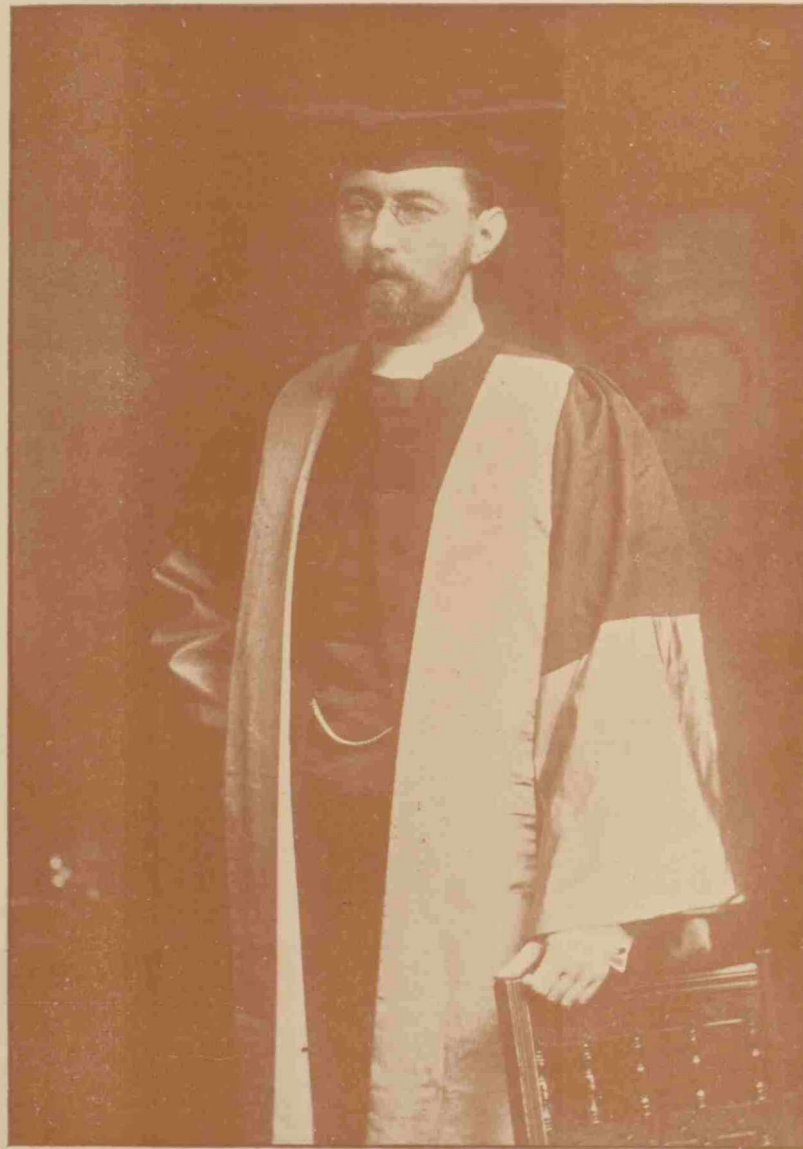


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Thoughts that Bring a Sigh.

One day I wandered far into the forest
And in my heart were thoughts that bring a sigh,
For in the silence of the unstirred stillness
I was thinking of the day when I must die.

A day—it may be soon it may be later
When I must leave behind the things I know;
No longer in a state that is familiar
But a stranger to another life I go.

Are my feelings those of sorrow or of gladness,
When thus I say goodbye to those I love?
Shall I part without a single thought for this world
When I go to take my place in that above?

Will the pleasure of the past that is behind me
Exclude the thought of happiness before?
The successes and the failures of a lifetime
Will come back to me perhaps from memory's store.

Or will my thoughts instead be of the future
In vain attempt to pierce the Great Unknown?
But fearful at the grandeur of the prospect
I shall hesitate perhaps to go alone.

When the twilight of my life is growing darker
When I know that now my end is drawing near
Shall I feel that I am just as safe as ever,
Will that moment be entirely free from fear?

There's no answer to these questions that is certain,
But the best that can be done by you or me
Is to calmly wait the lowering of the curtain
Whether slowly it be done or suddenly.

C. A.

Our New Principal.

The Rev. Hde B. Gibbins M. A. Litt. D. who was appointed Principal in 1906, was educated at Oxford, where he was Senior Classical Scholar of Wadhan College, and took Classical Honours at his degree examination in 1887. He also gained the University Prize for an Essay on Political Economy, and has since then written and edited several books on economic and industrial subjects, the best known of which are "The Industrial History of England," and "Commerce in Europe." His books are widely used in the Universities of England, Canada and the States, and have been translated into Japanese. He is also mentioned as an authority on English Industrial History in the new Dictionary of Political Economy, recently published, and received the high degree of Litt. D., from Trinity College, Dublin, on the merits of his historical work. Dr. Gibbins has had considerable experience as a teacher and has held important posts in England, having been Headmaster and vice-Principal of Liverpool College, Headmaster of K. Charles I School, Kidderminster. He was ordained by the late Bishop of Southwell, and was "Gospeller" or first in his examinations at his ordination. While at Kidderminster, Dr. Gibbins was chosen as a member of the Worcestershire County Council Education Committee and was engaged in important work in helping to develop and organize the Higher Education of the County when he was appointed Principal of Bishop's College.

