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# CHANGES IN STAFF.

*July, 1912, to September 30th, 1913.*

## DEATH :

Prof. P. H. M. du Gillon, Professor of French Literature.

## RESIGNATIONS :

Prof. C. E. Vaughan, M.A., Professor of English Lang. and Lit. ; Prof. H. R. Procter, M.Sc., F.I.C., Professor of Applied Chemistry (Chemistry of Leather Manufacture); Prof. R. Beaumont, M.Sc., M.I.Mech.E., Professor of Textile Industries ; J. P. Lockwood, B.A., Lecturer in Law at Hull ; H. Littlewood, Clinical Lecturer in Surgery ; J. M. Hector, B.Sc., Lecturer in Agricultural Botany and Forestry ; R. Veitch Clark, M.A., B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Honorary Demonstrator in Public Health ; W. S. Edmonds, F.R.C.Sc.I, Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Physics ; F. J. Kean, B.Sc., Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Civil and Mechanical Engineering ; J. M. Thomson, Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Civil and Mechanical Engineering ; D. Bowen, F.G.S., M.I.M.E., Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Mining ; H. H. Gray, B.Sc., Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Coal Gas and Fuel Industries ; S.W. Daw, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S., Surgical Tutor ; Dr. W. H. Maxwell Telling, Clinical Sub-Dean of the Faculty of Medicine ; Miss E. J. Welsford, F.L.S., Laboratory Steward and Research Assistant in the Dept. of Botany ; Miss Minnie Hey, B.Sc., Research Assistant in the Dept. of Zoology ; C. D. Wilkinson, Demonstrator in Leather Industries ; Miss E. E. Leadlay, Assistant Instructress in Dairying.

## NEW APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS :

### (i.) *Arts.*

Prof. G. S. Gordon, M.A., as Professor of English Lang. and Lit. ; A. M. Woodward, M.A., as Assistant Lecturer in Classics and Ancient History ; Arthur Greenwood, B.Sc., as Lecturer in Economics ; Miss E. M. Blackburn, M.A., as Assistant Lecturer in Education.

### (ii.) *Science.*

J. M. Nuttall, B.Sc., as Demonstrator in Physics ; W. O. Redman King, B.A., as Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Zoology ; R. C. Knight, B.Sc., as Research Assistant in the Dept. of Botany ; Miss Jane E. Smith, B.Sc., as Research Assistant in the Dept. of Botany ; J. Jorgensen, as Research Assistant in the Dept. of Botany ; Miss Margery H. Briggs, B.Sc., as Research Assistant in the Dept. of Zoology.

### (iii.) *Technology.*

Prof. E. L. Hummel, B.Sc., as Professor of Mining ; D. B. Morgans, B.Sc., as Assistant Lecturer and

Demonstrator in Mining ; H. S. Rowell, A.R.C.Sc., B.Sc., as Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Civil and Mechanical Engineering ; S. H. Stelfox, B.Sc., A.M.Inst.C.E., as Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Civil and Mechanical Engineering ; Prof. E. Stiasny, Ph.D., as Professor of Applied Chemistry (Chemistry of Leather Manufacture) ; W. R. Atkin, M.Sc., as Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Leather Industries ; F. C. Thompson, M.Sc., as Research Assistant in the Dept. of Leather Industries ; H. J. Hodsmen, M.Sc., as Assistant Lecturer and Demonstrator in Coal Gas and Fuel Industries ; William Harrison, M.Sc., as Research Chemist in the Dept. of Coal Gas and Fuel Industries Dept., appointed to undertake Research in Ventilation ; Miss F. M. Barrett, as Museum Curator in the Dept. of Tinctorial Chemistry and Dyeing ; Prof. C. Crowther, M.A., Ph.D., as Professor of Agricultural Chemistry and Head of Research Institution in Animal Nutrition ; Harold W. Dudley, M.Sc., Ph.D., as Lecturer in Bio-Chemistry in connection with the Animal Nutrition Research Institution ; W. R. Crawford, as Live Stock Officer for Yorkshire, in connection with the Live Stock Improvement Scheme of the Board of Agriculture ; W. A. Millard, B.Sc., as Lecturer in Agricultural Botany ; E. Lee, A.R.C.Sc., as Assistant Lecturer in Agricultural Botany ; N. M. Comber, B.Sc., A.R.C.S., as Assistant Lecturer in Agricultural Chemistry ; J. W. Eves, as Assistant Instructor in Horticulture ; H. Marshall, as Assistant in connection with special investigation undertaken by the Agricultural Dept ; Miss C. Brooke, as Assistant Instructress in Dairying ; J. H. Hargraves, as Farm Assistant (Manor Farm) ; F. K. Jackson, N.D.A., as Director of the Flax Experiment Station (Selby).

### (iv.) *Medical.*

H. Collinson, M.B., M.S., F.R.C.S., as Clinical Sub-Dean of the Faculty of Medicine ; Dr. H. S. Raper, M.B., Ch.B., as Lecturer in Chemical Physiology ; A. L. Whitehead, M.B., B.S., as Lecturer in Ophthalmology ; Dr. C. W. Vining, as Clinical Lecturer in Medicine and Honorary Demonstrator in Pharmacology ; A. Richardson, M.B., B.Sc., as Surgical Tutor.

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THE Annual Report of the Union's work is published in this issue, and proves a fine testimonial to the energy of those responsible for its contents. Among other matters the Union has given definite attention to the questions of:—

The Constitution of the *Gryphon*.

The Telephone.

Colours.

The Library.

Sports Pavilion.

The constitution of the *Gryphon* has now been definitely settled and future Editors will know the exact conditions under which they will have to work. In choosing those members who are to sit on the *Gryphon* Committee we would urge upon the Union the necessity of making the *Gryphon* Committee as representative as possible of all departments.

In the matter of the Colours the Union has, we believe, taken the proper course, and the new system will undoubtedly encourage effort in athletics.

The University has long awaited some change in the Library regulations, and the present report shows that as a result of the Union's efforts several modifications have been made.

The question of reference and special reference books has been a sore point, and the Union's recommendations on the matter have been in the main accepted by the Senate. Books may now be taken out at 4 p.m. instead of at 5 p.m., and set books have been moved from the special to the ordinary reference list.

We hear for the first time also of a "recommendation book" in which books set apart as reference books and requiring revision should be entered. Only two audacious members of the University are said to have used it during the last six years. These men deserve our highest praise for discovering and making use of an institution which has been kept secret so admirably ever since. We hope that the recommendation book will be placed in a prominent position, and used by students in such a manner that it will form a guide to the Library authorities in the classification of books.

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Journals except current numbers can now be taken out as ordinary reference books, a boon for which all will be grateful. Already a notice has been put in the Library to the effect that the Honorary Librarian will attend from 10.30 to 10.45 a.m. to consider applications for taking out special and other reference books. This also will do much to make the Library more accessible to students and should tend to break down that unfriendly spirit existing between them and the Library. The proposals for ensuring silence will, we are sure, be met by an effort on the part of students to render the Library a convenient place for study.

There is one matter which, we regret, has not been included in the Sub-Committee's recommendations, that is the inefficient lighting of the Library. The lamps are of too small a candle power to be at all effective at the height at which they are hung, and provide a very poor light for those working at the tables or choosing books.

Sports Grounds having been acquired the Union has set itself to look into the provision of a Pavilion, and has given full executive powers to a Sub-Committee to deal with all matters concerning it. That things are moving is to be seen by that delightful picture of rustic elegance and the accompanying plan which graced the Hall Porter's window some week or so ago. On the whole the Union is to be congratulated on a good year's work and we think special thanks are due to the President and Secretary, for the untiring energy and devotion they have shown.

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The haunting melody of the violin and the deep note of the 'cello will not be heard this session in the Great Hall on Tuesday afternoons. All will regret that the end of these recitals has come, for they seemed to have become an integral part of the life of the University, and provided common meeting ground and common interest for all departments, and for the general public. The recitals took their place in that wider scheme of connecting the University and the city, represented also by the lectures in literary and artistic subjects. We cannot but express our intense satisfaction at the fact that these lectures and recitals will probably do more than anything else, to break down the notion that the University is an institution for breeding the narrow-minded specialist, and that they will help to raise the University to the position of the centre of intellectual effort and cultural influence in Leeds.

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The Sports have again fallen into the hands of the Technical Departments of the University. Congratulations to them for carrying off the trophies for three years in succession, and may the just feelings of shame arise in the Arts and Science men who allow such a thing to occur. What has happened to the Science and Arts Departments? Do their members really think that they represent the brain of the University, while the Technicals are its bone and muscle, or is it sheer unadulterated slackness? Four Arts men and one Medical leavened the general run (too many to count) of Leather students and Engineers what a proportion!

There should be no need whatever to urge upon these departments the necessity of supporting the Sports; preparation for exams. is a vain excuse, since the few hours spent in training cannot conceivably spoil one's chances of appearing on the lists. We sincerely hope they will make a better display next year.

We have been asked to express the appreciation of the staff for the inclusion of a Staff Race in the Sports Programme, and particularly for the contributions of students towards the Cup. Nothing, we are sure, could give greater pleasure to staff and students than to strengthen in this way the cordial relations existing between them.

