possible for a senior to show a lady through Dalhousie College without exciting suspicion?”

D. MCRAE.—“What method would you recommend in studying Greek Grammar 25 hours a day?”

C. BURCHELL.—“Why do Carleton St. pies taste better at 12 p. m. than at 6 p. m.” Answer. “It *wood-ill* become me to say.”

TOM IRVING.—“If females still chose their mates by the length of their beards would I have any show against ‘Whiskers Parsons’?”

F. FISHER.—“Is it incumbent on man to take the measles more than four times?”

FRESHIE LEE HEBB.—“How do you account for the disappearance of beards from ‘the goats of '99?’” Answer. “They are only in embryo yet.”

### THE FIRST SCRIMMAGE.

When the Freshmen, green as blazes,  
Unto Old Dalhousie came,  
Timorously they trod the mazes  
Of the Sophomore's wily game.

Wild the shouting, wierd the wailing,  
As the Sophs. with thunderous din,  
Smashed the rules so unavailing,  
When they break the Freshmen in.

Bottles lost and sobbing nurses,  
Pap spilt free o'er floor and wall,  
The troubled air was rent with curses,  
And the kids uncultured bawl.

“Pa” rushed in as mad as thunder  
McLeod pushed high his pompadour,  
Routledge sobbed in fear and wonder  
That he'd take the *golden cure*.

McDougall grinned with air almighty,  
Threw his ribbons all aside,  
Thought with pleasure just how lightly  
He would turn the troubled tide.

But a roar like wild bull's bellow,  
Fell upon the tangled throng ;  
'Twas not tender, sweet nor mellow,  
'Twas the voice of fierce Lord John.

Rushing footsteps, voices sobbing,  
In the distance died away,  
And left a man in anger nodding  
O'er some names for *judgment day*.

Fines of dollars—much commotion,  
And the boys shell out their tin ;  
That's the old Dalhousie notion,  
How they take the Freshmen in. "SOPH."

### Personals.

N. D. MCTAVISH has been appointed vice-Principal of Amherst Academy.

JAMES H. TREFRY, B. A., is now filling the position of Principal in the Morris Street School, Halifax.

M. D. GRANT, '94, is attending Harvard this winter with a view to a B. A. degree from that institution.

W. S. GRAY, '94, has removed to the city, and his sunny face frequently gleams round the college halls.

REV. L. H. JORDAN, M. A., of Toronto, easily one of our leading grads, was in the city last week attending the funeral of Prof. Lawson.

J. F. PUTNAM, B. A., '94, was in town for the Wanderers—Dalhousie Football match—Putty has a lucrative position as semi-Professor in an Academy of learning near Maitland.

DR. GEORGE H. COX, B. A., '91, of Shelburne, N. S., has been in the city the past few weeks on a pleasant mission. He has left for Springhill where he contemplates settling down.

H. P. DUCHEMIN, who in a former issue we reported as taking a position in Manitoba, was unable to leave the snug little island and, in spite of political disadvantages, is now Professor of Classics in Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown.

BY the last *Journal of Education* we notice that Dalhousians are again to the fore among the teachers. The first four places in the "A" list have been obtained by them. Miss Jennie Ross, H. P. Duchemin, H. T. Archibald, James F. Putman, D. A. Fraser, Thomas Lawson, and R. F. Morton have succeeded in getting their licenses.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Dr. Lindsay, R. J. Grant, Agnes Baxter, each \$2.00; R. M. MacGregor, Bessie Lewis, Eugene Archibald, Jno. D. Noble, A. L. Mackay, J. G. Colqhohon, W. H. Smith, Miss McKay, Katie McKay, Miss L. Marshall, Gordon Dickie, Ernest Archibald, J. L. McKinnon, F. A. Morrison, M. Mills, J. A. Boyd, R. D. Bentley, G. Reynolds, — Almon, K. C. Lange, Robt. Grierson, — Shaw, Miss Ella Rettie, Grace E. B. Price, Miss Georgina Moody, Chas. Lindsay, Bessie Logan, Adams Archibald, each \$1.00.

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## Law Department.

