

SEMINARY AND COLLEGE

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Silence is not always a sign of inactivity. Though the news for this department failed to appear in our last issue the above institutions were by no means idle. On the contrary, the time lost during the epidemic has demanded a special effort on the part of both professors and students, for an unnecessary extension of the term in spring is an unwelcome thing for either party.

Since our last report was published two new students have joined the College Department in the persons of Wilfred Schmidt, Stratford, who was with us last year up to the interruption after New Year's, and Harold Mitchell, Galt, one of our Canadians who donned the khaki and upheld the honor of our country in France. If our student body increases at the same steady rate we will have to face a new problem, that of accommodating our boys both resident and non-resident. Even now the bedrooms are filled to capacity and the lecture rooms for College classes prove somewhat small.

We rejoice with Rev. Prof. Willison in being able to move into the front part of the old Seminary building, which has been converted into a double house. The other half after its completion is to be occupied by Rev. E. Holm.

In our last report we made mention of the Christmas Pageant entitled "Bethlehem," which was to be performed by the College students, assisted by some young ladies of St. John's. The play was presented twice, before Christmas at Waterloo and after Christmas at Preston. On both occasions the evening proved a big success and a goodly sum was realized. Those of the readers who patronized these entertainments may be interest-

ed to know what the proceeds are to be used for. At the last meeting of "The Collegians" it was decided to issue a college paper, the respective committees were appointed and hope to place the first copy into your hands by about Easter. Of course we expect a widespread patronage, since our Canadian Lutherans always have exhibited a keen interest for all happenings within our institutions on Seminary Hill. The new and beautiful silk College banner with motto is adorning the Assembly Hall, an Honor Roll faces the newcomers in the Upper Hall and a Service Flag decorates the front window, all showing a spirit of both taste and loyalty.

Our Missionary Society reports that the Mission Study Classes are in full swing, quite an interest being taken by the students. Most of the classes are studying "India Awakening." Meetings have been held in the different churches whereat two of the members of the Society delivered addresses on either Foreign, Home, or Inner Mission subjects. At the recent meeting of the Society a motion was passed to contribute towards English and German Home Missions to the extent of \$20 each and to forward the like amount to the congregation at Warton whose church some months ago had been destroyed by fire.

In closing we would invite our Lutheran people to visit us, so as to personally become acquainted with the faculty, the students, the building and all the good that is being carried on within its walls. For that purpose the visiting day, the first Saturday of every month, has been arranged when the Ladies Auxiliary, which is the old stand-by of the boys and the institution, entertain the visitors. Therefore come and see us.

we are ready to admit, that conditions in our city during the past 4 or 5 years have been and still are extremely unproductive to vigorous church activity. The more reason we have to praise God, from whom all blessings flow, for having mercifully preserved us from utter extinction and safely launched us through the most critical period in the history of our church, and to give due credit to the small body of those members, who have

faithfully kept their troth to their congregation in the face of most adverse conditions. Owing to their fine Christian spirit of dutifulness and sacrifice the financial report was a pleasant surprise in so far as it proved the treasurer to have been able to meet all obligations, which amounted to almost \$3,000. We do not know, if there is any other Lutheran Church in the country, where the regular an-

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