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Mr. S. Cohen, to whom the *Gryphon* is indebted for its illustrations, will be glad to hear that his efforts are being framed and used as study decorations by some loyal members of the University. The person in the University who has not seen and appreciated Mr. Cohen's drawings for the *Gryphon*, does not in our opinion deserve to see them. Indeed, could we but manage it, we would withhold from him not only all future numbers of the *Gryphon*, but also the Art Supplement which we shall publish a week or so before Degree Day.

The Art Supplement of the drawings of Mr. S. Cohen will bear no resemblance to the *Gryphon* in shape or cover, for we promise something artistically worthy of the fine work it is to contain. The number of copies we intend to publish is not unlimited, and as we expect a large and ready sale, we would advise those who wish to make sure of obtaining a copy, to hand in their names and their sixpences to the Hall Porter without delay. Those who wait for Degree Day will in all probability wait in vain.

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We have great pleasure in announcing that the Pro-Chancellor has presented a magnificent cup for competition in the High Jump at the Inter-'Varsity Sports.

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Would-be poets and others are invited to provide new words for old University songs, and other words for appropriate non-University songs, and to place their efforts in the *Gryphon* Box.

Song sheets will, this year, be sold at 1d. per copy, but we would warn authors that they will receive no royalties.

Our deepest thanks are due to Mr. Thos. Williams for his invaluable assistance in the publication of this issue of the *Gryphon*.

### De (K)nuttis.

WHAT is a K-nut? This question has of late repeatedly presented itself to my enquiring mind, and, though everyone appears to use the appellation with the utmost assurance, I have been absolutely unable to obtain any two responses to the question, bearing any but the faintest resemblance to one another.

Perhaps the most flagrantly condemnatory and yet most delightfully encouraging of all was the reply of a Presbyterian minister to whom I addressed the question. "What! my dear young lady, have you really had the good fortune to avoid coming into contact with those most obnoxious and despicable of creatures? Ah! my friend, seek not to know



them—suffice it that they are the most monstrous product of twentieth century civilisation, full of all the vices to which the flesh is heir, inhuman in conduct ; perverters of youth, ridiculers of age and scoffers at religion ; drunken, blaspheming, licentious fops—yea, all this and more. But vex not your mind with such questions, rather store it with——” Yes, it was indeed a most fascinating tract—it must have been—even the baby literally devoured it. Of course, my natural curiosity was by now fully aroused. I absolutely must get to know such a man. Could anything really be more entrancing than a creature such as had been described. For at least a month my eyes were never bathed in sleep. I was continually picturing to myself a racy, devil-may-care sort of man, young, good looking, using an occasional Shavian expletive, and so completely outwitting the more aged and staid as to provoke such tirades as the above.

But alas ! of how brief duration the illusion was destined to be. Imagine my disappointment one morning when, wandering along College Road, I had a seedy-looking individual pointed out to me and was told that he was *trying* to be a k-nut. Only *trying*—Good heavens ! My heart sank within me as I thought what the perfect specimen might be. Words almost fail me. I have seen him many times since ; a tall, thin creature, slouching along stick in hand, pipe in mouth, head preceding feet by about a yard, wearing a long black and white check cap and coat to match, brown shoes and, of course, the indispensable spats. As for being good looking—but there the man couldn't help that, and I pity him. But at one fell swoop my hopes were shattered. That night I slept—a fevered sleep broken continually by horrible nightmares, in which I pictured myself at the altar saying the fateful words, not to the creature of my imagination, but to *this*.

Since then the cycle has been repeated time and time again. I was gazing one day into a shop window in Bond Street, admiring something really new and delightfully—well—provoking, when I heard those tantalizing words, “How k-nutty !” I looked hastily round, but the speakers had passed on. Not to be daunted, however, by such trifles, I frantically pursued them, eventually breathlessly hurling at them the eternal question, “What is a k-nut ?” They stared at me in mild surprise until I had told them of my fruitless quest. Then, with sparkling eyes, they told me and oh ! how my heart beat with joy—nay with ecstasy, as I listened. Yes, indeed, a k-nut was all I had dreamed—the aristocracy of manhood, always ahead of the fashion in matters of dress, with exquisite taste for shades in socks and ties, the darling of the *beau monde*, irresistible among the ladies—*enfin*—the summit of creation. And then, the next day, once more a rude awakening ; one more specimen pointed out—more nightmares, more apparitions, more tears until I am almost wishing I had followed the divine's advice and read his tract.

But *No* ! I will not give in. At any rate, I will make one last appeal. If there is a man in this University, and surely there must be one, who aspires to the glorious name of K-nut, I beg, pray, beseech him to make himself known to one who anxiously awaits his coming, in fact to

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#### STUDENTS' UNION, 1913-14. Annual Report.

THE present Secretary recognises his presumption in reporting on the work done by his predecessors, but the duty of writing this report is extremely pleasant. Tribute must be paid to the zeal of those members of the Union Committee who retired at the beginning of the second term, for they carried on their Union work in accordance with the best traditions and have since given their kindly advice and assistance.

The Session has been one of successful enterprise and the Committee has been fairly popular with the students. During the first term, the organisation of the *Gryphon* was discussed by a Sub-Committee made up of:—Professor Gillespie, Miss Leech, Messrs. Weeks, Coggill (*ex-officio*), Watherston, S. Cohen, and a representative from the Medical School. The following report was adopted by the Union Committee:—

- i. “That the *Gryphon* Committee shall consist of :  
The President and Hon. Sec. of the Union (*ex-officio*).

An Editor, who shall also act as Secretary.

A Treasurer.

A Staff representative

Three other members.

The above being appointed by the Union Committee.

Two members elected by the W.R.C.

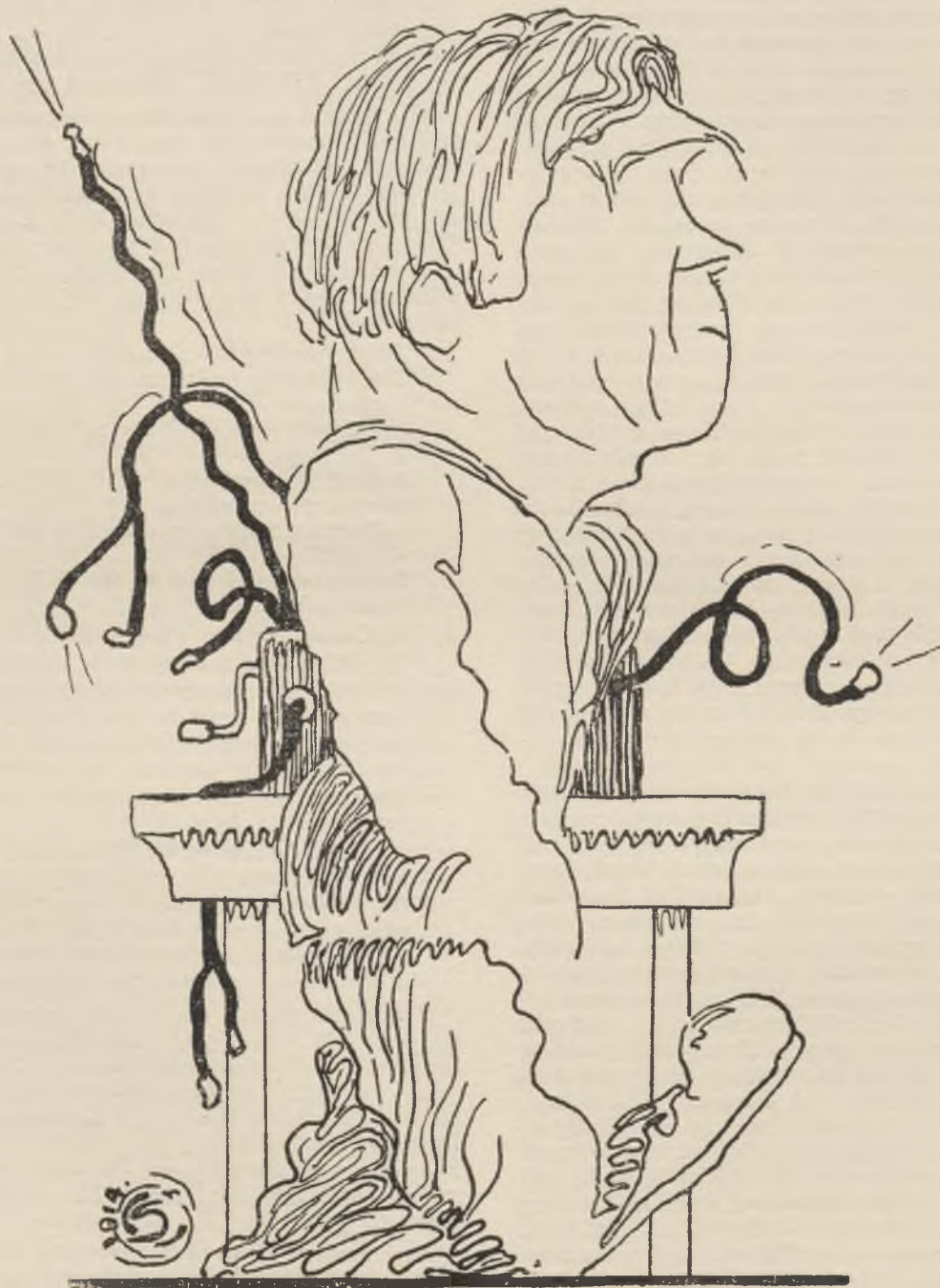
One member elected by the S.R.C.