### A CLAIM FOR UNITY.

WHILE we appreciate our standing as a Law School, holding rank as one of the best in Canada, and practically the only one in the Maritime Provinces yet we wish a higher standing. There is no reason that can properly be brought forward why the Dalhousie Law School should not be the only one in the Maritime Provinces. The moment sectional and provincial interests enter into anything of this kind, usefulness will be hindered. The Maritime Provinces are too small both geographically and in financial strength to support more than one.

If the Maritime Provinces united in supporting one institution, it would be a place for training lawyers unsurpassed by any in Canada. What we need is more paid lecturers; when dependence is put in those who have a practice in addition to their duties in their respective classes, justice cannot be done to any concerned. We sympathise with the man who rushes away from his work to attend to the duty of lecturing to a class; not having time enough to completely familiarise himself with the lecture about to be given, and the cases upon which it bears, he is compelled to read closely, make a few comments here and there, and, when time is up, he rushes away leaving a list of cited cases varying somewhat between fifteen and twenty, which the student has to read! Next day of lecture he meets his class, and being still hampered by lack of time, he either hastily reviews one or two of the cases cited in the last lecture, or goes on without reviewing them, then the student has the hopeless task of sifting out of a colossal number the ones particularly adapted to the line of work and the parts of them which specially apply. The work, as a result, is large and the results poor if not unsatisfactory. The lecturer is by no means to blame; he deserves the highest praise for devoting so much of his time to the arduous work. Too much credit cannot be given to those who leave the work of their profession to give an hour or two in the week to help the Law School. Our claim is that the Maritime Provinces should aim at having one Law School and that with paid lecturers,



who will and must devote all their time in familiarizing themselves with the subjects undertaken to be expounded.

The paid professors that we have prove this contention; their classes are ideal ones. For example, Constitutional Law may be mentioned. The method employed in teaching it we can safely say cannot be surpassed. It is a model one; thoroughness marks every part of it, and no student can help being benefitted by it. We choose it as an example, just to show what can be done by having paid men devote their time to the work. Contracts and others might also be named; but our aim is not to enumerate a list of subjects, but to show what is done and what can be done, when we have men solely for the purpose of teaching law.

Then why cannot we have a united effort with New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, as well as Nova Scotia, sending their men and money to the support of the Dalhousie Law School? Our Institution is not Nova Scotian, and we do not want it to be such. If we are Nova Scotia's in situation, we may none the less be a New Brunswick, P. E. Island and a Nova Scotian one. What we want is money; every graduate owes a debt to us, and should pay it by a contribution to our finances. Our money will have to come in this way. We cannot and do not expect much by being in affiliation with, and part of, Dalhousie University. We do not expect or fear any serious competition from King's College Law School; but we regret that the efforts which are directed towards building up that Law School are not helping us to be more efficient.

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#### PRELIMINARY LAW EXAMINATIONS IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

ACCORDING to recent St. John papers, the New Brunswick Bar Society used the sickle with unsparing force amongst the candidates at the Preliminary Law examinations in Fredericton. We understand that out of the fifteen who tried, all failed to come up to the pass mark. Such a failure is anomalous. That fifteen young men could fail as a unit, on such an examination as a Bar Society one usually is, we utterly fail to comprehend. Where shall we look for the cause or causes—to the candidates, or “to the powers that be?” The conduct of the Bar Society, if not meriting strong condemnation, should not be approved. If there was anything wrong in the questions asked that should

not be; but the strangest thing is that the seventy-five per cent. standard fell to forty-five, and this after the results were known. A seventy-five per cent. pass mark betokens childish vanity, and is one not in frequent use in institutions of a high educational order.

Now if a seventy-five per cent. basis is right, a forty-five one is wrong; and if it is right before and during the examination, it may be regarded as a curious fact how it became wrong immediately after; and the Bar Society cannot be too strongly condemned if it takes the “plucking” of fifteen students to make them realize the fact of right or wrong.

Tinkering with examination standards after the results are known seems more to be a desire to gratify personal wishes than a desire for an educational standing.

Suppose, (and a quite probable supposition it is too,) that at last year's qualifying examination a student failed, (and at that time he could,) on a sixty-five per cent. mark, and now one gets through on forty-five. The injustice is clearly shown by the comparison.

