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OUR FALLEN HEROES.

"DULCE ET DECORUM."

O young and brave, it is not sweet to die,
To fall and leave no record of the race,
A little dust trod by the passers-by,
Swift feet that press your lonely resting
place;
Your dreams unfinished, and your song
unheard—
Who wronged your youth by such a care-
less word?

All life was sweet—veiled mystery in its
smile:
High in your hands you held the
brimming cup,
Love waited at your bidding for a while,
Not yet the time to take its challenge up;
Across the sunshine came no faintest breath,
To whisper of the tragedy of death.

And then, beneath the soft and shining blue,
Faintly you heard the drums insistent
beat;
The echo of its urgent note you knew,
The shaken earth that told of marching
feet,
With quickened breath you heard your
country's call,
And from your hands you let the goblet
fall.

You snatched the sword, and answered as
you went,
For fear your eager feet should be out-
run,
And with the flame of your bright youth
unspent
Went shouting up the pathway to the
sun.
O valiant dead, take comfort where you
lie.
So sweet to live? Magnificent to die!

Mrs. Robertson Glasgow.

Alexander Fraser Craig.

Alexander Fraser Craig came to Dalhousie from Mount Allison to engage in special research work, spending one year with us, 1913-14. He heard the clarion call and responded at once. By April 1914 he had arrived in England and was at once drafted to No. 2 Canadian General Hospital at Le Traport, France. There he remained till April 20th, 1916. Desirous of having a more direct part in the overthrow of militarism he decided to take the officers training course. This he did at Headquarters in France. After qualifying for a commission he was attached to the famous 25th Nova Scotia Battalion as Lieutenant in "A" Company. He went into action with his battalion in their brilliant attack on Courcellette and since then he has been missing. Nearly four months have passed

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THE FINE ART OF READING.

To speak of "learning to read" is ambiguous. We say of the child that he is able to read when having mastered his primer he can pronounce its words correctly and with some grasp of their meaning. Yet might not almost the whole literary education of the cultured man be summed up in the same phrase? For it is an art, and a fine art, that of reading, requiring for its full development, experience, skill and above all that delicate tact, that fine discrimination, which whether it comes by nature or is acquired by practice can never be handed down by rules and formulae. The good reader—the "gentle reader"—possesses the happy knack of choosing the very book that will give him just what he wants, whether of knowledge or of pleasure, and he knows how to apply himself to it with such steadiness of attention, such urbanity of temper or such vivacity of apprehension as it may require.

For to the innumerable differences in books correspond differences in the mental attitude appropriate to their reading. With our "Elia" or Sir Thomas Browne, for example, opened before us, the soul must be opened too—ready to hospitably entertain all kindly and genial influences. No great fixity of attention is needed, no girding up of the loins, no wrestling of the spirit. Rather do we require that "wise passiveness" of which Wordsworth speaks; the mind should be calm, sympathetic, receptive, letting emotions and ideas flow gently over the placid surface of consciousness. Other books, again, have for their office to stimulate, to quicken, to spur the languid soul on its journey. And this they do by the questions they raise, by the outcry they provoke in us,—startling and shocking as into fuller life and more intense feeling. To read such books lazily, uncritically, taking their statements as a matter of course, is hardly to read them at all. We have rather to go forth armed to meet the authors' challenge,—perhaps must wrestle as did Jacob with the angel before we can obtain the blessing. Swift, Schopenhauer, Carlyle—these belong to the Church Militant of letters. Others still of the great book-writers meet us in friendly guise, yet ask for a strict attentiveness and a long-continued effort if we would pluck the heart out of their mystery. They yield a rich harvest but only as a reward of labour. Plato and Dante and Spinoza and most of the "masters of those that know" demand both reverence and patience from their disciples. And indeed each author makes his own appeal to his readers;—one is slow and grave, we must wait for his message, while another keeps us ever on the alert, our wits must follow nimbly or he is soon beyond our ken;—one gives us only an outline sketch, we must finish the picture for ourselves, while another paints in

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THE DALHOUSIE C. O. T. C.

An Appeal.

In these times of terrible stress and national anxiety, with this World War ever widening its zone of operations, I wish to make a further appeal to the students to take more interest in the work of Dalhousie C. O. T. C. May I once more mention the fact that there is no obligation on the part of anyone joining it to go overseas, or join any other units at the completion of training. The idea is to give every student an opportunity to learn the art of drill, to make the most effective use of the rifle, and to glean some knowledge of the principles of military science by virtue of which this Great War is being conducted.

In previous years the work of the Dalhousie C. O. T. C. although carried on under considerable difficulties and disadvantages, has been successful in instructing a very large number, not only of student, but also of the business men of Halifax. Many of these are now serving at the front or at home as officers, and some of them have made rapid advancement in rank. A large proportion of those who have gone into the fighting line from Dalhousie have conferred honour and glory on their Alma Mater by gaining the highest military decorations, and some of the bravest and best have, alas, made the supreme sacrifice.