- ii. The Committee as a whole shall be responsible to the Union for the issue of the *Gryphon*.
- iii. All business arrangements connected with the issue of the journal shall be in the hands of the Treasurer and no expenditure may be incurred by the Editor without the sanction of the Treasurer, subject to the approval of the Committee.
- iv. It shall be the duty of the Editor to collect material for the journal ; to make all arrangements for the publication of each number ; and before the publication of each number to call a meeting of the Committee at which the matter to be included in the forthcoming number shall be considered.”

Messrs. Beardmore and Briggs represented Leeds University at a meeting held at Manchester, and, in conjunction with the other Northern Universities it was decided that all Inter-'Varsity events shall take place at Manchester this year, at Leeds in 1915, and at Liverpool the following year. Messrs. Bagshaw and Beardmore, acting with the President (Mr. Weeks), skilfully organised the Dance, which realised a profit of about £7.

The first meeting of the second term decided that there should be a Pantomime night. Unfortunately this project fell through ; not owing to any lethargy on the part of those responsible, but rather to the fact that too many people had “supreme control” of the arrangements, coupled with the disorganisation due to retirements from the Union Committee. The following meeting thanked the Council for the new sports ground and discussed ways and means of obtaining the new pavilion.





Professor MOORMAN,  
(the Genius of the Dictaphone.)



The tenth meeting of the session received tenders for the repairs necessary to the Gymnasium, recognised the Chess Club and authorised it to buy four new sets of chess men. The following meeting considered whether the present arrangements in regard to the Union telephone could not be improved, but as any change would involve an additional expenditure of £4 per annum, the present *locus standi*, or rather, *locus exclamandi expostulandique* was retained. This meeting also authorised the establishment of the Union Diaries, of which more use ought to be made by Secretaries and others.

The following Sub-Committee was appointed to discuss changes necessary in the Rules of the Union: Professor Gillespie, Miss Dykes, Messrs. Beardmore and Webster (*ex-officio*), Shaw and Rylands. This Sub-Committee brought forward several suggestions which were all adopted at a subsequent General Meeting of the Union. The fourteenth meeting accepted reports prepared by the President and Secretary of the Union in regard to raising the Union Fee and decided to call a mass meeting of students before circulating forms of petition. The petition was entirely successful and about 80 per cent. of the students signed "for" and five students "against." It is interesting to note that Sheffield students are agitating for the same purpose. We wish them luck!

The following meeting enquired into the question of the half-colours which had been authorised by a general meeting of the Union, and it was decided that they should take the same form as those already settled for the Shooting Eight; the *Conversazione* balance sheet, which showed a profit of about £11 was passed, and Messrs. Broadbent and Pollock, who had organised the event under the supervision of Mr. Beardmore, were thanked for their kind services. The meeting also thanked Mrs. Schüddekopf for her untiring energy in rehearsing the Play.

An Address Book has been instituted in order to save trouble to future Dance and *Conversazione* Secretaries and it will be a pleasure to add any names and addresses which are handed in, with the object of issuing invitations for the next Dance, or *Conversazione*, or both, as is requested.

The following suggestions have been sent to the Library Committee, and their reply, which we publish with the kind permission of the Vice-Chancellor, follows.

"A Sub-Committee appointed by the Students' Union Committee to deal with certain complaints made by students with regard to the management of the Library wishes to make the following suggestions:

- i. That the Students' Union should be represented on the Library Committee.
- ii. That since many books are marked reference apparently for no reason the number of reference books might as the result of some sort of revision, be largely decreased.
- iii. That it might be made possible for students to take out reference books at 4.30 p.m. instead of 5.0 p.m. as at present, and from Friday till Monday, instead of from Saturday till Monday, as at present.

- iv. That set books should be made ordinary reference books, not special reference books as at present.
- v. That it should be possible for scientific and other journals to be borrowed at any time according to the rules laid down for ordinary books.
- vi. That special reference books should be revised, as many seem to be special reference which might be made ordinary reference books.
- vii. That the Library should be kept at a fixed temperature so far as possible. That this might be done by placing thermometers in the room and requesting the attendants to attend to the necessary ventilation.
- viii. That the noise made by the radiators might be remedied and the noise made by the moving of chairs might be averted by fixing "Domes of Silence" to their feet."

"The Library Committee considered various suggestions contained in a letter from the Secretary of the Students' Union, and the following resolutions were agreed upon:—

- ii. That a revision of reference books should be made at frequent intervals, and that students should be reminded of the "recommendation book," in which books set apart as reference books and requiring revision may be entered. Further, that any book of reference (special or otherwise) may be taken out with the sanction of the Honorary Librarian, who proposes to attend the Library daily from 10.30 to 10.45 a.m.
- iii. That books may be taken out on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 12.30 p.m. and on other days at 4 p.m.
- iv. That set books should be made ordinary reference books, not special reference books as at present.
- v. That all journals should be made reference books, and that unbound numbers of journals, excepting the current numbers, must, before being taken out, be placed in reading cases.
- vi. That estimates be obtained of the cost of laying down round the tables broad strips of linoleum or thick cork carpets with a view to deadening the noise in the Library, and that a notice "please close the door quietly" be placed on the entrance door."

It is not possible to give the reply to suggestion (i.) because the matter is still *sub judice*, not having yet been considered by the Union Committee. It has been pointed out that the Recommendation Book has only been used by students twice in six years. We hope that in future students will not regard the Library in a hostile spirit but will do their best to ensure silence by moving quietly and by not indulging in "dictionary parties"; it must also be realised that there are obvious difficulties in the way of the Library Committee at present, notably lack of room.

The women have been granted the right of sending a representative to Committee Meetings of the Swimming Club. Some change is to be made in the entertainments held on and about Degree Day, possibly some sort of a garden party will be held on the Saturday afternoon with a musical evening to follow—with the view of affording old students some better hospitality and entertainment after the Degree ceremonies.



The Union Committee have given to a Sub-Committee consisting of: Misses Leech, Thistlethwaite, Messrs. Beardmore and Webster (*ex-officio*), Bagshaw, Berry, Briggs, Foxton and Garrard, full executive powers in dealing with all matters which concern the new Pavilion and Miss Thistlethwaite and Mr. Beardmore (*ex-officio*), represent this Sub-Committee at meetings of a similar Sub-Committee of the University Council. Messrs. Webster and Williams have been appointed Editors of the Freshers' Handbook for 1914-1915, and will be pleased to receive articles from Secretaries as soon as possible.

The Sports were held on May 5th and the gods favoured us in the matter of the weather for the second year in succession. Messrs. Bagshaw and Briggs had charge of the arrangements and the meeting was successful in every respect.

Two General Meetings and one Mass Meeting of the Union have been held; the former were only sparsely attended, but the latter practically filled the Great Hall. Representatives have been sent to the following Dances: Sheffield University, Manchester University, University College, Nottingham, and Huddersfield Technical School.

Union Societies have had a successful year. The Chess Club and Fives Club have been resuscitated from a state of torpor to a vigorous existence once more. A word of congratulation must also be given to the Women's Hockey Club, which has been extremely successful.

The Union Committee, men and women, have stuck grimly to their arduous task, and have attended a number of meetings which is easily a record in recent years. The table of attendances is very creditable:—

<i>Maximum 17.</i>			
Mr. Bagshaw ..	13	Mr. S. Cohen ..	14
Mr. Beardmore ..	15	Mr. Garrard ..	12
Mr. Berry ..	13	Mr. Pollock ..	16
Mr. Briggs ..	14	Mr. Shaw ..	15
Mr. Weeks, 10.			
<i>Maximum 16.</i>			
Professor Connal..	8	Professor Gillespie	11
Miss Dykes ..	13	Miss Leech ..	15
Miss Thistlethwaite, 16			
<i>Maximum 15.</i>			
Mr. Wahab ..	15	Mr. Williams ..	15
<i>Maximum 11</i>			
Mr. Foxton ..	1	Mr. Ludolf ..	1
Mr. H. R. Knowles	—	Mr. Parker ..	—
Mr. Leake ..	3	Mr. Robinson ..	1
Mr. Sykes, —			
<i>Maximum 8.</i>			
Mr. Craven ..	8	Mr. Webster ..	8

The staff representatives have given us their valuable advice on many occasions and have restrained our youthful ardour when we seemed likely to break through tradition. Special thanks must be given to Professor Connal who has been Hon. Treasurer for more years than he likes us to record; he is never more happy than when dealing with accounts and seems to regard every item he saves as a personal triumph. The attendance of medical representatives

has left much to be desired; this being no doubt due to the inconvenient time at which we are compelled to hold our meetings.

Many of us have burned "midnight oil" more than once and many conferences have been held at "Beardmore's digs," especially when dealing with the question of the Union Fee; but now that it is over, we all feel that the work has been an honour and a reward in itself, and the Committee will feel amply recompensed if the social and athletic welfare of future students has been thereby improved.

F.W.