Gentleman, if you have a standard and it is a proper one, stick to it. Let your students pass or not pass by it. If it is not proper; remedy the defect before you put it into operation and not after. Have your questions in point and your marking just, and then you will not have the pitiable sight of your doings and the answers of your candidates held up to the contempt and laughter of all people.

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#### CUBA.

THE prospects of Spain do not increase. Cuba must be free. These words are strong but are justified by the aspect of affairs at present. The *New York World* says: “Every American wishes to see Cuba free.” This is not only the opinion all over the States, but Congress itself will recognize the belligerent rights of the Cuban Patriots when it meets in December. Congress may consider “discretion the better part of valor,” but they are forced to recognize the insurgents by the unanimous sympathy of the American populace for Cuba.

Meanwhile Spain is wise enough to offer a compromise, but Cuba “trusts not him that hath once broken faith.” At the end of the former ten years war, the Cubans accepted a compromise and were promised everything they demanded, but when the time of fulfillment came every concession made to them was withdrawn, and their last state was worse than their first. This time Spain offers to compromise and give Cuba “modified Home Rule,” but the Cubans already feel too independent to think of it, what they want is absolute independence. Would it not be

wiser for Cuba to accept "modified Home Rule" if they could get assurance of its being carried out; and not forget that,

"We may outrun  
By violent swiftness, that which we run at,  
And lose by over-running."

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#### LAW SCHOOL AND LAW NOTES.

FULTON, C. J., and MATHERS, J., held Chambers in Dalhousie court room on Tuesday evening, the 12th of November.

CONVEYANCING is to extend over two years after this. Mr. Ritchie certainly deserves credit for the masterly course of lectures he is giving on this subject.

WE regret the departure of Mr. Phelan of the first year, who has accepted a position on the staff of the Port Hood Academy. He will return next year to resume his law studies.

MR. KAULBACH has been trying to introduce a Harvard idea into Dalhousie—getting the lectures taken down by a short-hand reporter, and typewritten off for every student. Needless to say he has been unsuccessful. The number is too small.

A LETTER from Vickery, post graduate student, Cornell, has varied the monotony somewhat. Vick. will go through Canada next summer continuing his lectures on "The Folly of Taking Degrees." He considered the free advertisement in the GAZETTE complimentary.

THE Law Student is beginning to appreciate the immense advantage of attending the court house and getting real practical knowledge of court procedure, as well as hearing fine, logical arguments. This is a valuable adjunct to the college studies, and in Halifax we have some court in session throughout about all our term.

THE movement for a Law Students Dance has fallen through. A few of the students really wanted one, and a meeting was called to discover the number as well as wishes of those wanting a dance. A very few appeared at the meeting, and it being thought useless to attempt to carry out, in proper style, such an affair, without a sufficient number really wanting it, the dance has been practically dropped.

EVERYTHING is remarkably quiet this year about the Law School, as well as throughout the university. The lack of scrimmages among the Arts' Students is a loss of some pleasure to the Law Student. I say "among the Arts' Students," for we never had the enjoyment of a scrim. ourselves, as the class line cannot be marked in our department. But times are remarkably

quiet this year. The daily tramp to the library,—the regular routine of lectures, and every week brings about the same procession of duties.

A NEW POINT IN LAW.—Hypnotism is becoming recognized in the States as a new element in criminal cases. In Kansas A. shot and killed B. He was arrested charged with murder, and set up the defence that he was under the hypnotic influence of C., and neither was legally nor morally responsible for the deed. He was acquitted and then C. was put under arrest and tried for murder in the first degree, notwithstanding that he was not present when the crime was committed. The evidence shewed that he caused A. to do the deed through hypnotic influence and he was convicted.

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#### Law School Facetiæ.

PARSONS at barber shop. *Barber*—Which side do you have your hair parted on, Mr. P—? *Mr. P.*—Outside, please.

THE Honorable Minister of Marine and Fisheries accounts for his absence from his seat in the House—thusly:—"family duties." One honorable member thinks we are being *hoodwinked*.