I may state that McGill University, in addition to the Students' Contingent, has had two battalions of business men engaged in taking military training during the last two seasons. A company of Halifax business men has been organised this winter as a unit of Dalhousie C. O. T. C., and has proved an unqualified success. Their attendance at drill, instead of declining, has progressively improved; while the interest and power of application they have exhibited, have been, indeed, most gratifying. In December practically every man went up for the A examination and though the results are not yet made public, the members made an excellent showing. It is up to the students' company to secure equally satisfactory results.

The training of the corps this season is on an absolutely different plan from that of previous years; while the syllabus that is being followed, corresponds in every particular to that of the Royal School of Infantry, Wellington Barracks. I wish at this point to place on record the heavy debt of gratitude which Dalhousie C. O. T. C. owes to the never failing kindness and courtesy of Colonel D. B. Papineau, Commandant of the R. S. I. He has at all times been most willing to give us the benefit of his advice in hours of difficulty and moreover, has again kindly consented to examine the members of the corps at the end of each stage of the course.

The Course is divided into stages A, B

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Miseram pacem vel bello bene mutari.

—TACITUS.

Peace proposals and neutral mediation are the topics of interest that have been absorbing the world the past three weeks.

It was difficult when these developments first made their appearance to say what the end might be. Wall Street, at least, took a cold shiver at the mere mention of the word peace and had some misgivings that pacifist intentions might prove successful.

In the first place we are becoming more convinced of the insincerity of Germany's proposals. The question in the minds of many is whether Germany is perpetrating another act of subtle and treacherous strategy, or whether she is genuinely sincere.

Benjamin Franklin said that "there never was a good war or a bad peace." If he had lived to-day, no doubt he would have been an ardent adherent of the Democrats and their peace-loving (!) chieftan.

A recent meeting of the Board of Governors dealt with business that is of more than usual interest to Dalhousians. They offered the old college building, rental free, to the military for their use as a convalescent

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such a gauzy mask. None but the blind could be deceived—or possibly the exceedingly near sighted! Germany seems unable to grasp the fact that she is universally suspected and unutterably loathed.

Indications are not lacking to show her insincerity, but perhaps the most apparent is the impudent effrontery mirrored in her statement that the discussion of guarantees against future wars is a matter which may be taken up after a peace-treaty has been signed.

Of Wilson's offer of mediation little need be said. He seems to have been consumed with an insatiable ambition to win the Noble Peace prize and a sanctimonious desire to go down in history as the dove of peace in the great war.

The text of the Allies reply has not yet been made public but what its general tone will be is not hard to conjecture. The opportunity will not be lost to make our reply, to President Wilson's offer the occasion of a clear statement of our ends and purposes in words and phrases which will contain no ambiguity.

If these rather farcial negotiations bear no intended fruit they will at least serve to strengthen the Allies in the determination that the great principles for which they are contending must be completely vindicated.

There have been whisperings of late that some real good news is in store for all interested in Dalhousie. Just what the good thing is that is coming our way and its precise nature we have not been able to determine.

Through the industry of the office staff at Studley a list has been compiled of names and correct addresses of about four hundred Dalhousians who have gone overseas.

home for returned soldiers. The hospital authorities considered that the old red building was the most suitable available property in the city for their purpose, and the Governors gladly complied with their request for its use.

Two new wings will be added to the present edifice and when completed accommodation will have been provided for about five hundred patients.

This move will cause quite a disruption in the present order of things at Dalhousie. The faculties of Law, Medicine and Dentistry, as also the department of Pharmacy will have to be housed in other quarters.

Just how great a sacrifice Dalhousie is making only those affected will realise. The various faculties that have been studying in the Carleton street building have not more than gotten nicely to rights when they have to move.

We are sorry that we did not receive information and circulars regarding the National Service cards in time to give the movement due prominence in the last issue.

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The Fine Art of Reading.

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minutest strokes, we must learn to note and appreciate each detail.

Especially do the satirists, the humourists and their brethren require a quick-witted and sympathetic audience, since the prosperity of a jest lies in the ear of him that hears it.

A sign of imperfection in the fine art of bookishness is found in the mistakes often made as to the fitting time and occasion for reading some particular book.

In general, we are too apt to overlook the advantage of contrast between our immediate environment and the character of the book that is to be our companion.

E. R.

The Dalhousie C. O. T. C.

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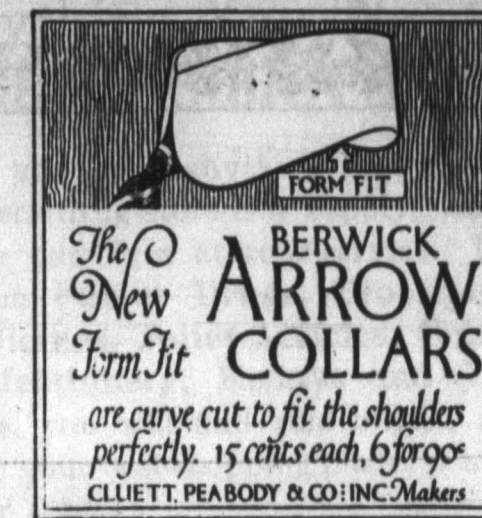
and C, and the great advantage this year is that members are to be examined at the end of each. For example, members must pass in the A examination before being allowed to proceed with the remainder of the course and so on.

