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THE changing year never fails to bring all of its seasons, each with those things which are peculiar and appropriate to it, and everything has its own best time. So we, as the year of college work begins, lay before our readers our first number of the ERA. Students and professors are reassembling—we see them climbing the hill again, the halls are no longer vacant, the campus is not deserted, and the chimes up in the tower ring out once more. The summer vacation came, bringing to us needed rest; but vacations, like other things, have an end, and here we are again, ready to re-commence the routine of college life. To those who have come to Cornell not for the first time, the ERA will be but another friend whose face is very familiar, and which we hope will continue to be a pleasant one. We welcome those who are strangers and to whom the ERA is strange, while we hope that we shall soon be well acquainted. As we put forth the first number of a new volume of the ERA, we extend to the Faculty and all members of the University the kindest and heartiest of greetings.

WITH this number the ERA assumes a new form, but we think that no one will on that account fail to see that it is the ERA. This change has seemed advisable for a number of reasons, and, while we know that it will not please all, we trust that nearly every one will admit that it is an improvement. The present form of the paper, besides the advan-

tage it gives us in the making up, affords a better distribution and division of matter, and will, we think, be found more convenient for binding. This form, too, other colleges have adopted as the best and most suitable one. The same number of issues will be published during the year as before, and the amount of reading matter will be at least as great. Though a change may seem to many to have been unnecessary, we think that all will presently agree that it is a change for the better.

THE recent discovery of Mars' satellites by Professor Hall, and the discoveries of Professor Watson have awakened a new interest in all matters relating to astronomy, and we are reminded of one of our wants at Cornell—an observatory. We are much in need of a telescope by means of which practical instruction may be given to students and which shall be of sufficient power to be of use in careful and scientific astronomical work. Excellent instruction has been given in astronomy, but we have sadly felt for a long time the lack of the proper instruments.

The articles of Professor Potter, which have recently appeared in the *Journal* under the title of "Observations of Mars," and which the *New York Times* subsequently printed, show that we have already one Professor at least, who is well fitted to teach the science of Astronomy, and might, with better opportunities, lend valuable aid to astronomers.

We are, of course, well aware of the many practical difficulties attending the construction of an observatory, and the procuring of a telescope; but this is a matter of so great importance, and one from which so great benefits might arise, that we cannot refrain from urging upon the officers of the University that they consider it favorably as soon as practicable. We sincerely hope that at no distant day we shall have a more extended course in astronomy, and also the appliances which shall enable us to pursue the study at a better advantage than we can at present.

It is said that the Newport Polo Club intend giving a \$500 cup for a foot-ball match, open to all college teams. If this is true, we trust that our foot-ball players will ascertain the fact, and take the necessary steps for entering the match. The renowned '78 has some players who would do us honor, and from these, together with selections from the other classes, a team could be made up, which although it might not be victorious, would at least make a contest interesting for some colleges which make more pretensions to foot-ball than Cornell does.

THE ERA points with pride to its list of advertisers. By reference to the advertising columns it will be seen that the most respectable and influential business firms in Ithaca, as well as a number of prominent firms elsewhere are represented. We have endeavored to see every firm in the city. If any have been passed by, we assure them that the neglect was unintentional, and hope they will call at our office and make the fact known. Students who have the welfare of the University and University institutions at heart, can make it apparent in no more appropriate manner than by selecting their trading places from the advertising columns of the ERA.

THE changes in the Faculty which go into effect this year are neither numerous nor important. Everybody will be glad to learn that Assistant Professors MacKoon and Wait have been made Professors, and the ERA begs leave to congratulate them on their well-merited promotion. First Lieutenant James B. Burbank, will succeed Lieutenant Van Ness, as Professor of Military Tactics. Mr. Geo. W. Jones, recently of the Iowa Agricultural College, has been made Assistant Professor of Mathematics. J. S. Coon, '77, has been appointed Instructor in Mechanic Arts, W. E. Lucas, '77, Instructor in Rhetoric and Composition, *vice* P. H. Perkins, resigned, and W. H. Kent, '76, Instructor in Chemistry.

NOTHING for a long time has elicited such general interest from our amateur sportsmen as has Maurice Thompson's paper on Bow-Shooting, published in *Scribner's* for July. As the interest in our rifle team seems to have ebbed away, we

would advocate the formation of an archery club among our students. If we cannot have both a rifle team and an archery club let us have the latter. There are several reasons why this is expedient. If we compare their respective advantages and expense, we shall see that an archery club is the preferable organization, offering more amusement with less expense than any organization of a similar nature. Then too, it is a much less dangerous sport than target-practice with rifles, as no matter how careful the amateur may be, accidents are liable to occur and *do* occur. Considered in an æsthetic point of view, how much more exhilarating and entertaining is this sport than that of rifle-practice. It affords no especial pleasure for one to pour a handful of shot or a rifle-ball into a pine board, but to send the feathered messenger to its home, requires a practiced eye, a quick hand, and a strong arm. He who would excel in archery, must possess both strength and skill. He must be quick, and both his physical and mental powers must be on the *qui vive*. He must be cool and have good judgment. Rifle practice affords pleasant and useful exercise, but as better and more pleasant sport could be obtained in an archery club at a less expenditure of time and money, we would urge upon the students the formation of such a club. Interest in this beautiful and long-neglected sport has been re-awakened, and we hope our students will not let it flag here. Heretofore, the Springfield rifle or needle gun has been used, and their use has been attended with considerable expense. In bow-shooting no ammunition is wasted.

--PROFESSOR Felix Adler, who occupied the chair of Hebrew Literature at Cornell, has withdrawn from the institution on account of religious attacks upon him. President White has written an open letter refuting the charges of heterodoxy and liberalism against the University.—*Besom*. President White has not sought to refute any charges of liberalism against the University, and furthermore explains in his open letter that Prof. Adler did not withdraw from the University on account of any religious attacks against him, but simply because the term of years for which he was engaged had terminated.

THE SUMMER CAMPAIGN.

Air : *Away with Melancholy.*

I.

O ye friends, o'er the broad earth scattered,
 Now returned to our midst again,
 Have the hopes of your hearts been shattered
 In the frays of your summer's campaign?
 With the fair by the sea were you walking?
 Now confess! it is vain to dispute!
 Now delicious stuff you were talking
 Knows the moon, and 'tis well she is mute.

II.

And you dreamed of the bliss that would soon shine
 O'er your life with its quickening ray;—
 But alas, your effusions by moonshine,
 They were sorely repented by day.
 For ere long the dear child, she deserted,
 Which you swore that in time she should rue.
 With that fellow from Harvard she flirted,
 So sublimely oblivious of you.

III.

But my comrade, why should I betray you,
 And the tale of your sorrows complete?
 How she deftly contrived to waylay you,
 And your heart was again at her feet;
 How you begged, till at length she excused you,
 That you e'er had believed her untrue.
 You proposed, and she sweetly—refused you,
 Then relented and kissed you adieu.

IV.

Now my moral, that *femina semper*—
 Well you know what old Virgil has sung,
 And no radical change in her temper
 Is recorded since Dido was young.
 Then beware—still I know that without her
 Our existence is drear and inane.
 Let us cherish and love, though we doubt her,
 And be ready for next year's campaign.

COLLEGE INSTRUCTION IN NEW YORK STATE.

I.

In the September number of *Scribner's*, Charles F. Thwing presents an elaborate paper on the present condition of College Instruction in the Eastern and Western States. It would have been impossible in a brief magazine article for the writer to have examined with like thoroughness the many colleges of equal importance, which would amply repay study. Considering the abundance of the material, he has wisely taken certain colleges of acknowledged prominence in their res-

pective States, and made them stand as types of the classes of colleges he wishes to examine. Thus, Yale and Harvard are selected as types of the largest eastern colleges; Amherst, of those of average size, as Brown and Princeton, and Middlebury, of the small colleges, as Bates Colby and Tuft's. In the same way the University of Michigan, Oberlin and Beloit represent the western colleges of like grades. His method of examination is to take up in detail the courses of study pursued in the classics, mathematics, modern languages and other branches, to note any peculiarities or excellences, to point out the differences as exhibited in different colleges, and to show how a subject is taught, in what part of the course it appears, and how long it may be studied. By this comparative system of examination many interesting facts have been brought to light, which will be not only of value to those engaged in college work, but also to those who are fitting for college, and who are unacquainted with the various merits and features of the different higher institutions of learning.

Following a somewhat similar method it is proposed in this article to examine several of the more prominent colleges in New York State. As published in the "United States School and College Directory," New York almost rivals Ohio in the number of her so-called Universities and Colleges by being credited with more than forty institutions bearing those titles, and this too, exclusive of a swarm of business and commercial colleges. Of these forty, only about nine have enough reputation in the college world to have their names known beyond the boundaries of the State. These are Columbia, Cornell, Hamilton, Madison, University of N. Y. City, Rochester, Syracuse, Union and Vassar. All of these with the exception of Hamilton, in addition to the ordinary classical course, present one or more courses in science, fine arts or the technical arts. Madison and Rochester have a theological department; Hamilton a school of law; Syracuse a school of medicine; and Union, Columbia and University of the City of N. Y., schools of law and medicine. Columbia has her excellent school of mines, Syracuse her school of fine arts, and Cornell her various optional and technical courses. With such an extended list of courses, it is evident that the classi-

cal course common to all, is the only one which can be made the basis of comparison.

The requirements for admission are about the same in all; four books of Cæsar's Commentaries, six of Virgil's *Æneid*, six Orations of Cicero, a few lessons in Latin Prose, and in addition either the *Georgics* or *Eclogues*, or Sallust's *Cataline* or *Jugurtha*; in Greek, two books of the *Anabasis*, and one of the *Iliad*. These are the average actual requirements, for as a rule, although on paper some colleges demand more, yet a student well prepared in these can enter any of the colleges, with rarely a condition. Cornell requires the most Greek—four books of the *Anabasis*, and three of the *Iliad*, and Vassar the least, "two semesters," for which a certain amount of French or German is received as a substitute. Madison requires the least Latin, and Rochester the greatest amount of Latin Composition, thirty-nine chapters in Arnold. Some colleges ask that their candidates be prepared on particular Orations, as Milo on the *Mamilian Law*, but equivalents will be accepted. The authors generally studied during the Freshman year are Livy, Odes of Horace and the *De Senectute* or *De Amicitia* of Cicero, but later on in the course there is little regularity in the selections read or the times of reading them. Cornell presents the most extended course, by allowing the student to take one hundred and twenty hours of classics in the one hundred and eighty hours required during the four years' course. At Columbia the classics may be pursued for four years, but they are optional after the Junior year. During the Freshman year Latin and Greek are usually recited five times a week, while during the Sophomore and Junior years fewer recitations are made, and at Madison, Syracuse, and University of City of N. Y. these languages alternate each term. In the colleges under direct religious influence, study of the Greek Testament is required.

The entrance examinations in mathematics vary but little, all requiring, Arithmetic, generally with the metric system, Algebra through simple equations or to Quadratics, and Plane Geometry. The courses usually cover a thorough review and completion of Algebra, Trigonometry, Solid Geometry, Analytics and Calculus, and the time devoted is about a year and two terms. Columbia requires

two years and a half, and Cornell only a year, ending with Trigonometry. At Union, Algebra is continued through two terms, and Solid Geometry and Trigonometry are studied together in the Spring term. At Syracuse the student devotes slightly less than a third of his time during his Sophomore and Freshman years to mathematics. At Union and Cornell, where there are Civil Engineering courses, opportunities are presented to the student to continue his mathematics through the four years if he desire it.

THE NAVY.

The common topic of conversation among Cornellians during the past week has been the deplorable condition of the finances of the Cornell Navy. There is expressed on all sides much regret at the gloomy outlook in boating matters, but as at the same time much interest is exhibited and a willingness manifested to improve the condition of affairs, the prospects are in some degree encouraging. The large amount necessary to defray the expenses of our crews at Saratoga in the races of '75 and '76, was in part raised by subscription, but a heavy debt was incurred, under which the Navy has been struggling for two years. In the general disarrangement of the financial accounts, it is impossible to give the exact amount of the debt, but it is roughly estimated at \$2,000. The creditors have granted ample time for the settlement and have in several instances donated the amounts of their claims. But time was not money. During last year several spasmodic efforts were made to lift the debt by a general subscription among the students, but the interest in boating had subsided and in consequence the subscriptions were too light to accomplish the object. Finally with some of our long suffering creditors, patience has ceased to be a virtue. Vague promises of payment and a constant failure to meet the obligations on our part, have caused two of the creditors in town to adopt severe measures to obtain the amounts of their claims. In August, Mr. Hudson J. Wilson and the firm of Wortman & Bates obtained judgment in the Supreme Court against the Cornell Navy for \$438.27, which with interest and sheriff's fees up to date, amounts to \$464.35. Mr. Wilson's bill for groceries furnished the crews, was \$289.63, and

Wortman & Bates' \$139 24, for meat. Sheriff Hagin immediately seized the boat house and advertised the boats for sale. The folly of forcing a sale before the return of the students being evident, the sale was postponed until Saturday of the present week, and at the request of the students has been further postponed until October 6th.

These are the facts; the moral is only too plain. Formerly money was cheerfully raised for the honor of the Navy, now it is to be given to save the Navy from disgrace. Can Cornell afford to see her victorious shells, which should be cherished as trophies, sold under the sheriff's hammer? Let a general meeting be called at an early day to take measures to save the Navy from its embarrassing position, and to arouse once more the old time enthusiasm in boating!

“WHERE, OH WHERE!”

The Faculty, with a few exceptions, have sought recreation and pleasure abroad during the vacation. We are indebted to a friend of the ERA, who has taken some trouble to ascertain their whereabouts, for the following report:—

President White is still at Vevay, Switzerland, where he has spent the greater part of the summer. Professor Russel spent his vacation at Beverly Farms in the vicinity of Boston; he attended the University Convocation at Albany, the first week in July. Professor Wilson also attended the University Convocation, where he read a paper on “General and Special Culture in our Schools and Colleges”; the remainder of his vacation has been spent in preparing and printing his new work, “*Live Questions in Psychology and Metaphysics.*” Professor Fiske has been in Ithaca during the greater part of the vacation. He spent a few weeks camping among the Adirondacks in company with Mr. Dean Sage. Professor Caldwell spent the summer at Nantucket. Professor Law has remained in Ithaca. Professor Prentiss made a trip to Nova Scotia in the early part of the vacation. The remainder of the time he spent in Ithaca. Professor Morris has been at Ovid on Seneca Lake. Professor Potter has been in Ithaca with the exception of a short trip into Yates county. Professor Schaeffer has been in Ithaca;

he has made a few short trips in the immediate vicinity, visiting Watkins and other places of interest. Professor Hewett is now in Europe and will not return to the University this year. Professors MacKoon and Wait have been busily engaged in their Preparatory School during the entire summer. Professors Peck, Stebbins and Crane have spent their vacations at Kidder's Ferry. Professor Flagg has been at Cambridge, Mass. Professor Shackford went to Boston in the early part of the vacation and attended while there the Commencement at Harvard; he has been in Ithaca the greater part of the vacation. Professor Babcock has been at Garrison's on the Hudson. Professor Corson has been traveling in Europe; he visited President White at Vevay. Professor Anthony has been at Bridgehampton, L. I. Professor Sweet has been at Fulton, N. Y. and also spent a few weeks in Boston. Professor Oliver spent his vacation partly in Ithaca, and partly in Lynn, Mass. Professor Fuertes spent part of his vacation at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, the remainder in Ithaca. Professor Rœhrig has been in Ithaca the greater part of the summer; he also visited friends in Rochester and Buffalo. Professor Roberts has been in Ithaca all summer; he took great interest in the county fair, where through his own and Instructor Lazenby's efforts the University farm made a very fine exhibit. Professor Breneman has been and is yet in Europe visiting some of the Universities of France and Germany. Professor T. B. Comstock has been in Cleveland, O., during the greater part of the summer engaged in scientific research. Professor Crandall has been in Ithaca all summer. Professor Boyesen spent the first month of his vacation at his villa in Vineland, N. J.; from there he went to Newport, where he passed a few weeks with Col. T. W. Higginson; the remainder of his vacation he spent at Mt. Desert the guest of Dr. J. G. Holland. Professor Church has been at Newburg on-the-Hudson. Professor J. H. Comstock has been very ill during the vacation, in Buffalo, N. Y. Professor E. C. Cleaves has been at his home in Cortland, N. Y. Professor W. R. Dudley went to South Carolina botanizing, was taken sick, returned to New York, and has been in Connecticut since his recovery.

CORNELLIANA.

—“Ah Sin was his name.”
—Those long-needed sidewalks about Cascadilla Place, have at last been laid.

—An unusually large number of students stayed in Ithaca all summer.

—The *A. Σ. X.* fraternity have removed to their new rooms in the Titus Block on State street.

—A call has been issued to all interested in the gymnasium, to meet in the building on the 27th.

—One of the newly matriculated was overheard lamenting the fact that there was no *regretta* this year.

—Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Princeton, Williams, Trinity, Michigan, Alleghany and Rutgers have adopted the cap and gown.

—The “Cooler Club” is defunct. After a brief but eventful life of five months, the club breathed its last and peacefully passed to its rest.

—Despite the great demand for the *Cornelian* and the *Cornelian*, during June, Freshmen will be able to procure copies at the bookstores.

—A printed placard on the bulletin board gravely announces that “No. 12 Bates Block will cook for a club.” That always was a wonderful block.

—A student whose sympathies are on the side of the Russians thinks that the Senior optional—Turkish, under Prof. Røhrig, ought to be studied as a *dead* language.

—Henrietta Chanfrau will appear in Ithaca, Tuesday evening, Sept. 25th, supported by Tayleure’s Metropolitan Theatrical Company, in a new society play, entitled “Parted.”

—In the coming Intercollegiate Literary Contest, Cornell will be represented by Miss Bruce, ’77, in Latin, Miss Thomas, ’77, in Greek, and Arthur S. Hathaway, ’79, in Mathematics.

—The arrangement in the schedule, of having both sections in German and Dr. Wilson’s Psychology come at nine o’clock, will be changed in order to accommodate many who wish to continue German.

—Freshmen! Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom, and with all thy gettings get THE CORNELL ERA. Read her and she will instruct thee; she will bring thee to honor when thou dost patronize her.

—Sailing parties of students on the lake are quite numerous. Tacking out the inlet is not particularly thrilling, but the Cayuga itself is seldom without a “gusty flaw,” and good sailing is the rule and not the exception.

—Ithaca during the summer months was greatly agitated by the Murphy movement, and temperance converts were made by the hundred. Now that the students have returned it is proposed to renew the crusade. Karl, a long farewell!

—Fresh: “What’s that big building there?” pointing to Cascadilla. Fresher: “I don’t know, perhaps it’s Sage College.” Freshest: (who has been getting letters from Cornell on rushes and like topics,) “No. that must be the Cooler.”

—We notice that shelves have been erected in the library where members of the University can have free access to lexicons and other books in most common use. This will undoubtedly prove a convenient arrangement for both the Librarian and the students.

—Scene:—Wise Freshman who entered in June is conducting a classmate through the library, and pointing out the objects of interest. Fails Fresh.: “Whose bust is that?” nodding at the plaster cast of Prof. Russel. June Fresh: “O, seems to me that’s Demosthenes.”

—A golden foot, the sign of some traveling chiropodist, which is displayed in the post office, has been made the target for jokes by every returning Cornelian. The “golden calf,” and “Miss Kilmansegg and her precious leg,” are the favorite allusions.

—Now doth the Ithaca landlady fill the post office and the bulletin board with seductive notices of the ridiculously low prices at which her palatial rooms may be rented, and the youth who is getting up a club prowls around among the unsophisticated Fresh. dilating on the merits of his cheap board. The festive washer-woman, armed *cap-à-piè*, with her omnipresent basket and her last term’s washing bills, daily searches out her old delinquents, and hunts for new victims. A broad smile illumines the faces of the merchants and inspired by the change in affairs the hotel omnibus man slams the door with renewed vigor. There is life on the hills, and life on the streets, and Ithaca is awakening from her long summer nap.

—Elementary Lessons in Physical Geography, by Prof. Geikie, is a neatly printed volume containing a great store of valuable matter in a small compass. It is carefully written, well illustrated, and altogether an excellent elementary work. Published by MacMillan & Co., New York.

—All students intending to participate in the preliminary contest, for the selection of the Cornell representatives in the Intercollegiate oratorical contest, should send their names and addresses immediately to the chairman of the executive committee, Chas. F. Wilson, Box 389, Ithaca.

—The general inquiry in regard to that piece of "architecture" between McGraw and the North and South Buildings, seems to be "What is it?" The authorities undoubtedly designed it for a wall, but the average student sees in it nothing more than a huge picket fence which is likely to prove more useful than ornamental.

—A wail arises on the autumn air, from the University of California, that it is not to appear as a representative University in Osgood's forthcoming "College Book." We extend our sympathy to the neglected Berkeleyans, and trust the "representative institution of the Pacific slope" may yet succeed in securing a representation.

—The following definition of a Radical was copied *verbatim* from the paper of one of the candidates for the Freshman class: "By a Radicle, we mean a quantity under a vinqulum with a little figure at the mouth to show what *powver* is to be extracted." And not content with the above he perpetrates the following: "A intiger is a hole numbe."

—Professor Anthony will combine Juniors and Sophomores this year in his lectures on both Heat, and Acoustics and Optics. Next year the same classes will be combined in his lectures on Mechanics, and Electricity and Magnetism. There will be no lectures this year in either Electricity and Magnetism or Mechanics. This arrangement, though in some respects a good one, cannot be entirely satisfactory. There are several Seniors especially those in Arts, who have been debarred by the nature of their courses from attending the lectures last year on Mechanics, and Electricity, and Magnetism, and hence the change should not have been made without one year's notice.

—The remarkable effect that the three terms of Prof. Shackford's rhetoric during Freshman year have had on the language of '80, was brought to light the other day, when one of the members of that enterprising class, who used to use the expression "a bully boy with a glass eye," recoined the same exquisite sentiment, as "a bovine youth with a crockery optic."

—The "Conflict between Religion and Science" is a light matter in the mind of the average Junior, compared with the conflict in the hours of recitation. It is painful to watch the mental contortions of one who is trying to reconcile two different studies which come on the same day and hour, and endeavoring to see how he can attend seven recitations in five hours without "cutting."

—A certain Senior who now glories in the possession of a captivating goatee, was somewhat out of his reckoning last week. In ignorance of the date of registration day and destitute of means of enlightenment, he returns post haste to Ithaca on Wednesday, 12th, expecting to find the town alive with returning students. He was furious when he realized that he was a week ahead, but he soon settled down and enjoyed a quiet week in draughting extra plates.

—We have received from Dr. Burt G. Wilder a pamphlet on the "Brain of the Chimæra monstrosa," reprinted from the proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences. Also three papers, "On the Brains of some Fish-like Vertebrates," "On the Serrated Appendages of the Throat of Amia," and "On the Tail of the Amia." The accompanying lithographic plates by Miss G. D. Clements, of the University, are accurately and distinctly drawn.

—The new courses leading to the degree of B. S. are in full force, with the exception that those Sophomores who have had no German will have German five times per week, and those who have had no French will have French five times per week. This applies only to Sophomores. Juniors will be obliged to take advanced German in place of a portion of the option allowed, and those who have already had two years of German and one year of French will be obliged to take Sophomore French.

—Freshmen who contemplate substituting for drill should carefully ponder these words of a former Professor in Military Science: "Drill will exert upon the bearing and habits of students an efficient influence for good, by the inculcation of principles of courtesy in social intercourse; deference to authority, manliness of thought and act, habits of punctuality and precision and a spirit of true honor." Freshmen, and even Sophomores might be improved by the addition of a few such traits of character.

—It will be seen by the schedule that Dr. Wilder resumes his usual course of lectures at the University, notwithstanding he is a member of the Faculty of the Woodruff Scientific Expedition. The lectures will be continued until within a few days of the date of sailing, which has now been postponed until October 25th. There seems to be some doubt whether the expedition will start even then, but Gen. Macauley and Mr. Woodruff are confident that the *Ontario* will sail at the appointed time. In case of failure, the expedition will be postponed one year. Up to Monday only fifty had been "booked," although the minimum number necessary is two hundred and fifty. More than a hundred have expressed their intention to accompany the expedition, and eight hundred have applied for information. To attract a large number the price for the whole voyage has been reduced from \$5,000 to \$2,500, but even this reduction as yet seems to have failed in its object.

PERSONAL.

Loos, '77, is on the *N. Y. Tribune* staff.

S M LEHMAN, '79 is traveling in Europe.

VANHORNE, '79, is booked for the Woodruff Expedition.

G. MOTT WILLIAMS is in Detroit engaged in business.

PARMELEE, '76 spent a couple of days in town, the first of the week.

EDMUND BARTO, '80, will study medicine with Dr. Coryell, of Ithaca.

IL. S. WHITE, '77, is spending a few days in Ithaca with his old college friends.

GEORGE M. WELLES, '79, acted as Deputy Marshal during the "strike" at Elmira.

H. K. HAUS, '75, is actively engaged in the Murphy Temperance Movement in Watkins.

C. F. WILSON, *ex-ERA* editor, has been reporting on the Ithaca *Democrat* during the summer.

WATERMAN, '77, is draughting for the Brown and Sharpe Manufacturing Company, Pawtucket, R. I.
DR. Z. H. POTTER acted on the Committee of Award at the Baby Show in the Ithaca Fair last week.

McNAIRY, '77, has returned to take a final leave of his numerous friends before entering active business life.

WM. A. GOKEY, late President of '79, is in business at Addison, and does not expect to return to the University.

McDERMID, formerly '79, who was in the employ of Williams Bros., Ithaca, during the past year, reenters the University this fall. He expects to graduate with '80.

GEORGE B. STEVENS, '77, has been preaching at the First Baptist Church of Oswego during the summer. He will enter the Rochester Theological Seminary this fall.

T. P. BORDEN, '78, has taken leave of the University and is studying the theory and philosophy of foot-ball in the Post Office Department at Washington at a salary of \$1200.

PROF. BYERLY of pleasant memory is in town visiting his numerous old friends. He is on his way to resume his duties as Assistant Professor of Mathematics in Harvard University.

STEWART L. WOODFORD of the Board of Trustees addressed the Convention of American Bankers on the subject of the National Banks and Resumption, Sept. 12th, in New York City.

HENRY TERRELL, '80, whose poetic productions have so often graced the Poet's Corner in the last two volumes of the *ERA*, has left the University and is now on the staff of the *N. Y. Commercial*.

HINKLEY, '79, will not be back this year. He has gone into business in Chicago, and lives in expectation of a raise in salary. "The favorite of the ladies" is as happy as ever, and would like to see all Cornellians who go that way.

KENNEDY, who spent some months in '72 as a special student in the University, is the author of a newly published pamphlet, "The Philosophy of School Discipline," which is favorably received by the leading educators of the state.

Instructor F. W. SIMONDS, '75, has been elected to the chair of Natural History in the University of North Carolina, and is already engaged in his new field of labor. We congratulate Professor Simonds upon his success, and also upon that happy occurrence at Syracuse when he secured as a helpmeet so amiable and accomplished a lady as Miss Norma Wood, formerly of Ithaca.

DIED.

At Byron, Sept. 10th, 1877, Miss Alice M. Dewey, of the class of '79.

THE FRESHMAN CLASS.

We publish below a list of the applicants for admission to the Freshman class up to the hour of going to press. There are probably a few others who have not yet applied. The total number at this writing is 182; about twenty of this number are ladies.

ADAMS, E. S.	Chicago, Ill.	Optional	Pittsburg, Pa.	Chemistry
AINSLIE, J. S.	Cooperstown,	Arts	Aurora,	Science
ALLEN, J. G.	Aurora,	Mechanic Arts	Sherwood,	Science
ALLEN, R. R.	Bangall,	Optional	Washington, D. C.,	Eng
AYLEN, H.	Alymer, Canada,	Philosophy	North Norwich	Eng
AYRES, W. J.	Caro, Ill.	Optional	Norristown, Pa.,	Arts
BATES, W. H.	Washington, D. C.,	Agriculture	Macedon,	Science
BATTIN, H. W.	Albany,	Engineering	Moravia,	Agri
BEACH, W. B.	Brooklyn,	Agriculture	Stamford, Ct.,	Eng
BENEDICT, T.	Pittston, Pa.,	Engineering	Hammondsport,	Arts
BOOTH, L. W.	Rochester,	Mechanic Arts	Ithaca,	Science
BOWMAN, S. L.	New Lisbon, O.,	Science	West Dedham, Mass.,	Agri
BOYER, J. D.	Dayton, O.,	Mechanic Arts	Ithaca,	Opt
BRADER, W. P.	Whitehall, Pa.,	Optional	Ithaca,	Science
BROWN, W. C.	Sandusky, O.,	Mech. Arts	Clyde,	Lit
BUCKLEY, H. H.	Unadilla,	Science	Plainfield, N. J.,	Mech. Arts
BULLIS, A. R.	Macedon,	Math	Mt. Clair, N. J.,	Arch
BURDICK, J.	Brooklyn,	Arts	Ithaca,	Opt
BURR, G. L.	Newark Valley,	Arts	Washington, D. C.,	Lit
CAMPBELL, E. J.	Mumfords,	Opt	Malone,	Lit
CARMAN, F. D.	Jacksonville,	Arts	Bouckville,	Science
CAREY, F.	Fon-du-Lac, Wis.,	Opt	North Adams, Miss.,	Science
CARPENTER, W. H.	Utica,	Opt	Brooklyn,	Mech. Arts
CARTWRIGHT, P. H.	Rochester,	Mech. Arts	Rochester,	Opt
CATCHPOLE, E. W.	Rose,	Agri	Bangor,	Opt
CHEEK, S. P.	Danville, Ky.,	Opt	Somerset,	Agri
CHENEY, M. E.	Bemus Point,	Arts	Chicago, Ill.,	Opt
CLARK, G.	Marcellus,	Science	Plainfield, N. J.,	Mech. Arts
CLARKE, P. E.	Washington, I. C.,	Science	Ithaca,	Mech. Arts
COLEMAN, J. S.	Freeport, Ill.,	Science	Woodhull,	Science
COLLINS, H.	Rochester,	Opt	Schuylerville,	Opt
CONDE, F.	Moline, Ill.,	Opt	Sherwood,	Opt
CORNELL, G.	Central Valley	Opt	Binghamton,	Arts
COPP, F. M.	Jordan,	Mech. Arts	Alfred Centre,	Arts
COWLES, A. H.	Cleveland, O.,	Opt	Cortland,	Mech. Arts
CRALL, R. C.	Huntington,	Opt	Sing Sing,	Science
CUMMINS, H. A.	Conneaut, O.,	Mech. Arts	Cleveland,	Science & Let
CUNNINGHAM, A.	Boston, Mass.,	Literature	Ithaca,	Agri
CURTICE, F. C.	Winsted, Conn.,	Nat. Hist	New York,	Agri
CURTIS, C. L.	Newfield,	Arts	Dallas, Pa.,	Arts
DAVENPORT, A. C.	East Aurora,	Arts	Ansonia Forks,	Science
DAVIS, C. H.	Philadelphia,	Eng	Ithaca,	Opt
DAVIS, F.	Ithaca,	Eng	Brooklyn,	Opt
DEWICK, L. W.	Ithaca,	Arts	Trempeachem, Wis.,	Opt
DAY, H. M.	Cooperstown,	Arts	West Potsdam,	Eng
DOMINIC, D. C.	Schoharie,	Opt	De Ka b Junction,	Opt
DOWLING, E.	Ithaca,	Opt	Mattituck,	Opt
DOWNING, E.	Syracuse,	Opt	Chester,	Mech. Arts
DRI COLLE, G.	Elbridge,	Arts	Stratham, N. H.,	Opt
EASTMAN, A. L.	Arcade,	Opt	Rouse's Point,	Opt
ELST, N. V.	Cinemati, O.,	Agri	Marcellus,	Mech. Arts
ELLWONGER, F. S.	Rochester,	Opt	Rochester,	Eng
ERLICHNER, F.	Watertown,	Science	San Francisco, Cal.,	Opt
EVANS, M. R.	Danville, Ky.,	Opt	Jamaica Plains, Mass.,	Lit
EWING, A. L.	La Grange, Wis.,	Science	Lockport,	Mech. Arts
FOSTER, C. E.	Ithaca,	Agri	Pittsburg, Pa.,	Philosophy
FOSTER, C. D.	Ithaca,	Lit	Pittsburg, Pa.,	Philosophy
FARLING, M.	Ithaca,	Mech. Arts	Farmington, Ill.,	Science
FERRIS, G.	Philadelphia, Pa.,	Eng	Chicago, Ill.,	Eng
FIFIELD, A. L.	Worcester, Mass.,	Lit	South Byron,	Science
FLANNAGAN, W. J.	Binghamton,	Arts	Rochelle, Ill.,	Opt
GILBERT, R. M.	Le Roy,	Opt	Ithaca,	Arts
GREVE, A.	St. Louis, Mo.,	Arts	Cortland,	Philosophy
GUSDORF, M.	Fremont, O.,	Philosophy	Albany,	Math
HARDING, F.	Callicoon,	Opt	Canajoharie,	Science & Let
HALL, D.	St. Louis, Mo.,	Opt	Owego,	Opt
HERRICK, W. P.	East Randolph,	Lit	Ithaca,	Science & Let
HUNTER, N. P.	Jasper,	Opt	Youngstown, O.,	Science
HALCOMB, J. W.	Rovenna, O.,	Opt	Trumansburg,	Science
HOLMES, J. A.	Lawrence, S. C.,	Agri	Rochelle, Ill.,	Opt
HILL, T. H.	Richmond, Ind.,	Lit	Chicago, Ill.,	Eng
HARLOW, G. B.	Syracuse,	Arts	Caribon, Maine,	Opt
HALSBY, D. S.	Bridghampton,	Arts	Freeport, Ill.,	Science
HOWELL, F. J.	Keokuk, Iowa,	Science & Let	Clymer,	Agri
HAYES, A. C.	Burg Hill, O.,	Agri	Waterloo,	Agri
HERON, N. J.	Danville, Ky.,	Arts	Ithaca,	Mech. Arts
HEYL, H.	Dunkirk,	Lit	Ithaca,	Opt
HOKER, C. A.	Ithaca,	Arts	Osborn's Bridge,	Opt
HUNGERFORD, N.	Ithaca,	Agri	Richmond, Ind.,	Science
HOYT, W. B.	East Aurora,	Philosophy	Horseheads,	Arts
			South Amboy,	Arts
			Ithaca,	Lit
			Danbury, Ct.,	Lit
			Clyde,	Agri
			Syracuse,	Opt
			Ithaca,	Science
			Salem,	Eng
			Pawling,	Arch
			Phoenix,	Arch
			Haatings,	Eng
			Rensselaerville,	Mech. Arts
			Milbrook,	Agri
HOLMES, W. D.				
HOAG, W. I.				
HOWLAND, B.				
HERRMON, R.				
JAYNES, D. D.				
JOHNSON, E. N.				
KELLY, W. A.				
KILBORNE, F. L.				
KELSO, J. S.				
LOUNSBURY, J. W.				
LONDON, M. O.				
LOCKE, H. L.				
LANE, C. J.				
LEARY, F.				
LUX, C. A.				
MATTHEWS, P.				
MARVIN, C. D.				
MODERMI, A. J.				
MILLER, I.				
MOSES, W. H.				
MOTT, L.				
MILLARD, C. K.				
MORROW, C. E.				
MOSES, F. A.				
MOTT, D. W.				
MANN, W. T.				
MCCONNELL, B. F.				
MATTHEWS, P. B.				
MULVEY, J. F.				
NORTHROP, M.				
OSTRANDER, W. S.				
OTIS, H. W.				
PARK, H. T.				
PLACE, J. A.				
PALMER, E. A.				
PALMER, M. C.				
PARMLEE, R. M.				
PENNOCK, T.				
PFEIFFER, E.				
RYMON, F. S.				
ROGERS, W. G.				
REHRIG, F. L.				
READ, J. E.				
RHODES, K.				
RICH, F. W.				
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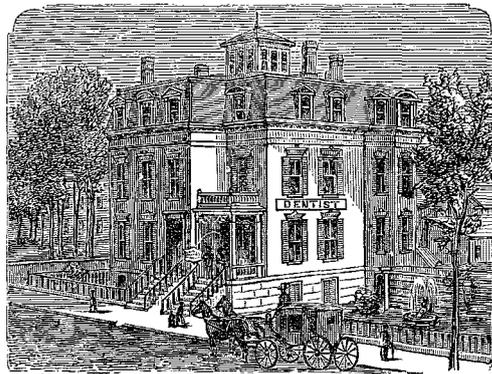
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QUITE a change has been instituted in the department of physics. The Sophomores instead of taking the usual lectures on mechanics, and electricity and magnetism this year, are taking heat, and acoustics and optics, with the Juniors. The class is divided into two sections, each receiving the same lecture. Every other week the Thursday lecture is omitted, and a recitation substituted.

It will be noticed that the motto, "Above all sects is Truth," which has for several years inspired and moulded the writings of our predecessors, has been removed from its position at the head of these columns. By many it will be missed as the face of a familiar friend, and all, especially our exchanges, will regret that a phrase so noble in sentiment, so concise in form, and so universal in its application should be lost to the public. While we do not wish ourselves to be committed to one rule of action, we are willing to accept the spirit of the motto without mental reservation, and lest a wrong impression may have been created by our action in this matter, we hasten to assure our readers that the reasons for the change were purely typographical and not personal. If "Above all Sects is Truth" does not meet the eye each week from the top of the editorial page, it is our sincere wish that though invisible it may ever be read "between the lines."

THE number of applicants for admission to the University this year, notwithstanding the increased entrance requirements, must have been very gratifying to those interested in the University. When a little more than a year ago the standard for admission was raised, many thought that it would necessarily lessen the number of applicants. But what is the result of this change? Looking at the statistics we find that a greater number have applied for admission this year than for three years past. Those who were not able to pass the extra requirements, have entered the University as optional students, intending to gradually work into one of the regular courses. The number of those who passed the examination and were compelled to remain or return home, by reason of financial embarrassment was very much larger than usual, showing plainly the effect of business depression upon institutions such as ours. That the raising of the standard has been beneficial, no one can doubt. As a result, candidates for admission are better prepared and more capable of carrying on the work assigned them.

IN the last issue of the ERA we gave a general statement of the financial condition of the Navy. Our object in laying the matter before the students so early in the term, was to open their eyes to the facts in the case, and inspire them with the necessity for immediate action upon it. This is getting to be a very serious matter. Already one week has gone and nothing has been accomplished with regard to it. One week is left in which to free the navy from debt. If by the 6th of October we do not meet our obligations the navy will be sold out. At the very lowest calculation \$500 must be raised to avert the sale. In order to pay off this debt, each student should hold himself personally responsible for it, and should consider it as we think a majority of the students do, a matter in which his honor is at stake. This debt is not the result of needless extravagance, but was incurred in meeting necessary expenses. The amount is not a large one, and if each will give what he is able, the burden will not

be a heavy one individually. There is no alternative, and we must come to the front and look this matter squarely in the face. Should not we as Cornellians have some pride about this matter? Let the class treasurers, or a committee appointed for the purpose, see each student personally, and ascertain what he will give. We believe that the students viewing this matter as a business obligation, will see the necessity of payment. Only by a united and well-directed effort can we expect to save our navy from the sheriff's hands. A meeting of the Navy Directors has been held this week, and it has been decided to have our annual fall regatta Saturday, Oct. 13th. By this and similar means, we can undoubtedly liquidate a considerable part of our debt, but as the \$500 for which the Navy was levied upon must be paid immediately, we cannot wait for the regatta to help us out with this amount. We print in another column a communication, which we think is very pertinent to the matter in hand.

Let our Navy be freed from this its most pressing debt, and the interest in boating, already reviving, will insure complete success for our regatta, and place the Navy on a firmer footing.

THE time for selecting our representative in oratory at the next Inter-Collegiate Contest is rapidly approaching, and it is important that those who intend to compete should be making active preparations for the preliminary trial. It will be remembered that it was decided to hold a competitive contest, open to all members of the classes permitted to compete, at which a speaker for the Inter-Collegiate and a substitute should be selected by a committee chosen for that purpose, thus securing a better representation by making a selection after a fair trial, and thus, by inducing a number to compete, securing a higher standard of excellence. It was thought best to hold the contest as early in the fall term as possible to give the successful contestant as much time as might be for special preparation before the winter contest. Accordingly the committee of arrangements have fixed upon Friday, the 19th of October, as the date of the trial. The contest is open to all members of the classes of '77 and '78. The orations must not require more than twelve minutes for delivery

and should not require more than ten, since but ten minutes will be given to each speaker at the winter contest. Five judges, of whom three will be professors, will be chosen to decide upon the relative merits of the speakers. It is hoped that a lively interest will be felt in this matter and that the number of competitors will be large. Should this be the case, two evenings will be taken for the contest, so that all may have a fair trial. As yet but very few contestants have given their names to the committee, and we fear that the number of those intending to compete is small. This should not be. In past years our students have carried away their share of prizes from the Inter-Collegiate Contest, and with thorough preparation we may do the same this year. Let there be a large number of contestants, let every one do his best, and let us show that Cornell can produce orators as well as writers and mathematicians. Let a general interest be shown in this matter, and let the best man be chosen, for only in this way can we hope to compete successfully with other colleges.

A PAMPHLET which is quite interesting to most of us just now, is the University Schedule for the present term. A glance at this list of studies and hours of recitations is sufficient to prove to any one that the array of subjects upon which instruction is given is quite formidable, while many of us who notice it more carefully feel that where the opportunities are so excellent, four years are not long enough to permit us to make so much use of them as we would. A few remarks upon the most important studies might not be uninteresting to some of our readers. The schools of mathematics, engineering, and the classical languages, offer opportunities very like those of other colleges; but in modern languages the scope of instruction is worthy of special notice. Besides French and German, which appear in nearly every college course, Spanish and Italian are also made here very interesting. In beginning Italian twenty-four have registered for this term, and a large class has been formed in Spanish, showing that the instruction in these languages is receiving more of the appreciation which is due to it. Of the languages of the north of Europe, Swedish is taught this term, Danish and Icelandic come later in the year. In the

department of living Asiatic and Oriental languages, Hebrew is taught by Dr. Wilson, and Prof. Rœhrig will have classes in Arabic, Sanscrit and Turkish. We have no doubt that the latter would be willing to organize a class in any other language, if enough should desire it. The usual classes in history are announced. This is taught by lectures, excepting American history, in which Prof. Russel will pursue the plan which was so favorably received last year—that of requiring essays upon subjects covering particular periods, the essays being then read before the class and commented upon. Prof. Corson has returned from his visit to England and France, where he did so much honor to the University, and has resumed his duties as professor of Anglo-Saxon and English literature. These are but a part of the subjects announced for the term, but they are enough to show something of the scope of instruction afforded at the University, which, however slowly, is coming to be more like the ideal of its founder.

LAST NIGHT'S NAVY MEETING.

Whoever supposes for an instant that boating interests at Cornell are dead, is more than mistaken. The meeting last evening showed plainly that there are yet hundreds who appreciate the Cornell Navy and the honor due it for its past services. Military Hall was well filled with students and citizens by eight o'clock, when Hon. Jno. H. Selkreg called the meeting to order and at once made an earnest and forcible appeal in behalf of the Navy. Following Mr. Selkreg, Professor Potter stepped to the front amid tremendous applause, and by his stirring words and his own enthusiasm, awakened just such a feeling among the audience as the Navy directors had desired to see. Already those in attendance were speculating as to the extent to which they could afford to assist the Navy, and when these speakers had been followed by Rev. Dr. Tyler and Hon. Samuel D. Halliday in practical and enthusiastic speeches, everything was ripe for the harvest. Though not more than one-half the students in the University and only a few of the business men of Ithaca were present, it seemed to be the determination to raise the whole amount required, on the spot if possible, and the result shows that they did nobly. The sum necessary to

clear the Navy from its present embarrassment is about \$500; and of this amount, THREE HUNDRED AND NINE DOLLARS were immediately subscribed by those present. One slip containing names from Cascadilla Place alone contained subscriptions to the amount of forty-four dollars! One hundred and one dollars were paid in and the remainder will be collected within a few days. Only about two hundred dollars are necessary to accomplish the result which every loyal Cornellian must greatly desire, and we trust that those who were not at the meeting will respond to the call of the directors, and give "financial expression" to the sympathy which they feel or ought to feel in the affairs of the Navy. We also trust that the merchants of Ithaca will not hesitate to assist us in raising this comparatively small amount. Let the good work go on!

WAR NEWS—RUSH.

On Friday evening was inaugurated the first of a series of "rushes," which welcome the freshman to his college life. A Freshman made his appearance at the Post Office about 7.30, and displayed a "hickory" in such a tempting way as to cause a decided itching in the palms of the Sophomores who witnessed the audacity of the lower classman. Upon realizing that he was the centre of attraction of a circle which was becoming small, he crossed to the corner near "Barney's Hotel" and uttered a defiant "'81," which speedily called around him the eager contestants. A sharp struggle ensued with varying fortune until a fleet Freshman gets the stick and gains such a decided lead that before his pursurers have reached him he had placed it in the hands of friendly Junior. This was but a skirmish foretelling the heavy engagement of the following evening. The Freshmen elated at the victory of the former night, came out in full force, arrayed in appropriate costume; the Sophomores moved in silent throngs about the proposed field of battle between Seneca and Buffalo streets on Tioga, determined to reverse the result of the last meeting. The only thing lacking was the cane and this was introduced by an upper classman anxious to please, and the battle commenced. The din arises, the streets are soon filled with excited spectators who become the recipients of all unnecessary clothing,

the ground is strewn with dethroned collars and smashed hats. The thrilling scene lasted for about twenty minutes when the Freshmen by a powerful effort carry the cane out from the midst of the crowd; one of their number again makes off with it, and a Junior again becomes its guardian. The Sophomores chagrined at this second defeat, requested another piece of sapling to be brought, and the Freshmen flushed with victory were not slow in accommodating them; but success had made them over confident and they were doomed to defeat. After a short struggle, a Sophomore *Mann* became the sole possessor, and flying through the portals of a neighboring grocery-store was lost to view, and the Sophomores were successful.

TOO LATE.

The heavens are hung with a rainbow bright,
To welcome the gleam of the glad sunlight.
A little child with innocent greed
Runs pat'ring his dress in the dewy mead;
In his thoughts is the rainbow-legend old,
And he hastens to find the pot of gold,
His wistful eyes are filled with tears
As the rainbow fades and disappears
He sobs and weeps o'er his cruel fate,
He has sought indeed, but alas! too late.
The child, arrived at manhood's prime,
Is brought to the judgment seat of time.
He has passed his years in an aimless strife
In a careless wandering butterfly life;
In each colored illusion's changing light
He has welcomed a bow of promise bright.
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Lingering, sluggish heaves his breast
Keeping pace with his heart as it throbs to rest.
Childlike he sobs, and laments his fate
He would seek again, 'tis alas! too late. *

PRESIDENT WHITE ON THIERS.*

TARASP, Switzerland, September 6.

We have just received vague news of M. Thiers' death, but as yet you probably know far more of it than we. We shall get the *Allgemeine Zeitung* from Augsburg, giving details, to-morrow probably. Great as his age was, it is almost impossible for me to believe him dead. Last winter I passed an evening at his house, and he was so vigorous, vivacious and cheery that he appeared younger than some present who were born a quarter or even half a century after him. The little, hard, round man seemed good for much excellent

work and fight yet, and as ready to give and take hard knocks as ever.

His loss is certainly a great misfortune to the Republican party in France just at this juncture. He served to reconcile great numbers of moderate Republicans to Gambetta. And his death is a misfortune to France also. I look upon him during all his earlier years—indeed, until he was over seventy years of age—as having done more harm to France than any other man of this century save Napoleon; but since the Franco-German war, his career has been a fine one in the main, and his statesmanship of the only sort worth anything to France. He has not been ill that we have heard, and down to last week was traveling, talking and working apparently with his old ardor.

SEPTEMBER 7.

Since writing you yesterday the German papers have come, leaving no doubt as to the death of Thiers. So has gone the last great man whom these sterile revolutions and imperialism had left; but his was the sort of greatness which costs a country dear, save, probably in the most terrible emergencies. It is still hard for me to realize his death. His image stamped itself very firmly upon my memory. Even more vivid than my remembrance of him as he stood, the centre of a brilliant company before his own fireside, in the Place St. Georges, is my mental photograph of him as he sat among the Academicians at one of the receptions last spring—either Charles Blanc's or Gaston Baissier's, I forget which. His eighty years sat as lightly upon him as fifty years upon some of his colleagues. He was quiet and serene, and in that atmosphere everything of the restless intriguer seemed dissolved away. A compliment of the most elaborate kind paid him by one of the orators, and which elicited hearty applause even from those who have long been his most bitter political enemies, he received with the most perfect self-possession. This jaunty, easy, self-control, added to his undoubted genius in conducting affairs, judging of men, foreseeing the results of conduct and thinking upon his feet, was apparently to be of great use to the Republicans in the present campaign, and the loss of his name even is a tremendous loss to his party.

*Extracts from private letters.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Editors Era :—The affairs of the Navy, are, as everyone knows, in a very critical condition, and there seems to be imminent danger that its property may be sold out under the sheriff's hammer. We can hardly blame the tradesmen for proceeding to these extreme measures, since the accounts have been running for months, and they see no prospect of satisfaction, except by foreclosing their claims. The Navy Directors and others are making noble efforts to save the University from such a disgrace, but there can be no hope of their success, without the support of their fellow students. There must be a revival of the boating interest, or we shall soon see the humiliating spectacle of the victorious Cornell shells put up at a public auction for a few paltry debts, which should have been paid long ago. We shall be, and deserve to be, a butt of ridicule for all the fair-minded newspapers which have been so lately liberal in their praise of Cornell enterprise and Cornell pluck—while we know too well what to expect from those journals which have never let slip an opportunity for a fling at our University. Worse than all, we shall have betrayed a trust in thus sacrificing the handsome property accumulated in a few years by our predecessors. We shall deprive future classes of the legacy left them through the public spirit of our alumni, and the generosity of our friends. We shall be ashamed to tell in future years the names of our classes.

But this must not be. There is surely enough enterprise among our undergraduates to rescue the Navy from its perilous position, pay its honest debts and restore it to its old prosperity.

So long as the boat-house is deserted, and the students seem indifferent to the fate of its contents, we can not justly expect any outside help. Our boats might as well be sold, as suffered to lie idle and fill with spider webs. Let the undergraduates wake up and show that they appreciate their privileges, let the boat-house present as lively a scene as it did two or three years ago, and we shall have no trouble in putting our affairs upon a solid basis. The classes of '78 and '79 have stirring memories of Saratoga days, and surely the under classman's heart ought to be fired by the traditional supremacy of Cornell to emulate the glorious aquatic deeds of '75 and '76.

The annual fall regatta will take place in a few weeks, and upon its success or failure depends in a great measure the future of the Cornell Navy. If all the boating men will take hold of the matter at once and work with their old energy, we can have an interesting class race, while the underclassmen will have the chance of training under the skillful direction of those who will leave the University this year or next.

AQUARIUS.

