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No. I.

"This I have read in a book," he said, "and that was told to me,
And this I thought that another man thought of a student of chemistry."
Adapted from Rudyard Kipling.

WE be wayfarers together, O Students, treading the same thorny paths of Studentdom, laughing at the same professorial jokes, grieving in common over the same unpalatable "swot," playing the same games, reading the same indigestible books. Let us also pause for a few moments together and stretch out a hand of welcome to a small white stranger, that has come amongst us with little preliminary under the name of THE SPIKE. Hast thou THE SPIKE, fellow-student? If not, I pray thee make all haste to procure it, lest worse things befall thee, and thou art impaled on its venomous point.

Much time and trouble was taken in choosing an eligible name for this venture. The idea was to hit on one that would cling in the elusive student memory, and, at the same time, would suggest the idea that our magazine is to be run as a free lance, dealing out to each and all their just meed of blame or praise without fear, prejudice, or favour. We would have it said of us in the words of Kipling (again slightly adapted)—

"To criticise all is our portion,
The College at large is our share,
There was never a skirmish to windward
But THE SPIKE was aprobing there.
Yes, somehow and somewhere and always
We were there when the trouble arose,
From the last Annual Students' Meeting
To the earthquake when Beere blew his nose."

We humbly advance our opinion that THE SPIKE fulfils these qualifications. We hope to be able so to point it that it will stick, not only in the most indiarubber-like memory, but also in anything and everything else against which it is turned.

But we do not wish our pricks to penetrate more than skin deep. We should be sorry indeed to write anything that had not the saving grace of good humour in it, or, in the exhilaration of the skirmish, to wound, however slightly, the feelings of a single soul. Remember then, all ye at whose expense we have presumed to joke, that we laugh with you in goodfellowship rather than at you, and therefore we pray you join your smile with ours if perchance you should recognise yourselves in these pages.

Our aims are threefold. Firstly, to make THE SPIKE an official record of the doings of the College, and of all clubs and institutions in connection with it. Secondly, to bring out the dormant talent, perhaps even genius, in both art and literature, that cannot help but exist, and too often lie hidden, amongst two hundred University students. In so doing, it is our ambition to attain to as high a standard of literary excellence as possible. Thirdly, and perhaps our chiefest ideal, to strengthen the bonds of union and goodfellowship amongst us, to help us to take more interest in the social life of the College and our fellow-students, to foster that brotherly comradeship which, to our mind, is the chief charm of studentdom. In doing this we humbly advance the suggestion that the presence of THE SPIKE will, in some measure, compensate for the absence of a home of our own.

In pursuance of our first object we extend a very hearty welcome to our new professor, and earnestly hope that the pleasure with which we hail his arrival will be mutual now that he has had time to take stock of the winning ways of New Zealand students. Professor von Zedlitz arrived when he was most needed, not, indeed, by the students, for we were especially fortunate in having the services of Professor Brown and Mr. Joynt as French and German lecturers respectively but on account of these two gentlemen themselves who, for more than two years, have been doing, without sparing themselves, the work of three men, and indeed, all the Professors are still bearing the double burden of two subjects unflinchingly.

We, in common with every loyal son of the British Empire, have this month been stirred to our souls by the glad pealings of the peace-bells, and though these good tidings affect us no more than any other of the five million "sons of the blood" of Australasia, yet, so great an event it is in our life times, that we cannot let the occasion go by in silence, we, who long for the day when swords shall be beaten into plowshares, when we, or our successors, shall come, not to bring THE SPIKE, but a meeker, less virulent periodical; and when we can say, in the words of one even greater than Virgil:—

*"Tu regere imperio populos Britanne memento
Hac tibi erunt artes pacisque imponere morem
Parcere subjectis et debellare superbos."*

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The First Inter-University College Tournament.

Held at CHRISTCHURCH, EASTER, 1902.

"Forsan et haec olim meminisse juvabit."

THE great Easter Tournament has come and gone. The hard work and the anxiety are almost forgotten in the pleasing recollection of the result. That the record may be complete, and the memory kept green, it is proposed to state briefly the history of the movement, the object its promoters had in mind, and the success of the first meeting.

HISTORICAL.

In the year 1900 the Victoria College Students' Association received a letter from Canterbury College suggesting that the University Colleges of New Zealand should meet at Christchurch in the Easter of 1901, and hold a Tournament which should include Athletic, Tennis and Debating matches. Although the idea was considered an excellent one, there did not seem to be much enthusiasm on the part of our Association, and Otago and Auckland must have suffered in the same way, for the suggestion of Canterbury College was allowed to drop.

On the 9th August, 1901, the Canterbury College Amateur Athletic Club renewed the invitation, and this time all the Colleges were in earnest. Immediately the invitation was accepted, a Training Committee was set up at Victoria College to keep the fire burning during the long vacation. The details were left to the Secretary and a Training Committee, and after a great deal of correspondence the programme, trophies, standards, etc., were decided upon.

OBJECTS.

It will not be out of place here to state the objects which were kept in view by those who managed the first Tournament. To begin with the unit, they desired to infuse new life into the individual Colleges; to encourage that feeling of *esprit de corps*, which must come when the members of any institution stand shoulder to shoulder for a common purpose. It was hoped, and the hope has been justified, that the purpose was large and good enough to unite a strong party in each College. In the second place, they wished to create what might be called a "University Life." The students of the different centres had hitherto known practically nothing of one another. Now, it was proposed to bring them together; to get them to know one another, and, as children of the one *Alma Mater*, to meet in friendly rivalry—man to man. By bringing the students throughout New Zealand into touch, it was hoped to expel from the University the spirit of narrow provincialism so rife in other spheres.

There is another aspect of the Tournament on which stress might well be laid, and one which will be handed down as a tradition to all future University generations. The promoters of the First Tournament had at heart the interests of pure amateur sport. The spirit of professionalism has done much to ruin all departments of sport. School and college sport in New Zealand is yet free from it, and every effort was made to keep University sport clean.

Looked at broadly, then, it may be said that the students of the University have begun to resent the idea that the Colleges are mere cramming machines, and are determined to use the medium of healthy athleticism to develop the social, and, with it, the intellectual side of University life.

HONOUR TO WHOM HONOUR IS DUE.

There can be no doubt that the meeting at Christchurch in Easter, 1902, marks an epoch in the history of the New Zealand University, and although it is hard to apportion praise where all worked so well, there are several names which seem to call for special mention. The work done by Mr. F. T. M. Kissel, Secretary of the Canterbury College Sports' Committee, was the most onerous, and to him a great deal of the credit is due. Mr. F. C. Long, Secretary of the Auckland University College Students' Association, and Mr. W. M. Thomson, Secretary of the Otago University Students' Association, were most energetic in their efforts, while the enthusiasm and attention to detail shown by Mr. G. F. Dixon, of our own College, will long be remembered by those who worked with him for the cause he made his own.

VICTORIA COLLEGE TEAMS.

As soon as the Christmas Holidays were over the Committee, which had been appointed by the Students' Association, consisting of R. Beere, G. F. Dixon, P. S. Foley, H. H. Ostler, J. Stout, G. M. Henderson, D. Matheson and F. A. de la Mare, set to work, and after a month's training the three last named were elected as a Selection Committee. The following teams were chosen to represent Victoria College in athletics :—

100 Yds. Championship	Henderson, G. M.	Beere, R. St. J.	Seddon, T. E. Y.
220 " "	Henderson, A. S.	Henderson, G. M.	Beere, R. St. J.
440 " "	de la Mare, F. A.	Henderson, A. S.	Dixon, G. F.
880 " "	Henderson, A. S.	Henderson, G. M.	Davies, H.
Mile Flat	Henderson, A. S.	Davies, H.	de la Mare, F. A.
120 Hurdles	Henderson, A. S.	Bogle, A. H.	Bogle, G. V.
Long Jump	Bogle, G. V.	Bogle, A. H.	Seddon, T. E. Y.
High Jump	Bogle, A. H.	de la Mare, F. A.	Foley, P. S.
Mile Walk	Quartley, A. G.	Bogle, G. V.	Williams, G. B.
Putting 16lb. Shot	Wilson, F. P.	Matheson, D.	

Mr. G. F. Dixon was subsequently appointed Manager.

The Tennis Team was supplied by the Secretary of the Tennis Club from the Challenge "Ladder," and consisted of Miss Van Staveren, Mrs. C. V. Longton, Misses M. C. Ross, F. G. Roberts, E. F. Wedde, A. W. Griffiths, Messrs. F. P. Wilson, R. St. J. Beere, H. P. Richmond, J. Graham, F. A. de la Mare and A. J. Will. J. Burns, who was Champion of the Club for several seasons, was through an accident prevented from going to Christchurch, and H. Buddle was also unable to go.

The team for the Debating Contest was elected by ballot and consisted of H. P. Richmond and J. Graham, with S. W. Fitzherbert and F. A. de la Mare emergencies.

THE TRIP.

On Thursday, 27th March, the Auckland College Team were met at the Manawatu Railway Station, and both teams embarked on the s.s. "Waikare." It was beautifully calm, and a night which augured pleasant days in store. On the upper deck, under the clear bright stars, song and story sent time speeding, and the ship was far across the Straits before we went below. In the morning we looked out on a calm and sunlit sea, and were soon on deck making a better acquaintance with our Auckland friends. A quoits match took place between Auckland College and Victoria College, and it was one of the closest finishes of the trip. Six on each side competed—six shots each—and the excitement was intense when the score stood at 6 all, and only one more ring, a Victoria College one, to be thrown

The last quoit, defying all laws of probability went on, and our College was proclaimed victorious amidst deafening cheers. It took rather less than no time to get to Lyttelton, where we were welcomed by representatives of Canterbury College; and, after the usual delay over luggage, we arrived in Christchurch, and sought the homes which the hospitality of the College had opened to us.

