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From "In Memoriam."

Peace ; come away : The song of woe
Is after all an earthly song :
Peace ; come away : we do him wrong
To sing so wildly : let us go.

Yet in these ears, till hearing dies,
One set slow bell will seem to toll
The passing of the sweetest soul
That ever look'd with human eyes.

I hear it now, and o'er and o'er,
Eternal greetings to the dead ;
And "Ave, Ave, Ave," said,
"Adieu, adieu" for evermore.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson.

Records of the Past.

Glancing over some of the minutes of meetings held by the students of Bishop's some twenty years ago, we find that history indeed repeats itself. Years do not seem to have effected much change in the general activities of the student body. "Grub kicks" were very plentiful—everything from hash to porridge was condemned in turn; the bursar's breakage bills were, as usual, considered exorbitant, and committees—which never accomplished anything—were chosen every now and again to inquire into such matters; rules and regulations (in those days our highly gratifying (?) constitution did not exist) were drawn up, amended and dropped as often as possible; while, of course, committees galore were elected at one meeting, disbanded at another, and again re-elected at a third, and the past is mirrored in the present.

We cite the following extract from the minutes of a meeting held on November 13th, 1894, from the fluent pen of Mr. F. G. Vial, then secretary of the students: "There was plenty of discussion, and a number of suggestions were made, which the secretary is wholly unable to recollect, the trend of all the speeches was, however, in the same direction, viz., that the table arrangements had never been in a worse condition, that the students must not allow this state of things to continue, and noble memories of what our predecessors had done under similar circumstances, were brought up.

"Mr. B., we believe, was the individual who trotted out the glorious conduct of the students of ancient days with such effect. Mr. B. was in the best of form and his vigorous periods held the attention of the meeting for several minutes. In the enthusiasm of the moment the senior student was asked to represent the matter to the Principal. The course adopted has already brought about some changes for the better, and we feel confident that matters will not come to a standstill while the present primitive and inadequate methods are kept up."

Again, on October 2nd, 1896, the same secretary wrote: "Mr. B. opened the subject and spoke in a most convincing way upon our social obligations and the present circumstances which were favourable to the giving of a dance.

At this juncture some irresponsible creature made a frivolous remark which, however, elicited no applause, so great was the effect produced by the words of the late speaker. Matters regaining their calm, grave aspect, the meeting at once showed itself inclined to plunge into the whirl of social duties and a committee was elected to get all things in readiness."

Some time after this we find the following account: "A grave offence had been committed by some person or persons unfortunately turning the Principal's lecture-room into a cattle-shed, a live calf having been found there this morning,

hence the calling together of the student body." We are please to note, however, that the student body disassociated themselves from this heinous action by a motion passed at this same meeting.

X. Y. Z.

Letters from the Front.

Private George Roe, with the 9th Field Ambulance Corps "somewhere in Belgium," writing to the Editor, says: "The other night we were wakened by the terrific noise of bursting shells, which almost seemed to drop on our buildings and the ground near by. One cannot adequately describe the fearful explosions they make—one can fully understand why so many get "shell-shock" over here. Baker just now is up the line doing duty very close to the trenches, but I expect to see him very soon, as I shall be going up shortly. I suppose you are playing golf now. Do you remember the days when we golfed and lost so many balls? How Baker used to hate fetching out other balls! Would like very much to be with you just now, but am sorry I cannot get away for the week-end!

Best wishes to all.

GEORGE ROE.

Mr. Lett recently received the following letter from poor "Doc." Robertson, who was recently killed in action. He writes: "I have just returned from eight days leave in London, and got in this morning about three o'clock. I found eighteen other letters awaiting my return, and you can bet your life I was glad to get them! I am up against the job of answering them, and its "some" job! I have not heard any College news for a long while. You seem to have improved a great deal in hockey and basket-ball this year. If you are going to enlist take a good look around and pick a good thing to join. The artillery is about the best thing, as they don't have a quarter of the drudgery and discomfort and danger that the infantry have to face. I had a fine time in London and enjoyed every minute of it. They gave us plenty of money, too. I saw some funny shows. In London they are away ahead of anything I ever saw in Canada. I am back at our transport headquarters, where I have to wait till the "bunch" come out on Wednesday. They had some casualties, but were the luckiest in the division. None of our college boys got hit. We are in a bad place now, and some of us will be getting it soon.