College Responsibilities.

Once again the academic year with its various duties and pleasures has opened. The importance of these duties which fall more or less upon every student should not for a moment be forgotten. In a residential university like ours a man has to devote more time to the common good than in a day university. At the latter there is none of the real college life which plays so important a part in the development of character. But here every man should feel that he owes a certain amount of the talents with which he has been endowed both to the university and the college. He owes to the university a readiness both to keep up the best traditions of the past and advance her interests and general welfare; he owes to the college a cheerfulness

and willingness to undertake any offices or positions of trust for which he is fitted even though they imply more or less trouble and every year a certain number of positions—such as those on executive committees or secretary-treasurships, connected with the different sides of College life have to be filled. Though not regarded as bringing any particular honour or distinction to those holding them their importance is too often underrated, because with them rests the success or failure of a dozen student organizations. This committee work naturally calls for more or less time and consequent sinking of self-interests. But every undergraduate should bear in mind that he owes a certain percentage of his time to his college and that if he shirks his duty some one else will have to perform more than his fair share. One institution which deserves the best of support is the college magazine. The "Mitre" endeavours to be "a magazine of literature, university thoughts and events." To be such its contents must contain more than the work of the editor-in-chief and his associates. It is proper enough for a student to subscribe and pay his subscription, but there as a rule undergraduate assistance begins and ends. It is not fair to shift the whole burden both of editing and contributing upon the shoulders of the staff. The latter at best cannot of themselves produce a paper adequately representing university thought and feeling. So then let there be a generous supply of 'copy' for the editor. His troubles are quite great enough without being increased by lack of material. Almost everyone can write some article or other that would be of interest. No one knows what he can do until he really tries. The difficulty is that so few do take the pains to try. And we must remember that the greater the number of contributions the higher the standing of the "Mitre" will become.

Usually at Bishop's there is little to complain of with regard to the tone of her athletics. Good support is the rule and an active interest in them follows almost as a matter of course. But much more could easily be accomplished with but little greater effort. Each player should always make it a matter of honour to keep in the best physical condition possible. This is almost a matter of necessity where numbers are comparatively small in order to ensure success. To obtain superiority in athletics as in all else will naturally involve some self-sacrifice, but the result will more than make up for any preliminary exertions. It is not enough that a man should try hard and do his best merely until he makes the team. He should

turn out to practices just as regular and train just as faithfully as when not sure of his colours. After realizing the necessity of being in the best physical condition possible we must remember that no team can effect anything without enthusiasm: an optimistic cheerfulness is the best antidote to lack of skill. Systematic effort therefore on the part of the various teams, with each individual member doing his best, will make a vast difference in the college athletics. In this way can we raise the standard to yet higher levels than have been reached in the past.

In conclusion then let everyone this coming year do all that lies in him for his Alma Mater. He has a wide enough range in college routine work, in the "Mitre" and in athletics. Let him always, no matter what he is doing, endeavour to surpass the best previous record. As in athletics so in everything the keynote of success is enthusiasm. Again let us all work together for Bishop's, 'per ardua tendimus alte.'

S.

Under Ether.

Guide me, O God,
The way that I should go,
To follow I am ready
If I do not I make myself a wretch
And still must follow.

"There is no doubt about it," said the doctor, "you have appendicitis, the gunpowder is there, and if you wish to live you must have an operation." He was a country village doctor, and although his words startled me I did not believe them. I had appendicitis, certainly not, it was a mistake; a severe attack of liver complaint or indigestion that was all, but still I felt decidedly ill and would go to the city to make absolutely certain that the doctor was wrong. The next morning I received the Blessed Sacrament, and accompanied by a kind priest, the superior of our Confraternity, started by train for the city to interview a specialist. The interview was brief; he examined me, and before I knew what he was doing he had turned to the telephone, wrung up the hospital and told them he was sending down a patient for an operation. To say that I literally shook in my shoes would not be an exaggeration of the truth. It was a great shock and came in such a sudden manner, my own theory of liver

complaint and indigestion fell to the ground and I was told plainly that I had Chronic Appendicitis and if I wished to live an operation was absolutely necessary. In a very short time I was in the hospital and after receiving the Benediction from my friend the priest who had stood by me till he saw me safely in the nurses' hands—I know secretly that he expected me to run away as before he left me he said "that if ever he got to Heaven it would be for seeing me safely into the hospital." The operation was to take place the next morning at eleven o'clock. I was soon in bed, but alas I could not sleep; in fact I was not allowed to do so, for before I had been in bed very long an orderly came along the ward with a towel, soap, hot-water and a razor. I wondered "what on earth is he going to do?" He came up to me, and said, "The surgeon has sent me, sir, to shave your abdomen," and then he got to work. All the time he was shaving he told me the most gruesome stories of previous cases he had had to shave, my blood ran cold, the cold steel on my flesh made my blood curdle. After he had departed several other minor formalities were gone through and I was left alone for the night. The next morning I felt like a prisoner condemned to death who was awaiting the hour of his execution. Shortly after eleven two orderlies appeared with a stretcher, and I wrapt in a blanket was taken up to the Operating Theatre. I was placed on the operating table, the ether-cone with bottle attached was placed over my mouth, and the surgeon said "Take a deep breath." I took breath after breath, the ether seemed to take no effect, but after some time I felt a freezing sensation going over my body, the surgeon kept pulling up my eyelid and after what seemed to me a long time, said to the nurse, "he has taken all the ether, go and get some more." The nurse went and returned with a fresh supply, and again the ether-cone was placed over my mouth. "Take a deep breath, take a deep breath, take a deep breath," rang in my ears, and all at once something seemed to go wrong with the ether-cone and I swallowed all the remaining ether. I seemed to literally turn into ether. Dead, dead, dead, seemed to wring in my ears. My consciousness vanished as it seemed for a moment and I came out of my body and saw the surgeon, nurse and orderly with startled expressions upon their faces. "He has taken an overdose," said the surgeon. "Quite dead," said the nurse. "Yes," said the doctor. No one was better aware of the fact of my being dead to the natural world than I was myself. I now seemed driven down, down, down, and