IT is customary for Medicals to view a funeral procession with feelings of no regret; but the poetry has passed out of life when a Law student smiles and nods approvingly on viewing a hearse being driven past. We *wood* not have believed it if it were not reported by a reliable person, who also is authority for saying that the same student distributes patent medicine "ads" at all public gatherings.

THE usual quietness of the library was disturbed last week by B—yd rushing wildly into it followed by D—n, who, with wild and disheveled locks, sweater in hand, and a pair of knickerbockers slung over his shoulders, furiously protested against staying in a house where the supernatural reigns. A committee, consisting of Kaulback, McCart and Oakes, have been appointed to investigate the matter.

#### McCART'S BATTLE SONG.

Onward P. L. Fusiliers,  
On to York Redoubt;  
On to beat the enemy  
And keep them well without.

On across the Arn bridge,  
On through dusty roads,  
On, our Captain leads us,—  
Knapsacks are light loads.

Now we reach the fortress,  
Enemy in sight,—  
Oh for some of Finlay's best  
To nerve us for the fight!

Cannon boom like thunder,  
Eyes grow fierce and bright;  
In the words of Wellington,—  
"Blucher now, or night!"

Long the deadly fight lasts,  
But the night is here,—  
Soon we'll see our Finlay,  
Soon we'll taste his beer.

Back across the Arm Bridge,  
Back through dusty roads,—  
Joy! we've reached the city,—  
Knapsacks are *such loads*.

#### WE ARE SEVENTEEN.

- I met a little First Year Law (Schurman),  
He was twelve years old, he said ;  
"Now tell me, dear, about your class" ;  
He blushed a lovely red.
- "We number seventeen in all,  
Including Titus Oakes ;  
He counts for two—I don't know why—  
So say the Third Year blokes.
- "There's Editorial O'Connor—(emphasis on the or)  
The flute he sometimes plays ;  
And sometimes, too, he plays the mule :—  
In strange and devious ways
- "And then there's Jamie Dunn, Q. C.,  
Who lately broke his shoulder ;  
In days of yore his name was 'Didd'—  
Than him no man is bolder
- "He's fond of giving Benny points,  
And gives them free at that,  
Some day, I fear, his head will be  
Much larger than his hat.
- "Then lengthy, languid Jamieson,  
Who sweareth not at all ;  
Whose voice stentorian thrills the world  
To Hades' furthest hall ;
- "And Slayter, debonair and blithe,  
The beauty of the years,  
Who spinneth not, nor toils at all,—  
Nor man, nor gods he fears.
- "Next Putty comes, whose sterling worth  
Needs neither paint nor varnish,—  
Not long ago, *The Truro Times*  
His wisdom used to garnish.
- "Then Leahy comes, the garrulous,  
Who'll talk till further orders ;  
If heavenly scribes write all he says,  
They'll need short-hand recorders.
- "Then Boyd, the clammy, silent Boyd,  
The man of many troubles,—  
To share a bottle with the boys  
His agony redoubles.
- "And Mills, who pulls Boyd's nether limbs ;  
Who plugs when he's not smoking ;  
Who's always getting Phalen wild ;  
Who eats when he's not joking.

"McLatchy, next, with smile and smirk,  
And Darwell looking dreary ;  
And Waddell, with his brand new boots ;  
And Purney, looking eerie ;

"And, then, McLeod, a righteous child,  
Who's got a pull on heaven,—  
We, Freshmen, are the wicked lump,  
McLeod, sure, is the leaven.

"I cannot think of any more,  
Excepting Whisker Parsons,  
Who looks quite ripe for any crimes  
From felonies to arsons.

"Yes! Parsons of the scraggy beard,  
Hard shell, and close communion,  
When he goes down where Judas boards  
There'll be a grand re-union."

(Signed) MOSE LEE.

P. S.—There are several different readings of the original.

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### Law Personals.

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A NEW batch of Q. C.'s has lately been appointed. Among them are the city lawyers W. B. A. RITCHIE and A. DRYSDALE. We extend congratulations.

THE card of a new law firm of Halifax is out—"MCILREITH & TREMAINE, 43 Sackville Street. Both are young men, graduates of '95. Upright, conscientious, and plucky, they deserve success. Give them a call.