Yours sincerely,

"DOC." ROBERTSON.

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Editorial Comments.

We have now reached the end of the Academic year. In one sense it has been a quiet year, and in another sense a trying year. Since the opening of the Michaelmas term no fewer than fifteen men have enlisted in the various units of the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, thereby reducing our numbers very considerably and greatly weakening the strength of the student body.

The duties devolving on the students as a whole have had to be undertaken by a lesser number of men than has ever been the case before, but, looking back, we may be thankful that, in spite of petty jars and frictions, the old college spirit has been consistently maintained.

Glancing at the year in retrospect, we may note certain changes and innova-

ceived his L. S. T., has laid down his life in the service of his King and the Empire, yet the glad, stimulating thought comes to us that he has won his honours in the noble service of his country, and has been called to higher honours by the King of kings.

The new editorial staff will take charge of the next and subsequent issues of the Mitre and we wish them every success. The retiring staff now makes its bow and rings down the curtain. Vale.

News reached the University on June 8th of the deaths, in action, of two of the Bishop's men who are in the trenches, "Doc." Robertson '17 and Lieut. Chas. Pope.

Many "old boys" will learn with deep regret of the death of Lieut. Pope. The Mitre extends its cordial sympathy to his relatives.

"Doc." Robertson recently gained the Distinguished Conduct Medal for gallant conduct in the field. He was a worthy son of Bishop's, and his loss will long be felt. Bright hopes were entertained for him, but alas! he, too, has given his life for the cause. The Mitre extends warm sympathy to Doctor and Mrs. Robertson and their family.

Arts Notes.

Most of the students were away for the Easter vacation.

Several of the students attended a "sugaring off" at Mr. George Mitchell's on April 13th.

The tennis court seems to have a stronger attraction for the boys and girls than the lecture room.

Our members are steadily decreasing. Since the last issue of the Mitre McKindsey, Huntten, Foss, Robinson, Lowry, Abbott, Farmer, Hume and Travers have joined the colours.

Mr. George Holden is at the Sherbrooke Hospital suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

"Max" Norcross, our bright Athletic Editor, has been laid up with an attack of tonsilitis, followed by measles.

CASWELL '16, PENDER '17.

Divinity Notes.

Most of the "Shedites" were away during the Easter vacation. Those of us who remained found the time pass quietly, but we spent some very enjoyable evenings visiting the different professors' homes.

The Rev. J. S. Rowe, B.D., spent the holidays visiting the Rev. P. R. Roy at Scotstown. He also preached at East Angus on Good Friday.

Mr. Templeton spent the vacation in Hamilton.

Mr. Dunn held services at the week ends in Lorne Mission, and Mr. Hodder visited his friends in Toronto, where he assisted in the festival services at S. Thomas' Church.

Mr. Carson went home to Dennison's Mills.

On the evening of May 27th, after Compline, Mr. Hodder was formally admitted into the Guild of the Venerable Bede. The Warden, the Rev. F. G. Vial, B.D., delivered a very helpful and inspiring address. After the service Mrs. Vial most kindly invited the men to an enjoyable social evening, which was much appreciated.

At present we are in the throes of examinations, and the term end is in sight. Convocation is almost here and we are looking forward to returning either to our homes or to the work allotted to us during the summer months.

"Father" Rowe leaves to take up parochial work, after completing his Arts' course here..

Mr. Templeton goes up to Algoma for ordination. We wish him every success in his future work.

Mr. Dunn also goes to Algoma, where he will take up mission work during vacation.

Mr. Carson expects to spend the summer at Richmond, Que.

After a short visit to Boston, Mr. Hodder goes to the Diocese of Ottawa, where he expects to do mission work under Rev. Mr. Clark.

Mr. Lett, whose arm is now almost better again, will be in charge of the Douglas mission in the Diocese of Ottawa, during the summer.

A. R. L.

Co-Ed's Corner.