I came into a tremendous hall more like a large theatre than anything else. I could see no one, but I distinctly heard a voice saying to me, "I am God, go back to the world and do the work which I have for you to do." Within the twinkling of an eye I seemed to fly upwards, upwards, upwards, and ever upwards, then a sight was shown to me that I shall never forget. I saw men and women of all stations in life living without God in the world, and although I saw something in each man's heart and each woman's heart which spoke to them telling them the right path in life, nearly all took the wrong path, and it was not until each one of those who had taken the wrong path was brought, as it were, to the very gate of the valley of the shadow of death that they realised how utterly useless it was to seek after happiness in the world, apart from the God who had become man and shed his blood upon the cross for their sins and their weaknesses. Each person, as he or she passed the veil of death, cried aloud for mercy and forgiveness and threw themselves at the feet of Jesus, who like a loving Father spread out his arms to receive his long lost children.

I became unconscious again and came to myself in bed in the hospital ward. Three nurses came to me and said, "You did take a tremendous quantity of ether." For some days I recovered rapidly but about the fourth day I became seriously ill and remained in a critical condition for a week or more. During this period I suffered intense pain, but the kindness and sympathy of the nurses made up for a great deal. During these days how I felt the force of religion, how I felt the sympathy and kindness and the power of the Benediction given me by God's priests. May my own life be nobler, better and holier, for God's revelation to me, and may I and others never forget the guiding hand of God running through all our lives.

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Editorials.

With no thoughts of eclipsing past years or of winning fame in the literary world do the newly appointed Editorial staff undertake the difficult task of publishing the MITRE seven times this year—the mystical number seven—but rather unitedly resolved to give to the subscribers the equivalent of their coin in literary *pabulum*. This may appear quite boastful but it can be done, students, if you will assist us. It can be done, subscribers, if you will be more punctual in responding to the Business Manager's invitations.

The MITRE has a worthy past and we earnestly desire to keep the reputation. All honours to those who *have* occupied the editor's chair. The achievements of the past are incentives urging us on. We are scaling the dizzy heights where the hungry are waiting for news, facts and amusement in literary form, but if our supply of material, and above all of funds, are cut off we must beat a most ignominious retreat. The outlook is gloomy, and it is hoped that those who are in arrears will forward the same without delay. Not infrequently we are told that the MITRE was not received and that is why the debt is owing. Whose fault is this? Surely you know enough to send a card informing the Manager of the fact. In order to prevent

mistakes this year a list of the approximate dates of publication will be found on another page. It is really a disgrace to know that some of those who are now occupying prominent positions in church and state, and who were on the editorial staff while here, owe several years' subscriptions. To some the College has even given honorary degrees, but it has no effect. *Suppressio veri, suppressio falsi.*

This year the Alumni Editor is a student and it will not be so easy for him to keep posted in the whereabouts of the various individuals of the Alumni as it was for him who lately filled that office. To facilitate matters it is to be hoped that when any of our graduates make a change of post they will forward an advice of the fact to their Editor. Occasionally it is heard that the College cares naught for the graduates, and even the Mitre is often included in this accusation. But who is to blame? We cannot keep track of every movement of every graduate. What you ought to do is to inform the college and the Mitre of your success and changes. If you do this you can rest assured that credit will be given you in these pages. Hence if your name is omitted when it deserves mention kindly blame yourselves and not us. The movements of the Alumni are exceedingly interesting to all subscribers. We might well say that the *De Alumnis* is the most interesting part of our magazine. Please then don't fall heir to a fortune, enter matrimony or become a bishop without acquainting us of the matter. We will gladly give honour to whom honour is due.

While we still have vivid recollections of the sadness of the Trinity term of last year, occasioned by the untimely death of our late Principal who had endeared himself to all, yet we have a feeling of rest and care in knowing that his successor is what we desired—A man of unusual literary attainments, whose academical career will be found elsewhere in this magazine, and a very pleasant personality.

The student body regret very sincerely the absence of Rev. H. Hamilton. He endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact. As a priest of the church he was exemplary, and his personality was such that there was never any constraining force during an interview, either social or business. While we once thought his loss to be irreparable, we are now assured in Messrs. Boothroyd and Turner, Cambridge, our two new resident lecturers, that we have

two splendid individuals, competent in the lecture room and capital as guests or hosts. The students extend them a very hearty welcome.