### The Latest.

COPIES of the following books have been received, and will be reviewed in due course:—

- "Music and the Dinner," or, "I Didn't Want to Do It," by Prof. C-nn-l.
- "Face Adornment," or, "Moustaches While You Wait," by A. M. A. W-h-b.
- "The Spring Chicken," or, "How to Rule the Roost," by G. T. B--rdm-r.
- "The Art of Talking," or, "How to Employ Odd Hours," by H. E. L. W-lk-r.
- "Romanticism and Dress," or, "The Byronic Collar," by Miss E. Is--cs.
- "The Glad Ankle," or, "What Ho! Socktime," by R. C. Gr--m.
- "Emigration," or, "Where to Spend Summer," by Miss H. W--dc-ck.
- "The Private Secretary," or, "There's nothing like Work," by F. W-bst-r.
- "Secret Signs," or, "Under Two Flags," by E. H. Cr-ft and F. L. S-ym--r-J-n-s.
- "The Eagle Eye," or "What I have seen," by Miss R-b-rt-s-n.
- "How to Pass Exams.," Author urgently wanted.

PINNIRAFUS.

### Professor MOORMAN.

#### An Interview.

FORTUNE frowned, the *Gryphon* commanded, the slave must obey. Beads of perspiration stood on my brow, my knees knocked—as they generally do. For to find this elusive sprite, to interview him even for one moment was a task requiring the experience of one more ingenious than I, the patience of a porch-haunter, the self-control of those patrons of the top tennis court. I sought him in the Seminar, I sought him in the Library; with true inspiration I 'dipped' into the Cloakroom and gazed at his bicycle—but he was not there. At length in despair, I mounted the staircase to the celestial regions, the abode of the gods: and knocked at No. III. 'Twas then Fortune warmed, she smiled, she beamed expansively—like himself. "Hai!" I entered. But my satisfaction was short-lived; my eye glasses took warning and fell to the floor, my heart followed after. For what nightingale saluted my enchanted ear? Notes of harmony, the usual lusty warble asking after my health and my essay? No, it was not that. It was a strange rumbling, dear reader, a strange



rumbling filled with shrieks and groans and words I dare not describe: Pandemonium broke loose, or Mr. Sh-w learning to sing. Yet I was brave, I did not flee. In haste I picked up my heart and my glasses. I gazed. I saw—but there! I shall not tell you. Neither myself nor Shakespeare could do it. A grey coat, velours hat; a box; yards of tubing and a bit of string; exam. books; Sweet's Reader and a gramophone combined. Imagine it all! Arcadia in Leeds! And *nearly* like a shepherd's, a lusty voice growled out:

"Wi Bill Brewer, Jan Stewer, Peter Gurney,  
Peter Davey,  
Old uncle Tom Cobleigh an' all,  
Old uncle Tom Cobleigh an' all."

A gurgle and a hand reassured me; and a new voice equally manly, equally expressive, yet less terrifying rang out: "Hai! Good *morning* Mr. T," (the velours hat ducked gracefully), "good *morning*. And did you spend a pleasant holiday and is your Dissertation finished?" Having no wish to pursue such an interesting topic, I deftly turned the conversation, and smilingly informed this popular Professor that the *Gryphon* had a mind to honour him with a portrait and an interview.

"Oh *really!* Well *now*, the feeling is reciprocal. I *really* don't mind. *There* now! How *shall* I sit? Shall it be pose, half pose, nazal influence or compensatory lengthening? Hai! Hai! Hai!" (This by the way is a feeble attempt to spell phonetically that laugh of his). I perceived my 'egregious blunder,' and quickly informed him that I had not come to disfigure his person, but merely to probe the secrets of his past existence. "Oh *really!* Is that all? Never mind. Now I *wonder* how I can help you! *Really*, I don't know. You want something interesting, I suppose? In *that* case, my work, play, phonetics, Herrick, Browne and hockey are *all* at your service." But my time was limited and I suggested it could hardly be amiss if the learned Professor would briefly explain the Wagnerian fanfare that greeted my arrival.

"Oh! you don't know even *that*? Well, *really*, Mr. T., I *must* deplore such ignorance. We *must* get on faster. Come! *do* prepare your work. This" (dramatically pointing to the box) "if you would *really* know, is the boon companion of my wanderings. He knows every inn, village and pier in the North of England. *Do* let me introduce you. Mr. T.—Dictaphone, our coming historian. For I shall make records of every dialect—students' table talk and other curiosities of speech included. Hai! Only *then* shall we comprehend the vast importance of Cynewulf's signature and Back Vowel Mutation."

"You are interested in dialect?"

"Oh! It follows me about as affectionately as my Sweet's Reader—or my bicycle, hai! hai! *Really*, I *do* feel it is our coming tongue." "Yes," (he murmured reflectively), "it has *certainly* a future behind it. And if students could only grasp its real importance, they would *never* address me as an inhabitant of Salt Lake City. Pray let me add that *my* name can be traced back to folk-lore. For the pride of his line, my great ancestor Moorremanne, is the villain in our Devonshire ballads, hai! hai!"

"By the way, alluding to family trees, have you ever thought of the derivation of that word. No? Well its simplicity itself. Now let me see—yes—no—ah—I'm sorry—I thought—wait a bit—no—yes—yes—I was alright. It's from the Latin "trucidare," "to kill," "knock down," "fell." You see the connection with trees immediately. The first two consonants of both words make the whole thing perfectly plain. As for the vowels you will know how rapacious consonants will often hound some poor vowel from one end of the word to the other, and through every tongue known to Europe, leaving it eventually tired and palpitating in a sound like the tearing of oilcloth. Even my dictaphone *does* lead *me* also into embarrassing situations at times. Yet I do not erase its deep impressions. The language is sublime, noble, and honest English. But, for that reason, it will never recommend itself to gentlemen. *Really* I feel most *strongly* on this point. I have given this question my *deepest* consideration, and *really*, after most *careful* meditation, I have come to the conclusion that Bernard Shaw is not *quite* so good as Shakespeare; though his latest play has proved a certain *folk* element in his mind and art. Pray let me illustrate my point, and *do* stop me if you cannot follow. What *could* be more lovely than these few simple lines?—in which, by the way, I have discovered traces of the Delphian Oracle and Milla-mant's criticism. And *really*, for my *own* part, I *do* feel that they have a true Shakespearian r-r-ring about them."

And without stopping for breath, he repeated with flashing eyes and most martial expression those "few simple lines":—

"It's Whether Will ye be a Rank Robber's wife,  
Eh — vow — — bonnie,  
Or will ye die by—my—wee—pen—knife  
On the Bonnie Banks o' Fordie.'"

"He's taken out his—wee—pen—knife . . ." But it was too much. The Professor became too realistic. With knife in hand he took one step forward, the old Moorremanne gleaming from his eyes. I bolted and not even the *Gryphon* could compel me to face that ordeal again.

TWEEDLEDUM AND TWEEDLEDEE.

## The Kröniklöv Lidzūnahvāh Sity.

Being the record of Rōtenkrōh Nýklah, the scribe, recently discovered near Poodsāh.

1. . . . concerning the *yunēh unkomyti*, which dwelt in the house of *Babl-on*.
2. the Council by the people elected to govern them in *Lidzūnahvāh Sity*.
3. And their ruler was *Ghordunti Birdmer*,
4. the ruler of rulers,
5. who dwelt in the *lhándovsmelz*, where they make *lethur*,
6. where *hāidzānskinz* are put into *laimbitz*.
7. whence there arises a *tērubulodur*,
8. like to the scent of a *tuwīksäldeg*, sold in the *mháhkkitz*,
9. and he was the *yunēh unlidah*.



10. Next to him sat *Ouebstáh*, the writer on paper, the painter on papyri, which adorn the *grimouálz* of the *koridorz*.
11. These, with the others who were of the *yunéh unkomyti*, in the *sékundérm*, did call an assembly of the people together,
12. in the *gréhtiál*.
13. And there flocked the people innumerable,
14. maidens fairer than those on *Wodouzmur átnitz*,
15. men of learning and men who played *rughir*.
16. And at the door of the *Ehntráanzál* stood some *éftiphok* who turned all the people to the assembly,
17. for some would fain have *gonankutit*.
18. . . . spoke *Birdmer* . . . .
19. *yunéh unfih* should be greated . . . .
20. . . . *Ouebstáh* did bring forth a roll on which were many figures which to the people he read.
21. And *uthérszpok*, and the people *shoutedphorjoi*.
22. Then dismissed they the assembly,
23. and did bring round *pitishunz*, whereon the people should *méhkthermáhkz*.
24. And some would not, whereat the bearers thereof did wax angry, crying . . . . (here follow several *cursive* characters entirely unknown to the translator).
25. . . . *pitishun* was borne to the *prophazorzinsénut*, the overlords of the *yunéh unkomyti* and of the people,
26. and from there to the *kounzél*, where sit the *biggunz* . . . . (this represents all found so far. The translator hopes shortly to locate the rest of the manuscript).

CYFIAWNDER.

### "The Girl from over the Way."

[With grovelling apologies to Alfred.]

I come from haunts of hobble skirt,  
 I make a sudden sally,  
 And out across the road I spurt  
 To hurtle down the alley.

With many a care my mind I fret  
 To meet some fool or fellow,  
 And many a twinkling glad-eye set  
 Upon them as they follow.

And draw them all along and so  
 To join the surging river  
 Of chattering females as they go  
 To lectures whatsoever.

I wind about and in and out,  
 And haste lest I be late,  
 And have to face the lusty shout  
 Of Lecturer irate.