Part A comprises organisation, definitions and principles; squad, section and platoon drill; extended order drill; musketry exercises; interior economy.

Students might specially note the great advantage of being examined as the work progresses, instead of undertaking one big examination at the end, possibly interfering seriously with Degree Examinations.

The Students' Company will in future drill in the Munro Room on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12.05 to 12.50.

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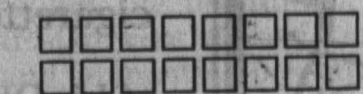
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Our Fallen Heroes.

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and as no news has come to hand it is feared that he has been killed. He was the son of R. T. Craig of Truro, N. S.

John Earle Lockerby.

John Earle Lockerby commenced his college course at Prince of Wales. From there he went to Mount Allison and was there one year. He then remained out of college for a year or two. When he decided to take up his studies again he came to Dalhousie intending to take his B. A. degree and enter Pine Hill. When the war broke out he was not long falling into line for king and country. He enlisted with the Cycle Corps, in which were so many Dalhousians, and remained in that unit till the last of June 1916. At this time he was transferred to the 42nd Battalion, refusing an offer of a transfer to the medical corps. His is one more name to be added to the long list of Dalhousians who fell at Courcellette. A telegram to his father stated that he was "officially reported missing; believed killed in action, September 16th. Will send further particulars when received," but no further information has been received. He is a son of Fred J. Lockerby of Hamilton, P. E. I.

Charles Hugh MacDonald.

Charles Hugh MacDonald has already had a place in this column, but we were not able to give any particulars. These have now come to hand. After his graduation from the Technical College he went west and entered the employ of the Canadian Northern. When war broke out he resigned his position at once and enlisted with the Second Company Canadian Field Engineers at Winnipeg. With this unit he came east to Valcartier and from there sailed for England with the first contingent. He served two years before he made the great sacrifice.

The wound which caused his death was considered, when received, to be quite minor. On the way to the front line a stray bullet struck a glancing blow on his helmet. It stunned him for a minute, but he was easily able to walk back to the dressing station. From there he was sent to the base hospital at Boulogne. The next news was that he had died of his wound. No further information has been received.

DR. MURPHY'S ADDRESS TO THE MEDICAL SOCIETY.

(Crowded out last issue.—Ed.)

On the evening of November the tenth the Dalhousie Medical Society had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Murphy speak. His subject "Accidents," consisted of personal experiences while in the coal-mining districts of Cape Breton. A good representation of the Meds. was present and the lecture was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Mr. Pottier sang and between an interesting

lecture and good music a very pleasant evening was spent by those present.

Before relating his experiences, Dr. Murphy gave some good advice. He said that medical students should learn to speak in public. This suggestion was followed by a splendid example of public speaking which if possessed by more medical men would be of great benefit to the world.

"The human unit," said Dr. Murphy "can never be a fixed quantity. Man is nature's most complex and proudest product. No two human units are the same. There is something in one and not in the other. An injury that sends one unit into eternity may not affect another." During twelve years experience Dr. Murphy has had many experiences. "Some," he says, "pleasant some unpleasant." If, in the case of a damaged limb, there be a good blood supply in the distal parts and uninjured nerves the limb may be saved.

The majority of cases of wounds met with by Dr. Murphy were caused by the falling of stone and coal from the roof of the mines which mostly affected the head. Bituminous coal wounds heal readily and the formation of pus is uncommon. The dressing of such wounds although they heal quickly needs to be done with care in order that all the fragments of coal dust may be removed, otherwise a bluish scar will be left. Dr. Murphy then spoke on fractures and the wonderful repair work that had been done in that respect. Perhaps the most remarkable experience he told was that of a boy who was shot in the head by a 32 bullet. Only one half of the bullet penetrated carrying with it a piece of the bone; the other half remained outside. To-day that boy is a man and is "doing his bit" trying to put lead into Germans heads. At the close of the lecture a vote of thanks was given to Dr. Murphy and then the old Munro Room was once more deserted.

PROMOTION FOR DR. MAGILL.

Dalhousie will not soon forget the brilliant Irishman who held the Chair of Philosophy from 1904 to 1912. No more versatile intellect ever provided instruction in the Little College. Whether it was managing a divinity school, or haranguing the North British Society, or investigating the eight-hour day in Nova Scotia, or solving a problem in wheat for the prairie provinces, or running a Dominion commission, or electrifying his classes in philosophy, Dr. Magill stood absolutely alone. After managing the most important business in Canada for years with conspicuous success, he has accepted the position of Secretary to the Grain-Growers' Association, a very well paid and influential position.