It was hoped that during this year there would have been no need to mention "College fare," but the same familiar dishes are appearing. We heard there was to be a change, but evidently as in everything else, so with this, a reformation is slow and gradual. But do for health's sake let the reformation begin. Past experience showed us that when the "powers that be" were in our midst we were regarded as mortals with *human* appetite. We all trust that if this condition is to continue those in authority will pay us frequent visits.

De Alumnis.

At the annual meeting of the Alumni Association held last June, the following officers were elected for this year:—President, Rev. A. H. Moore, M.A.; Vice-presidents, Rev. F. G. Scott, D.C.L., Robert Campbell, M.A.; Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. J. J. Seaman, B.A.; Committee, Rev. F. G. Vial, M.A., Rev. R. W. E. Wright, M.A., Rev. Alex. H. Robertson, L.S.T., Rev. Benjamin Watson, M.A.; M. A. Phelan, M.A.; Auditor, Rev. R. A. Parrock, LL.D.; Alumni Editor of the MITRE, H. H. Corey, B.A.

At the same meeting the following resolution, moved by the Ven. Archdeacon Balfour, and seconded by the Ven. Archdeacon Ker, was adopted, viz:—"That we, the Alumni of the University of Bishop's College, take advantage of this our first meeting since the death of the Rev. Canon Waitt, late Principal of the University, to place on record our profound sense of the loss which, humanly speaking, has befallen the Institution, our deep appreciation of the value of the work accomplished by him during the few months of his life and labor in Canada; our reverential regard for his memory; and our true sympathy with Miss Waitt, sister of our late dear Principal, in her affliction."

It was also moved by the Rev. Alex. H. Robertson, seconded by the Rev. R. W. E. Wright, that the thanks of the Association be tendered to the Rev. Harold F. Hamilton, M.A., for his splendid

service as Secretary-Treasurer of the Association for the three years past.

Owing to a lack of funds, and other reasons, the Alumni Association was unable this summer to provide a man to make the tour of the Eastern Townships, which has become usual since it was instituted in 1904 by Mr. Routh. This is to be greatly regretted, for what the Association has done in this way is practically all that has been done in advertising; and a small University like ours can never expect to hold its own against the great universities, unless it keeps itself and its merits continually before the attention of the population from whom it should draw its students. That Bishop's has failed to do this, is only too manifest, when we note the proportion of new students this year coming from Eastern Townships homes, or even from Canadian homes. Is this University to fulfil the purpose for which it was established,—that of providing a liberal Arts education to the youth of the Eastern Townships; or is it to be but a training school for Canadianising immigrants? It can fulfil its original purpose, if it will but rouse itself and show to Eastern Townships people its worth. While not forgetting the duty of each individual Alumnus resident in the Townships, to disseminate in his district a knowledge of the usefulness to the Townships of our University, we hope that, ever and above this, the Alumni as a body may again be enabled next summer to revive the excellent practice of past seasons.

We have been fortunate in receiving this term short visits from the Rev. F. Plaskett, B.A., A. M. Bonelli, B.A., and C. E. Ciarke, B.A. Mr. Plaskett was on a short holiday, and has now returned to his work as Junior Missionary on the Canadian Labrador. Mr. Bonelli has resumed his law course at the University of Michigan, where, we hear, he is gaining distinction. Mr. Clarke has entered the University of Cambridge, England, where he will take up the course of the Theological Tripos.

R. F. Gwyn, B.A., has also entered the Selwyn College, Cambridge.

The Rev. W. A. Gustin, M.A., former Rector of St. Mark's, Port Hope, Ontario, has entered the Diocese of Quincy, and has received the Rectorship of St. Andrew's, Peoria, Illinois.

The Rev. G. J. Bousfield B. A. is at Beachburg, in the Diocese of Ottawa.

Rev. W. F. Seaman is now stationed at Grand Mère, Quebec.

J. Neville, B. A. a graduate of the University in the early times, is now agent for the R. G. Dunn Mercantile Agency, at Peoria, Illinois.

T. L. Adams B. A. who went to England this summer, will not return to Canada.

The Rev. E. A. W. King, M. A. until recently missionary at Windsor Mills, Quebec, has been appointed by the Lord Bishop of Quebec to the Rectorship of St. Peter's, Quebec

E. F. Henery, B. A., M. D., is now practising medicine at Lennoxville.

The Alumni Editor would be pleased to receive any communications from graduates, for insertion in subsequent issues of the Mitre.

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Arts Notes.

The following appears in the MITRE of November 1904—"the new library for Bishop's is a thing of the near future. It has been in contemplation for a long timethe building will be in Gothic style to harmonize with the general aspect of the Arts Building and Chapel, facing the quadrangle." Something of the same nature has been dinned in our ears for some thirty months; but when the Mid-summer Term ended it was with the assurance that we should see the long-expected, much-talked-of building on our return. Whenever a man came up at begining of term, he would be seen rushing with zealous haste between the Arts and Divinity Buidling, only to be confronted by the same old pine tree and current transformer. Disgust with growls of "hot air" in undertones.