At 10 o'clock next morning the four teams met at the Cranmer Tennis Courts. It was warm, but the dull grey clouds kept the glare of the sun from the players' eyes, so that the conditions were perfect for good tennis. Wilding, the Champion of Canterbury, gave a fine exhibition, and on the following Tuesday carried away the University Championship with ease. Victoria College had the honour of being more strongly represented by ladies than any other college. Mrs. Longton carried off the Ladies Championship, while Mrs. Longton and Miss Van Staveren together won the Ladies Championship Doubles. On Saturday night the Debating Contest was held, and resulted in a number of speeches of very even merit. Otago University gained a well deserved win, which it commemorated with a true Maori haka. Monday was a perfect sports day, and Lancaster Park was in good order. The races were run off to time, and in every event there was keen competition. The times were good throughout, and in one instance the standard was broken, and in another was equalled. The record of 2 min. 31.5 sec. set by A. S. Henderson in the 880 Yds. Championship was the result of a very fine race, beautifully judged. The standard equalled by W. H. Moyes, of Canterbury College, 103.5 sec. for the 100 Yds. was the outcome of a splendid race.

THE BALL.

It is not necessary to say much about the ball on Monday night after the sports. Those who were there will appreciate it, and those who were not, won't. The magnificent hall at Canterbury College was filled with youth and beauty, and the fleeting hours were all too quickly gone.

MEETING OF DELEGATES.

A hurried meeting of delegates was held on Tuesday evening, at which various matters were discussed concerning the management of future tournaments. It was decided to hold the next tournament at Auckland. It was also decided to purchase a challenge shield for athletics, a challenge cup for tennis and a scroll shield for debating. Other important business such as the reconstruction of the rules for debate and regulations concerning the eligibility of students to compete were left to be settled by correspondence.

OFFICIAL RESULTS.

The following are the official results :—

ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIP (Easter Monday).

EVENT.	First (6 points).	Second (3 points).	Third (1 point).	Time (or distance).	Standard.
100 Yds. Flat ...	W. H. Moyes, C. C.	A. E. Flower, C. C.	T. E. Y. Seddon, V. C.	10 3-5 sec.	10 3-5 sec.
220 " " ...	W. H. Moyes, C. C.	A. E. Flower, C. C.	A. S. Henderson, V. C.	24 sec.	23 3-5 sec.
440 " " ...	W. H. Moyes, C. C.	A. S. Henderson, V. C.	F. R. Hotop, O. U.	54 sec.	53 sec.
880 " " ...	A. S. Henderson, V. C.	F. R. Hotop, O. U.	J. Davie, O. U.	2 min. 3 1-5 sec.	2 min. 5 sec.
1 Mile " ...	J. Davie, O. U.	S. S. D. Robertson, C. C.	A. E. Barron, O. U.	4 min. 43 sec.	4 min. 40 sec.
120 Hurdles ...	E. D. Rice, C. C.	A. W. Short, A. U. C.	A. S. Henderson, V. C.	18 2-5 sec.	17 sec.
Long Jump ...	P. H. Buck, O. U.	E. D. Rice, C. C.	J. G. Polson, C. C.	19 ft. 8 in.	20 ft.
High Jump ...	T. P. Hull, A. U. C.	C. F. D. Cook, C. C.	A. H. Bogle, V. C.	5 ft. 3 in.	5 ft. 4 in.
1 Mile Walk ...	A. G. Quartley, V. C.	G. V. Bogle, V. C.	F. C. Long, A. U. C.	8 min. 29-5 sec.	7 min. 15 sec.
Putting 16lb. Weight	F. R. Hotop, O. U.	H. J. D. Stowe, C. C.	A. E. Flower, C. C.	34 ft. 1 in.	35 ft.

NOTE.—A Hammer Throwing Competition has been added to the programme for next year.

The following is the order for the Championship Shield :—

Canterbury College	...	44 points.
Otago University	...	24 "
Victoria College	...	22 "
Auckland University College	...	10 "

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP (Saturday and Tuesday).

EVENT.	Winner.	*Points for Challenge Cup.
Men's Singles ...	A. Wilding, C. C.	6
Men's Doubles ...	A. Wilding and A. P. Cox, C. C.	5
Combined Doubles	Miss Livingstone and A. Wilding, C. C.	5
Ladies Singles ...	Mrs. C. V. Longton, V. C.	4
Ladies Doubles ...	Miss L. Van Staveren and Mrs. C. V. Longton, V. C.	3

* The points next year are to be 5 for each event.

Canterbury College thus gained 16 points for the Challenge Cup; Victoria College, 7 points.

DEBATING CONTEST (Saturday Evening).

JUDGES.—Rev. A. W. Averill, Messrs. C. E. Bevan-Brown and
W. H. Triggs.

The debate was arranged in two parts, the North Island Colleges debating one subject and the South Island debating another. In the first debate E. H. Strong, of Auckland College, moved "That the present constitution and tendency of trade unions is unsatisfactory." He was supported by F. C. Long, and opposed by the Victoria College representatives, H. P. Richmond and J. Graham. In the second contest W. L. Scott, of Canterbury College, supported by T. Gurney, moved "That the enactment of a more formal or legal union between the Colonies and the Mother Country is desirable." E. Guthrie and H. D. Bedford, of Otago University, opposed. The judges were unable to decide between Auckland and Victoria Colleges, but awarded the honours of the evening to Otago University, which, therefore, holds the challenge scroll for the first year.

CANTERBURY COLLEGE.

It will be seen that Canterbury College—taking all in all—bore off the laurel wreath. Victoria College did its best to prevent it, but had to succumb to a better team. Now that the fight is over Victoria College would like thus publicly to congratulate Canterbury College on her success. She has reason to be proud of her athletes, and it is peculiarly fitting that the College which took such a leading part in inaugurating the Tournament should head the list of its honours. The thanks of all the representatives are due to Canterbury College for its able management of all events, and for the great hospitality it

extended to everyone. It is not too much to say that the memory of the first Inter-University College Tournament, and the name of Canterbury College will always be associated in the minds of the competitors with one of the most delightful holidays of their lives.

CONCLUSION.

To what extent, it may be asked, has this Tournament fulfilled the hopes of its conception. In the first place, as far as Victoria College is concerned, its quickening influence on college life is undoubted. There was more real activity displayed by the students on this than on any previous occasion. Men, who had not joined themselves to any of the College clubs, came along to show their interest, and the vigorous ones became more strenuous. A dramatic entertainment was given to raise funds, and in every way our students began to know one another better. In the larger field of the University too, we became acquainted with men and women of high character and attainment. Among the keenest sportsmen of Auckland, Canterbury and Otago we were proud to meet some of the most distinguished scholars of the year. We met to, old school friends—scattered by time and fate—and we strove together, and were proud to see in the winners foemen worthy of our steel. There were seventy-five competitors in the University events, and we never hope to meet seventy-five better sportsmen. Throughout the University of New Zealand there is now a bond of friendship and respect, which will tighten as years go by, and which will stand as long as the Tournament lasts, a safeguard against a system of mere University cram.



STUDENTS' SOCIETY.

The Victoria College Students' Society is the students representative body, which acts in all negotiations between the students and the professors, College Council, etc. To the Society all the athletic and social clubs are affiliated. The business is carried on by an Executive Committee appointed at the Annual General Meeting.

The following is a short history of the Society :—

On Saturday, 6th May, 1899, a meeting of the students of Victoria College was held at the Girls' High School, Professor Maclaurin in the chair. At this meeting it was decided to form a Students' Society in connection with the College, and a Committee was set up to draft a set of rules, and report to a general meeting of the students, to be held within the next fortnight. This meeting was held on the 16th May, and at it the first Committee of the Students' Society was elected as follows :—

President	Mr. J. Prenderville.
Vice-Presidents	...	Miss M. A. Blair.
"	...	Mr. S. W. Fitzherbert
Secretary	Mr. J. E. Patrick.
Treasurers	...	Miss M. Fleming.
"	...	Mr. K. Kirkcaldie.
Committee.—Misses Ross, Greenfield, and Reid, Messrs. Hutchinson, Stout, Logan, and Charters.		

It was decided that the Patron of the Society each year should be the Chairman of the Professorial Board, and for 1899 Professor Maclaurin was elected to that position.

It was decided at the same meeting that the newly elected Committee should frame rules for a Debating Society. On the 3rd June, 1899, the maiden debate was held, and the first Debating Society Committee was elected the same evening.

On the 24th May the Society entertained the students at a concert and dance, which was such a success that a ball was held in the Sydney Street Schoolroom on the 18th July.

At a meeting held soon after, a resolution was passed to the effect that the students strongly protest against the Ministerial residence in Tinakori Road as a site for the College, and a copy of this resolution was forwarded to the Victoria College Council.

At a Committee meeting held on the 14th September it was decided that a Sub-Committee should wait on Mr. Hogg, M.H.R., to obtain through him an introduction to the Government, from whom it might ask permission to use the Parliamentary tennis courts. Permission was obtained, and the Committee elected the first College Tennis Committee. On April 24th, 1900, at the second annual meeting, a motion was carried that the Tennis Club be constituted a separate body.

In this second year the students were entertained by the Society at several social functions.

The College colours were fixed as brown and yellow, but they have since been changed to the present maroon and pale blue.

Last year, 1901, a great deal of work was done. Undoubtedly the most important undertaking was the successful carrying out of the arrangements for the Inter-College Tournament, an account of which appears on another page.

The students were entertained at the usual dance at the beginning of the year, at a dance on Diploma Day and later on in the year, at a euchre party and dance.

On the day of the arrival of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, the students marched to the stand given them by the Reception Committee, wearing cap and gown, and carrying a banner on which, in bold letters, was inscribed, "We have eyes but no site."

This year, for the first time, the Committee was photographed. It is a matter for regret that this was not done in the two previous years, as the array of photographs of each year's Committee would be of the greatest interest to the students of future generations.

For the first time, too, an effort was made to suitably celebrate Diploma Day of 1902; the Committee offering a prize of half a guinea for the best poem suitable for the occasion.