He will reside in Winnipeg instead of Port Arthur. Mrs. Magill paid a visit recently to her mother, Mrs. Edward Stairs, with her young daughter. Her interest in Dalhousie is as strong as ever, as was manifested in her inspection of the MacDonald Memorial Library.

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An Imagist Poem.

Atlanta has a clean pair of heels.
She showed them,
As she ran from the Macdonald Memorial
To the Science Building
Her gown fluttering in the breeze.
Her hair blew back from her forehead.
Her feet twinkled along the gravel path,
But alack!
They did not continue to scratch gravel
She took to the turf,
The sacred turf,
Which Harry shaves in burning August,
Her little feet made the divots fly.
Naughty Atlanta!
To spoil Harry's good green lawn,
For the sake of a short cut.

The Dalhousie Image.

Note.—In order to be in the fashion, we here present our public with a few specimens of imagist poetry manufactured on the premises by our Tame Imagist. We keep him in the basement of the Science Building in the same dark room with the seismograph. If kept in the dark, he is not violent; and access to writing materials once in a while affords him temporary relief.—Ed.

IN LECTURE.

Vers Libres (Very).

"There was a sound.—"

Byron.

Hush!
Hark!
Stop! Look! Listen!
Did ye not hear it?
No!
'Twas but a blast at the bl-st-d Terminals,
Or the bombardment of Halifax
By the Hun fleet,
Or a thunderstorm,
Or the Redhead Lines of the H-l-f-x
H-r-ld.
Try again!
That heavy sound breaks in once more
As if the very clouds its echo would repeat.

The lecturer ceases to lecture,
He bites his lips
Under his breath he repeats the Bino-
mial Theorem,

$$(x-y)^2 = x^2 + 2xy - y^2.$$

And prays for patience,
It is only the ventilator ventilating,
In Room B.

Listen! Look! Stop!
Hark!
Hush!

THE IMAGE OF JOHN LOCKE.

THE FOUNTAIN PEN.

I am black but comely,
Like Solomon's Lady Friend.
I diffuse blackness
On examination papers,
But particularly
On the fairy feminine digits
That embrace me.
I go dry
At the most unexpected times,
When there is nothing
To slake my thirst for ink.
I am the Black-Peril
I am the Fountain of Evil.—Africanus.

MINUTES OF D. A. K. A.

Medical Library, Carleton St.,
8.00 a. m., Dec. 22nd, 1914.

The second meeting of the Association was held at time and place above noted. There was a large attendance, many students having remained in the city for the meeting. It was especially observable that the Medical and Dental Students attended in large numbers. This was due not only to the popularity of the society, but also because of the place of meeting.

The reports of committees were heard. Mr. J. P. C. F---r stated, in his usual noisy manner that the committee to investigate the truth of the rumor concerning the cause of the building boom near Studley had worked very diligently, even at the risk of being plucked, but could obtain no definite facts. In their judgment, however, if "for every action there is a reaction," then for every building there should be a cause. The problem should therefore be investigated further.

On behalf of his committee Mr. F-rs-th reported that W-l-t-r W--d is not a telepathist but merely a biologist.

The Pine Hill laundry agent was chairman of the committee in regard to attendance at lectures. As he has a "bug" on this matter, as well as a reputation for being on time, the report was heard with much interest. The complete report follows:—

"Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your committee after diligent research and complete investigation, followed by due deliberation, much meditation and considerable consideration, beg leave to submit the following facts and conclusions:

A Dalhousie student may miss up to 10% of lectures in any subject, without any serious results; but should the student miss more than this, even 10.0009%, then the penalty is complete loss of the year's work.

This does not encourage perfect attendance. Students often stay away from lectures because they have not prepared the day's work, or on account of inclement weather, or for some other slight reason, so long as they are in the required limits.

The evident unfairness of a system, which jumps suddenly from no penalty to complete loss of the year's work, was shown in the experience of one student last year, who exceeded the allowed limit by a small margin. Some of these may have been due to carelessness, but a good many were due to an injury which prevented his walking. Not expecting to miss 10% of lectures, the student did not state the reason of his absences at the time. Just before examinations he was confronted with the regrettably absurd alternative of stating the days on which his lameness prevented attendance upon lectures, or else being prohibited from taking his examinations. He was not told the dates for which he was marked absent. Thus one of the best and cleverest students lost his year. He did not return this year.

In view of these facts, and whereas the intention of the rule seems to be to discourage unnecessary absence from classes, this committee recommends that the Association respectfully ask the Faculty, or Senate, or whoever is responsible, to fully consider the problem; and humbly suggest that a system, which would include a graduation of the penalty according to the magnitude of the offence, would be both

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more in the interests of Dalhousie, and a fairer arrangement for the students. One such system is that under which every absence beyond a certain limit, say 5%, involves a loss of a certain percentage of the student's possible standing; but a student may miss 20% or even 30% of his lectures, provided he knows enough at the end of the year to make such a high standing that the resulting loss of marks will not pull it below 'pass.'"