In order that no impious freshman may unknowingly violate the ancient ordinances of this University and thereby bring upon his luckless head doom unutterable, they are hereby made known to him and shall be religiously observed by him until such time as may seem good to his Seniors to release him therefrom.

1. No freshman shall wear a mustache or carry a cane.
2. No freshman shall have his door locked nor shall he attach notices thereto.
3. On meeting a senior on the street, a freshman shall touch his hat.
4. Freshmen are required to be on time for meals and not leave hall until after seniors.
5. No freshman shall be allowed to speak at student's meetings but are required to be present, in gown, standing.
6. Freshmen shall not enter senior's rooms without first knocking and receiving permission to do so.
7. No freshman shall address a senior by surname without prefixing 'Mr' or calling him 'Sir'.
8. No freshman shall enter Common or Reading Room unless wearing a collar or jersey.
9. Freshmen are advised to be willing to do favours for the senior men.
10. Freshmen are not allowed to wear slippers except in their own rooms.

11. Freshmen MUST keep a supply of matches for the convenience of visiting seniors.

12. Seniors have precedence over freshmen in use of baths.

13. Freshmen are gently reminded that an extra bath has been installed in the first flat.

14. Freshmen desirous of airing wisdom to the discomfiture (?) of seniors should remember that the "wise man suspends judgment."

15. Freshmen are required to have a copy of these rules for handy reference.

UNDER THE SEAL OF THE SACRED OWL.

Scene—Lennoxville Station.

Time—Beginning of term.

Enter two Freshmen and Station Agent.

One freshman addresses Station Agent timidly, in deadly fear of his scalp. Station Agent speaks—Freshman staggers into the arms of his companion—"Good Heavens, the man speaks ENGLISH!!"

So that freshmen from the 'other side' may not impoverish themselves by investments in accident insurance policies, we wish to give them the following information.

Bears are not found in large numbers on the College premises—if attacked, offer a College 'sinker' and you are safe.

The crocodiles in the Massawippa are quite domesticated—will feed from the hand.

Due notice is always given when a pack of wolves are approaching.

A 44 Smith and Wessen will protect you from the vampires.

As the freshman sings it:

Every body works but the Seniors,
And he loafes around all day,
With his eye upon the Fresher,
Smoking his pipe of clay.
The freshman must keep matches,
Do favours all he can,
To make the time more pleasant
For the Senior man.

A young girl went into a store in O—and asked for stationery.
When it was wrapped up she said, :

'Can you give the ten per cent discount ?'

"Why? are you a clergyman's wife?" 'Oh, no'. "Clergyman's sister?" 'No,' "clergyman's niece?" 'No.'

"Why do you ask for the clerical discount then?"

She simpered and blushed—"Well—I—hope to be engaged to a divinity student this summer, you know!"

We take great pleasure in extending a hearty welcome to Mr. Boothroyd and Mr. Turner, the new lecturers in place of Mr. Hamilton. Mr. Boothroyd is a graduate of Trinity College, Cambridge where he imbibed, or perhaps we should rather say developed, an intense enthusiasm for life which he formerly expended in an outrigger but now displays in the Homeric delight of shedding his blood on the foot-ball field. Those who have partaken of his hospitality agree that as a host he leaves nothing to be desired.

(N.B.—He is at his best as host in another's room.)

Mr. Turner is a Selwyn College (Camb.) man who when not pondering over mathematical problem that make the layman shudder has a store of tales of how they do it over the mill pond.

There was a young man from St. Paul
Who fell in a spring in the fall,
If he'd died in the spring,
It had been a sad thing,
But he didn't—he died in the fall.

Necesse Est Omnibus Amare

Ph—I.

On Tuesday evening, Sept, 25th. a meeting of the Reading Room was held in the Council Chamber, the principal kindly consenting to act as chairman. The meeting was called for purpose of deciding upon list of books and periodicals to be taken for ensuing year. As Rev. W. F. Seaman, B. A., secretary for the past year, had not sent the list of reading material now being subscribed for, it was decided to postpone that particular part of the business until the list could be had. The meeting then proceeded. Mr Dunstan, B.A., was elected secretary for coming year. Dr. Parrock was unanimously chosen to fulfil the duties of auctioneer. After a little discussion upon some periodicals to be taken for ensuing year the business meeting was brought to a close. Before the meeting dispersed however the prin-

cipal took the opportunity of addressing a few words to the students.

As this happened to be the first occasion that the students as a body had met their principal, this part of the proceedings was an especially pleasant one.

The Principal spoke upon the future of Bishop's, impressing strongly upon the men how much this future rested with them.

With a few other most encouraging remarks the assembly broke up. Even these few words however recalled to all present more strongly the cheerful accounts which had preceded the Principal here.

Especially was this so concerning his good humor and wittiness.

The humorous reference to his rectifying his mistake of not being born in Canada—by becoming a Canadian,—quite appealed to all invoking a most hearty applause.

As usual, with the return to college after the summer "vac." we see the member of vacant expressions upon a certain portion of our fortunate or unfortunate companions. For the most part the registering for Michaelmas term was fairly punctual, although there were some who found it quite difficult explaining just "how" their delinquency happened and incidentally avoiding a fine of one dollar per diem. Through the kindness of a sympathetic principal this drastic measure was usually spared, though a firm note of warning was sounded for the future. The stragglers probably found it somewhat more trying to bring themselves to actually realize that the summer of '06 had indeed passed, but in ordinary instances about a week or at most two had the desired effect upon any who may have found summer attractions especially interesting.