To the Editors of the Era.—"The veteran librarian of Brown University, Reuben A. Guild, does not believe in the close-order system which keeps the students at a distance from the book-shelves. He does not understand why they should not be allowed to make the library a lounging-place and reading-room, and to enjoy the privilege of handling the books as much as they please. He says that during the past thirty years only one book in the college library has been mutilated by a student, and he smiles when ruin and destruction are predicted as the result of the liberty which he encourages."

This extract from a recent number of the New York *Tribune*, might serve as text for an exhaustive homily upon the superior wisdom and liberality manifested by the authorities of Brown University, but it will perhaps be enough for the present to present it in all its suggestiveness to the readers of the *ERA*. The great amount of general reading required of students in the fourth year, makes it seem very desirable that they should be allowed free access to the books in the library. Perhaps a liberally signed petition would have some weight with the faculty, and it is obviously for the interest of all undergraduates that the experiment of admitting Seniors to the alcoves be fairly tried. This year is a favorable one for agitating the subject, as the Senior class is very small,—and '78 always was lucky.

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Editors Era :—The University Musical Association is soon to give the third of its successful concerts. It is the wish of the directors to give it toward the middle of the present term, before the busy time of examination sets in. They therefore take this early opportunity of making the existence of the association known to the members of the class of '81. They extend an invitation to them as well as all other students and especially those who can assist in either vocal or instrumental music, or who desire to learn singing, to attend the meeting to be held next week.

As a committee is at present busy draughting a plan for reorganization it may be well to give the plans as they were announced in the *ERA* of June 1st, 1877.

"It is the intention of those engaged in this enterprise to so arrange matters as to afford better amusement and instruction to all the members of the University and in such a manner that the association may become at once a permanent and flourishing institution. With this aim in view it is proposed that the association shall include as members not only those of musical tastes and acquirements, but also those who, for a small fee, shall participate in the benefits to be derived in the various entertainments to be given by the active mem-

bers. These entertainments will consist of rehearsals and concerts at various times in the college year, and an effort will be made to promote the social element as far as possible by introducing the café concert. This latter feature, although unknown outside of our larger cities, will undoubtedly prove a great success in our University town. This new departure would undoubtedly have the effect of rendering musical culture more general among our colleges and would reflect great honor on Cornell as its originator. Let us hope that the students in general will show their hearty co-operation with those at present interested in these plans by being present at a meeting soon to be announced at which a full report will be presented."

DIRECTORS OF C. U. M. A.

BASE BALL.

Editors Era:—There is no doubt that at present we are without a proper means of developing the base ball talent of the University. Since we were compelled to abandon the Willow Avenue grounds there has been no place to play ball convenient for all students, and the practice that we have had has been wretched—next to none at all. The Fair Grounds are so far away that unless there is a promise of a splendid game no one but the members of the University nine will ever be on hand, and it is indeed seldom that they themselves all get together.

With but one exception, the University nine of last year are all back. We know what they are. We hear constantly of the ball-players in the present Freshman class, but there is no way of getting at them—no means of ascertaining how materially our representative nine may be strengthened.

There should be some system of practice adopted, regular days appointed and games arranged; then the ball grounds would once more become interesting and attractive.

At Yale and many other colleges a series of inter-class matches are arranged each year at the beginning of the fall term. In this way the playing abilities of the students—the entering ones especially—are tested and the very best kind of practice gained. Speaking of inter-class matches, the *Yale Record* of this week says: "Their importance in utilizing and developing immediately what talent of this kind there is in the college, can hardly be over-estimated. Since their institution there has been a marked improvement in the university nine, especially in point of discipline." This is just what we need here at Cornell, a series of inter-class matches. The advantages of the method can easily be seen, and it certainly would be a good one to adopt. Let each class reorganize its nine, and the series of matches for this year be speedily arranged. Let us establish a system which will

help us to take as high a position in base ball as we already have in boating. A. H. B.

The letter which we print above is from the pen of a student who has done much for the base ball interests of the University and the propositions which he makes are so excellent that they should be adopted at once by the respective classes. The Freshman class has already shown that among its numbers it has many fine players; the question how many more there may be can not be more quickly answered than by organizing a nine and challenging one of its sister classes. In regard to base ball Cornell never had such an opportunity to gain a prominent place in the rank of colleges as at present. Yale has been left with only two of her old players, and Harvard has lost her short stop and third baseman—both good men. With sufficient support from the students our nine could enter the Base Ball Association and matches arranged with the leading New England colleges. Let us see if at the end of a week some advance can not be made, finding out the good players and giving them an opportunity to practice.

CORNELIANA.

--"See?"

—Quite a number straggled in after Registration day.

—Only thirteen weeks of University duties this term including examination week.

—The sermons of Dr. Potter, at Sage Chapel last Sunday were largely attended.

—In the bright lexicon of youth there should be no such words as "Navy Debts."

—Reeve, Adams and Tompkins have been appointed the Freshman committee on foot-ball.

—Dr. Wilson's Political Economy has been adopted as a text-book in the Albany High School.

—One Freshman was overheard lately, lamenting to another that he could not take *chronic* sections this term.

—'80 held a meeting to-day in Room T, for the purpose of electing officers and the transaction of other business.

—Fresh. (affably to Soph.) "What do you have this term?" Soph. (eagerly seizing Fresh.'s arm,) "Well, I don't care if I do."

—"We point with pride" to the fact that the the Christ Church Brotherhood of Oyster Bay has subscribed for Vol. X. of the *Era*.

—Enthusiastic amateur Botanist with great varietal: "But isn't it strange that the *rosaceae* should all belong to one family."

—The owner of the gloves which graced the bulletin yesterday, affirms that he never offered a reward of \$1 00 for their recovery.

—A Freshman asked Dr. Wilder the other day if attendance at class meeting was one of the requirements of the College Course.

—"Oh," said an old subscriber as he picked up No. 1 of Vol. 10, "this is the "Telephone" and the *Cornell Era* has taken an advertisement in it."

—The University bulletin board one day last week announced a "Webster's Dictionary for sale cheap." It is evident that the owner has no further use for it.

—A Junior in Latin who is studying the annals of Tacitus with German notes, thinks that he should be credited with four hours a week in each language.

—Fair Hobart, ever of thee! Hurry that challenge along, that the Cayuga may greet the Seneca. The Hobart Freshman class, it is said, will row in a single scull.

—A Freshman who attended Sage Chapel on Sunday, expressed his surprise that a collection was not taken up. He might contribute his "mite" to the boating fund.

—Arms and equipments were distributed to the cadets this p. m. from 4 to 6. The corps will be divided into three companies, one of which will drill on the campus and the others down town.

—One of the newly matriculated Freshmen, while gazing with an inquiring look in his eye, near the Registrar's office, the other day, was accosted by a P. G. who asked if he wanted to find the Doctor. "Who said anything about a doctor? I'm not sick!" was the reply.

—A "club" in the vicinity announces a cheap, as well as varied bill of fare: "Apple-sauce and bread for breakfast, bread and apple sauce for dinner, and apple-sauce and bread for supper." For the benefit of those saucily inclined, we would state that the club is full.

—The other day a trembling Freshman, whose case was doubtful, appeared before the Registrar and said: "Dr. Wilson, have you a record of my standing?" The Doctor good-naturedly responded, "Yes, sir." Fresh.: "Is it handy?" "Yes, sir, quite handy." Fresh. (hesitatingly,) "Would it trouble you much to look at it?" Dr. (with a smile,) "Oh, no, sir." Fresh. (very much embarrassed,) "Then will you please give me my mark in grammar?" "With pleasure," said the Doctor, as he ran his finger along the list.

—We are indebted to a newly-fledged Freshman for the following startling information which was elicited in the recent examinations: "Numeratos shows into how many parts the denominatos is divided, Because by multiplying or dividing two numbers by the same number do not alter their value."

—In German the Sophomores have commenced reading the wonderful accounts of Fräulein Eggers of Gotha and Herren Schleirmacher, Blumenbach, Lindermann and other characters who enliven the pages of Comfort. In French the Freshmen are struggling as of old with the pronunciation of *roi* and *l' enfant*.

—Nothing sets a man off so much in the estimation of some people as presence of mind. This class of persons might find their "Heart's Delight" in the Freshman who upon being asked what he would substitute for drill, promptly replied that he would "think over it and announce his intention in a week or two."

—Prof. Oliver will hold a supplementary entrance examination in Mathematics for students whose entrance examination papers are incomplete or not reported, in room T, as follows: Algebra through Quadratics, Saturday, 9 a. m.; Plane Geometry, Saturday, 11:30 a. m.; Arithmetic, Monday, Oct. 1, 3 p. m. This examination is not, however to make up conditions or failures.

—A large number of pains-taking students began this week to take down notes on Roman History in lead pencil with the intention of copying them carefully in ink at their rooms. It is estimated by good observers that three weeks of this exercise will exhaust the enthusiasm of the most ardent, and prove the truth of the new adage that the lead pencil is mightier than the pen.

—The first game of foot-ball of the season was played on the campus last Saturday a. m. Although it was intended to be a practice game for the Sophomores, all classes were largely represented. Merrill, Snyder, Force, Hathaway and Borden sustained their old reputations. The Freshmen were out in full force, and did some very good playing. They are confident of being able to furnish a strong team to cope with the Sophomores.

—There were sixty-two lady students in the University last year; the present term finds but fifty matriculated. At the beginning of the last college year there were thirty fair applicants for admission. This year but seventeen stepped up to the Doctor's office. The author of the telling phrase, "Co-education is the root of all evil, and the thief of time," rejoices, flings up his hat, and now adds hilariously, "Co-education gathers no moss."

—Dr. Wilson has been engaged during the summer months in preparing a pamphlet consisting of six lectures on the following subjects: Sensation, Volition, Consciousness, Insight, The Test of Truth, and Real Causes. The author's design in preparing it, is to supplement his works published some time ago on Psychology and Mental Philosophy. The work is neatly bound in paper and may be had at the bookstores. Price 75 cts.

—The Anatomical Laboratory has twenty-two students, about three times the number it can accommodate. It is to be hoped that this fact will again call the attention of the authorities to the request made by Dr. Wilder some time ago for more commodious apartments. It has been proposed to fit up part of the basement of the McGraw building for this department and until a change is made, not only are the natural history students seriously inconvenienced in their work, but also the growth of the school of natural history of the department is restricted.

—Prof. Corson in his lectures on English literature this year, has adopted a different method in taking up and examining authors than usual. Instead of beginning with Chaucer, and finishing with the later writers, he will consider this term some of the poets and prose writers of the nineteenth century, commencing with Longfellow; in the Winter term, the eighteenth and part of the seventeenth centuries will be taken up, and in the spring term the early English writers.

—“The members of the Freshman class are requested to meet in room T at 1 P. M., on Tuesday Sept. 25, for purpose of organizing the class.” After “divers” announcements like the above, displaying the orthographical ability of the Sophomore authors, the Freshman class stole a march on the wary Sophomores and met in room T on Monday. It was decided to effect no permanent organization until a month hence, and the following officers were chosen to act until the election at that time: F. D. Carman, President; B. H. Reeve, Vice-President; W. B. Hoyt Secretary. After a considerable display of enthusiasm, the meeting adjourned subject to the call of the President, *pro tempore*.

—One of the chief attractions of Scribner for the coming year will be a novel entitled “A Knight of Fortune,” from the pen of Prof. Boyesen. In some respects this work ranks above any of the Professor's previous efforts. The scene is laid on native American soil, and the author depicts clearly and vividly the different phases of western life. The work will be of special interest, as it throws additional light on some of the great social problems of the day. It will appear early next summer at the conclusion of Miss Trafton's story.

—Spence Spencer is bound to make his University Book-Store a popular resort for students. With characteristic energy and enterprise he has fitted up two tables in his store, on one of which may be found paper, ink and pens, which students are at perfect liberty to use; on the other may be found the Ithaca and New York papers, Scribner's, Harper's and Atlantic Magazines, and other reading matter. A card will be hung out for stages. Any book on his shelves may be freely consulted. The ERA feels certain that the students will not leave Mr. Spencer's efforts for their comfort and accommodation unappreciated.

—The ball game which was to have taken place on Wednesday between the Hornells and the University nine, did not come off owing to the “backing out” of the visiting club. The game had been duly advertised, the players selected, grounds procured, all the necessary arrangements made and expectation ran high for a good game, when on Tuesday evening, our Managers received a telegram stating that several of the Hornells had been injured and they could not play. The following reply was immediately sent: “Too thin! The game has already been announced and all arrangements completed. We will get even with you in the future.” The announcement that there was to be no match was the cause of sincere regret to many who wished to see how the nine with its new men would acquit itself. We give no comments upon the action of the Hornells but allow our readers to draw their own inference.

—We give below the Woodford subjects for this year. Every member of the Senior class, in the general courses, is obliged to hand in an oration on one of these subjects, on or before the fourth Monday of the winter term.

1. Individual Manhood as an Influence in History.
2. The Trust in Ideas.
3. The Moral Tendencies fostered by Science.
4. The Poetic Genius of Aeschylus and Milton.
5. Milton's Satan and Goethe's Mephistopheles.
6. The Imagination in Moral and Historical Judgment.
7. The Characteristic Features of an Age of Transition.
8. The Modernness of Ancient Athenian Life.
9. The Immortality of Art.
10. Kingship in Shakespeare's Kings.
11. A Farmer and a Man on the Farm.
12. The Modern Epic not “Arms and the Man,” but “Tools and the Man.”

PERSONAL.

GARVER, '76, is in town visiting friends
 SHELDON, '79, is studying medicine in Buffalo.
 J. J. JENNINGS, '80, has entered Michigan University.

HAMILTON, '79, will have to be re-introduced to his friends.

S. J. BALLARD, '78, has been hunting in Middle Park, Col.

S. M. K. SMITH, '77, is teaching at West Winfield, N. Y.

LAPE, '77, and Brown, '78, are in town spending a few days.

FAIRCHILD, '74, was in town visiting old friends during the week.

HARRY SPOFFORD, '79, is in the Congressional Library at Washington.

MISS E. M. VANDUSEN, '77, *ex-Review* editor, is teaching at Schoharie, N. Y.

V. S. WALSH, '75, of the *Troy Press*, was in town last Monday visiting his parents.

GOKEY, '79, is in business at Jamestown instead of Addison, as we stated last week.

PHIN THOMPSON, '78, is very sick with fever and ague at his home in Turner's, N. Y.

N. A. RANDOLPH is traveling in Europe and will not return to the University this year.

PROF. WILDER has been called to New York on business pertaining to the Woodruff expedition.

WEEKS, '77, is now sojourning in Los Angeles, Cal., where he is reported to be speculating in orange groves.

SEVERANCE, '79, was editor-in-chief of a local paper at his home in Whitewater, Wis., during the past summer.

BUCKLEY, '80, last year's Freshman debater, is principal of a graded school at Sidney Plains, Delaware Co. N. Y.

H. H. COBB, '79, has been admitted to the bar and is now practicing law with much success at Charlotte, Mich.

A large number of our western boys spent vacation scaling the Rocky Mountains and hunting the roaming buffalo.

NIXON, who so nobly supported '79 in her Freshman trials, has re-entered the University and will graduate with '80.

DEAN SAGE, JR., is building a fine residence on East Seneca street. He intends to make Ithaca his permanent residence.

HYDE, formerly '79, spent the past year in preparing for the classical arts. He enters the University this year as a Sophomore.

"JACK" BORDEN, '78, while deeply interested in the Farragut Boat Club, in Chicago, is enjoying some light reading in Blackstone.

ABBOTT, formerly '79, is in business in Chicago, No. 45 Mich. Ave. Should you need anything in the line of "brass," call on him.

GROVE, '77, has become a devoted disciple of Æsculapius, and will flourish the scalpel in the Buffalo Medical College the next year.

J. S. LEHMAIER, '77, regent of the Inter-Collegiate Literary Association and president of the Curtis Literary Society, has returned to the University.

JOHN C. ROTH, '79, the former Chaplain of '78, has dropped theology, and is now in active pursuit of the degree of M. D. at the Albany Medical College.

SAWYER, '79, no longer sings "If I had but a thousand a year," for he receives that sum from a large publishing house in Boston for his services as a phonographer.

FRED WHITE, '80, is making a foot tour in Switzerland with some French acquaintances. His route comprises the ascent of the Great St. Bernard and a tramp over the Tête Noir from the valley of the upper Rhone to Chamouni and Geneva.

At last accounts President White was in the Engadine Valley, Switzerland, where he found the mountain air exceedingly bracing. He had there met Professor George Curtius, the famous Greek scholar, as well as many other distinguished professors from the German universities. The President's family will remain at Vevay, on lake Geneva until the cool autumn weather sets in. The winter will be spent mainly in some German city.

COLLEGIANA.

Yale has recently come into a bequest of \$40,000 by the death of Mrs. Caroline M. Street.

Dartmouth purposes changing its fine gymnasium into a thoroughly fire-proof building to be used as a library.

Hofmann, the famous South German jurist who died recently, has left his library, valued at 140,000 marks, to the University of Munich.

The *Gazette*, the official journal of England, announces that hereafter, graduates of the college of the Cape of Good Hope shall be entitled to the same privileges and precedence as those of any of the colleges of the United Kingdom.

The German Universities are rapidly ridding themselves of their mediæval forms. At the last conferring of degrees in the law faculty of Berlin, the German language was used instead of the Latin, and a decree of the senate establishes this new custom in the future.

The London University, which consists solely of an examining board, asked Parliament for an alteration in its charter which would enable it to admit women to examinations for all degrees. The convocation afterwards met and by a vote of one hundred and forty-three to eighty-two censured the Senate for its action, upon which the Senate obtained a legal opinion sustaining it in the proceeding.

EXCHANGES.

Mrs. Glass's "first catch your hare" seems fraught with a particularly pungent meaning to the editor who, seeking to prepare a *pâté d'échange* for the entertainment of his guests, suddenly discovers the absence of the necessary compounds of the delectable dish. Few of the college periodicals for the present year have as yet made their appearance, but as the majority of our universities and colleges have now resumed their duties, it is to be presumed that, before the next issue, the exchange table of the ERA will be overflowing with under-graduate wit and wisdom. To those college journals which have already appeared, we extend our hearty welcome, to those yet in an embryonic state our sympathy and encouragement, together with a prayer for "an easy issue."

The *Besom*, from the University of California, is an excellent publication, but is of so old a date that its articles all have a flavor of antiquity about them which challenges criticism.

The *Dartmouth* is quite readable, but filled to a great extent with local statistics. It glories in the fact that it has correspondents at the three principal female colleges. It spells it with a *t* which is excruciating.

The *Berkeleyan* from the same University and of somewhat more recent date, is wearisomely heavy and does not contain a single light, racy article, while to wade through its column and a half of witticisms (?) would give the strongest man a vertigo.

The first number of the *Yale Record* promises a new volume in no sense inferior to the last. The editorials are forcible and ably written; the short sketches, bright and sparkling. It remarks: "Osman Pasha is a *muscleman* of uncertain age. Can he come from Cornell?" Bismillah! We have searched the "Register" of the Faithful and find no such man. Can it be one Ostrom Pasha whose name is of frequent occurrence in Alcoran of Cornell?

The *Yale Courant* appears with a very fair initial number. The leading article is devoted to the Freshmen and contains much timely and valuable advice to that peculiar genus. The "Yalensicu-

la" are short and pithy. A poem entitled "I remember," is poor enough, the last verse being the best.

I remember, I remember,
My flunks in Chauvenet.
And how I soon discovered
That skinning does not pay.
Now as my course draws to a close,
This thought gives little joy:
That my degree's no nearer now
Than when I was a boy.

Scribner's for October contains an article on Prof. H. H. Boyesen, by F. E. Heath, Cornell '76, which is quite interesting to the general reader as tracing the literary *motif* of Mr. Boyesen's tales as flowing from the pure, limpid spring of his early Norwegian life. To the Cornelian reader it is of particular interest as being a faithful sketch of the life of a well known professor and favorite instructor. The manner in which the novelist's boy-life in his Norwegian home is detailed seems almost autobiographical, so natural is the description of how "amid the beauty and grandeur of one of the most picturesque regions in all Norway, the boy dreamed away his childhood, listening at night to old legends and superstitions which he heard recounted by the peasants as he sat with them around the fire, gazing into the embers on the hearth, while dusk and shadow filled the room and the spluttering pine-knot burned in a crevice of the wall."

Mr. Boyesen was born at Fredericksvern, a small sea-port town on the southern coast of Norway, September 23d, 1848; entered a gymnasium when eleven years of age, and later on the University of Christiania from which he was graduated in 1868. In compliance with his father's wishes he came to this country in 1869, intending to remain but a year. In the early part of 1870 he became associate editor of a Norwegian journal, the "Fremad," published in Chicago. In September of the same year he became an instructor in a small Ohio college. In the latter part of 1872 he returned to Europe for a year, having previously received the appointment to a professorship in Cornell University. While absent he spent two *semesters* at Leipzig with Professor Zarncke, perfecting himself in German and comparative philology. During these few years of his residence in America he had ever striven after a perfect acquirement of the English tongue, and no better monument to his success in the mastery of the language can be found, than his first production the beautiful little Norwegian story, "Gunnar." The author of the article observes a certain similarity in thought and feeling in Boyesen's works to those of his own countryman Bjørnsen, and to the author of "Smoke," but as he remarks, "of course this likeness implies no lack of originality in what he writes. On the contrary, even where

he recalls Tourguéneff, the resemblance is modified by a manner peculiar to himself." Mr. Heath is particularly happy in the selection of "The Man who Lost His Name," as the best tale the author has given us, although "Swart among the Buckeyes," which appeared in a recent issue of *Scribner* is scarcely inferior in character. The portrait which precedes the article although an excellent piece of engraver's handiwork does not do the author justice, the original crayon sketch is quite fine, and in the engraving the general contour of the countenance is retained and well portrayed, but the eyes which are by far the most attractive of Mr. Boyesen's features have a dreamy, far-away look, nowise characteristic of the original, which are full of sparkling vivacity and cheerfulness.

BOOK REVIEWS.

THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE, by James Boyce. Seventh edition. New York: MacMillan & Co.; 1877. This is a thorough treatise upon the origin, decline and fall of the Holy Roman Empire. It is a masterly work and well worth the perusal of every earnest student of history. Beginning with the reign of Augustus the history of the Empire is carefully traced through the long period lapsing between that reign and the resignation of the imperial crown by Francis II. in 1806. The theory of the Mediæval Empire, the fall of the Hohenstaufen, the mediæval condition of Rome, the Reformation, the Thirty Years War, are some of the principle topics treated, and all betoken the author's masterly power. A "supplementary chapter," upon the new German Empire, is especially valuable to the student of recent German history.

DEVIL-PUZZLERS, AND OTHER STUDIES, by Frederick B. Perkins. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons; 1877. This is an odd little book, the first sketch in which, and from which the book derives its name, purports to be the history of a learned Scotch metaphysician, one Dr. Hicok by name, who seeking to outwit and save his soul from Apollyon is to propound three conundrums, the first two are profound theological questions, themselves prompted by the devil and soon answered by him. The Doctor's wife happens, in opportunely with a "fairy-like combination of sparkles and threads and feathers," she whispers to the Doctor, he proposes the third conundrum—"Which is the front side of this?" His satanic majesty is unable to solve the problem, finds he is outwitted, and flees in "thunder, lightning and in rain." The volume contains several additional short sketches.

In the *American Church Review* for October, we find an article on "The Influence of Christianity on the Roman Law," from the French of Theodore

Troplong, translated and edited by Prof. Z. Hazard Potter. We copy the following from the preface:

"In presenting the beautiful and learned Memoir of M. Troplong in an English dress, I have been guided by the conviction that the work would be valuable to the general reader, and useful to all interested in the study of jurisprudence. The influence which Christianity has exerted on the development of the Roman Law is presented by M. Troplong with a masterly hand. If his Memoir shall cause to be understood, but imperfectly, in what respect that divine philosophy is connected with the study of ancient and modern law and how Christianity explains the superiority of our civil institutions over the same class of productions of Pagan genius, the translator will have accomplished an object which he believes is not without utility, and the fruits of his labors will be important to those who appreciate the necessity of loving their religion, their age and the laws of their country."

FACETIÆ.

During a thunder storm two dogs that howled dismally at night were struck by lightning. Howling dogs should cut this out and paste it in their hats.

Young Ladies' College—Prof.—"What can you tell of Pluto?" Miss D.—"He was the son of Satan, and when his father died he gave him Hell."

A moth-proof barrel, in which clothes can be safely stored, is a late invention. But this leaves the moths at large. What is wanted is a barrel in which the moths can be kept, and thus leave the clothes at large.—*Danbury News*.

The Lowell *Courier* funny man evolves this:—Here is a conundrum which we do not remember to have seen in print:—"Why is a pig looking out of a second story window like the moon?" "Because he looks round." If anybody triumphantly retorts that the moon does not always look round, you can reply that the pig doesn't, either.

A FABLE.—*Not from Æsop.*

In *Novus* York a *felis* dwelt
Who *unus tempus* thought she smelt
A large-sized *mus*, and *statim* felt
Inclined to catch him.

Sed hæc poor *mus* a rat *erat*
Qui una via ran at that,
And *sic* his cat *jejunus* sat
Obliged to watch him.

Et ille rat *per alium* route
Quod he *cognovit* soon got out
Et there *reliquit* cat, without
Tantum ut "Thank you."

Hic moral *est*. While think you may
Ut vos are *certus* of your prey,
He'll *fugit* by some other way,
And *sic* outflank you.

—*Geo. L. Catlin, in Prck.*

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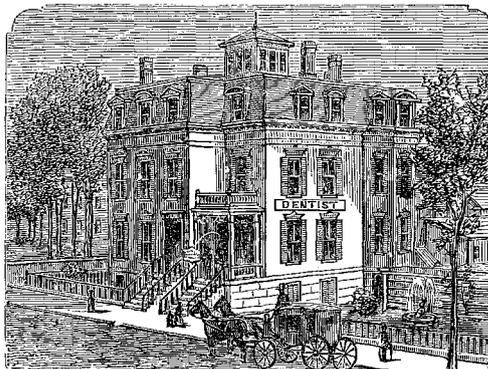
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At the last meeting of the American Association for the advancement of Science, held at Nashville, Tenn., resolutions were adopted looking toward the better protection and utilization of the Yellowstone National Park. A committee of five Fellows of the Association was appointed to memorialize Congress and to excite public interest in the matter. Prof. Theo. B. Comstock is the chairman, and with such eminent associates as Dr. Joseph Henry, Professor O. C. Marsh, Lieut. Geo. M. Wheeler and Major J. W. Powell, he can hardly fail to realize his long cherished hopes of saving the wonders of the Park from ruthless destruction.

“AND now that the tide has turned in our favor, it should be the ambition of every one to do all in his power to make this victory the first of a series. And to this end it is to be hoped that the crew will stick together. Six of the eight are still in College; and it is unquestionably in their power to form a crew that could beat Yale, and show Cornell a rudder for three miles in a practice pull, if that college desires a race.”

We quote the above paragraph from an editorial which appears in the current number of the *Harvard Advocate* and would call the attention of the Navy Directors, now that the navy appears to be recovering from its financial embarrassment, to this evident yearning for a challenge.

Those who only knew the campus as it was a few years ago would be very much surprised and pleased to see it as it is now. The grading toward the west is rapidly approaching completion, and the change in the appearance of the grounds on that side is great. It hardly seemed possible, a short time ago, that so great an improvement could be so soon effected; but when the ground has become covered with turf, the outlook westward will be very pleasant, and we shall not wonder any longer why the buildings face that way. The fence between the buildings will be an excellent thing to protect the walks from snow in winter, and from the wind which sweeps across them so fiercely at times. The young trees, notwithstanding the hard winter, are nearly all alive, and are growing so finely that the walk from Cascadilla will in a few years be a very pleasant one. In time the University surroundings will become quite attractive.

It is pleasant to notice the change which has taken place in Navy affairs since the beginning of the term. Something of the old enthusiasm has returned, and an earnest effort is being made to raise money to pay off the Navy's debt. During the present week additions have been made to the large sum which was raised at the meeting last Thursday, week, and there is little doubt that the amount required to free us from our present difficulties will soon be raised. We are glad to see such prompt and honorable action on the part of the students, and it is most praiseworthy that they are doing at once what they can of themselves do rather than waiting for outside aid. We are sure that this will be fully appreciated, and we shall by this means win new confidence from the citizens of the town and others who have before taken an interest in our affairs. Every effort should continue to be made to increase the number of the subscribers, and every one who can give even a little should be asked to add his name to the list. This interest in boating matters seems likely to continue. Arrangements are being made for a regatta to occur

in a few weeks, and an effort will be made to make it an interesting one. We hope and confidently expect to see the Navy soon freed from debt, and a source of pleasure for us rather than of trouble.

LAST week a communication was published on the library question, calling attention to the fact that one librarian, at least, does not believe in the close-order system which excludes students from the book-shelves, and advocating the admission of Seniors to the alcoves of the library. This is a matter of so great importance that a few words upon the same subject will not be out of place. We know that it is an old one, and one which has often been discussed, but old subjects sometimes need that new things be said about them, or that what has been said before be often repeated. The system which keeps readers from the free use of the books of a library, cannot be denied to be a faulty one, even if it is often rendered necessary by lack of room in the alcoves. That to exclude general readers from the alcoves of a library is to take away much of the usefulness of the books is felt by every one who enters a library where such exclusion is practised to avail himself of its assistance, is proved every day by those who are permitted to enter the alcoves, since they never make use of books but by exercising the privilege granted to them. For one whose reading has not been very extensive it is quite difficult to make a judicious selection of books even from a good catalogue. No one likes to buy books from a list, but he wishes first to see and handle them; so the reader can best make his selection from the shelves of a library. And to this advantage must be added the amount of general information which may be gained by the free use of all the volumes of a library, and the knowledge about books themselves so valuable to everyone, and so necessary to those who are to make literature a special study. But at Cornell there is no complete catalogue, and this library of nearly half a hundred thousand volumes is of not much more use to the most of us than a much smaller one would be. We have tried the plan recommended in *The Library*, and, after spending a long time in copying titles from the Congressional Catalogue, and then finding that almost none of the books were in the library, we have felt that this way has its faults,

and is really of little practical value. In the absence of a catalogue, we wish that the experiment of admitting Seniors to the alcoves might be tried, and we suggest that a petition requesting this be at once circulated. The whole number of the class is quite small, while the number of those who would have opportunity to make much use of the privilege is still smaller. This fact may have weight with those who fear over-crowding. It was an agreeable surprise to find at the beginning of this term that quite a number of the volumes more commonly used were so placed that all could freely use them. This is an experiment and it has been found by observation that these books are much used, but as carefully as any, and that they are always returned to their proper places. There is no reason why the whole library would not be used equally as well. These words have not been written for the purpose of finding fault, but merely to call attention again to the fact that good use of the library cannot now be made, and that something ought to be done about the matter as soon as possible.

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ALUMNUS.

To the Editors of the Era :—For the past few days from about 3:30 to 5:40 p. m., the boat house has presented a lively scene; Seniors, Juniors, and Sophomores are working with a determination that recalls the Autumns of '74 and of '75. Freshmen have caught the usual number of "crabs" to the extreme amusement of bystanding upper-classmen, and have been instructed in the characteristic points of "Ostrom's stroke," and the mysteries of "Let her come port," etc. The revival of interest in rowing, indicating as it does the purpose to continue home regattas, and prophesy-

ing future aquatic honors for our University, must be of interest alike to those who enjoy the former and who hope for the latter.

The Fall Regatta, which is to occur on Saturday, October 13, promises to be one of unusual interest. The usual race for the "Cluck cup" will take place, and for this crews are training from the classes of '78, '79, and '80, each determined that whoever wins shall do it by hard rowing. Two crews will be selected from the Freshman class to row a race in gigs. Some of the students will participate in a single scull race. The crowning feature of the day, however, will be a tub race, the prize to be a bar of Babbitt's best soap. Already numerous Seniors, allured by visions of glorious victory and by the value of the prize, have descended from their dignity and are enrolled as contestants.

To make the regatta a success, a full attendance alone is needed, and we trust this will not be wanting when it is considered that its failure may be a death blow to the Navy which it is our duty to maintain.

PORT.

CHESS.

To the Editors of the Era:—During the past year nothing among games has gained more in popularity here than the game of chess. At the beginning of the year scarce a half-dozen students took any part or much interest in matters relating to it; but by unwearied efforts and perseverance they were enabled at the end of the year to see the club in a far more prosperous condition. The names of twenty active members were then on the roll; all expenses were paid, and a considerable sum left in the treasury; correspondence games were in progress with Princeton and Michigan University, and a closely contested tournament, which had excited much interest, was brought to a satisfactory close. Nor was this advance in popularity unmerited, for what study is there more adapted to the cultivation of the faculty of planning and contriving than the study of chess?—the study of chess, for it is a study, and a study too which requires the deepest thought. A great difficulty in the way of last year's work was the inability of the club to procure suitable rooms, the meetings being held for the most part at one or other of the members' rooms. But already this year such a determination to go forward with the work has been manifested, that it is now proposed to try an experiment, and if practicable, comfortable rooms will be procured and furnished near the post office, and they will be open to all chess-players from 7 to 8½ or later every evening. The games with Princeton and Michigan University will be brought to a close—it is hoped a successful one—as soon as possible, and arrangements

are being made to commence others. An important feature of the work will be the presentation of a chess essay at each of the regular meetings. Although some of the best players did not return this fall, still the club is in good working condition and it is hoped that all its future undertakings will prove a decided success. A cordial invitation is extended to all, whether members or not, to attend the meetings, which will be made both interesting and instructive, so far as it lies in the power of the members so to do.

PHILIDOR.

To the Editors of the Era:—There has been much said and written about navy matters this term, but, at the risk of triteness, we have thought a few words relative to what the Navy Directors are doing might be *a propos* just now. For the past week meetings have been held every evening to discuss means for paying off our indebtedness, and the general meeting last Thursday week was one of the results. A regatta has been decided upon for Saturday, October 13th, and if any one will take the trouble to visit the boat house any afternoon he will be assured of the fact that this promised regatta is to be in every sense a success. The Inlet has not presented such a lively appearance for two years past; there are from five to seven crews in training each day, besides numerous single scullers. The regatta promises, in addition to the usual class and club races, a swimming match and tub race. Marx, '78, is the committee on "tubs" and Howard, '77, on the swimming match, and any students desiring to participate in either should hand in their names at once. An earnest effort was made to have Courtney row in the regatta, but as he had already made an engagement elsewhere for the same day, we were doomed to disappointment.

As to finances: about \$350 were subscribed up to last Saturday, and as the sheriff holds two judgments against the Navy, amounting in all to \$483, which must be paid next Saturday, all those interested must see the necessity for immediate action. It has been decided to see all those members personally who did not subscribe at the meeting—there were but 125 present at the meeting—and we hope by this means to raise not only a sufficient amount to cover the impending judgments, but more in addition. Besides these judgments, there are outstanding bills to the amount of \$500, which must soon be paid, as they have been running over a year. The profits from the regatta are to be applied to these debts, together with any of the money over and above what is paid on the judgments.

The trustees as well as the under-graduates will be called upon either personally or by letter. We

make no doubt but that every student will unhesitatingly contribute his proportion. A trifle over a dollar from each student will pay every cent of indebtedness. A base ball match between the University Nine and some other college nine will be arranged for the afternoon of the 13th, the proceeds to be applied to the benefit of the Navy. With these prospects the directors can see no reason why the Navy cannot be declared out of debt within two weeks. Let every man, when visited, give his share, that we may once more talk of Inter-collegiate Regattas.

NAVY DIRECTORS.

YE MARINERS OF YOUNG CORNELL.

[Adapted from Thomas Campbell.]

Ye mariners of Young Cornell
 Who guard our inland seas,
 Whose flag has braved so many foes,
 The boat-race and the breeze,
 O launch your dollars forth again
 To meet another foe,
 O escape from this scrape
 Through the angry sheriff blow :
 While the dunning rages loud and long
 And boating stock is low.
 The voices of Alumni
 Are loud from every hand ;
 For the shell-boat was their field of fame
 The oar their doughty brand.
 When King and mighty Ostrom yell
 Let all your coffers flow ;
 Let Cash stop the Crash
 And persuade the Goth to go ;
 For Creditors are raging loud,
 And boating stock is low.
 Our fair Cornelia's bulwark
 From the hands of foemen take:
 And once again victorious ride,
 The waters of the Lake.
 With strokes of might from pliant oak,
 Rule o'er the floods below ;
 But this roar on the shore,
 You must quell or none can row ;
 For the dunning rages loud and long,
 And boating stock is low.
 The gleaming flag of young Cornell
 Shall yet triumphant float,
 When any other College dares
 To meet us in a boat.
 Then Mariners at such a time
 Our song and feast shall flow ;
 But to-day you must pay
 That the storm may cease to blow,
 And the sheriff's voice be heard no more,
 And students all may row.

G. MOTT WILLIAMS.

A FRESHMAN'S LAMENT.

Geometry ! Geometry !
 I would that I but knew thee !
 And all my lore
 I'd give, and more,
 Could I but see straight through thee.
 My thoughts intent
 Are on thee bent
 O Science mathematic !
 I'll get thee dead
 Though much I dread
 Lest I become lunatic.

Diameter ! Perimeter !
 O, abstract definitions !
 Learn thee I must,
 Or else I'll " bust "
 On all the propositions.
 Your names, rhomboid
 And trapezoid,
 Too long I've guessed at random.
 This glad refrain
 I'll strive to gain,—
Quod erat demonstrandum.

Terpsichore ! Calliope !
 From henceforth I eschew ye;
 And all your wiles
 I'll greet with smiles.
 Hereafter I'll not woo ye.
 On theorem
 And apothegm,
 My thoughts I now will center.
 And naught but thee,
 Geometry,
 Their sacred bounds shall enter,

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COLLEGE INSTRUCTION IN NEW YORK STATE.

II.

In the list of colleges given, the modern languages form no inconsiderable part of the course, as was so common a few years ago, and the reason for this is partly to be found in the growing popularity of the scientific courses which have recourse to the modern languages to supply the linguistic training needed. German usually holds a more important place in the curriculum than French, while Spanish and Italian have hardly yet found a foot-hold. Union and Cornell have short courses in these two languages, and Syracuse one in Italian, but they are optional and are studied only by

a few. The University of N. Y. City crowds all the German into two terms, while Columbia has an optional course of four years. Syracuse presents a course of six terms in both languages and Rochester two terms. Columbia and the University of N. Y. City provide no instruction in French. Union makes no provision for either language in the classical course, but a course of six terms in both, as laid down in the scientific course, gives the classical student abundant opportunity for their study. The case is the same at Cornell, where the modern languages are especially popular. Courses in French and German are arranged for four years in connection with lectures on their literatures by resident and non-resident professors. Little attention is as yet paid to Anglo-Saxon and Early English, if the importance of the subject and the improvements in the grammar and text books are considered. In the Literature Course at Cornell, however, a fine course of four terms is offered. Syracuse devotes one hour a week during one term in the Junior year to Anglo Saxon, and at Rochester the Seniors have instruction for one term in Early English. On the other hand rhetoric, composition, and general literature are well provided for. The usual course is to give instruction in rhetoric during the Freshman year, and to require essays during the Sophomore and Junior years, and orations and debates in the Senior year. At Hamilton, Union, Madison and Columbia especial stress is laid upon declamation and oratory. At Syracuse the student is required to prepare thirty-two essays and orations during the course besides declaiming nine times in the Sophomore year. At Rochester, during the Freshman year, there is a regular weekly exercise in phonetic analysis, phonography and elocution, and during the remainder of the course essays or oral dissertations are required at least twice a term. At Vassar considerable attention is given to composition and elocution. At Cornell a change for the better was made at the beginning of the last year by requiring essays from the Sophomores, who previously had no literary training during that year. In the Junior and Senior years much time is devoted to criticisms, essays, orations and extemporaneous discussions.

The study of history, although very popular with

students does not usually receive the prominence in college courses that its importance seems to warrant. At several colleges under discussion the subject is barely touched upon in a term's work in the Senior year or a few lectures given at irregular intervals during the whole course. Cornell and Syracuse, however, are notable exceptions to the rule, and by varied and numerous courses, both optional and prescribed, offer particular advantages in this study. Vassar has lectures during three semesters, covering Oriental, Roman, Greek and modern history. All the history at Columbia comes during the first two years instead of the last two, and the course comprises the antiquities and the history of Greece and Rome, modern history and philosophy of history. At Union the instruction is given principally by means of text books, and not by lectures, the more common way. At Hamilton, lectures on American history in the Junior year, Guizot's History of Civilization, as an optional in the Senior year, and in addition a few lectures on historical topics comprise the course. At Madison, Weber's Modern History and Hallam's Constitutional History of England in the Senior year, and Roman and Grecian history in the Freshman year are studied. During late years the study of American history, and constitutional law have been receiving increased attention at nearly all the colleges and new and more extended courses for their study are being constantly made.

The physical sciences and natural history seem to have as much space devoted to them in the college courses as the claims of the other subjects will allow, but compared with Cornell, where these subjects are particularly prominent, the provisions made for their study, in some of the colleges, seem very meagre. With so much time given to the classics, mathematics and modern languages, some studies must of necessity be slighted, and science is not unfrequently made to suffer in consequence. The advantage that Cornell affords the classical student in this regard consists not only in the excellent scientific instruction given in the other departments, but also in the great number of optional hours in the course, which may be given to the sciences. At Syracuse, beginning with the Sophomore year, scientific studies are pursued continu-

ously through the three remaining years. During Sophomore year, physics, (heat, light and electricity,) are taken up twice a week; in the Junior year there are six hours of chemistry, four of mechanics, three of acoustics and optics, two of botany, and two of mineralogy; in the Senior year four hours of zoölogy and five of geology. At Hamilton, the best type that the State affords of the old style college, very little attention is bestowed on the sciences. Atkinson's Ganot is studied during two terms of the Junior year, and chemistry, general, analytical and agricultural, geology and physical history in the Senior year comprise the course. Rochester gives two terms of physics and lectures on chemistry in the Junior year, and three terms in the Senior year, covering analytical chemistry and geology. Vassar presents lectures on physiology and hygiene, followed by the usual round of sciences, embracing four semesters of chemistry and physics, and three and a half semesters of natural history. At the University of the City of New York, seven terms in science are offered with especial attention paid to chemistry, under Dr. Draper. At Madison there are lectures on geology, zoölogy and physiology, and recitations in chemistry for two terms and mechanics for one. At Union about half the work during the last two years is devoted to scientific studies. At Columbia chemistry, physics and geology are studied to the exclusion of the other sciences.

In optional studies the New York State colleges, with a few exceptions, give great liberty. Cornell is the most liberal in this regard, and Rochester and Madison the least so. At Syracuse, in the Junior and Senior years about a third of the time may be devoted to optional studies. Seniors at Columbia have seven optional hours each term. Hamilton in two terms of the Senior year offers a few optional hours in stoichiometry, analytical chemistry and philosophy. Every year the conviction is gaining ground that the only rational mode of instruction is to make the courses extensive and elastic enough to meet the varied tastes and inclinations of students, and although the great option that is allowed at Harvard and Cornell may not be imitated yet a general abandoning of the inflexible, prescribed courses may be expected.

IN MEMORIAM.

DIED, on the afternoon of Sept. 30th, at her mother's residence on E. Buffalo street, KATE TAPPEN LOGAN, a member of the class of '79. of Cornell University.

Miss Logan was born at Morristown, N. J., in the year 1858. In early childhood through the carelessness of the nurse in charge of her, she received a fall which inflicted spinal injuries, the effects of which she felt through her entire life. She was for years a helpless invalid, and even after recovering a large portion of activity and strength, retained a bodily deformity and a liability to periods of severe physical suffering. Feeling that this excluded her from much which otherwise she might have brought into her life, she resolved to strive for the best of what remained to her. During the long idle period of illness, a natural love of study had developed into an impatient craving, and to the satisfaction of this she turned her first efforts. After a hurried preparation in private schools she entered the University in January, 1876. Probably few of us were at first attracted toward her by any feeling warmer than that of sympathy; many were perhaps repelled, for pain had left traces on her face which strangers would easily misunderstand. But as we grew to know her, we learned something of the beauty, the greatness even, of her cheerful, courageous life. With all the natural sensitiveness of an extremely shrinking disposition exaggerated by her personal affliction she must have suffered much in coming among us; and yet such was her quiet self-control that we who met her daily, seeing her apparent self-forgetfulness, ourselves forgot, perhaps sometimes too completely, that she had more to bear than we. As a student she had gained a warm regard by her earnestness, success, and her enthusiastic and appreciating loyalty to the institution to which she had attached herself; while her gentle consideration for those about her, her keen delight in all activity and cheerfulness, her ardent love for whatever is beautiful or strong, her quick and generous admiration for the good in others, made her character peculiarly instructive. We are glad that we have known her, only regretting for our own sakes that she did not live to show more fully how a life may be enriched by that which seems to make it poor.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Cornell University Christian Association, and similar ones were adopted by the Curtis Literary Society and by the Junior class.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in his infinite wisdom has taken from our midst our beloved friend and fellow member, KATE TAPPEN LOGAN

Resolved, That we, the members of the Cornell University Christian Association have lost an earnest co-worker in the cause of Christ, a faithful student and a true woman, whose life, though brief, is a noble and inspiring example of faith, hope and courage.

Resolved, That we extend to the sorrowing Mother and friends our deepest sympathy in this our common grief.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on the books of the Association and that a copy be sent the mother of our departed friend.

LYNA R. PECK,
JESSIE B. DEWITT, } Com.
FRANK D. CRIM,

CORNELIANA.

—Canes have risen.

—There was no sermon on the mount last Sunday.

—A couple of hawks were recently received at the taxidermic rooms.

— Several Base Ball matches between the Fraternities are being arranged.

— Query : Why do the Juniors in Roman History occupy back seats on Friday ?

— The Juniors in Architecture are at present designing plans for a laborer's cottage.

— "Brace up, Cornell" is the *Harvard Advocate's* advice on our navy debt embarrassment.

— Senior in oratory: "I suppose, Prof. we can speak from heads?" "No, sir, from the head."

— A Soph. on reading Daniel Deronda, said he always thought the president of Harvard wrote well.

— A member of '81 wanted to know what the secret societies did with all the canes they captured.

— There is an unusually large number of old students rooming in the University buildings this year.

— The skin of a large gar pike, nearly five feet long, was received during the summer from the Rio Grande.

— A Freshman who had captured a cane was in favor of having it cut up into pins bearing the *diagram* of '81.

— The second-hand furniture men have realized so much from the fall trade to students fitting out their rooms that they talk of endowing a chair in the University.

— Flocks of wild geese have made their appearance at this end of the lake. Student sportsmen will take notice.

— The chess committee for match games with other colleges are Trumbull and Eaton, '78, and Young and Ryder, '79.

— The sermons at Sage Chapel will be preached at the usual hours next Sunday by Rev. R. R. Shippen, Unitarian, of Boston.

— "Post no Bills on the University Grounds" is the legend that meets the eye from the new signboards placed on Cascadilla bridge.

— "Da lief ich frisch hinzu, so wie ich war." in *Wilhelm Tell* was translated by a Junior the other day by "Thither ran I, *Fresh* as I was."

— On Monday, October 8th, the University will be nine years old. "May she live a thousand years and may her shadow never grow less."

— The thirty-first annual convention of the *Δ. K. E.* Fraternity will take place at the Madison Chapter, Oct. 11th and 13th, and the thirty-first annual convention of the *Z. Ψ.* Fraternity will be held in Cleveland, Oct. 24th and 25th. The Cornell Chapters of both these societies will be represented.

— A scientific observer on the hill notes that the mist at night settles first in the valley and then on the lake, forming an inclined plane. Explanations are in order.

— The "Blue bells of Scotland" played on the chimes so much during the last two weeks might be sent to the shades for a while, with the old favorite "Amaryllis."

— There has been much activity in base ball circles during the week, especially among the Sophomores, who are determined to accept '79's sweeping challenge.

— A Junior in Psychology, who took down Dr. Wilson's remarks on the humerus bone of the arm, as the "humorous" bone, wants to know if it isn't sometimes called the "funny" bone.

— A Sophomore who has evidently been cultivating the noble art of guessing, translates, "Si mon courage est haut, mon cœur est embrasé," thus: "If my courage is *high* my heart is *embraced*."

— The glorious weather of the past week has tempted many to meander along the gorges, and not a few were accompanied by "an agreeable companion," so often referred to in past years.

— The Pasha wants to know what injunction there is in the Bible against saloon keepers setting up "schooners" to their customers, and triumphantly answers, "No man can serve *two masters*."

— One of the subscription papers going the rounds of the hill closes an elaborate statement of the necessity for funds by adding the startling announcement that "the Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

— The names of those non-resident Professors who no longer lecture at the University will not appear in the new Register. This includes Professor Lowell and probably Professors Dwight and Stewart.

— In last week's *EKA*, in speaking of the base ball nines of Harvard and Yale, the exact state of affairs was reversed. We should have said all but two of Harvard's and two of Yale's men will not return.

Ode to the *Era*—\$2.50—A new and touching song, composed by the Business Manager, dedicated to our subscribers, and arranged for solo parts. Receipted copies may be obtained from the editors.

— Junior No. 1 to Junior No. 2, whose Freshman friend has been inflicting them with questions on the University for half an hour and has been babbling his opinions and airing his knowledge *ad lib.* "How he reminds me of Goldsmith's cliff." "Why?" "Eternal *moonshine* settles on his head."

—Nothing has yet been received from Hobart regarding that boating challenge mentioned last week. Can it be that there are not enough men in the Freshman class to row that single scull, as was proposed?

—A Senior, who wished to compare a passer-by to a "perfect Adonis," spoke of him as a "perfect Venus," and noticing his companion's smile, gracefully corrected himself by saying he meant "a perfect Brutus, of course!"

—A Freshman who was indignantly denying that the Sophomores had fairly won the cane in the rush on Saturday was completely floored by a Sophomore who told him that "'80 based their victory on *Fair Grounds*."

—There was a practice game of foot-ball on the Campus last Tuesday afternoon. Although the game was considerably interrupted by the wind it did not prevent the old players present from capturing almost the usual number of "flies."

—The Irving Literary Society holds its second meeting in Association Hall this evening at 7:30. The following is the programme: Paper, Mr Cobb; Optional Literary Exercise, Miss Peck; Oration, Mr. Force; Story, Chapter I, Miss Halpen.

—The new bill of fare which made its appearance at Sage, Monday at dinner, announces that it will feed "*The Nation*, for five weeks, for twenty-five cents." It caused great joy, in as much as heretofore \$4.50 a week has been the usual tariff *per capita*.

—Freshman inquiringly of wise Sophomore. "Say, chum, what do you do in this Free Hand Drawing any how?" Wise Soph. "The first thing the Professor does is to give you a cylinder and you turn it around until it forms an *eclipse* and then you copy it."

—A Freshman wants to know if the "Arabian Nights" had anything to do with the "Dark Ages." It is not exactly known, but the connection is supposed to be about the same as the relation between the Dey of Algiers, and the Knights of Malta.

—A Sophomore, (who expects to be one of the representatives of his class in the coming regatta) upon hearing that one of Courtney's competitors on Owasco Lake was a colored man named Johnson, inquired innocently if he was Ithaca's well-known tonsorial artist.