In March, 1902, "Horace at Athens" was acted at the College to raise funds for the Easter Tournament, and a substantial credit balance was one of its results.

This year we have commenced to publish a College magazine, which we quite expect to meet with the support it deserves.

Various minor matters have also been undertaken successfully for the benefit of the students by the Society during the three and a-half years of its infancy.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

A Debating Society is a necessary adjunct to every University, and this fact seems to have been realised when our College was opened early in 1899. The Students' Society, founded almost as soon as the work of the College commenced, immediately set up a Committee "to consider the formation of a Debating Society." Rules and standing orders were drawn up, and a report was prepared, which was read and adopted at the first meeting of the Society, held on 3rd June, 1899. Officers of the Society were elected as follows:—President, Professor McKenzie; Vice-President and Chairman, Professor Maclaurin; Secretary, Mr. A. W. Blair; Treasurer, Miss M. Ross; Committee, Misses A. H. Tasker, M. Hitchcock, and Messrs. F. D. Thomson and S. W. Fitzherbert. Professor Maclaurin then took the chair as Chairman of the Society. A debate had already been arranged, and Mr. Fitzherbert proceeded to move, "That any system of control of the drink traffic is inimical to the highest development of civilization." The motion was opposed by Mr. Thomson. Six other members of the newly formed Society took part in the debate, and the motion was eventually lost by 16 votes to 5.

Since the inception of this Society, as above described, meetings have been held regularly every year during the College session. A syllabus has been printed annually, and many and various interesting subjects have been discussed. In 1899 eight debates were held, including an impromptu debate and a speaking competition. On the 7th September of that year, Miss Marchant, M.A., Lady Principal of the Girls' High School, Dunedin, read an interesting paper on "Jane Austen."

The following extract from the first annual report shows the satisfactory progress made during the first year:—"The Committee is pleased to note the fact that many members have given evidence of speaking powers of a very fair order, and, with practice, promise to become effective speakers. The debates were all of them interesting, and of a spirited nature. The attendance was uniformly large, the average been about 40 for the whole session, whilst the highest attendance recorded was 59." Financially the position of the Society was good at the end of 1899, the credit balance being £3 5s. 8d. The membership for that year was 45.

The second, and now annual general meeting, was held on the 7th April, 1900. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Professor Brown; Vice-President and Chairman, Professor Maclaurin; Secretary, Mr. F. D. Thomson; Treasurer, Miss Reid; Committee, Misses Richmond and Tasker, and Messrs. Graham and Richmond. During 1900 eleven meetings in all were held, at which the attendance, though not so large as in the previous year, was fairly high, the average being about 30. A lecture by the President on “Mediæval Universities” attracted a large audience of members and the public, and a successful session was ended by the impeachment of a member, which caused great amusement, and by a mock Parliamentary election at which half a dozen candidates sought the suffrage of the electors.

Two prizes—the Literary Prize and the Essay Prize—each of the value of £2 were instituted during the year, the former being awarded to Miss Blair for a composition on “Characteristics of New Zealand Bush.” It is regrettable that, owing to a delay (which was unavoidable) in announcing the subject for the essay prize, there were no papers sent in for this competition.

The membership for 1900 was 39, and the credit balance carried forward at the end of the session £3 18s.

The officers of the Society for 1901 were:—President, Professor Easterfield; Vice-President and Chairman, Mr. H. P. Richmond; Secretary, Miss A. H. Tasker; Treasurer, Mr. R. Beere; Committee, Misses Edwards and Jenkins and Messrs. de la Mare and Fitzherbert. During that year eleven meetings were held, including seven ordinary debates and a successful tournament debate with the Wesleyan Literary and Debating Society. On June 29th Mr. M. Richmond read a paper entitled “The Specialist and All-round Man,” and on the 31st of August Professor Easterfield delivered a presidential lecture on “Some Aspects of University Life in Germany.”

As in 1900 the Literary Prize was again offered, the subject decided upon being “The Greatest Need of the Age,” and the successful competitor, Mr. F. A. de la Mare. The Essay Prize was again abandoned, and a Rhetorical Competition substituted, the form of speech for the latter being a “Parliamentary Electioneering Speech.” The prize was allotted to Mr. P. S. Foley.

The average attendance during the session of 1901 was 39, and the number of students who paid the half-a-crown subscription was 40. The Society's financial position at the close of that year was still a very sound one.

An account of the part taken by the College at the Inter University-College Tournament will be found in another place.

TENNIS CLUB.

In attempting the history of any Society, however brief and imperfect that history may be, it is obviously the duty of the historian to put before his readers as clearly as may be the circumstances of the formation and constitution of that Society. But in the Victoria College Tennis Club these questions are not such as to be lightly approached, and it is his anonymity alone which serves to brace this scribe to his task. For is it not a thing of common report that those who formerly were bound in the closest ties of friendship now pass each other in the corridors scowling with inveterate hate, their friendship split upon the rock of controversy as to whether the Tennis Club has power to alter at will the subscription payable by its members, or whether it is not a body merely subordinate to and exercising privileges granted to the Students' Society, and therefore powerless to tax its members without permission from the Students' Society?

The early records are, unfortunately, but too meagre and imperfect. Let us however make the best of them, and go back to the time when the question of obtaining the use of courts for the students was first mooted. In the minute book of the Committee of the Students' Society we find under the date 14th September, 1899, the following entry:—"Moved by Mr. Logan and seconded by Stout" (why 'Stout' is not worthy of the usual title is not stated) "that Miss Greenfield and Messrs. Prendeville and Craig be a Committee to wait on Mr. Hogg, M.H.R., and to obtain through him an introduction to the Government, to obtain permission to use the Parliamentary Tennis Courts. Carried." Subsequent to this Messrs. Prenderville and Patrick interviewed the Speakers of the General Assembly, and as a result of the interview a letter, now unfortunately missing, was written to the Chairman of the College Council giving permission to the students to use the courts under certain conditions as to their use by members and others. The next step of the Committee of the Students' Society was to set up a Tennis Committee consisting of Misses Greenfield, Fleming and Ross, and Messrs. Smythe, Thomson, Logan, and Richmond, with Mr. Smythe as Secretary and Treasurer. In the minutes of the same meeting we find it recorded that a motion was carried "that the subscription annually be 5s. for the Tennis Club."

The first meeting of the Tennis Committee was held early in October, and a spirit of revolt against the position taken up by the Students' Society in fixing the subscription was at once manifest. The opinion was generally expressed that the Tennis Club ought to be a body entirely independent of the Students' Society, with entire power to make its own rules and manage its own finances. To put the Club on a working basis rules were drawn up, and, by special resolution, the subscription was fixed at 5s., the whole question of the constitution to be finally decided at a general meeting to be held at the beginning of the next year's term. This general meeting was held on the 28th April, 1900, and the constitution of the Club, including the annual subscription, were agreed to on the lines recommended by the Provisional Committee. To make the relation of the Tennis Club to the Students' Society perfectly free from ambiguity a motion had already been passed at the annual general meeting of the Students' Society to the effect that "The Tennis Club be constituted a separate body from the Students' Society," thus removing all doubts on the question whether the Tennis Club had taken over those rights and privileges which had been granted by the Speakers of the General Assembly to the students.

Coming now to the activities of the Club itself it is not too much to say that its record of matches is a highly creditable one, and that as a social institution it has been invaluable, being one of the greatest factors in promoting a feeling of fellowship and *esprit de corps* among students.

In the season 1900-1901 the Club took an active part in promoting an organized series of matches between the various town and suburban clubs, including all the chief clubs except Thorndon, and succeeded in winning all their matches except one in the second round, against the Wellington Club. This left the Wellington Club and our own with a tie for first place. Unfortunately it was found impossible to arrange to play this tie off. Last season it was found impossible to arrange a similar series of matches between the clubs, but several matches between outside clubs and our own took place, and the Club was also represented at the tournament at Christchurch, where the lady members particularly distinguished themselves. This tournament will be found more fully dealt with on another page.

Coming to individual members of the Club we notice that out of the team of ten who represented the Club in its first match with an outside club, five were also members of last year's team, *i.e.*, Misses Van Staveren and Ross, and Messrs. Wilson, Richmond, and Beere. Miss Greenfield, who was our first lady player on that occasion, has since left Wellington. Mr. F. D. Thomson, another member of the team, is now in England

in the capacity of private secretary to our Premier. Mr. J. Burns, who was for two years easily first among the men, did not join the Club until some months after its formation; but from that time until his acceptance of a position in the country early this year, he held, with scarcely a break, his place at the top of the ladder.

Ours is so young a Club that this historian has been unable to ascertain that any of its members have attained fame through the practice of moral qualities acquired on its Parliamentary Tennis Court. A list of such persons would have been a fit and proper ending for this notice, and it is with sincere regret that the writer is compelled to close without it.

HOCKEY CLUB.

Early last year G. F. Dixon called a meeting of those interested in the formation of a Hockey Club, at which two or three students put in a casual appearance. After about a fortnight's hard work the promoters managed to gather 10 players together, and so challenged the Karori Hockey Club, trusting to luck, or to Hermes, the father of hockey, for an eleventh player to turn up on the ground. The challenge was accepted, and, on 18th May, these pioneers of the now flourishing Hockey Club wended their way over the hills to Karori, some walking, some cycling, while others, less energetic, took the coach.

Before the match a meeting was held to elect officers, which resulted as follows:—Patron, His Excellency the Governor; President, Hon. Sir R. Stout, K.C.M.G.; Vice-Presidents, Professors Brown, Easterfield, Maclaurin and Mackenzie, Messrs. J. P. Firth, F. J. McDonald, and D. Sladden; Capt., R. St. J. Beere; Vice-Capt., H. P. Richmond; Hon. Sec. and Treas., George F. Dixon. F. A. de la Mare took the chair at this meeting, or rather sat on a hockey stick; he was the looked-for eleventh player.