ALVIN F. McDONALD, LL.B., '94, has accepted a temporary position on the *Herald* staff. Law, politics, and love are known inclinations of Alvin ; but law seems to be dropped for the present, possibly for the better prosecution of the other two.

THE genial countenance of HARRY H. MUNRO, LL.B., '93, now practising in Yarmouth, N. S., was heartily welcomed in the city last week. It is rumoured that Harry was in town on business, but perhaps it would not be fair to expose it till later.

R. T. MCILREITH, better known as "Bob," has again this year been performing the duties of referee in the foot-ball game in N. B., between St. John and U. N. B. The St. John papers say that he performed his duty "in a thoroughly satisfactory manner."

SO many of our grads. have joined the benedictine ranks of late that we can reasonably be pardoned for neglecting to notice them all. MR. J. ROY CAMPBELL, LL. B., '88, wedded, during the summer, a daughter of Judge Barker, St. John, and has our congratulations accordingly.

T. PHALEN has left the class of '98 and accepted a lucrative teaching position in Port Hood. Phalen showed signs of being a good student, and is quite a loss to his class. We are sorry to have lost him from Mock Parliament as he was a daily attendant and a good debater.

R. McVICAR is a candidate for municipal council honours in Cape Breton County. The people of Port Morien will be fortunate in their choice if they elect him. His sterling worth and integrity mark him out as a fit representative for the people. We heartily wish our fellow-student,—our sturdy foot-ball forward, success, and hope when he returns from his native county, where he is at present, that we can greet him as Councillor McVicar.

## Medical Department.

"Truly the mighty has fallen."

SEVERAL days ago rumor told us that Dr. George Lawson was stricken down with paralysis, and, later, on the 10th, we were grieved to hear that his summons had come and that his spirit had gone to that far off land "from whose bourne no traveller e'er returns" Our College is saddened, for he belonged to us as well as to his immediate friends, since he has been for many years Dean of the Medical Faculty as well as Professor in Botany and Chemistry. Day by day, many are passing off the scene of action, yet we consider not; but Dr. Lawson was ours, and so we pause and look back over that life.

He came to Halifax in 1863, and soon took a foremost place as a scientific agriculturist, and was generally considered as an authority on that subject. Surely Nova Scotia has lost one of her greatest men, one who has done much for her advancement, and has given her a name in the world.

Memory calls us back, back to the time when many of us sat at his lectures in the Botany and Chemistry Classes, or worked in the Chemical Laboratory, where he tried to impart to our minds the results of his researches. Perhaps, at the time, we could not grasp it all, but we can look back now and realize what an extensive knowledge he had of his subjects,—how deep have been his researches. He dared to probe down into the depths of nature's wells, and produced sparkling gems of truth. His thoughts have been cast abroad, and we are assured that the germs will take root, live, and spread. Yes, Dr. Lawson loved science, and tried to impart that love to his students.

Then he was always genial, kind, and thoughtful, ever willing to help the honest student. Truly it has been a noble life,—and have we lost it? Will those lips speak no more, and that brain think no more? He has dipped into the things of this life and found "what like they were"; now he will know what the other world is like. We would still be a listener and a hearer, but as it cannot be, we can but regret and simply say,

' Rest, rest to the weary;  
Peace, peace to thy soul "

THE department of Practical Anatomy claims attention just now. The Professors and Demonstrators are thoroughly qualified and the instruction is all that can be desired. In no institution is this subject more thoroughly taught than in our own.

But with a class yearly growing larger the supply of material for dissection is becoming limited, and we have no doubt that the Professor of Anatomy and the Faculty as a whole will give this matter their careful consideration, and that new sources of supply will be made available. The regulations require two complete dissections in the first and second years, consequently with a large class the supply of material required is somewhat difficult to obtain. However, we think with some extra effort and by taking advantage of all the available sources, the present supply can be materially increased.