—Mr. A. C. Barlow has formed a class in physical culture, which promises to be well attended. His headquarters are at 83 Cascadilla, where he can be found during the forenoon. Mr. Barlow's method of training is a new one, and will no doubt become very popular as soon as its merits are known.

—"What!" said a student from a "religious" college who was visiting Cornell, as he picked up the schedule of studies for the present term, "Havn't you got down the 'Evidences of Revealed Religion' in your Senior year?" "Not a solitary evidence," laconically responded his friend the wicked Senior.

—It has become a regular practice at Sage to oil the steps leading to the dining hall a few moments before dinner. This exhibition of foresight enables the boarders to make their entrances and exits with more rapidity than grace, and does away with the necessity of waiting for winter in order to enjoy the delights of a "slide."

—Our "heavy" sister the Cornell Review is expected to make her first bow next week before a long suffering public. She will appear gorgeously arrayed in that old green dress (especially turned and pressed for the occasion) and will immediately commence a desperate flirtation with the Freshman class with a view not to matrimony but finances: Beware! Price \$2.25 *invariably in advance*.

—We are glad to notice that the interest in base ball is spreading and in the right direction too. '79 has challenged each of her sister classes for a series of matches for the championship of the University, and '80 is preparing to arrange a match at an early date. We give the names of the Junior representatives. Olmstead, Newton, Bailey, Warner, Pierce, Kerr, Simons, Porter, Warner, and Knapp.

—Every day or two some apparently demented student is seen wandering about, seeking the darkest recesses of gorge and forest. He searches assiduously every decaying log and stump, selecting now and then something which he puts in a box and guards, with greatest care. Do not disturb him—his madness is only apparent. His carefully guarded treasures are toad-stools and puff-balls: He is taking it under Prof. Prentiss.

—The Curtis Literary Society meets at its rooms in Andrus & McChain Block tomorrow evening. Programme: Book Reviews, A. Cane; Discussion: "The comparative merits of Dickens and Thackeray," Miss Jones and Mr. Moffatt; Parody, Miss Bissell; Impromptu Speech: "The Working Student;" Criticism, Mr. Cary. All students and the public generally are cordially invited to attend the meetings of these societies.

—The episode of the live horse in the cane rush on Saturday will go down in the history of Ithaca like the more celebrated "rush" the Greeks made through the gate of Troy on the wooden horse, some years ago. It is said that the spirit of Noble Chauncey Dutton, former president of '80 hovered over the heads of the contending hosts

dealing mysterious blows right and left on the confused Freshman and performing prodigies of valor.

—Mr. Jarvis has been building at his boat-house a novel craft known as the "Flying Proa." To-morrow (Saturday) morning at 10 o'clock will occur the "launching of the ship," and all students interested in sailing are requested to be present to witness the trial trip which will be made under Mr. Jarvis' personal supervision. It is to be hoped that a yacht race in which the Proa may enter, will be made one of the attractions of the Fall Regatta.

—The Philaethean Literary Society holds its second meeting in the same hall to-morrow evening at 7:30. Programme: Reading, C. Tompkins, Declamation, J. C. Kennedy; Music, Philaethean Quartette; Debate on the following: Resolved, that the course of Judge Hilton in excluding the Jews from the Grand Union, at Saratoga, was right. Affirmative, C. B. Mandeville and F. E. Bissell; negative, F. O. Meeker and F. B. Hine; Poem, F. H. Severance.

—The whole number of students actually admitted to the Freshman class up to 2 P. M. on Wednesday is one hundred and forty-seven, distributed as follows: Optional, forty; Arts, eighteen; Science, seventeen; Mechanic Arts, fifteen; Engineering, fifteen; Agricultural, thirteen; Literary, eleven; Philosophy, five; Science and Literature, five; Architecture, three; Mathematics, two; Natural History, two; Chemistry and Physics, one. Of these, sixteen are ladies.

—The University Library has recently received several additions among which are several new scientific and literary works published by the Clarendon Press and several works on Architecture purchased from the proceeds of a gift made by Mr. Rossiter, '75 for the purpose. They include some important publications such as Jacobstahl's "*Gramatik d. Ornament*," Rimmel's "*Ancient Streets and Homesteads*," Sharpe's "*Architectural Parallels*," Vogue's "*Architecture de la Syrie Centrale*." Mr. Phillips Halliwell, the noted Shakesperian scholar, has also sent to the Library several of his privately printed works having reference to Shakespeare biography and bibliography.

—Mr. Herbert H. Smith, one of Professor Hart's assistants in Brazil, and also a collector and explorer on his own account, has recently returned to this country with an enormous collection of insects, including very many species as yet undescribed. He spent several days last week at the University, and we are informed that he is desirous of finding a purchaser for his collection, which has cost him much labor and money. He would willingly place it in our museum, if a sum equal to a little more than half its value could be

raised for the purpose. Mr. Smith is now on a visit to Cambridge. We hope something may be done to secure this collection for Cornell.

—Last Saturday the annual rush between the Freshmen and Sophomores took place on the Fair Ground. The classes did not seem to be present in such forces as the rushes of previous year have called out. The rush was exciting and interesting enough while it lasted, but the stratagem of '80 soon closed the contest. The struggling mass was guided towards the lower fence, which encloses the grounds. Suddenly the cane was torn from the hands of the '81 men and was thrown over the fence, where a wily Sophomore awaited on horse-back for the trophy. He seized the cane and galloped over the marsh with his prize, followed by a shouting crowd of '80 and '81 men in hot pursuit, who boldly plunged into the ditch filled with water. Any further efforts to regain the cane were useless, however, for '80 had carried it beyond the reach of the Freshmanic hand.

—The number of lectures on general chemistry has been considerably increased. Four years ago the course consisted of lectures extended through two terms, two hours a week each term. The amount required of students in the course of Science for the present year is two terms, three hours a week each term, in inorganic chemistry and one term, two hours a week in organic chemistry. It will thus be seen that the number of lectures on chemistry intended for students in the course of science has been doubled and that a portion of the time is devoted to the study of organic chemistry, a subject which was formerly open to none except the students in chemistry and physics. In the new course of science and letters, one additional hour is given to the lectures on organic chemistry, the course extending through the second and third terms of the year, three hours each week. The lectures on organic chemistry which are arranged for the first term, Junior year, are not required in this course, but may be taken if the student so elects.

—HUCK'S BATH ROOMS at 11 East State Street.

BOARDING.—American gentlemen desiring to study German are received as boarders in the family of Werner Kuhlman secretary in the Post-Office at Wolfenbüttel Brunswick, Germany. Terms for boarding and instruction reasonable. Apply to J. D. Maxwell, '74, Amsterdam, N. Y., or A. T. Young, '76 Cornell.

—Folsom's Business College at Albany New York is an institution known through the country as one of the best, if not the best of its kind. The proprietor is a thorough scholar, a literary graduate, has been in the business a quarter of a century, is author of the Logic of Accounts, has educated hosts of teachers, and is prepared to offer superior advantages to all who enter his school. The advertisement of the college will be printed in the *Era* next week. In the mean time send for catalogue and recent circular containing important information to E. G. Folsom President.

PERSONAL.

PROF. HEWITT is in Leipsic.

A. C. GREENE is reading law at Palmyra

TYNDALE, '77, is in the Columbia Law School.

W. P. STURGES, '76, is visiting friends in town.

DUDLEY R. HORTON, '75, is reading law in New York.

HISCOCK, '75, is studying law at Columbia Law School.

W. H. GARTLEY is at the Annapolis Naval Academy.

MAHONEY, '78, is a gatherer of items on the N. Y. *Herald*.

D. A. OGDEN, '72, is in charge of the gas works at Penn Yan.

STEVENSON, '77, is studying law in St. Louis in the office of his father.

GOULD, '79, is situated on his "Tusculan estate" in Trumansburg.

LUCAS, '77, is teaching in the preparatory school of Professors MacKoon and Wait.

MISS PITCHER, '78, is teaching Latin and Greek at the Owego Free Academy.

DE FOREST VAN VLEET, '77, of military fame, is situated at Wilseyville, N. Y.

THE mark of Cane was not on his forehead but his clothes—in the late rush.

FLINT, '74, is practicing as a disciple of Æsculapius in the Bellevue Hospital.

COL. PELTON, nephew of ex-Governor Tilden, has been visiting the University during the week.

COFFIN, '79, is recuperating at his home in London. He expects to re-enter the University next year with '80.

PICKETT, '78, the martyr to foot-ball, by the grace of the Faculty, has been allowed to return from his exile.

LANNING, McMillan and Gluck, the last two being well known Cornellians, is the name of a new law firm in Buffalo.

J. H. STUBBS, one of the '76 Woodford orators, is connected with the publishing house of D. Appleton & Co., Boston.

FRED COBB, '80, the last of the memorable "Cobb trio," played with the famous White Stockings of Andover during vacation.

LOWENBEIN, '79, who is in training for his proposed race with Courtney, wishes it understood that he is prepared to coach a Freshman six on reasonable terms.

BOYNTON, '77, BALCH, '77, and F. E. TAYLOR '76, are all in St. Johnsbury, Vermont. Boynton and Balch, are at their homes; Taylor is at work in the machine shop of E. & T. Fairbanks' Scale Manufactory.

HENRY WILSON KING, '79, is said to be at his home in North Brookfield, Mass., preparing a tract entitled "A plea for the unconverted."

PROF. THEO. B. COMSTOCK, spent the greater part of the summer vacation in the wilds of British America, two hundred miles N. W. of Lake Superior. On one occasion the Professor and one of his party capsized in the Maligne River, losing his notes and nearly all their goods.

THOSE of '77, at present pursuing a post graduate course at the University are W. E. Lucas, F. D. Crim, C. B. Mandeville, S. H. Gage, F. B. Hine, L. O. Howard, T. S. Mead and C. F. Wilson. It is said that they intend to organize a crew of either four or six from among their own number.

A. B. AUBERT, '73, is Prof. of Chemistry in Maine State College. He ranks high among the professional men of that State, especially as a theoretical chemist. In addition to his professional duties he has recently written a very elaborate article on the production of "Beet Sugar," which has elicited considerable comment.

C. S. FRANCIS, '77, of the *Troy Times* has written a private letter from which we make the following extract: "I regret exceedingly that the Navy is in such a serious financial embarrassment and trust all will come out in the end. If any poor services of mine in a sculling race will in any way add interest to the regatta, which I see by the *Era* takes place on the 15th, let me know and I will endeavor to be present upon that occasion."

REV. DR. R. P. STEBBINS, after a residence of eight years in Ithaca, left last week for Boston, where he will pass the remainder of his declining days. In his retirement from active professional life he will carry with him the love and the "God Speed" of every Cornellian both here and elsewhere, for he was known by all. But especially will his loss be felt by those who were fortunate enough to number themselves in the circle of his personal friends. From his first entrance into Ithaca to the day of his departure, he has always identified himself with the interests of the University and the welfare of the students. To them his best thoughts and heartiest sympathies seem to have been given. A deep student himself, he entered into all the joys and sorrows of student life with an interest that showed that years had only renewed his youth. The depth of his learning, the vigor of his intellect, the sincerity and warmth of his feelings have gathered around him a personal following of students, who feel that his departure has left a blank which can not be filled. His many sterling qualities of heart and head, his hatred of shams in all its forms, and his cheering words of encouragement and welcome will long keep green at Cornell the memory of the "good old Doctor."

EXCHANGES.

The one great defect in College Journals lies in the fact that they are not college *newspapers* but rather pamphlets filled with prolix didactical articles upon abstruse subjects, replete with moralizations and vague imagery, the imbibition of which has much the same effect upon the brain, as that which the absorption of a piece of clammy, indigestible pound cake produces on the stomach. The under-graduate finds in his college paper a prosaic mass of prize-essayism,—“The Effect of Centralized Government,” “Mind Force the only Force,” “The Church of Rome in the Nineteenth Century;” of what interest are such homilies to him, who almost invariably seeks in his regular college journal, pleasant sketches of student life, items of interest in and about his college, spiced with an occasional whimsical blunder of verdant Freshman or witty saying of erudite upper-classman.

What is needed in our college journals is less of the collegian's verbose inanity and more of his actual experiences, with occasionally the written essence of those innumerable *châteaux en Espagne* which spring into being whenever he lights his “meditative pipe.” No one expects to find even the most profound Senior able to grapple with and master such a subject as “the Effect of Centralized Government,” and the reader is not disappointed when he throws aside his paper with a feeling of disgust after having hastily skimmed through such an article. Perhaps it is a necessity for some student minds to vent their over-charged brains in just such four or five-columned essays, but can not the owners of these brains be prevailed upon to publish their works of genius in other than their college journals? Let the college press form a league and put under ban such dry, uninteresting matter,—then and not till then may we expect entertaining and readable college journals.

All of our exchanges do not merit the above strictures, and a very notable exception is the *Harvard Advocate*, which is one of the very few really interesting college journals. The first number for the present year is excellent, every article has sparkle and life in it, not one is dull or insipid. A sketch entitled “An Adventure at Wellesley” would almost bear copying entire. A Harvard student rides over to Wellesley to visit the convenient *cousin*. While meandering through the college grounds he accidentally meets one of the fair collegians, seated at the foot of a tree, with her books scattered about her; these he describes as follows:

“One was Schiller's poems, *in the original*. Great drops of perspiration started out all over me, while I reviewed my Freshman German in less than three seconds. Strength forsook me, and I

trembled for the *prestige* of Exeter and Andover, as I read on the narrow back of the second one, ‘The First Four Books of Xenophon's *Anabasis*.’ ‘Shades of Rhoda Gale!’ cried I to myself, ‘but I am cornered with a veritable blue-stocking!’ And what is this other book that looks so much like a Tasso or Wilhelm Meister, I thought, as I picked it up. I breathed easier and felt that the learned professions were still safe; and that civil service reform was not a failure, when I read that familiar legend, ‘That Husband of Mine.’”

He seeks by various subterfuges to discover her name, but is at first unsuccessful. The young lady is not at all enthusiastic on the subject of Harvard *men*, and gives her opinion of them in no “honey tongued” discourse. Just as the hero of the sketch is leaving he sees the name of the young lady in one of her books which accidentally falls to the ground. It is his chum's sister. He returns to his *Alma Mater* feeling, as he expresses it, a good deal “sat on.”

A poem “To the Victors” is like almost all gratulatory effusions, a little bombastic:

“To the goal, then, each combatant sped
Like a shaft from the hunter's quiver;
Our brave boat two good lengths ahead,
And “*Harvard has won!*” shook the river.”

Isn't that simile involving “the shaft from the hunter's quiver” just a trifle archaic? Was the river in a state of unstable equilibrium? Perhaps it had taken cold in its head from the dampness; quinine should have been administered.

The *Advocate* has a good deal to say about Cornell and its “shrill voiced clarion,” but as it savors so much of fulsome adulation it will not bear reprinting.

The *Columbia Spectator* is very ably edited, one article upon “class politics” being particularly well written, in the course of which it remarks, “class ‘honors’ and official positions are precisely what the students make of them—either spontaneous expressions of regard and esteem, or rewards of trickery and intrigue, and must become absolutely worthless in the eyes of any gentleman after a public bartering for their possession.” It would appear from the whole tenor of the editorial, that the Senior class is divided into two bitterly opposed factions, which may in the course of the year occasion much wrangling and dispute, and possibly serious trouble. A “Letter to a Freshman” is the only attempt at a light, witty sketch in the whole number, and it is insipid enough. The efforts at humor are all failures, as witness the following example:

“After six months' study you will be enabled to talk in words of more than one syllable almost exclusively.”

And again,

“Another man, whom I asked if he had ever

met an Ortyx Virginianus in California, said, "he knew most everybody in San Francisco, but he never met him." So, my dear young friend, adapt your conversation to the companion."

If the author of the "Letter" practices his own precepts, as promulgated in his last sentence quoted above, and if we were a Columbia man we would certainly protest against such open slander.

The first number of the *Harvard Crimson* is much better than the average first number, but is not quite up to its own standard. Considering all the trials and vicissitudes attendant upon the publication of a "first number," it is really a matter to be marvelled at that the initial issues of our college papers are as good as they are. The *Crimson* contains a letter from W. A. Bancroft, Capt. H. U. B. C., explanatory of the posting of the historic sign "Reporters and Loafers are warned from Here"—which letter is immediately followed by an article treating of the unwarranted attacks made by the press of the country on Harvard students. It contains one page of poems, among which is the following pretty little "Song":

The grass cannot forever grow ;
The sun cannot forever smile ;
The wind cannot forever blow ;
But each must rest awhile.

My love shall grow from day to day ;
My joy no cloud shall ever veil ;
My faith shall never die away,—
For thou canst never fail !

The New York *World* now prints in its Monday edition two columns of college news, of great interest to college students ; this, together with its excellent Book Reviews and Literary Notes and well-written editorials, in nowise characterized by spiteful partisanship, make it a most valuable and readable paper. The Monday issue will be mailed separately at \$1 50, or 50 cents for four months.

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impressed upon the mind, and is not so easily confused with other periods and events.

COLLEGIANA.

Yale is already out with her challenge to Harvard for a four-mile eight-oared race.

Mr. Richard Grant White has resigned his position as one of the judges of the inter-collegiate literary contests.

The four hundredth anniversary of the foundation of the University at Upsala, Sweden, was celebrated the other day with processions, illuminations, and speeches in numerous languages.

The Freshman class at Dartmouth has voted to adopt the cap and gown.

But two members of last year's Harvard nine are left. Thayer '78 (captain), and Wright '79.

The most prominent of the new college presidents who formally commenced their official terms with the new academic year are President Bartlett, of Dartmouth, and President Seelye, of Amherst.

The preliminary catalogue of Yale College has appeared. There are one hundred and thirty-seven seniors, one hundred and forty-three juniors, one hundred and thirty-five sophomores and one hundred and thirty-four freshmen at present in college. The scientific freshman class numbers fifty-eight.

Professor Max Müller has returned to Oxford University in greatly improved health, and will set himself at once to the editing of a series of translations of the sacred books of the world.

FACETIÆ.

A high old time—the McGraw clock.

"Flour," says a Chicago exchange, "has declined one dollar." It requires a good deal of moral courage to decline a dollar in these times.

"5 to 0 ; 15 to 1. Next!"—*Yale Courant* of June 9th. "10 to 1 ; 5 to 2 ; two lengths. Want any more 'next'?"—*Harvard Advocate*.

A '77 man, coming out on the horse-car this morning, explained that this year his visit to Cambridge was on business, and not for pleasure.—*Harvard Crimson*.

"Mr. —, the rules forbid my introducing you to my room-mate (or friend, as the case may be), Miss —," is the way the Wellesley girls get around an obnoxious law.—*Harvard Advocate*.

The principal resemblance between a man who stops his team on the cross-walk of a crowded street and a half barrel of flour, is that both make about a hundred wait.—*Bridgeport Standard*.

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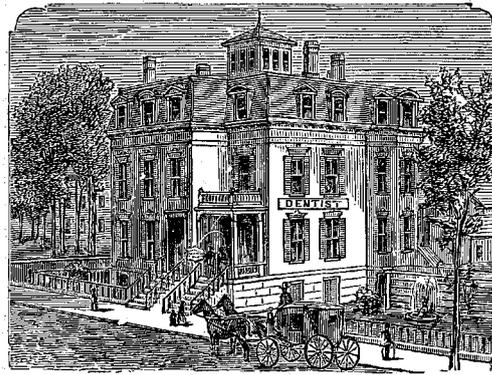
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THE SENIOR class this year, though not a large one, is likely to be larger than many have expected. It is quite certain that it will number at least seventy during the present term, with the prospect of a few more before the close of the year. This promises a class to be graduated nearly equal in point of number to that of last year.

THE WOODFORD subjects have been given out two weeks, now, and it is likely that every-one has chosen the one which he proposes to operate upon. For the next half year the Senior will be seen searching the libraries and encyclopedias to find out about Milton and Æschylus, the Athenian, and what he did, and about the farmer and his vocation. Emerson will be consulted, and Webster and Patrick Henry will conspire to fill the would-be orator's soul with fiery eloquence. However, as the writing upon one of these subjects is made a part of the Senior work, every one must use what assistance he can get, and no one need feel shy about it. The plan of selecting the speakers which was employed last year, will be tried again this year, as it is more satisfactory than any other, and it is probable that a large number will write for the prize. The orations are to be handed in earlier this year than they formerly were, and the speaking will occur about the second week of the spring term. This is a good plan, for the speakers

will have the spring recess in which to prepare just as before, and they will have the greater part of the term in which to attend to their studies, and to get ready for Commencement.

THE experience of former classes shows that much confusion and dissatisfaction with committee work has arisen from the late time at which the Senior class election has taken place. Heretofore the elections have been held some time during the Spring term, and the result has almost invariably been that the work appointed for the different committees has not been satisfactorily done, owing to the limited time in which the arrangements for class-day have to be made. This has been the case, and it will be so, until the committees have ample time to do the work assigned them. Much discussion and delay always takes place before the class photographer is chosen, and then it is so late that the matter is prematurely pushed through, everything is hurried, and as a result, poor work is done, and there is general dissatisfaction on the part of the class and the photographer. Last year's experience shows this only too clearly. The reasons for having the committee on class pictures appointed at an early date, apply equally well to all the other committees, and it is useless to expect them to do their work in a proper and satisfactory manner in the short time given them. Then again, the class taxes, in the collection of which much trouble arises in the last moment, could be settled before Commencement, and thus relieve the Treasurer of much anxiety. The expense of class day, increased by an immediate necessity, would, if more time was granted, be materially lessened. Those who have essays and orations to prepare, would have more time, and their productions would undoubtedly evidence the fact. And last, but not least, the political scheming and wire-pulling, incident to election, would be sooner through, and time, which is said to heal all wounds save those of love, might heal over the wounds of defeated candidates.

"MOREOVER, were a challenge from Cornell received, we should advise its acceptance, and, if couched in gentlemanly language, it undoubtedly would be accepted. But, for the same reasons as are given above, we think a second race with Cornell would be likely to lead us into trouble."

We quote the above paragraph from the last issue of the *Harvard Advocate*. If we remember rightly Harvard received a challenge from our navy last year to row anywhere, at any time and in any way, and therefore *we* are not now beholden to challenge; it remains for Harvard to challenge us. The parenthesis, "if couched in gentlemanly language," is an uncalled-for insult, and one which we had not thought such a paper as the *Advocate* would stoop to print. It is an utterance worthy the worst Pariah of the college press, and so deeming it an inadvertent expression, we make no further comment. The "reasons given above" to which it refers are only, so far as we can glean from the editorial, that Harvard does not care to row with any college but Yale, and now apparently has no very intense desire to row with Yale.

A VERY pleasant part of the University work this term is that in advanced Italian. The class is now reading Dante's *Inferno*. A part of the time is taken up by the Professor in giving some very interesting lectures. In these the object is to give the student an account of the life of Dante, and the nature and purport of his great Comedy, to trace such portions of the history of Florence and of Italy as are necessary for an understanding of the poem, and to present such a narrative of Italian literature as will be of use in general study. The lectures are of the greatest assistance to the student of Dante, and are in fact almost indispensable, since so many things must be known of Italy and its history to understand the poet, while they would be interesting and instructive to anyone. A greater interest seems to be felt in this course than formerly was, and certainly no one with a liking for the study of language should feel satisfied until he has given some attention to the Italian. We have the best of instruction in this department, and it is surprising that more do not make use of the opportunity to learn the language of Dante and Manzoni.

IN *Scribner's* for September Charles F. Thwing in an article on college instruction, compared the various colleges of the country, and gave some figures concerning the instruction afforded at each. The author gives a list of what he calls the average number of hours of instruction given per week in the principal studies at twenty different colleges. Whether the list is a correct one in regard to other colleges or not we do not know, but in respect of Cornell it is either far from correct in several particulars, or else we cannot discover his method of computation. The number of recitations per week in classics and ancient languages is said to be thirty-two, and this is nearly correct. Computing in the same way the recitations in pure mathematics alone, that is, not counting descriptive geometry, analytic mechanics, &c., the number is found to be instead of twelve, certainly twenty. Modern languages are given at ten hours per week; but French, German, Italian, Spanish and Sweedish give an average of thirty hours. Besides, there are Oriental languages in which classes are formed when students desire to study them; and if Anglo-Saxon, the study of early English, and general and comparative literature are counted, fifteen hours more must be added. In Science, which is put at ten hours, the estimate is as far from being correct; for, besides an average of more than twenty hours of recitations, instruction is given by means of laboratory work in physiology and anatomy, general and agricultural chemistry, botany, zoology, geology, mineralogy etc., in each of which the amount of work varies with different students from ten to thirty hours. These figures would seem to be enough to prove that the author is in error when he says that his list is sufficiently accurate. While we do not suppose that the writer had any intention of making misstatements, it is certain that a better knowledge of the facts would have saved him from falling into so great an error, and from making statements which are of no value and may do harm.

—The preliminary contest in oratory for the purpose of selecting our representative to the Intercollegiate Contest will take place in Library Hall next Friday evening.

RAIN

Oh sad October rain !
 On dying leaves you fall;
 On hopes that were in vain,
 On aching hearts in thrall.

Your murmurs, sweet and low,
 Is music to my ear;
 I loved it long ago,
 When I was far from here.

I hear, once more, the rain
 On far Wisconsin's hills,
 And all my heart, with pain
 And homesick longing thrills.

Oh mournful, mournful rain !
 My tear-drops fall with thine;
 Thy weeping is not vain,
 It is not so with mine.

—K.

PHYSICAL CULTURE AT AMHERST.

At a recent meeting of the American Public Health Association in Chicago, Professor Hitchcock read a paper on Hygiene at Amherst college, which contains so much of practical wisdom that a few words with regard to the system pursued at that institution for the past sixteen years, may be of general interest. In 1859 the building called the Barrett gymnasium, in honor of its largest donor, was erected; this building is of stone, two-storied, well lighted and ventilated, and warmed in winter. The lower story contains the dressing room, bowling alleys, spirometers, lifting and rowing machines, and the apparatus for securing vital statistics. The upper room is fifty by seventy-five feet in dimension with an open unoccupied space, forty by fifty feet, used for class exercise. At one end of this hall is much of the heavy apparatus, consisting of the horizontal bar, rack bars, vaulting horse, lifting weights, traveling rings, Indian clubs, &c. At the other end of the hall is a platform for the leader of the class exercises; and above the platform a gallery for spectators. The gymnasium is open during all the hours of daylight, and may be used by any member of the college as he desires, save that he may not interfere with class exercise; no restriction is put upon the use of any apparatus except that instruction is given as to how it may be most properly and healthily employed. Each of the four classes in the college meets the professor for an exercise in the gymnasium, lasting half an hour, on four days in the week, the hours for this being mainly at the beginning and close of the day. The students prefer wooden dumb-bells weighing less than a pound apiece for their exercise, although both rings and wands have been

tried. Each class has its own practice with the bells so managed as to give free, lively and graceful work to the whole muscular system. In addition to the bell exercise, marching is much practiced, and during the cold months the pace is frequently increased to a double-quick. This practice usually consumes from fifteen to twenty minutes, and during the remainder of the half hour the student occupies himself in voluntary exercise. The Professor has discovered that attendance in the gymnasium is much better than at the chapel; and he takes pride in the fact that no serious accident has ever occurred in the use of the apparatus and adduces many statistics to show that the relative physical health is much better since than before the establishment of the gymnasium. Indeed, so marked has been the improvement in the health of the undergraduates since the introduction of the gymnasium system, that it might be well for every college in the country which has any regard for the health of its students, to take into careful consideration the system of physical culture as pursued at Amherst.

COMMUNICATIONS.

LEIPZIG AND ITS UNIVERSITY.

I.

LEIPZIG, Aug. 17, 1877.

To the Editors of the Era:—

Whether Leipzig seems interesting or not depends much upon the standing-point from which it is viewed. If you ascend the watch tower of the Pleissenburg, the castle in which Luther had his famous disputation with Dr. Eck, and look off, you will see nothing remarkable. The city is about as large as Albany. It has an "inner" and a "new" city, the latter surrounding the former, and both affording fine contrasts in architecture and style. The "inner" or old city is surrounded by a Platz or park of varying width, whose ample areas are enlivened by fountains, groves and promenades. This encircling park is the site of the old fortifications of the city, of which no traces remain. You will see a few steeples ascending from ancient but not otherwise notable churches, a picturesque old Rathhaus, two market places, schools and gymnasiums. But there is nothing striking to distinguish the city especially from other cities. Or if you stroll out two miles to the "Napoleon's Stone" and view the city from the highest ground in the vicinity, it looks tamer still; merely an average German city of its size. The three rivers, the Pleisse, Elster and Parthe, are indicated by three fine forests of oaks and lindens, and the general landscape is thus brightened. Not a hill can be seen within the horizon. Indeed, the knoll upon which the monument stands is the highest point Napoleon could find from which to watch

the great battle of October, 1813, when he trusted too well the indications of his star, and fought the allies with an army numbering a hundred thousand men less than theirs. So it is that Leipzig is not much visited by tourists. It has a fair gallery of paintings, but it is too near the edge of the shadow of the Dresden gallery to receive much attention. Its collection contains a few works of the great masters, and is a good preparatory school for a visit to Berlin and Dresden.

The "New Theater" gives daily performances, either operatic or dramatic, and its audiences are known to be as critical as any in Germany. A few weeks ago "Faust" was presented, with Lesser from Darmstadt as Mephistopheles. He was loudly hissed in the first act, faintly applauded in the third, and on the whole was not well received. The chief objection to him was a slight Polish accent. He appeared but twice or thrice more, and gave up trying to satisfy his audience. A Fräulein Wessely, of Vienna, has taken the city by storm. She is but sixteen, and plays Margarete, Desdemona and other roles of similar note with complete success. The theater building is the handsomest structure in the city. The entrance fees range from twelve to sixty cents. There is no cessation. Every night, Sundays included, you can go to the theater, and you will never find anything positively bad. But Leipzig is exceedingly busy. Its commercial fame and activity are equal to its literary life. The streets are noisy with the rumble of business from five in the morning until nine in the evening. The high, narrow streets of the inner city are so crowded that pedestrians more than fill the sidewalks, and mingle with the vehicles upon the pavements. Professors, soldiers, *dienstmädchen*, students, brick-layers, clerks, tourists, artists, jostle each other, and every degree of cart, carriage and wagon adds to the confusion. The scenes and the sounds are cosmopolitan. The musical conservatory, over which Mendelssohn formerly presided, and which claims to rank among the first musical schools in Europe, attracts students from every country. The University, which is now conceded to take the lead in Germany, also serves to concentrate men from every clime. I say men, but women also come. During the semester just closed, several women, regularly matriculated, heard lectures. There is, therefore, no repose in the external aspect of the streets. All is action, both physical and mental. The streets are now deprived of one element of variety: the students have left town for the summer. More than 2500 have gone away for a vacation until the middle of October. Taken altogether, its surrounding scenery and its internal appearance, Leipzig is not at first glance interesting.

Since coming here three months ago, however, the achievements, power and historical treasures of the old city have much enhanced its interest for me. A bare catalogue of the great men who have lived here would surpass the limits of this letter. As far back as 1737 the great strife of Gottsched and Bodmer and their respective schools of poetry largely centered here. Gottsched lived here then, as Vilmar says, "Art dictator to the German taste." Over a dingy entrance to a cellar upon the busiest street of the city, the Grimmaische Strasse, may be seen the inscription, "Auerbach's Keller;" and below in the vaulted or arched Keller itself you can get good wines and study the paintings of scenes from Faust which have distinguished the Keller. It is now probably just as it was two hundred years ago. In the Brühl, the great business street during the autumn fairs, lived Kätchen, the maid whom tradition says Goethe loved when he was a student at the University. Indeed tradition says he was very much of a Lothario during his student life in Leipzig. On the street in a high old building Richard Wagner was born. Jean Paul wrote his first work, "Die grönländischen Prognose," as a student living upon Peters Strasse. Klopstock and Hahneman dwelt here; and Gellert, the loved fable rhymster, was professor here when he wrote the homely verses which have endeared him to the people. The number of places hallowed by the presence of kings and military heroes, where this emperor passed a night, or that general drew off his boots, is so great that they must be sought in the guide books. The atmosphere here is one of books, scholarship and art, as well as trade. Indeed a large portion of the trade is in books. No European city has so many publishing houses as Leipzig. The number is now nearly four hundred.

THE NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

To the Editors of the Era;—The University Natural History Society held its first meeting of this term last Friday afternoon in the Botanical Lecture room. The attendance was rather larger than usual, indicative of the increasing interest that is taken in the society and its work.

After calling the meeting to order, the president, Mr. Hine, gave a few remarks by way of an opening address, on the Object of the Society, and the best methods of attaining them. The proceedings consisted of a paper by Mr. F. H. Severance on The Tendrils of Plants, followed by a general discussion. The paper was a detail of observations and experiments—principally on the tendrils of the squash—made by Mr. Severance during the summer vacation in the course of a series of experiments on the spontaneous movements of plants.

The tendrils, as well as the ends of the young growing shoots, were found to move in a circle—round and round—as though groping for something to which they might attach themselves for support. This rotation, together with the elongation resulting from growth, causes the tip of the tendril or growing shoot to describe a spiral. Several traces of these spirals were obtained by dusting the inside of a glass fruit-jar (with the bottom removed), or of an argand lamp-chimney, with fine flour, and suspending it so that the point of the tendril just touched the inner surface of the glass and traced its revolutions on the floured surface. Other experiments were conducted, with reference to the force of contraction exerted by the tendrils, and to find what parts are most sensitive to touch. A basket, loaded with stones, was raised and overturned by a tendril which had attached itself to the handle. Tendrils which found attachment even enlarged and grew strong; while those which failed to find any support soon withered and died. The tendrils exhibit very little sensitiveness till they attain nearly their greatest length. They then become extremely sensitive near the tip and will bend at the slightest touch. Their movements are in many cases sufficiently active to be noted by the eye. They bend toward the object touched, and in a few hours are clasped firmly around it, if it be of such a nature that they can cling to it. Iron and steel were found to repel the tendrils, and they would not cling to or wind around these metals.

The next meeting of the Society will be held in the Anatomical Lecture room next Friday, Oct. 19, at 3 P. M.

Mr. Gage will present a paper on the Aerial Respiration of the *Amia* or Mud fish, which breathes air as well as water. A summary of the scientific news will be given by Mr. Willmarth.

All are invited to attend.

THE "—————" OBSERVATORY OF CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

To the Editors of the Era:—The blank above is waiting to be filled with the name which some good man will soon sign to his check for sufficient funds to erect to himself a glorious and *useful* monument. One after another of the Universities and other Colleges of the country is erecting an observatory; and there is no institution in the country where one is more needed than in Cornell, none in which the investment would give better returns.

The returns (or the work) of an observatory are of two kinds. The first is practical work in Astronomy, contributions to the science; and the second, its educational use. The former confers the greater celebrity, and no doubt equals the general conception of the functions of an ob-

servatory. While we are confident that among our Faculty are men admirably fitted and competent for such work, still we affirm that a great University, gathering hundreds of students and affording them opportunities for the greatest diversity and widest range of mechanical, mathematical, and physical study, as well as general culture—such a University can make a properly equipped observatory more valuable in its uses as an auxiliary to all the other equipments of its various departments and to the instruction in its numerous courses of study. To give the details of the educational use of an observatory is impossible in a limited space; but the subject deserves more consideration, especially by those who have ample means. The magnificent gifts of many generous men to Cornell University would be complemented, and become of increased value and benefit, by the erection of a good working astronomical observatory.

We are led to these remarks by noticing in a paper to-day that Gen. C. C. Washburne has given the University of Wisconsin means to erect and equip an observatory equal or superior to that of Harvard; also that Pritchett University, Mo. has a new observatory equipped with excellent instruments from Clark of Boston and Sims of London.

The cost of the principal instruments required, I am informed by A. Clark & Sons, is as follows: Equatorial, 12 inches aperture, \$6,000.00; 15 inches aperture, \$10,000.00; 26 inches aperture, \$40,000.00. Meridian Circle, according to size, \$5,000.00 upward; Astronomical Clock, about \$300.00; Chronograph, from \$350.00 to 500.00. O.

—Last Friday a meeting of the Students' Guild was held in the Sage Chapel for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The meeting was called to order by Prof. Potter, who explained the object of the association; the treasurer's annual report was then read, showing the receipts to be \$69.75, and of this \$4.20 had been expended for books, leaving a balance of \$65.55 in the treasury. In addition to this Treas. Williams has collected \$20.00 from various sources. The Treas. stated that he had not yet been called upon to defray any expenses resulting from sickness. The executive committee, consisting of three Profs. and one student from each class, was then elected, the Profs. on the committee last year were re-elected, Prof. Russel being substituted for Prof. Hewitt, who is absent. The undergraduates elected were, A. C. Wakeley for '78, Fred Smith for '79, C. E. Atwood for '80, and G. W. Mott for '81. Subscription papers were then circulated. Those who forgot to pay their term tax can do so at any time, at the Treasurer's office. *

THE FALL REGATTA

Of the Cornell Navy, 1877.

The first race will be started as near 10 o'clock as possible, and will be immediately followed by the others in the order given below. The race for the Cluck Cup promises to be a hotly contested one, and the Single Scull race will not be lacking in interest with Welles and Russel at the oars. At this writing it is not known whether Francis will be here or not. The Freshman crews are evenly matched, and will add much to the sport. The tub race, though, will be the crowning feature!

FIRST RACE—SIX OARED SHELLS.

For the championship of the University. Prize, Challenge Cup presented by J. F. Gluck, '74.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	WT.	HT.
'78.				
Geo. M. Jarvis, Bow	Canastota	23	145	5 8
Heywood Conant, 2	Wilmington, Del.	19	140	5 7
Ed. Green, 3	Utica	21	145	5 10
R. H. Treman, 4	Ithaca	19	175	6
John Lewis, 5	Ithaca	21	160	5 7½
A. W. Smith, Stroke	Westmoreland	21	160	6
'79.				
F. N. Wilcox, Bow	Ithaca	21	145	5 10
G. A. Dounce, 2	Elmira	20	145	5 9½
C. L. Knapp, 3	Lowell, Mass.	22	165	5 11
E. W. Gregory, 4	Palmyra	21	168	5 11
J. W. Warner, 5	Rock Stream	20	160	5 9½
G. T. Baker, Stroke	Iowa City, Ia.	20	168	6
'80.				
W. Gardner, Bow		17	129	5 5
H. W. Snyder, S. B.		23	134	5 8
Geo. Carpenter, S. W.		20	141	5 6¾
Webster, P. W.		18	152	5 11½
R. H. Farquhar, S. S.		20	156½	5 9¾
A. E. Mills, P. S.		23	143	5 8¾

SECOND RACE—SINGLE SCULLS.

For the Championship of the University.

Geo. M. Welles, '79	Elmira	23	143	5 8
Edward Russel, '79	Ithaca	21	140	5 4

THIRD RACE—GIGS.

Picked Crews from the Freshman Class.

A. H. Cowles	Cleveland, O.	19	163	5 10½
W. C. Brown	Sandusky, O.	17	142	5 9
W. S. Ostrander	Scuylerville	19	136¼	5 8
H. T. Waterbury	Rensselaerville	19	146	5 10
J. E. Read	.....	16	141	5 9
Ceo. Martin	Allegheny Pa.	20	135	5 10
E. R. Schnable, cox	Chicago, Ill.	21	136	5 10
McGonnell	Chicago, Ill.	19	137	5 8½
E. S. Smith	Canajoharie	18	147	5 11
F. J. Howell	Keokuk, Ia.	17	136	5 10
C. J. Leeds	.....	18	135	5 7
Conklin	.....	19	135	5 11
E. J. Adams	Chicago, Ill.	18	135	5 7
H. C. Sommers, cox	Ithaca	16	104	5 5

TUB RACE—Twenty-five yards and return.

Judges—Prof. L. A. Wait, Prof. J. B. Burbank. Referee to be chosen by the Judges, Starter—Phil Barnard.

CORNELIANA.

—“So?”

—There was no drill on Monday.

—Tickets here now, for the regatta!

Back log studies—stealing kindling-wood.

—The new Register will be out about Nov. 10.

—The lectures on Agriculture were resumed Tuesday.

—There were seven crews out on the lake last Tuesday.

—The Ithaca *gamin* shouts, “What d’ ye soi?” and is happy.

—Candidates for class offices do not appear to be numerous yet.

—Query: What is the relation of onions to Roman History?

—Sweet potato pie is at present the favorite article of dessert at the clubs.

—The cadets were dismissed immediately after roll-call on Wednesday.

—The hour for drill during the present week was changed from 4 to 4:30 p. m.

—A pair of robins have made their abode in the McGraw tower for several years past.

—A Freshman was overheard, in the Laboratory, enquiring for *protoxide of hygiene*.

—There will be a contest in Reading at the Philalethean Society to-morrow evening.

—The Irving Literary Society will begin its meetings hereafter at 7 instead of 7:30 p. m.

—Several Freshmen who have been taking the lectures on hygiene are now boarding themselves.

—One of the newly-matriculated enquired of an upper-class-man how much it cost to hire a substitute for drill.

—It is earnestly requested by the Faculty that students taking drill procure their uniforms as soon as possible.

—A Freshman after buying a ticket for the Regatta, wanted to know if the train started from the “Shoo Fly” depot.

—The sermons at Sage Chapel will be preached at the usual hours next Sunday by Rev. Ira D. Bidwell, D. D., of Buffalo.

—Soph., reading *Goethes Prosa*: “Who is this Nausikää?” Second Soph.: “Why she is one of the heroines of the *Geodesy*.”

—Students who wish to be excused from University duties on account of sickness must produce a certificate from Dr. Potter.

—Crandall, '78, presented the anatomical department with a beautiful salamander which was captured yesterday on West Hill.

—Dr. Wilder recommends students in Hygiene to procure Park's "Personal care of Health." On sale at Finch & Appgars and at Spencer's.

—The soft autumn zephyrs which come breathing from the lake, gently fan the hill with a pressure estimated at 500 lbs. to the square inch.

—One of the rejected candidates for the University is organizing a Sub-Freshman base ball nine with the intention of accepting '79's challenge.

—The Heustis Street boys have at last awakened an interest in foot-ball. All that is necessary to raise a crowd is simply to set the ball in motion.

—Freshman, speaking of waiter at Sage: "He is not a full-blooded negro, only an *octagon*." Senior: "Call him a parallelogram, and be done with it."

—Prof. Boyesen omitted the usual order of recitation on Wednesday and gave his class a very interesting talk on student life in the German Universities.

—The latest slang phrase now going the rounds is "immensikoff." It is supposed to be of Russian origin, and is expressive of largeness in a humorous sense.

—A mathematical Freshman was heard enquiring at one of our bookstores if they had "Davies' New Bourbon." He should be interviewed by the Murphyites.

—Conscientious students in search of "soft snaps" who took American history under Professor Russel think that they have made a mistake in their choice.

—A notice from the Secretary of the Faculty posted on the bulletin-board, announces: "It is earnestly recommended by the Faculty that students who drill procure their uniforms at their earliest possible convenience."

—Our mathematical Professors are contemplating the feasibility of forming two or more "honor sections" in Freshman mathematics next term. Admission to these will depend upon the work and examinations of the present term.

—German Professor to student: "You may decline the word for "Mr." Student: "Das Monsieur"—then he looks up to the ceiling and thinks of home and dear ones, but the Professor breaks his reverie by intimating that he might be seated.

—The Philalethian Literary Society will present the following programme to-morrow evening: Competitive prose reading, C. F. Saunders and F. E. Bissell; Declamation, F. E. Kennedy; Debate on the following: Resolved, That all workmen imprisoned or indicted for participating in the late strike should be judged leniently. Affirmative, T. H. Trumbull and W. Beahan; negative, C. F. Wilson and W. P. Pickett; Essay, A. Washburn.

—Astronomy section:—Professor: "Mr. —, what is time?" and then settles back with the expectation of hearing this deep subject treated with due seriousness, but he cannot restrain a smile when the Senior unhesitatingly answers, "Time is money."

—At 1 P. M. Thursday, the Freshmen held a meeting in Room S. to discuss their sporting interests. Committees on foot-ball, base-ball and class-color were appointed. The base ball and foot-ball committees were instructed to accept first challenges.

—It is said the fall style for Junior essays on such subjects as "The Intellectual and Moral Analogies of Mountains Heights," is to cut the essay bias on the fourth page, and trim *a la Français* with quotations from physical geography and Porter's Human Intellect.

—The Curtis Literary Society will carry out the following programme to-morrow evening: Poem, Mr. Kendig; Biography of one Curtis member by another, Mr. Crim; Five minutes' speech, Mr. Farquhar; Oration, Mr. Cary; Story, Miss Bissell; Impromptu Speech, "The Chimes;" Criticism, Mr. Cane.

—The following is the programme of the Irving Society for this evening: Oration, W. Weed; Reading, Miss Halpen; Criticism on Society work, Miss Peck; Essay C. R. Carpenter; Debate on the following question: Which is the better source of Knowledge, Reading or Observation. Affirmative, J. H. Weinman, Negative, A. Weed.

—The melancholy season of the year has come, when the pale intellectual student leaves his lexicon and his text-book to wrestle with the cantankerous stove-pipe. He may be able to trace a root through half a dozen languages, or calculate the parallax of Sepha Centauri, but his giant intellect gives way and his soul quails before the mysterious problem of fitting a five inch elbow into a six inch pipe. During the week all the horrors of a Danbury household have been enacted throughout the length and breadth of Ithaca.

—A Junior, who last term bought a large bunch of bath tickets, supposed to be good for their face value—one ablution at Booth's bath rooms down town—was greatly horrified to find on his return this fall that the bath rooms had fallen a prey to the hard times, and that the tickets, though comely to look upon and good for scrap-book purposes, were now both a vain delusion and a snare. He greatly laments that he did not take three baths a day during June. When last seen he was trying to sell them to a Freshman for half price, saying that at this season of the year he preferred swimming in the Lake.

—It is anything but pleasant to be roused from peaceful and invigorating sleep especially when one has been up late the night before preparing for examinations in Heat. A Junior thus relates his experience: "It seemed as though I had just fallen asleep when I suddenly found myself sitting upright in bed having evidently been awakened by the hideous yells which were even then rending the air. At first, I thought that in the outcries, I distinguished the word "fire" and I almost saw huge volumes of smoke pouring in the room and flames dancing on the window panes and was rapidly calculating the number of sheets etc that could be extemporized into a rope for a fire-escape. But as these thoughts ran through my brain, the tones appeared to change and "murder" was the horrible cry that reached my ears. I jumped from the bed and encasing my feet in a pair of arctic overshoes and grasping my cadet musket in one hand and my razor in the other, I rush to the casement thence to frighten the murderer from their victim. As I peer out into the air, the outcry ceases, all is over! and by the light of the moon's pale ray, I espy five figures moving from the scene of their crime. I was about to cry out to them, when in my chum's well-known accents I hear, "There's that Sophomore crew that I was going out with this morning."

—Strange as it may seem, the first game of base ball played this season, was that of last Saturday, between the Junior and Sophomore nines. The game on the whole was interesting, although the playing showed a need of considerable practice. The outlook, however, is encouraging, and our base-ballists confidently expect, before the year is out, to compete successfully with any other similar organization. The following is the score:

Juniors.		A	B	IB	R	PO	A	E
Bailey, p.	5	3	1	0	3	1		
Warner, c.	5	1	0	13	3	4		
Baker, 1b.	5	3	3	11	0	0		
Knapp, ss.	5	3	4	1	13	0		
Newton, cf.	5	3	1	1	0	0		
Olmstead, rf.	5	2	0	0	0	1		
Porter, 3b.	5	0	0	1	0	3		
Kerr, 2b.	5	0	1	0	3	0		
Pierce, rf.	4	1	1	0	0	0		
Total	44	16	11	27	22	9		
Sophomores.		A	B	IB	R	PO	A	E
Cobb, c.	4	0	0	10	2	7		
Ormsby, 1b.	4	0	0	9	0	2		
Farquhar, p.	4	1	2	1	2	5		
Williams, rf.	4	1	0	1	0	0		
Benham, cf.	4	1	1	0	0	0		
Mesick, lf.	4	0	0	1	0	1		
Pennock, 2b.	3	0	0	5	3	2		
Leary, ss.	3	0	0	0	3	2		
Bird, 3b.	3	1	0	0	0	4		
Total	33	4	3	27	10	23		

Time, 1 hour, 50 minutes; Umpire, Finch, '78.

PERSONAL.

DRAKE, '80, is studying medicine in Chicago.
 A. S. TIBBETTS, '77 is in the Drug business at Belfast N. Y.
 E. L. WARE, '77, is at his home in Wrentham, Massachusetts.
 DOGGETT, of '79's crew is at present studying law in Toledo, O.
 PATRICK, '78, is continuing his studies at the Virginia University.
 McMILLAN, '78, is managing editor of a local paper at Waverly, Iowa.
 DOBBYN, '77, was married at his home in Shetland, Canada, last June.
 READ, '79, is traveling and mining correspondent for the Salt Lake Tribune.
 S. A. BLEND, '78, is acting as court stenographer in Erie Pennsylvania.
 W. B. HAWKINS, '78, is in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, N. Y.
 MISS MOORE, '76, is principal of the Academic department of the Public Schools.
 CASSON, '71, is Superintendent of the Soldier's Orphan Home near Scranton, Pa.
 PORTER, '80, is in the employment of Barnes & Co. school-book publishers, N. Y.
 B. C. WAKELEY, '78, is the official Stenographer of the 4th Judicial District of Nebraska.
 SALISBURY, '81, has been engaged to do the scroll sawing for the Sage residence on E. Seneca St.
 MARK TWAIN spent a week in Ithaca, during vacation, visiting Dean Sage Jr. at Sage College.
 FRED WHITE, '80, and RANDOLPH, '79, unexpectedly met a few days ago at the foot of Mont Blanc.
 TYNDALE, '77 went to New York last week, where he is to engage in the study of law at 23 Rivington St.
 IRA H. MYERS, '77, writes that he is imbibing law in the office of Hon. Hamilton Ward at Belmont, Allegany Co. N. Y.
 THATCHER, formerly '77, who has been teaching during the past year, has returned to the University and will graduate with '78.
 MESSRS. HAYES, TRACY, BLOWERS, VANHORNE and MOFFAT left Tuesday to attend the A. K. E. Convention at Madison University.
 ALMY, '73, is one of the speakers at a meeting of the North Side Educational Association to be held Oct. 12 and 13 at Stony Brook, Long Island.
 D. L. DAVIS, formerly '79, is editing the *Salem Evening News*, a new daily in Salem Columbiana, Ohio. We have seen the first number and congratulate Mr. Davis upon its appearance.
 BUTLER, '72, Pierce, '73, Rogers, '74, Ramsey, '74, Stanton, '76, White, '77, Clary, '78, and White '79, old Cornell "Kapps" were in town last week on a visit to their Fraternity.

EXCHANGES.

The locals and editorials of the *Oberlin Review* are excellent. The article on "Art—the Love of the Beautiful" is too replete with quotations, and has not enough originality for an essay upon a subject which involves so much of interest and value. The poem, "*Vale, Alma Mater*," was evidently not the product of a genius bursting with "divine afflatus." The refrain is *strikingly novel*.