After this first game about five of the players said they would have to give it up as their knees, or their hearts, were not strong enough, but after two or three days' rest they recovered sufficiently to be commandeered for the next performance.

The Club was affiliated to the Wellington Hockey Association and, playing in the Junior Cup matches, gained fifth place, winning three matches, while a fourth was drawn. Below is a list of matches played, and the results :—

CUP MATCHES, 1901.

				Points for.		Points against.
UNITED	...	lost	...	3	...	15
ST. JOHN'S	...	lost	...	4	...	8
KARORI	...	lost	...	3	...	5
WAIWETU	...	lost	...	0	...	1
WELLINGTON	...	won	...	3	...	1

SECOND ROUND.

WELLINGTON	...	lost	...	0	...	2
UNITED	...	lost	...	1	...	3.
ST. JOHN'S	...	won	...	5	...	2
KARORI	...	drawn	...	2	...	2
WAIWETU	...	won	...	1	...	0

Total goals for	...	22	Against	39
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Thus the Club though it fared badly in the first round lost only two matches in the second.

During the winter vacation a concert and dance was held which was most successful. Misses Edwards, Griffiths, Ross, and Van Staveren formed a ladies' committee to help the Club entertain its guests.

This session it was found feasible, so greatly had the fame of the Club spread amongst students, to turn last year's team into a senior, and to recruit a junior team from the available new material. This was done, and though neither senior nor junior team have had a very great measure of success, it is comforting to note that both are improving steadily and showing better results in each game. It was no small triumph, in our fourth game as seniors, to draw with Wellingtons, the formidable combination that only the previous week had inflicted on the heretofore invincible Uniteds their first defeat, and indications point to the fact that in the second round of club contests both seniors and juniors will be teams to be reckoned with. On another page will be found an account of this year's games.

CHRISTIAN UNION.

It may, without undue pride, be claimed that the Victoria College Christian Union is the oldest of the College Societies, for it was founded even before the inauguration of the College itself. In January, 1899, Mr. W. H. Salmon, of Yale University, who was at that time the Travelling Secretary for the Australasian Christian Unions, paid a visit to Wellington and presided over a preliminary meeting of intending students at Bishop's Court, when it was decided to form a Union in Victoria College. At a subsequent meeting officers and committees were duly elected, and the Union was affiliated with the A.S.C.U.

During the first term meetings were held every Friday evening at 8 o'clock, addresses on general subjects alternating with Bible studies. Soon after the beginning of the second term the Society unfortunately lost, by removal, its energetic President, Mr. C. N. Haslam, and the meetings had to be discontinued.

At the beginning of the next session, however, the Society was again formed, though it was decided, as the number of members was not great, that aggressive work was out of the question, and that it would be better to form one Bible Study Circle. Some very profitable studies in the life of St. Paul were held by this circle.

In April, 1901, at the suggestion of Miss McLean, Lady Principal of the Girls' High School, a social to welcome new students was held in conjunction with the High School Christian Union. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Paterson and Mr. McWilliam, the Travelling Secretary. The rest of the evening passed pleasantly in music and conversation. During this year studies were conducted by members in turn, and at intervals addresses were delivered by Miss Grigor, of Otago University, on "The Nelson Summer School"; by Mr. Jolly on "Drummond"; by Mr. Harding on "The Inspiration of Scripture"; and by Miss McGregor on "What is a Christian?" Early in the first term a branch of the Missionary Settlement for University Women was formed among the women students, and Miss Grigor was elected Secretary.

At the annual business meeting held in September, 1901, the following were elected officers for 1902 :—President, Rev. A. N. Scotter ; Vice-President, Miss A. Smythe ; Secretaries, Miss Williams and Mr. Blair ; Treasurer, Miss B. Lynch. It was decided by this executive that a more satisfactory way of welcoming new students than by a social would be by the issuing of a handbook, giving particulars of the College Societies, and other information necessary to those entering the College for the first time. The plan seems to have proved entirely successful. At the first business meeting this year it was decided to form several circles for Bible study, each circle to meet once a week at a time suitable to itself. General meetings are held every third Saturday evening, a short meeting alternating with a long one. The first address this session was delivered by His Lordship the Bishop of Wellington, and was full of interest and inspiration for all who listened to it. Another address is to be delivered this term by Mr. Waterhouse.





This session of the Society promises to be a singularly successful one. The attendance has been very large, ranging from 30 to 68, and the average reached for four meetings up to the 7th June was about 51. The number of speakers at these meetings also shows a marked increase on previous years, the average being 19. The wisdom of the rule that the Chairman call upon the leaders to reply at 10 o'clock is now very apparent, for, with an unlimited supply of speakers, our meetings might go on till midnight. It is pleasing to note that a large number of the debaters are new members, and that the ladies are taking a far more prominent part in the debates than they have done hitherto. Acting upon the suggestion made in the last report, the Committee has had the rules and standing orders (as amended to date) printed with the syllabus, with the result that a very neat little booklet has been issued, a copy of which every member is entitled to upon application. Perusal of the same is recommended to those members who are fond of raising "points of order." It is to be regretted that so few outsiders have become members of our Society, though our rules admit members of the University Senate and Victoria University College Council, Professors, Lecturers, and Graduates of the University of New Zealand. It is also noticeable that there is only one "Life member" on the books of the Society. The Literary and Rhetorical Prizes are again offered this year. Compositions for the former must be in the hands of the Secretary by 20th June.

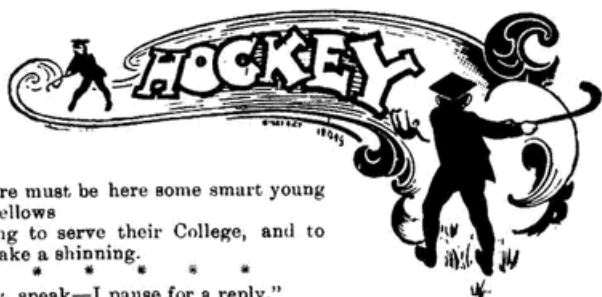
The annual meeting (fourth) was held on the 19th April, when the following officers were elected:—President, Professor Maclaurin; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. H. P. Richmond (Chairman) and J. Graham (Vice-Chairman); Secretary, Mr. D. K. Logan; Treasurer, Mr. A. G. Quartley; Committee, Misses Smith, Griffiths, and Messrs. H. H. Ostler and A. Tudhope. A speaking competition and three debates have been held, and on the 14th June, the "Open Night," a public debating contest was fought out with The Wesleyan Literary and Debating

Society. The representatives of the Wesleyan Society, Messrs. Black (leader), Helliwell and Burgess, moved: "That the Anglo-Japanese Alliance is detrimental to the best interests of the Empire." The motion was opposed by our representatives, Messrs. Richmond (leader), Fitzherbert, Toogood and Logan. The judges, Messrs. J. W. Poynton, J. W. Joynt, M.A., and P. J. O'Regan, who were pleased to state that the debate was of a very high order, were unanimous in deciding in favour of the Wesleyan Society. Professor Maclaurin, President of the Society, was in the chair. The best speeches for the evening were, in the opinion of the judges, those of Messrs. Burgess (for the movers), and Richmond (for the opposers).

The thanks of the Society are due to all those gentlemen who have assisted them in the way of delivering lectures, reading papers and judging literary and rhetorical competitions. Such help has been material in furthering the progress made by the Society during its short existence. Professor Maclaurin has particularly interested himself in its affairs, and the services he has rendered in a number of ways cannot be overestimated. He presided at the meetings for two years during the Society's infancy, and, in this matter alone, has given it a good lead, which is always "half the battle." The Board of Governors of the Girls' High School, their Secretary, Mr. C. P. Powles, and the Lady Principals, first Miss Hamilton and now Miss McLean have been exceedingly courteous in granting the use of the school building as a place of meeting.

In conclusion it seems hardly necessary to say that as the Debating Society is conducted in the interests of the students, they should unanimously support it.





"There must be here some smart young fellows
Willing to serve their College, and to
take a shinning.

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If any, speak—I pause for a reply."

SENIOR TEAM.

(R. ST. J. BEERE, Captain.)

The Senior Hockey Team has this season played 5 matches, of which it has lost 3, won 1, and drawn 1. Goals scored—against 28 ; for, 5. The following players have represented the College in, the Senior Team in Cup matches :—R. St. J. Beere, A. H. Bogle, G. V. Bogle, G. F. Dixon, P. S. Foley, F. P. Kelly, F. A. de la Mare, D. Matheson, H. H. Ostler, A. G. Quartley, H. P. Richmond, Scholefield, B. Smith, and H. Sladden.

The following are the detailed results of matches :—

V. C. v. KARORI. Lost, 12-2. This was a practice game. Beere scored two goals for College.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES.—First Round.

V. C. v. UNITED. Lost, 5-2. An interesting game. United shooting was much better than ours. de la Mare scored twice.

V. C. v. KARORI. Lost, 8-0. College combination was weak, and that of Karori strong.

V. C. v. VIVIAN. Won, 3-1. Both Clubs new to Senior Cup. College had slightly the best of the play. Beere and G. Bogle (2) scored.

V. C. v. WELLINGTON. Draw, no score. On the previous Saturday Wellington had beaten the hitherto invincible United Club, the result was therefore unexpected. The game was even in the first spell but towards the end Wellington kept up a blockade. Stalwart defence by Foley, combined with inaccurate shooting of Wellington, prevented disaster.

JUNIOR TEAM.

(S. W. FITZHERBERT, Captain.)

The Junior Team has played 6 matches, of which it has lost 5 and drawn one. Goals—for, 12 ; against, 37. The following have represented the team in Cup matches :—Batham, Fitzgibbon, Fitzherbert, G. M. Henderson, Loudon, Martin, de la Mare, T. Mitchell, Niven, Scholefield, B. Smith, Stuart, Thomson, Will, and Wolters.