As the men gradually arrange their rooms to their respective tastes, we see here and there a cushion or a crest worked upon some garments or a photograph. These all of course tell their own stories and possibly would help somewhat in explaining blankness we notice in the expressions of some.

On the whole, the summer just passed seems to have been a most pleasant one to all, and though it is always with regret that we realize the departure of summer, yet to return to one's Alma Mater, does indeed compensate a great deal this rather customary view of the end of summer.

There has been a most cordial feeling through out the arts building this term. All seem to work in perfect harmony and it is hoped this spirit may continue. It is indeed most encouraging to have the term begin with such general good will. With very little

thought there is no reason why this feeling should not continue and which does and will make, this Michaelmas term bright and cheerful for all.

We hear that "Jim" Williams has become quite settled in Old England and is kworking hard. He hopes to be out for next convocation. "Sapho" payed us a flying visit at begining of term. He has decided not to return to college this year, but will be (D.V.) among us again next Sept.

The extra baths for faculty and students are of course hailed with delight. It is a pleasure also to notice with what care the interior of building is being kept.

The Annual Freshman's Concert was held in the Common Room Monday October, 1st, and proved even a greater success than last year as some entirely new 'features' were introduced. Prominent on the platform were the Chairman and Master of Ceremonies, duly attended by Policemen. The Sacred Owl was in his place of honour.

The years '07 and '08 were attired as spirits whereat the verdant freshmen shivered.

The freshmen were solemnly ushered into the room and waited with beating hearts their doom.

The Chairman made a soul-stirring speech and then the programme proper was put on.

Baron von Stridsberg after some flutter over his accompaniment trolled out the midshipmite—he received some encouragement from the appreciative (?) audience and at the end seemed quite pleased with himself.

Next followed a recitation on stirring scenes and blazing passions—crack of the whip Lasca down by the Rio Grande. The decided weakness, not to say timidity of the man with Seven Hairs aroused the ire of the chairman who fairly blew the unfortunate reciter off his feet with a storm of indignant sarcasm.

The inimitable Von Coat-tails then tortured some instrument of the squealing tribe to the limit of endurance—one thought of night—cats—hustling boats—like the before mentionated animals this beast had nine lives and yielded up each one fighting to the last for breath. It was only adding insult to injury to tell as that it was a Gondo-la Song. "I am not angry" observed Mr. Pecksiuff "I am hurt."

The next number was an effusion from a callow youth called

Downey (the name is a miss-nomer it should be Boskey) what it lacked in poetic elegance it made up in realison of diction and the sweet throated nightingale soon had his audience enthralled.

(Enter from right, Principal and suite.)

Misther Pathrick Moorhead (who quite superfluously informs us that he comes from County Donegal) dealt at great length with a subject ever dear to the Celtic heart—the Ladies. The outlet his feelings took was in 'words of learned length and thundrous sound' which writhed around him like the snakes of the Luocovre and threatened to strangle him every moment.

The recitation following, given by Mr. Malben, closely resembled certain poems of Lewis Carroll's classics and under other different conditions would have been more appreciated.

At this point of the proceedings the venerable seniors were a little restless as the artists now were making their second attempts. Messrs. Snow and Clifford however varied proceedings a little by an exhibition of some sleight of hand tricks.

Messrs. Saunders, Sturley, Von Stridsburg, Snow and Downing each in his turn showed most promising traits of future artists upon stage of theatre or music hall.

Mr. Clifford and Sturley quite surprised the audience with an exhibition of Ju Jitsu antics. After this, as a fitting climax the freshmen produced a short play—Freshmen's Comedy Co.

This was indeed most amusing and "Pat" with his natural wit, showed himself quite at his best.

After the usual cheer for freshmen and other years the evening was wound up by singing of the National Anthemn. All then dispersed, most pleased by the efforts of the coming "sophs," and also satisfied that the Freshman Concert of '08 year, quite upheld the dignity of that revered custom.

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Divinity Notes.

Another term sees a number of new faces in the Shed and misses a corresponding number of the old who have left us to begin their work in the world. The Alma Mater bids her children farewell, or rather au revoir, and wishes them Godspeed. Among those who return to the Shed this year we especially welcome Mr. Sowerbutts whom we heartily congratulate on his fortunate recovery. He is now better than ever though he still makes a complaint. He feels that there is one thing missing in his life.

There is another cause for congratulation which though it comes rather late in the day is none the less sincere. The Convocation number is not to blame for the omission, for the happy fact was such a close secret that even the watchful MITRE staff knew nothing. They did not even guess. But now we hasten to congratulate Professor Dunn most heartily on his engagement to Miss Hunter of Bury St. Edmunds, England, who, by the way, was lately on the teaching staff of Compton College.

Our old friend and former editor the Rev. F. Plaskett who over a year ago left the College for Labrador has returned to civilization for a short time and paid us a visit last week. He seemed none the worse for his experience and just as cheerful as ever, entertaining us with interesting accounts of his work on the coast and gruesome tales of the dangers of komatik travel. He returns to Labrador for another year.