"Alma Mater, farewell.
Adieu! Adieu!
Beloved home.
Farewell!"

Not a little space in the editorial columns of the *Yale Record* is devoted to a consideration of the Harvard-Yale regatta. It appears that Harvard has tabled Yale's challenge for next year's regatta, "thinking that an apology is due for the 'reflections' cast upon the late referee," and hence the editors "rise to explain." The *Record* contains two good articles, one on "Letter-writing" and another on "The Decoration of Rooms." From "Letter-writing" we quote the following paragraph:

"Did you ever think of the significance of a letter? By it how much more shrewdly can one disguise his feelings than behind his countenance! Between smooth, polished and even affectionate lines, one often sees lurking the fiends of hatred and revenge. How much more freely can a man commit himself to a friend through this medium? Nothing stands in the way; it is a mutual interchange between soul and soul, with none of the distracting elements which literal conversation implies."

An article upon "The New Science" in the *Williams Athenæum* is well written as to diction, but does not exhibit any very striking originality of thought. We take the liberty of appropriating a portion of an editorial, upon the habit of ceaselessly interrogating professors in the class-room:

"Every means of stimulating independent thought should of course be encouraged in the class-room, and the method of questioning is a very important agency to that end, but we dislike to see the privilege abused either by too numerous and unimportant questions, or by the abominable practice of asking questions to encroach on the time for recitation and escape the calamity of being called upon an unprepared lesson."

In the course of its local column the *Athenæum* remarks: "President Chadbourne took a premium for a one year heifer at the recent Hoosac Valley fair." The irreverence of the Guilielmian which prompted such a slur upon his President is certainly to be deprecated; and, we doubt not,

an unbiased public will deem the man who fathered that item to have himself been much more worthy the premium.

The *Harvard Advocate*, in the second number, quite attains its usual high standard. Its poem, "Elspie and I," is a pretty little canticle, beginning

A strange, strange music the breezes bring,
This summer day, from the hilltops high,—
The same old song of the harvest moon
Tha's sung forever amid the rye.
The same old song yet not the same;
For never before did the crickets sing
As I hear them now, in the sunny noon,—
Singing, Singing amid the rye.
Elspie and I, Elspie and I.

One "Ben Anna, Esq." has written an article for the *Advocate*, in which he explains how a year can be spent, and comfortably spent, in Germany for the exceedingly modest sum of \$500. He says, "There seems to be a general idea among students that it requires a little fortune in order to spend a year abroad. This is by no means the case. By pursuing the following plan, I venture to say any young man can go from here to any one of the German capitals, stay a year, and come back all for about \$500. He can do this without denying himself any of the comforts of life, or traveling by steerage. The National or the Union line will sell you a return ticket to Liverpool and back for \$100, first cabin. As to living there, a nicely furnished room, up one or two flights, near the center of the city, will cost about \$6 a month; and you pay about 30 cents a month extra for having your boots blacked, clothes brushed, and wood carried in, every morning. If you avoid the most expensive restaurants, you can live comfortably on \$20 a month; that is, if you are satisfied with soup, one kind of meat, potatoes vegetables, pastry, and beer, for dinner." And he closes his article by placing the following premium on billiard playing: "A person much devoted to billiards will save enough in one year in Germany to pay for his passage home, as you can play, according to the locality, for 10 to 15 cents an hour,—good French tables, too."

The *Advocate*, as well as the *Record*, devotes a good deal of space to the Yale challenge. Here is what it has to say for Harvard and her action: "On a motion of Mr. Bancroft, the Columbia challenge was taken up. In considering this, Captain Bancroft said that he agreed with Mr. Watson in saying that Professor Agassiz had performed his duties at Springfield in an honorable and gentlemanly manner, and that the charges against him were as groundless as they were insulting. The Yale papers had accused Professor Agassiz of coaching our crew before and during

the race ; and it was reported that Mr. Thompson had brought forward the same charges at a meeting of the Yale Boat Club. Mr. Bancroft therefore moved that the Yale challenge be laid upon the table until it could be ascertained whether or not the remarks attributed to Mr. Thompson were really made, and until it was learned whether or not the Yale papers would apologize for their insulting language. Much indignation was manifested at the way Yale has acted in this matter, and the remarks of Captain Bancroft well expressed the sentiment of the meeting. The Yale challenge was therefore laid upon the table, and the meeting closed with nine cheers for the coach and the captain."

COLLEGIANA.

—The Russian method of instruction in mechanics is proposed for the University of Pennsylvania.

—The new year opens at Hamilton College (N. Y.) with a large addition of students. The Freshman class numbers over fifty.

—At Lafayette College there is an eating club, composed of sixteen students, at which board is obtained for one dollar and seventy-five cents per week.

—The students of the Ohio Wesleyan University are not allowed to use tobacco in any form, either in the college buildings or on the college grounds.

—The University of Georgia has graduated six governors, twenty-six United States senators and congressmen, forty-nine judges, and several hundred legislators.

—Bowdoin College begins the new year with fifty-five in the Freshman class, and an addition of five to the upper classes. This is the largest entering class for several years.

—William and Mary College is in no danger of suspension, for, though in humble pecuniary circumstances, it has a small fund, a restored building, suitable apparatus, and a library of five or six thousand volumes. Some of its friends have already assisted it, and others will, it is hoped soon make further gifts.

—The new Anatomical building of the Strasbourg University is entirely inclosed, and workmen are fitting up the interior. On the 1st of November, of this year, it will be ready for occupation. To defray the expenses of the new building of the University, the district of Lower Alsace has contributed 500,000 marks.

FACETIÆ.

HOW TO CIRCUMVENT THE CENSOR.—M. André Gill, a Paris Nast, had sketched for his journal, *La Lune Rousse*, a large picture representing M. Gambetta standing at the bed-side of Thiers, holding pensively the hand of the dead statesman ; but when the rough sketch was laid before the censor of the press, the following conversation took place :

Censor: "Monsieur, we are only soldiers executing orders."

M. Gill: "Certainly, but if in place of M. Gambetta, I put the country?"

Censor: "That would be different.—You know we can't allow this coupling a man who has been president with another who may be."

M. Gill: "All right, Monsieur, I will substitute the country for Gambetta,—which will be the same thing."

So the picture is published in accordance with the demands of the censor, but the foregoing conversation is printed in large type at the head of the same number.

Mark Twain remarked to a friend while stopping in Ithaca that he had seen some people who were so sanctimonious that it seemed as if they were waiting for a vacancy in eternity.

A great uproar was created a few days ago in the Junior recitation room by the Professor, when he gave the following conundrum with its answer: When did the first auction occur? Ans. When Abraham put up his son Isaac, and the Lord bid him in for a sacrifice.—*Williams Athenæum*.

A schoolmaster who had an inveterate habit of talking to himself, was asked what motive he could have in doing so. He replied that he had two good and substantial reasons. In the first place he liked to talk to a sensible man ; in the second place he liked to hear a sensible man talk.—*Ex*.

A new student went to the treasurer's office to pay his term bills, and upon being told the sum that would pay "tuition, incidentals and library fee," said he guessed he wouldn't take incidentals.—*Oberlin Review*.

"What can I do to insure the publication of this contribution?" asked Fipps, anxiously, of Sniggs, a sub-editor. "You should apply to the editor-in-chief," replied Sniggs. "Oh," said Fipps, "I thought I must apply to one of the underwriters."—*Louisville Courier-Journal*.

A Michigan farmer writes to the faculty of Yale: "What are your terms for a year? And does it cost anything extra if my son wants to learn to read and write as well as row a boat."—*Ex*.

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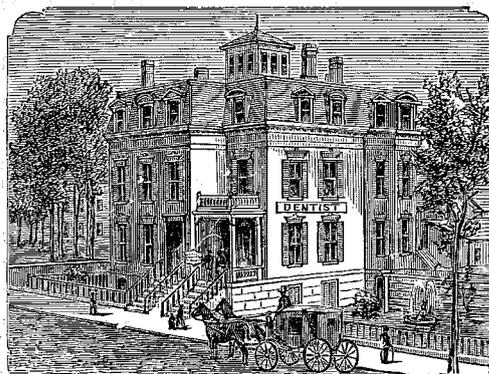
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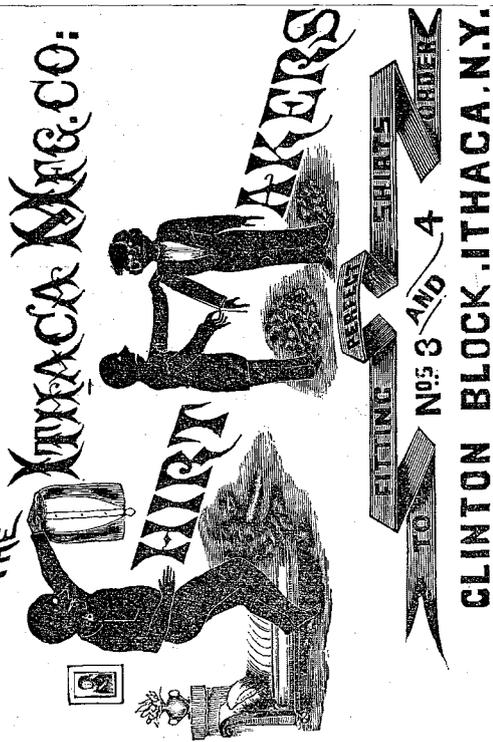
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THE pamphlet by Dr. Wilder entitled "Emergencies and How to Treat Them." appears this year in a new and smaller form. It contains many really valuable suggestions, and every one ought to learn its contents by heart. The usefulness of the rules for the resuscitation of persons who have been drowned is increased by means of illustrations. The small size of the pamphlet makes it easy to carry in the pocket, or, as has been suggested, it could be pasted in the hat.

AMONG the recent appointments on the scientific staff of the Woodruff Expedition will be noticed the name of Prof. Wm. S. Barnard, of Cornell, '71. Dr. Barnard, after graduating with high honors in the course in Natural History, went to Germany, where he studied with Leuckhart, Haeckel, and other high authorities in natural science. He then returned to spend a year in original investigations in the laboratory of Dr. Wilder, whose brother-in-law he shortly after became. In 1874 he was invited to lecture at Penikese, and in 1875 he was made professor of zoölogy in the summer school at Normal, Ill. Several of his papers have been published in the Proceedings of the American Association and in the *Popular Science Monthly*. Dr. Barnard is well known as an able and successful investigator and teacher, and brilliant discoveries may be expected from him upon the in-

vertebrates, of which department of investigation he has special charge upon the expedition.

THE directors of the Woodruff Expedition still hope that the requisite number of students will be obtained, and that they will not be obliged to abandon the project, as it has been rumored that they might be obliged to do. The secretary of the expedition has issued a circular, announcing that the work of preparation is advancing, and that the day of sailing will soon be conclusively named. He also announces that the well known Brooklyn Yacht Club has extended permission to fly its club flag during the voyage. This is a most important privilege, since it enables the expedition to enter at will; and without delay, any port in the world. The faculty has been announced, and is known to be a good one. The following gentlemen have lately been added to the staff of the expedition: Prof. J. T. Rothrock, Botanist; Prof. W. S. Barnard, Geologist; and Prof. Albert DeBuys, Professor of Modern Languages. The first of these is now professor of botany in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania. He is spoken of as an able and enthusiastic botanist, and also as a skillful surgeon, he being the fifth or sixth medical man on the staff. Of Dr. Barnard further mention will be found elsewhere. From such a body of men important scientific results may be expected. The name of Dr. Wilder stands at the head of the list of the faculty, and should he accept the position of Dean, we feel sure that the event will prove that he was wisely named for a place for which his rare attainments eminently fit him. This is a most excellent opportunity for those who wish to spend some time abroad, because the best of chances is thus offered for sight-seeing, and at the same time for study with good instructors at a very moderate price. It is to be hoped that an expedition which promises such good results will not have to be given up for lack of funds; and surely no one could spend two years abroad more cheaply and profitably than in this way.

THE names of the ministers who are expected to occupy the pulpit of the Chapel during this term, will be announced in our next issue. Next Sunday the sermons will be delivered by the Rev. J. T. Slicer, Congregationalist, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

AS THE constant reading of books modifies, to a certain extent, the character of the student, so from the books in his possession can his intellectual tastes and sympathies be more or less accurately ascertained. But this is not always the case; for were one to judge of the learning and wisdom of some students by the number and variety of the volumes upon their shelves, he would think them to be very Solomons. As, however, the ordinary student provides himself with those books which are required in his particular line of study, or those for which he has a special fondness, his library will often serve as an index by which to judge the character and inclination of his studies. An observing student, upon entering the room of another, will run over the titles of the books upon the shelves. One student, evidently in the course in Arts, has his library laden down with Greek and Latin lexicons, grammars, classical dictionaries, and works of the ancient authors. Historical works have quite a prominent place also, but scientific and mathematical treatises have, in general, no charm for him. But with the engineer it is different. The character of his books form a great contrast to those of the classical student. Among them are; "Weisbach's Mechanics," which are flanked in on either side with "Gillespie's Land Surveying;" "Treatises on the Construction of Bridges and Roofs;" "The method of least Squares," and other similar works. Even the ornaments of his room have the same general tone. In one corner hangs a carefully made draught of Cascadilla bridge, which—true to nature—he has lately embellished with the legend—"Walk your horses over this bridge." Copies of the *Scientific American* are scattered about, and on the floor lies—as if dashed off in a sportive mood—a carefully executed draught, representing the projected intersections of the curve and sphere. Judging from the titles of the books, the next is the library of the Agricultural student. "Harris on the Pig" confronts us first. Directly

beside it sits "Youatt on the Horse," accompanied by "Mills on the Foot" and "Percivall's Hippopathology." Still different from these are the books of the Zoologist, such as "Physiology of man;" "The Origin of Species;" "Symmetry and Homology in Limbs;" "What Young People should Know;" "Intermembrial Homologies" and many others. But works of this character do not find their place in the library of the Literary student. In their place we find the works of Chaucer, Spenser, "Manuals of English Literature," Trench's "Study of Words," various editions of Shakspeare, books of poems, syllabi of lectures, &c., &c. Thus each student has his own little circle in which he revolves, and of which the outside universe is ignorant.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

(A Legend of Cascadilla Bridge.)

As up the hill one autumn night
My way I slowly wended,
My fancy took a sudden flight
And thus its soarings tended.

'Tis a weary walk from the Town to the Hill,
And cravings for rest the tired fancy soon fill.
The way seems very long.
But if spirit is gone,
Hope urges me on,
Ever onward and upward still.

I dread the long walk from the Town to the Hill
When the night is black and the wind at its will
Roughly brushes me by
With a sob and a sigh
In the pine trees nigh,
Rushes on and is never still.

'Tis a lonely walk from the Town to the Hill
When the lights are out and the world's pulse is still.
Chill blows the autumn wind,
Weird fancies fill my mind,
Fancies undefined
Beyond the control of my will.

When straight before my staring eyes
Its long, gaunt form uprearing,
A shape appears of giant size
From out the darkness peering;
And written faint across its face
A legend shadowy I trace.

My blood ran cold through every vein,
Now heavens, how it courses!
I read, while reels my aching brain,
"OVER THIS BRIDGE, WALK YOUR HORSES."

COMMUNICATIONS.

LEIPZIG AND ITS UNIVERSITY.

II.

LEIPZIG, Aug. 17, 1877.

To the Editors of the Era:—

The University, with its 3000 students and its 156 professors is naturally the nucleus of the literary life of the city. There are at present but few Americans in the city. In past times Cornell has been frequently represented; and the most clear-sighted, accurate and practical work on University life here is by one of your former teachers, Professor J. M. Hart, who was a student in Leipzig for several months. His "German Universities" is of practical value to any one intending to study here; it has aided me much. The catalogue of studies for the Winter Semester is already out, and the scope of study is surprising. In the department of Philology, which I shall enter in October, there are lectures upon Arabian and Assyrian Grammar, Old French, Greek literature (Certius), Gothic (Zarncke), old Bulgarian, the Koran, Sanskrit, old Saxon, and the ordinary ancient languages. The lectures are announced to begin at seven in the morning, and to end at nine o'clock in the evening, with no holiday during the week save Sunday. One of the most difficult questions for the student to answer, who intends coming to Germany to study, is how much preparation in German is necessary to work in the University. It is pretty generally agreed that one who has not at least had the training of a college course should not enter a German University. Assuming that a student has had the amount of German taught in the Cornell course, it would not require a long additional study for every day life, and to hear lectures intelligently. What such a man most needs is practice in conversation, composition of German, and hearing. Four months work will enable him, after his three years' study of grammar and reading, to understand very nearly all that the lecturer says. I have found nothing more valuable in itself than translations from English into German. The value of this work, however, is nearly doubled by the opportunity to apply the rules in actual conversation with Germans. It is not difficult with the lexicon to put together a collection of sentences, which are grammatically correct; but without the German instinct and its atmosphere about you, you cannot certainly know whether the words you have chosen are the words which a German would use or even understand. The "feeling" that a sentence is right comes from inhaling the German atmosphere. Intercourse with educated Germans, listening to sermons and speeches, are more useful than grinding at the grammar too steadily during the prepar-

atory months—assuming that the student has already mastered at least one grammar. The power to understand comes first, to converse in colloquial language next, and to compose with accuracy last. The accent and pronunciation in Leipzig is not, generally speaking, good. The Saxon dialect, used in the shops and among the people is not pure, and can scarcely be understood by one whose ear is used to the literary language alone. But the educated people speak pure German; and a letter of introduction to such a family is one of the most useful helps that one can bring. I have encountered more ignorance of our institutions than I expected; in many instances it was startling and was due to indifference. But the Germans are easy to get along with, and their enthusiasm and endurance in study are phenomenal. If they don't know who Longfellow is, and call our strike a "war of castes," they can follow a verbal root to its very germ. They are genuine students, and their intense energy is itself a spur to their hearers.

H. J. KENNEDY, '74.

ONE RESULT OF CO-EDUCATION.

*To the Editors of the Era:—*It is evident to the most superficial observer that, while the entering classes in nearly all the colleges throughout the country are larger than usual, the number of new students at our own University is the smallest in our history. From '73 with its 300 we turn to '81 with its 140 and seek with wonder for a cause. What Delilah has shorn our young Samson of his locks?

Various reasons have been given for this decline. One is that it is owing to the attacks of the pharisaical press. Another that it is caused by the raising of the standard of the entrance examinations. Another that "hard times" is the key to the problem. While not a few stoutly assert that "woman is at the bottom of it."

How far our non-sectarian character is to blame cannot accurately be determined; but persons intimately connected with the management of the University assert that there has been no loss on that account. As to the examinations, in proportion to the number of applicants there has not been one more rejected by a failure to pass the increased requirements than before. While the increased number of students at nearly all other colleges proves conclusively that "hard times" is not the reason.

Turn now to the last reason. Has co-education produced this effect? The following statistics compiled from the official records of the University may throw some light upon the question. Women were admitted into the University in accordance with a resolution passed by the trustees in the Spring of 1872. Accordingly the college

year of 1871-2 is taken as a basis for comparison. The number of students during this present year will probably be increased about twenty-five by additions during the year. Post-graduates are not included in the table.

	71-2	72-3	73-4	74-5	75-6	76-7	77-8
No. of under-graduates	605	531	498	516	529	538	451
No. of female students	1	16	29	38	49	61	51
No. of male students	604	515	469	478	480	477	400
Loss of students	—	74	107	89	76	67	154
Loss of male students	—	89	135	126	124	127	204

These figures speak for themselves. In spite of victories at Saratoga, in spite of success at New York, in spite of the increased reputation of the University, in spite of the numerous additions to the faculty, in spite of the number of female students, there has been a loss varying from 12 to 20 per cent in the total attendance, while in "carrying out the first intentions of the national and state authorities, which had reference to young men," (*vide* President White's inaugural address), the Trustees have succeeded in reducing the number of male students by from 14 to 29 per cent. to say nothing of the loss of the best known of our resident professors.

As guardians of Mr. Cornell's endowment fund the Trustees have a perfect right to act in accordance with his wishes, regardless of the effect upon the University; but they should also consider that in so doing they are crippling the efficacy of the resources which have been intrusted to their care by the people of New York. NEMO.

THE GYMNASIUM.

To the Editors of the Era:—The time is now at hand when boating, base-ball and foot-ball will cease to be available as means of exercise, and it is of prime importance that the Gymnasium should be put in condition for use. As all know it is now in a shocking state, both as regards the apparatus and the finances. The lock was stolen from the door during the last spring term, and since then the building has been open to all who might chance to go in. During the summer it has been a favorite lodging-place for tramps and the only wonder is that so little damage has been sustained by the building and apparatus. Now if we are to receive any benefit from all the money expended by former classes in building and equipping the Gymnasium this state of things must be remedied at once and effectually. As the matter now stands it is a disgrace to the University. The trapeze is broken and the bars carried away; the clubs and dumb-bells are either lost or scattered through the room; the floor is covered with dust and rubbish and nothing can be said to be in its place save the horizontal bar which fortunately is bolted to the framework of the building. New apparatus is needed, and the old wants repairing and arranging. This

is the present condition of the Gymnasium, and now what must be done to restore it to its former usefulness? Clearly the first thing is to raise enough money to place the institution in running order and pay a janitor for taking care of it. Money is the essential thing and all those who intend taking gymnasium practice this winter should come forward and pay their term dues to the Treasurer Mr. E. C. Russel, '79, at once, so that the building may be put in condition for occupancy. There ought to be an interest in this matter among the Freshmen, who will have an opportunity of enjoying the benefits of the Gymnasium during their entire course. Now is the time for them to join and avail themselves of its advantages. If the students will sustain the officers in their efforts to improve the situation of affairs there is no doubt that the gymnasium will be a success. OLD MEMBER.

THE AGRICULTURAL CLUB.

To the Editors of the Cornell Era:—The students of agriculture are making strong efforts to re-establish the Agricultural Club. The organization referred to began its existence in the early history of the University. Its career, though not very extended, was marked by activity and influence. Regular meetings were held for a time, but for reasons unknown to the writer, they were discontinued. The great need for such an organization has constantly been felt, but for want of numerical strength its re-establishment has not been attempted until now. A meeting was held Friday, October 12th, and an organization effected. The Club will hereafter hold regular meetings. Such an organization if skilfully managed, will do much towards placing the department on a popular basis. The strength of the Department of Agriculture is less perfectly known than that of other special departments, because no attempts have lately been made to wield it. It is hoped that all students in agriculture will at once identify themselves with the movement, and lend their aid in making the Agricultural Club a complete success. *.*

THE REGATTA.

The Fall Regatta of the Cornell Navy which had been anticipated with so much pleasure by the students passed off successfully Saturday morning. The weather for the preceding days of the week had been anything but encouraging, and Saturday morning dawned unpropitiously, but before ten o'clock, "Old Prob." showed that he was willing to do his part in clearing the Navy of debt, and the dark clouds rolled away to the South and the warm sun inspired cheerfulness in the foreboding heart. As early as 9:30 the crowd began to assem-

ble at the Cayuga Lake R. R. depot and by 10:15 a goodly number were gathered upon the platform. The train moved down about half past ten and then the rush for the seats occurred, the more fortunate securing desirable situations on the outside while the slow people had to be content with standing on the platform cars.

The train, after stopping for the boats at the crossing, ran down to the corner of the lake and with little delay, the crews contesting for the Cluck cup drew into line, '78 having the outside, '79 in the middle, '80 the inside. Starter Barnard fired the pistol about 11 o'clock and away went the three crews '79 at once took a slight lead and had increased it to about a length at the half mile when their boat began to drop back unaccountably and '78 drew nearer at every stroke until the two crews were even at McKinney's, '80 two lengths in the rear rowing finely. From this point '78 gradually forged ahead in spite of the spurts of '79 and crossed the line a good winner by three lengths in 13:48. At the mile-and-a-half point '80 lapped '79, but could not hold its position and fell back so that the distance between them was about the same as between '79 and '78. Of course the adherents of '78 and their sympathizers gave vent to their enthusiasm by vociferous cheers and blowing of horns, and vigorous hand-shaking became almost general.

'79 felt their defeat sorely and it was all the more unsatisfactory because at their good lead of a length, Knapp broke his seat and his stroke was greatly weakened. Carpenter, '80, also slipped his seat when '80 was doing such effective work at the mile and a half stake. '78, however, is entitled to due praise for the fine stroke they pulled and for the form they kept throughout the race. The official time is, Seniors, 13:48, Juniors, 14 minutes, and Sophomores, 14:11 minutes.

Immediately after the crews pulled in, the single scullers prepared for the race back. Russel and Wells, '79, were the only contestants and drew position with Russel on the outside. Wells took the lead and pulled steadily ahead, rowing a neat stroke, and it was evident that he would be an easy winner. Russel rowed pluckily but could not lap his more experienced rival, who was the winner by 16 seconds in 15:45. The Tom Hughes and the Sprague gig crews then rowed over the two mile courses. The Sprague crew had things their own way from the first and excited much admiration by reason of the uniformity and ease with which they took their stroke. They rowed steadily on, Tom Hughes hopelessly in the rear but still pulling, and placed 15:01 as their record—1:03 in advance of their opponents.

The tub race did not furnish the amusement expected, as it was found impracticable to have it,

and a race between Squad 1 and Squad 4 of the Senior Engineers was substituted and turned out to be one of the most enjoyable features of the day. "T. P." being in Washington, Squad 1 took only three men, while No. 4 carried four men, for which they were allowed two pairs of oars. The latter got into trouble at the start and lost ground rapidly until they took in two oars and adopted the plan of their opponents. The interest centered on the first boat, and the steering of Quieroz was pronounced by all to be the most scientific exhibition of that art that had ever been witnessed on our lake. By the strenuous efforts of Messrs. Beahan and Welker, Squad No. 1 won, and at the sound of the pistol telling the finish, each occupant of the boat indulged in wild exhibitions of joy. This ended the sport and the train moved slowly back to the depot.

The attendance was estimated at four hundred and fifty, of which, we are pleased to say, many were lady students who were conspicuous in their respective class colors. The managers deserve great credit for the enterprise they have manifested in carrying out their programme and thanks for the good accommodations which they gave. About one hundred dollars was realized, which leaves but a small sum yet to be procured to clear the mortgage, and we trust that that will be subscribed at once.

THE INTER-COLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the University held on Monday the sum of fifty dollars was voted to pay the tax levied on Cornell by the Inter-Collegiate Literary Association in accordance with the request made by the Regent, Mr. J. S. Lehmaier, in the letter published below.

Ithaca, Oct. 15, 1877.

PROF. WM. C. RUSSEL, *Acting-President of Cornell University,*

SIR:—The Council of Regents of the Inter-Collegiate Literary Association at a recent meeting, held in the city of New York, ordered a tax of fifty dollars to be levied on each College and University belonging to the Association. This tax provides the money from which the current expenses of the Association are paid.

By the incorporation of the Association, in April last, the Faculties of the several institutions connected with it, have been admitted to a voice in its proceedings, thus changing the character of the Association from a student to a college organization. And being such, I would, through you, most respectfully ask the Executive Committee of the University for the money, which is payable before the first day of November. Trusting that

immediate action will be taken in the matter, I remain,

Very Respectfully,

J. S. LEHMAIER, Regent I. C. L. A.

The change in the "character of the Association from a student to a college organization," is a just and business-like one, and will meet with general approval. It at once places the Association on a firm financial footing, and does away with all the delays and failures incident to leaving the matter of collecting the tax to the class treasurers. The experience of last year has shown that it is easier to raise a large boating tax than to raise the small amount necessary to defray Cornell's share of the Inter-Collegiate tax. Whether this is due to apathy among the students on the subject, or to lack of energy on the part of the class treasurers is of little importance compared with the fact that last year's tax, which was kindly advanced by Professor Oliver, has not yet been paid.

CORNELIANA.

- '78—No, '80!
- The *Review* (D. V.) will be out to-day.
- The Juniors in Architecture are designing a school house.
- There will be no meeting of the Irving Society this evening.
- Professor Boyesen's lecture yesterday was on American authors.
- The Philaletheians will discuss the President's southern policy to-morrow evening.
- The annual convention of the *A. T.* fraternity will be held at Madison University, October 25th and 26th.
- The Sermons at Sage Chapel will be delivered next Sunday by Rev. J. T. Slicer, D. D., Congregationalist, of Brooklyn.
- The Freshman who called Chaucer, *Daniel* Chaucer, must have made the "well of English undefiled" boil over with rage.
- On Thursday afternoon upon the Fair Grounds the Seniors were defeated by the Sophomores, in a match game of ball, by a score of 10 to 5.
- The Pasha says that the difference between the town of Ithaca and an Ithaca club, is that one is filled with gorges and the other full of gorgers.
- There will be a match game of base ball on the Fair grounds, Saturday morning at 9 o'clock between the Kappa Alpha and the Chi Phi Fraternities.
- A rare and valuable specimen of an embryo shark was received at the Anatomical laboratory, last week, from J. L. Jarvis, '78, who obtained it at Norwalk, Va.

—Hon. E. B. Morgan has magnanimously come forward to the assistance of our navy and has very generously sent his check for \$100 to the Navy directors.

—Examinations in Prof. Corson's Chaucer and Anglo-Saxon classes this term will be oral and not by written syllabi, as this latter method has not proved satisfactory.

—On Wednesday the amount of Mr. Wilson's judgment, \$319 50 was paid. In the treasurer's hands there are now \$60, and it is to be hoped that the second judgment amounting to \$145, will soon be settled.

—There are said to be a large number of candidates for the presidency in the Freshman class. The election will take place next Monday, in Room S, at 1 o'clock.

—It is said that the victorious crews of '78 and '81 intend to form a new secret society to be known as the Beta Chapter of Rho. Rho. Rho. Fraternity, but the report needs confirmation.

—Yesterday Prof. Boyesen substituted for his regular lecture on German literature, a lecture on American contemporaneous literature. It is to be hoped that this will be introductory to a series of lectures on the same important topic.

—Catullus evidently had in mind the same state of affairs which now causes the "eternal vigilance" of the Ithaca vineyard owner, when he wrote: "*Asserunda nigerrimis diligentius uvis.*"

—A match game of foot-ball will be played at the Fair Ground, to-morrow afternoon. The contestants are the "Hillians" and "Denizens of the Valley," and a lively game is anticipated.

—Professor Corson will read the "Sonnets from the Portuguese," by Mrs. Browning, at the Sage College, this evening, beginning punctually at 7½ o'clock. Students are invited to attend.

—At a meeting of the Natural History Society held this afternoon, Mr. H. H. Smith, who has been with Prof. Hartt in Brazil, gave a communication, and Mr. C. H. Willmarth gave a resumé of scientific news.

—Prof. Russel's remarks on Monday in his Roman History lectures, on the importance of drill among the Roman youth was interpreted by those who had substituted for drill as having somewhat of a local bearing.

—A rustic gentleman from one of our neighboring towns, who evidently is not posted on University matters, rushed into a grocery the other day, and astonished the inmates with the query: "What are you doing with United States troops in Ithaca?" The gracious vender coolly replied: "Those are the Cornell Cadets on their way to drill."

—Of in the stilly night the voice of the serena-der gently warbles the "lyrics of the heart" before the walls of the Sage, and in response the fair offering of flowers falls from the upper stories like a benediction on the minstrel below.

—Mythology says that Zephyr wooed Aurora. The modern version is that Cornell, which our exchanges represent as being a perfect Boreas at "blowing," has fallen in love with our fair neighbor down the lake—Wells College at Aurora.

—Literary Junior (*log.*) who has too few shekels wherewithal to purchase new raiment of purple and fine linen:

"Of all sad words of pen and ink,
The saddest are 'I'm short of chink.'"

—The Anatomical laboratory students meet for special instruction under Mr. Gage every Wednesday, at four p. m. At each lecture some particular topic, such as the use of the microscope or the theory of injections, is discussed and illustrated before the class.

—Soph. (to Freshman chum), "Post-graduates are allowed free access to the alcoves of the Library." Fresh. "What is the tuition in that course?" Soph., "Nothing whatever." Fresh., "Guess I'll take that course instead of the Optional."

—A Senior who plays whist with the skill of an expert was greatly surprised the other day to find that Hoyle, whose great literary work on cards and games he had studied and admired so much, was not mentioned as an author in any compendium of English literature.

—Mr. Giles B. Stebbins, of Detroit, Michigan, will deliver a lecture on "The Coming Religion," at Deming Hall, Saturday evening, October 20th. He will also lecture Sunday afternoon and evening at Library Hall, on "The Gospel of Progress," and "The Immortal Life." Admission free.

—The calcareous portion of a sucker from one of the arms of the great cuttle-fish recently washed ashore at St. Johns, N. B., and described at length in the *N. Y. World*, of October 8, was received at the Anatomical department a few days ago. The donor is a scientific gentleman of New York.

—Dr. Wilson left for Albany Thursday, to attend a meeting called by the Regents of the University of the State of New York, to endeavor to fix upon some suitable standard of graduation, and of admission to the several colleges of the state, from the academies and academic departments of union schools. As certificates of the required proficiency in certain studies are accepted by the University in place of examinations, it is no more than just that the University should have something to say as to what the character of the examinations should be.

—A certain youth who was so fortunate as to "pass up" Freshman mathematics, inquired at Spence Spencer's the other day for "Toadhunter's Comic Sections." He is utterly nonplussed over the contents of the little volume, but has made up his mind that it must be some species of "dry" humor.

—Prof. Fiske will deliver a lecture entitled "Reminiscences of Student Life at European Universities," at Library Hall, Friday evening, November 2d. The lecture is a most interesting one and no one should fail to attend. The proceeds of the lecture are to be applied to the payment of the navy debt.

—A Freshman was examining the walls of a friend's room the other day and admiring the different pictures hanging upon them when he stops before a group of actresses whose photographs were marked with Mora's autograph and asks "who is this girl, *Mary* and why have you got so many pictures of her?"

—It may be the occasion of surprise to some of the students, whose misfortune it is to have been born in the West, to learn from the lips of one of our Professors "that it is the custom in the towns of the Occident, for the heads of families to spend their Sunday afternoons on their front piazzas, propped up on two chairs, in their stocking feet and shirt sleeves, assiduously imbibing the harrowing tales of the *New York Ledger*."

—A lady Freshman recently dropped her umbrella upon the floor of a recitation room, when one of her amiable male class-mates, a devoted student of Chesterfield, picked it up, handed it to her and was met with the following rebuff, "Thank you sir, I can pick up my own umbrella!" Oh, Laureate Poet, can this be the germ of thy "fair girl graduate?"

—One of the Juniors in Agriculture is taking "Physical Culture" under Mr. Barlow—presumably getting ready for the "farm-work" required in the Senior year. As a matter of economy we would suggest that the Department of Agriculture double the size of the pitch-fork and "brace up" the plow-handles before allowing him to register for "farm-work."

—Quite a number of students were present at the Courtney, Riley and Johnson single-scutt race which came off Wednesday afternoon, at Owego, on the Susquehanna. The course being three miles with turn. The water was in a slight ripple. Courtney took the lead from the beginning, with Riley and Johnson even, Riley taking second place at the turn. Near the finish Riley closed rapidly upon Courtney but not enough to over-lap him. The winning time was 20 minutes 14½ seconds, the fastest on record.

—The game of chess between Michigan University and Cornell, which was commenced last winter under the supervision of a committee consisting of Foote, '74, Horton, '75, Smith, '77 and Ryder '79, is now being continued by Trumbull, '78, Eaton, '78, Young, '79 and Ryder, '79. Twenty-nine moves have thus far been made.

—The officers of the Tompkins County Teachers Association having engaged Library Hall for the two weeks for their annual convention, the Preliminary Contest for the selection of the Cornell Representative in oratory to the Intercollegiate has been postponed until the evening of Monday the 29th instant. Next week we will give a full list of the competitors, their subjects and the committee of judges.

—Professor, introducing his lecture on German Declension: "It is quite important that you should at the start learn to abbreviate as much as possible, as by doing so you will save much of your own and your teacher's valuable time. Now take down as I give it to you. "Masc. and neut. nouns of 1st. d'ec. have acc. sing. like nom!" and is about to continue in a similar manner when the class with one accord raise their hands as signs of distress and gasp, "Prof., please repeat that again."

—Here is richness. The Albany *Argus* gravely remarks in an article on boating at Cornell that "Owing to the fact that the proceeds of the navy ball held in February last were not enough to cover the expenses of crews at Saratoga in the Summer of 1876, further subscriptions have been found necessary!!" Inasmuch as the navy balls have rarely ever paid much more than their own expenses, the \$2,000 navy debt, which is in itself a thing of beauty, and may in part remain a joy forever, will probably never be much lessened by the sale of ball tickets.

—A correspondent sends us in detail the particulars of the last dying hour of that venerable institution of the Hill—the Struggle, so famous in past days for the solidity of the bills of fare presented. After tracing the history of its decline and fall to the fact of the cook's striking for higher wages, and the steward's refusal of the same, he concludes:

"Thus where once all was life and gaiety and where the aromatic odor of the Texas beef lured the hungry student to combined nourishment and toil, there has succeeded the stillness of the desert. Recently it is said, however, that two ghastly figures have been seen at midnights' holy hour sitting in all their loneliness around the old table, one of which was observed to be flipping a cent in the air, and arranging certain plates around him, while the other was observed to be busily engaged in turning over an old tattered almanac evidently looking for jokes."

—On Saturday afternoon the University nine played another game with the town nine and had no difficulty in defeating them. Treman carried off the honors by his fine batting. The score:

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.						
	R	O	IB	PO	A	E
Knapp, 3b.....	1	3	2	1	1	1
Farquhar, 1b.....	2	2	1	13	0	1
Warner, c.....	0	4	0	1	2	2
Treman, 2b.....	2	1	3	3	2	1
Bailey, p.....	0	4	0	0	2	1
Adams, c.....	1	2	0	1	0	0
McConnell, ss.....	1	2	1	0	4	2
Smith, rf.....	0	1	1	1	0	0
Baker, lf.....	1	2	0	1	0	0
Total.....	8	21	8	21	11	8
ITHACA B. B. C.						
	R	O	IB	PO	A	E
Reedy, c.....	0	2	2	5	3	5
King, p.....	0	3	0	0	2	2
Hibbard, 1b.....	0	2	0	9	1	1
Denmead, 2b.....	0	3	0	1	0	1
Finch, 3b.....	1	2	2	4	0	2
Manchester, ss.....	1	3	1	2	4	1
Clapp, lf.....	1	2	0	0	0	1
Hughes, cf.....	0	2	1	0	0	2
Leary, rf.....	0	2	1	0	0	0
Total.....	3	21	7	21	10	15

SUMMARY.
 Cornell University..... I 2 3 4 5 6 7
 Ithaca..... O 0 0 0 0 0 3-3
 Umpire, Mr. Gilmore, of Ithaca. Time of game, 1 hour 45 minutes. Base hits—Cornell, 2; Ithaca, 4.

—Upon Tuesday afternoon, the second of the inter-class matches took place on the Fair Grounds between the Juniors and Freshmen. '79 was short her catcher, and was considerably crippled thereby, thus accounting for the large score. '81 showed that she possessed several good men, and, with practice, will be able to play a creditable game. '78 is the only class who has not a nine in the field, and we trust that this will not long be "thusly." We give the full score:

JUNIORS.						
	AB	IB	R	PO	A	E
Bailey, c.....	5	3	2	5	4	7
Baker, 1b.....	5	1	1	11	0	0
Newton, 3b.....	5	2	2	1	1	0
Knapp, p.....	5	1	1	2	1	2
Pierce, cf.....	5	2	3	0	0	0
Olmstead, lf.....	5	3	3	0	0	0
Kerr, ss.....	5	1	1	0	2	2
Simons, 2b.....	5	2	2	1	5	0
Russel, rf.....	5	2	2	1	0	1
Total.....	45	17	17	21	13	12
FRESHMEN.						
	AB	IB	R	PO	A	E
Adams, c.....	4	0	2	4	4	2
Shiras, p.....	4	1	0	0	1	1
McConnell, 1b.....	4	1	1	7	0	2
Smith, 2b.....	4	0	2	3	0	5
Marvin, 3b.....	3	0	1	1	3	1
Martin, ss.....	3	1	1	1	2	2
Shippen, lf.....	3	0	0	2	0	1
Howell, cf.....	3	0	1	2	0	0
Vaughan, rf.....	3	0	0	1	0	3
Total.....	31	3	8	21	10	17

Pickett, '78, Umpire.

—While the crowd at the depot was waiting for the train which should take them to the regatta an agreeable entertainment was furnished by the inhabitants near the inlet. On one side of the street, several youths seemed to be bent upon the one idea of ornamenting each other's visages with their native mud and in some instances, extraordinary results were attained. In a neighboring lot, two families were engaged in an animated dispute as to who were the owners of a field of cabbages lying between their respective domiciles and the quarrel was ended by the several disputants rushing for the coveted vegetables pulling them from the soil, and carrying them to a safe distance.

-- Last Monday night, the Hillians made their annual pilgrimage to the Free Hollow cider mill. The party consisted of thirty-five stalwart youths, each carrying a musical (?) instrument under his arm. After executing some of their choicest selections in the presence of a hastily assembled auditory of that suburban town, our minstrel band was ushered into the presence of the confused vender who seeing no other way out of the difficulty, hastily produced the coveted extract. Having all drank their fill of the sparkling fluid a collection was taken up amounting to ninety-five cents and turned over to the proprietor of the mill who seemed somewhat surprised at having so much money thus suddenly thrust upon him.

—The University Musical Association at its meeting Thursday evening, the 11th inst., elected officers for the ensuing year, as follows: —Pres. F. J. Whiton, '78; Vice Pres. C. S. Sheldon, '80; Sec. T. H. Hill, '81; Treas. A. Buchman, '79; Director of the Glee Club, R. A. Parke, '79. The Glee Club will undoubtedly make rapid advancement under the leadership of Mr. Parke, and an excellent public concert may be looked forward to this year. The officers of the Association should do all in their power to encourage the singing of college songs, and students should join the Association to further this purpose. It is claimed that Cornell is behind most other colleges in respect to singing, and all should endeavor to make this claim without foundation.

-- The following notes on Dr. Wilder's lectures on Physiology, copied *verbatim* from a Freshman's note book, seem to prove the advantage the lecture system has over recitations: "Eat a little on the Sabbath—milk and eggs are the same as meat—babies—sometimes milk disagrees—put in a pinch of salt—lime water in milk. Intemperance, early in the morning they feel faint, they take something—a glass of milk sustains bodily health, and beef extract with vegetables makes soup. Digestibility—stomach ain't the only organ. Maine lumbermen say pork stays by them—emptiness in

stomach is hungryness. The Dr. wants us to start oat-meal, Graham's mush lunch counters alongside the railroads throughout the land. Those institutions beasts of prey—cooks often make the food we eat swim in fat. Don't say anything to cooks, get your wife to do that—pass a law breaking all frying pans, hard—prejudice against pigs—pigs should have a bath—farmers should object to their lying down so. Don't put it on too thick, bread is best simple—better saw wood—cook it thoroughly."

—"O," whose communication on the observatory was printed last week, has sent in another on the same subject in which he develops his views regarding it, but owing to a press of matter the correspondence in full will have to be omitted. According to the figures presented, twelve thousand dollars would be sufficient to obtain all the essential instruments for a useful working observatory, and "O" has faith to believe that this sum might be raised by concerted action among the students and alumni, with no aid from the trustees except the funds for erecting a temporary building. He believes that there are one hundred and twenty students and friends of the University who would easily raise one hundred dollars apiece for this object, and proposes that a general meeting be held for the purpose of considering the matter. "Such an act on the part of the students would be a fitting reply to the governmental and private munificence that has been contributed in buildings, equipments and endowments for our own use, and this, too, virtually free; for the tuition is probably less than one per cent. of the capital, the use of which we have."

PERSONALS.

PAYNE, '75, spent the summer in Maine.

MASON, '79, is studying medicine in Buffalo.

MESSENGER, '76, is with G. & Co., 65 Liberty St., N. Y.

MILFORD, '77, has turned up again, and is taking a P. G. course.

CHAS. RAYMOND, '76, is connected with the Dock Department, N. Y. City.

PROF. BOYESEN was absent in N. Y. from Friday until Tuesday of this week.

PROF. CRANE was unable to meet his classes last Monday on account of illness.

FINCH, '71, has gone to Indiana, where he is engaged in the crockery business.

SAVAGE, '78, put in an unexpected appearance last Saturday and remained over Sunday.

STEVENSON, '77 and Kueffner, '78, are attending the lectures of the St. Louis Law School.

F. J. BARNARD, '78, is superintendent of the public schools in Middletown, O.

H. L. SPRAGUE, '73, is in N. Y. He has a law office in the Post building and is doing well.

FOSTER, '77, ex-Business Manager of the *Review*, is teaching in the Princeton Preparatory School.

HOWE, '75, is in an architect's office, 71 Broadway, N. Y. He is happy, but not over-pushed with work.

HASKINS, '71, formerly assistant in the Library, is now Superintendent of the public schools in Dunkirk.

W. H. PARKER, '76, more familiarly known as "Our Bill," is in an architect's office at Minneapolis, Minn.

MISS E. J. COLE, '80, was last week called to her home in Lowell, Michigan, by the death of her mother.

HARRY STURGES, '78, Ex-Vice-Commodore of the Navy is in Goleta Cal. in charge of a large sheep ranch.

SACKETT, '76, is Brooklyn editor of the *Tribune*. He is doing well, receiving a good salary, and will enter the bar this fall.

J. W. STURDEVANT, '76, an ex *Era* editor, has charge of the Wayland Normal School in Wayne county the coming year.

DIXON, '78, is studying medicine near his home in Brushland N. Y. He attended the Albany Medical College last year.

J. W. JOHNSON, '80, is in his father's mill in Jefferson Wis. He will return to the University next year or go to Bellevue.

E. H. SIBLEY, formerly '78 is at home in Franklin, Penn., preparing for the course in Literature. He intends to come back next year.

WILMOT, '75, has a law office in the N. Y. Post building. He keeps a complete directory of all Cornell students in or about N. Y.

H. C. JOHNSON, '73, has accepted and is now filling the position of Head Master of the school established by Mrs. A. T. Stewart at Garden City, Long Island.

SALMON, '72, who took the degree of D. V. M. in '76, is at Ashville N. C. Last year he delivered a course of lectures on Veterinary Science at the University of Ga.

CAPTAIN OTTROM is connected with the Detroit Bridge Works. He devoted his spare hours during the summer to "coaching" the Excelsior Boat-Club of that place, which has since won every race entered.

W. S. OPPENHEIM, '77, and W. R. PLEAK, '77, are studying law in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. The former is with Messrs. Coombs, Morris & Bell, and the latter with Col. R. S. Richardson. BAUM, '77 is also in Ft. Wayne.

A. H. SEWELL, '71, is the Republican nominee for the Assembly from the second district of Delaware. He was nominated on the forty-fourth ballot and his election is considered very probable. He is a law partner of Senator Loomis.

URQUHART, '76, Chas. Beebe, '76, and Bramhall, '77, are members of the Brooklyn Gatling Battery. Several more Cornell men will join, it being the intention to make it a kind of Cornell organization, and all should join immediately in coming to the city.

F. V. SANFORD, '77's Ivy orator, is teaching at the Seward Institute, located at Florida, N. Y. Among his numerous duties is that of Military Commandant. As his health is slightly impaired he anticipates paying a visit to the Bermuda Islands at the end of the present year.

'75. "WE are informed that it was Prof. F. W. Simonds, 'his wife's husband,' and not the Mrs. that was elected to the chair of Natural History in the University of North Carolina, as was stated in the Journal of Sept. 20. The mistake was not material, as it did not get out of the family."—*N. E. Journal of Education*.

W. GENTLEMAN, '77, has had his degree of LL. B raised to M. L. by the University of Chicago for an exhaustive treatise on "Questions raised by the Treaty of Washington," in which the Fishery Provisos are elaborately discussed and the test cases arising under them carefully analyzed. The appendix contains a synopsis of the more important cases that came before the High Joint Commission for decision. The work has been published and has called forth very flattering comments from the *American Law Review*.

EXCHANGES.

The *Dartmouth* comes to us this week with an excellent photograph of its president, S. C. Bartlett. The great fault of the *Dartmouth* is the *heterogeneous promiscuousness* of its contents; the only satisfactory explanation at which we have been enabled to arrive is, that possibly the printers at the time of the making up of this week's issue "had the sun very strong in their eyes." We find a book-review under the head of athletic sports, possibly written as a kind of "mental gymnastics," various comments on and clippings from exchanges appear as *Dartmouth Items*, while two original poems are classified as Reviews; these with various other similar idiosyncracies, make the present issue, upon the whole, rather bewildering reading.

The *Courant* takes occasion to apologize for its attack upon Prof. Agassiz, it now remains to be seen whether or not Harvard's wounded dignity will be satisfactorily cicatrized. The article on "Male Gossips" is quite *à propos*, witness the following extract:

"We accuse the tender sex of being arrant gossips; they retort in similar strain, and they are right. It is my honest opinion that the silliest, most frivolous school-girl, whose head is full of nothing but beaux and ribbons, does not spend any more time in retailing petty items of news than we, in talking upon the most insignificant subjects. If we had any new topics of interest we might have some excuse, but our stock is so threadbare, so utterly unfruitful, that it is a wonder that we do not "let up" out of sheer weariness and disgust. The characters of classmates, their peculiarities, talents, or absence of any good point or (more likely bad), bits of college news, which have been hanging around here until they fairly smack of antiquity—these are the subjects and almost the only ones, which we are never weary of discussing. And to what profit? To promote sociality and good fellowship, to escape from being called a "stick." A man who may prefer a quiet evening with his book is apt to be regarded as rather a dry, unpleasant sort of a fellow. Such is College opinion. Honestly now, how do you feel after having spent a whole evening with the fellows, during which no more serious topic has been presented than whether A is an ass or not, or whether B's "chances" are as good as formerly, or if such and such men will take a prize? Do you really feel satisfied with yourself? Where is all the general reading which we were going to do? We can number the books very easily. Where has the time flown? Our lessons have not consumed much of it, but the "fellows" have. Those long, pleasant evenings which we have spent in smoking and chatting, have taken more than all our intellectual pursuits combined, and those same evenings I think we shall wish we had spent differently one of these days."

The *Crimson* rebukes the students for their apathy in regard to their College sports, the slim attendance and little interest manifested in the recent regatta. point the remarks of the editor. The current number contains a bright little piece entitled, "*La Femme Savante*." A Harvard student at an evening party meets a young lady from "Bellesley College" to whom he is introduced and with whom he enters into conversation:

"We began on the weather, of course; but we soon branched off, and were getting along nicely, when I happened to deny, laughingly, some statement under discussion. "I don't believe in it," said I, "any more than I do in old Cooke's molecular theory."

I never saw such a change as came over her face. First she seemed too much surprised to speak; then she knit her forehead and clenched her little hands.

"If you do not believe in the molecular theory," she began, "how do you account for—" And be-

fore I could stop her she went on farther into chemistry than I had ever dreamed into it."

Upon every topic which he suggests she astounds him with her vast and bewildering fund of education until finely he turns the conversation upon the boat-race:

"She did not look pleased. "My brother is at Yale," said she, "and my heart is as blue as—" she paused.

"As your blood!"