The following are the results of the matches :—

V. C. v. KARORI II. Lost, 8-5. A fast game. G. M. Henderson and de la Mare (4) scored for College. Played at Karori.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES.

V. C. v. KARORI II. Lost, 9-4. Even game in first spell, but in second half College form gave out and Karori scored rapidly. de la Mare (4) scored.

V. C. v. WELLINGTON II. Lost, 8-0. Wellington combination too good.

V. C. v. VIVIAN II. Drawn, 2-2. Evenly contested throughout. Fitzherbert shot both College goals.

V. C. v. WAIWETU. Lost, 6-1. A good game of which Waiwetu had the best. Fitzherbert scored. The match was played at Waiwetu.

V. C. v. UNITED II. Lost, 4-0. United did not have much the best of the play till towards the end when they asserted a decided superiority.



TENNIS.

The Tennis season which closed at Easter was so successful that the Committee felt bound, at the Annual General Meeting, to "congratulate the Club on the progress made by it during the past year." It seems a pity the Committee did not explain whether the progress was positive or negative, for the finances were rather worse, and the results of the matches not so satisfactory as the previous year.

The College was represented in its inter-Club matches by a First and Second team. The scores are, fortunately or unfortunately, lost, but the results were as follows :—

FIRST TEAM. Matches played, 5 ; won 2, lost 3.

V. C. v. WELLINGTON.	...	Lost.
V. C. v. THORNDON	...	Lost.
V. C. v. BROUGHAM HILL	...	Won.
V. C. v. NEWTOWN	...	Won.
V. C. v. PETONE	...	Lost.

SECOND TEAM. Matches played, 5 ; won 1, lost 4.

V. C. v. CLIFTON TERRACE	...	Lost.
V. C. v. KHANDALLAH	...	Lost.
V. C. v. BROUGHAM HILL	...	Lost.
V. C. v. KARORI	...	Won.

CHAMPIONSHIPS.—The Ladies' Championship Singles was won by Miss L. Van Staveren, and the Men's Championship by F. P. Wilson.

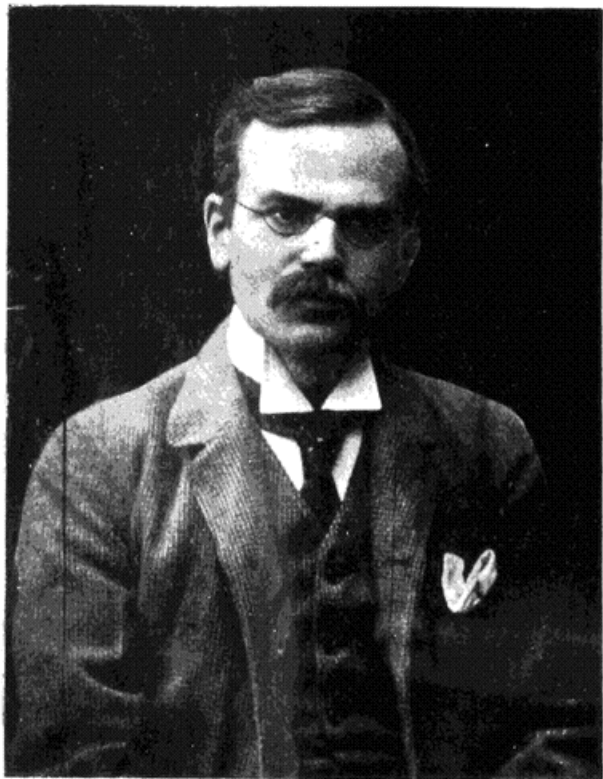
In the Handicap Tournament Miss F. G. Roberts won the Ladies' Trophy, and A. J. Will the Men's.

The part taken by the Tennis Club in Christchurch, at Easter, will be found under the heading "Inter-University College Tournament."

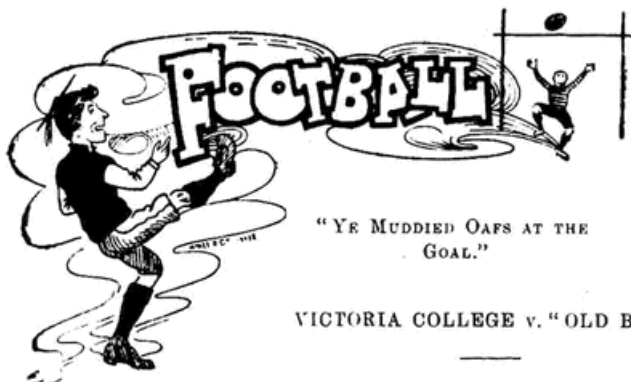
J. C. Burns, the late Secretary, was transferred during the season to the Rikiorangi School. The transfer took away the Club's best player.

The legal position of the Club has caused considerable discussion. The Constitution has apparently been lost. An attempt is to be made to find it before next annual meeting.

The Committee has ordered 12 dozen balls from England which it will retail to members at 2s. 6d. per pair. These, when they come, can be obtained from the Secretary, or from T. J. Thompson, Ironmonger, 60 Cuba Street. It is hoped by this means to make the game a little less expensive.



Professor Brown.



This contest took place on the Athletic Park on Prince of Wales Birthday in the presence of a fair number of spectators, and under perfect conditions as far as the turf and the weather were concerned. The College was represented by the following players:—backs, Bogle (2), Stuckey, Fell, Sellar and Logan; forwards, Wills, Kitching, Matheson, Johnstone, Gawith, Beere, de la Mare, Seddon and Ostler (captain).

Playing with the sun behind them the College invaded the Old Boys territory, but, through lack of combination, they did not score, although Stuckey made two good efforts. The Old Boys played soundly, and gradually shifted the play to the College twenty-five, where Cleland turned a penalty kick to good account by landing a beautiful goal from a difficult angle. On kicking off the College were again called on to defend, and Thomson obtaining a mark, Cleland raised his side's total to 7 points by kicking another fine goal. Spurred to greater efforts by these reverses the College invaded their opponents' territory, and de la Mare was seen breaking away from a scrum with a dribble. On the ball bouncing he seized it, passed to Seddon, who in turn handed it back to de la Mare; he again passed in the nick of time to Gawith, who scored after a splendid dash. This was the finest piece of play in the game. Fell kicked a good goal. There was no further score in the first spell, though Johnstone made a game effort to place the College ahead, but was effectively downed when looking dangerous. Old Boys, 7; College, 5 was the tally when the second spell opened, but Logan soon made an opening and enabled Fell to notch a try for the College. The attempt at goal was, however, fruitless. College, 8; Old Boys, 7. Soon after the drop out a beautiful forward rush by the Old Boys led to Watkins scoring under the posts, Cleland

again kicking a goal. Old Boys, 12; College, 8. The latter now set to work with determination, and scored three more tries in quick succession. de la Mare broke away from a line out with an irresistible dash, and ran in, Ostler converting. College, 13; Old Boys, 12. Beere, who showed excellent pace, was the next to cross the chalk line, but this time A. H. Bogle failed to add the major points. College, 16; Old Boys, 12. Further passing among the College backs led to Stuckey making a strong dash for a try, but he just failed to reach the line. A sharp passing bout by the College forwards gave de la Mare another chance, and he gained his second try in fine style; but, though in a good position, no goal was kicked from it, and the game ended in a win for the College by 19 points to 12.

The game throughout was most interesting, being fast and full of incident from start to finish. The winners owe their victory mainly to the pace of their forwards, of whom de la Mare and Matheson were, perhaps, the best. Seddon did good work on the wing of the scrummage. The backs were handicapped through want of combination, but they all did good individual work, Logan, Sellars, Stuckey and G. V. Bogle doing especially well. The losers, though the lighter team, played a sound game, Palethorpe and Watkins in the front rank, and Thomson, Cleland, and Inglis of the rearguard showing up conspicuously. The place kicking of Cleland was of a high order. The form shown by the College team has been favourably commented upon by the local football world, and there should be no delay in forming a football club among the students. There is sufficient material to raise a team that should carry off the Junior Championship easily, and in Wills, Kitching, Matheson, Ostler, de la Mare, Logan, Sellar, Fell, Stuckey and Bogle there is the nucleus of a team that with ordinary luck would perform creditably in senior contests.

Mr. D. D. Weir carried out the duties of referee in a very satisfactory manner.

[We regret that this account has taken up space out of proportion to its importance. It was, however, written by one of the highest authorities on football in Wellington, who happened to be an eye witness of the game; and since the opinions of such an authority should be weighty, we publish the article in full.—EDITOR.]

SOCIALS.

"HORACE AT ATHENS."

It was to raise money for the Easter Tournament that a concert and play was held in the long vacation. The Students' Association Committee met at the tennis courts, appointed a sub-committee, and instructed it to arrange for a concert and farce. In a few days it was decided to produce "Horace at the University of Athens." Mr. H. E. Nicholls, the prominent amateur, was asked to take charge of the acting, and he very kindly consented. On the 19th March the Sydney Street Schoolroom was well filled. The concert programme opened with a piano solo by Mr. W. F. Furby. Mr. J. W. Hill sang in artistic style Bohm's "Still as the Night." Miss Julia Moran was heard to great advantage in a violin solo, "Reverie," by Frunne. "For the Sake of the Past" (Mattee), was tastefully sung by Mrs. F. P. Wilson. Miss R. Richardson recited "How the La Rue Stakes were Lost," and Mr. Douglas Jackson sang "A May Morning." Nearly all the items were encored, and Mr. A. Newton's song, descriptive of Hooligan's Fancy Dress Ball, was so much appreciated that he was brought back to relate the tragedy of Romeo and Juliet in modernized form.

THE PLAY.

