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COLLEGE STUDENTS.

A correspondent of the Week, "Rambler, makes a wreck of the absurd statements of McGill Gazette, the paper of the Montreal university, in regard to the attendance of women students at the leading colleges of Canada. The claim was lately set up that McGill had more ladies entered on its class rolls than all the other colleges in the dominion, the statistics, according to it, being : Montreal, 109; Toronto, 27; Halifax, 34; Kingston, 15; Cobourg, 16. So far as Kingston is concerned a serious mistake was made, and "Rambler" corrects it. The number of young women attending the arts classes in Queen's is 32, and in medicine 20, making a total of 52, (not 15 as stated), and making it lead in point of population thus : Montreal, .052 per cent. ; Toronto, .017 per cent.; Halifax, .094 per cent.; Kingston, .325 per cent.; Cobourg, .032 per cent. Moreover the lists of all the colleges excepting Queen's are lengthened by the addition to them of the names of persons who rank as "partials," otherwise persons who are not taking a full course, but find it convenient and profitable to attend lectures occasion ally or departmentally. Of partials McGill has 77 out of 109, and Halifax 26 out of 34. Kingston has not one. All who are pursuing study within the classic walls of Queen's have some definite plan in view, and as a preliminary to it desire graduation, Of the 52 lady students here every one is registered as an undergraduate, and those attending the medical classes and taking any special subjects are not included in the arts course. The whole exhibit is exceed ingly gratifying. It shows that King ton has a noble lead in the higher education. Queen's was, indeed, the first to try coeducation, the first to try separate education, and the first to send women as medical practitioners into the world. The prestige

### YOUNG MEN IGNORED.

it won it is bound to retain.

Another evidence of the purpose of the government to hold an early election is supplied in the bill before the house of commons for the amendment of the franchise act, and which provides :

"It shall not be necessary that any revision of the lists of voters, prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Electoral franchise act, shall be proceeded with during the present year, 1889, but the lists of voters in force at the time of the passing of this act shall continue in accordance with the provisions of the said act, in the year 1890 "

Now the lists of 1885 were prepared with special care, and at special expense, for the special purpose of giving the con servatives a benefit; inteed it is the belief of some that it was the franchise act and the operation of it, that saved the government from defeat. Since 1885 the feelings of the electors have undergone a material change. The act has not been popular with even the ministerialists. Protests from all sides have been put in against the cumbrous and expensive and unjust measure. The people it was supposed to specially favour, the young men, it specially injures. All who have qualified as voters since 1885 have been disfranchised, and they, and the thousands who will qualify between now and 1890, will be deprived of the votes which they should have. The fact appears to be that the government, satisfied that the lists of 1885 cannot be improved upon-feeling uncertain as to the political leaning of the young men, and so depriving them of the electoral privileges which they claim-has decided to go to the country before the revision again occurs. The plea of the government, in taking charge of the franchise, was that it desired to make this uniform in all the provinces, but it has not been made uniform and the opinion is growing that the government has never meant to assimilate it, but to doctor and delay it as to political expediency suggested. The treatment the young men are receiving is enough to make them the most uncompromising opponents of the government. Of course it may be said that their displeasure is a matter of no consequence, that without votes they cannot do any harm. But they have influence, and it is not to be ignored in an election.

CAN'T KEEP THEM DOWN.

The report of the New York commissioner of labour is an astonisher. It is to the effect that women are finding employment in almost every walk of life, that whereas a decade ago but few avenues of employment were open to them now they are coupled with 342 occupations. | And the thought occurs : Are women becoming more useful than they were? Yes, and they are finding less obstruction to the exercise of their remarkable talents. It has taken time to educate the world up to the idea that women is man's equal in all respects, that so far as she is able to compete with man, in any of the professions and callings of the day, she should be compensated just the same. Some

men do not like the aggressiveness of the fair sex even now. Why? Because they are not inclined to be progressive and they know the women are, and the competition of them means activity to which a sleepy community is not accustomed. The women are bound to exercise a potent influence in the world. They are waking up the men and making them feel that they are on their metal, that they must be active if they would hold the influence which they have; "Slowly," says one critic, paying homage to her for the great things she has already accomplished, "woman has won and is winning her way to her rightful place of perfect equality. She is no longer the mere pet and plaything of mankind, but the helper and worker in the advancement of the world. Women stand in the pulpits and preach with great inspiration; they argue the law and win respect from judges ; they attend the sick as physicians as well as nurses; they adorn literature with its best ornaments; they are among the best of journalists; they are at the head of businesses, and are clerks, book keepers, stenographers, reporters, canvassers, everything they have trained themselves to do." All this is true, and very largely the result of a ten years' evolution. Ten years hence the women may be ruling the land. They lead wherever they have a chance to apply their talents and continue their industry unchecked. They triumph wheresoever. they have been accorded their rights. They are knocking at the doors of the legislature and the commons, and they will yet gain admission, and visit upon the sterner sex unto the third and fourth generations the penalties which present discriminations against them persistently suggest.

#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

A movement is on foot so have the house of commons close its sessions at 12 o'clock. Why not begin work earlier and leave it off earlier? At 10 o'clock members of parilament, like other decent people, should be in their little beds.

Bennett's Herald is now produced simultaneously in New York, Paris and London. In the last named city it has created a veri able sensation. It is such a contrast to the London journals in its manner of treating public news. It may not survive, but it will probably live long enough to modernize the London journals and make them have a little style about them.

The Intelligencer has gone off at half cock again. It overlooks a statement in the Beileville Ontario anent the Murray canal, reads the substance of it in the Whic, and declares that it is ignorant of the nature of the contract and of the work, affected by local hostility and local prejudice. And after all the fact remains -that the canal is far from finished, that is an expensive job, and that the people are paying deal for their whistle. The Intelligencer's impertinence has no effect.

The communication of William Leslie, manager of the Collinsby rafting and for warding company, was addressed to the honorable the minister of militia, and very sharply called him to account for injustices suffered by the Canadian wreckers through the injudicious issue of his permits. It did more than this-it clearly established that the Kirkpatrick bill is being promoted in the interest of the Canadian mariners generally, and that if it is not passed there will be more music than the government may care to dance to.

The suicide of Walter J. Gibson, Palmira, was of a premeditated character. He had no less than \$80,000 insurance on his life, and about all of it was obtained by joining the various fraternal insurance organizations. For a year he had worked his way into the various orders, among them Ancient Order of United Workmen, and only the night before his death was initiated in the Empire Order of Mutual Aid, going direct from the lodge room to the baths where he ended his life. He probably did not carefully read the conditions, under which he obtained insurance in the various orders, one of which is that suicide makes one's claim null and void. And some of his friends may not know this though the knowledge will gradually dawn upon them when they come to presenttheir claims.

It Was a Fairy Tale, Truly,

About three weeks since Kingston was excited by a report that the ice on a northern lake had sunk in a body with seventeen lumber teams and drivers. The "frightful disaster" put newspaper men on the qui rire, but searches in all directions north were fruitless of sensation. About the same time Belleville was puzzling over a similar report, the catastrophe being located in North Hastings. Not an incident was discovered to found even a shadow for the report. But it kept on its travels. A week later it convulsed Central New York, and the Utica scribes were very industrious in searching up the particulars of the great drowning in Canada lake in Fulton county, and now Albany papers, after much alarm, are pleased to say that there is no truth in the rumours of drowning of 17 men by teams breaking through the ice on Saconaga river. The canard is still travelling eastward and will be next heard on the Vermont or Massachusetts line.

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