Of Welton's awful glare I think,  
 As opening wide the door.  
 I know 'tis and want to sink  
 And drop right through the floor.

From Anglo-Saxon nouns I plot  
 Pronouns to extricate,  
 And, oh may I forget me not  
 Those verbs re-duplicate !

I skip and slide, and trip and stride,  
 Nor loiter down the alley,  
 And at the corners oft collide,  
 And make another sally.

I chatter, chatter as I go,  
 And cease to chatter never.  
 For men may come and men may go  
 But I talk on for ever.

### Our Annual Spurts.

As is usual on such occasions, the sporting men have been training for the last six months, in fact I heard a rumour that several men have been continually training for two or three years (they live out of Leeds). This year we have had a special trainer from the Zoo in London. He has been very useful.

The training has been done at about 6 o'clock every day (evening, not morning as you would think). Quite a large number of men trained regularly, there being two or three on the ground every evening (in more senses than one). I noticed, strange to say, that most of them could do the quarter in much less time on their motor bikes than on foot, but I suppose the M.B.'s will not have an earthly on the day. I took special notice of one man—100 lbs. in 5½ seconds. Of course, going like that in the trials can only have one sequel—I don't expect to see him "on the night" lest he has run the hundred before.

As I betook me to my lunch yesterday, I was greeted with what I at first took to be a rehearsal of some cinema artistes, but which proved to be more training for the Sports. Several men, scantily clad, arraying themselves alongside of a long piece of string. The ladies rush to the doors and windows of the Refectory to see the fray. And what a struggle. There are about (I believe exactly) eight men on one side (and what men!) and 20 or 30 on the other side. It now begins to dawn upon my very slow imagination what is about to happen. One old veteran takes the middle of the string in both his hands, and after uttering strange but inaudible curses, leaves the slaves to it. What flying of dust and grass. They seem to all stiffen out like jelly fish, go red in the face, and generally show signs of great mental distress at the same time. But why do they rest so long? They stand frowning at each other, and never move an inch, and we know, that as there is no motion, no work is being done, so on comes our veteran, and with more curses and altercations, the human snake moves. First an inch this way, then an inch that, but they do not seem as if they are ever going to break the string. I suggested cutting it, but they scoffed at the idea—fancy cutting a piece of string about an inch in diameter when they can pull it in two. Somehow, I missed the next few seconds, but what I saw when I did look was worth all the seconds missed. 70 odd men, rolling on the ground as though in mortal agony, but they seemed to come up none the worse. Happily, I was not near enough to hear what they said to each other. I might have been shocked. In another part of the ground I notice a similar sight, but the victims do not seem to know that the string is tied to a substantial post, and does not move at all.



At last the memorable day arrived. A powerful moon cast a gloomy light over the city, the trees twittered and the birds were in full bloom. I betook myself to the arena in a passing ambulance and arrived about two minutes before the advertised time for the first round. The band of the 1st Goldcoast Blasters discoursed sweet music, and I was enthralled.

The ladies! Oh, what dreams! No more will I go to Paris to get the latest fashions. I do not think the ladies ought to be allowed at these functions. However can a mere man watch other mere men chase each other across a field when there are all these fair damsels to distract one's attention? Now for the events.

The first was the Egg and Spoon Race. In this I was disappointed—they were pot eggs. A Buff Orpington won in a canter, his time being  $3\frac{1}{2}$  minutes. He was quite done!

The next event was the Mile. A fine race. Out of the four men who started, only seven finished. The time was  $12\frac{3}{4}$  seconds. I may say that the results were made known to the spectators by a huge man (and rosette) making certain hieroglyphical signs on a black board. The man who won this race was the first past the tape.

Then came the High Jump. The idea in this event is to spring into the air and remain there as long as possible. One man stayed up for 6, but was caught out on the rebound. He was disqualified. A notable feature in this event was the ease with which one of the competitors jumped. On the Q.T., I really think he was on a wire supported by sky hooks, but it might be a libel—so, mum! The highest jump was 9 ft. 14 ins. One of the competitors tried to get his own back from one of the judges by attempting to put his spiked shoe in his, the judge's, ear.

Then came the shutting the pot. This is not a race. A large circle is drawn on the grass and cannon balls suspended by a string from a sky hook (you will notice the frequent use of sky hooks). The competitors stand round the circle, the ball is set in motion, and the first man to get a piece out of the ball with his teeth is taken away on a shutter. It reminded me of bob apple. The band played a funeral dirge during this event, but it was too much for the competitors, so a steward had to go and give the conductor a penny to go in the next street.

The Staff race—enter ye olde veterans! Fine fellows all. A staff was not sufficient support for some of them, so they were allowed crutches. Four of the competitors were wheeled on in bath chairs. The starter thought he might liven things up a little by putting a charge of shot in the starting iron and did so with very effective results. They might have been schoolboys again. The distance was 100 ft. The handicap was a yard start for each year over 55. The H.P. had 26 yards start, and as he is a little deaf, and did not hear the pistol, he started when the others passed him. Needless to say, he had not a cat's chance. The St. John Ambulance men were very useful, having to try Laborde's, Schäfer's and several other systems of artificial respiration to save our old friends—no lives were lost.

I made long and earnest enquiries for my friend of the training field, but could not find him. I hear he has a measles—he has my (I am sure our) sympathy—he would have done well, because I had all my money on him.

The Tug-of-War was very exciting, but they did not break the string. Somehow, it was a more serious performance than when I first saw it, and not nearly so funny. There were about six pulls, but I do not see why they could not have a long string and all pull at the same time, but I suppose they know best. Unfortunately, there were no trees or posts to tie the rope to this time, hence the string did move—I saw it. I waited no more, for the alarm clock inside my person pressingly suggested tea—hence my exit.

For descriptions of the three-legged race, blind racing, wheelbarrow and other classical events, see other columns in this journal.

REUTER.

### The Match of the Season.

The best laid schemes of mice and men, etc.  
It is whispered that these words of his brother Scot form a favourite quotation of Reginald McK.  
Robbie Burns, however, sang the praise of woman as the *bosom* friend of man.  
One might imply therefore, that he was anti-suffragette and would support the Cat and Mouse Act.  
It is needless to say that the aforementioned Act aims fundamentally at "keeping woman in her place."  
Reginald M. wants woman in the home.  
Robert B. praised her who made the bed.  
This is the sole point of similarity between the two Scots—one a man, the other, head of a Government Department.  
What connection has the foregoing to the Staff v. Students' Match, you ask?  
Nothing whatever.  
Our poor distracted Editor can find none to help for love of *Alma Mater*.  
Shame that he has to pay a penny-a-line for this pygmalion rot!  
Please write a "not too serious" account of *the* match, says he!  
Wonderful diplomat!  
Why?  
The first move in the diabolical plot to kill off the staff has failed.  
"Not too serious," forsooth!  
The staff nobly responded to the call to arms.  
Headed by the irrepressible Perkins—the bare-legged one of the foe will endorse this—they took the field.  
The halt and blind, the crocks and cripples followed in his wake.  
Garbed in wondrous apparel which failed to hide embonpoint or lack of it, they marched forth as innocents to the slaughter.  
Their foes clothed them.  
Not, one fears, because of scriptural injunction to clothe the naked.  
'Twas only to temper the wind to the shorn lambs.



Yet Zeus was merciful.  
 He fanned the heated brow and cooled the boiling  
 blood.  
 He gave excuse for misdirected punts, and kicks at  
 all too empty nothingness.  
 Everything else conspired against them.  
 The last line of defenders was often heard to exclaim,  
 "God save us from our friends!"  
 All praise, therefore, to their doughty deeds—and  
 well shod feet.  
 Their citadel remained intact during the first stage  
 of the battle.  
 One quasi act of grace needs must be told.  
 Fruit was at hand when vinegar was feared.  
 The fruit was drugged to ease the pain of death.  
 Cramp seized the legs and arms—but not the tongues!  
 Some bit the dust, but biting rose again.  
 Twice only did the gates give way before the Heralds  
 (capital H, please!) signalled stop.  
 The wives and loved ones took their Masters (capital  
 M please!) home and nursed them well.  
 So well that ere the sun was down again, all lives were  
 safe, and only aches remained.  
 For many days was pain to laugh and pain to weep.  
 But he laughs best who has the final laugh.  
 The struggle is not over yet; Degree Day comes  
 apace.  
 Soon the cherubic one—enthroned aloft beyond the  
 moat and safe from harm—will whisper forth his  
 fateful news.  
 'Tis rumoured that the Staff will then arise and fight  
 again.  
 This time as flannelled fools!      AUBERON QUIN.

### Suffrage Debate.

#### Working Men's Club: May 1st.

THIS debate was arranged some time ago as the joint affair of both parties. It was primarily intended to give the Club people a proper opportunity of hearing both sides of a very important question. However, out of an audience of about 200, perhaps 40 belonged to the Club. The rest, about a dozen of whom belonged to this most enthusiastic University, had already formed their opinions in a very decided manner.

I will not give any account of the intricacies of the logical discourses, delivered by the leading speakers; they can be found in the *Yorkshire Post* of Saturday last (May 2nd).

Miss Ford [pro.], whose arguments seemed to me, a temporarily impartial hearer, very sensible and clear, avoided all the hackneyed arguments which usually come upon these occasions, and she was listened to in silence even by the Anti's.