The editorial mind was so prejudiced on the question of the play that it sought an able and unbiassed critic, who writes as follows :—

This term the College made its first sustained dramatic effort by a performance of Sir G. O. Trevelyan's extravaganza, "Horace at Athens." The nephew and biographer of Lord Macaulay was something of a humorist in his University days, a fact which would hardly be suspected by those who have watched his later heavy political performances. "Horace at Athens" is a fair specimen of that special form of Varsity wit, which consists in adapting classical names and usages to modern conditions, making classical personages throw in Varsity tags and slang, and airing College grievances through the pompous utterances of Roman orators and statesmen. There is a good deal of that sort of thing scattered through the pages of the University magazines. But "Horace at Athens" has lived, and has served the purposes of two generations of undergraduates, both in the new and the old world. It is a good representation of undergraduate life and thought; and, being itself a sort of mixture of Horace and Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar," abundantly re-cast, it affords scope and still further adaption to local circumstances. The Oxford and Cambridge touches must of course be replaced by more familiar allusions. In the recent performance this was carried out with considerable success. Local allusion fell with a sort of soothing effect on the ears of a miscellaneous auditory, most of whom had but a vague idea what it was all about.

Then the pathos of Decius Mus's forlorn situation appealed to them, when he told the heartless Lydia—

"And for your sake uncounted sums there be
Owing at Godber's and to D.I.C."
And when Caius enquires of Sempronius Viridis,
"If you've been up Mount Salamanca, and if I'm right
That hill is chosen for the College site,"

people began to feel as much at home in those queer old times as the congregation, who, in the middle of an abstruse theological discourse, were occasionally refreshed by "that blessed word, Mesopotamia." So, to, our spirits, chafing under the sore of a recent wrong, were solaced when Brutus flung out his bitter taunt—

"You've taken contracts in far Argentina,
For frozen mutton for our soldier's food,
Wherein Zealandia—sending us her aid
Because she loved us—was slighted off."

Touches of this sort helped to give brightness to the performance, which had two difficulties to contend with, a certain inexperience on the part of the actors, and a certain chronic bewilderment on the part of the audience. Occasionally voices sank to indistinctness, and occasionally our stately Romans strutted somewhat uncomfortably in tunic and buskin. But the *abandon*, which gives freedom and life to a piece, comes not in a day; and, considering that many of the actors were only passing their matriculation in the dramatic art, the performance was not without encouragement for the future.

That disinterested person, Lydia, who prefers verses to purses, was presented in a fascinating manner by R. M. Watson, all in flaxen curls and pale blue drapery. She tripped in airy fashion, too, and the "fellow commoners, Smith's, prizemen, senior wranglers," and "Herman and Orelli," came tripping off her saucy tongue. G. Toogood was Horace, looking the part, but sometimes indistinct. He was more effective in the easy-going Freshman Horace of the earlier scenes than in the Horace exercising a wise discretion at Philippi, and appealing to Augustus for the restoration of his lost love. F. de la Mare was appropriately sepulchral and melancholic as the discarded lover, Decius Mus; and his deep-hearted appeal and vows of vengeance occasionally shook the building if they did not shake the heart of Lydia. As Augustus, J. Graham sat on a throne, with a most striking cap on, and delivered his lines with a marvellous elocutionary distinctness. The Augustus of this burlesque is a mixture of the Official College Visitor, adjusting college abuses, the literary critic, who appreciates a clever parody, and the successful Roman general, who disposes of prisoners and rebels—a somewhat subtle mixture for representation. A. G. Quartley was Brutus; sometimes recruiting; sometimes spouting tags of Shakespeare, sometimes talking in language of the drill-book to his motley army. With him was A. H. Bogle, as Cassius, who proves himself a low fellow at the final crisis. The Balbus and Caius of Henry's First Latin Book were here in the persons of A. G. Tudhope and S. W. Fitzherbert. Some veterans in the room wore a smile tinged with sadness at the resuscitation of those long-buried heroes, whose doings and opinions, conveyed in short Latin sentences, had thrilled their boyish days. G. V. Bogle was innocent enough as Sempronius Viridis, the "Verdant-Green" of the Athens University. I. M. Batham was the Vice-Chancellor, admitting Maecenas, W. Loudon, to an Honorary Degree in a medley of appropriate Horatian phrases. R. Beere was ghostly as the

Ghost of Cæsar, who makes the historic appointment with Brutus in gruesome Anapaests. The great stage of the Sydney Street Theatre was taxed to its utmost capacity to accommodate the moving hosts, crowds of students, body guards, etc., which seemed to bring the old Romans Hellenic life before a modern audience.

After the play the Romans foregathered in the supper room, and asked Mr. Nicholls to accept a walking stick as a memento of the good times past—hurried rehearsals enlivened by his racy wit and good-fellowship. Professor Maclaurin made the presentation.

EUCHRE PARTY AND DANCE.

On May 8th the Students' Society held their first social of the session in the form of a euchre party and dance. About 50 students and most of the Professors were present, some of whom displayed most astounding knowledge of the intricate points of the game, such as the advantage, when holding the lead, of a long shuffle before dealing, or of inadvertently dropping the cards. The ladies' prize was eventually won by Miss Griffiths, and the gentlemen's by that sterling player D. Matheson. To the delight of everyone present Professor von Zedlitz won the "booby" prize, but when Professor Maclaurin, who was distributing the prizes, read out his name it was found that he had decamped, and great was the disappointment. A very pleasant dance, at which music, supper, and floor where of the best and most appropriate, brought to an end this bright little social.

PING-PONG TOURNAMENT.

A most successful ping-pong tournament, inaugurated by the Hockey Club, and disrespectfully though alliteratively dubbed by a College wit "Beere's Benefit," was held in the Central Hall on the night of June 3rd. The ladies' championship was stubbornly contested, being eventually won by Miss Fleming, who seemed good enough to have carried off the men's championship too had she competed for it. R. Beere won the men's championship rather easily, playing soundly if not brilliantly, while most of his opponents failed to ping as they should pong so to speak.

During the evening a match was played between the Professors and a team of students, in which the latter came out victorious, though not by a large margin.

Professor Maclaurin presented the prizes won during the evening, and, the tables being cleared with magical swiftness, a short impromptu dance brought this enjoyable evening to a close.

CONSILIIUM DEORUM.

It was in Victoria College, in the Law Lecture Hall,
That they held a convocation of the students one and all.
There were "freshmen" from the country, and "yearmen" from
the town,
All in academic costume, without the cap and gown.
Thus they gathered all together, and considered not a bore
The election of their officers, or the wagging of the jaw ;
For they gathered there at half-past seven, and till 10.30 passed,
They talked three solid hours on end, and then performed their
task.

They'd a mighty range of subjects, and a language pretty free,
They argued "points of order," whatever they may be ;
And it seems to us as certain that the barristers-at-law
Were banded all together in a "Devil's sort of corps,"
For the secretary was in a mess, the chairman in a stew,
And when these two are tangled up what can we expect to do ?
In continuous flow of language they really can't be beat,
As soon as one was seated, there were six upon their feet.

The chairman—Dixon was his name—wasn't used to chairmanship,
And no one was the least put out except himself a bit ;
Necessity was the mother of invention in his case,
Procedure was invented to meet his special taste.
Of the subject that the meeting was considering at the time,
If he didn't seem to like it, "Out of order" was his chime ;
And he calmly very coolly often subsequently ruled
His ruling out of order, and THAT ruling over-ruled.

Election of the officers. We started to attend.
A president was wanted, so one got up on end
And stated, with a gesture, that for fellowship he'd say,
And the ability he'd shewn in the chairmanship that day,
There was no one like the chairman who could really fill the place.
Yet others were outspoken, and desired that in this case
Someone that knew his business should really be elected,
Or some well-known graduate, universally "respected."

They asked him to reserve himself for Sec., or other place,
 But the ladies were all shouting he should not his name erase
 From the blackboard ; so, to cut the matter short,
 The Amazons were strong that day, and won the fight they fought.
 So Dixon was elected, and as president he'll sit,
 A very able sort of man we'll readily admit ;
 But pray let the Committee, if they're not a pack of mules,
 Provide our much-respected head with a little book of rules.

Vice-president. Someone well known this year will hold the office,
 A man of personality, at argument no novice ;
 No opinions has he second-hand, he's a useful man "at court,"
 But he's chiefly instrumental for originality of thought.
 As treasurer we've got a really shining light,
 He knows a thing or two, as he tried to show last night ;
 But at the Sports Committee Meetings he was very rarely seen,
 His doings, we hope, as treasurer, won't be as they have been.

I notice that I haven't yet the ladies called to mention,
 I really must apologise for my great inattention.
 But the ladies we've elected will in all respects I know,
 With the men on the Committee make a very decent show.
 The secretary and treasurer of their work will do a share,
 And a quorum will be formed by "two," with one and de—are ;
 Ere this a matchless place the Library has been,
 But what its duties now will be remaineth to be seen.

The General Committee is a fairly decent lot,
 It's open to some culling, but where is one that's not ?
 That they'll really do their duty is only in their ken,
 But dances should be ripping with so many ladies' men.
 But we call them to remember that our honour's in their hands,
 And the College is not quite the place for publishing the banns.
 For taking up your precious time I humbly make apol.,
 Committee, here's my best respects

FROM A FRESHMAN AT THE COLL.

The following verse was contributed by another author ; as it seems to complete the proceedings of the evening in question, we publish it with apologies.

I quite forgot to mention in *re* the "Devil's corps,"
 That our retiring treasurer, the wagging of whose jaw
 Causes all the little episodes whenever he takes the floor—
 Which is many times too often—was appointed auditor.
 We know he'll work it ably, he's the hero and the pet
 Of students of a certain type who have never shown as yet
 Any very marked ability, except in the objections-
 Which they raise with such stupidity at all of the elections.

“ ROMEO AND JUILET.”

As no annotated edition of this play appears to be forthcoming, the authors would crave leave to present a few original notes, hoping thereby to mitigate the Shakesperian sufferings of the English students. Should these few samples be favourably received it is contemplated bringing out an annotated edition of the play on the lines suggested therein, including a general and particular introduction, the former dealing with Mrs. Gallope and the Shacon-Bakespere theory, while the latter will endeavour to show clearly the extent to which Bacon collaborated with his friend in producing the inexpressibly beautiful and moving tragedy of “ Romeo and Juliet.”