"Bluer. Yes," she smiled, "much more so."

"Than—" And a thought came into my head, —a mean, an unfair thought. Here was a chance to punish her for knowing—nay, for showing that she knew more than I.

"Bluer than your stockings?" said I. It was a brutal thing; I confess it.

She did not understand at first; she looked at her feet: her boots were who shall say how high, and no tell-tale color showed. Then she looked up at me, "But—" And then it flashed over her. Her color, deep already, rose to her forehead. She did not speak, but rose and sailed out of the room."

The *Acta Columbiana* is to appear hereafter once in three weeks instead of once a month as formerly. It is beautifully printed, indeed rather resembling a typographical specimen-sheet than a college publication. It contains two "Informal Papers" from a Bummer, from the second of which we quote the following:

"You see that note?" he said." Spelling all right; writing good. From a junior, good fellow; stands well in his class; thought rather clever. You know him. Did you ever see such a note? Did you ever see such a beastly mix of words? You'd think the fellow didn't know himself what he was trying to say. Did you ever see such badly built sentences? Did you ever see such punctuation? And the writer of that is a junior in Columbia College, and has studied deceased languages, and all kinds of mathematics, and oratory, and composition, and English literature, and heaven knows what else; and yet he can't write a decently composed note. He can't say that he wants to borrow my Greek pony, without getting in that wretched snarl of nouns and verbs, commas and semi-colons. You know, as well as I do, that the college is full of just as bad writers as this fellow, and that they'll never improve from any more instruction that they'll get here. Isn't it abominable? Isn't it outrageous? Why most fellows enter freshman year with no more idea of English composition than so many organ-grinders."

The *Acta* inaugurates its new life with a number bearing good promise for the future, but it is given to glowing a trifle too much at "matters and things."

COLLEGIANA.

—There are only two lady students at Wesleyan this year.

—Regattas were held last Saturday at Harvard, Princeton, Wesleyan and Yale.

—The Rutgers students of the class of '79 had a very childish lark last week. The Faculty are investigating.

—The Harvard races took place on the usual course at Cambridge. Little interest was manifested and the time of the crews was not kept.

—Yale held her regatta on Lake Saltonsall. In the barge race '78, '79 and '80 entered crews. The distance rowed was 2 miles, '79 winning in 13 minutes and one second.

—Princeton rowed on a straight away mile and a half course at Burlington. There were three six-oared crews entered; '78, '80 and '81. The '80 crew won: time 8 minutes.

—Wesleyan rowed over a course three miles in length. There were three crews: '78, '79 and '80; on the last mile '79 drew out. The '78 boat won in 20 minutes 20 seconds.

—Princeton has recently received additions to her library of 1200 volumes, bringing the total number up to 37,000. She is to be represented in all the Intercollegiate examinations.

—About 100 students from the Universities of Würtemberg, Tübingen, Erlangen, and Heidelberg lately alighted from a train at Königshofen, and, proceeding to a hotel, took possession of the dining-room and had a series of duels for the honor of their respective corporations. Each university was represented by an equal number of combatants, and surgeons were at hand for the wounded. The duels were with the customary rapiers, and the customary padding was used. The wounds were few and slight.

—It is well known that the Catholics of France, since the passage two years ago, of the act permitting the establishment of non-State universities, have raised enormous sums for the purpose of founding such institutions to be under their own sectarian control. The last instance is that of Toulouse, the subscriptions for the foundation of a university at that place now exceeding two millions of francs. The ultramontane character of these new universities, however, precludes the idea of their ever becoming institutions of sound learning and free research.

—The University of Upsal in Sweden has just celebrated, with great pomp, the opening of its fifth centennial. It was founded in 1477, nearly three hundred years before the birth of our own nation, and is one of the richest of the great schools of Europe. The late celebration was attended by crowds of scholars, including delegates from most of the universities of the old

world. The ceremonial lasted several days, the king of Sweden attending. Torchlight processions, serenades, concerts, masques and balls formed the part taken by the eighteen hundred students in these festivities. Even the government of Iceland sent deputies, one of them being Dr. Jon Thorkelsson, the learned rector of the College of Iceland.

BOOK REVIEWS.

“ECONOMICS, OR THE SCIENCE OF WEALTH,” by Julian M. Sturtevant, D. D., LL. D., Professor of Political Economy in the Illinois College.” New York: 1877: G. P. Putnam's Sons. This work of about three hundred and fifty pages, is a treatise on political economy for the use of High Schools and Colleges, and for the general reader. The subject is treated under three heads, “Production,” “Exchange” and “Distribution,” with their several subdivisions, and the whole science is presented as a logical development of a single law of nature. The book is worth reading. For sale at Spence Spencer's Bookstore.

“LECTURE NOTES ON PHYSICS,” by William A. Anthony, Professor of Physics in the Cornell University. Ithaca: B. Hermon Smith, 1875. The volume embraces the notes on Professor Anthony's lectures on Mechanics, Electricity and Magnetism, Heat, Optics and Acoustics, together with the Introductory lecture. The Appendix containing the “French Decimal System of Weights and Measures,” “List of Constants required in the Solution of the Problems,” “Co-efficients of Expansion,” “Elastic Force of Vapors,” and a large number of problems for solution. To this is added a very complete index, giving the sections and topics in the work, abbreviations, books of reference with the sections and pages of the same. The volume is interleaved, and neatly and substantially bound. For sale by the publisher, at the University Printing Office. Price, \$2.00.

“THE WORLD'S PROGRESS, A Dictionary of Dates. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1877.” This is an admirable work, containing over a thousand pages of most useful and valuable information, revised and perfected up to the first of July of the present year. Under each head is given a short epitome of the history of the subject with the principal dates having reference thereto; the information thus given appears in a terse and compact form. Carrying out the purpose as stated in the preface, “it has been planned so as to facilitate access to the largest amount of useful information in the smallest possible compass.” In addition to the alphabetical dictionary of dates, the volume contains a Literary Chronology, a list of the Heathen Deities and a complete Chrono-

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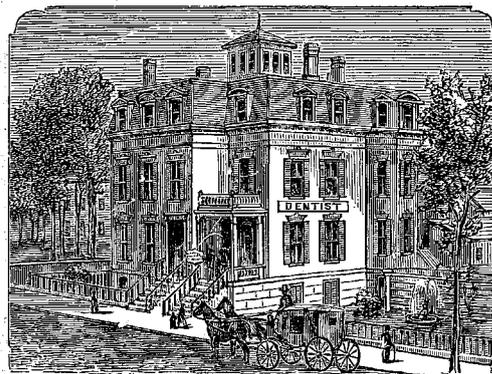
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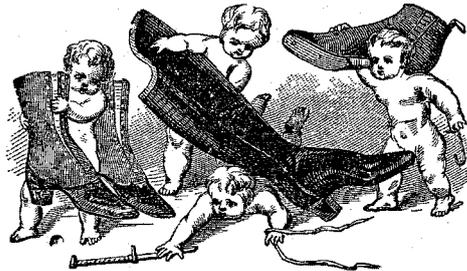
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THE Oratorical Contest which was to have taken place last Friday night, will come off Monday evening the 30th. Five competitors have already signified their intention of entering, and some of the very best oratorical talent in the University will undoubtedly be exhibited. As upon former occasions considerable dissatisfaction has been expressed with a committee selected entirely from the Professors, the judges have been chosen from professors and citizens. Professors Corson, Shackford and Flagg, and Messrs. Wm. L. Bostwick and Samuel D. Halliday will constitute the judges.

NEXT Sunday we are to hear Prof. George Park Fisher. He is a graduate of Brown but studied Divinity at Yale and Andover. At the age of 34 he was made Professor of Ecclesiastical History at Yale and has since occupied that chair with a reputation constantly increasing on both sides of the Atlantic. His *Essays on the Supernatural History of Christianity* is considered by the church as a complete refutation of the arguments of the Bauer school. *The History of the Reformation* has become a classic in a few years, and only this week there appears a new work from his pen on the history of Christianity. For many years he has been a contributor to our periodical literature, and he is now editor of the *New Englander*. He is a clear, deep, noted thinker and a most chaste speaker. His language is wonderfully pure, and his style graceful and gentlemanly. Owing to weakness of

voice he is not a sensationalist in the pulpit, but he is a most suggestive counsellor. We advise the students not to loose the opportunity of hearing so complete a scholar. The ministers for the rest of the term as announced are as follows:

Nov. 11th, Rev. James B. Shaw, Rochester, Presbyterian.

Nov. 18th, Rev. J. B. Thomas, Brooklyn, Baptist.

Nov. 25th, Rev. T. T. Munger, Haverhill, Congregational.

SOME very important changes in the courses of the academies and public schools were presented by the committee called by the regents of the State University, at Albany last Friday, the 19th. Dr. Wilson was one of a number of gentlemen, selected from the several colleges of the State, who were requested to confer with the regents. From him we have learned the following particulars: Two general courses were arranged; one, the academic course proper, which is to include Algebra through Quadratics, being equivalent to Robinson's University Algebra, Plane Geometry, Rhetoric and Composition, Physiology, American and Universal History, Natural Philosophy and Chemistry. In addition to these there are the following options: two years of either French, German, Latin, Greek or some scientific studies not included above. For the completion of this course a diploma is given. The other may be called the college preparatory course. It includes Algebra and Geometry, American History, and Latin and Greek, as much as is now required for admission to Cornell University. For this a certificate is given.

The examinations are to be conducted in writing, the papers to be prepared at Albany, and returned to be read there. No student will receive a diploma or a certificate who has not passed with an average of seventy-five per cent. in all studies, and eighty-five per cent. in Rhetoric and Composition, including spelling. These changes will be submitted to the regents at their next meeting in January, and if adopted will bring about a much needed result.

THE beginning of the Senior year marks a new epoch in the student's life. Till now he has gone on quietly, almost unnoticed, acquiring facts, disciplining his mind, and preparing himself for more important and independent work; for the first years of his course prepare him for the last, as the whole fit him for his life-work. With the last year come new requirements and new possibilities, a broader field of action presents itself; now, if he would stand high, he must prove that he can do so. In this year he can learn for himself, and prove to others something of what he is and what he can do when he has gone out into the world; now, for the first time he catches a glimpse of the future bright with promise. Instead of mere acquirement, that force of character, that individuality must be developed which makes a man. Life must seem more of a reality now than ever before, the lesson of self-dependence must be learned. And as he is about to leave college, the student should form high and noble resolves in regard to his future life, and above all acquire an earnestness and enthusiasm, which, entering into all that he may set out to do, shall make everything possible. The result of college discipline is but the bringing into life, and the shaping of an impulse to seek out new truth hidden in all the manifold forms of life and nature; and this impulse being kept alive by true enthusiasm shall go with us always, shall bring us success, shall make us forever students. Every man's life is in a measure shaped by himself; then let the Senior year be so used that Commencement shall have a deeper meaning than it has had to many, let it be the beginning of a life, which, if not full of success, shall still be a noble one, because it was true to a high ideal.

LAST week Professor Boyesen omitted one of his lectures on German literature to give his class a lecture upon contemporaneous American literature. The lecture, coming from one who has carefully studied our literature, was peculiarly interesting and instructive, and we wish that this might be the first of a series upon the same topic. The subject is an important one, although little attention is paid to it in college courses, and it is certain that a course of lectures upon it would be attended with the best results. There is need enough,

certainly, of something to lift up the standard of the popular taste in books to a higher level. Very few of the books most commonly read have anything to recommend them, they are good as a rule, neither in invention, in purpose, nor in style. Very few of the great number of readers read much that our best authors have written, in fact many know nothing about any but our worst, while the cheap, and even harmful stuff which is being produced in such great quantities is read by almost everyone. In these days of boasted general culture, when the newspaper is a universal teacher, books of the poorest kind, and of no value whatever, are eagerly bought and read, while those of real value are almost wholly disregarded, and their authors' names are hardly known. Even students occupy their time with this cheap kind of reading. A student has too little time after he has done the reading required in the course of his college work to spend any of it upon anything but the best general reading; and it would seem that ignorance of what is best must be the reason why anything else is read. This is certainly one reason, but it is not the only one. As long as public taste remains as it is there can be no change for the better; it must be educated. We need something to lead the mind up into a healthier purer atmosphere. A course of lectures would go far to supply this want. All reading has some influence for good or evil, and anything that can help to make it of the best kind only is of value. A series of lectures having for their object to point out the best reading, to make students better acquainted with the best authors and their styles, and perhaps to give analyses of some of the best literary productions, would aid in bringing about a better state of things. And such a course would be valuable also to those who have not time to read much, but who try to make good use of what time they can spare for this purpose. Lectures upon former eras and early literature are, of course, valuable; but it is to be feared that too much attention is given to the past, and that the present is too often ignored. The literature of our own time is worthy of more attention than instructors usually give to it. It is to be hoped that we shall have more lectures upon a subject so interesting and important to all, and be able to study our own literature as we study that of the past.

AUTUMN.

Autumn leaves are falling,
Autumn days are here,
A thousand signs remind us
Of the closing year.
Summer's joyous anthems,
Nature's tuneful rhyme
Hushed or changed in measure,
Keeping pace with time.

The sun's rays now are losing
Day by day their power;
The old year's pulse is beating
Slower every hour.
On the sloping hill-side,
In tintings rich and fair
Nature now is painting
Her landscape everywhere.

Everywhere a spirit
Seems now to pervade
Valley, lake and river,
Hill-top, glen and glade.
A spirit working changes
Breathing tireless rhyme
With a union unbroken,
With a harmony sublime.

Summer's harvest whitening,
Brought its gladsome cheer,
Autumn's too, hath ripened
In the golden ear.
The sun-lit purpling clusters
Deck the trellised vine;—
A picture sketched from nature,
In nature's own out-line

The western sky at evening
Glow with crimson flush;
And twilight shadows falling
Dark the sun's deep blush.
Above the bright horizon
Move clouds in fleecy fold,
Where Phoebus sank to slumber,
On his regal couch of gold.

* * * * *
All now is still. The murmur
Of life is hushed and dead;
While the clock bell in the tower
Throbs its pulse above my head.
Now through my open window
Floats in the Moon's pale beam,
As sweetly and as calmly
As fancy in a dream.

Far out in the blue ether
Rolls the heavenly host of stars,
And in the foremost legion
Lo! the bloody shield of Mars.
Not a single cloud arises,
Heralding the storm's dark lower,
Silence o'er the world is brooding,
At this peaceful midnight hour.

So with every variation,
Come and go the Autumn days;
Ever changing,—yet accompanied
By nature's sweetest lays.
No discord breaks the measure,
Nothing sinful, nothing wrong,
For God himself is poet,
And of nature's God, the song.

—E. H. Sellers, '78.

SPONGE.

Know him? Of course you know him. He is on the most intimate terms with every man in college. If you don't know one of him, you know another and there is a strong probability that you know each of the genus who happens to favor the groves of Academe with his presence at the same time with yourself. He is *natürlich*, like all misfortunes, for he never blossoms alone.

"Oh! I say, Smith, you don't happen to have a cigarette paper with you, do you? I have plenty of tobacco, but just used my last paper." That is his siren tongue—resist it—why certainly not. A few moments after, the order is reversed, now he has papers but no tobacco. All the time perfectly cognizant of the fact that you are not smoking. "Fire?" Then you seek your match-box, proffer it him, and your attention being, for the nonce, distracted, your friend Sponge walks off with your Sorrento memento, a little trifle from her which wealth untold would not have bought.

You are sitting in your room reading the last *Atlantic*.

Rat-a-lat tat!

You rise—in walks Sponge, and drops most nonchalantly into your easy chair.

"What! the November *Atlantic*, I hadn't seen it before. Don't let me keep you from studying." And there he sits and reads and reads, while you, taking an uncomfortable chair, simulate carelessness or absorption in your book till each separate nerve in your organization seems as if it would burst with this enforced quiescence, your agony becomes multiplied ten-fold as you see the minute-hand of your clock wheel round toward the supper hour, and you but become more determined to "take no thought of time," for you are morally confident that he is but lingering for an invitation. At length with a thundering boom the tell-tale time-piece strikes the hour, (it never struck so loud before, and you register a solemn oath to have that bell removed next day.)

"By George, six o'clock. I had no idea it was so late." Now, although you know it is Sponge's regular habit to take his meals on the European plan, what can you do, there is no alternative and Sponge sups at your expense.

You are enjoying a glass of beer with a friend; in walks Sponge, "Why, holloa Smith! how are you, glad to see you Jones! that's a bad tale about Brown!" and down he drops at your side. "*Kellner, ein Schweitzer, und ein Glass Bier, bitte,*" he has appropriated this from some linguistic under-graduate, for Sponge never opened a German book in his life. Of course he pays for it, I hear the non-collegian say, of course he doesn't do anything of the kind, it is for you to settle the score, Sponge would feel that he was offering you an

open insult if he suggested paying himself, he esteems himself an invited guest, what matters it to him that he has bid himself to the entertainment!

The latter part of the term comes and with it Sponge to borrow your notes in History—you lend them to him—he neglects to return them—you are 'conditioned'—Sponge passes, as he says—'gloriously.' Then in examination Sponge leans over toward you, "Say! Smith, just let me glance through your Lit. paper." And he does glance through it so effectually that you are called up before the Faculty, accused of ponying, and suspended, while Sponge, who is the very personification of brazenness, gets off scot free, and merely consoles you with "Hard lines, old boy, I'm mighty sorry."

And now tell me you don't know Sponge. Why, though you spoke with the tongue of a second Jeremy Bertham, I would not give you credence.

THE COURSE IN BOTANY.

In recasting the course of study in the University, the scope of instruction in the department of Botany has been considerably extended. As formerly, students in the general courses are required to take only one term of Botany, the spring term of the Sophomore year. For the Natural History and special students, this is followed by work equivalent to five terms of five hours per week, and a sixth term in which Botany is made optional with work in Geology and Zoology. To the old standard courses of lectures in Vegetable Physiology on Systematic Botany and on Horticulture there have been added a course of lectures and laboratory work on the Ferns, and a full course on Fungi, each of one term of three hours per week, also a full course on the Mosses and Algæ, one term of two hours per week. Opportunities for additional laboratory work in most of these branches, are also afforded the student. For the present term, instruction is being given in Compositæ, the Ferns and the Fungi. Prof. Prentiss is also giving a very interesting course of lectures on the laws which govern plants under cultivation. The flowers, shrubs and trees on the University Grounds, are also under the general care of the Professor of this department.

The Museum has received by gift during the past year, a collection of several hundred specimens of foreign woods in sections, from Prof. Johonnot, a collection of Brazilian woods from the Centennial Exhibition; several valuable packages of ferns from South America. It has also received by purchase, small collections of fungi and lichens. It has a very nearly complete local herbarium of mounted Phænogamous plants and ferns, besides numerous collections in the lower groups. The

facilities for the study of Botany at Cornell are not equalled by any other University in the country, excepting Harvard.

THE CHANGES OF NINE YEARS.

The ninth anniversary of the University has just passed, and naturally at this time the thoughts of Cornellians revert to the old picture of the Cornell of nine years ago.

The outline is distinct. Here and there stand some lofty buildings just colored by the painter's brush. That great workman, Time, has not forsaken his pallet but for nearly a decade has added new vistas and blended the old colors with the new. To-day the unfinished picture hangs beside the old. As we look at them memory points to the time when the most skilful strokes were made which gradually verged the one into the other. So cautiously has our artist worked that it was only by steady progress created as we now see it.

Passing up Cayuga Lake at nightfall the eye rests on long ranges of hills lighted by the setting sun, and on the top of one of these is pointed out the spot from which we some day hope to take inspiration.

Ithaca, nestled among the hills, is not unlike many a New England town, industrious, but quiet, boasting of nothing remarkable in itself, yet enjoying the comforts of a town of less than eight thousand inhabitants. Walking its plain streets up the steep slopes of East Hill, we occasionally stop to admire the scene before us. A few houses are scattered at the right and left, mostly ordinary wooden buildings unique in architecture, but in style neither classic nor modern. Cascadilla, just completed has been donated to the University. Besides the dormitories there are several official rooms, among which are those of the President, Registrar, and Military Commandant. Here some of the entrance examinations are held and the privy councils known to every Faculty. Farther on we pass over the creek by a wooden bridge and through the grove to a thrifty orchard. Over another ravine and a few rods beyond stands a tower for the chimes. It is not an elaborate structure but it corresponds with the surroundings and answers the purpose for which it was intended.

The South building is one of the chief attractions. Although hardly completed, it is occupied by various departments in science and literature. It contains the library, lecture and recitation rooms, dormitories and laboratories. The needs of the University are so many that everything is crowded into the least possible space to economize room. The North building is but just begun. Its foundation stands in an excavation made in the farthest ridge, the top of which is little lower than the second story window. It is nothing but the begin-

ning of a building like the first, placed on the same level. A little to the east is seen a large workshop and storehouse, in various portions of which several of the scientific departments have their headquarters. Lectures and recitations are about the only means of instruction. Laboratory work is hardly expected with little apparatus and few conveniences.

The campus almost defies description. To say that it has been graded gives no idea of its original condition. Here and there are little hillocks separated by water holes and covered with weeds. A few ill-shapen trees are clustered together on one side of a steep slope which extends towards the creek, while stones and stumps are scattered at intervals across the campus. Several parallel ridges extend from the brow of the hill toward the east and unite in the larger and more level one just described. No formidable notices forbid the pedestrian to tread on the grass. Such are unnecessary and inappropriate to the first picture.

Of the four hundred and twelve students registered, many are from other colleges, eight of whom are graduated the first year just as the corner-stone of the McGraw is laid. A year later some changes have been made. The lecture rooms of the South building have been combined with the museum, and while the student of literature jots down his Anglo-Saxon, he can feast his eyes alternately on stuffed birds and geological specimens placed with imposing regularity around the rooms. The library containing about 25,000 volumes, occupies six rooms, entered from the middle hall. Room K is now designated the chapel, and in it are held daily devotional exercises. The North building is completed, and its lecture rooms, like those of the South building are filled with collections and models, the herbarium occupying a place on the first floor. The laboratories of chemistry, botany and physics, are, with their respective lecture rooms at the work-shop, now known as the chemical laboratory. A little grading has been done and in the orchard at the extreme south of the campus, a rude depot marks the branch of a new railroad.

Those were gala days, when the student knew little restraint except the rigid military discipline which was enforced, and even that had its pleasures. During the first two years all occupants of the buildings were obliged to submit to a semi-military arrangement, such being thought necessary for the preservation of quiet and good order, but which experience has proved untrue. At half-past five or six, according to the season, the rising hour was signalled by the bell, and a short time allowed for arranging rooms previous to inspection. Three times each day students marched in full uniform to meals at Cascadilla and back. Permits were required in order to leave town, and guard duty was

also enforced. The graduates of '72 saw a change in military discipline, as well as in the campus itself. The strict customs had for several months been abandoned. The Sibley building, finished the year previous, was occupied by the engineering and botanical departments, and later were completed the residences of Professor Fiske, Dr. Law, and the President's house. The Freshman of '77, watched the progress of the Sage and the Chapel, together with some of the newer residences which adorn the campus.

How different the same to-day! The town is a third larger and much improved, the campus with its score or more of buildings betokens days of progress. The drives and lawns are bordered with elms and maples, the groves are protected, new bridges cross the ravines, and neatness and comfort are everywhere found. A library of nearly fifty thousand volumes is at the command of the students. Extensive laboratories and collections are connected with all departments of science. A large museum occupies two floors of the McGraw building and a third is soon to possess an art gallery. In nine years the spirit of improvement has worked such miracles that the Cornell of 1877 is not the Cornell of 1868 changed, but transformed.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Editors of the Era.—After the frequent reiteration of the general truth that "co-education is the root of all evil," it is pleasant to find a specification of a particular evil which grows from that root. In your last issue, one "Nemo" has demonstrated to his own satisfaction that Cornell is losing ground, and that co-education is to blame for it. To us his arguments are not wholly convincing. The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table declares that nothing in the world is so given to lying as are figures—especially when they are in competent hands. The logical method known as *Post hoc ergo propter hoc* is not infallible, and it is possible that "Nemo" has indulged in the fallacy of "Non-excluded Middle." Last year our Freshman class was second in size only to that of Harvard, being larger by fifty than that of Yale. And there is no evident reason why co-education can be charged with the falling off this year. But it was not our purpose to refute the reasoning of "Nemo." We come, as an humble seeker for truth, to ask for enlightenment upon one or two points.

First, and foremost, Why? What worthy motive keeps away the throng of earnest young men who would flock to our portals but for the existence of co-education? If it can be shown that the standard of instruction has been lowered by the admission of women to the University, we

could see the connection between "Nemo's" premises and his conclusion. Cornell has but few prizes and has no rank lists, so that it is not from any dread of competition that the Sub-Fresh. are driven to other colleges. Then, we repeat, Why?

Second, what would "the most superficial observer" (whom "Nemo" mentions as having kindly taken this matter in hand) advise the Trustees to do about it? Those faithful figures point to the irresistible conclusion that in about twenty-eight years the University will consist merely of professors and post-graduates. Shall they prepare to conduct the University upon the German system, or should they banish the offending elements?

Third, if by the presence of lady students, and the consequent exclusion of high-spirited young men, the usefulness of the University is "crippled," would not the crippling be still more severe, if half the young people of the state were prohibited from enjoying the advantages of Cornell?

—*Aliquis.*

THE NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

To the Editors of the Cornell Era: The Natural History Society held its second meeting for the term last Friday afternoon. Mr. Herbert H. Smith, a former student and one of the founders of the society, who for some time past has been in Brazil, gave a communication on the Valley of the Amazonas, the part of Brazil to which he has given most attention.

The idea held by many concerning the physical geography of this region that it is a tremendous plain filled with swampy forests, with a great river running through it. This notion is true of only a small part of the valley, viz: The Flood-Plain of the river which has an average width of forty miles and a length of two thousand miles. This plain lies entirely between high and low water marks—the difference between these being about thirty feet. Beyond the flood-plain on each side there is an abrupt rise of 100 to 150 feet, followed by a long gradual slope to the base of the mountains.

The accounts often given by travelers, of the dense forests of the Amazonas, apply mainly to the barriers formed along the borders of the streams. As soon as these are passed the dense forest gives place to grassy marshes and shallow lakes. Islands have elevated borders covered with dense forests, while their interiors are grassy plains dotted with lakes. One island, twenty miles long has over forty lakes in its interior, while from the river it appears entirely covered with forest. The plants on the flood-plains are mostly different from those on the highlands, being often closely related or representative species. The plains form

an effectual barrier to the migrations of animals of all kinds, excepting birds. The effectiveness of this barrier is seen in the faunæ of the opposite sides of the river, which in a distance of forty or fifty miles, differ from one another more than those of the same side—where there has been constant crossing—differ, in a distance of two thousand miles, from the source of the river to its mouth.

In reply to questions, Mr. Smith stated that very few animals are seen in the forests on account of the easy concealment afforded by the dense shadows; that in the afternoon the forests are very quiet and the silence almost unbroken, but that at other times a loud noise is made by the multitudes of insects that abound: that the danger of traveling in that region was not very great, the most "blood thirsty" animal that he had met being a species belonging to the genus *Culex*.

—A correspondent, "A. S. H.," sends a communication criticising severely the article on "One Result of Co-education," published last week. Owing to the length of the communication, and the press of matter we can only enumerate his points, regretting at the same time that the whole letter cannot be printed. The decrease in the number of students began before ladies were admitted, therefore co-education was not the producing cause. *Nemo's* figures are open to severe criticism. Under the year '71-2, he has given the statistics of the *previous* year. The class of '73, which he puts at three hundred was but little over two hundred, and other inaccuracies are noted. The omission of post-graduates in the statistics is unfair; previous to '71-2 there were no post-graduates. The average of entrances is greater for the years since the admission of women than for the year '71. '71 is not a fair standard by which to estimate the subsequent prosperity of the University. For the first three or four years there was little decrease in the number of students by graduation. He shows by figures the falling off of the attendance for several years before the admission of women. The low standard of admission, the low price of tuition, and the inducements held out to students to support themselves while attending the University, are shown to be the real causes of the larger number in attendance during the first few years. The communication in full may appear in the *Journal* next week.

—Yale mourns the loss of her jubilee.

—There are five new professors at Princeton.

—Union College, has 60 new students, of whom almost all are in the freshman class. Most of the new-comers are from New York, but two are from New England, and six from the South.

CORNELIANA.

—Hobart! Hobart! wherefore art thou, Hobart?

—The Pasha remarks: "Co-education is the one redeeming vice of Cornell."

—Files of Vol. VIII of the *Era* can be obtained of Mr. C. P. Woodruff, at the Library.

—There will be a match game of ball Saturday between the *Δ. K. E.* and the *Ψ. T.* fraternities.

—Numerous promises of trees have been planted on the *campus* in front of the University buildings.

—To play foot-ball and wear spectacles at the same time is justly considered as one of the lost arts.

—The game of base-ball, Kappa Alpha vs. Chi Phi was not played last Saturday, on account of the rain.

—All of our Seniors do not attend divine service upon Sunday, yet many prepare for *Church* on Monday.

—The Mozart Club holds its first public rehearsal, for this season, Friday evening next, (Nov. 2d.)

—Prof. Peck gave his Senior and Junior classes a very pleasant reception at his residence on Eddy St., last evening.

—Correspondents should remember Dr. Goldsmith's remark: "If angels were to write, they would not write in folios."

— "Shall we allow the Turkey to remain in Europe?" cried an excited debater in the Curtis Literary Society, Saturday night.

—The Gymnasium is expected to be in working order next week. The apparatus is undergoing repairs, and keys have been ordered.

—There is some talk in the Natural History laboratory of adopting for a motto that of the Yale Medical School, "*Habeas corpus felis.*"

—When Spinks, who dines at the Sage, wishes some more potatoes, he politely requests his fair neighbor to "inaugurate a Murphy movement."

—The *cideral* year which opened according to the latest (g)astronomical investigations, about the first of October is said to be bearing an abundance of fruit.

—Professor in Italian class reading Dante—"We are now fairly in hell." Student on back seat whose mind has been wandering, recovers himself with a start.

—Since the *Lamentations* of Jeremiah there has been nothing so doleful in literature as the humor of the *Review*. The wit is within the reach of the feeblest intellect.

—The Freshmen held a meeting in Room S, at 1 p. m., on Tuesday, and elected the following officers: Buckley, President; Reeve, Vice-President; Hoyt, Secretary; Brown, Treasurer. The report on class color was not adopted, and a new committee has been chosen to propose another.

—"Remember the law of gravitation is still in force," remarked a professor, as some one carelessly dropped a book on the floor with a crash in the recitation room the other day.

—The foot ball match between the Hill and Valley did not take place on Saturday last because of the rain. It has been postponed until to-morrow at the same time and place.

—The subjects for Junior essays, to be handed in November 2d, are: "Should caricature be discouraged either by law or public opinion?" "Noblesse Oblige," and "Listening as an art."

—Recent investigations in Greek show that Alexander remarked to Diogenes, "If I were not Alexander I would be Diogenes, and if I were not Diogenes I would be a Regent of the I. C. L. A."

—Investigations are being made by some of the special students in chemistry in regard to the relative potableness of the waters of Cascadilla Creek and the Reservoir. The results will be given next week.

—A student caused an audible smile in the Italian class recently when he translated the *Inferno*, Canto IV, p. 101, "Ch'esse mi fecer della loro schiera," "For they made me one of their crowd."

—The officers of the Gymnasium elected at a meeting held last week, are as follows: President, G. A. Dounce, '79; Vice-President, A. G. Boyer, '80; Secretary, G. Munson, '80; Treasurer, E. C. Russel, '79.

—There was a young man from Brazil,
Who was healthy and hearty until
He got at the *Review*,
And read it all through.—

His funeral takes place from the Hill.

—The enterprising agent for the *Nation* is again circulating the enticing terms at which six copies of that valuable paper can be obtained, and smiles complacently as he pockets the quarters which Freshmen seem too anxious to hand over.

—Juniors in English Lit. who find difficulty in reading Chaucer at sight, agree with Artemus Ward, when he says, "Mr. C. had talent but he couldn't spel. It is a pity that Chawcer who had geneyus was so uneducated. He was the wuss spel-er I know of."

—A peripatetic follower of the school of Snip, has 'pitched his tent in Ithaca,' and announces to the students through the medium of innumerable winged messengers of Uncle Samuel [i. e., (for the benefit of Freshmen) Postal Cards], that he is now prepared to read them a materialistic lecture from 'Sartor Resartus'—whether this modern *Herr Tufelsdrückh* has succeeded in his quest is known only to the *Herr Professor* himself. Mystery has, for the exterior world, cast her darksome veil around the facts.

—The 'tidal wave' has burst on Ithaca, and in its mighty rush has swept many students before its 'wall of waters,' and now they are struggling in the tempestuous aqueous sea, and inwardly murmuring 'Come, Holy Spirit!' They find little nourishment for the 'inner man' in the cerulean knot.

—We are under obligations to Miss Ackley, of the News Emporium, for a package of fine stationery. The note paper and envelopes are adorned with the University monogram and handsome lithographs of the University buildings. Those who want something neat in this line should call at Miss Ackley's.

—The exchange editor of the *Review* calls the *Era*, "our 'itherial' brother," whatever that may be, and an editorial refers to "our sister journal, the *Era*." This is really getting embarrassing. In the next issue we will probably be referred to as a step-father and a mother-in-law. For the present please consider us only as a very distant relative.

—Owing to the fact that it was impossible to secure Library Hall for Friday evening next, it having been previously engaged for the Mozart Concert, Professor Fiske's lecture has been deferred until Saturday evening, Nov. 3d. Let every student be present that evening that he may hear a most interesting lecture and lend his assistance to the Navy.

—General dissatisfaction is expressed with the frontispiece of the *Review*. While too great praise cannot be given to the accurate representation of the alleged lawns in front of the buildings, there are those who loudly complain that neither '73's fountain, the new fences, Cascadilla nor Sage appear in the cut. Some say the omission of the Chapel is the result of Dr. Adler's lectures, and others affirm that the ignoring of Sage is to be interpreted as a direct blow at co-education.

PERSONALIA.

WASHBURNE, '76, is on the *World* staff.

A. C. PIKE, '72, was in town during the week.

MOULD, '77, is in an architect's office in Utica.

D. J. TOMPKINS, '75, is studying law in New York.

PROF. BANARD's address for the present is Oska-loosa, Iowa.

TERRY, '76, is in the Senior class of the Harvard Medical School

C. S. COBB, '77's Class-Day orator, is in the Ann Arbor Law School.

ED. KENT, JR., '73, is looming up as a politician. His last appearance was as a delegate to a Kings Co. Republican Convention.

CHAS. DUNWELL, '73, has removed his law office to 72 Wall St., N. Y.

"BEBS," '73, still welcomes Cornellians at 60 Duane St., New York.

A. W. BULKLEY, '75, is engaged in teaching school at Morris, Illinois.

J. H. DURKEE, '74, is principal of the High School at Sandy Hill, N. Y.

VAN VLEET, '77, is again among us. He contemplates taking a P. G. course.

E. D. SHERMAN, '77, is studying law in the office of Judge Burke, Cleveland, O.

DOMINGOS CORREA DE MOREAS, '77, has arrived at his home, Fiete S. Paulo, Brazil.

C. W. BLAKE, '79, was married at Gaines, N. Y., Oct. 11th, to Miss Eva E. Wilcox, of Carlton.

BAUM, '77, is in the Senior Law Class at Ann Arbor, Michigan, instead of Ft. Wayne, as stated last week.

J. HENRY MORROW, '73, is assisting a nephew of Henry Ward Beecher in editing the Brooklyn (N. Y.) *Monthly*.

M. M. SHERMAN, '77, was principal of an academy at West Cawlet, Vt., last year. He is now on the N. Y. *Star*.

STANTON, '76, is busy in the Library translating a French work, which will be published this winter by a New York house.

J. T. MORRISON, '80, has left the University and gone to Lafayette College, where he continues the study of Civil Engineering.

E. FRAYER, '76, prize-man in Greek, at the I. C. L. C., last January, is out with a letter in the *Tribune*, criticising the withdrawal of Hamilton College from the I. C. L. A.

CAIUS JULIUS CAESAR and MARCUS BRUTUS are both out with speeches in the late number of the *Review*. The enterprise of that journal in securing *verbatim* reports from Rome cannot be too highly commended.

W. J. YOUNGS, '72, is the republican candidate for District Attorney in Queens County. At the convention he was chosen as the most desirable candidate against the most popular democrat in the county who has held the office for the past twelve years, and who now seeks another term.

Junior Lady—"When I first entered college father got me an elegant coal stove." Senior Gent—"Wish I had such a father as that." Junior Lady—"Perhaps you can have, if you'll try." Senior Gent—"I've been thinking of it." Who would dare say after this that coeducation was a failure.—*Chronicle*.

EXCHANGES.

The last issue of the *Record* devotes much space to a consideration of the "Jubilee question." It seems the Faculty have suppressed the annual Thanksgiving Jubilee, at least for the present year, because as they allege "the character of last year's Jubilee was detrimental to the good name of the institution," upon which the *Record* remarks: "but nobody can doubt that it will be much more so if the public is allowed to suppose permanently that the students here are so wild as to be incapable of conducting a decent performance." As we glean from this editorial and different communications on the same subject, the students are not unwilling to see their Jubilee suppressed this year as a punishment for the riotous character of the last one celebrated, but that they do not wish to see their old and time-honored custom permanently abolished.

We cannot but notice the dearth of poesy in the *Record* and *Courant*. Is the "muse" dead or sleeping at Yale?

The *Chronicle*, from Michigan University, has at length presented itself for consideration, and seems to be all the better from having been so dilatory in making its appearance. It is certainly an excellent paper and one whose arrival we shall henceforth anticipate with pleasure. Among other articles, it contains quite a lengthy history of the I. C. L. A. which concludes as follows:

"The successful competitor not only brings glory upon himself and his Alma Mater, but is provided with means to pursue his studies. In nearly all of the eastern colleges scholarships are established for proficiency in certain branches, and those who obtain them are bound by certain restrictions, such as, they must pursue their studies at the college which gives the scholarship. But here there is nothing of the kind. In all probability, that student, who among all the students in the various colleges was best prepared to extend his work, would thus be enabled to, at any college in this country or in Europe.

This plan, therefore, seems to furnish many advantages as an inducement and reward for good, thorough work. Shall we join the Association?"

There is one disagreeable truism which has never found a welcome lodgment in the student mind, and we congratulate the *Chronicle* on having clearly and tersely stated this axiom so that "he that runs may read." Wherefore we reproduce it herewith for the benefit of our readers:

"The knowledge of what is *here* and *now* present to consciousness - i. e. - the individual object of immediate, spontaneous, intuitive, *apprehension*, *this* is the FIRST NOTION. But the knowledge which has been conceived by the mind through a process of *comparative abstraction* (the apprehension and generalization of certain resemblances) and which (a) may represent a possible action of intuition, or (b) may be predicated of a possible object of intuition; *this* is the SECOND NOTION or CONCEPT."

The *Advocate* contains a sprightly little sketch entitled "A well-remembered Interview." The

hero is found reading a novel, having just decided not to vex his brain with thoughts of the degree which he fears he may not secure at the completion of his next (senior) year at Harvard. His father enters the room, and with no preliminary parley thus begins:

"Young man, I received a letter this morning from the college Dean stating that you were in serious danger of losing your degree on account of several 'conditions,' as he calls them, which you have not yet made up."

"What do you say to this?" he asked, tossing me the letter.

"A mere form," I replied. "You don't understand the nature of a condition, father. When one receives a 'condition,' as it is technically termed, it means that, at some future time, he is to have the pleasure of spending a few hours with the professor who has conditioned him, in reviewing after a manner, the work of the class in that branch. It fixes the principle more firmly, and, far from being disadvantageous it is rather beneficial."

"How, then, does it endanger your degree?" he asked.

"In ante-Revolution days," I replied, "a condition was a different thing. Then, if one were conditioned, he was obliged to get a certain per cent. in order to get his condition removed. In those days a condition meant something. Now it is a mere form."

"Didn't your cousin lose his degree at Yale for some such reason?" asked my father sternly.

"Yes, sir," I answered in some confusion; "but" -

"Stop!" said he laying down his paper. "We've had enough of this. You forget that I've seen a little of college life myself. You are conditioned, and you must tutor till college begins. Where should you prefer to go to?"

"To the Isles of Shoals," I answered, resolved to make the best of it.

Suffice to say the unfortunate Senior did not go to the Isle of Shoals but spent his vacation in the "active, busy town of Salem."

Why is it that the *Advocate* or *Crimson* never contain any original humorous paragraphs? Can it be that the *Lampoon* absorbs all the Harvard wit? The local items of the *Advocate* are possessed of as much stern, unrelenting gravity as if delivered from the wool-sack.

The Columbia *Spectator* has elected a member of the school of mines to its editorial board, and henceforth purposes devoting a portion of its space to items and notes from that branch of the college. The editorials of the *Spectator* are ably written and would of themselves give the paper a high rank among college journals. The marked defect of the *Spectator* is its lack of light sketches and witty paragraphs. The present number contains an article on "The Marking System," which is exceedingly *vis* and *à point nommé*. The writer says:

"The majority of our students of to-day cling to the marking system. They say take this away and 'life is but an empty dream,' (a solid reality more likely.) The intense excitement of daily chance in the recitation room with its fluctuations of luck, its mountains of success in getting a perfect mark opposite your name when you do not deserve it, its deep valleys of humility when you meet with a reward of a 60 for a well-learned lesson, and the wild enthusiasm of the examination returns, rivaling the returns of '76, (at least in fairness,) - all would be at an end."

After stating his views at some length in regard to the 'system' and showing the great premium it puts upon deception in any and all forms, the author says :

"For the purpose of obtaining views on the subject letters were written to friends in good standing at several of the colleges. Notice the replies."

AMHERST.

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HARVARD

"Multifarious are the ways of men. Multiform are the marks of professors (and tutors) For three months, not consecutive, last year did I recite twice each. By some chance I had just a (9) and (10.) The first month my standing was (85.) second (91) and third (94) —Am not acquainted with the *arithmatique du Tammini*.—Suppose they multiply by (9) and divide by (5.) &c I have concluded that for standing in some departments they take *mean* average. If you wait until next month I will have some new eccentricities for you. Have forgotten dozens of them."

BROWN.

"I don't mind telling you of one absurdity. By chance I happened to copy almost an entire examination from a friend, without addition or correction. To my surprise I received twenty-five per cent more than he did. Poor fellow, knowing this, he now has a profound disrespect for marks in general."

YALE.

"The following I believe to be the way marks are made up: a person has

General average,	50 per cent.
For belonging to boat club,	10 "
Total,	60 per cent.
Prof _____, takes the first two months as standing for the entire year. He is an unlucky dog who sails in badly at first. It takes three or four maximums to save him.	
General average,	60 per cent.
Deduct for appearance,	15 "
	45 per cent.

Verily, verily, that Columbia man has the divine gift of prophecy when he says :

"Cornell writes rather gloomily. Prof.—, cheated me all last year out of my just due. For the coming year '77-'78, I intend to cheat him for fear of his thinking me ungrateful."

The *Allantic* for November contains a charming *résumé* of the principal events in the life of Carlo Goldoni, written by W. D. Howells, which while it cannot but be entertaining to the casual reader, will be of special interest to those of Professor Crane's students in Italian, who either have read or expect to read the works of the sprightly comedian.

"Four Meetings," by Henry James, Jr., a pathetic little story in the current *Scribner* must be particularly welcome to those students who were present at Professor Boyesen's recent lecture on contemporaneous American Literature.

COLLEGIANA.

—Twenty-four Freshmen at Columbia this year.

—Our Professor Adler has recently been a guest of Yale.

—Harvard gave her '77 university crew a dinner last week.

—Six bad boys have been expelled from Bates College, and the college now consists of eight students and ten professors.—*Targum*.

—The Harvard Freshmen have accepted the foot-ball challenge of the Yale Freshmen and the game will be played at Boston, Nov. 17th.

—College opens with a large increase of students in all departments over last year. This is especially gratifying, in view of the hard times and the slight "unpleasantness" in University matters last year.—*Michigan University Chronicle*.

—The Rutgers' 'lark' mentioned last week, threatened to result in the compulsory suspension of the whole Junior class, but the Faculty telegraphed the parents of the rebellious students which resulted in soon bringing the class to terms.

FACETIÆ.

A sophomore cut his Latin:

Yes, cut it squarely; but

That sophomore was not absent.

From the pony it was cut.

—*Acta Columbiana*.

The Bursar at Harvard turns off the gas in the halls at 11 P. M., whereat the *Advocate* protests earnestly: "Scores of us are out after eleven o'clock." Yes, yes; we have been there. A fellow needs all the light he can get to secure the dizzily whirling door and find the elusive keyhole. *Fiat lux!*—*Courant*. We didn't suppose they ever did anything of that sort at Yale!

Mr. X., translating Laelius, hesitates at the phrase *non queo dicere*. Prof.—"Well, what does that mean?" Mr. X., who has omitted to look up *queo*—"I can't tell." Prof.—"That's right, go on." And that Soph. chuckles, wonders what the Prof. thought he said, and goes on.—*Ex*.

The Sophomores are reading Sophocles' *Electra* for Greek.—*Bates Student*. And, in sooth, what could they read it for? Pleasure?

Junior (to stable keeper): "I ordered a coupé for to-night; would like to change my order to Friday night, same girl, —oh-er—same time and place." (Exit in confusion.)—*Yale Record*.

The Senior Civils will commence stone cutting next week.—*Yale Record*. We are much pleased to see that the course of instruction in Yale is thus being so admirably adapted to the requirements of its students in matters of which they must make practical use in after life.

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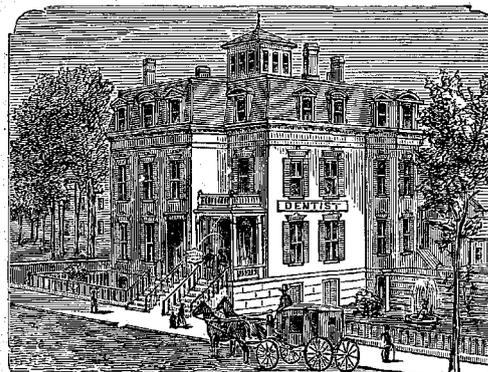
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THE singing at the chapel on Sunday is not so harmonious as one could wish it were. It is pleasant to have all sing who can, but it becomes unpleasant when they do not sing together. Of course it is difficult for a large audience to sing well, but it is not impossible. We need more voices to lead. With so large an organ as ours, a single voice does not seem to be strong enough to be heard by all, and consequently the singing is not always a perfect success. A choir would remedy this, and it ought to be easily obtained. There are enough vocalists in the University to make a good one; and even a choir of mixed voices could be formed, if enough interest in the matter could be aroused. Some effort should be made in this direction, for without much trouble this pleasant and important part of Sunday's exercises could be very much improved.

WE learn from *The Country*, a new sporting journal published in New York, that the New York Polo Club has offered a \$500 challenge cup to be presented to the champion college foot-ball team, and that Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Rutgers are all at work, with teams in regular practice, preparing for the contest. Is there any sufficient reason why Cornell should not compete for the championship? There are many excellent foot-ball players in the University, and there can be no reasonable excuse for our not entering the field with a team which will, at least, do us no discredit. Let us then discard our old and senseless code, adopt the Rugby rules, and see whether we cannot be as successful at foot-ball as we have been in other sports.

AN ATTEMPT is being made to organize a society for debating. A new society may seem to be unnecessary when we consider that there are several literary societies already; but quite a number of students feel the need of more practice in speaking than they can get in the regular college work, and they do not wish to do the extra writing which the societies require. Accordingly it is proposed to organize a society for the sole purpose of debating. This, it is hoped, will be of especial value to those who intend to become lawyers, and of such the society will be largely composed, but anyone will be at liberty to join it. So much practice in public speaking is needed, and so little is afforded to most students, that almost any plan which offers more should be favored. But besides giving drill in speaking, the practice of debating is valuable on many other accounts. To make preparation careful reading and thinking must be done; the memory is exercised and strengthened and in the effort to meet and refute the arguments of an opponent all the faculties are sharpened and disciplined. No time which is given to such an exercise can be very easily wasted, and this new plan in regard to it ought to succeed. It deserves and should receive the most cordial support.

A PAPER by Dr. Wilder which appeared in the last New York *Medical Journal* has been reprinted in pamphlet form. The subject discussed is "Should Comparative Anatomy be included in a Medical Course?" The question is well considered, and the article is worthy the attention of those who intend to study medicine. A preparatory course in comparative anatomy is shown to be valuable, and should precede a course of medical lectures. But what we wish to call particular attention to is that it is a fact that our college alone of all in this country has recognized the importance of preliminary education especially adapted to the medical student so fully as to form a course of study for this purpose. This course includes some studies for general culture, but four-fifths of the time is devoted to the sciences and to laboratory practice. A student could not well have better preparation for medical lectures than this course presents. While a medical school would be a valuable acquisition to the college and should be added as soon as practicable, much credit is due to the University authorities that they have provided a way by which they can send men to medical colleges better prepared for their work than most of those who enter such colleges usually are.

THE approach of another election brings to mind again the question of the right of students to vote in this town. In former years, there has been a difference of opinion in regard to this point: some arguing that they could; others, that they could not vote here; and usually, those students who were old enough have voted. But as concerns those who have a residence elsewhere, there can be no doubt in the matter, and opinions are of no value. The law of the state is quite definite, and its meaning cannot be mistaken, though it may be far from just and right. It says, "For the purpose of voting, no person shall be deemed to have gained or lost a residence, by reason of his presence or absence, . . . while a student of any seminary of learning." This is the law as it now stands, and it says conclusively that a student who has a residence elsewhere, who receives support from his parents at home, or from property elsewhere cannot have a residence here and vote here. Those, then, who are thus situated

cannot vote here under the existing law. But the law cannot mean that *no* student shall gain a residence where he is studying, for this would debar some of their rights; they would not be citizens anywhere. The right of citizenship could not be denied to one who came here and bought property and paid taxes; and the student who has no property, but works to support himself is entitled to the same right. He really changes his residence. This is his home for an indefinite period. Anyone who works for his support gains a residence where he is employed; and there is no reason why the working student should be made an exception to this rule. It will be seen from this that there are some who can vote where they are studying, but that a great share of students cannot legally do so. These are the simple facts, unwelcome as they will be to many, unjust as such a law must seem. It is not right that those who are spending years in the study of political economy, the history of nations, and other studies of a nature calculated to help them form good judgments, that these should not have so much voice at the polls as the most ignorant loafers on the street corners. Evidently this is one of those matters which needs to be remedied; but until it is, the wisest plan is to obey the law, and be sure that you have a right to vote before you attempt to do so.