This report was adopted, and the recommendations forwarded to the Committee on Studies.

It was moved and seconded that Christmas holidays should have begun at 9 p. m., December 21st, instead of 9 a. m., December 22nd, as published in the Calendar. After discussion an amendment was passed, providing for a committee on Holidays, whose duties were to include the discovery of who stole Munro day from the Calendar, and why Christmas Holidays have been abbreviated.

Committees were also appointed for the following purposes:—

To find what O. M-cL--n meant when he said, "Gee! Andy is sarcastic. You can see the tone on his face!"

To find if the Pine Hill Korean was a prophet, when he watched the president of the skating club preparing to leave and then remarked, "Oh! Mr. L-w-l-y, you will kiss your girl tonight!" Also to find if Ch-really smacked his lips when the aforesaid president replied, "Is that what you would do, Ch-?"

To ask "Eb-n" if he spoke from experience when he said: "If one went down town and asked for a unit weight of tea, the grocer would conclude that his customer was not fitted to go through the world alone."

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the public be informed that the D. A. K. A. has informers in every class of the University, at Pine Hill, and even on the Faculty. Also that one member is inventing a thought-reading machine; hence everyone should be careful what is thought and said in future.

A committee was appointed to investigate the rumor that the John Watson, jr., who defended Mr. Lawley's good name in the last issue of the Gazette, was none other than the president of the Skating Club.

The matter of scrapping at Pine Hill was mentioned, but Deacon M-cK-y of that saintly abode, explained that peace and harmony now reign supreme, and stated that the hatchet has been buried, or else stolen by the Ghost. Upon this assurance from so eminent an authority the matter was dropped.

Someone enquired if it was true that B-gn-ll (Med. '21) started to play the ghost but was too scared by the real thing to continue his imitation. On motion of a member from Pine Hill, it was unanimously decided to be only too true.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, but considered unfit for publication. The meeting adjourned.

Kaiser Wilhelm has bestowed 10,000 iron crosses and 5,000,000 wooden crosses.—
Boston Transcript.

A German newspaper asks if Mr. Lloyd George is a gambler. He probably knows enough about gambling to call a bluff.—
Brooklyn Eagle

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Of a later, greater, baser-still betrayal!—
"No!"

The spirits of our myriad valiant dead,
Who died to make peace sure and life secure,
Thunder one, mighty cry of righteous indignation,—

One vast imperative, unanswerable, "No!"
"Not for that, not for that, did we die!"—
They cry:—

—To give fresh life to godless knavery!

—To forge again the chains of slavery

Such as humanity has never known!

We gave our lives to set Life free,

Loyally, willingly gave we,

Lest on our children, and on theirs,

Should come like misery.

And now, from our souls' heights and

depths,

We cry to you,—'Beware,

Lest you defraud us of one smallest atom

of the price

Of this our sacrifice!

One fraction less than that full liberty,

Which comes of righteous and enduring

peace,

Will be betrayal of your trust,—

Betrayal of your race, the world, and God.'"

JOHN OXENHAM—*The Kings' High*

Way.

DALLUSIENSA.

All Dalhousie students, but particularly those in the Arts and Law Faculties, on their return after the Xmas holidays, were very sorry to hear of the illness of Professor C. H. Wooddy. Professor Wooddy was operated on for appendicitis on December 16th and, after two weeks at the hospital, spent some time at the home of Mr. C. H. Mitchell, to recuperate. He was able to lecture again on January 8th.

Professor Wooddy succeeded Professor Todd at the beginning of this term. He was appointed last August to the Department of History and Economics and lectures also in International Law. The new professor of History and Economics, like his predecessor, is an Oxford man. He was selected as Rhodes Scholar from the State of Oregon in 1911. Previous to that year he had been in attendance at McMinnville College where his scholarship as well as his ability in debating and athletics made him one of the most prominent students. He received his B. A., degree from McMinnville. From 1911 to 1916 he was at St. John's College, Oxford, and took his degree with high Second Class Honors.

For the next two years he was Boudinot Fellow in History at Princeton University where he specialized in American History, Diplomacy and International Law, winning the New Jersey Prize open to all graduate students. Professor Wooddy has already made himself very popular with Dalhousie students and the *Gazette* joins with them in regrets for his illness and congratulations on his speedy return to health.

Another Pictou county boy has been heard from—A. E. Crockett. His present address is Rochester, N. Y., and he has been acting as judge in a local college debate.

For several years, Dr. K. G. T. Webster ('92) has been managing the Harvard Summer School. In a recent number of the

"Harvard Alumni Bulletin," he tells how this school has grown within the last five years, in spite of the fact that the work so done does not count towards a degree. He is making it a success, and several Dalhousians have been in attendance.