“*Dramatis Personæ*”—A phrase found without exception in every one of Shakespere's plays. Being Latin it proves conclusively that S. was a finished classical scholar.

ACT 1.

“Choler,” collar—This is a pun, therefore to be avoided by students. Such a vile practice is unknown in the Macaulay flowers of English Literature.

“Aurora”—A goddess. Also known as Borealis or Australis.

“Feather of lead”—Distinguish carefully from sugar of lead.

“Star-crossed lovers”—Astrological allusions are very common with regard to lovers; such terms are no doubt suggested by their moonlight propensities.

“Coz”—Presumably a printer's error; not found in Webster.

“Fray”—A fight; somewhat resembling a Hockey match,

“I'll be e candle-holder and look on”—The modern term is “gooseberry.”

ACT 2.

“Civil brawls”—Peace celebrations; not to be confused with common or garden brawls which are most uncivil.

“The fish lives in the sea”—Shakespere was a naturalist.

“Alligator”—One who makes an allegation.

“Cleopatra”—A seamstress of the ancient world; her needle is still preserved in London.

“Atomies”—A Mexican tribe; probably suggested to Shakespere by Rider Haggard's work on same.

“Wisely and slow”—(Lat.) *Festina lente*; (Maori) *Haeremai*.

“Punto reverso”—A flat-bottomed boat, or perhaps a timely save by a smart half back.

“Shift a trencher”—Salute; a reference to the practice, now extinct among students, of wearing mortarboards.

“With love's light wings did I o'er perch these walls”—Obviously a poetic licence.

“Where the devil can this Romeo be?”—This is undoubtedly a contribution of Bacon's, as no authentic records go to show that Shakespere ever indulged in unseemly expletives. Compare the advice of the latter, put into the mouth of Juliet (Act III., Sc. II.) “Do not swear.” Part of this expression has become proverbial.

“Dido”—Cremated 55 B.C.

ACT III.

"Ache"—The folios have "ake" (vide Kirk's Dictionary of the Maori language, 1534).

"O single-soled jest solely singular for the singleness"—Considerable discussion has taken place as to whether this singular passage originated in the brain of Bacon or of Shakespere. It is undoubtedly modelled on Erasmus's "Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled pepper-corns."

"Petrarch"—A Dutch painter (1611-1649), killed at the Battle of Zutphen by Sir Philip Sidney.

"Catling"—We now say kitten.

ACT IV.

"Chop-logic"—Mr. Sanjo, of Japan, considers this an argument in favour of Kreophagy.

"Rebeck"—Contraction for Rebecca.

"Elf-locks"—A peculiar contortion of the front hair produced by using "Hinde's Patent, Curlers." As the result of these contorted locks was to make the mildest countenance look peculiarly ferocious the term "elf" was applied to them by the sterner sex. Comp. Chaucer, "With lokkes crulle as thei were laide in presse."

"Scurvy"—A disease peculiar to North American Indians, "who live exclusively on meat" (Richmond).

"I have a head, sir, that will find out logs"—This explodes the popular fallacy that logarithms were first invented by Napier, or the D———l.

"There's no trust, no faith, no honesty in men"—An aphorism ascribed to Marie Corelli.

"Tybalt"—A collateral form of cobalt.

"From nine to twelve is three long hours"—Romeo had graduated in mathematics.

"Dancing shoes with nimble soles"—This make are not very plentiful among students of the present day.

"Aqua vitae"—Conjectured by Gervinus "Mountain Dew." Aqua equals H.2 O. (Toogood).

"O, be some other name"—Malone agrees with Juliet in her advice to Romeo, and suggests "Adolphus," "Mourilzan," or "Rawdon de Vere."

"To be valiant is to stand"—This applies equally to duels and debates.

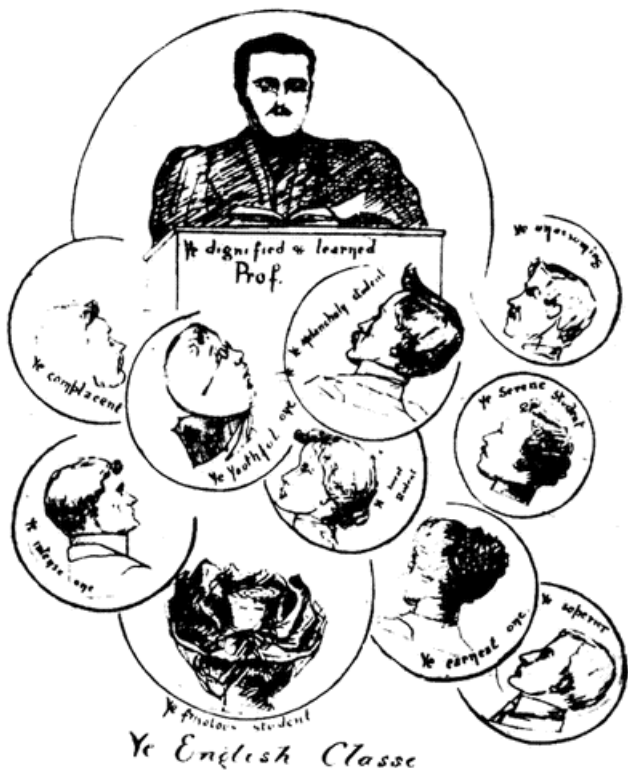


GLEE CLUB.

"Gone but not forgotten."

It is with sincere regret that we have to record the untimely end of the Glee Club. Like a meteor it flashed upon us—as a star in the dawning it melted away.

*"The best laid plans of mice and men
Gang aft a-gee."*



COLLEGE NOTES.

We regret that owing to lack of space several contributions of great promise have been crowded out of this issue.

"The Spike" has no quarrel with the daily press. Both the "Times" and the "Post" did their best for the Easter Tournament. The "Post" leader of 15th March was quite a revelation in editorial sagacity. To our contemporaries—Greeting.

The Rev. W. A. Evans has been elected Chairman of the College Council. The "Spike" hopes his year of office will see the foundation stone of the College laid. Care should be taken in the appointment of a janitor.

Decius Mus describing the "academic year" to Augustus had a few trite words to say concerning the "site negotiations."

"The College Council I would like to mention,
Has written letters calling quick attention,
To our poor homeless state—but since it had the face
To speak of quickness to your royal grace.
An answer once in six months did accrue,
To say you had it steadily in view."

In considering building materials for the College, the "Spike" would suggest that instructions be given to the architect to exclude galvanized iron. "Tin" is alright in a purse, and tin doesn't make a bad fowlhouse, but a tin College! ! ! If we cannot get a whole first-class building straight away let us have a half or a quarter, or only a lean-to, but let us have it solid.

The Hon. W. C. Walker, Minister of Education, was an interested spectator at the 'Varsity sports.

Professors were, perhaps, the most unexpected visitors at Christchurch at Easter. One open-eyed student would not believe that there were three Professors and two lecturers who would come 200 miles to show an interest in College life. He was not the only youth who blessed the name of Victoria College for dispersing the clouds of pessimism, which the contemplation of professorial indifference had cast over his young soul.

The interest shown in sport by Professors Brown, Eastfield, Maclaurin, and Messrs. Joynt and Adams inspires even the "Spike" with a belief in the possibility of professorial redemption.

Professor Easterfield not only went to Christchurch, but he turned out to watch the training, and on one occasion it was the fleet-footed Professor who paced the team round the Basin. When he ran in the Oxford-Cambridge mile, Professor Easterfield kept the Cambridge flag flying, and it savoured of inspiration to follow the old war-horse round the track.

Professor Easterfield kept the flag flying in another way. He not only gave training hints, coached and judged us, but he wrote a letter to the authorities who proposed giving gold medals to the winners of championships. He pointed out that Oxford and Cambridge gave bronze medals, and suggested mildly that golden performances did not always claim golden rewards. Valuable prizes had already been the subject of discussion, and the Professor's letter put the clincher on. The *summum bonum* of New Zealand University athletes is now a shabby little bit of bronze of the intrinsic value of a pair of boot laces. It would take about four of them to buy a "Spike."

The thanks of those who trained for the sports is due to the authorities of the Wellington College, who so kindly allowed them to train on the College ground. The courtesy of boys and masters made Victoria College almost forget its homeless state.

There was a pleasant little gathering on the upper deck of the "Rotomahana" just before she left Lyttelton. Professor Maclaurin, on behalf of the Victoria College Team, presented G. F. Dixon, its Secretary and Manager, with a silver-mounted walking stick as a memento of the trip he had done so much to inaugurate and make successful. Three cheers, "For he's a jolly good fellow," and the sight of the open sea concluded the proceedings.

The presentation of medals won at Christchurch was made at the Hockey Club's Ping Pong Tournament by Professor Maclaurin. The champions, who looked very modest and unassuming, were as follows:—A. S. Henderson (half-mile), A. G. Quartley (mile walk), Mrs. C. V. Longton (ladies tennis singles), and Miss Van Staveren and Mrs. Longton (ladies tennis doubles). Mrs. Longton was unable to be present, and her medals have been forwarded to her at Dunedin.

The quarrel scene in "Julius Caesar" not suiting the exacting taste of modern critics, especially certain literary geniuses who "faked" "Horace at Athens," the following *cascus belli* was set up between Brutus and Cassius:—

Cabled examination results do have a depressing effect on the academic mind about the end of February; but they must have got Horace down and trampled on him—or why should the sight of Lydia affect him thus?—

“My eyes are dazzled, and my cheeks catch fire,
As when a student watching for a wire,
Sees the young telegraphic snail,
Bringing up the magic message pass or fail;
Runs to the street and reads as best he can,
You're plucked again my dear young man,
Far, far away.”

The library at Athens University—we have it on the word of Decius Mus—was “often used except for books.” Times have changed, but we see something familiar in the idea:—

“For your sake Lydia, while you still were mine,
I waited in the library till after nine,
And missed a swelling discourse on Carlye's love
Delivered to the English class above.