AN editorial in the last number of the *Review* in considering music as a part of the college work calls attention to the fact that the opportunities here for learning music are not so good as some have been led to believe, and then states the facts in the case. It says that it is true enough that we have a fine organ and a piano, but that no instruction is given in music. The *Review* deserves credit for thus making clear an announcement which seems to have been rather misleading, and we are glad that the facts have been plainly stated without any desire to make the advantages offered by the University seem better than they are. But as to the matter of establishing a course in music here, we can hardly agree with the writer of the article. To make this a true University, a course in music would have to be added, but a great many other courses would have to be added also. The question then to be considered is, which is most need-

ed? Very few will be willing to say that a course in music is most needed, or will be of the greatest value to the college. Mere accomplishments are well enough, and are pleasant to possess, but they can be gained at places where such things receive more attention than they ought to receive at colleges whose purpose is to fit men and women for active life. The great argument for co-education is the right of women to a higher education, their right to the best instruction in the highest branches of learning. This right cannot be denied; but it is for this higher education that ladies presumably come here, and not to get the music and drawing and the little French of the "polishing" school. People should go to college for more serious work than that. It seems to us that other things are needed more than a course in music. Every one here expects to make use of the library; but it is well known how its value to undergraduates is lessened by the want of a proper catalogue. Before any more additions are made to the University in the shape of new courses or new professors, it should be considered by what means this most urgent need can be met. When this has been done, it will be much more fitting to call for a course in music than it is at present. These words must not be understood to be an attempt to hinder in any way the establishment here of a school for art in the highest sense of the word. On the contrary, if some generous person will found such a school, we shall be glad to call him one of the college benefactors, and shall think that he has done a good deed. But considering what kind of a musical course would have to be expected from the college itself, we cannot think that such a thing is desirable, nor can we urge the present necessity for it.

—The zoölogical museum has been enriched by a valuable collection of fishes from Cuba, presented by B. W. Law, '74, at his visit last week. There are thirty-two specimens, representing twenty-four different species. Among them are some rare and curious forms:—a sea-horse (*Hippocampus*), a sea-robin or flying-fish (*Dactylopterus*), a walking-fish (*Antennarius*), and a balloon-fish (*Tetrodon*), which is able to inflate its loose skin so as to be many times larger than its real body. Mr. Law had previously obtained from Prof. Poey, the venerable Cuban naturalist, a skin of the gar-pike found in that island, and sent it to the University.

CATULLUS XLVI.

Now returns the balmy spring-time;
 Now the furious equinoctial
 Softens into genial zephyrs.
 Leave, Catullus, Phrygian meadows,
 And the burning, fertile country
 Under Nice's burning heaven:
 Flit away across the uplands
 To the splendid towns of Asia.
 Now my eager soul aspires to
 Traverse distant lands and waters:
 Now my sturdy feet impatient
 Long to bear me on my journey.
 Then farewell, beloved comrades,
 You who setting forth together,
 Left your homes so far behind you.
 Now, returning, we shall follow
 Many wide diverging pathways.

—X.

AN ALLEGORY.

An angry sea,
 An unceasing roar
 From the wind as it buffets the waves about.
 A sullen sky,
 A rock-bound shore,
 A strip of sand, when the tide is out.

Two forms are stranded
 Upon the lee
 All motionless and dank and white.
 A sea-gull, flying
 Over the sea,
 Swoops down to view them in its flight.

Nor tarries it long;
 For something there
 Shocks with its shape the sea-bird's eye,
 A sight which startles
 The very air
 And makes it to groan and moan and sigh.

A ghastly corpse,
 A human wrack.
 Its eyes with a devilish glassy stare,
 With grinning teeth,
 Lips livid black,
 And unkempt masses of snaky hair.

With clenched hands,
 Arms purple bare.
 And mouth firm set in a fearful grin.
 'Twould demons fright,
 Were demons there.
 With its tale of hopeless hate and sin.

And by this wraith,
 Close by its side,
 A tiny child lies on the sandy bed.
 Its eyes are closed,
 And its eye-lids hide
 The sight, which the frightened sea-bird fled.

Its hands are folded
 Upon its breast,
 And its lips are set in a peaceful smile,
 Which glads the angels
 That guard its rest
 With its tale of love and lack of guile.

IN TIEFSTER EINSAMKEIT.

I sought for my own happiness alone,
And sought in vain for what no one can find,
I looked for love and peace and rest, but found
Unutterable agony of mind.

I loved—yes, wholly loved—and gave my heart
To one perhaps who rightly knew its worth;
For, soon as all was given and possess'd,
My hope, my joy, my bliss fell to the earth.

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I sought for my own happiness no more.
That "moment fair" of Faust, which he could hold
But while it lasted then be ever lost,
I gained nor was I either blind or old.

THE ART OF "CUTTING."

It is a marked tendency of modern times to systematize phenomena formerly considered to be without relationship, and also by special study to bring crude and single actions to a high degree of perfection. The "Noble Art of Guessing" and De Quincey's "Murder as a Fine Art" stand as types of a host of "arts," which are swelling this department of knowledge. To "cut" recitations and lectures with neatness and despatch has, during late years, risen to a high state of refinement at Cornell, and experienced "cutters" add to a profound knowledge of the rules and methods of "cutting" a skill and delicacy in application and a constancy in employment which seem to entitle it to the rank of an art. Like grammar, "cutting" is "both a science and an art," but as the science of "cutting" consists in the artful way in which it is accomplished, and as the art is nothing more than the scientific application of the rules, no further distinction is necessary. The fundamental principle which underlies all intelligent "cutting" is to be found in the University rule, No. 22, providing for absence "for more than three consecutive days." The peril and the sin lie not so much in the first, second or third "cut," but in the fourth, and the fourth is the "dead line" over which the expert dares not cross. There are those of daring genius who have at times successfully achieved this feat, but the usual fate of the "cutter" is to receive by mail intelligence that "certain unexcused absences charged against you" are in need of explanation, and being now trapped, he is to be congratulated if by the most skillful use of hyperbole he escape the penalty. To "cut" with success, this new "rule of three" must be carefully observed, the opinion the professor holds in reference to the German university attendance theory must be well understood, and lastly no one should aspire to be an expert who has not by long practice and study perfected himself in the

doctrine of chances as applied to recitation. This is the *sine qua non*, without which the art of "cutting" degenerates into a base imitation of the schoolboy's "hookey," and is totally unworthy of a college student. "To cut" without an object in view is the height of folly. If, at times, certain formulæ or translations have been left unstudied, and there is danger of being called upon, the amateur will "cut" recklessly, but the true artist calmly calculates from the data in his possession the probable chances in his favor, and if at the highest two to one can be counted upon, he fearlessly enters the recitation room.

In arriving at his conclusion, he calls to mind when he recited last; he sums up those who have been absent on previous days, and having computed the chances of their returning on the day in question, his experience tells him the increased percentage in his favor in consequence; then must be considered the number in the class and the average number called upon, and even the position of his seat in the class-room, because more than one professor has favorite benches which he delights to honor, as those who remember the famous "back seat" can testify. The player at *rouge-et-noir* does not exhibit greater caution when he "doubles on the red" or backs a color in short runs, as Severne in the "Woman-Hater," than the expert who comes to a recitation more than two consecutive times unprepared. He has then overstepped the limit of probabilities in his favor, and is sustained by pure luck only. With all their fluctuations there is nevertheless something tangible and certain to be derived from the points as presented above; but the most elaborate calculations are destroyed and the most scientific operators brought to grief by the professor who in flagrant disregard of all systematic recitation, questions aimlessly and arbitrarily. This is the one great element of uncertainty which cripples the efficacy of the doctrine of chances. Could it be eliminated, the art of "cutting" would be placed upon a comparatively firm footing, and it would become as pleasing and profitable as the calculation of an eclipse.

In the more delicate feats of being absent at preliminary examinations, care should be exercised in discriminating between those that count and those that do not. Dry lectures and wet weather are the causes of much unscientific "cutting," while a true love for the art, a need of gentlemanly leisure, and the necessity of keeping recitations and lectures from becoming tedious, prompt the expert to his course. "Cutting" to be done artistically need not be done early, and must not be done often. Such devices as having a friend answer to your name, or to respond yourself and in the confusion of the roll-call to make a masterly retreat

down the stairs are occasionally possible in large lecture-rooms, but the risk is too great to make them popular. Caution is not less essential than daring, and an excess of either quality will neutralize the effects of all the maxims and calculations in active use. With greater attention to detail and a more enlightened view of the principles, the time may come when the future Bachelor of Arts may consider first among his accomplishments the art of "cutting."

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COMMUNICATIONS.

Editors of the Era.—It must be gratifying to a certain party in the University, that the challenge of "Nemo" has called forth such gallant and able champions. Certainly the emotions must be powerful, that at such an attack as "Nemo's," will urge one man to compile an endless array of statistics to offset a few lines of calculations, and another to resort to a dead language and a technical expression of an abstruse science to annihilate his opponent. We cannot help believing that something else than principle is at the bottom of all this industry and effort. Fortunately for common sense the interminable array of facts that A. S. H. was at so much trouble to collect, has not appeared, and the pleasant fancies and questions of "Aliquis" alone seek out attention.

With such cunning and ingenuity as should make us suspicious of the cause he pleads, he first strives to strengthen it with the ignorant by exciting their admiration for his wisdom, and with the wise by appealing to their vanity, while he attempts to dazzle all by his exhibition of learning.

Then, imagining that he has thus blinded us to the perception of the truth, he tries to poison our minds by a perversion of it. He thinks that we shall be too patriotic to be honest, and accordingly assumes that we will passively assent to his statement that last year our Freshman class was larger by fifty than that of Yale. Alas! how often men deceive themselves by believing that they have imposed on the credulity of others by means of a partial truth! Comparisons, in order to be true, must be made on the same basis. The reported number of the Freshman class at Yale was about one hundred and seventy, and did not include those persons pursuing scientific or technical courses. And yet, if we should exclude those here pursuing these courses, and the so-called courses of Literature and Philosophy, (named apparently on the *lucus a non lucendo* principle, the former because it particularly dispenses with the study of the greatest of all literatures and source of inspiration to those of succeeding times; and the latter since it has everywhere supplanted the study of philosophy, by investigations in the natural sciences,) our class of '80 at its entrance would fall short fully one hundred and fifty of that at Yale.

Perhaps the misstatements "Aliquis" was conscious of making induced him to record himself "a humble seeker of truth." For, surely, but for some powerful motive, the severe criticisms in the essay classes that have been passed on professions of modesty would have deterred a person so considerate as "Aliquis" seems to be, from so public a declaration of humility. At any rate his attitude of humbleness toward truth must have removed him to so great a distance that he has never succeeded in laying hold of it.

After this, regarding his readers as being reduced to a proper state of compliance, he invites their assent to the first question, by alluring them with a figure of speech. Now deeming it unnecessary to confine himself to common sense, he renders his second question as absurd as he attempts to make the rest of his letter ingenious, and the third as extravagant as his remarks on Freshman classes.

Assuredly it is not by such deviations from the truth, such professions of innocence and candor, and such ingenious efforts to impress with a display of wisdom, that sensible people will be misled to enlist their sympathies in the cause of co-education.

—Quilibet.

To the Editors of the Era.—Hamilton college has withdrawn from the I. C. L. Association. In a long letter addressed to the Secretary of the Association, her regents have formally severed their connection with the same. The reason given by them for this action is the change proposed by Dr. McCosh at the September meeting of the council of regents to substitute a disputation in place of the annual oratorical contest, with the participants to be chosen as heretofore. Hamilton, during the brief existence of the Association, has twice taken the first prize in oratory, and it is but natural that she should strenuously oppose any change which would secure the abolishment of the annual contest in that branch. The circumstances, however, under which she withdraws from the Association, cannot but lead to the belief that there are other and weightier reasons which have induced her students to take this action. Her proper course would have been to use her influence against the proposed change, and even had it been adopted, her efforts should have been directed towards showing the ability of her students to cope with other colleges in argument as well as in mere delivery. Even had she withdrawn after the change had been made, her position would have undoubtedly been more dignified than it is at present. So far as we can see nothing has as yet been done, or is likely to be done, in the matter. Dr. McCosh, whom Hamilton justly accuses of having attempted to dictate the course of the association, has merely given notice that he would move the substitution

at the next meeting of the council of regents in January. No other college, besides Princeton, has committed, or probably will commit itself to support this alteration, and the probability is that this idea of the amiable Doctor will be rejected, as was his motion to restrict all competitors to those pursuing a strictly classical course. There does not seem to be the slightest reason for believing that this pet scheme of the Doctor's will be carried out.

Such are the facts in the case; and as such, they must have been evident to Hamilton and her representatives in the Inter-Collegiate Literary Association. Had she sent in her withdrawal after the change had been made, she might have laid herself open to the charge of not standing by a motion upon which she had voted, but her reason for leaving would have been obvious, and might have been considered sufficient; but as it is, it leads one to remember that she has never yet succeeded in taking a prize, first or second, in essays, Greek, Latin or mathematics, and that her departments in these studies are so inferior that she despaired of ever succeeding in any of the contests of the I. C. L. Association with the exception of oratory. Withdrawing at the time and in the manner in which she did, such and such only, are the logical inferences which can be drawn from her course.

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To the Editors of the Era :—One "Nemo" in a recent contribution to your columns asserts that the decrease in attendance at the University the present year is due to the adoption of the co-education of the sexes in our institution and bases the proof of his assertion upon a speciously constructed table. Upon consulting this table we find the decrease of male students in the collegiate year of '73-4 was eight more than the decrease last year, that in '74-5 it was one less than last year, and in '75-6 three less; but now when we come to a consideration of the statistics for the present year, we find the number of male students, seventy-seven less this year than last. What is the cause for this wonderful diminution? "Nemo" in summing up his three reasons for the decline, says: "Another (reason is), that it is caused by the raising of the standard of the entrance examinations," and he thus summarily, and to his own satisfaction disposes of this reason: "As to the examinations, in proportion to the number of applicants, there has not been one more rejected by a failure to pass the increased requirements than before." Very true, perhaps, but it is expected that every student esteems himself to be prepared before-hand in the subjects in which he presents himself for examination; and just here lies the solution of the problem: *Many students were entirely deterred from presenting themselves for examination this Fall, because of*

the increased requirements in which they were unprepared. The graduates of the State high-schools, who are supposed to be educated up to the highest common-school standard, are not prepared to enter Cornell when they have completed their common-school education, and are therefore, either compelled to devote additional time to study after leaving school, or to content themselves with matriculation at some institution where entrance examinations are not so rigorous and difficult. In connection with this view of the case we adduce "Nemo's" own table of statistics, for it is a well-known fact that the entrance requirements have been increasing in severity each year, culminating, it is to be hoped, in the addition of several difficult and previously unrequired branches last June. In proportion as the entrance requirement have increased in vigor, so in proportion has the number of students decreased, (*Vide "Nemo's" table*). And in further substantiation of this fact, we refer "Nemo" to his own beloved statistics, where he will find that the number of female students in the entering class this year, has decreased very much more in proportion than the male. X.

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"STUDENTS! YOUR ATTENTION."

To the Editors of the Era :—The article in the *Review*, of which the above is the heading, offers a suggestion that merits consideration. Possibly many of your subscribers have not read the editorial referred to, and it may be well to present here its leading feature. The article favors the establishment, by the students, of a lecture bureau, through the agency of which we may listen to lectures by talented men, upon questions of living interest. The advantages to be derived from such an institution cannot be over-estimated. So evident are they, that it will be generally admitted that a good course of lectures should be a part of our instruction during the winter months.

When asked to provide the course themselves, however, the students are apt to shrink from the task, on account of the financial difficulty. Those who have circulated subscription papers through the college, may despair of the success of this enterprise; but let them remember that in this case there is an appreciable difference, for each subscriber receives some direct advantage from the outlay.

As the article before referred to suggests, there should be from eight to ten entertainments. For tickets to a course of lectures delivered by such men as George William Curtis and Col. Ingersoll, five or even ten dollars, would not be exorbitant. If the price were ten dollars, enough tickets could be sold among the students and in the village to meet every expense. The money obtained from the sale of single tickets would form a basis for a substantial lecture fund.

There may never be a time when we can so easily accomplish this end: and, now that the subject is being agitated, let us discuss it and come to some definite conclusion.

J. H. W.

To the Class Treasurers of '78, '79 and '80 :— In the course of the last year attention has been called repeatedly to the fact, that the students are indebted to Professor Oliver to the amount of forty dollars, which he kindly advanced last year towards paying Cornell's dues to the Intercollegiate Association. The laxness of the class treasurers last year allowed the matter to run on, and it was only owing to his kindness in advancing the money, that our representatives were allowed to compete. The matter speaks for itself, and it is to be hoped that after this explanation every class treasurer will consider it a matter of personal honor to collect his share (\$13.34.) and thus make up for the sins of his predecessor, which devolve *ex-officio* upon him. No time need be lost by submitting the matter to the classes, as the debt is a *bona fide* one, and must be paid.

A. V.

CORNELIANA.

- Examinations in Latin last Monday.
- The Mozart Club concert this evening.
- "The man with the umbrella," has been in demand during the week.
- A number of the students took a "header" in the "tidal wave" that rolled over Ithaca last week.
- Capt. Buckbee inadvertently spoke of the *gushers*, for the ushers, at Library Hall Monday night.
- It is rumored that Capt. Monroe is about to organize a new company to be known as the "Awkward Squad."
- A Freshman, was recently overheard asking "Uncle Josh" if the hands of the McGraw clock were really twelve feet long.
- The mud from Cascadilla to the University is of a peculiarly rich and juicy character and the depth is something appalling.
- A new dancing school is about to be opened in town which will be under the management of a competent and successful teacher.
- Professor Anthony together with some special students in Physics, is conducting an extended series of experiments with the Gramme machine.
- The signs on the Cascadilla bridge bearing the legend "walk your horses over this bridge," have disappeared as suddenly as they appeared.
- Enthusiastic debater at the Irving Literary Society, whose time is limited: "Now, Mr. President, I would like to make a few remarks before I begin."

—Those who order the discontinuance of the ERA after having received several numbers, should not forget to enclose *at least* the amount of the postage.

—At a meeting of the Freshman class on Thursday, the action of the preceding meeting was rescinded, and "ashes of roses" was selected as the class color.

—Severance's Tom Hughes Crew is practicing daily, and are doing some good rowing. This is the only crew which has shown energy enough to practice since the regatta.

—A Sophomore who while writing an essay on "Gray's Elegy," the other night, was asked where his chum, a non-blue ribbonist, was, replied that he was on "an animated bust."

—"Be merciful unto a poor Freshman," was the closing sentence of one of those elaborate semi-weekly reports recently handed to the instructor in Rhetoric and Composition.

—On Tuesday afternoon a match game of base ball was contested upon the fair grounds by nines chosen from the *A. K. E.* and *X. Φ.* fraternities, in which the latter were victorious by the score of twenty-one to five.

—A lively game of foot-ball was played on the Campus Tuesday afternoon. The Freshmen were out in force and did very good playing. They are organizing a strong team with the intention of playing the other classes.

—An unsuccessful competitor for aquatic honors in the last regatta, where he displayed his sturdy frame in the working-boat race has been selected to take the affirmative in the debate that "Boating is not detrimental to the University."

—Some of the seats in room "I" seem never to have recovered from the first coat of paint they received, so that it is no uncommon thing for a Junior to be literally obliged "to tear himself away," from the Chaucer class at the end of the hour.

—The medal and the three diplomas awarded at the Centennial Exhibition to the Cornell University Machine Shop have been received by the Department of Mechanical Engineering. Both the medal and diplomas are splendid specimens of art.

—A boating man who attended the oratorical contest Monday night gave it as his criticism on one of the speakers that "he generally had a good stroke and a fair 'recover,' but that his use of the sliding seat in the higher oratorical flights was very faulty."

—The subjects for the Junior essays due Nov. 22d, are, "In what way words are (1) alive, (2) creative, (3) responsive." "Alexander's question 'Would you rather be the victor at the Olympic games, or the herald who proclaims it?'" "The Narcissus type."

—The Seniors in Mechanical Engineering, expecting to graduate, are each working on the designs, patterns, or work of some special machine or tool. Thus trying to find out for themselves, and give the Professors an opportunity to find out, whether they possess any mechanical engineering ability.

—As a result of the temperance revival now prevailing in this vicinity, it is remarked by those given to statistics, that while the consumption of the juice of the *hop* has notably decreased the demand for mustard and cheese is more than double that for any equal period of any year since the opening of the University.

—The game of foot ball between the Hillians and Denizens yesterday afternoon, was the strongest game played here for several years. Each side won two goals and after forty-five minutes of hard work darkness terminated the game and the contestants withdrew. Though it was decided a *draw*, each side feels that it has gained a victory.

—So many exchanges have copied Mark Twain's joke which the type cruelly mangled in these columns a few weeks ago, that in justice to that gentleman, it may be well to give the remark as he made it: "Some people are so sanctimonious that they seem to be looking for a vacancy in the Trinity," and not in *eternity*, as it appeared.

—The Senior class held a meeting yesterday. It was decided that the election of class officers take place on Saturday afternoon of this week between two and four o'clock. It was also decided that a tax of five dollars be paid or pledged by all who vote, to secure a part of the money required to meet class expenses. Messrs. Mecker, Ballard and Heermans were appointed tellers of the election.

—The Woodruff Expedition has been postponed until next Spring. This change will permit a more complete organization and preparation. The advantages of postponement to another and more favorable season had been urged upon the management by Prof. Wilder, and on the 15th of October he withdrew from the enterprise, not feeling that the chances of going this Fall warranted the relinquishment of other engagements.

—The preliminary contest in oratory for selecting the Cornell representative to the I. C. L. A. took place on Monday evening last. The following was the programme:

- I.—THE CATHOLIC CHURCH—A BLESSING IN HISTORY.—JOSEPH NESS, Hoopston, Ill.
- II.—THE GENIUS OF THOMAS CARLYLE.—WILLARD GENTLEMAN, Ottawa, Ill.
- III.—THE SPIRIT OF REFORM IN MODERN HISTORY.—J. S. LEHMAIER, New York City.
- IV.—THE SPEECHES OF BRUTUS AND MARK ANTONY IN SHAKESPEARE.—C. B. MANDEVILLE, Elida, Ill.
- V.—THE INFLUENCE OF THE QUAKERS ON AMERICAN HISTORY.—WATSON WEED, North Rose, N. Y.
- VI.—HISTORICAL CONTINUITY.—WM. E. LUCAS, Groves, Ind.

—Prof. Fiske's lecture on "Swedish Universities" last evening for the benefit of the Navy, was an admirable and vivid sketch of Scandinavian student life.

—Prof. Z. H. Potter is publishing in the *American Church Review* his translation of Troplong's *Influence of Christianity on the Roman Law*. Some idea of this learned work may be obtained by a glance at the life of its distinguished author. M. Troplong was called in 1825 to the Attorney Generalship of the Court of Nancy, and in 1832 began the publication of his Commentaries on the Civil Code of France, which are the monumental works of his life. He was soon chosen member of the Legion of Honor, became Judge of the Court of Appeals, and member of the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences, and in 1846 was made a peer of France. At the time of his death in 1869 he was President of the French Senate, member of the Privy Council of the Empire, Chief Justice, and member of the Institute of France, and was Grand Officer, and had been decorated with the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor. Madame Troplong, widow of the distinguished author, has sent Prof. Potter her approval of his translation, which the Professor has enriched by copious notes and references to the *Corpus Juris Civilis* and to many modern and classical authorities. It is hoped that the translation may appear ere long in book-form.

PERSONALIA.

A. J. LAMEREUX, '74, is editing an American paper in Rio Janeiro, Brazil.

S. D. HALLIDAY, '70, ex-ERA editor is running for Member of Assembly in this district.

WAGNER, '76, is running for Special County Judge, of this county on the Republican ticket.

MESSRS. JOHNSON, J. W. Jenks, L. S. Jenks, Van Wert, Henning and Treadway, of Michigan University visited Ithaca on Monday, as guests of the *A. T.* fraternity.

THE geological survey of Brazil, which has been in progress for several years under the direction of our fellow-countryman, Prof. C. F. Hartt, formerly of Vassar and Cornell Universities, was lately for a short time threatened with suspension, in consequence of the desire of the Brazilian Government to reduce its expenses. After investigation, the work was found to be so valuable that it has been continued. Among the more important results so far accomplished by the survey has been the discovery of the existence in Brazil of the silurian, devonian, carboniferous, triassic, jurassic, cretaceous, and post-tertiary formation, all of them furnishing well characterized fossils in great variety.

—*N. E. Journal of Education.*

EXCHANGES.

The *University Magazine* under the head of Memorabilia contains an excellent memoir of the late Professor George Allen, sometime a member of the Faculty of the University of Pennsylvania. A poem entitled 'Bull-Dozing,' is poor enough as will be evidenced by the following lines quoted at random :

"He enters the "VARSITY" gates,
An argus-eyed Sophomore there him awaits,
And soon you hear classes called '9s, '80s, '8s.

The author of this remarkable poem has deemed it necessary to explain in a foot-note that "Varsity" is "a word used at Oxford-University." No ! Really ! In the entire magazine there is not a single college item or paragraph and but two "Personals," are there no "events" at "Pennsylvania."

The October *Targum* contains a short description of some summer rambles through the White Mountains; much of the editorial space is devoted to a consideration of the recent gun-riot; there is also a long article on the origin of the name *Targum*, a part of which we quote, as it is not devoid of interest to the philological student.

"The word TARGUM—or the modern word "dragoman," corrupted from it, means an "interpreter," and the special occult meaning of the word TARGUM among Rutgers Collegians during the years '67, '68 and '69, by a sort of "underground railroad" process unknown to the Faculty, or the outside world, may be understood from the following :

It is a custom among the lazy students of many Colleges to make out, in a tiny, home-made blank book, a digest or analysis of the lessons to be recited, which was used at home for service, and by some in the class-room, by which a student could be "primed" for a good recitation. At examination, these "targums" were occasionally written—not in Chaldee—but in lead penciled English on shirt-bosoms, or cuffs, or a tiny book slid up and down the sleeve, held by a string up and around the top of the sleeve, so as to be visible or invisible as was desired. Many a lazy student could thus, by means of a "targum," have ready his mathematical formulæ, or his difficult roots, dates or words at hand and thus win a dirty success, when a man of principle would "flunk" dead, rather than do it. The use of "targums" is one well known to students in other colleges, though the cheat goes under some other slang name. In every case, the "targum" is a translation or a paraphrase of the lesson to be recited into students' language, i. e., College Chaldee."

The *Courant* appears this week with two full-page cartoons, caricatures upon the fall regatta, the work of some undergraduate disciple of Leech. While as art studies they would probably not receive any very copious laudation from the pen of a Ruskin, they nevertheless enable us to step behind the scenes at Yale. In the first sketch, subject: "The Race," the back-ground has much the same general effect upon the observer as one of Claude's landscapes, but this feeling is marred by the vessel in silhouette, the figures therein are in no sense those of a Claude. In the near back-ground those admirers of Turner's art will see an effort at a second "Slave-Ship," which while it has

not all the charm of the original has much the same dimness of outline and blending of tone. There is a novelty about the picture, in that, animate and inanimate figures, all appear racing on the surface of the water, there is indeed authority for permitting human figures to walk upon the water but the introduction of horses and carriages on the aqueous surface is certainly reprehensible, and can only be traced to the disastrous effects engendered by the teachings of the "Modern School." The Sir Joshua Reynolds' figures in the extreme lower right-hand corner are perfect studies in themselves.

We are not admirers of "Boudoir art," and therefore attempt no criticism of the second sketch, "After the Race." We would only say that the faces are so true to life that in the figure seated upon the floor, we are enabled readily to recognize the exchange editor, and thus reconcile his remarks :

"Far be it from the individual who stretches his editorial extremities under this hypothetical mahogany to harrow up the too sympathetic souls of his fellow collegians with any descriptions of the troubles that sometimes beset our COURANT staff; let us merely say that force of circumstances this week compels us to clutch madly at the scissors and paste."

The *Crimson* contains an article entitled "Twas Midnight," the author of which was probably familiar with the little sketch "Thompson Hall," if not he has unconsciously adopted the leading feature of Trollope's plot. The *Crimson* is particularly prolific in poetry, we quote one of the three poems which appear in the present number :

THE SWITZER'S SONG.

A Roudel.

I glory in my native hills ;
The stormy blast of wintry wind
Is far more pleasing to my mind
Than breeze that summer valley fills.

I take no note of paltry ills.
I care not if my love's unkind ;
For me, all unrestrained, no chills
Hath stormy blast of wintry wind.

One thought my spirit wildly thrills,—
God willing, here my bones shall find
A mountain grave that clouds do bind,
And the tall, snowy crags behind :
I glory in my native hills.

It is evident that at least one of the editors of the *Crimson* is a confirmed believer in the proverb :
"Una volta furfante, sempre furfante."

The Yale *Lit.* has arrived at last, thereby as it says, fulfilling the prophecy of the *Record*, in, notwithstanding many delays, putting in its appearance before the snow. An excellent number is this, the first one for the present collegiate year. Of course, it inaugurates its new life with an article on that genus which if it be barren in all else is nevertheless teeming with fecundity in the hands of the collegian disciple of the journalistic art. This particular sketch, though its title of "Fresh-

man Rains" be somewhat chilling and forbidding, is still by far the best of the treatises on Freshmen which have thus far appeared. It seems the Yalensians have dignified the autumnal equinoctial storms with the not inappropriate appellation of "Freshman Rains," and hence the theme whereby hangs the tale. As the author says,

"Many are the distinctive parts of the student's year and called by various names, but none is so distinctly termed as the Freshman Rains.

"To the Freshman himself it is a most cheering thought that this is his special season; for this, he is responsible. It is looked upon as something he brought with him; a Pandora's Box, which he himself has opened. He fancies the Senior stalking solemnly and gloomily along, blames him for it all as he wraps his dripping ulster more closely about him and pulls his favorite old white hat into a more ridiculous shape. He cannot but feel it is scarcely fair that he who suffers the most should be held responsible for it all. Aside from this self-reproach, however, can anything more gloomy and hopeless be imagined than the lonely Freshman during these rainy days."

And then he sums up the Freshman's surroundings and deduces the indubitable result.

"Imagine yourself in his position, or (if you prefer Anglo-Saxon) put yourself in his place. Conceive first the Freshman's room; with its cylinder stove which has such a bad habit of going out at night; his sofa, small, narrow, and inhospitable; his rocking chair and table, which handed down from older generations, continually reminds him of his newness; and finally his student-lamp—oh, his student-lamp, with its flickering, enough to bring tears to any eyes; its goings out, just at the most critical moments; its unstable equilibrium, enough in itself to occupy an able-bodied man's full time.

"Add to this already desolate room, the Freshman's curriculum, the awful thought of Sophomores, the general feeling of having lost your individuality and of being of no particular use to anyone, especially yourself, and place a small Freshman in the middle of the room, studying the sensuous Euclid, while the fire is dying out and the distant howling of the belated Sophomore in the distance. Having thus prepared your subject, turn on the rain. The result will be a letter home somewhat to the following effect:

YALE COLLEGE, — — —

MY RESPECTED PARENT:

Would my temporary return to the parental mansion at a. disconcert your plans? Your Respectful Son.

Next follows a short portrayal of the character of "a Canadian Jesuit," of one who although he has suffered much at the hands of the priesthood nevertheless, unprotesting, bows before them. "Stray leaves from a Japanese Note Book," suggests an imitation of a recent article in the *North American Review* and it is not a poor imitation either. An analysis of "Kismet" the recently published book of the "No Name Series," is carefully written, and only errs in giving Gerty the prominent place, as the best drawn character, as we think Bell certainly deserves that pre-eminence; the reviewer thus describes her:

"Bell, the heroine, is an American girl, but can hardly be considered a type of the class. When we first meet her she is only a little extraordinary in her self-possession and cultured grace, which usually are acquired only by mingling with polite society; but she afterward shows herself to be possessed of an intelligent sincerity and depth of feeling to an unusual

degree. She is one of those loving, earnest, truthful natures which inevitably attract men and call forth their admiration."

The *Lit.* also contains a somewhat lengthy defense of "Charles Kingsley as a Moralist," in which the author assigns to the eminent poet no mean rank among latter-day writers of fiction. The writer thus speaks of the much-maligned tailor hero in Kingsley's first novel:

"There is something transcendental, it is true, in the character of a young tailor working industriously all his days and devoting the rest of his time to the acquisition of an enviable acquaintance with classic and modern thought, but, if we attempt to eliminate all idealism, we shall lose the most delightful characters of modern fiction. The Cheeryble brothers of Dickens and the Lady Castlewood of Thackeray, are highly improbable; yet they are none the less beautiful and attractive for that. We might as well find fault with the statue of Apollo Belvidere as a work of art because of its exquisite symmetry and unnatural perfection! After all, as George Sand somewhere remarked: 'Art is not a study of positive reality, but a seeking after ideal truth.'"

The article closes with a species of peroration which we have thought it worth while to reproduce.

"It was a long time before the reading public could recognize Kingsley as aught but the brilliant though mistaken and heterodox thinker, and still a longer before "Alton Locke" ceased to be thought a violent and mistaken tirade against existing laws and honored distinctions, rather than the manly and honest appeal for justice that it is. But the passage of time has softened the harsh aspect which once invested the causes of dispute, and thoughtful minds all over the world recognize and admire this genius. More than this, many who have learned to love him through his novels, who have learned in those pages the lessons of self-denial and moral heroism, will not soon forget to reverence and honor the memory of the 'Rector of Eversley.'"

FACETIÆ.

Recitation in Evidences of Christianity. Professor: "Mr. N., pass on to the Future Life." Mr. N.: "Not prepared."—*Madisonensis*.

"What is the meaning of *intonsus*?" asked a tutor. "Unshaved," replied the student. "Well, that is the meaning *on the face* of it, but not what it means here."—*Courant*.

The choir chanted the following last Sunday:

"Earth has no sorrow
That Heaven cannot cure."

How very consoling it is to think so! Out of their own mouths are they condemned.—*Courant*.

Scene, recitation-room of a Latin elective. Instructor: "Mr. Loucas, can you give the derivation of 'window'?" Mr. Loucas: "Fenestra." Instructor: "I am afraid that is a *lucus a non lucendo*."—*Crimson*.

As two Harvard graduates were wandering around Paris last summer, they saw a notice of the closing of the theatres, and the following conversation took place: "By Jove, Bob, that 'Clôture Annuel' must be a rattling good piece, I've seen it posted on five theatres within the last two hours. Let's go and see it." "All right; but we'd better see what Figaro says about it."—*Lampoon*.

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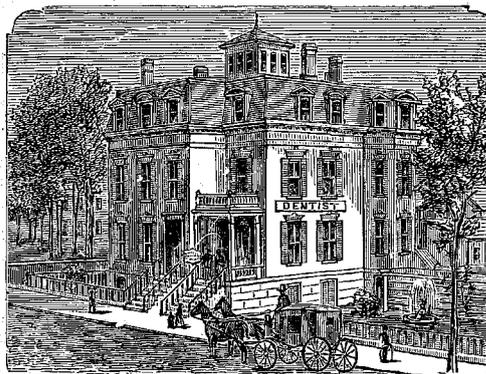
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THE re-opening of the question of adopting the "Cap and Gown" at Cornell seems to have met with much favor. During the last week it has been the subject of considerable discussion, which, while it has developed several objections to the proposed change in the student garb, has had the general effect of placing the question in a more favorable light. Many have expressed themselves as being pleased with the idea, but prefer to have others take the initiatory steps in inaugurating the movement. There can be no doubt that when a few have led the way the rest will follow as a matter of course. In the Senior class, although no meeting has been called to discuss the question, the general sentiment is in favor. In the Junior class, twenty-five have signed a paper pledging themselves to "swing out" as soon as the majority of the signers shall decide. At a meeting of the Sophomores on Wednesday, a committee was appointed to ascertain the feeling of the class in the matter. Evidently a spirit is at work which will make the movement a success.

HARDLY any one thinks of finding fault with the pranks of fun-loving students when no real harm is intended or done, and even the victims of their jokes can laugh good-naturedly. But there is a kind of mischief which does not have the better element of fun to excuse it, and which only results in the wanton destruction of property. Since the

first few years of the existence of the University, when things were not yet reduced to order, very little of a destructive nature has been done. There has been very little hazing, and the behavior of the students has in general been good. Gate-night has been celebrated to some extent, and some rushing has occurred in the streets, but little harm has resulted, and there has not been much occasion for any one to find fault. While at Rutgers, and Union, and other colleges trouble has arisen and whole classes have been suspended, things have been remarkably quiet here. On this account it is all the more surprising that there could have been found those among us who would engage in so senseless a performance as was enacted on the campus last Monday morning. We allude to the loading of one of the cannon and discharging it near the University buildings, by which means the piece was nearly or quite ruined, and a large amount of glass was broken from the college windows. There are very few who can see any great amount of fun in such a proceeding, and it is pleasant to observe that a feeling of disgust at it is very generally expressed. It is certain that there are very few here who would allow themselves to be guilty of such an act, and the fewer they are the better. There is no excuse which can be urged for mischief of such a malicious kind. This same thing has been done before, and with a similar result, so that ignorance of consequences can not be claimed in this case. Things of this kind should and will receive the strongest disapprobation from those who have at heart their own best interests, and those of others, and the authors of such outrages should be brought to the punishment which they deserve.

THE question of holding Junior Exhibitions again comes up as the term draws to a close. The disgraceful attempt on the part of some to break up that of last year made many feel that there was no use of trying to make this one of the usual events of the college year. The members of the present Junior class have, however, shown such

an unusual interest in class affairs of late that it seems possible that another attempt may be made to establish this important exercise permanently. There is no doubt that the class has many members who possess a good deal of ability and that a good exhibition could be given. It is a pity when we have so few celebrations, and so few chances to attempt to appear before an audience while we are at college that this one should be spoiled by class prejudice, a feeling as senseless as it is uncalled-for, at least when the members of the classes have associated together for so long a time. To attempt to break up a performance to which ladies and gentlemen are invited requires a kind of rowdiness which any student ought to be ashamed to exhibit if he is so unfortunate as to possess it. But those have been found who were equal even to this. An exhibition, as it is usually arranged, is valuable for the excellent practice which it gives in speaking before a large audience. Much complaint is made about the small amount of drill which we receive at college in this important art; those who do this should remember that an exhibition gives the best of opportunities for his kind of practice, and should lend their aid to anything of this kind. Instead of one we may come to have several entertainments during the year. We cannot afford to lose this one exhibition, at any rate. Without preparation of this kind the Woodford orators must speak perhaps without ever having addressed a large audience in a hall before, and it is surprising that their speaking has usually been so good. We hope that the Junior class will take hold of this matter with earnestness, and will try to make a success of the exhibition this year. In this they should have the assistance of all connected with the University who have at heart the best interests of those who try to get all the improvement they can. The results of this kind of help will be plainly manifest on class day and commencement when much is expected.

Good health is more valuable to all of us than a good education. A brain, capable of the best work, which is cultured and disciplined, but which is supported by a poor, weak body, is worth very little to any one. It will not do to omit to improve, or at least to preserve, the physical strength

as that of the mind is increased. There are plenty of ways by which all may obtain, with a little care, as much exercise as they need, and it should be made a part of the duties of each day to employ some of them. Field-sports, the gymnasium and walking all contribute to physical health, and it is not difficult to make good use of one of them. Some do not need to be urged to indulge in these, but many avoid them too much. Recreation should be subordinated to work, but while some forget to do this, perhaps more forget that "The glory of young men is their strength," and that first and most important of all is strength of body. But besides exercise other things must be considered, and constant care exercised, so that health may be retained. The weather in this climate is very changeable, and the greatest care is necessary to avoid exposure and consequent loss of health. Sufficient proof of this will be found in the fact that illness is not uncommon among us. At the present time quite a number are sick, and the importance to the others of being careful is apparent. To this must be added in many cases too much confinement in close and poorly ventilated rooms, and the use of improper food, for these are fruitful sources of trouble. But the season now at hand is especially trying, and many are unduly exposed to its inclemencies by necessity or otherwise. After walking up the hill we are often obliged to sit down in rooms which are far from being well warmed, but are often very cold, and which are filled with gas through lack of proper ventilation. This is not only extremely unpleasant, but there is constant danger of contracting colds from which serious results may quickly follow. It is a fact that in many of the recitation rooms there is a lack of proper care in regard of these matters, and an attempt ought to be made to bring about a better state of things. The student who can recite on the hill all of the morning during these winter months without some injury to his health is hard to be found, and it is no wonder that there are some who become sick. This is something in which there is need of radical and immediate reform, or sad results may follow. Meantime extra care about clothing and similar preventive measures on our part should be employed if we would continue in good health.

TRÜBER TAG.

Cheerless, cloudy, dark and dreary,
 Dismal, melancholy day!
 I am lonely, I am weary,
 And my love is far away.
 Mournful hills reft of your verdure,
 How changed ye are, how sad ye seem!
 Is all earthly joy so fleeting,
 Happiness an idle dream?
 Could I know my love remembers—
 That she often thinks of me,
 Could she know that yet I love her,
 That this pain would rapture be.
 But, burn on ye Mystic Fires,
 Take, consume my heart—my all!
 Love, thou king of life's desires,
 It is sweet to drink thy gall!

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 Restore our flagging spirits!

(*To Sub-Devil*)

Bring on the drink!

Sub-Devil.

Delightful fiend, the drink is gone,
 The flask is empty and the crowd dead broke,
Diabolus Secundus (Sailing in through the window.)

Dear devils all! As hence I flew
 Upon the circle of my nightly watch,
 I spied the students who below us dwell—
 Two Freshmen and a Junior. In peaceful mood
 They sipped their cider from a brown stone jug
 And then for safety placed the flask upon the ledge
 Outside their window. There it stands,
 Its handle gleaming in the pale moonlight.
 Meanwhile, their heads upon their pillows laid,
 They fondly dream of home, psychology and French.

Diabolus Primus.

The gods help those who help themselves!
 By all the powers of earth and sea and sky
 We'll have that cider, or we'll break our necks!
 And gain the means that can prolong our cheer.

(The assembled spirits betake themselves to the task. A
 hook is bent upon a section of a lightning-rod, by this means
 the jug is drawn up, and disappears within. Meanwhile all
 sing:

Fiends in Chorus.

Sworn to the service of the jovial god,
 We fish for cider with a lightning rod.
 Sleep, Freshies, sleep; while powers diabolic
 Will save you from the cider colic.

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JACOBY MORALIZES TO HIS CHUM.

PROFESSOR BULLDOZE.

"Great difference in professors, well, I should think so, there is as much difference in professors as there is in wine, some brands have mellowed and grown cheery, genial and companionable with age, while others are sour, crabbed and nauseating. Why I should be as much surprised to see Prof. Bulldoze receive a single student-vote if he were running for President of these United States, as I should be surprised if every undergraduate and alumnus didn't rush Prof. Oldboy into the supreme curule chair *nolens volens*."

"There is old Bulldoze gruff as a bear with a sore head, always traveling around with a perennial volcanic, submerged growl filling the cavernous depths of his stomach, which he vomits forth whenever he opens his mouth; his forehead is always corrugated with an ominous and oppressive frown; great bushy eye-brows with sharp, cold eyes glaring out from under, their thick-set with a ravenous glitter in them, suggestive of the light which shines in the tiger's when just about to pounce upon his prey—now, chummy, I must insist on not being interrupted, don't you suppose I ought to know how a tiger should look when rapaciously inclined, and what possible difference can it make whether I have ever seen one in such an attitude or not, so long as the metaphor sounds well?—You never speak to old Bulldoze except you are at the last extremity, then when you knock at his study-door, you are greeted with a gruff, surly growl, "Come in," (and you feel that he has mentally added "if you dare.") entering, he frowns at you, (it has become chronic with Bulldoze to frown superiority at all undergraduates), but never asks you to be seated, if you have come to request an excuse for an absence from recitation or the like, he first scowls at you then smiles a sarcastic smile, as though he would say: "You're lying to me you rascal you, I know your deceitful pranks, and I'm not to be imposed upon by them." Then he attempts to appal you by entering into a detailed examination of the case, quizzes you upon a vast array of pertinent and impertinent topics, seeking all the time to impress you with the belief that you are a culprit of the vilest kind, that your proper sphere would be a prison cell, your garmenture a straight-jacket, and if he could follow out his own inclinations many minutes would not elapse before you had your just merits. Then he says; "Well, sir, you have been guilty of a flagrant violation of one of the rules of the University. I shall be compelled to report your case to the Faculty, and you must abide the consequences, I am myself persuaded there is no possible avenue of escape for you." In conclusion, he fires a "Good morning, sir!" at you as a parting

blast, to wither the slightest hope of assistance from him, in your hour of trial, which you may have been so foolish as to nourish in your mind. Now what is the result? You walk off from Bulldozes door, and if you are a specimen of average humanity, you—well, first you execrate, then having relieved yourself of the superfluous pressure of your wrath through the safety-valve of expletive, you quietly register this solemn vow, and fold it away in the archives of your brain for future reference.

(Vow.)

“When I take my degree, I’m going up to call on old Bulldoze and I am going to shake my Dip. under his nose and I am going to say: There! you blatant old pedagogue! you miserable ignoramus! you district-schoolmaster! you nonentity! you old grandmother! you chief of the unincorporated institution of mean men! there is my degree! do you see it? Well, I didn’t receive it through any fault of yours, and now, if you will step out into the hall, sir, I will enjoy an overwhelming amount of pleasure in kicking you down stairs!”

In the class-room Bulldoze always calls the roll, no one being so well acquainted with the fact as he, that his lectures are so dull and uninteresting that he would never have any student attendance were it not from compulsion. He has a great habit of singling out individual students and humiliating them in some such formula as the following: “Mr. Smith, you may stop talking, or you may leave the room.” Do you suppose Smith ever forgives the old termagant after that? If in the natural course of human events you blunder in some recitation of his, he bellows forth, “There, Sir, that will do, Sir, how many times do you suppose I have told you that same thing, Sir.” You may remember, chummy, that there is a clause in the *Register* which distinctly states that the marking system in the University has been abolished, but Prof. Bulldoze rises superior to all University rules and day by day keeps a regular series of marks in his class-book for no other purpose than to determine the student’s rank at the end of the term. In examinations he is continually prowling around like a thief at night, glaring at your papers, trying to scowl deceit into your countenance whether you will or no; happy he, when he succeeds in pouncing upon some poor devil caught in the act of ponying. The result of all this necessarily is that students who would rather be accused of theft than of attempting to deceive Prof. Oldboy, under old Bulldoze well may it be said:

Here all those crib who never cribbed before,
And those who once have cribbed now crib the more.

Furthermore, he never thinks of speaking to you when you pass him in the street or on the campus. None of the students like him; he commands no

respect; alumni always shun him when they return to their *Alma Mater*. Why, chum, you know what a philanthropist I am, well, last year some wag started the rumor that old Bulldoze was dead, and when I heard it I actually clapped my hands with very joy, and the refrain of “In Hades below” flew swiftly through my brain; of course I was awfully penitent when I came to my senses, but my penitence was not so great but that I fairly howled when I learned that it was all a hoax. But old Bulldoze is a disagreeable subject, so let us dismiss him, chum, drown him, as it were, in a cloud of smoke.

THE CANDIDATE.

You all know the Candidate; in fact during the last three weeks the Candidate has been the best-known, the most inordinately praised and the most severely criticised individual in the University. Upon the numerous class offices of the different classes he has had a watchful eye, and his regard for them has only been excelled by his personal regard for the voter. The Candidate at present is either safely lodged in the bosom of his wished-for office, or he is wondering how the “other man” polled more votes than he, and is taking a morose satisfaction in picking out the men who voted against him. Dropping the past tense, let us look at the Candidate before election. He is now omnipresent, and lacks only votes to make him omnipotent. In Roman History he stands around the stove, and while he toasts his coat-tails, he dilates to a knot of by-standers on the deplorable dullness in class affairs, and the necessity of an election of officers to put the class in proper trim for the year’s work. If asked who would be a proper person for president, he modestly casts his eyes towards the poker under the stove, and says he hasn’t thought of the matter much yet, but it ought to be some live class man who would keep things on the jump. While nothing can exceed the modesty of the modest candidate who relies upon his merits and the partiality of his friends to elevate him to his coveted position, nothing can rival the assurance of the candidate who boldly announces that he is going to run. The first hopes to be tendered a place on some ticket which the combined sentiment of many friends may produce, the other calmly sits down to the perilous undertaking of “making out the ticket.” The *modus operandi* of this branch of class politics is to spend an evening in company with a *Cornell Register* and the society lists of the *Cornellian* or *Cornelian*. To make out the ticket requires tact, and above all a just appreciation of the “balance of power” theory. A ticket to “draw” must appeal to every division of the class made by University or social connections. At any college the problem of com-

bination on a ticket is difficult enough, but at Cornell it is extraordinarily complicated. First the number and importance of the positions to be assigned to different societies; ditto to the independents are to be considered—no slight undertaking in itself. Then the rival claims of the “hill” and the “valley” have to be adjusted so that each will have an equal representation. Then, as it will never do to have all from the literary courses, the ticket must include a fair number from the technical courses. Besides these, there are a multitude of personal considerations to be taken into account, and also the effect of settling up “old scores” for past elections. The Candidate chooses his own position without much hesitation, and then proceeds to distribute the twelve remaining offices with regard to the considerations mentioned above. Now the *Register* and the society lists come into play. By much arranging and re-arranging, by much blotting out and inserting, the list is finally ready for the first revise. A stroke of the pen will suddenly send one headlong from the lofty pinnacle of the vice-presidency down to the marshalship, or a corresponding secretary will be transformed into a toast-master or a prophet, if certain combinations are unwieldy. Finally the Candidate gazes upon his new-born ticket, and pronounces it very good. The ticket is temporarily completed, but it is in an elastic state yet, and can be changed in case of an emergency. In the early morning the candidate sallies forth to see those on the ticket who are as yet unconscious of the honor that fate has called them to over night, and he uses his endeavors to have them “stick.” The ticket is now fairly launched, and immediately the dormant “opposition” awakes to the importance of the crisis, and prepares for action. From this moment until the election the Candidate has a double thought, either to “lay out” the opposition or be “laid out” with dignity to himself and the rest of the ticket. Now all the machinery is set in motion, and the “wire-pulling” commences. Friends of the rival candidates are suddenly taken with a great desire to go out calling on acquaintances whose views on the tickets are not supposed to be “sound,” and whose rooms have not been visited since the last *Era* election. The empty halls of Cascadilla resound with the foot-steps of the vote-seeker, the University buildings are ablaze with excitement, and it is even rumored that the placid repose and the maidenly conservatism of the Sage are affected by the preparations for the conflict. Late at night the Candidate having heard the reports on the doubtful men, checks off their names on the *Register*, and having figured out his probable chances for election, folds that useful pamphlet to his bosom, and sinks down to troubled dreams. On election morning the Candidate makes the final arrangements for getting out the vote,

and then having solemnly denounced for the third and last time the conduct of the opposition, awaits the opening of the polls. When after the voting, the tellers have assorted out the “blue” the “gray” and the “white” tickets, and have announced the Candidate as elected or defeated, the Candidate smiles at the result, and philosophically resigns himself to his good or bad fortune.

Cujus.

A GROWL.