When Mrs. Gladstone-Solomon rose, she was immediately hailed with abusive shouts, although it was understood that the supporters of the motion styled themselves "non-militant."

There was a very large majority of Suffragists—Suffragettes they really were—and they gave on the whole a very fine display of bad taste and worse manners. But, in spite of her hard task, Mrs. Gladstone-Solomon made a very human and just case for the Anti's.

The general discussion was quite amusing, and it came mostly from the Suffragists.

As far as I could hear, no one but the two leading speakers spoke any sense at all. Suffragists were much grieved that no vote was taken; indeed, one fellow went out exclaiming: "It's always the same at these Anti Meetings." Poor fellow, he should have enquired first whether it wasn't a joint meeting. I believe the total effect of it all on the members of the club was a muddle of ideas and disgust at the behaviour of the Suffragists [ettes].

### The Annual Sports.

THE Annual Sports were held on Tuesday, May 5th. The weather was cold and windy, but in spite of this there was a good attendance. All the events were run to schedule time, and I am sure we can all say that we had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

The Band of the 1st West Riding Brigade of the Royal Field Artillery added to the afternoon's enjoyment.

#### Results:—

*100 Yards Scratch Race.*—The following qualified for the final heat: R. Briggs, Engineers; H. F. Walker, Engineers; T. F. Webster, Engineers; F. F. Dutton, Engineers; J. H. Frank, Medical; N. E. Siderfin, Leather. *Final Heat*—1, Walker; 2, Frank; 3, Briggs. A pretty race was won by a foot, with about the same distance between the second and third.

*120 Yards Hurdle Race (Scratch).*—The following qualified for the final heat: G. T. Beardmore, Leather; W. S. Wigham, Arts; T. F. Webster, Engineers; W. E. Barnes, Arts. *Final Heat*—1, Webster; 2, Beardmore; 3, Wigham. Won by a yard and a half; five yards between the second and third.

*Long Jump.*—1, W. E. Barnes, Arts (17 ft. 11 in.); 2, Lutfi Aly, Leather (17 ft. 9½ in.); 3, H. F. Walker, Engineers (17 ft. 2 in.).

*Putting the Weight.*—1, Lutfi Aly, Leather (32 ft. 3 in.); 2, G. T. Beardmore, Leather (28 ft. 11½ in.); 3, S. M. Saba, Engineers (27 ft. 4½ in.).

*Tug of War.*—Leather beat Engineers "B" by two pulls to none; Engineers "A" beat Textiles by two pulls to none. *Final.*—Engineers "A" beat Leather by two pulls to none.

*1 Mile Scratch Race.*—1, W. S. Wigham, Arts; 2, M. Moore, Law; 3, R. G. Dobson, Engineers. Won by fifteen yards; five yards divided the second and third.

*220 Yards Handicap.*—1, J. R. Bellerby, Arts, 3 yards start; 2, F. F. Dutton, Engineers, 8; 3, J. Gordon, Leather, 8. Won by six yards, about half which distance separated the second and third.

*Quarter-Mile Scratch Race.*—1, R. Briggs, Engineers; 2, T. F. Webster, Engineers; 3, H. F. Walker, Engineers. Won by about ten yards; three yards divided the second and third.

*High Jump.*—1, R. G. Dobson, Engineers (5 ft. 0½ in.); 2, W. S. Wigham, Arts (4 ft. 10 in.); 3, M. H. Webster, Arts (4 ft. 8 in.).

*Half-Mile Handicap.*—1, J. H. Frank, Medical, 10 yards start; 2, R. G. Dobson, Engineers, scratch; 3, M. Moore, Law, 15. Won by a couple of yards; fifteen yards separated the second and third.

*100 Yards Staff Race (handicap).*—1, L. E. de St. Paër; 2, W. R. Atkin; 3, H. S. Rowell. Won by a yard; half a yard between the second and third.

*Half-Mile Relay Team Race* (teams of four, each man running 220 yards).—1, Engineers; 2, Leather "A" team. Won easily.

Mrs. Sadler was kind enough to present the prizes, and the President, after congratulating Mr. W. S. Wigham for winning the Championship Cup and the Engineers for again winning both the Inter-departmental Championship Cup and Tug-of-War



Shield and also winning the Association Football Cup, presented Mrs. Sadler with a fine bouquet of pink roses and lilies of the valley.

I am sure we must all regret the absence of Mr. Bagshaw who after working so hard both at training and secretarial work should have been taken ill the day before the Sports.

We must all thank Mrs. Sadler, the umpires, judges and officials who so ably gave us their help in organising such a successful meeting.

#### Leeds and District Branch of the Classical Association.

THE new Leeds and District Branch of the Classical Association held its first meeting, in the University of Leeds, on Saturday, March 14th. There was a large attendance of members, many of whom had made long journeys in order to be present. The inaugural address was delivered by Professor R. S. Conway. The subject, *Horace as Poet Laureate*, was happily chosen and admirably treated.

The Branch starts with as many as 144 members. Of these, 44 belong to the Branch alone. The remaining 100 belong to both the Branch and the Parent Association. The full roll of 144 contains men (104) and women (40), young people (including many past or present students of Leeds University) and old, directors of large firms, lawyers, doctors, engineers, librarians, secretaries, members of Parliament (among them, the Deputy-Speaker of the House of Commons), soldiers or ex-soldiers, inspectors or ex-inspectors of schools, experts in science (among these, two Fellows of the Royal Society) and in music, clergymen (headed by the Archbishop of York), ministers, and teachers.

The above particulars are taken, with certain corrections which bring the statement up to date, from the current number of the *Classical Review*.

The forthcoming issue of the *Proceedings of the Classical Association* will contain the lists of officers (President, Vice-Presidents, etc.) and Executive Committee. Names of fresh members will be gladly received by the Hon. Treasurer (Professor Connal), or by Professor Roberts.

#### Correspondence.

##### The Leather Department and the Conversaz.

To the Editor of the "Gryphon."

DEAR SIR,

Having in the course of our work come across certain interesting anatomical facts, we feel that, although we have no pretensions to medical training it is our duty to put these facts before the University. The observations in question relate to the problem of the effects of sex and study on the senses—more particularly the sense of smell, and we find that the feminine nose is extraordinarily keen, and the nose which is accustomed to the musty smell of tomes ancient and tomes modern, is remarkably sensitive to what might if at all concentrated, be complained of as a nuisance.

Our methods of working have been to conduct the subjects of this research round the Leather Department, and there to study the effects of different rooms on the said subjects. Their emotions have been very

variously betrayed—interest, aversion, boredom and even disgust have we noticed. We have been indeed fortunate in that lately (on February 27th to be precise) we found abundant material of the best sort to our hand, and were enabled thereby to elucidate facts which it would otherwise have been impossible to get at.

We have it on good authority that on the occasion in question the keenest organs were able to detect Leather immediately on entering the Great Hall, when more ordinary noses could only smell coffee; the result of this was that the above keen organs never got any nearer the Leather Department, but shunned it as they would the plague. The visitors blessed with duller noses (or more adventurous spirit if you will) dared more and wandered by dim secluded paths as far as the door of the Department. Here the weaklings turned tail and fled but—the Gods be praised—the weaklings were really few. Visitors were first conducted to the Limeyard, but here again the weeding out process continued; some entered the Limeyard, others did not, some of each of these sections were compelled to retire altogether from the Department as their delicate constitutions were unable to stand any strain (this was the inference we drew).

As a sideline from the main purpose of our research, we would draw attention to this fact as an example of the glorious inconsistency of the human race. We know of no one who cannot bear to look upon certain finished products which in the course of dressing have been washed and partly unhaired, yet when these operations are conducted on the raw materials of leather, this fact is sufficient to make them shun the sight of even the daintiest bits of fancy leathers and furs.

To return to our visitors now in the Limeyard; some of these with the help of their own preconceived notions so exaggerated the remarks of our "Cook's Agent," a man not usually given to exaggeration himself, that they in their self sufficiency consider themselves fortunate in not being connected with a department which cannot be surpassed for interest and usefulness. We fancy that these visitors left the Limeyard and the Department at the same time and so allowed no one to attempt to modify their faulty conclusions. The others curbing perhaps their instincts with a greater wisdom, allowed themselves to be led round the rest of the workshops and found, we are quite sure, that the first opinions which they may have formed were very much at fault and needed considerable remodelling if not rejection.

As our visitors passed out of the bounds of our observation when they left the Department, we were unable to complete the research in the manner we should have liked. We wished to discover, if possible, what effect their visit had on their constitution and how it affected their appreciation of Mrs. Beck and the Physics Dept. This part of our work your readers will understand was under the circumstances quite impossible.

Since the date above mentioned our attention has been drawn to another example of inconsistency. Assuming for the moment that these pharisaical notions of cleanliness are correct we take it that it would only be following out the precepts correctly



to assume that we who work under the conditions of the Leather Department are defiled and unclean, yet we have never found people averse to conversing with us, nay, we all flatter ourselves that the rest of the University rather welcome our company.