THE question is being mooted whether it would not be advantageous to substitute for at least some of the didactic lectures—quizzes. The rule at present, outside of practical departments, is to substitute for every other lecture an oral examination. Some hold that they should largely replace the lectures. Such a change would lighten the labors of the professorial staff to some extent and would not, we think, increase those of the student. With so many admirable text books at his command, it might be better for the student to make notes directly from them, as notes from a lecturer, especially if he be a rapid speaker, are apt to be disconnected.

The student could then be prepared before hand and could have any obscure points cleared up in class. The plan is worthy of some consideration.

### THE MEDICAL LIBRARY.

WE are pleased to intimate in this issue of the GAZETTE the re-opening of the Medical Library, which has been largely augmented in the interim by the addition to it of the Cogswell Library. Other important contributions have also been made, notably those of Mrs. Dr. Raymond of Brooklyn, Annapolis Co., and of Dr. DeWolfe of Halifax. The bequest of the late Dr. Cogswell was intended to form the nucleus of a library for the use of the members of the Provincial Medical Society and the students of the Medical College. Along with the the library the sum of £100 was left to defray the

expenses of preparing a catalogue, and also the sum of £1000 to be expended by trustees appointed for the purpose, in furthering the interests of the Library. Hitherto this collection was housed in the Dispensary, but as its usefulness there was rather of a negative character, it was removed to the Library Room of the Medical College, (which, by the way, has been much improved and now presents quite an attractive appearance.) We are sure that all the Medical Students appreciate this grateful act on the part of the Medical Society, who, if they adhered to the strict letter of the bequest, might have left this valuable collection to moulder on the shelves of the Dispensary.

Whilst many of these volumes may not be of much *general* use to the Medical student, they are especially interesting on account of their historic value. It cannot be expected that in the Medical Science, whose scope is almost illimitable and from whose vast store of hidden wealth research is continually bringing to light things "old and new," that the works of a half a century or even a quarter of a century ago, should to-day be standard works. Nevertheless a number of these volumes will be found to contain much of general interest, whilst to those of an enquiring turn of mind they afford an extensive field for investigation.

Arrangements have been made whereby the Library will be opened at hours most convenient for the general body of students, and under regulations which will ensure privacy and decorum appropriate to such an Institution.

We trust the students will take advantage of the opportunity thus afforded them, and duly recognize the efforts of those interested in the welfare of the Medical School.

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#### STUDENTS' MEDICAL SOCIETY.

THIS organization has fairly entered upon the work of the session and, judging by the character of the meetings already held, bids fair to excel in interest and profit any previous year. Notwithstanding the fact that the life of a medical student is an exceedingly busy one, every member of the Society will lose nothing by spending an evening every week in attending these meetings. The programme for this session provides a great deal of interesting information in the form of lectures by professional gentlemen of high standing, an opportunity to cultivate fluency in impromptu speaking, and readiness in debate, and gives ample scope for the exercise of literary ability in almost any direction, besides encouraging original research in the manifold branches of science which form the foundation of the healing art. Music, also, is not forgotten, and the entertainment committee is working hard in the endeavor to enliven our meetings "with a harmony of sweet sounds." Their efforts are not without success, as was evident to all who attended the meeting of November 15th.

On the evening of October 18th, Dr. A. P. Reid, who has in the past so often favored the Society with his pleasant reminiscences and timely advice, again appeared before us, and did not fail to interest and instruct his hearers, though his advice to students in the matter of fees has been objected to by a lawyer who happened to be present.

The meeting of October 25th was postponed on account of some oversight on the part of the executive committee.

The next meeting was devoted to a "scrap discussion." Several interesting subjects were spoken upon by various members of the Society. Specially instructive was the discussion upon opium, several of the speakers having had experience in the use, and an intimate knowledge of the action of that drug. It is to be regretted that the attendance at this meeting was not so large as usual, even Shaw, who excels in discussions of this kind, being conspicuous by his absence.