The subject of cold recitation rooms has been as well ventilated as are the rooms themselves, but with no relief. The beautiful climate of Italy where no fire is needed the year round, and orange trees bloom in January is still described in a glorious richness of synonyms while the mercury stands at the freezing point; and Chaucer's beautiful description of a June day is solemnly read to a frozen but appreciative tribe of Anglo-Saxons who vainly strive to warm themselves by the poetic fervor of the verses. A few professors peremptorily dismiss their classes amid the benedictions of the students when the temperature is not sufficiently high; others seated conveniently near the anti-clinker stove which does not do its perfect work, with courteous politeness ask the class if they are sufficiently interested in the subject, not to mind if the room is a trifle chilly, and, unless all protest against remaining, proceed; while some cold blooded school-men, who never know what it is to be warm, although there is strong probability that they will have definite ideas on the subject at no distant day, continue to lecture while the Pasha philosophically blows rings with his congealed breath, and sighs longingly for a cigarette, and asks his neighbor for a match. Since the University authorities have utterly failed to warm the rooms, if indeed they ever tried to do so, there is but one course left open to us. If the rooms are cold, all, with one consent, should refuse to remain in them, and if some scholiast at the lecture-desk doesn't like it, we can console ourselves with the reflection that there are probably a great many things which he does not like, and that one more or less will probably make no difference.

—ZERO.

COMMUNICATIONS.

NEMO TO HIS CRITICS.

To the Editors of the Era :—To close the co-education debate which has been going on in your columns for some weeks past, I ask but a small space.

My figures gave the number of students who were in college during any part of each year, and I know them to be correct. The elaborate table prepared to prove that an increase of five dollars a

term in the tuition fees has caused the decrease in numbers—an idea too absurd to take notice of—I suppose gives the number of students at the beginning of each year. If this is the case, it could not have been “carefully prepared,” for the only female student who was in the University during the year 1871-2, entered in the spring term, and consequently should not appear, as she does in the table. I have seen nothing else which needs answer.

In conclusion, I would call to your notice, that since the admission of women at Michigan, there has been a considerable decrease in the number of students; that in the last semester of the universities of German-speaking lands, only two have conspicuously decreased in numbers—Heidelberg and Zürich—the former known to be weak through lack of funds, the latter being the only one that admits women, (see the last number of the *Academy*), which facts only tend to strengthen my belief that the admission of women has injured Cornell University, if in no other respects, at least as regards the number of students.

NEMO.

CORNELLIANA.

- Shoot the cannon!
- The Seniors orate next Wednesday.
- This week Mundy came on Sunday.
- Where, oh, where is that new Register?
- And now the Freshmen propose to have a class supper.
- Skinned noses and blackened eyes are the first fruits of the Rugby.
- The first number of the ERA was printed nine years ago next Thursday.
- A Junior in Psychology says he has the “Live Questions,” perfectly dead.
- The Seniors under Prof. Shackford have extempore speaking every Friday.
- There has been an addition to the military department. Freshmen toe the mark.
- Prof. Shackford will lecture before the Curtis Literary Society on Saturday evening.
- These bright moon-light evenings are especially favorable to promenades in the gorge.
- Prof. Crane’s French divisions having finished *Le Cid*, began reading Racine’s *Athalie* to-day.
- Ulsters and seal-skins have supplanted the brass buttons and pompons, since the late cold snap.
- “Let us gaze for a moment,” said a Curtis man, Saturday Night, “at the development of the human child.”
- If the “cap and gown” movement becomes the success it promises, the manly figure of Verdant Green will appear in numerous duplicates on the hill, as though expressly imported from England.

—The episode of the cannon will call up in the minds of all admirers of T. B. Aldrich, his “Story of a Bad Boy.”

—The Philaethean and Irving Societies have placed an additional gas jet in the Middle Hall of the N. U. B.

—Last Tuesday night half a dozen Sophomores made an unsuccessful attempt to capture another Freshmanic cane.

—According to one of our architectural Sophomores a certain Senior in Mechanic arts is draughting a *stutteronomy*.

—The other day, in the Machine shop, a Junior crawled upon the side of a testing machine, pulled off his coat and asked for somebody to weigh him.

—The Anglo-Saxon class were actually driven out of their old quarters in Room “I” last Monday to seek a more congenial clime in the regions above.

—“This must be ‘blue Monday,’” ejaculated a Professor the other day as he sat shivering behind his desk while his class were clamorous for an adjournment.

—“It is not meet to vote for Bacon,” said a fair voter as she carefully folded up a gray ticket, preparatory to making a descent on the ballot-box in Military hall.

—The Philaetheans will finally settle the complicated co-educational problem to-morrow evening. Both *Nemo* and *Aliquis* are expected to participate in the debate.

—Bacon was appointed a committee of three on Tuesday; to take in charge the printing and sale of Dr. Wilson’s syllabus in Psychology. On sale at Finch & Apgar’s book-store.

—Serenades have been quite numerous during the week, and when the “dews of evening” fall in any shape less concrete than a healthy pitcher of water, they are very enjoyable.

—The following notice appeared on the bulletin the other day: “A cane with a brass ferule was found beside an apple barrel in the University barn.” It has not been identified.

—“I guess they have taken the fort,” growled a Prof. last Monday morning as he beheld in the shattered windows of his recitation room, the result of the previous night’s cannonade.

—The earthquake which has been traveling across the country must have reached here about two o’clock Monday morning, if the shattered condition of the Laboratory and McGraw is any evidence.

—This year’s Register will contain the examination papers in Arabic, which were submitted to Professor Rœhrig’s class last year. The plates were made by the Photographic process invented by Mr. Ives, of the Photo. Laboratory.

—Prof. Corson will give a public reading at the Baptist church next Tuesday evening, at 7:30.

—A Junior was recently found trying to solicit from Freshmen subscriptions for the "Rules of Guidance for Students," which he represented as being published bi-monthly, and subject to revision and enlargement at every issue.

—Rule of order No. 28, may be of interest just now: "No student is permitted, except for purposes of military drill to use fire arms in the University buildings, or on the University grounds within half a mile of the buildings."

—The following is the table of contents of the *Review* to be issued Monday next: I. Poem—T. Tide-Bell. II. Rumpeltzsichen, Part I, from the German of Otto Roquette. III. The Moral Type as the Ideal of Different Ages, (Foster's Woodford.) IV. National Glory. V. Literaria. Editorial department, Memorabilia, &c.

—The Rugby game does not meet with that enthusiastic reception that was hoped for. It is considered highly exciting and interesting, but when old foot-ball players find that accidents in the form of black eyes and bruised limbs are in the ratio of three to one of the old game, it looks as if the "science" of the new ought hardly to outweigh in favor of the comfort of the old.

—The patterns of a fifty dollar foot-lathe of an entirely new design are partially completed. It is expected the first one will be finished about the 1st of January. Heretofore the aim in the work done in the machine shop has been perfection, regardless of time or cost. The new lathe is designed to show that while the workmanship can be perfect the machine can be made cheap by a thorough study of plan.

—The recent examination in Hygiene brought out some ingenious modes of spelling, of which the following are examples: "Doe" for "dough," "kneed" for "knead," "rase" for "raise," "nee" for "knee," "ribb" for "rib," "linnen" for "linen," "rap" for "wrap," "wolen" for "woolen," "soop" for "soup," "tickel" for "tickle," "chimbney" for "chimney," "tounge" for "tongue." Perhaps a revival of spelling matches might be advantageous.

—The Pasha breaks into song after the manner of his favorite author:

"A certein wyght had verry badde colde,
Whenever that he Chaucer reden wolde;
The rather had I more parfittly sayde,
He had a badde colde in his heede."

—Moral of the Junior election, as seen by the defeated candidates:

"One pretty piece of romance marred;
A sunset-tinted prospect barred."

Vide last week's poetry.

—The annual contest for the prizes in Latin, Greek, Mathematics and Metaphysics, offered by the Inter-Collegiate Literary Association, took place in the building of the New York University on Thursday, Nov. 15. The examinations in each subject extended through eight hours—four in a forenoon and four in an afternoon session. Cornell was represented only in Mathematics. In this subject the colleges and classes represented were: Cornell, '79; Lafayette, '77; Princeton, '78; New York University, '78; Rutgers, '78.

—"Rule 28," of the University Code, has again been violated, and twenty-five dollars worth of broken window glass and over fifty dollars worth of damaged cannon is the horrifying result. That is to say that on last Monday morning at about two o'clock, somebody perpetrated a joke on one of the University cannons, which partook of a serious as well as a practical nature, by loading it to the muzzle and having aimed it in the direction of the McGraw building, applying to it a lighted fuse which sent the charge whizzing through space, and the cannon performing a series of acrobatic feats which left it in a decidedly demoralized condition. Major Burbank thinks the damage to the gun will be over fifty dollars, and it is an interesting problem just now as to who is to sustain the same.

—A meeting of the students interested in football was held in room T on Friday last. Conant, '78, was elected temporary chairman, and it was decided to elect permanent officers by acclamation, and accordingly the following were nominated and elected. Newton, '79, President; Ingalls, '79, Vice-President; Shippen, '81, Secretary; Simons, '79, Treasurer. It was resolved to admit all students of the University as members. A motion was made to adopt the Rugby Union rules but it was laid upon the table until more should become familiar with the game and be prepared to vote intelligently upon the motion. A resolution providing for the appointment of an executive committee, consisting of one from each class, President ex-officio, chairman, was introduced and passed. The committee is composed of Conant, '78, Simons, '79, Snyder, '80, Shippen, '81, and the President. The treasurer was instructed to procure as many copies of the Rugby Union Rules as he saw fit and circulate them. The meeting adjourned until 1 p. m., Friday, when it is hoped a large number may be in attendance, as then the question of the adoption of the new rules will be settled.

—The political struggle which culminated in the election held in Military hall, last Saturday afternoon, eclipses anything of a similar nature in the history of all preceding classes. In former years, Junior elections have been decidedly tame affairs, free from all rivalry, the officers usually being chosen by acclamation, by a relatively small por-

tion of the class. But it was not so with the Junior election of '79—when a hall was procured, tickets printed, thorough canvass made, and participated in by almost all of the members of the class. The voter came up with the class tax in one hand and the much-pondered o'er ballot in the other, and if his name was on the list of the favored proceeded to exercise the elective franchise. Woe to the undecided who came in with his mind divided between the several candidates. With wonderful perception he would at once be recognized and surrounded by the crowd of "workers," each one asserting the merits of the blue, white or gray ticket. Occasionally one of the fairer sex would descend attended by a proud escort who piloted his charge gracefully among the groups of masculines, to the voting place. When the vote was announced it was found that there was a tie on the prophet and orator. The following were the successful candidates. Calvin Tompkins, President; R. B. Gelatt, Vice President; W. C. Kerr, Corresponding Secretary; J. C. Kennedy, Recording Secretary; E. C. Russel, Treasurer; I. A. Haight, Historian; F. H. Severance, Poet; E. J. Moffat, Toast Master; E. W. Gregory, E. Lowenbien, Marshals.

—A meeting of the Sophomore class was held Wednesday in room "T." President Snyder on taking the chair announced that the meeting was called to consider the questions of adopting the Rugby rules in foot-ball, holding a class supper, settling their debts, and adopting the "cap and gown." The treasurer, Mr. Pennock, stated that the class was in debt to the amount of \$25, including \$13.33 due Prof. Oliver on the inter-collegiate tax of last year. On motion a class-tax was levied, but the treasurer, having doubts as to his ability to collect the amount single-handed, moved that three assistant treasurers be appointed to aid in the work. The chair named Messrs. Farquhar, Jones and Manniere, as the committee. A motion to hold the class supper on the eve of Washington's birth-day—the same night the Juniors last week determined to hold theirs—was voted down, and a committee, consisting of Messrs. Carpenter, Webster and Farquhar were appointed to make arrangements for the supper, and report to the class at some future meeting. The subject of the "cap and gown" being called up, after a little discussion, Messrs. Messenger, Webster and Gaunt were appointed a committee to ascertain the sentiment of the class in the matter, and obtain the names of those who will promise to adopt the "cap and gown." Some opposition was manifested against the Rugby rules, but after some debate they were finally adopted. Mr. Messenger resigned his position as class historian. On motion of Mr. Farquhar the meeting adjourned until Dec. 4th, when the offices now vacant will be filled.

PERSONALIA.

E. D. SHERMAN, '77, is studying law with Judge Black in Cleveland.

THE Rt. Rev. Bishop Whipple of Minnesota, has been spending a few days with Dr. Wilson.

HURD, '72, who was reported in last week's ERA as being defeated, was in fact elected to the Assembly, running largely ahead of his ticket.

PROF. Goldwin Smith is the author of "Wordsworth" one of the volumes in the "Men of Letters" series now being published by MacMillan, & Co.

THE Rt. Rev. Bishop Brown, S. T. D., of the diocese of Fon du Lac, has been visiting Prof. Babcock of the University during the last week. He officiated at the Episcopal services held in the Chapel last Sunday.

EXCHANGES.

The *Princetonian* is one of the most readable exchanges which we receive. Its editorials are upon live topics, written carefully yet pithily, so that in its treatment of college news it admirably complements the more sedate *Nassau Lit.* Among the contributions we notice an article with the attractive title of "The Devil" which begins as follows:

"It is recorded that a certain Scotch minister in preaching from the text, "The devil as a roaring lion walketh about seeking whom he may devour," divided his sermon into four parts, and using his own peculiar grammar, gave them out thus: First, who the devil he is; second, what the devil he is doing; third, who the devil he is after, and fourth, what the devil he is going to do with them."

Now after having carefully perused and digested this same article we are bewildered, and feel an inclination to say, what the devil it is all about? The exchange editor of the *Princetonian* has been indulging in a mighty combat with the *Dartmouth*; which now that the smoke and dust of the affray have partially lifted their shrouding veil, proves to have been nought but a just, for both combatants retire mutually proud of their prowess in arms. The *Princetonian* closes a short criticism of the *Undergraduate's Journal*, saying:

"We do not mean any disparagement of the sermons in the *Journal*, however, for those which we have read were undoubtedly worthy of places in any paper."

We see no reason to doubt it, taking ourself as a criterion.

The current *Advocate* contains what it calls "A Warning to Anonymous Writers," in which it prints a miserable poem, interlarding various portions with editorial comments; perhaps the greatest hit of the piece is where, after having quoted the whole poem, the author says:

"To say that we were exhausted after reading this effusion of genius would be superfluous. We so far forgot our dignity as to be gently led to—well, let the imagination play;

where we soothed our aching head and maddened brain by swearing mighty oaths over a fragrant cracker that that poem should never appear in the *Advocate*."

We surmise that somehow that "fragrant cracker" was too much for the editor, and that the last few words were written in a trance, and hence he should not be held guilty of perjury, which would otherwise certainly be the verdict of the casual reader.

The *Advocate* prints the following :

"GRIND" ON THE ERA.

From the *Princetonian*.

"The most stupendous joke of all, however is the following, from the *Era* :—

"The contributed department of the *Vassar Lit.* for the last number is remarkably well sustained. "Mrs. Brown's Aurora Leigh" and "Jean Jacques Rousseau" are especially good and worthy of notice. "A vacation Trip in Cuba" and "Maria Lætitia Romolino" are also good."

"When it is known that the *Vassar Lit.* is a periodical hitherto unheard of, and that the above-mentioned articles appeared in the *Vassar Lit.* for July, the essence of the whole can, in a measure, be appreciated."

This "Grind" assumes appalling proportions when it is known that firstly : the *Era* never printed the paragraph referred to ; and secondly : the *Princetonian* never said that the *Era* printed such a paragraph ; but although the "Grind" appears much more *stupendous* than before, it does not, somehow, appear to be on the *Era*. The *Advocate* says our exchange columns seem to be chiefly a reprint of the last number of the *Advocate* ; certainly under these circumstances the *Advocate* should have extended to us the generous encouragement which it recently received from the *Yale Courant*, namely : to save trouble and expense to kindly offer to send on their matter in type.

The *Yale Record* is one of the most welcome of our exchanges, and we ever anticipate its arrival with pleasure, knowing that it will contain some entertaining sketches or articles, which we should be glad to read, even if it were not our duty so to do. This week it indulges in a little crinate philosophy, and in "The Moral Influence of Wigs" tells us what a "delusion and a snare," what a "hollow mockery" are these capillary adornments ; it rather harrows up our feelings nevertheless, to have such delicate allusions made, as the following relative to the personal appearance of one's lady-love :

"Imagine your feelings on discovering that the idol of your heart's affections viewed nature through a glass eye ! Or if in one of her sweetest smiles her teeth should fall out ! Horrible ! However much you may have loved and worshiped her, the idol is fallen, the ideal is gone forever. Emerson says, "the accepted and betrothed lover has lost the wildest charm of his maiden in her acceptance of him. She was heaven whilst he pursued her as a star ; she cannot be heaven if she stoops to such a one as he." This is a hard saying ; and while we may rebel against the doctrine and strive to crush out its sentiment from our own hearts, we must admit that the principle is universally true."

A little further on the writer says :

"But there is another effect worse than all. The persons most tempted to wear wigs are preachers and pedagogues. They foolishly imagine that by so doing they add dignity to their persons cover up an imagined defect and thereby enhance the respect of others."

Which forcibly reminds us of Paul Sweedlepipe who wore "a wig of curly black ringlets, parted on one side, and cut away almost to the crown, to indicate immense capacity of intellect."

The *Record* seems to have had head adornment, so to speak, "on the brain," for another article considers "Individuality in Hats," and suggests the manifold advantages which would arise from the adoption of a peculiar style of hat by each class in college as it says :

"If, instead of a few, all Seniors would wear plugs, and all Freshmen slouch hats the members of those classes could be distinguished with much less trouble than now. The Juniors and Sophomores might be induced to adopt a style peculiar to each. The former could wear caps, while the latter might take the war-path protected by helmets. The variations in such a system would be practically unlimited and of great advantage to all concerned. For instance, if a subscription man should see in the distance a slouch hat, he would recognize the Freshman and would have all his arguments ready when he reached him. On the other hand, if the collector would wear a red hat, the victims would know just when to flee from the impending doom."

It seems to have become chronic with Yale to grumble over its Inter-collegiate contests. Just now her trouble is in the foot-ball field. Harvard, Columbia and Princeton have each agreed to play with a foot-ball team of fifteen. Forthwith, Yale refuses to play, except she be allowed to enter into competition with eleven on each side, and as none of the three colleges mentioned have acceded to these terms, Yale remains, at least so the Yalensians would have it, champions of the foot-ball arena.

The *Bowdoin Orient* closes an article on "Music" with the following truism, which it would be well for all Cornelians to bear in mind, for certainly Enterpe is not wooed here with such fervor as formerly :

"Show us a college without its glee-clubs, class quartettes, and college orchestra, and we will show you one lacking in spirit and energy. The influence exerted by music is very great ; it refines and elevates the soul, and lifts man above the reach of sordid and debasing passions. Wherever music dwells there dwells with it culture and refinement."

Another writer in the *Orient* buckles on his cestus, and proceeds to champion Zenobia and her charms over her rival "the much-spoken-of Cleopatra" as he says :

"We admire the beauty and bravery of the Egyptian Queen. We have heard of the wonderful exploits of Semiramis, but never in the history of her kind has woman shown such a remarkable combination of faculties as did Zenobia. Profound military skill, insatiable thirst for knowledge, generosity and love for her subjects such as no monarch or queen before or since has ever shown ; knowledge of human nature, and beauty such as that in which Tennyson clothed his Mermaid Queen. These were the lights which made her brief

reign—so rudely cut short by the Roman power—likened unto the unheralded visitation of a flaming meteor in the gloomy firmament, and departing only to make the darkness seem more intense.”

The *Orient* devotes but little space to editorial comments, but compensates for this seeming neglect by excellent literary matter, and copious local notes.

A writer in the *Trinity Tablet* has had a vision, which he expresses metrically, of Trinity transformed, “of buildings new and grand,” and all possessed with

“An air of life, and energy and growth,
Which startled me, accustomed for so long
To Trinity’s conservatism and sloth.”

Whereupon the visionary inquirer of Oneiros who had vouchsafed this dream

“ “how
This change had come about. He, smiling said:
‘Your college has some active rulers now.’”

Apparently this “was not all a dream. For in an editorial we find the following paragraph which it would greatly please us to print as original in our own editorial columns:

“Put the same mysterious influence which is permeating all the class-rooms, and Faculty-meetings ‘held with closed doors’ has actually resulted in the laying of a new walk or rather the relaying of an old one. We can scarcely believe our eyes, but the walk is there. We have tested it with our own feet. For a year we shall pass over dry walks, and not through a mushy mess of mud. This is an improvement which we have much needed, and we are duly grateful.”

FACETIÆ.

Scene at East College—*First Junior*: “I say, Will, where is the Latin lesson?” *Second Junior*: “On page 304 of the horse: don’t know where it is in the other book.”—*Amherst Student*.

Recitation in Physics. Prof.—“Mr. F., what is the effect when an animal is placed in the exhausted receiver of an air pump?” Mr. F.—“It dies.” Prof.—“Immediately?” Mr. F.—“Yes, sir.” Prof.—“How do you account for this?” Mr. F.—“It dies not only from the lack of air in the receiver, but from the tendency of the *air in the animal itself to blow it up.*—*Orient*.”

Conversation overheard by our reporter at the Lowell Institute last evening: “Who is this man Gurty that he’s talking about?” “Who! why the greatest name in all German literature. Shut up, and don’t expose your ignorance.” “I never heard of no such name Gurty before; how did he spell his name, anyway?” “G-œ-t-h-e.” “Oh, I know now! Of course! He means ‘Go-eeth.’” —*Boston Traveler*.

COLLEGIANA.

—President Seelye suggests the holding of weekly meetings in the colleges, in which students and professors might compare opinions on various topics.

—Since the rescinding of the order for the extra noon recitation, some of the Seniors have time to pursue their investigations in the molecular theory in beer, and later development in the science of billiards. —*Yale Record*.

—Cambridge University, England, is in a flourishing condition. The number of students matriculated during the past academical year was 738, as against 699 in the previous year. The number of degrees conferred was 871 as against 823.

—Mrs. Simmons, of Cornell University, has been elected to the chair of Natural History in the University of North Carolina.—*Journal of Education*. Mrs. Simmons? Don’t know her, never heard of her; there is a mistake somewhere; either there isn’t any Mrs. Simmons or there isn’t any Cornell, or there isn’t any Natural History, or any chair of North Carolina, or any University, or else that paragraph was confused.

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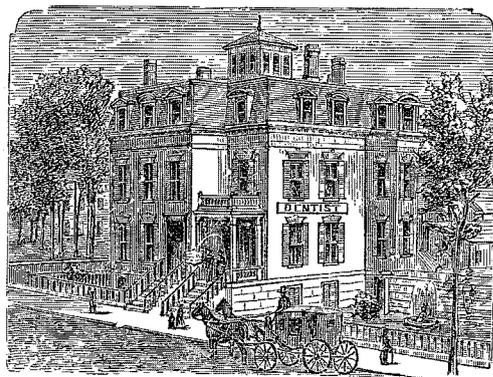
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THE Thanksgiving number of the ERA is presented to its readers with the best wishes of the editors. The issue of this week will be seen to be somewhat larger than usual, and will, we trust, be found more than usually interesting. A large number of contributed articles are given, coming from writers whose names are well known in educational and literary circles. The value of these contributions will be appreciated by our readers.

THE list of Senior committees was posted on the bulletin-board last Tuesday. The various appointments seem to have been made with a view to the eternal fitness of persons as well as things. Some of the committee work will demand much attention before it can be satisfactorily completed; and now that everything is in good running order, there is no reason why the various duties assigned should not be entered upon immediately.

THE attention of all students is called to a communication in this issue, on the subject of a reading room. The article is well-timed and very appropriate, setting forth the feasibility and many advantages of one. If there is anything needed at present, it is a reading room where students may have access to the periodicals and daily papers. Many of us have odd moments on the hill when down-right study is not desirable, and such a re-

quirement as here spoken of would be hailed with joy. We read exasperating accounts of reading rooms at other colleges where students can discuss the daily news, while waiting for their recitation hours. Let us have a reading room by all means.

THE idea of giving an entertainment some time next term for the benefit of the Navy has met with much approval among the students. While all who have spoken of the subject at all have considered the idea an excellent one, quite a number have expressed their readiness to take part in such an affair, and to do all they can towards making it a success. At present all seem to be waiting for some one to take the initiative in the matter. We would suggest that a meeting of the Navy Directors be called to talk up the matter. Set the ball rolling, and those most interested will come forward, and some definite action can be taken. This is a very appropriate time for holding an entertainment, as there seems to be an unusual amount of theatrical talent in the University at present.

THE experience of former classes has shown the trouble which has arisen in the selection of a class photographer. Many preliminary arrangements are necessitated before any satisfactory results can be obtained, and it frequently happens that the whole matter is reconsidered, owing to unexpected difficulties. This is sometimes the fault of the class, and sometimes due to the negligence and incapacity of the photographer. Be this as it may, the only way to obviate these difficulties and insure satisfaction to both parties is to take time by the fore-lock, call a class meeting and agitate the subject. In many of the colleges, the necessity of early action in the matter has been recognized, and the class photographer chosen. Other matters pertaining to class-day will, of course, demand considerable time, but this seems to be the one about which there is always more or less dissatisfaction and delay. Let a meeting of the class be called soon, and the subject discussed.

THIS year is approaching its end ; this year which has been very much like all the other years which we have known, because it has brought some joy and some sorrow. The good and the bad always come together, and it is likely that this year has been as good to us as any other will be. We have come to the holiday season, the time when it is customary to stop a little from working and worrying continually to be joyful and thankful, and when we ought to look about us to see if we can prove that thankfulness which we like to profess. The first of these coming holidays is now at hand, and with the fruits of golden harvest fields, and all the produce of the generous earth gathered into full granaries and store-houses, the nation is preparing to celebrate its day of thanksgiving. Certainly, this seems, of all seasons of the year, to be a fitting time for being especially thankful, and the custom of holding public festivals after harvest is an ancient one. With us it is still a pleasant holiday. On this day the merchant will leave his store, the laborer his tools, the scholar his books, and all will have a little time for rest and recreation ; all over the land there will be pleasant reunions, happy hearts, and laughing voices. In every cottage, every hut, and every mansion, this will be a holiday. Without doubt this custom of setting aside one day for thanksgiving is a beautiful one. It is pleasant to see a whole people stopping for a day to be thankful, or even to be free and happy ; but it would be pleasanter if we could feel that a great share of them would not forget about it for all the rest of the year. Foreigners say that we have too few holidays ; that we are a nation of people who seem to have no time to stop to render thanks for our blessings, and for enjoying them. However that may be, and whatever the cause, it is to be feared that a good use is not always made of those which we have. While many try to make them a means of recreation, others regard them only as days for periodical excess ; and on this thanksgiving day there is danger that fewer will think of the past with grateful feelings for the good which it has brought us, than of the future with eager longing for its lucre. There are indeed too many men who are very thankful and happy on one day, but who neither give themselves nor their families any occasion to

feel so on any other day. But to the most of us this day, is a pleasant and profitable one, and many are the recollections which it brings to us. Who has forgotten the thanksgivings of his childhood ? Those were days which we looked forward to, and days long to be remembered. Then our various aunts and uncles, and cousins all came, and the day was a merry one. At last, the long expected dinner would come ; and such a dinner ! We used to wish we were bigger, or that there was not so much to eat. Well for us it was that these days only came once in a while. In the evening, too, we had apples, and nuts, and games, and then the story-telling uncle was called upon to relate some of his delightful tales. And so it was all very pleasant. We thought then that thanksgiving was a fine thing ; we were glad that somebody had been thoughtful enough to invent it, and wished that he had been thankful oftener. Memories like these must come to all of us, and if there is one thing which more than another will go with us as a good influence, it is the recollection of happy home gatherings, and of pleasant meetings with friends. To us students, far from home, such memories will be doubly pleasant, and in thought we shall be elsewhere. We have two holidays now, and they are very acceptable, coming as they do, near the end of a long term. The most of us work so steadily that we can most heartily enjoy and make use of all the holidays which we get. Some will take advantage of the opportunity thus given them to pay a short visit to their home, or to friends conveniently near, but perhaps the greater share will remain in town. Of the latter those who are invited out to dine will have the usual amount of pleasure which attends such occasions ; but those who spend a quiet afternoon with a few friends at their club or private rooms will have just as pleasant a time. The best way to show that you are thankful is to be happy, and to help make others happy, and then they can be thankful too. We hope that every one will have a good time and a good dinner, and that nothing will happen to mar the pleasantness of the day. May all be able to make good use of this vacation, and get the rest which is needed, and may this thanksgiving be one of the days which is never forgotten, but which is remembered always with pleasure.

A LOVER'S MOODS.

I.

1.
Deeper are thine eyes than Hades,
With their strange and chilling gloom,
And to gaze too long into them
Is the sure eternal doom.

2.

And to love thee is to suffer
All the torments of the lost,
Writhing now in restless transports,
Now heart-chilled with piercing frost—

3.

And erelong with angry wishes,
Flushed, and passionate resolves—
Hating, penitent, forgiving—
Thus the breathless day revolves.

4.

What! A tear!—the river Lethe
Flowing by the Hades shore—
Yes, I have been cruel, darling;
I shall speak so never more.

5.

And the river of oblivion
Drowns my woe, my angry word,
Sooth, I might escape from Hades,
Were not Lethe there to ford!

II.

I.

Ah, poorer far than the beggars am I
That haunt the steps of St. Peter,
And were I arrayed in rags like them
The likeness were still completer.

2.

Thou answerest: "Nay, they sleep on the stone;
Have ever an empty larder."
The alms, my beloved, from thy white hand
Are colder than stone and harder.

III.

I.

My thoughts about thee forever
In narrowing courses run,
Like patient processions of planets
Circling around the sun.

2.

But thy days were filled with splendor,
And radiant shone thy sky;—
And the vigilant pilgrims of heaven
Were hidden afar from thine eye.

3.

But the black-hooded night of sorrow
Wrapped in chill darkness thy sun,
Then out of the gloom the planets
Came peeping one by one.

--H. H. B.

DRINKING SONG.

(I wrote this on going out from a lecture on philosophy,
when I was seventeen years old)—Boileau.

I.

Ye dreamy old sages who think to know all,
Foes of King Bacchus, submit to his thrall.
Your spirits are too much puffed up---
Away ye old fools and study the cup,
He only is wise who guzzles his sack,
Who knows not to drink, in knowledge doth lack.

II.

In the midst of the feast where the song and jest blend,
The savant, poor fellow! is at his wit's end,
The rioter in glory doth sup—
Away ye old fools and study the cup,
He only is wise who guzzles his sack,
Who knows not to drink, in knowledge doth lack.

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SMOKING SONG.

I.

The wind through the tree-tops whistles,
But brightly on the hearth
Glow the fire, and near it sitting
At peace with all the earth,
I watch the smoke clouds ascending.
'Tis a time of bliss unending—
An evening with my pipe.

II.

Away with your *Flor del Fumar*,
And Spanish *Por el Rey!*
A pipe for a sturdy smoker,
The rest are only play.
My old pipe shall leave me never;
With fragrance it is ripe.
You may smoke cigars forever,
But give to me my pipe.

III.

Some fellows are even talking
Of "*Wein, Weib, und Gesang*;"
And hold this out for a warning
"*Ein Narr sein Leben lang*."
They're welcome to all such pleasure.
To me of joy the type
Is but a moment of leisure
In which to smoke my pipe.

IV.

You may sing the charms of Spring-tide,
Of Summer's "golden prime;"
You may sing the joys of Autumn,
Or sing the Winter time.
Why talk to me of the seasons?
With joys they may be ripe—
I care not a whiff for such reasons,
Have I not here my pipe?

--C.

UPSAL'S QUATER CENTENARY.

A quarter of a century ago (O the swift-moving wings of Time!) when the writer enjoyed the honor of being a *Westmanno-Dalecarlus*, that is a member of the Nation of Westmanland and Dalecarlia, at the Swedish University of Upsal, we students used, now and then, to talk of the four hundredth anniversary of the institution and of how gloriously it should be celebrated. The event was then far removed in the future; but the lapse of the restless years has at length brought around the date, and the celebration has come and gone. The venerable Scandinavian establishment of learning entered, this autumn, upon the five hundredth year of its existence, and the ceremonies which closed its first four centuries formed one of the most brilliant academic festivals ever held. Accounts of it have been published in most of the European journals, but none of these narratives is more cleverly written than that of the historian, Auguste Geffroy, in the last number of the *Revue des deux Mondes*, of which it seems proper that *The Era* should give a condensed paraphrase. M. Geffroy was himself deputized to represent the foremost of the learned bodies of the old world, the Institute of France, and found, on his arrival at Stockholm, a crowd of scholars from all parts of Europe, awaiting the advent of the important day.

On Tuesday, September 4th, a special train bore the distinguished guests from the Swedish capital to the pleasant University town, fifty miles to the North. The next day the ceremonies began. Amid salvos of artillery and the ringing of bells, and under a sun which threw its warm glare on the flags and trophies and escutcheons and triumphal arches and floral wreaths with which the city was decorated, a long procession marched through the portals of the great cathedral. In this ancient edifice the sight was a striking one. In the nave, at its lower end, were grouped the students—nearly two thousand in number—in their caps of white velvet. They stood around the banners of their Nations, which were surmounted with emblems, one bearing the bird of Minerva, another the image of Odin and his sacred ravens and a third the figure of St Eric—the symbols of classic wisdom, of Scandinavian mythology and of medieval Catholicism all towering aloft under the arches of a Christian temple. On the temporary tribunes of the side aisles were seated the ladies in gay gala costumes; in the galleries above were the choirs and orchestras. In the upper nave were ranged the foreign guests, wearing their official badges, and clad in every variety of garb, from the mantle of red velvet bordered with gold, of the Rector of the University of Greifswald, to the scarlet and black robes of the English and Scotch Universities

and the palm-adorned coats of the members of the French Institute. There sat delegations of scholars from Italian Bologna, the most ancient of European Universities, from the time-hallowed colleges of English Oxford and Cambridge, from Prague, the oldest of the great schools of Germany, from Heidelberg, Leipzig, Tübingen, Breslau, Göttingen and Erlangen, from Dutch Leyden and Utrecht, and from many lesser institutions. There, too, were the deputies of many Universities established during the nineteenth century—Charkoff in the Ukraine, Berlin, Geneva and Liège—some of them not less famous than their elder sisters. There were the representatives of the Institute of France, of the Collège de France and of the Faculties which have inherited the fame if not the name of the old University of Paris. Beyond this brilliant array of scholars, comprising scores of men of European reputation, were arranged the officials and delegates of the other Scandinavian schools, Copenhagen—which sent, among others, the venerable Madvig, the greatest of the world's living Latinists—Lund, Christiania and Icelandic Reykjavik. An interesting group was made up of the deputies sent by various Universities, once Swedish, but now, by right of conquest or annexation, belonging to other lands—Greifswald and Dorpat and Finnish Helsingfors. In the middle of the choir arose the *Cathedra*, in front of which, on a cushion of velvet, lay the venerated charter of the University, the Papal Bull, signed four hundred years ago by Sextus the Fifth—a document which has survived the ravages of time and accident. On the cathedra, around the central point of the vast assemblage—the chair of the Rector Magnificus, the learned Sahlin—were seated, on the right, the University's Professors, in their doctorate coats of black, with brodered collars. At their head were the Chancellor, Count Hamilton, belonging to a noble house famous in the annals of three great European kingdoms, and the Vice-Chancellor, the scholarly Archbishop Sundberg, primate of Sweden. On the Rector's left were grouped the members of the Swedish Parliament and of the Council of State, the ministers of the realm, and lastly, on a dais, King Oscar the Second and the youthful Prince Royal.

Before the opening of the Cathedral service the numerous choir, sang the national hymn; this was followed by the Archbishop's sermon and by some admirable orchestral and organ music. Then the marshals of the day—students in velvet caps and scarfs of the national colors—escorted the delegations from the various countries to the space in front of the Rector's chair. Sixty-three such deputations went up in turn, felicitated the Rector and retired. It had been arranged that the head of each of these representative bodies should limit

his harangue to five minutes. Most of the speakers used the Latin language. Fancy 315 minutes of Latin oratory, without counting the Rector's responses. Most of the delegations from foreign Universities brought with them, according to an ancient academic custom, official addresses elaborately engrossed on the finest of vellum. The representatives of France bore a more substantial gift in the shape of books to the value of twenty thousand francs.

In the evening took place the banquet given by the University to its guests and the greater banquet of graduates and undergraduates—the alumni having returned by the thousand. At the former festival the king of Sweden, who presided, made an admirable speech, which is likely to become classic. Its warm patriotism, its scholarly tone, its simple liberalism have since elicited the heartiest plaudits from the Scandinavian press. It may be said, in passing, that the present Swedish ruler occupies the anomalous position of being one of the best dramatic writers of his realm, and his address, in certain portions, was strikingly poetic. At the larger table there were speeches and songs and cheers in abundance. Still later the town was illuminated. On the low castle hill, which overlooks the city, was a grand display of fire-works, while the students, in a gay torch-light procession, traversed the principal streets, serenaded the King with the united choirs of the Nations, and greeted, with hearty enthusiasm, all the distinguished visitors.

On the following morning the Cathedral presented the same scene as before. The ceremony of conferring degrees—a stately triennial solemnity known as *Promotion*—took place under unusual circumstances. The proceedings began with a remarkable hymn by Oscar Rydberg—statesman, poet, novelist, and perhaps, on the whole, the most noteworthy living Swede. Then the *Promotor* of each Faculty, commencing with Theology, occupied the chair in turn. The candidates for the doctorate advanced, mounted the steps, received the doctoral cap of black folded taffeta—a heriitage from the sixteenth century—descended, saluted the King and returned to their seats. Upon the finger of each new Doctor was placed a golden ring—symbolical of his chaste marriage with the divine Sophia, wisdom—except that on the candidates in the Faculty of Philosophy was bestowed, instead, a crown of laurel. The roar of artillery from the castle signalized the accession of each successive graduate to the honors of his degree. Two venerable men, nearly ninety years of age, who took their Doctor's diploma just half a century ago, received a formal renewal of their degree, or the so-called *jubilary* doctorate. The laurel crowns, resting on the white hairs of these aged men, their

robes and their grave features gave them an air almost sculpturesque. The doctorate was also conferred, *honoris causa*, on some of the most famous scholars of Scandinavia.

During the evening of this second day, the students—gathered in the halls of their Nations, which are scattered through the town—entertained their own graduates and the guests from abroad. In the hall of every Nation a banquet took place, and some of the visitors were present, for an hour each, at two or three of the halls. Among those who were everywhere received with applause were the celebrated Madvig, the illustrious Russian astronomer, Struve, and the Swedish scientist, Nordenskjöld, the intrepid explorer of the Arctic seas. A ball closed the ceremonies of the day. The third day's festivities comprised private entertainments, excursions to the burial-mounds of the ancient heroes of the North at Old Upsal, to the Mora Stones—a sort of Scandinavian Stonehenge—and to the former country-seat of Linnæus, which is still kept as it was in the days of the immortal botanist. Thereafter the King gave a splendid banquet at the palace of Drottningholm, situated on a lovely island in Lake Mælare, and conferred orders on many foreign guests. It is difficult for us to understand the interest taken by the Swedish government, from the monarch down, in the affairs of the country's chief University. During the past year over a quarter of a million of dollars in gold was voted to Upsal by the Swedish Parliament. The population of Sweden is nearly that of the State of New York; the wealth of Sweden is a good deal less than that of the State of New York. When shall we see our state giving annually a quarter of a million of dollars to a University?

In a brief account like the present many incidents which marked the celebration of this academic anniversary must, of course, be necessarily omitted. Numerous books were published in honor of the event—including histories of several of the Nations—the student organizations of Upsal, the annals of which stretch back into a remote past. Not a few biographical sketches of the University's most eminent sons likewise appeared. Her thousands of graduates include a multitude of noted men, among whom may be mentioned Messenius, the jurist and historian, who boasted that he published sixteen huge volumes in five years, lecturing during that period six or seven hours a day; the two Rudbecks, father and son, each equally famous; Swedenborg, the mystic; Linnæus, the world-renowned naturalist; and Berzelius, the founder of modern chemistry. Her next hundred years will probably be more brilliant than any of her past centuries. With one of the richest endowments in the world, with the additional

support of an enlightened government, with her vast collections and her liberal appliances for study and investigation, with her large and learned Faculty, with her willing adoption of modern methods, and her eager acceptance of the new spirit of inquiry—she is likely to be more useful than ever and to play a still greater part in the social, political and scholastic annals of the kingdoms of the North.

WILLARD FISKE.

A VISIT TO THE HOME OF CHARLOTTE BRONTË.

On the 7th of July last, I set out from Ilkley, in Yorkshire, with a young English friend, to walk to Haworth, the home and burial-place of the Brontës. Our way lay over the heights of Rombald's moor. During my two weeks' stay in Yorkshire, I derived a strange pleasure from the moors, such as I have never derived from any other kind of natural scenery, not even excepting that of Switzerland. Whether any of this pleasure was due to a peculiarity of temperament, on my part, I cannot say; perhaps it was, for I met people who did not like the moors. They were to them merely "dreary," only that and nothing more. But for me, there was a strange fascination about them. There is a spirit abroad that is anything but dreary. There are sacred places where one might set up his tabernacle for a season and brush from his nature the conventional dust that has settled upon it. They have their own vegetation, heather, bracken, and broom. No trees. The heather blooms in autumn, and then the moors are in their glory. Scattered over Rombald's moor, are huge rocks, black as ink. Sometimes a solitary, mysterious looking rock, perched on a bald top, like that described by Wordsworth, wonder to all by what means it could have come there and from where, and seeming a thing endued with sense.

We walked four or five miles without seeing a living thing except the sheep that were everywhere grazing around among the rocks, most of them black as the rocks themselves—the rams with grotesquely distorted horns—noble fellows. Occasionally the tinkle of a bell on the neck of one of them served to deepen the solitude. The sky was threatening, but it couldn't have been more in keeping with the scenery around; distant rumbling thunder; an occasional outpouring of the sun would produce effects of light and shade upon the surrounding heights that were quite enchanting.

After a walk of about five miles, we reached a high point from which we had a distant view of Keighley (pronounced Keethly),—a noisy, smoky manufacturing town, but very pleasantly situated upon the river Aire, in a valley girt with high hills. We descended, and passed through its grimy, un-

lovely streets, chiefly interested in the fine strawberries for sale along the sidewalks. The old lady of whom we bought, was cheered by our consumptive tendencies. Continuing our way up the heights beyond, a walk of four miles, along a muddy road, lined with ugly, comfortless houses, the abodes of factory operatives, brought us to Haworth. The town is stuck on the side of a very steep hill; the wonder is how it came to be built in such a place. The main street leads directly up the hill—paved with flagstones up to the walls of the houses on either side, there being no sidewalks. The people all, men, women, and children, wear brass clogs which make a strange rattling over the pavement.

Before visiting the church and parsonage, we ordered dinner at the Black Bull Hotel, an odd old place. The obese landlady had known Charlotte Brontë—remembered her well. She didn't seem to know anything about the great novels she wrote, and, perhaps, did *not* know anything about them; but she spoke of how good and kind she was to the sick and the poor. This helped to deepen the feelings I experienced when I stood over the dear little woman's burial place. Our dinner was served in the drawing-room where, the landlady told us, Branwell Brontë used to sit and entertain the guests with his fine talk and his jokes—the gifted brother, of whom the devoted sisters once entertained such high hopes, and for whom they made every kind of sacrifice, but whose evil ways filled their cups of sorrow to the brim, and helped to shorten their earthly lives, already destined to an early close.

While at dinner, the rain which had been on its way all the morning, came down in good earnest, and we were enabled to appreciate to the full, the dreariness of the Brontës' home. We called on the old sexton, who showed us the interior of the church, which is situated at the upper limit of the town, and quite at the top of the hill; and from the graveyard, which is painfully crowded with weather-blackened tombstones, leaning at all angles, an extensive, but not very attractive view is had.

An incredible and quite impossible age is claimed for the church. On the tower, outside, is the following, cut in odd letters: "Orate Pbono Statu Autest Tod;" which, on an adjacent stone, is translated, "Pray for ye soul of Autest. 600." It's easy to see that "600" was made out of "Tod," the letters looking not unlike the numerals. And to the left of the vestry door, is an inscription, derived no doubt, from that on the tower, stating that the steeple and bell were made A. D. 600! But that was before the Gospel reached this part of England. Good judges of the age of buildings assign it to the 15th century. Be-

neath the pavement, within the communion rails, lie the bodies of all the Brontë family, except Anne's. She was taken to Scarborough, in her last illness, and died and was buried there. On a tablet against the wall, a few feet above the pavement, are recorded the deaths of all the members of the family, eight in all, beginning with the mother, who died in 1821, leaving all her children very young (Charlotte was then only in her sixth year), and ending with the father, who survived them all by more than six years, dying June 7th, 1861, in the 85th year of his age, having been, as stated on the tablet, incumbent of Haworth for upwards of forty-one years.

How different would have been the lives of the daughters, had the mother been spared to them, and they had grown up within the nurturing embrace of her love and sympathy, instead of under the harsh regimen of an unsympathetic, undemonstrative, and heavy-brained father! But then we should not have had those unique productions which were wrung from their authors' souls by their hard and often bitter experiences. Their loss was the world's gain. Take out from literature all that was wrought by the agency of tribulation, by the threshings of man's spirit, and you take out all that is embodied of highest worth.

To resume. The sexton showed us, in the vestry, the record of Charlotte's marriage to Mr. Nicholls, in the Parish Register. It contains Charlotte's diminutive autograph. It is much soiled with the fingering of visitors, and unless it be better taken care of, will, in a few years, be quite worn out. I gathered that the present vicar is not much interested in preserving memorials of her to whom Haworth now owes all its celebrity. Her favorite pew has been removed, in order to extend the communion rail. That and no other! I could not repress my indignation that it alone should have been disturbed. Thackeray, and Dickens, and Hawthorne, and other distinguished admirers of her genius whom the sexton named, had sat in it; but the associations which clung round it couldn't save it from an extension of the communion rail! I asked the sexton what had been done with it. He said he had the pieces up in his garret! When I went over to his house to buy some photographs which he kept for sale, he brought me down the pieces which, he said, formed Charlotte's favorite corner of the pew! He meant to make a chair out of them! Charlotte, he said, had been very kind to his children, and had taught them in the Sunday school.

The parsonage, which is but a few yards above the church, has undergone no change since the Brontës occupied it. It is now occupied by the present vicar who admits no visitors, whoever they may be—in the case of some a rather ungracious

exclusion. We strolled over the moor beyond, to a spot which we were told was a favorite resort of the sisters. To understand the peculiar *toning* of the Brontë novels, one must see these moors. Their influence on the minds of the three sisters is everywhere traceable in their writings. Charlotte writes: "My sister Emily loved the moors. Flowers brighter than the roses bloomed in the blackest of the heath for her;—out of a sullen hollow in a livid hill-side, her mind could make an Eden. She found in the bleak solitude many and dear delights." And to one of her literary friends she writes: "When I go out there alone, everything reminds me of the times when others were with me, and then the moors seem a wilderness, featureless, solitary, saddening. My sister Emily had a particular love for them, and there is not a knoll of heather, nor a branch of fern, nor a young bilberry-leaf, nor fluttering lark or linnet, but reminds me of her. The distant prospects were Anne's delight, and when I look round she is in the blue tints, the pale mists, the waves and shadows of the horizon. In the hill-country silence, their poetry comes by lines and stanzas into my mind—once I loved it; now I dare not read it, and am driven often to wish I could taste one draught of oblivion, and forget much that, while mind remains, I never shall forget." What she says of Emily's novel, "Wuthering Heights," may serve as a bold characterization of the Brontë novels generally: "'Wuthering Heights' was hewn in a wild workshop, with simple tools, out of homely materials. The statuary found a granite block on a solitary moor—gazing thereon, he saw how from the crag might be elicited a head, savage, swart, sinister; a form moulded with at least one element of grandeur—power. He wrought with a rude chisel, and from no mould but the visions of his meditations. With time and labour, the crag took human shape; and there it stands colossal, dark, and frowning, half statue, half rock—in the former sense, terrible and goblin-like; in the latter, almost beautiful, for its coloring is of mellow grey, and moorland moss clothes it; and heath, with its blooming bells and balmy fragrance, grows faithfully close to the giant's foot."

It was our purpose to walk back again, over Rombald's moor, to Ilkley; but the rain continuing, we were obliged to return by rail, taking a circuitous route, a distance of thirty miles or more.

HIRAM CORSON.

—An exchange announces that thirteen hundred dollars have been raised for the purpose of sending a crew to England. Students of Cornell will be glad to learn this, but they will be likely to wonder when and where the money was found.

A ROMAN THANKSGIVING INVITATION.

CATULLUS XIII.

If so the gods shall favor thee
That thou mayst come to dine with me
In a few days, Fabullus,
A good, square meal I'll guarantee,
And rioting and jollity
With thy beloved Catullus.

If thou wilt bring a maiden fair
And wine, and wit, and viands rare,
And all things mirth-provoking ;
These things if thou wilt bring, I say,
We will together spend the day
In feasting and in joking.

For when Catullus casts a look
Into his little pocket-book,
He naught but cobwebs sees.
But thou 'lt receive a goodly store
Of purest love,—or what still more
Will thee delight and please :

For I 'll supply a perfume fine,
Which Venus gave to Lesbia mine,
Far sweeter than the rose ;
And when its fragrance fills the air,
Thou 'lt pray the gods that then and there
Thou mayst become all nose.

—C. W. A.

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT WHITE.

THE MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES OF BERLIN.

Bremen, Oct. 18, 1877.

Our stay in Berlin, though very short, was exceedingly pleasant. I think that we have never crowded so much into so little time.

The improvement since my last visit, nine years ago, is wonderful, but the improvement since my first visit, twenty-three years ago, is amazing. In that time the population has risen from half a million to a million. New streets magnificently built have been pushed out in every direction, and old streets have been rebuilt. Our old *Unter den Linden* has greatly changed in some parts, Palaces having taken the place of many dingy blocks and shops. There are new galleries, new monuments, new squares, new statues, new hotels.

At my last visit, in '68, I visited the Industrial Academy. It was interesting then but now it has become admirable. Reuleaux's collections, to illustrate the various inventions in machine movements and connections is one of the wonders of the world. You pass through hall after hall filled with these exquisite models, illustrating every valuable invention and every curious whimsy in machine building since the world began, all classified

so that scientific study can be applied to them. It surpasses the French *Conservatoire des Arts et Metiers* even. Reuleaux, as you remember, came over as German commissioner to the Philadelphia Exposition, and his letters thence, regarding American machinery has produced a deep impression here. What would not American machine building become if we had a few such collections on our side of the water.

Our mechanics have wonderful inventive genius, far more, I fully believe, than those of any other nation, but how wretchedly their energies have been often wasted in trying to do things by roundabout combinations which a glance at such models as these would have taught them at once to simplify. What a waste to them has been long and costly experiments to find what other men found long before, and what in such a collection as this is displayed in all its relations and possibilities.

I visited afterward the maker of these models, and obtained full information regarding them in the hope that some day some of them may be secured for American students in Mechanic Arts.

The old Museum has grown greatly, and the new Ethnological collections are as wonderful as the rest. The gallery of older paintings has been largely increased by the purchase of the Suenmandt Collection at a cost of 340,000 dollars.

To the collection of Cass exhibiting the history of sculpture in connection with Architecture much has been added, and it is now by far the best in existence for the purposes of a student.

The new Historic Museum is exceedingly rich, and nothing could be more valuable to the manufacturers of the country than the new Industrial Museum. Begun in 1867 with interesting and instructive art-products purchased at the Paris Exposition, it has rapidly grown until every brand of manufactures into which Art enters, finds in it the most perfect examples.

