

College Chronicle



We were favored during the year by three very interesting and instructive lectures. It is impossible to overestimate the value of these in helping to relieve **the** tedium **of continued** study, and all the students are **desirous** of having similiar privileges accorded them soon again. Acomplete report of these lectures would make very interesting reading but the exigencies **of** space permit only a brief comment:—

FATHER FRASER'S LECTURE ON CHINA.

An account'of this lecture was inadvertently omitted from our last issue, though by no means from lack of appreciation. This well-known missionary's description of China and Chinese life and the recital of his experiences there, elicited the deepest interest. His lecture reversed all our ideas of Chinese civilization, and showed the folly of gauging it by our Oriental friends in the laundries and restaurants here. He said that the Chinese were an intelligent and spiritual people and emphasized the immediate need of missionaries to reap this vast harvest of souls. That his mission here may be productive of the most bountiful results is our sincere wish.

MR. J. J. HUGHES' LECTURE

Mr. Hughes preferred to call his lecture a heart-to-heart talk with the students, and this it certainly was. He gave them much wholesome advise, and not of the kind found in books but that acquired

in the school of experience. He urged the students to take advantage of the excellent opportunities afforded them to get a good sound education as it was very essential to success. He emphasized the code of ethics that should govern their conduct on leaving college, putting integrity and industry down as the two chief desiderata of a true gentleman.

Advice of this kind from a man like Mr. Hughes who has himself made a success of life, is invaluable to the students. It broadens their vision and makes the transition much easier from the quietude of college life to the conflict of the world.

PREMIER BELL'S LECTURE ON EGYPT.

We have no hesitation in saying that Mr. Bell's lecture, which he was kind enough to deliver before the student body a week or more ago, was one of the best we've ever, been privileged to hear, it combined both entertainment and instruction and must surely have aroused in every student 3 desire to know more of the wonders of Egypt.

He described the various types of the Eastern races he had met, the picturesqueness of their dress, their modes of living etc. His vividness of portrayal was such that it required but a slight trick of the imagination to view with him the whole panorama of Eastern civilization. He led the students in spirit to the great Pyramid of Gizeh, the ruins of Thebes, the City-of-a-Hundred-Gates, and many other places famous both in sacred and profane history.

The students were so delighted with this lecture that they are eagerly looking forward to another from Mr. Bell before the close of the college year.

MOCK PARLIAMENT.

Mock Parliament was an unqualified success this year and enthusiasm continued at its highest pitch throughout every sitting. The speech from the Throne forecasted some excellent legislation, and no doubt before Parliment prorogues most of it will become law. The debate on the Address was very lively and party feeling ran high, but the splendid spirit prevailing wouldn't permit it to be carried outside the House.

A bill entitled the "Soldiers' War Gratiuty Bill, is now being debated. It proposes to give all members of the C. E. F. who served four years in Canada, England, or an actual theatre of war \$2,000; those who served less to receive a proportionate amount. It is hoped that this bill will receive its third reading at the next sitting, as no doubt every soldier throughout Canada is anxiously awaiting the result.

The measure of success which Mock Parliament has met with this year will surely be an inspiration to the students next year to carry it on to even a greater success, as it's an organization that should receive the fullest commendation and support.

A great deal of credit is due the speaker Rev. James Murphy for the decorum with which the business of the House was carried on. The members who comprise Premier Callaghan's Cabinet with their respective portfolios are:—

P. Walsh, Finance; S. DesRoches, Interior; L. Nelligan, Militia and Defence; G. Monaghan, Railwaysand Canals; G. McCabe, Labour; R. O'Neill, 'Customs; H. O'Neill, Trade and Commerce; L. McDonald, Post master General; F. Cain, Agriculture;

L. Pouliot Public Works; L. Morin, Justice; P. Nelligan, Marine and Fisheries; Chas. Sirois, Inland Revenue. Ministers without portfolios:—W. McCabe, E. Clinton, J. Fay, L. Lachance, J. Gilbert and A. Sanschagrin. The leader of the opposition is P. B. Murphy.

CLASS OFFICERS

A meeting of the graduates was held on Feb. 1st., to elect the usual class officers. The election resulted as follows:—

President—Patrick B. Murphy Vice-President—Lucien Morin Valedictorian—Patrick Walsh Secretary-Treasurer—Gavan Monaghan Executive Committee—Geo. McCabe, J. Howard O'Neill and Patrick McQuaid.

ST. THOMAS ACQUINAS' DAY

Monday, March 8th., was observed according to custom by the Philosophers in honor of St. Thomas Acquinas. At 6.30 a. m. the Rev. Rector celebrated High Mass, a feature of which was the singing by a choir of Junior and Senior Philosophers under the direction of Mr. L. J. Pouliot.

The annual banquet which took place in the afternoon was a splendid success. The duties of toast master were capably discharged by Mr. Leo McDonald, while the replies to the toasts reflected great credit on this year's Philosophy class. Following was the Toast List:—

Magister Salutum Leo McDonald Pontifici ac regi

Diei Quam Celebramus ... Patricius Murphy Luci Nostrae, S. A. Lortie ... Ludovicus Callaghan Universitati Nostrae

Reverendus G. J. McLellan, D.D. Ph. D.

Fratribus Nostribus Franciscis ... Lucienus Morin Prelo ... Nobertus Hughes Sexui Pulcherrimo Gavanus Monaghan

DRAMATIC SOCIETY

We are glad to note that the Dramatic Society is funktionningagain this year as in previous years. A play is being rehearsed which will be presented in Summerside on Easter Monday night. It is expected that both in plot and presentation this play will surpass all previous efforts.

We wish to extend through "Red and White" our sincere sympathy to the following students on their sad losses sustained by deaths in the family circle:— Walter and Edward Burgess, Adolphus Gillis, Hugh McPhee and Peter McDougall.

NECROLOGY

It is with the deepest sorrow that we chronicly the death of Linus Croken, which occurred here on Tuesday, March 3. He was twenty years of ago and had been a student at St. Dunstan's since 1917 Linus was a young man of great industry an 8 ambition, while his kindliness and courtesy made him deservedly popular with all the students. It seems sad to think that he should have died at so early an age with the prospects of a very bright, Tuture before him, but such was the design of an all-wise Providence. The one great source of consolation to his bereaved relatives is that he died a beautiful death, not only fortified by the last rite of the Church but with his moral nature strengthen, ec by careful religious training and perfected by daily Communion. May his soul rest in peace.