The evening of November 15th saw quite a large assembly in the large lecture room of the College. A number of students of the other faculties were present, and they are always welcome. The eager faces of the audience showed that they were looking for a treat, and they were not disappointed. The Medicals had banished all thoughts of their profession, with its drugs and "bugs," for the evening, laid aside their usual solemn expression of countenance and unbending dignity, and seemed determined to see if there was any real enjoyment to be found outside the study and practice of their profession. The entertainment began with a banjo solo by Mr. Johnson, an amateur player of Halifax, who had kindly consented to play on this occasion. His first piece being loudly encored, he responded by performing some remarkable feats of dexterity in handling his instrument, playing all the while. Then Miss Bessie Reid, to whom the medical students are much indebted for past favors, gave an excellent reading, which was loudly encored. In response, Miss Reid gave a comic selection, which was well received. Miss Mattie Brown, of the third year class in medicine, also delighted the audience with her readings, being heartily encored. Both Miss Reid and Miss Brown received their elocutionary training at Acadia Seminary, and show themselves to be true artists. The music of the evening, besides Mr. Johnson's performances on the banjo, consisted of choruses by the members of the Society, and several vocal solos by Mr. Aitken, of the Law Department, who merited the loud applause which his singing called forth. An enjoyable evening's entertainment was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem, and the Meds. went home to busy themselves in the mysteries of their art, half believing that the study of medicine is not the only source of pleasure in the world.

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#### COLLEGE NOTES.

A CHANGE in the hour at which Junior Anatomy is held is contemplated in order to permit of the students taking two hours per day in the chemical laboratory, instead of one, as laid down in the calendar. The students, to a man, will strenuously oppose such a change. They have as much work now as they can honestly do, and it is not prudent to force any additional burden, particularly as there was no such understanding either by instruction in the calendar or otherwise, when they entered upon their course. A word to the wise is sufficient. It might be added that the movement did not originate with any of the medical staff, who alone are presumed to have a knowledge of the work required for the course.

## MEDICAL BRIEFS.

CAPTAIN TEGG, recently of the *Halifax* is reported laid up with a sore eye. The microbe was contracted at the dispensary.

It is said that the Perry Relief Expedition has been abandoned on account of the illness of one of the principals.

OUR weighty Soph persists in taking classes with the Freshmen. We are afraid the acquisition of knowledge is not his sole object.

MR. D-C-K-Y is sure that asafœtida should be given in the second stage of bronchitis or any lung trouble.

IN addition to the extra work which Dr. Karslake wishes to impose upon us, certain of our more diligent students are voluntarily taking a two weeks' course in measles.

MR. A. and Mr. G. (looking in window of toy store). Mr. G.—That a fine fat doll baby in there.

Mr. G.—Yes, that's a *Goodwin*.

LOST.—In rain at Saturday's (9th inst.) football game, the color of a beautiful necktie. A few specks still remain, with which any color found can be compared. Apply to McL., Freshman.

SH-W (to instructor in pharmacy).—"Please sir, where will I find the distilled aqua water?"

Instructor.—"In the taps."

MR. R-UE has discovered a property of  $H_2S$ , not mentioned by Wurtz. He finds that, when occasion requires, it is a liquid, and may be conveniently carried in an ordinary test tube.

THE audacity of some members of the first year class is appalling. One of them appeared at college recently with a cane and actually a "plug" hat. This may be in *good* form, but he cannot thus *win* the esteem of his fellow students.

LOST, strayed or stolen from 117 Hollis Street, an umbrella with broken tip and main body presenting a rather Lan(g)ke appearance, having barely survived last Saturday week's *down pour*.

PROF. G.—"How are aqueous extracts made?"

MR. D-k-y.—"Aqueous extracts are prepared by the action of cold, heat and boiling water on certain drugs."

THE "Ross-Mc—n Mission" has been reorganized for the winter. McE—n is chairman of the "Devotional Committee." R—s, leader of the choir. Flute practice on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

## PERSONALS.

DR. C. D. MURRAY, lecturer in Embryology, has returned from a five weeks' trip to London. His lectures commence on Monday, 19th inst.

THOMPSON, of the second year, was confined to his room for several days with an attack of measles. We are pleased to see him out again apparently none the worse for his experience.

REYNOLDS, of the first year, has also been absent from class on account of measles. He has not as yet been able to resume work, but expects to be out in a few days.

A. E. BROWNRIGG, a member of the Freshman class of '94-5, is furthering his studies at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore. Alfred was a good student and will doubtless be heard from when examination day comes round.

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