John Barnett ('05) has gone overseas as Captain in C. Company in the 187th Battalion, C. E. F. Mrs. Barnett and family will remain in Moncton for the winter.

Professor Rupert Lodge, (nephew of Sir Oliver Lodge), who filled the chair of Philosophy here so acceptably for some months as *locum tenens* is assistant-professor in the department of Philosophy and Psychology in the University of Minnesota. He is married and has a little daughter. His circumstances are most agreeable but he writes that he had very pleasant recollections of Dalhousie.

Miss Clare Giffin, ('09) has given up her position as proof-reader in Ginn & Co., and will probably enter the Anglican sisterhood of St. Anne.

J. K. Swanson is not an apathetic man! He spent the summer in Windsor, training with the 112th Battalion and has gone overseas with his unit as Lieutenant. *Quo fas et gloria ducunt.*

The following interesting paragraph is taken from a letter of Rev. Joseph Annand, D. D. Dr. Annand is one of the *Gazettes* loyal supporters. He says "The Dalhousie Gazette was born in the year of our graduation, 1869. That was the day of small things. Only five of us graduated that year, namely, Bayne (Herbert), Millar, (E. D.), MacKenzie, (J. J.), Sutherland (J. M.), and Annand (J.). The three first have finished their course and gone home, while the remaining two have both retired from active service."

Dr. Elizabeth Church, who was Dean of Women at Oklahoma University, has been for some time Assistant Professor of English at Leland Stanford University, California.

J. J. McAskill formerly sergeant in the 97th has gone overseas as Lieutenant in the 106th Battalion C. E. F., and is at present in England.

Captain Kenneth Fraser, M. C., was taken down with pneumonia, shortly after winning his decoration and has been in hospital since the 1st of October. The latest news was that he was about to be discharged from hospital as cured, and ready for duty again.

Captain Robert H. Sutherland is now stationed at Salonika. He has seen a good deal of the various zones of war since he left these shores with the first contingent in the fall of 1914. After a short stay at Salisbury Plains he was transferred to Cliveden Hospital. He was there but a few months when he was moved to France. But he was not destined to stay here for long either. His next appointment was to hospital work on the island of Lemnos in the Aegean Sea. For five or six months he did good work here and was then ordered to Alexandria to await orders for his transfer to No. 1 Canadian Stationary Hospital at Salonika, where, as already stated, he now is.

J. Stanley Nickerson ('15) went overseas with the C. A. M. C., early in 1915. He had just recovered from diphtheria a few weeks before he sailed for England. He

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was on duty but a month or so when he was stricken with acute rheumatic fever and was rendered unfit for further active service. Returning to Canada about a year ago he rested and recuperated sufficiently to accept a position in the offices of the Military Hospital Commission at Ottawa.

Lawrence E. Ormond, who went across as a Lieutenant in the 40th, is back at the firing line again after three months spent in hospital. He was wounded last June. By October he was "fit" again and returned to his place in the 25th lines. Ormond with poor George Campbell and other Dalhousians were among those transferred from the 40th to the 25th—the battalion which has received such high praise from General Byng and which covered itself with glory at Courcellette.

J. N. Conroy was wounded some months ago by shrapnel hitting him in the back. He has recovered from his injury and has returned to the front, where he had the good fortune of being placed in the same unit with his brother—No. 2 Heavy Battery, 2nd Division.

Captain W. B. Coulter, who was with the 25th battalion, has been in hospital recovering from wounds received October 15th during an engagement. We hope to hear soon that he has entirely recovered. He was treated at No. 39 General Hospital, LeHarve, France.

J. G. Patterson up to a short time ago was with No. 2 Canadian General Hospital at Boulogne, but is now taking a training course at the Royal Artillery Schools. His present address is Cadet J. G. Paterson, Hut 6, 16th Battery, R. F. A., R. A. Schools, Exeter, England.

Neil M. Rattee, who resigned the editorship of the *Gazette* last year to join No. 7 Stationary, is still with the hospital unit that bears Dalhousie's name. We are pleased to hear that he is well and doing good work.

David F. Marshall after nine months of dangerous work in the Signal Section of the 13th Battalion, was still at his post when last heard from and in good health.

Fred. L. Moore is nearly completing two years of service with No. 2 Canadian General Hospital. He enlisted in February 1915 with the C. A. M. C., went overseas in April of that year, and after four days stay in England was drafted to No. 2 Canadian General.

Capt. H. Sinclair Tait has had a varied experience since he received his degree from the Dalhousie Medical School in 1914. In June of that year he was appointed senior House Physician in Flushing Hospital, New York. In July 1915 he joined the R. A. M. C. with rank of Lieutenant and was sent to Malta. Later in the same year he was placed in charge of an hospital for convalescent officers on Dragonera. His next appointment was that of senior medical officer, with rank of Captain, on the hospital ship "Aquatania." After one trip to Naples and Madras this ship was taken out of commission and Captain Tait was sent to Salonika as medical officer to a British Flying Corps, where he is at present.