On May 27th Miss Hurlburt, Warden of the Royal Victoria College, delivered the annual lecture of the Alumnae Society of Bishop's College. The title of the lecture was "The War and its Meaning for Women." Miss Hurlburt was well qualified to speak on this subject, which is of such vital interest to all women, and especially to college women, at this time.

At the conclusion of the lecture, Dr. Marion Hansford, of Montreal, Medical Inspector of Schools and a Graduate in Medicine of Bishop's, gave an informal but very interesting talk on the work of medical inspection in schools.

During the afternoon the lady students were hostesses at a tea and reception given in honour of Miss Hurlburt.

Miss Florence Drummond, M.A., is at present in charge of Lennoxville Academy.

There is a prospect of at least three new lady students for next year. One, Miss Mildred Findley, of Danville, is coming to take the matriculation examination this June.

The poor old rug on the floor of the Co-Ed's room should be allowed to retire.

Surely "Punch" and "Life" are not considered to be beyond the comprehension of the lady students.

Athletic Notes.

TENNIS.

At the beginning of the season every one turned out and the courts were well rolled, and much work was put on them for a few days. The effect of this is seen now and appreciated by the players. The courts are in fine condition, much better than they have been in the last few years. Wire netting has been placed at each end, which saves considerable time and trouble. The club has also purchased a new marker, which saves much time and makes the courts look much neater.

Soon after tennis started the first year Arts challenged the remainder of the College to a tournament of doubles. The College team was comprised of Fluhmann, Gardner, Lemieux and Norcross. The first year Arts' players were Abbott, Cleveland, Holden and Farmer. Abbott and Cleveland were defeated by Fluhmann and Gardner, while Norcross and Lemieux went down before Holden and Farmer. The winners played off, and after several hard and close sets, Fluhmann and Gardner won out. Prof. Boothroyd and Lett kindly umpired the sets.

The Co-Eds are taking quite an interest in tennis this year and play much between lectures. They usually have plenty of critics and instructors standing on the side lines.

Athletics at Bishop's during the last year have been kept up in every department except foot-ball, which had to be dropped after a few practices were held, because of the small number which turned out, and also because of the lack of old players. Basket-ball was taken up early and played until Christmas. After the holidays hockey was started and played until about the end of March. Many trips have been taken by the various teams, the principal ones being the Montreal trips in basket-ball and hockey, and the Dartmouth trip in hockey.

MAX A. NORCROSS.

Exchanges.

Many of our contemporaries have ceased, the obvious reason being that they have a shorter academic year than ours.

During the year they have endeavoured to be of interest and help to their

respective institutions and have also been helpful to others. It is only fair to add that these magazines have carefully avoided vituperation and refrained from contumely towards one another. Such slight criticisms as were observed in the exchanges which came to our hands were honest and if not wholly justified, need no apology, or recantation. The Mitre looks forward with interest and enthusiasm towards their resuscitation at the beginning of the academic year 1916-17. *Auspiciam melioris aevi.*

Walls have no ears, but be careful of the telephone.

NOT THAT SORT.

Helen—Do you love me, dear?

Jack—Dearly, sweetheart.

Helen—Would you die for me?

Jack—No, my pet, mine is an undying love.

A WISE FOOL.

“Wise men write proverbs and fools quote them,” observed the sage.

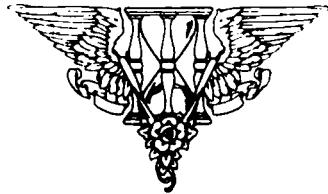
“That’s right,” agreed the fool. “Who wrote that one?”

From Macdonald College Magazine.

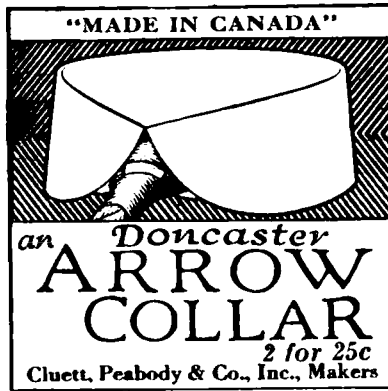
Mr. Turner (in physics lesson)—Miss Malcolm, would you get a shock on holding a telephone receiver to your ear?

Miss Malcolm—It just depends on who was speaking.

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