O TEMPORA : O MORES.

Greece v. New Zealand.—Athletics entered more into the life of a Greek than into the life of a young New Zealander, but Grecian sport was nobler (murmur of dissent). “I mean to say that though there was no horse racing, there was no betting, that the Greeks never ran for pots, but for laurel wreathes. Not that there is any nobler form of athletics than hockey and football.” (Suppressed applause).

A GOOD ILLUSTRATION.

Professor.—“If you were in the Hutt Valley, and walking into town, you would not say you were going ‘*ad Wellingtoniam*,’ unless you meant you got as far as Kaiwarra, and got stuck in the mud.”

The name “Spike” was chosen in preference to “Moral Reformer,” because this paper didn't set out with the object of “moral reforming,” and it did set out with an eye to “spiking.” That is no reason, however, why the moral sense of the College should be shocked with impunity. The “blatant indecency” (to use the words of Beetle) of such expressions as “deuce of a funk,” “chuck it,” “beastly wretch” in College precincts has caused such a painful sensation, that Professor von Zedlitz is to be asked to address the Mutual Improvement Society on the subject—

“Of course you can never be like us,
But be as like us as you're able to be.”



Ancient relics of Roman civilization reproduced from sketches on various occasions by a celebrated local artist.

(1.) Eculeus or Hobby horse.

N.B.—Observe the expressive eye, and the sensitive nostrils. Our

sporting editor has given it as his opinion, that it is a study of the horse in the three-toed stage of evolution. He knows of no modern breed like the sketch.

(2.) An earlier attempt at the same.

(3.) Patibulum or St. Andrew's Cross on which is limned with ghastly reality a human body, arms and legs outstretched, and, as it were, hung out to dry.

We hope shortly to have in our possession original sketches of a spondee, a dactyl and a trochee by the same celebrated artist.

Suggested names for the "Spike" *not* accepted by the Committee:—"The Potwalloper," "The Plagiarist," "The Transcendental Mendacist," "The Bellows."

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. B—n. (1.) Declined. We agree with you and Cicero as to the meaning of "disiderando," but deprecate as unscholarly the attempt to exult over the remains of a mosquito, especially when it has been slain with a Krupp gun and an army corps of classic ghosts.

(2.) We think it would not be inappropriate to introduce an "Aunt Sally" competition in the next University Tournament.

H. P. R—ch—nd. Your article received. Rather vindictive. Also too much H. P. R.

G. T—g—d. Your are quite correct. The Editor, upon consulting his *Encyclopædia Britannica*, has discovered that H₂O stands for water, and on reading the article carefully, he has been so struck by the similarity of style between it and your instructive and welcome letter, that he is now almost persuaded that both article and letter came from the same pen.

S. G—th. (1.) We agree with you that some people talked much, and did little in connection with the Easter Tournament.

(2.) The Selection Committee could not take your reputation into account. You would no doubt have won the race without training, but you should have given ocular demonstration.

A. G. Q—y. We give you credit for patriotism and hard work as well as jaw. Please tabulate and condense your grievances, and we will gladly publish them up to one page.

M. B—m. The appointment of Inspector of other people's tennis balls has not yet been made. Your application should be addressed to the Secretary, V. C. T. C.

Richmond almost makes me weep,
Don't you know.
Or he sends me off to sleep,
Don't you know.
His awful rate of speech
When tired men he tries to teach,
Would make a comet bleach,
Don't you know.

Should you wish to tell a lie,
Don't you know,
Then by ethics justify,
Don't you know.
Just seek Mackenzie's room,
Your good motives gently boom,
And you'll find a sinless tomb,
Don't you know.

A sour apple tree's about,
Don't you know,
Where our dear old John "hangs out,"
Don't you know.
It shocks our moral sense
When he takes "Aunt Sally" thence,
And shies her o'er the fence,
Don't you know.

The great "desiderandum,"
Don't you know,
Or "thing to be desired,"
Don't you know,
"Not vainly," I will show,
By the shade of Cicero,
Is to just give up the gho'—
—'st Don't you know.



"CEDANT ARMA TOGAE."

TUNE: "There is a tavern in the town."

I know a College in the town—in the town,
Where youths and maidens sit them down—sit them down
And learn from wisdom's very source
The things they need'nt know of course.

And every evening after dark—after dark,
The learned doctors there do spark—do spark,
And shed a gracious light around,
With voices sweet the walls resound.

Then some reluctant go to law—go to law,
Which is synonymous with bore—with bore,
And listen when they cannot sleep
To cautious words of wisdom deep.

But who is this that meets our gaze—meets our gaze,
Hedged round with transcendental rays—dental rays?
With kindly look and portly mien,
Our largest College sage is seen.

Can this be one that hovers near—hovers near,
Who knows so much that he doth fear—he doth fear
That sometime t'will discovered be,
So hides it in frivolity.

Another's slangy in the main—in the main,
Yet views us all with high disdain—high disdain;
Benighted savages are we,
From civilization lately he.

There's one who fills one's soul with awe—soul with awe;
Who does both Greek and Golf adore—Golf adore,
Who grapples with a rowdy floor,
By barricading girls before.

Fare thee well for we must leave thee,
Do not let this parting grieve thee
For the very dullest fool will sometimes pass;
So adieu, adieu, kind friends, adieu, adieu,
We can no longer stay with you—stay with you,
So we'll put our books on the very topmost shelf,
And go and seek for fame and wealth.

ALMA MATER.

TUNE: "Solomon Levi."

Oh, if ever you go to Victoria College,
 Be sure you wait and see
 A "johnnie" called Brown,
 In a musty gown,
 Performing heavily.
 Before a class of thick-skulled students,
 Looking on with a vacant stare,
 As he frantically tries,
 With his soul in his eyes,
 To draw them a thorough-bred mare.
 Oh, what a Pegasus, tral la la la la lay,
 Oh, how extremely like, you could tell it a mile away.

CHORUS:

Oh, his name is John Pomponius Brown,
 A great athlete in his time,
 At the game hop-sotch,
 And at marbles and tops,
 His skill was really sublime.
 But now he's "a scholar and gentleman,"
 He's above such puerile toys,
 So he goes to the ballet,
 And plays "Aunt Sally,"
 Or a row in the paper enjoys.

And if you step into the opposite room
 You'll find the Junior Mac.,
 A-laying down law,
 With a voice like a saw,
 In a collar a trifle slack.
 He's what students call a bit cocky,
 But he's popular with the girls,
 And to hear him slate Austin,
 You'd almost get lost in
 The stream of abuse he hurls.
 Oh, torts and contracts, tra la la la la la la,
 See him take them all in his stride, he's such a great
 man at the law.

CHORUS:

Oh, his lectures are truly original,
 He never borrows from Maine,
 But you'll find in Salkowski,
 Savigny and Markby,
 Some passages just the same.
 The only sound conclusion that this
 Coincidence denotes,
 Is that Holland and some of
 These second-rate cribbers,
 Once borrowed Maclaurin's notes.

At a later hour in the self-same room
 A brawny Scot will sit,
 And will fluently chatter,
 In Gaelic patter,
 An ode to Cynthia's feet
 And "the woman like the Cohinur"
 Is a joke we've heard before,
 But he brings it in,
 Like a new-born thing,
 Every time he take the floor.
 Oh, my bonny Scotsman, a truly poetical swain,
 Your humour has "a classical touch" that is wanting
 in Hood and Mark Twain.

CHORUS:

Oh, to hear him quoting Hamlet,
 If your dull mind never saw
 The fire and passion,
 Not to speak of the dash in
 The king of poets before.
 When he opes his "ponderous marble jaws"
 It is very easily seen,
 That Wilson Barrett,
 And Irving and Garrett,
 Must have got a few hints from him.

If you only can manage to stand an hour
 Of English without going dotty,
 There's a quiet little meeting,
 Where brotherly greeting,
 Will pass between Tommy and Tottie.
 It's a strictly informal gathering
 (And they need but one library chair),
 With two for a quorum,
 But three would be more'an
 Enough for this amorous pair.
 Oh, how romantic, but the students all say it's not fair,
 For the library is the scandal shop, of the ladies who
 congregate there.

CHORUS:

But a Students' Society meeting
 Is held in the very next room,
 Where the Chairman's rulings,
 And Quartley's foolings,
 Would last till the crack of doom.
 But some of them have just a little more sense,
 And want to get home to "swot,"
 So the Chair puts each motion,
 Though we all have a notion,
 That the whole "bally" business is rot.

THE SONG OF VICTORIA COLLEGE.

TUNE: "Clementine."

*Aedem colimus Minervae
Acti desiderio
Artes nosse liberales
Hoc in Hemispherio.*

CHORUS.

*Oh Victoria, sempiterna
Sit tibi felicitas ;
Alma mater, peramata,
Per aetates maneat.
Aedem colimus Musarum
Sub Australi sidere ;
Nos a Musis maria longa
Nequeunt dividere.*

*Studiosi, studiosae
Captant sapientiam ;
Circa venti turbulenti
Auferunt desidium.
Omnium Collegiorum
Surgit hoc novissimum :
Ergo vires juveniles
Exhibent fortissimum.
Nomen quod profert, sodales,
Fausto sit oraculo ;
Ut Deus regno reginae
Faveat curriculo.*

*Per vias laboriosas
Doctrinarum omnium
Docti ducunt professores
Obsequens servitium.
Corpus sanum ne sit absens
Properamus ludere
Subter iugum occupantes
Fuste pilam trudere.
Oratores, Oratrices
Audias effundere
Voces dignas Cicerone
Et sellas pertundere.*

FOR DIPLOMA DAY.—ONLY.

*Luce festa concinamus
Laureatos invene ;
Ad Diploma gradientes
Concinamus virgines.
Universitas salreto ;
Cancellarius floreat :
Ad honores largiendos
Multos annos maneat.*