As a result of these researches we find that very often strangers know much less of our business than we do of theirs, and also that those strangers who know the least are usually the most facetious; visitors often come into the Department with the apparent object of passing silly remarks about everything they see; indeed, on the Conversaz. night, one of our "Cook's Agents" was so exasperated at the remarks of one lady that he determined to choke her off by telling her the most impossible stories. He mentioned that we keep a pen of fat stock to supply us with perfectly fresh skins, and that as only small pieces are as a rule required for experiments these are cut off while the animal is standing in its stall. The visitor swallowed it all and blandly asked to see them! She was easily put off because our agent told her that they were never disturbed at night, as owing to this drastic treatment, their constitutions are rather delicate.

We have not attempted to show that the leather trade ever was without, or has ceased everywhere to be productive of, healthy stinks, but we wish to point out to your readers that the Department is doing its best in every branch of the manufacture to improve it so that these stinks shall be relegated to ancient history. We think too that a little reflection will show that our Professor and his staff would not allow any work to be done in a manner which would give rise to offence to any other members of the University who, after all, are working with us and near us in a common cause.

We are, Sir,

Yours, etc.,

DRIOX AND DURPED.

#### University Boxing.

To the Editor of the "Gryphon."

SIR,

As one who has seen several University and Inter-Varsity Boxing Contests may I be allowed to offer a few words of advice and criticism to all University boxers and potential boxers.

To those thinking of patronising a professional trainer (?) or boxer (?) to learn boxing, I would commend Punch's famous advice—don't. Don't for heaven's sake attempt to learn boxing from these men, generally hangers-on of some gymnasium. By all means use these men as human punch-bags to practise upon, but when they tell you to keep your left straight out and to let the other fellow come on, out of the fulness of your knowledge smile upon them and do precisely the opposite. More amateur contests are lost by this pernicious advice than from any other cause. Your opponent is not going to attempt to impale himself upon your outstretched arm, and this appears to be the only object of this idea. It is impossible to hit him until you have drawn back your arm and thrust it out again, and whilst you are doing this he will probably be plastering your ribs with

nasty short arm jabs. The other part of this advice is the most awful crime perpetrated by this class of men. Let the would-be boxer engrave this upon the tablets of his memory and let not the sponge nor dulcet voice of any second make it less dim—referees and boxing judges always award most points to the man who is leading; all other things being equal, the man who has done the larger share of the leading is *always awarded the contest*.

In thus disparaging the large army of so-called professional boxers I am aware that I am stirring up a hornet's nest. I would, however, point out to my critics that these men do not come in contact with nor understand amateur boxing. They never seem to grasp the fact that the amateur only boxes three rounds and in the short time of nine minutes there is no time to play a waiting game. Amateur boxing is no such test of stamina and endurance as professional boxing. Even in professional boxing the advice and tactics of these men are open to criticism. The great secret of the success of the brilliant French boxers is in the word leading, or what practically amounts to the same thing in in-fighting. The French have grasped the fact that it pays better to rush in and box at close quarters at tremendous speed than to waste time and energy dancing and side-stepping round your opponent.

To learn quickness it is a good idea to go in for "shadow boxing." Get in front of a large mirror and box the person grinning at you, only for your own comfort don't push your fist through the mirror.

To learn boxing, go and watch the big glove fights and then practise on your professional friend rather than strain the bonds of friendship by taking a fellow student into the gymnasium.

If Leeds will adopt the French style of boxing at once, then Leeds will win many an Inter-Varsity contest, for the French style is the winning style, English methods have fallen into disrepute, and many English boxers have bit the dust before these Frenchmen who box like inspired demons. Let your bodies become whirlwinds directed by intelligence, take your courage in both hands and box with plenty of "devil." It needs pluck and plenty of it to keep hammering at it in spite of rebuffs, for remember above all things *that the man who does most leading will win*. Never play a waiting game and when you hit, hit straight out, remembering the old Euclid axiom that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points. In conclusion I would ask the gymnasium authorities to place in the gymnasium a punching bag fixed to an overhead platform in place of the present useless punchball. The former is much better for practice, and can be used in a greater variety of ways than the obsolete punchball.

Lastly I would ask the University authorities to give us a new gymnasium to replace the present cold damp barn. I once heard it described as a "tin tabernacle." Perhaps there was the gift of prophecy in that saying for was not the Tabernacle but a temporary thing until the Temple itself was built?

I am, Sir,

Yours, etc., I. E.





"Leeds University is advancing by Leaps and Bounds." (*vide Local Press.*)



## Reply to I. E.

To the Editor of the "Gryphon."

SIR,

Criticism is rarely harmful. In most instances it is a blessing, for by it do institutions live and progress. Hence it is with great pleasure that I take up my pen to answer, as far as in me lies, the attempt, on the part of a contributor to the *Gryphon*, to teach the boxer his business, and incidentally to account for the non-success of the Leeds men in recent Inter-Varsity contests.

Our critic immediately gets to work by heaping abuse upon the professional boxers whom it pleases him to dub indiscriminately "these men, usually hangers-on at some gymnasium." I can assure him there are a few, not many perhaps, but still a few professional men who may be justly described as good men and true. But enough of this; it is a detail. What are we told? Take no notice of these men but in the fulness of your boxing wisdom attained by years of strenuous toil "smile upon him and do the opposite." But lo! what have we here? A few lines further, on our own critic, our loather of the professional boxer, our Varsity Jack Johnson, puffing out his chest, whispers in manner most fatherly, "to learn boxing go and watch the big glove fights, etc." But perhaps I am mistaken, the big glove fights after all may be the amateur contests in our critic's "tin tabernacle."

Hereupon we leave generalities and turn to detail. The straight left is ridiculed. Your professional friend "will tell you to keep your left straight out and to let the other fellow come on." "Your opponent is not going to impale himself upon your outstretched arm." Herein lies our critic's wisdom. I grant your professional boxer will tell you to use your left, but does anybody with a spark of common sense imagine this to mean that you go running with your arm outstretched. If our critic has mastered the rudiments of boxing he will know that the left should always be ready to jab the onrushing opponent and must therefore of necessity be always withdrawn a few inches. If our critic desires further information upon this point I should advise him to read thoroughly a little book by Tommy Burns, the inaugurator of these new methods. I daresay Tommy will know the theory of boxing as well as our critic even if he should not have had the practice. Further if he has noticed the *Daily Mirror* of Wednesday, May 6th, he will have seen the photographs of the Jeannette-Bell contest, and incidentally the predominance of the straight left.

I may remark, as my critic does not apparently realise the fact, that to smash in for three three-minute rounds is almost as big a strain as ten scientific two minute rounds.

Rush in and box at a tremendous pace! says our critic. But a man who has any science will soon stop a rusher, weights being balanced. "Adopt the French style!" But whence came the French style? Whence came the American style? Has it not evolved from the old English prize ring? Has not our own modern English style evolved from that, and is not our own modern style infinitely better than nothing at all? Consequently do we not benefit if

we get instruction in our modern style when none other is available and is it not up to us to improve upon it?

I do not wish our critic to imply that I am not in agreement with the French style at all, I most certainly do agree with the French style but our critic's ideas must be modified in accordance with the circumstances under which he is placed. On the face of it, it is absurd to fight like a demon in the first round, especially if your opponent is clever enough to elude you, and then to find, at the end of the second round that you are scarcely able to lift your arms.

Then again, where did our critic get his idea of shadow sparring from? I do not doubt he has seen Bombardier Wells or someone of that ilk pictured while shadow sparring with himself. "But then," he will say, "Wells is an amateur surely?" Well perhaps he is, who shall say? Perchance I am far from the mark. Let us say our critic first discovered shadow sparring.

"Never play a waiting game," chortles the oracle. But is not this dogmatic? Is it nor rather assuming that both parties are evenly matched? But supposing one man is a thin five-foot eight, weighing say 9 st. 5 lbs., and the other a sturdy five-foot four, weighing 9 st. 8 lbs.; again suppose their reaches to be proportionate to their height would our critic advise the tall and lighter man to rush? I doubt it. Might I therefore suggest that he, who has been criticising the stereotyped English style with its straight left, is also very stereotyped in his own ideas.

If our critic will obtain a few facts about the last year's contest at Manchester against which in part his attack is obviously directed he will find that but one man had had professional training. If he will carry his mind back to the 1913 contest versus Liverpool it will be at once evident that in the case of one boxer at least the whirlwind tactics did not pay, and in addition I rather fancy the Liverpool boxers, at any rate one or two, had had jolly good professional training. More credit to them if they had. May I endorse heartily the remarks anent the gymnasium. A new one is necessary. It is up to the students to obtain it.

In conclusion I beg to thank you, Mr. Editor, for the use of your valuable space, and trust my remarks may be taken in the same good spirit as I have endeavoured to give them.

Yours, etc.,

PUGNAX.

## Assoc. Football Team Photograph.

To the Editor of the "Gryphon."

DEAR SIR,

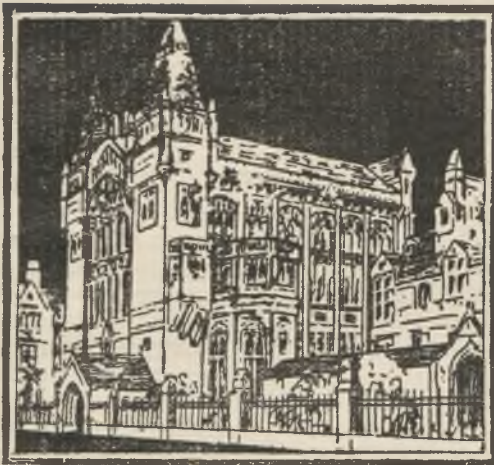
I should be glad if the Captain of the 1st Eleven Association Football Team would give an explanation of the following incident which has been brought to my notice.