Renovations are the order of the day. Following the estimable lead of the Arts Building the Divinity Shed has also changed her skin and is now resplendent with shining floors and new washed walls. All thanks to whom thanks are due. She has also a more saintly aspect for when the visitor mounts the stairs in search of one of the inhabitants he finds the name of a saint printed in bold letters over every door. He need not hesitate to enter for he will not find one of the holy men of old but only modern students who have admiration for their example and aspire to copy them.

Our senior man this year is Mr. H. A. Harding, senior man of the University. We congratulate him and have every confidence in his ability to act in the position. We have already to thank him for a promiscuously generous supply of apples, which, considering

the rate at which they were consumed, lasted a wonderfully long time. We might suggest that the Divinity Shed is an excellent place for dumping surplus apples.

The number of students engaged in mission work during the summer vacation was up to the usual standard, very few of the members of the Divinity House not taking part.

A. M. Dunstan, B.A. for the first four weeks of the holidays was at the Church of the Advent, East Sherbrooke. The remainder of the time he was in charge of Shawinigan Falls. At both places his earnest straight forward preaching met with great success.

P. R. Roy, B.A. was at St. George's Church Winnipeg assisting the Rev. J. J. Roy B.A. his uncle. The Church has a Sunday School of six hundred and fifty children the largest Sunday School in the West. A mission was started at a store three miles away on the city limits with a Sunday School of twenty and a congregation of twenty-five. At the end of the summer when Mr. Roy left the Sunday School had increased to a hundred and the congregation to seventy-five. In this time a \$2000 church had been built and was opened on the last Sunday. All debts had been paid thanks to the very generous help of the S.P.C.K Society and to the liberality of the Winnipeg people. The congregation and Sunday School were not only comprised of Church of England people. There were included as well Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, Lutherans and Polish children representing the countries of England, Scotland, Ireland, the United States, Poland, Iceland, Sweden and Norway. The prospects of a strong church are very bright and an ordained clergyman is expected in the near future. The fertile soil shown by this rapid progress points the moral to the importance of sending workers there to gather in the harvest.

Mr. C. Sowerbutts after leaving the General Hospital Montreal, where he had undergone an operation for appendicitis, spent three weeks at Phillipsburg. From thence he went to Montreal to help the Rev. John Almond of Trinity Church. He then went to River de Loup where he took charge of the Rev. Thos. Blaylock's work.

His services there met with great success and, before leaving, the congregation presented him with a very nice testimonial at the station chapel.

Mr. W. S. Weary was at Sturgeon Falls in the Diocese of Algoma.

H. H. Corey, B.A. was in charge of the Parish of Canaan Vermont throughout the vacation. He also received a handsome testimonial on leaving.

A. T. Love, B.A. relieved the rector the Rev. C. E. S. Radcliffe B.C.L. of Camden East, Ontario, for five weeks. His services according to the Canadian Churchman were much appreciated.

Mr. O. G. Lewis was in charge of Johnville, Danville and Maple Grove.

Mr. W. G. Jones was at Picton and Wellington Village, P. E. County, Ontario.

Mr. H. W. Ievers relieved Mr. Sowerbutts at Brompton Falls until the departure of the Rev. E. A. W. King from Windsor Mills when he took charge of the whole mission until the arrival of the new incumbent the Rev. F. G. Vial from Fitch Bay.

(Special correspondent Oct. 1st.)

Some of our number will no doubt be surprised to hear that during the summer vacation a new religious order was founded.

This order follows neither modern fancies of mens' invention nor the practices of the Primitive Church but returns to the days before the Jewish High Priest, who wore breeches, in fact we might say it follows very closely the fig leaf days. The new order is called the O. N. T.

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Athletics.

With the commencement of another College year the student mind naturally turns to football and begins to speculate as to what men will uphold the honour of the old purple and white during the coming season. Nine of last year's team are still in the game, but there are four men in Bousfield, Adams, Williams and MacNaughton who will be hard to replace. "Bous," who had played right scrim for Bishop's for six years, was half a team in himself, and his absence will be especially felt. But the spirit in which everyone is going into the game more than makes up for any losses.

Last June "Gipe" Walters was unanimously elected captain, but at the beginning of this term he for various reasons had to resign and drop out of the game. Though this greatly weakens the half-line everybody has bucked up determined to make the season a success. "Reg" Hepburn, '07, was elected to fill the vacant captaincy. Under him hard, systematic work is the order of the day. A few simple rules for training have been laid down and are being strictly adhered to. The players realizing that in order to accomplish anything there has to be a certain amount of self-sacrifice have done everything possible in order to be in the best of trim.

Apart from those who have left, the line-up is greatly changed from last year. G. Hughes has moved from outside wing to quarter, where he is the right man in the right place. Hooper has changed from middle wing to left half, where he is playing a good game. DeLothinière, Wright, Thomson, Lawrence, C. Hughes, Downing, Scott and Clifford, are all candidates for the remaining five vacancies.

By the time these lines are in print the first match with McGill II in Montreal on October 13th will have been won or lost. But we have no hesitation in saying that Bishop's football team of 1906 will in every way be equal to that of former years. Even should the scores against it be large, there is no doubt but that it has gone into the game in the right spirit, in the spirit that sooner or later must spell success.