W. Arthur Porter is now at Kingston awaiting his turn to sail overseas with a draft from "C" Battery, R. C. H. A.

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praise,
Accept Thy statutes, all Thy purpose fill.

How can we fathom depths of love divine?
Or know why oft, when blooms the flower
of youth

Which Thou hast sown and raised to be of
Thine,
Thou pluk'st the blossom—radiance of
Thy truth?

I've known a soul so pure, a heart so true;
He lived not for himself, nor e'er forgot
To give to every fellow man his due—
That, love is God, and selfishness is nought.

He shed his cheerful radiance around
Among his fellows; loved his mother, all;
Searched his own heart; looked in, his faults
he found,
Looked up for help to God, who heard his
call.

'Tis he, oh Father, Thou hast claimed so
soon!

Upon the battlefield we see him fight
For all that stands for Thee, and is immune
From carnal danger—for his heart is right.

Thou hast him in Thy bosom; free from care
In happiness he, tastes the blissful joy
Of virtue's just reward, and waits to share
The loveliness with us, who loved the boy.

Oh Holy Loving Father! How can we
Believe that our great loss is Thy good will?
Help us, oh help us to look up to Thee
In perfect trust and faith, and love Thee
still!

H. TERRY CREIGHTON.

Note.—All will recall the circumstances of the death of "Jack" Carson. He fell at Courcellette. His death was the occasion of the splendid devotion and bravery of his friend Terry Creighton. They were inseparable chums for many years, were members of the same class at Dalhousie, and at last when they answered the call of Empire they went to the firing line together. The above lines are the touching tribute of the one left to the one taken.—Ed.

Dallusiensia.

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He joined this unit last July at Camp Petawawa and is looking for his orders to sail sometime in the early spring.

Alexander B. Ross was one of our first Dalhousie boys to go across and although he has spent more than a year right on the firing line in the dangerous capacity of cyclist he came through unscathed. In September last, while serving at the Somme, he was recommended for a commission and was sent up to qualify for a lieutenancy in the Royal Field Artillery. "Sandy" is taking his course at the Exeter Cadet School and will likely be there till the early spring—a well earned respite.

H. M. Taylor is at present at No. 1 Canadian General, having been transferred from No 7 Dalhousie Unit with which he went across. There is a possibility that he may be moved again shortly

this time to some dressing station at the front.

T. Harvey Whelpley left the Dalhousie Unit and has been taking a military training course in England. The latest word is that he has qualified and received appointment as Lieutenant, but to what unit he has been attached has not been learned.

Captain Hugh S. Moore, R. A. M. C., has been moving around a good deal since he went across nearly two years ago. The early summer of 1915 found him hard at work on the western front with No. 2 Field Ambulance. Following this he was appointed relief surgeon for the King's Royal Rifle Regiment, South Wales Borderers, and First Gloucester Regiment. From time to time too he has been in charge of temporary hospitals and dressing stations. Ability to stand up to the hard work demanded of him, and escape from serious illness or injuries has enabled him to 'stick at it' and to give such a good account of himself. He has sent home a number of interesting trophies, a German officers' helmet, emergency kit and German instruments and medicines. His last address was the 65th Field Ambulance, B. E. F., France.

Victor B. Walls was at first with No. 2 Canadian General, but has been transferred to No. 3 Canadian Field Ambulance. Last October he went to hospital to undergo an operation for appendicitis. We are glad to know that when last heard from he was well on the road to recovery.

A. M. James is now with the 22nd Howitzer Battery, and wears two stripes. This is the unit commanded by Major Keeler MacKay—one of our 'boys' to receive military decoration.

We are pleased to be able to welcome back several Dalhousians who have returned on furlough. Hugh Bell, Gerald Dwyer and Dennis Stairs are all home, and all recovering from serious injuries. They have seen the hardest fighting and have given a good account of themselves. Their furloughs are all too short. An account will be found elsewhere of the awarding of the Military Cross to Dennis Stairs. We are hoping that we may have something from each of these Dalhousie heroes for the columns of the Gazette.

"Charlie" Marsters was a passenger by the Metagama which docked here on Christmas day. For eleven months Charlie served in the first line with the machine-gun section of the 26th Battalion. He was through St. Eloi and 3rd Ypres besides many other minor engagements. Last August his hearing was seriously affected by the bursting of a shell. After four months in hospital undergoing treatment, he has been greatly helped, but will be unable to return to the firing line. Surely he has "done his bit" nobly and well merits a good rest.

DeWitt Young is in England now taking the officers training course. He went across as a cyclist about two years ago and remained in that branch of the service for some time. All last winter he was Trench Warden.

Reg. Major is now lieutenant in the 26th Battalion. He was originally with the 55th New Brunswick battalion.

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Fred, Francis, Howard and Henry are all doing their bit—and they are all Dalhousians.