One of the members of the team, well known to him by name, played in all the matches but six, another man playing these; the majority of matches being thus obviously played by the member in question. Yet the first man was not invited to sit when the photograph of the team was recently taken, but the other man was asked in his place. When he asked



for an explanation the reply was given that *they would not have him in the photograph*. I ask, in the name of fair play, an explanation of this insult to a man who has done his best to support the University with his time, skill and money. The result of the treatment meted to him will be his discouragement and the loss of a player to the University. In view of the fact that complaints are being made that students do not sufficiently support University teams, but play outside, I think the conduct of the Captain should not be allowed to pass without comment.

I am, Sir,  
Yours etc.,  
S. M. E.



## DEPARTMENTAL NOTES.

### The Literary and Historical Society.

At the last Meeting of the session, Miss Greenwood read an excellent paper on Molière. If the subject was a well-worn one, the lecturer showed how much could be done towards making it brand new by a taking treatment. Miss Greenwood's judgments were characterized by a fine saneness, coupled with a catholicity which had the effect of stimulating a most interesting discussion. The paper was one of the finest of the session.

It was with more than ordinary regret that we found it was absolutely necessary to give up our long-nursed project of holding a Musical Evening during the last term. The lack of what, for want of a better name we will call "public spirit," seemed to point to a devotion to work which must needs produce an unparalleled crop of academic successes. We only hope that the excursions will prove more successful.

J. H.  
S. C.

### Natural History Society.

THE fifth general Meeting was held on Thursday, Mar. 12th, in the Geology Department, Mr. Odling in the chair. After the notice of the special lecture by Mr. Lloyd on "Central Africa: its Peoples and Animals," on Friday, Mar. 20th, Mr. Odling called on Mr. Gilligan to give his paper on "Meteorites."

After touching on the history of meteorites, including the suggestion that "Diana of the Ephesians" was a meteorite, the lecturer gave an account of their distribution and composition. In certain dry parts of America, they lie in thousands, and in one district is a depression, like a volcanic crater, which, it has been suggested was made by a huge meteorite. Small chips of meteorites of the district contain diamonds, and a company has been formed to dig out this supposed huge meteorite, which is suggested will be a tremendous diamond. The U.S. Geological Survey do not support the theory. On microscopic examination, meteorites show certain structures called "Chondrules," which are very similar in appearance to organic remains, but chemical analysis shows they are not.

At the close of a very interesting paper, there was an animated discussion.

The sixth general Meeting was held on Friday, Mar. 20th, in the Botany Department, Mr. Stiles in the chair, when Mr. Lloyd gave a most interesting paper on "Central Africa: its Peoples and Animals."

After dealing with the natives and game of the district he had visited (a lonely part of N.E. Rhodesia) Mr. Lloyd touched on the tse-tse fly and sleeping sickness. About nine or ten years ago, Uganda was swept by this scourge, which wrought fearful havoc. An officer of the R.A.M.C. traced it to an organism—the trypanosome—part of whose life is spent in the tse-tse fly. A year or two ago, the disease appeared in Rhodesia, where previously man had been immune though animals were attacked, so that all transport was by native porters. Several cases occurred, including one or two white men, all of which were fatal. As antelopes play an important part in the spread of the disease, it has been suggested that all the antelopes of the district should be killed off. In the discussion that followed, Prof. Garstang said that he hoped that these beautiful animals would not be destroyed for the sake of a few human lives, and that at any rate, before attempting such a drastic step, experiments would be made, by fencing tracts of country, to definitely prove that other animals could not replace the antelopes as carriers of the disease.

R.E.C.

### Women's Christian Union.

YEARLY REPORT.—The work of the past year has been very successful. The first general Meeting was held on Oct. 27th, when the Rev. T. Tatlow, the General Secretary of the Student Christian Movement, gave a very helpful address on "Difficulties connected with the Prayer Life." On Nov. 21st Dr. Morton gave a most interesting and sympathetic account of her work as a medical missionary amongst women and girls in India.

The second term's work was opened with a successful Social, held on Jan. 16th.

On Feb. 19th, Miss Stephens, one of the travelling Secretaries of the Student Christian Movement, gave a very thoughtful address on "Vocation," whilst also in the second term we were fortunate in hearing an extremely interesting lecture on "The Women's Movement," given by the Vice-Chancellor. We are looking forward to a second lecture on the same subject this term.



On April 23rd, Miss Stephens gave a short descriptive lecture, illustrated by lantern slides, on the Students' Summer Conferences at Swanwick. This year has seen the formation of two new branches of C.U. work. An Inter-Collegiate Union has been formed, consisting of C.U. members from the University, the Training College, the School of Art and the Froebel Students at the High School. This has proved very helpful in arranging travelling Secretaries' visits, and in gaining ideas from the work of other Christian Unions.

A band of would-be Student Volunteers amongst University Women Students has been formed, and it is hoped that this will develop into a Leeds Women's S.V. Band in the near future. M.C.

#### The Education Society's Musical Evening.

USING the phraseology of one Bernard Hickson, an Education Society "Hop" took place on Thursday, March 19th. And what a success it was, proving beyond doubt to the members of the Union present, that a Musical Evening run on such lines, *can* be an undoubted success and can do something to rouse the social life of the University from the state of lethargy into which it has fallen.

A Union Dance has its place, and I would be the last one to support withdrawal, but a few "négligé" evenings like the above would be of value if only to give a tone to the University which is sadly lacking. Each of the 102 people present would agree with me in saying that it was quite the best Musical Evening ever held, and it was a matter for disappointment that some of the members of the departmental staff were, through unforeseen circumstances, unable to be present.

All the "artistes" did well, and it would be almost unfair to mention any names, for in the first place, they all excelled, and secondly, I have forgotten the names of the lady students who took part in the programme. The sketch given by the ladies was like everything else, a success.

One word of praise to our pianist, Mr. Hurworth. He worked like a trojan. A.P.W.

At the General Meeting of the Education Society held on Thursday, 7th May, the following officers were elected for the coming session:—

*President*: Prof. Welton.

*Vice-Presidents*: Miss Robertson, Mr. W. P. Welpton.

*Secretaries*: Miss Jennings, Mr. Rothwell.

*Committee*: Misses Breckin, Mann and Brown. Messrs. Allen, Maiden, Abrams and Horsley.

#### Social Study Society.

A GENERAL Meeting of the Society was held in the Refectory on Tuesday, Jan. 27th, when Miss Keeling gave a clear and interesting account of the work and scope of Guilds of Help. 30 members were present.

On Friday, Feb. 13th, Mr. Clay gave a lecture on Trade Unionism. The subject was discussed with considerable enthusiasm. 40 members being present.

A general Meeting of the Society was held in the Refectory on February 20th, when Mr. Greenwood opened the discussion on Trade Boards.

At a joint Meeting of the S<sup>s</sup> and Literary and Historical Society, held in the Chemical Lecture Theatre on Thursday, Feb. 19th, Mr. Dutt gave the first of a series of three lectures on "India, Past and Present."

A general Meeting was held in the Refectory on March 10th, when Mrs. M. L. Whiting gave an interesting account of the Progress and Aims of the "Adult School Movement."

The Annual General Meeting followed.

The Constitution of the Society was fixed as follows: President, 6 Vice-Presidents, 2 Secretaries and 10 other members of Committee.

The Officers elected for 1914-15 were:—

*President*: Miss Thomson, M.A.

*Vice-Presidents*: Miss Cooke, Prof. Cohen, Prof. Macgregor, Mr. Rowell, Mr. Clay, Prof. Priestley.

*Secretaries*: Miss Roff, Mr. Salmon.

*Committee*:

Misses Crowther, Kirkwood, Legge, Snowden, Umanski. Messrs. Chamberlain, A. B. Cohen, Silverman, Wahab, F. Webster.

#### Fives Club.

THE club has this year had a very successful season, probably the most encouraging since its inauguration. The number of players has been exceptionally large, and we have been specially pleased to see the number of lady enthusiasts. By the way, is it not about time that at least one representative from across the way was elected to the Fives Committee? The Tournament games were, as a rule, keen, and Messrs. Carré and Ladell especially are to be congratulated upon their performances. They have well deserved the prizes (pairs of Fives gloves) which they won. The team has had little work to do—a series of misfortunes resulting in the cancelling of several matches by our opponents—Leeds has, however, easily won the few which have been played. T.W.

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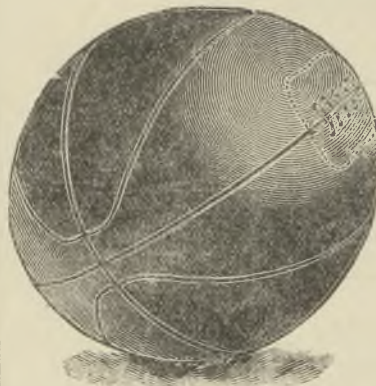
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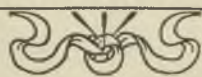
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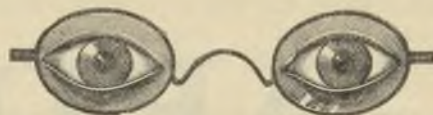
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