On Saturday, Sept. 29th, the College played a match with B.C.S. defeating the latter by 36-0.

At the annual meeting of the Bishop's University Amateur Ath-

letic Association, G. Hughes '08, and Robinson '08, were elected respectively hockey and cricket captains. They are both the most capable men in the College for the positions, and under them we feel sure that Bishop's will take a high place in these two important branches of athletics. Hughes is a coming player and his speedy dashes and deadly shooting will be the feature of the team this winter. In fact, with the present bunch of players we ought to reach a new high water mark in hockey. With Robinson as captain and a good number of batters and bowlers the cricket team also will be well above the average and ought to give a good account of itself.

We are glad to notice that Bishop's University Athletic Association is now an associate member of the recently constituted Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union. The object of the Union is the 'encouragement of systematic exercise and the supervision and control of all Canadian intercollegiate athletics.' At the present day when there is so little separation of amateur and professional it is especially necessary that our universities and colleges should strike out for themselves and set up a standard of their own. By the terms of the constitution all athletes under control of the Union must be strictly amateur, they must be *bona fide* students in regular attendance at the lectures of their university or school, and only by special permission of the Board of Reference, can anyone compete a succeeding year who in the preceding year of attendance failed to write on his final sessional examination.' Such a body can, and no doubt will make for a spirit of fair play and athletic purity in general.

Hard Earned Wages.

An old church in Belgium decided to repair its properties and employed an artist to touch up a large painting. Upon presenting his bill the committee in charge refused payment unless the details were specified, whereupon he presented the items as follows:

To correcting the Ten Commandments.....	\$5.12
Embellishing Pontius Pilate, and putting new ribbons on his bonnet.....	3.02
Putting new tail on the rooster of St. Peter and mending his comb.....	2.20

Repluming and gilding left wing of Guardian Angel.....	5.18
Washing the servant of the High Priest and putting carmine on his cheeks.....	5.02
Renewing Heaven and adjusting the stars and cleaning up the moon.....	7.14
Touching up Purgatory and restoring lost souls....	3.06
Brightening up the flames of hell, putting a new tail on the devil, mending his left hoof, and doing several odd jobs for the damned.....	7.14
Rebordering the robes of Herod and adjusting his wig.....	4.00
Taking the spots off the son of Tobias.....	1.30
Cleaning Balaam's ass and putting one shoe on him.....	1.70
Putting earrings in Sarah's ears.....	1.71
Putting a new stone in David's sling, enlarging the head of Goliath and extending Saul's legs.....	6.13
Decorating Noah's ark, and putting a head on Shem.....	3.31
Mending the shirt of the prodigal son and cleaning his ear.....	2.39

Total.....\$58.48

(The bill was paid.)

Exchanges.

As only one or two exchanges have come, this department will not be opened till the next issue. We hope that all Universities, Colleges, and other Institutions who have a paper will exchange with us.—ED.

The next issue of the MITRE will appear about Nov. 30th.

An eccentric old Scotch lady died. She left three executors—an Englishman, Irishman, and Scotchman. She left instructions that each executor must put £5 in her coffin. So on the day of the funeral, the Englishman put in a five pound note, the Irishman put in five sovereigns, but the Scotchman put in a cheque for £15 and took out the £10 as change.

To-day's story: According to "The Liverpool Daily Post," the following conversation took place recently between a magistrate and a prisoner.

"What were you doing at the time of your arrest?"

"I was waiting," replied the prisoner.

"Whom were you waiting for?"

"Nobody; I was just waiting."

"Well, then, what were you waiting for?" queried the magistrate.

"For my money," said the prisoner.

"Who from?"

"The man I was waiting for."

"What did the man owe it to you for?"

"For waiting," said the prisoner.

"One moment," said the magistrate; "just let my head stop spinning. Now, what is your trade?"

"I am a waiter," replied the prisoner!

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IN Memoriam.

It is sad to have to chronicle the death of Rt. Rev. W. B. Bond, LL.D., Archbishop of Montreal, Primate of all Canada and President of our University. After a life of ninety-one years, characterized by the terms "Duty" and "Perseverance," he was called to his rest on Oct 9th.

A memorial service was held in our chapel on the day of the funeral at the hour of burial, Rev. Prof. Dunn reading the Opening Sentences, Rev. Dr. Shreve the Lesson, and the Principal the concluding prayers. Rev. Dr. Parrock delivered a touching eulogy. The University was represented in the Cortège in Montreal by Rev. Dr. Allnatt and Mr. Chancellor Hamilton.

Lord all-pitying Jesus blest
Grant them thine eternal rest.

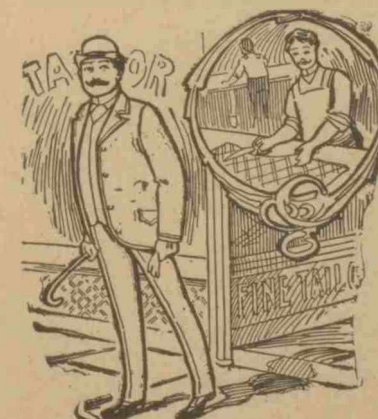
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