Fred J. Dawson is a Lieutenant with the Canadian Engineers. He went across with the 54th B. C. Battalion, but was later transferred to the Engineers and with them served about eight months at the front. On September 30th last he was wounded by shrapnel through the arm, and is now home on furlough recovering from effects of his wound.

Francis M Dawson is also a Lieutenant with the Canadian Engineers. When last heard from he was at the Canadian Command Depot, Shoreham-by-the-Sea, Sussex, England.

Howard C. Dawson, is now with the 26th New Brunswick Battalion, "Somewhere in France." He went overseas as acting adjutant of the 106th in July last, but anxious to go to the front he secured a transfer to the 26th as Lieutenant.

M. Henry Dawson went across with the Dalhousie Hospital Unit. He remained with them till a short time ago when he obtained permission to take the officers training course. This is now occupying his time at training camp in England.

SPECIAL CONVOCATION.

One of the rooms in the MacDonald Memorial Library was the scene on December 23rd of a quiet and informal formality. A special convocation was held to confer degrees upon seven medical students. These seven had given up their summer to study that they might the more quickly secure their degrees and place themselves at the disposal of their country. Only those immediately interested were notified of the time and place and so only the Senate and those receiving degrees were present. They met at 11 A. M. in Room "B". The Hippocratic Oath was administered by ex-president Forrest. There was no speech-making and the whole programme lasted but a few minutes. Dr. Harris remarked that the record of exams was above the average. One student, J. G. D. Campbell, held first class distinction in every subject and lead his class in six out of seven of the subjects. The names of those who received degrees are:

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Cries out, to-day, from fair and glorious
deeds!
And spirit legions of Immortal Ones
Who died to serve their country and its
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EXCHANGES.

The first number of the *Xaverian* has just come into the hands of the Editor. It is as usual well gotten up and very interesting. One item in it is, however, in the light of events during the recent football season, extremely puzzling to Dalhousie students. That is the one which refers to the rugby practice and concludes with the statement that their team were "worthy representatives of the blue and white." Those who are interested in Athletics in Dalhousie will remember how persistently the D. A. A. C. tried to arrange a game with St. F. X. last fall, and they will also remember that the challenges sent the Antigonish college did not even bring an answer. Knowing that, it is rather confusing to read such praise of the rugby team as is contained in the *Xaverian*. Possibly the St. F. X. team, like the ones playing in recent years for Acadia and Kings, felt that their reputation was safest so long as they played nobody but their own scrubs.

A recent issue of the *Varsity* contains a short account of the career of Professor Hugh Munsterberg, who died recently while lecturing to a class in Harvard. Prof. Munsterberg gained considerable notoriety through his German propaganda in America, and an article on his views was published in a recent issue of the *Gazette*.

The *McGill Daily* has given much attention of late to their hockey team which played its first league game on December 18th. Fraser, who played for Dalhousie a couple of years ago, is making a good showing at defence. "Bill's" many friends in Dal. will be glad to learn that he had not entirely forsaken athletics. It is worthy of note that, according to editorials published in the "*Daily*," McGill students refuse to support anything but a winning team. Rather an unsportsmanlike attitude for college men to assume.

The fall number of the *Brandon College Quill* contains an instructive article on "Marine Painting." Art is a subject not often treated in Canadian college magazines and the *Quill's* article therefore contains much that is singularly interesting and profitable.

I spoke in the last issue of the *Gazette* of a college magazine edited by a lady. Recently it was my privilege to read one whose whole editorial staff was composed of members of a girls' school. It was the *Memorare*, published by the students of Mt. St. Bernard College, Antigonish. The *Memorare* is interesting, artistic and original. Indeed in the last respect it is ahead of many magazines published in colleges the majority of whose students are not co-eds.

The December number of the *Argosy* speaks editorially of the difficulty of financing college magazines and tells of some of the ways in which the college societies are supporting their paper. Mt. Allison students are to be congratulated on the manner in which they are assisting the editors and business managers of the *Argosy* in their heavy task.

The *McGill Daily* have published a Christmas Supplement devoted to the McGill General Hospital. It is a well-written account of the work done by the officers and men of the unit.

Soldier, rest! thy warfare o'er,
Dream of fighting fields no more:
Sleep the sleep that knows not breaking,
Morn of toil, nor night of waking.

From "*The Lady of the Lake*."

This hand, to tyrants ever sworn the foe,
For freedom only deals the deadly blow;
Then sheathes in calm repose the vengeful blade,
For gentle peace in freedom's hallowed shade.

While presiding over a Church Conference, a speaker began a tirade against the universities and education, expressing thankfulness that he had never been corrupted by contact with a college. After proceeding for a few minutes, the bishop interrupted with the question: "Do I understand that Mr. X—— is thankful for his ignorance?" "Well, yes," was the answer, "you can put it that way if you like." "Well, all I have to say," said the prelate, in sweet and musical voice, "all I have to say is that Mr. X—— has much to be thankful for."

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