Wood-work, metal-work, pottery, glass-ware, enamels, woven fabrics are represented by master-pieces. For the Simsbury collection alone, thirty-six master-works of silversmiths and goldsmiths the government paid \$220,000.

When will some of our American millionaires see what a service could be rendered their country by providing for it collections of this kind, tending to perfect every branch of manufacturing industry!

Perhaps the most imposing recent creation is the *National Gallery of Modern Art*. The building is the most beautiful in Berlin, and the collection exceedingly interesting. Germany is doing here just what I have often urged should be done in our own country. Seeing the impossibility of bringing any very great additions to new

collections of old masters, she buys largely of the foremost works of modern and contemporary masters, and the crowds that throng the gallery show the keen interest of the people in these acquisitions.

It is just what might be done in New York, and with a purchasing committee composed of the men who have bought so wisely there for private galleries, we could, in ten years, have a gallery which people would cross the ocean to see. The same idea is carried out at Leipzig and Frankfurt, in the public galleries there.

I was glad to see in all these galleries that the tendency was away from French frivolities in Boudon painting and towards a larger treatment, and of more worthy subjects.

The revival of national feeling has created new schools of painters who love to treat subjects from German History or Literature, the greater and nobler deeds and scenes in the national life; and the effect of such works upon the throng of beholders from all parts of the Empire must certainly be a powerful stimulus to patriotism, and, indeed, to the whole nobler side of human nature. No tractate against bigotry ever argued so powerfully to the masses as Piloty's picture of Galileo in prison.—no homily on patriotism was ever so practically eloquent as Gallait's Egmont.

Let us hope that some day it shall be proven that a Republic can equal and indeed surpass any monarchy in sources of influence like these.

As to public opinion, I found but one sentiment on the all absorbing French election, rejoicing at the Republican victory as tending to keep France out of the hands of the clerical party, and hence out of a war with Italy—sure to become a general Continental war.

But I have spun this out far beyond what I intended.

Yours faithfully,

A. D. WHITE.

GOLDWIN SMITH.

Professor Goldwin Smith is sojourning for the winter among his old friends of the Colleges and the old books of the Bodleian at Oxford. He seems to be leading an active literary life, having been, since his return to England, a frequent contributor to the *Contemporary* and other English reviews. He has agreed, moreover, to write the volume on Wordsworth for a series of handy volumes on distinguished men announced by a London publishing house. Not long since he was elected President for the year of the Schools and Institute founded at Shipley, England, by the late Sir Titus Salt, and, in that capacity, delivered an address at the opening of the lecture session on the 27th of September. He seized the occasion to express his hearty approval of the clause in the foundation

deed which provides that the Shipley institution shall always be unsectarian. A few days later he presided at the opening of a series of lectures at Bolton in connection with the Cambridge University extension scheme, and referred to the question of the multiplication of universities in England. He alluded to the application just made by the council of Owen's College, Manchester, for the elevation of that educational establishment to the rank of a university. While expressing the highest respect for that widely known scientific school, he trusted that before any irrevocable step were taken some definite rule of procedure for the future would be established. He seemed to fear that the founding of additional universities in England would involve the general lowering of the University standard and of a general depreciation of degrees, and, naturally enough, he pointed out what have been the effects of such a system in the United States.

To the University Library, Professor Goldwin Smith has just presented a very handsome and valuable set of books, comprising the best modern histories of European nations. The series is the well-known one, edited by those distinguished German historical writers, Heeren and Ulkert, under the title of "*Geschichte der Europäischen Staaten*," and is in seventy-eight volumes, besides eight others now in press. There is abundant additional evidence that our Professor of English History still retains his old regard for Cornell. He has just been testifying, before the new Oxford University Commission, to the commendable character of some of the traits which distinguish this University from other institutions. In a recent private letter he says:—"I hope Cornell is doing well. My thoughts often travel to it." After stating that the cause of his prolonged stay in England is the illness of Mrs. Goldwin Smith, he adds:—"We shall be at home, I trust, not later than the beginning of July, and I think I may safely say that we shall cross the Atlantic no more. Next September will probably see me in my lecture-room at Cornell." We cannot avoid adding another extract from the same letter:—"I hope Cornell is on the side of Russia. Depend upon it, on the whole it is the side of humanity. She is a young and growing nation, full of life, and though at present a despotism (the only form of government her people just now can bear) not reactionary, but under the present Czar much the reverse. All the powers of reaction are against her, including the whole of the party in England which was against you in your war." An interesting English letter in the issue of the *New York Tribune* for Tuesday of last week gives an account of an article on the existing war by Goldwin Smith in the last number of the *Contemporary Review*.

MORE OF JACOBY'S MORALIZATIONS.

PROFESSOR OLDBOY.

“Do you remember the elaborate dirquisition, Chum, which I gave you the other day upon Professor Bulldoze? You do! Good! Now imagine, if you can, the exact moral, physiological and æsthetical opposite of Bulldoze, and you have Professor Oldboy; they are physical and intellectual antipodes: Bulldoze is, in a word, repellant, Professor Oldboy is attractive. In Professor Oldboy's lecture-room there is a certain congenial atmosphere, which has such a subtle charm for you, that you are ever glad when his ‘hour’ comes, and equally sorry when it is past; he always has some valuable comments to make or interesting extracts to read, bearing upon the study which you are pursuing under his direction. In his lectures or recitations he does not feel it incumbent upon him to adhere; undeviatingly; to the mere dry formal text of the subject, but spices what might in other hands be tedious and narcotic, with entertaining anecdotes or bits of personal experience; he seems to rise above the mere instructorship, enjoying and living in his subject, so that however distasteful it may, previously, have been to you, under his treatment it becomes so metamorphosed that you cannot but be irresistibly charmed with it. I remember once being in one of Professor Oldboy's classes; we were reading a poem in the original Utopian dialect, and had just finished translating a peculiarly beautiful passage, when the Professor, as if thinking aloud, said:— ‘That is superb!’ Had you heard it, you could not have resisted the feeling that a something beyond mere mercenary motives had induced him to accept the Utopian chair in the University. On the other hand, imagine Bulldoze saying in one of his lectures on ‘Deceased Mummies’: ‘That is superb!’ Gracious Peter! I would think the man had become a raving maniac; that he was going to have a fit, or an attack of cramp colic, or something ‘cool and comfortable like that,’ as Dundreary would say! The mere thought that such a concatenation of circumstances could ever be brought about which might induce Bulldoze to think that anything could be superb, is simply absurd!”

“Professor Oldboy is always pleased to see you at his study, or, if he be not pleased, he never for one single moment would give you an opportunity to think so, for he is of such a kind-hearted nature that he had far rather mask his annoyance with a slight cloak of deception than to permit you for an instant to think that you might have annoyed him by your visit. Then he quite frequently calls upon you, and talks with you as if he really enjoyed your conversation, and never thinks of noticing your grave errors or sedate blunders.

He can tell a good story, and enjoy as hearty a laugh as anyone I know. When he leaves, you are really sorry to have him go, and if possible you respect him only the more because he has not sought to impress you with his superiority. The great secret of his success in winning the favor of the whole student body, the charm which draws towards him his enthusiastic band of admirers, is; that he treats every under-graduate as a man and an equal, not as a school-boy and an inferior.”

“Professor Oldboy, to secure his vast constituency, doesn't find it necessary to elevate himself upon some towering, icy pinnacle and say: ‘Lo! ye undergraduate nonentities, I am Professor Oldboy, do ye fall down upon your marrow-bones and worship me! Great and yawning is the chasm between professor and student and many there be who are destroyed in the attempt to cross it; therefore, abase yourselves! Genuflect, and do me homage!’”

“Professor Oldboy could no more tell the meaning of the term ‘salve’ from a knowledge derived from an actual, personal application, than he could find it in his heart to report you for being absent from one of his ‘hours’; he knows you would never willingly miss being present in his class-room, just as every student knows that the application of ‘salve’ is unnecessary with him, first because he is far too good-hearted a man that such treatment would in aught profit the physician, and again because he is far too clever to be deceived by any such shallow subterfuge.”

“If the warm-hearted Sir Roger de Coverley could have been a college professor, Addison and Steele when they traced his social, genial and endearing traits would have rendered for us an admirable picture of our own Professor Oldboy. I sometimes doubt, Chtm, whether we are sufficiently thankful that he is really our typical professor. I do not believe there are half so many of him at other colleges as there are here. He is the one principal element, in the University, which has revolutionized the old-time, strict, boarding-school college, hemmed in on every side with regulations and penalties so thickly that you could scarce move without tripping over some obnoxious rule, and that has made our *Alma Mater* what she is, and bless him for it! Bless him for his annihilation of marks and admonitions! Bless him for his abhorrence of suspensions and expulsions! Bless him for his knowledge of and careful treatment of his subjects! But above all bless for his kindly, cherry temperament and his great, warm heart! The man who shall live in our memories when we are gray-haired men and our sons are Seniors at Cornell; long, long years after Prof. Bulldoze shall have sunk far out of our recollection, overwhelmed by the dusts of oblivion!”

NOTES ON THE CID.

In the ERA of December 4th, 1874 (Vol. VII, No. 13), I published some notes on the historical and legendary Cid, promising to complete the article some day by a comparison of the plays of De Castro and Corneille. This I shall do now briefly, citing the Spanish sources for the benefit of the Spanish class.

I. Sources of the Spanish play. These are given at length in the above mentioned ERA article. For the benefit of the present French class I will give a brief recapitulation of them.

The best general view of the whole subject (the historical and legendary Cid), is to be found in *Recherches sur l'histoire et la littérature de l'Espagne pendant le Moyen Age* par R. Dozy, 2c ed. Leyde, 1862, Vol. II, p. 7-253. The author cites all the Arabic documents relating to the Cid. In Duran's *Romancero general*, II, p. 664 (U. L.),* may be found a list of documents other than Arabic prior to the XV. century relating to the Cid. The *Poema del Cid* may be found in Sanchez, *Poesias castellanas anteriores al siglo XV*. Vol. I. (U. L.), or in *Poetas castellanos ant. al Siglo XV*. p. 1 (U. L.). The *Cronica rimada* is in Duran *Rom. gen.*, II, p. 651.

The *Cronica del Cid* was republished by Huber in 1853 at Stuttgart, and is not to be confounded with Southey's Chronicle of the Cid which is made up from various sources. The American edition of Southey's interesting work may be found in the Cornell Library, and a cheap edition is published in the "Chandos Classics" with Lockhart's spirited translations of the Spanish ballads.

The ballads relating to the Cid may be found in Duran's *Rom. gen.* Vol. I, and better in *Romancero del Cid, Coleccion de autores españoles*, Leipzig, Brockhaus, Vol. XXX, (U. L.). This latter collection contains all the ballads known, two hundred and five in number.

The following articles in periodicals (all of which are in the University Library) will be found interesting. Foreign Rev. IV, 438, review of Müller's *Romancero del Cid* and Risco's Life of the Cid. Quarterly Rev. I, 117, review of Southey's Chronicle of the Cid. Of later date is the article on the Cid in the Dublin University Mag., Vol. 56, 596.

There are also two novels by Ant. de Trueba on the Cid in the above mentioned *Collection de ant. esp.* Vol. IX, X, entitled, *El Cid Campeador*, and *Las Hijas del Cid*.

II. The Spanish plays. The first appearance of the Cid in dramatic literary is in the famous play by Don Guillem de Castro entitled, *Las Mocedades del Cid*, or The Youthful Exploits of the Cid, in two parts.

*These initials denote that the work mentioned is in the University Library.

For life of De Castro see Ticknor's Spanish Lit. Vol. II, (U. L.), and *Biblioteca de autores españoles* Vol. XLIII, p. XXXIII. (U. L.). The play itself may be found in the last mentioned volume, p. 239. For general account of De Castro's play with reference to Corneille's Cid, see Ticknor, Vol. II; Schack, *Geschichte der dramatischen Lit. und Kunst in Spanien*, Vol. II, p. 428; Puibusque, *Hist., comparée des litt., espagnole et française* Vol. II, p. 117; and Lord Holland's "Some account of the Lives and writings of Lope Felix de Vega Carpio and Guillem de Castro," Vol. II.

The date of the composition of De Castro's play is not known. It was first printed in 1621. Corneille's Cid appeared in 1636. De Castro used, as the Spanish dramatists have so often and happily done, the material furnished by the ballads.

The Cid is also the hero of a play *El Honorador de su Padre*, (The one who honors his Father) by Juan Bautista Diamante. See Ticknor, Vol. II, and *Bib. de Aut. esp.*, Vol. XLIX, p. VII. The play may be found in the same volume, p. 43.

It is a question whether Corneille imitated Diamante, or *vice versa*. Mr. Ticknor pronounces in favor of the latter hypothesis, and Schack agrees with him in a note in his second Vol., p. 430. This opinion however, he retracts in his third volume and declares for Diamante's originality. Owing to the lack of definite dates no certainty can be reached.

III. The French play.

See Dublin University Mag. vol. 70, 553. The French Theatre before Moliere; Fraser's Mag. vol. 66, 383, Corneille and Dryden.

It is not generally known that between 1637 and 1639 three plays appeared which claimed to complete and finish Corneille's Cid. They are: *La Suite du Cid* by Desfontaines, *La vraie Suite du Cid* by Urbain Chevreau, and *La Mort du Cid, ou l'Ombre du Conte de Gormas*. It is hardly necessary to say that they were utter failures.

I have consumed so much space by the above rough notes, which, I trust, will be of some value to the class, that I shall be obliged to defer the comparison of Corneille's and De Castro's plays until another day.

CO-EDUCATION IN FRANCE.

If the readers of the ERA are not already nauseated by the recent discussion that has taken place in these columns, concerning the merits and demerits of co-education, I will venture to say a word about this "irrepressible conflict" as waged in France.

One day in the winter of 1874-5, as I sat in the dingy old amphitheater of the Sorbonne, or the University of Paris, as it is sometimes improperly called, waiting for the professor of French Elo-

quence, M. St. René Taillandier, to begin his lecture on Beaumarchais, the figure of a woman clad in black appeared at the door opening behind the professor's desk, by which, contrary to the usual custom in France, the public was used to enter and go out, as well as by the door in the rear of the room. On the occasion of which I speak every seat in the room was taken, for M. Taillandier was a fine orator, and, as a western American who was attending his lectures that year expressed it, "drew like a mustard plaster." Even the narrow seat against the wall behind the professor's chair was full. The female figure at the door cast a timid glance up the tiers of faces that filled the amphitheatre. Then she looked wistfully to the right and the left at the little bench against the wall. But every place was full, all occupied by men. The whole audience remarked the persistent manner with which the woman kept her place still hoping for a seat, and, although Frenchmen, descendants of the age of Louis XIV., they were also evidently followers of *Nemo*, for a storm of hisses suddenly burst forth upon the trembling woman. She quickly retired, but as quickly returned, preceded by the old fat usher, who presides over the lecture-room of the Faculty of Letters, and who carried in his hands a chair. He put it down quite near to the professor, who had in the meantime entered, and the woman hastily sank into it amid the bravos of the audience, which with that quick impressionability characteristic of the Gallic race, now hastened to applaud the pluck of her whom they had a moment before insulted. Though the professor was as eloquent as usual, and though the curious story of Beaumarchais's life was very interesting, I found my mind ever and anon following my eyes to the occupant of the chair, who was industriously taking notes, the only person in the whole assembly so occupied.

A few days afterwards I was attending a lecture at the Collège de France where custom does not frown on feminine hearers, and where, consequently half of the audience is made up of women. As I sat waiting until the hall should be filled, I recognized directly in front of me the same lady whom I had seen at the Sorbonne. She was reading a copy of the *Evening Post* which told me that she was an American. The next day as I was wandering through the crooked streets of the Latin Quarter, there glided by me along the Rue Jacob the selfsame dame. My curiosity was awakened and I determined to follow her. Scarcely had I begun to do so when, while I was some twenty paces behind her, she suddenly pulled a bell before a large gate which, swinging open and quickly closing again, shut out the lady from my gaze. Looking up at the number and noting it down, I went my way.

I left Paris a few weeks later, never seeing the lady again. One day, after my return to America, as I sat in one of the alcoves of our University Library, I happened to pick up one of the last numbers, perhaps the last ever published of *Old and New*, and while carelessly turning over the pages, my eye lighted upon "No. — Rue Jacob" at the head of a letter written from Paris to the editor of the magazine and published at the end of the number. The contents of the letter showed that it was written by an American lady who was attending Paris Schools. She told of the studies she was pursuing, spoke of the lectures on French Literature at the Sorbonne and Collège de France, of the treatment which she received at the hands of the professors and students, of the kindnesses shown her, and of the rebuffs, (now that Sorbonne scene came back to me!), and closed by saying that she meant to keep on until she got a diploma.

To give the episode a *dénoûement* after the fashion of story tellers, I ought to have seen the lady again, perhaps have taken passage immediately for Paris, and finally have led her up to the altar. I am sorry for the sake of this article that I did not do so. But I am still an unmarried man. I often think of "my lady in black," as I call her, and none but the Fates can tell whether I may not do something rash even at this late day.

One more reminiscence of this kind and I am done. I boarded several months in a French family while in Paris. An English woman who was studying medicine at the medical school lived in the same family. This lady had a female friend who, desirous of becoming a physician but not being able to get into the London medical schools, pursued her studies in this wise. For domestic reasons she could not take up a permanent residence at Paris, so once a year she went over to the French capital to attend the annual examinations. She told me that she studied in London the French text-books used at Paris, that she took weekly lessons in French conversation, and that in this way, without ever having spent two consecutive weeks in Paris, she was following out the regular four year's course.

Whenever I am present at a discussion on co-education, I tell the story of my Franco-American and Anglo-French "co-eds," and I am yet to find the man or woman who will not admit that such pluck deserves encouragement. Even *Nemo* must agree with me. X. Y. Z.

—Scarlet fever broke out among the students at Wellesley college last week, which rendered it necessary for the college authorities to dismiss the young ladies to their homes for a time. Prompt attention was paid to those taken sick, and all are now pronounced out of danger.

A DESIDERIUM.

A Reading Room is Cornell's prime necessity. She has an admirable site open to the cooling breezes and conveniently situated between Free Hollow and Cascadilla place. Her campus, constructed at a trifling expense of \$30,000, is adorned by many ingenious architectural curiosities and a stone bench inscribed with a quotation from Mark Twain. She has a row of stately buildings held together by iron rods and provided with every convenience for comfort and ventilation. She has a well arranged collection of plows and dead birds, a museum of Military Art and a course in Journalism. The Library, in the lower story of the McGraw Building, is said to contain many useful and interesting books, some specimens of bad penmanship and "an original bust" of Lincoln. There are other important advantages to be found at Cornell, but there is no Reading Room.

That ornate work of fiction, the University Register, speaks of a Reading Room connected with the Library—a statement to be taken as highly figurative—and gives a list of the "general, critical and scientific periodicals" therein contained. That the periodicals mentioned are actually to be obtained after a five minute interview with the Librarian is a great and pleasing fact. Well do we remember when, as a zealous Freshman, we silenced the scoffers from rival colleges by quoting this list as a proof of our devotion to solid literature. But now we sigh regretfully when we hear of the extensive and well equipped Reading Rooms of other colleges, and would gladly exchange our copy of *Die Milch Zeitung* or *Recueil de Médecine Vétérinaire* for the *N. Y. Clipper*, the *Courier Journal* or the *Chicago Inter-Ocean*.

Cornell students never neglect their opportunities and it is an ennobling sight to see them surrounded by lexicons and grammars enjoying the latest joke in the *Fortschritt der Physik* or the *Annales de Chimie*. Some indeed complain that the war reports in the *Unitarian Review* and the political news in the *American Horticulturalist* and *Pharmaceutical Journal* are very meagre and uninteresting, and it must be confessed that the *Anthropological Review's* position on the Southern policy is hardly a fair expression of public sentiment. All these publications are in fact more or less partisan and are therefore unsafe guides in matters of great public moment. In respect to enterprise and readable advertisements, they are undoubtedly far behind the N. Y. dailies which some college authorities even prefer for general reading. We would not be thought guilty of disrespect for those beloved magazines, though we must say of them as the man did of his neighbors: "They are good what there is of them and there are plenty of them such as they are."

The Cornell Reading Room, though a great improvement on the so-called facilities of the University, has nevertheless but little claim on our attention. With magazines it is moderately well supplied, but newspapers are sadly lacking. The *N. Y. Evening Post*, *Semi-weekly Tribune*, *Independent* and our overgrown almanac, the *Ithaca Journal* are to be found amid the fragments of *Harper's Weekly* and *Scientific American*. You may search in vain for *Times*, *Herald*, *Graphic* or in fact any other leading paper of the land.

Is it not a crying shame that a University of Cornell's pretensions has no Reading Room? In every other college of note, the Reading Room is a great and attractive feature of the place. Michigan has, for example, "fifty-four magazines and newspapers, representing nearly every part of the country," and Wesleyan has nearly a hundred papers and periodicals. Yale's reading room is supplied with the papers of most of the great cities and her students can with ease keep themselves posted in all that pertains to public matters and opinions. At Cornell, however, one is almost isolated from his kind, and as far as the great events of the day are concerned might as well be asleep.

For this deplorable condition of affairs there is a remedy at once simple and practicable. Let the Trustees fit up a room in one of the University buildings with stands, desks, chairs and a stove. The cost would be trifling, and might indeed be assumed by the students themselves. Then let those students who subscribe for any papers or periodicals place them on file in the room. After a suitable time, periodicals thus loaned could be reclaimed or given to the Library. The papers and magazines already taken at the Library could be placed in the room without extra trouble, while the *Era* and *Review* editors would gladly donate their exchanges, as is done at Yale and Harvard. Many contributions might be expected from abroad, while there might in time be a small fee charged for reading privileges that would render the institution self-supporting.

There is no need of enlarging on the advantages which would spring from the success of the plan. It would give us a cheerful room furnished with the leading journals of the country where we could profitably spend between recitations the few leisure moments which are so generally wasted in lounging or idle gossip. Representative papers from the different sections of the Union thus brought together would form an invaluable aid to the proper understanding of party questions and public sentiment.

At all events the Reading Room would soon become a college institution, would form the nucleus of a first-class Reading Room, and might eventu-

ally bring into being that long wished-for students club house which prophetic souls declare shall contain baths, a gymnasium, billiard rooms, restaurant and a cosy little theatre.

GIANNI.

REVUE LITERAIRE.

RULES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF STUDENTS: University Press: 1877. This valuable and interesting publication, which has attained such a marvelous distribution and has everywhere been greeted in former years with such universal commendation, all previous editions having been exhausted, is now published once more to meet the popular demand in 8 pages 8vo, half-bound, uncut edges; the typographical workmanship is admirable, but either through a mistaken attempt at economy or through carelessness the paper is of an inferior grade and unworthy such an important work. We regret to see that this new edition which we had hoped would have corrected all previous errors and blemishes, contains neither a dedication nor a preface, being thus thrown as it were upon the tempestuous sea of adverse criticism like a ship without a rudder. The third page contains a bastard title, reading as follows: "Rules for the Guidance of Students, September, 1877," which leaves us in doubt whether we are to infer from this that these rules are merely intended for the guidance of students in the month of September of the present year or whether the author purposes publishing the serial in monthly parts, and that the editions for the subsequent months have for some unaccountable reason been delayed. The former would seem to be the most plausible hypothesis. The first three chapters are merely introductory and somewhat prosaic; the interest begins to be awakened in Chapter IV, the sequel of the incidents here narrated finding its culmination in Chapter XVI. The subject of the seventh chapter is stated in the introduction and enlarged upon in four sub-sections and it is a strange grammatical freak which has prompted the author to change the mood in which he has written in the first three sub-sections; sub-section 1 begins "The substitute must be," etc.; sub-section 2, "It may not be," etc.; and then the author concludes that "the old way is the best way, the new condition fails," and resumes the phraseology of sub-section 1, saying "It must be," etc.

In Sub-section 4 a premium is put upon physical disability, and we may hence expect to see numbers of students "coming out," so to speak, with maimed members somewhat as many men are seen in foreign lands lacking eyes, teeth or fingers, dispensed with to avoid conscription; but this would be reprehensible, when such an easy avenue of escape lies invitingly before us all, being the same

one as that adopted in former days by one J. Davis, Ex-president of the ex-confederate states. In Chapter VIII. we notice the word "holden" used, and it has caused us much grief, because on reference to Webster we find: "Holden, *p. p.* is obs. in elegant writing, though still used in legal language." What a libel on the diction of the "Rules for the Guidance," etc. ! and this "Rules" etc. is not an example of "elegant writing," oh defunct Noah ! thou canst never have seen it ! But ah ! here is another hypothesis, another avenue of escape ; it is written in "legal language," it is, in short, a legal document and woe is us ! we had thought it was a work of fiction ! In Chapter X. the military uniform is spoken of as being "prescribed" by the University, the word prescribed used in a medical sense, we suppose, and very correctly, for a "bitter pill" it has indeed been to many ; but the word loses its force from repetition in the next chapter. Chapter XV. reads as follows : "No optional student will be allowed to register for or pursue any two subjects that come at the same hour so as to conflict with each other." This might have been much more tersely and satisfactorily stated as follows : No Balaam's asses allowed in optional courses, or no optional student must disobey that fundamental physical law, "No two things can occupy the same place at the same time." Chapter XVII. is what Dante would probably have called "*una selva oscura*;" in our more vulgar dialect we should be inclined to call it "a dark wouldn't." The language is as follows :

"No student will be admitted to examination at the end of the term whose absences shall not have been excused by the Professor of the department in which they have occurred, or by the Faculty."

In chapter XVIII. the author has undertaken to point out what man's preference should be, which it would seem to us he could not possibly know. *En passant* the punctuation in chapter XX. is not all that could be desired ; but chapter XXI. is the masterpiece of the publication. Here we are informed that "any student having obtained leave of absence must leave town within twenty-four hours, or it will be considered as annulled." We can in our imagination see a grand procession of students slowly wending their way down State street, the sick in palanquins or on mattresses with their *billets d'absence* under their arms or on their pillows, some unable to bear up under the sudden terror of annulment of "leaves" with their "leaves of absence" tacked on their coffins moving ever onward towards the *dépôt* to get out of town at all hazards within the twenty-four hours that their "leaves of absence" may not be forfeited ; but this is unnecessary ; merely board outside of the corporate limits of the town and you will then be eternally annul-proof. In conclusion we would challenge the Hon. Wm. M. Evarts to produce a

sentence equal in involution to that of chapter XXV.

"Any student who has fallen from his classes, or who for any reason has ceased to attend to his University duties or whose parents have been requested to remove him, must, under penalty of expulsion, unless a resident of Ithaca, leave town within five days after notice of his having fallen out shall have been given him by mailing in the post-office at Ithaca."

We can not refrain from calling attention to the use of the phrase "fallen out." It is as the modern American would say, "good."

And now in parting, we would commend the publication for the earnest perusal of all those who feel an interest in heteroclitical productions and who to having been conversant with their "Barbara, Celarent, Darii, etc.," and to refresh their critical powers by reference to a short assemblage of illogical fancies.

THE LIBRARY CLOCK.

Still the library clock pursues its erratic course. The simple Freshman gazes in wonder upon its gyrations, having been kindly informed by his Sophomore mentor that it has electric connections with the U. S. Signal Bureau, and that it indicates accurately the ebb and flow of the tides of super-polar magnetism. The serious upper-classman, on entering the library produces a table of logarithms and a Loomis' Astronomy, takes an observation of the apparent reading of the dial-plate, computes the true time for this meridian,—triumphantly verifying his work from his watch, or by comparison with the chimes.

It is not perhaps generally known that one of the astute assistant librarians, who has long been known to be engaged upon some great investigation, is really preparing an accurate calendar of the phases of the library clock. This valuable work will be published in two volumes for the accommodation of the students. By means of certain tables prepared by this author, and the solution of a simple equation, the exact time can be computed at once. Aside from the mere mathematical interest of the work, it is hoped that it will prove of much practical value, as it is entirely within the range of possibilities that the chimes may be frozen up or deranged by the huge winds during the winter. Through courtesy of the author we are soon to have advanced sheets of the work and shall be glad to lay before our readers some of the singular results arrived at—such as the period of revolution of the clock, the intervals between the intervals of repose, the exact reason why the hands revolve the wrong way, why the hour hand embraces the minute hand and moves in waltz time around the dial, and how the various idiosyncrasies affect the temper of the librarians. Before the elaborated calculations can be published in full, all wishing to find the time by

the library clock can do so by using the following formula :

$$x = 2ab \sqrt[3]{mpw}$$

when x =true time ; a =apparent time ; b =temperature of the library ; m =temperature outside ; p =the number in the alcoves, and w =librarians.

CORNELIANA.

--One more ERA this term.

--"Boxes from home" are now in order.

--The syllabus in the History of Philosophy is out.

--The Rugby Union rules have finally been adopted.

--Prof. Corson will give two more lectures on Aesthetics this term.

--The class of '80 will hold their supper at the Ithaca Hotel, Feb. 20th.

--An unusually large number of students spent Thanksgiving out of town.

--Who were the first publishers of Homer? Why the *Harpers*, of course.

--The Pasha who is naturally anti-Russian says the key to the situation is Turkey.

--The young man with the heavy boots, who comes up to lecture late, is becoming a standard character.

--A Sophomore, seeing the name of Socrates used as an illustration, now wants to know who that *e. g.* Socrates is.

--What has become of the "Annual Talk"? Freshmen cry for it, Sophomores long for it, and Juniors cannot do without it.

--A cry comes up for Daniel Pratt, the great American Traveler, to lead off on the "Students, Your Attention!" lecture course.

--The lectures on Roman History having been concluded last Wednesday, the remainder of the term will be devoted to examinations.

--The interest taken by the students in the internal affairs of Turkey has been greater during the week, than any time since the opening of the war.

--A Junior who has just learned that *Athalie* was founded on certain passages in the sacred scriptures, is very desirous to know where he can borrow a bible.

--The reading of the biblical play of *Athalie* has revealed how much the average Cornelian is in need of being "up" on the Books of Kings and Chronicles.

--Scene from life : (Small boy and his mother, ascending the hill.) Small boy: "Ma, where is the gymnasium?" "Why, there in that *barn*," she responded, pointing to the palatial building where the dumb bell and the Indian club lie down together, and the health lift holds sweet converse with the parallel bars.

—The full-page cartoon which accompanies this number of the ERA was drawn by Mr. C. L. Knapp, '79, and the plates were made by Mr. Fred. E. Ives, the University Photographer, by his new Photo-engraving process.

—Some of the recitations in Roman History are on the same principle as that of the boy who, when asked in a geography examination where Patagonia was, said he knew very well but didn't have the flow of language to express it.

—Prof. Shackford's lecture last Saturday night on "Lucian, the Satirist," before the Curtis Literary Society was a scholarly review of the life and works of that famous writer, who is so often referred to, and yet of whom so little is known.

—The class of '79 have resolved not to wear the "cap and gown," and have appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Bacon, Park and Howland, to select a class cap, *not* the Oxford. Mr. Wagner was elected orator, and Mr. Smith prophet. Messrs. Newton, Moffat and Wagner were appointed the supper committee.

—"The *status quo* of Cornell is lower than it has been at any preceding time."—*Review*. The writer evidently thinks that the *sine qua non*, the *multum in parvo*, and the *sine die* still maintain their old standard, but we were unable to glean from the article whether the *e pluribus unum* and the *et tu Brute* of Cornell are on the rise or decline, although the reference to the "*sub judice* questions" may cover the ground.

—The following letter was received Monday, addressed to the Secretary of the Cornell Foot Ball Club: New Haven, Nov. 24th, 1877—Dear Sir: Would it be possible to arrange a game of foot ball with your college to be played in New York City? The game to be played with elevens and Rugby Union Rules. Trusting that you will be able to play us, and even if you have not had much practice, it will give you an opportunity which will be of great value for next year. Yours sincerely, Henry J. TenEyck, Sec. Yale University F. B. C. The invitation has not yet been officially acted upon, but it will probably not be accepted.

—The following are the Senior Class committees: Class-Day—R. H. Treman, Miss M. Hicks, E. B. Green, C. W. Ames, C. D. Marx; Music—A. Falkenau, F. Heermans, J. T. Hill, C. S. Thatcher, F. O. Martin; Ball—A. H. Ballard, H. Conant, C. B. Everson, W. B. Pattin, E. L. Preston; Memorial—Miss B. B. DeWitt, Miss R. Putnam, Miss L. F. Jones, Miss L. J. Giddings; Photographs—W. Beahan, C. M. Rexford, W. P. Pickett, S. T. Ballard, F. W. Mann; Concert—A. C. Wakeley, F. M. Kendall, A. M. Reeves, F. E. Bissell, W. K. Seaman; Class Prizes—W. L. McKay, Eugene Cary, P. A. Welker, A. C. Vasconcellos, H. J. VanNorman; Supper—J. M. Borden,

C. H. McCormick, W. Weed, Q. N. Ribiero, A. Queiroz; Statistics—F. Bruen, W. J. Wilcox, E. Burdsall, J. Dyson, T. D. Merrill.

—*Things to be thankful for*: (1.) That the customary \$5 advance on the tuition was not made this term. (2.) That the Navy debt has had the quietus put upon it. (3.) That the *Review* is out again. (4.) That it doesn't rain but six and a half days a week out of a possible seven. (5.) That another volume of Weisbach has not been translated. (6.) That the Senior committees have been settled so satisfactorily. (7.) That another Junior "Ex." is looming up in the distance. (8.) That a plentiful supply of Miss Frothingham's translation of *Nathan der Weise* can now be obtained. (9.) That the syllabus in Psychology costs *only* twenty cents. (10.) That the Friday after Thanksgiving day, which has heretofore been petitioned for, is now granted by the University authorities, *pro bono publico*, "without money and without price."

PERSONALIA.

WILLMARTH, '73, is on the *Evening Post*.

H. S. WHITE, '77, was in town the early part of the week.

BOARDMAN, '76, was in town last week visiting his old friends.

FRANK J. BARNARD, '78, was married yesterday to Miss Anna L. Fish, at Cleveland, Ohio.

W. J. BERRY, '76's Senior class president, will spend the winter at the John Hopkins University.

PROF. FISKE was recently elected a member of the Civil Service Reform Association of New York City.

H. M. KENNEDY '74, in a letter from Leipzig to the *Utica Herald*, mentions Professor Hewett as one of the recent arrivals.

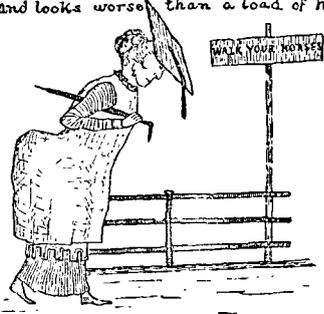
PROF. FELIX ADLER is the author of a volume of essays, entitled "Creed and Deed," soon to be published by G. P. Putnam's Sons.

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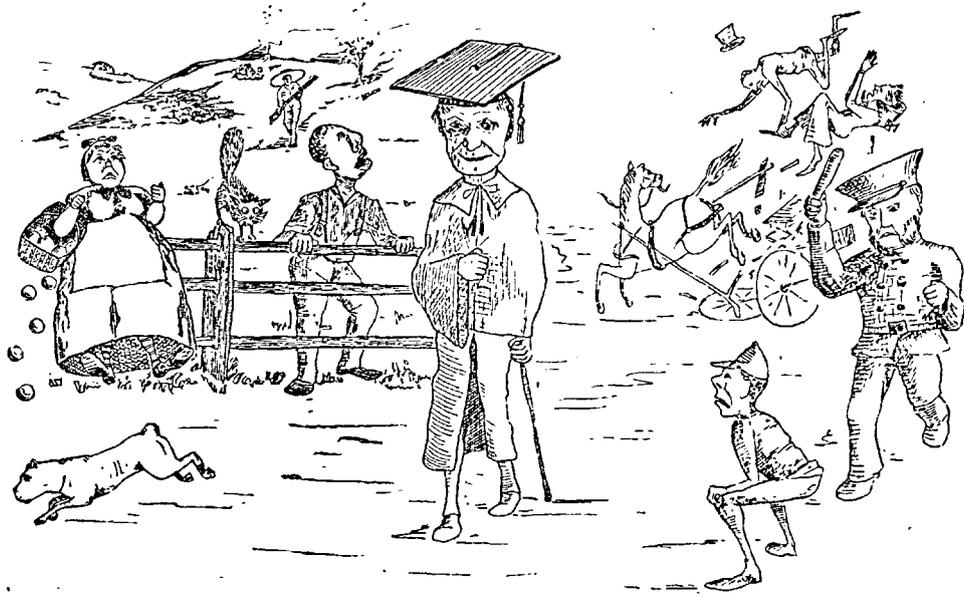
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but Oh dear it covers up my bustle
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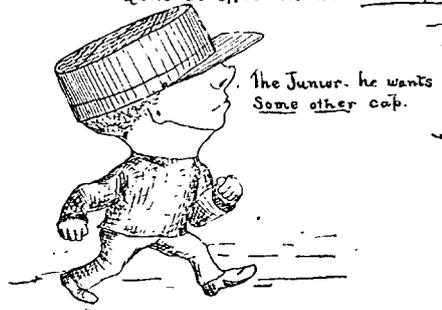
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That beautiful fence no protection.



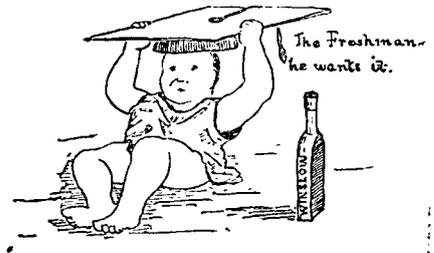
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General effect on the race by adoption of Oxford Cap and gown



The Junior - he wants
Some other cap.



The Freshman -
he wants it.

HOW THE OXFORD CAP AND GOWN ARE RECEIVED AT CORNELL.

EXCHANGES.

In the present volume of the ERA, our readers will have observed that the "exchanges" have been handled in a manner differing in many respects from the critical routine adopted by previous editorial boards, and differing for the most part from the treatment which the same department receives at the hands of our contemporaries. We have deemed it best to make no mention or to enter into no elaborate discussion of the plan which we purposed pursuing until after that we had given our readers an opportunity to judge of our method and decide for themselves as to its merits or demerits; and now, that it has received a fair and upon the whole, to us, a satisfactory test, with a few words we rise to explain.

It is customary with the majority of the college journals to dismiss their exchanges in the following fashion: "The editorials of the *Trinity Tablet* are to the point," "'Chills' is the best thing yet in that line, and the *College Argus* has a good article on Homer, and strong locals," "*The Yale Courant* has tried some pen and ink sketches. There is room yet for improvement in this line if it is meant to be continuous. But otherwise it has a good appearance, and has editorials and an abundance of notes;" these quotations will serve as examples of the treatment of that department of the college paper which, as we understand it, is supposed to be devoted to reviews and criticisms of exchanges intended for the entertainment or information of the reader. Now we are inclined to question, nay more, we honestly doubt whether the average reader is either greatly edified or amused to learn that "'Chills' is the best thing yet;" "simply this and nothing more" without any review of, or quotation from the article in question, which might serve to identify it as to whether it is "shaken off," so to say, in poetry or prose and whether the style be grave or gay. Nor will any one be either astonished or overcome by the information that the *Yale Courant* has editorials." Few students see the publications in question, and they rest in blissful ignorance of the articles referred to, the criticisms upon which are insipid and meaningless if no extracts are made, to determine the character of the journals, and point the exchange editor's remarks. Thus viewing the matter, it has been our aim to present to our readers, in our exchange columns, a short epitome of the thought of the college world as we find it imprinted in the various college publications. If any one still holds to the impression that it requires less time to manage the department in this way we would merely ask, is it easier to say, "'Chills' is the best thing yet," or to read the poem through, selecting the most striking verses and seeking in

as compact a manner as possible to give the reader a general idea of the poem?

Thus much by way of prologue, and now, before the curtain is rung up, the management begs leave to return its thanks for the reception which has been tendered its productions, and to say that since in the majority of instances the plan seems to be satisfactory, its pieces will henceforward be presented with much the same general *mise en scène*.

Notwithstanding the *Dartmouth's* premium photographs and its letters from its "three special female correspondents at Smith, Wellesley and Vassar Colleges," it does not seem to us, thus far, to have risen above the standard of exceeding mediocrity, and it is yet a mooted question with us whether it is even mediocre. Its contents are huddled together apparently entirely without regard to appearance or system. It never contains any short, spicy sketches of college life or characters, and always has some glaring error of make up, as for example its "Reviews;" (commenting on "First Love is Best.") "New York and Boston; A. S. Barnes & Co. Single Copy, \$1. Six numbers, (one year), postage prepaid, \$5." Six numbers of "First Love" in one year; we submit that this is rather "too much of a good thing!" In an editorial it remarks:

"The *Nassau Literary Magazine* says that our *Memoranda Alumnorum* is "a column of personals, the equal of which is not presented by any other college paper."

And immediately proceeds to sustain this opinion by presenting us with over two pages of the said "Memoranda;" a dose which we should think would have a decidedly nauseating effect upon the average Dartmouth student, and we should not be surprised if he would be led thereby to cry out in the words of the saw, "enough is as good as a feast."

The last number the *Brunonian* is remarkably good; it introduces us to its contents with a quaint little poem on "The Fairies' Retreat" beginning

"Nestled in shade 'neath the mosses and ferns,
Cluster the halls where the Fairy-Queen reigns,
Built of the wings of the May-fly and grains
Dropped by the tilting of bell-flower urns"

After this poem follows a comparison between Scott's two charming characters, Diana Vernon and Helen McGregor, but this is a species of article which always seems to us out of place in the college newspaper and should be banished to the sedate Review or magazine. "Concerning Salutations" contains some interesting information which the author has been at some pains to glean for the *Brunonians*; and as some of the salutations may not be familiar to our readers we quote a short portion of the article.

"A peculiar characteristic of the Arab is his belief in the doctrine of fate or inevitable necessity; and his usual salutation is "If God wills it, you are well;" in which is seen a

complete and unconscious betrayal of his fatalistic belief. The Egyptian lives in a hot, feverish climate where perspiration is an essential condition of health; and the traveller in that country is almost invariably met with "How do you perspire?" The traveller along the banks of the Amazon is nightly tormented and robbed of his sleep by the swarms of insects that infest that climate; and the usual greeting of the dweller upon the banks of the Amazon is "How do you sleep?" The peculiar situation and physical formation of Holland has naturally developed a large maritime commerce which has become a predominating interest and chief source of wealth; and this interest is seen in the Hollander's usual "How do you sail?" French politeness is equalled only by French vivacity; and our French friend's "How do you carry yourself?" is a familiar betrayal of this lively tendency.

The Yale *Courant* this week publishes a "supplement" containing an engraving *à propos* of the abrogation of the Jubilee "by decree of 'Fac.'" From an aesthetical standpoint the picture is not remarkable, neither is the mechanical execution peculiarly fine, but as a caricature it is good and rises above criticism. We like the *Courant* because it always contains that *quasi*-essential of a paper, something readable, and *mirabile dictu* there are many college journals which do not; but more particularly we like it because of the bold and fearless manner in which it handles all the topics upon which it treats; it evidently "means what it says" and it undoubtedly "says what it means." The number before us contains a laughable little poem, which we reproduce.

PUT YOURSELF IN HIS PLACE.

Professor X, not long ago,
invited Y to tea;
(Y is a Senior *érudite*,
And loves good companey.)
Assembled round the festive board
Were six old gentlemen,
The host and hostess and their child,
A little girl of ten.
They talked of science and of books,
Of politics and wars,
And then—I know not why it was—
Ensued an awkward pause.
Then to himself the Senior said:
"This surely must not be;
The conversation I will start."
And thus began did he:
"Ah! gentlemen, I have observed"—
(The greatest silence reigned)—
"I have observed, distinguished men
Have never sons with brains."
The little child then took him down,
As only children can:
"Pray tell me, sir, are you the son
Of a distinguished man?"

The exchange editor of the *Courant* closes a long criticism on the *Advocate* in the following peroration:

"Go on, Most Illustrious and Highly Resplendent Princess of the Middle Flowery Kingdom. Continue in the serenity of dignified culture, and lift your spotless hands in horror at the wickedness and awkwardness of Outside Barbarians, especially if those whom they blindly suppose to be their own

proper journalistic mentors call things hard, plain names in a mistaken following of the notion that reform begins at home; and if there are within your own borders any little eccentricities, such as not paying your debts, and pursuing fat, frail and forty actresses, which the aforesaid O. B. might cavil at with wicked and shocking words, use your discretion to keep from your paper any mention of such things, for it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done in secret. Rest in the blissful assurance that you are the centre, and although the outside world on the tire of the wheel may move faster than the hub, remember that it is around you that it revolves."

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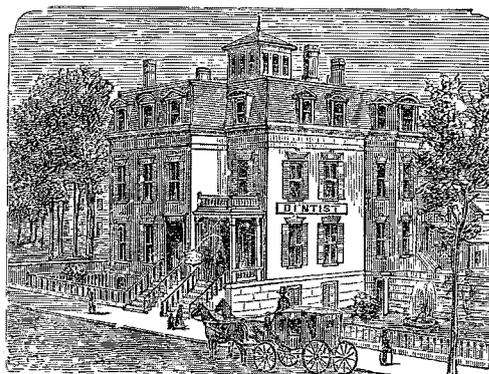
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THIS number is the last that will be published before vacation. Before we close our editorial work for the term, we desire to thank our friends for the cordial support which they have given us, and for the interest which they have taken in the paper. In this way much has been done to lighten our task and render it easier. Thus far our work has been extremely pleasant, and the experience which it has given us is worth the trouble it has been to us. When we began we were far from expecting that no mistakes would be made, and we are glad that so many have been avoided. The amount of labor required to publish a weekly paper is not small, and when this is added to that of the regular college work quite a task is given us. This must be the excuse for the apparent haste in which many articles are prepared. Next term we shall resume our labors with new interest, and shall try to profit by the experience of this term. We hope that we shall merit and receive the same assistance as we have already received. May a pleasant vacation and a good rest be the lot of every one.

VACATION is almost at hand. Supposing that the examinations are successfully finished, we can imagine the typical student forming his plans as to the manner in which to spend the holidays. In the composition of plans, the pursuit of pleasure is a large ingredient, but by no means the only one. Ideas—rather vagaries—of culture and self-improvement occupy a prominent place. To hear these schemes talked over is indeed interesting, especially when we consider that all the ponderous volumes which are to be read are not read; that the essays and orations that are to be written

for next term are not written; that, in fact, the thousand and one things that are to be accomplished in the way of general improvement, are not accomplished. The culture that we expect to derive must come of itself; it is acquired when, unconsciously, we find ourselves with some old book to which we have become attached by long study. It is in this manner, this reading for its own sake, and not as an appointed task, that culture ripens. The student is not supposed to sound the very depths of learning during his short vacation; this is not at all necessary. Let him commence on something light, but persist. The average student, we will take for granted, has read enough of a heavy nature in his prescribed term's work, and in vacation needs something to polish and knock off the rough corners of his literary style. Lord Chesterfield said, "I converse with grave folios in the morning when my head is clearest and my attention strongest. I take up less severe quartos after dinner; and at night, I choose the mixed company and amusing chit-chat of octavos and duodecimos." The reading connected with University duties is, to a certain extent, like a Procrustes-bed, in which we are all made to fit. But vacation can banish all objections of this nature. Then, each one can follow the inclination of his own sweet will as to what he shall read. With the knowledge that many resolutions for improvement will be made, and with an inward certainty that almost as many will be forgotten, we would nevertheless recommend a continuation of these good resolves, remembering always that where many seeds are scattered some take root and mature.

It is unfortunate that so little time is allowed Professor Corson for his lectures on English Literature—a subject interesting to all students, and especially so to those taking literary courses. Without reflecting upon the general management of these lectures as now given, or saying that not all the time which can be taken at present, is given to the lectures in question, we reflect the opinion of

a majority of the students when we say that more time should be allowed to this interesting course. To many of the students, these lectures are the only means of obtaining a systematic and comprehensive idea of our literature; and coming only once a week, it is impossible for the Professor to do justice to his subject, and equally unsatisfactory to the student. In delivering the lectures, two courses are open to the Professor. To make any considerable progress, he is compelled to run hurriedly over the different periods of our literature, and at best only a superficial idea can be obtained. This is, of course, exasperating; but considering the time devoted to the lectures, it is inevitable. Again the Professor can confine his attention to one particular author and his works, and thus familiarize his hearers with the author's style and writings. This is all right so far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. Thus there are two evils, and of these the least must be chosen; and the result is far from being what it should be. The lectures as laid down in the syllabus are never completed, and during their whole course students are unable to hear them all. Is there no remedy for this? It is certainly a matter that demands attention. That it is a very undesirable state of things no one will deny; and if more time can be given to any branch, it should be given to this. When lectures upon the literatures of other languages occur so often, it does not seem unreasonable to ask that more than one hour a week be given to the study of our own. As arranged at present, the lectures are only an aggravation, showing what good things lie beyond. A course of lectures coming three times, or at least twice a week, might be arranged next term without much trouble, and time thus spent could not be better used. Attendance could be made compulsory for students in literature, and optional for those in other courses. Such a *régime* would in a great measure do away with both the objections previously mentioned, and supply a want long felt among the students. We commend this subject to the careful consideration of the powers that be.

THE season for cramming is again at hand. We have come to that part of the term when even the most dilatory student makes up his mind to the fact that if he is to pass his examinations he must attend to business and get ready for them. For the next two weeks there will be a great deal of work done, and little else but work. If this work for examinations meant simply a review of that of the term, so as to fix more firmly in the mind what had already been learned, there would be something in it to commend it; but when it means studying up a subject almost for the first time in the term to get ready for the examination, it is a different affair al-

together. Yet it is no uncommon thing for the latter course to be pursued, and even by those who try to work honestly and earnestly. But it is not the fault of students alone that this kind of work is so common; many feel compelled to do thus who would prefer to prepare for each day's work, or to learn the more prominent points of each lecture as soon as it is delivered. For various reasons it is often nearly or quite impossible to take intelligible notes upon the lectures to which we listen. This plan of cramming for examinations seems to be the worst evil that can be laid to the lecture system so common here, and which is really excellent on many accounts. By means of lectures we are spared the simple committing and reciting of the dry matter of text-books, and with the latter as assistants only a subject can be made much more interesting than it otherwise would be. The practice which is obtained in taking notes is of much value also, but it is difficult to follow a lecturer and take good notes without the assistance of some kind of a syllabus. It is the custom of some professors to wait till nearly the end of the term before giving out the syllabi of their lectures. When this is the case, almost invariably very little is done with the subject until the syllabus is received, and often from the nature of the subject little can be done with profit before that time. At any rate, where the questions are expected they will be waited for, and when they are received those alone will be worked up for examination in the short time then left. In consequence, students enter examinations with the questions well enough answered to be able to pass, but with a very slight knowledge of the subject as a whole; and this quickly vanishes as soon as the subject is dropped. This is, of course, more commonly the case with those subjects which in themselves are not very interesting to the most of us, and getting only imperfect ideas of them from the lectures we are not much pleased with them. In the first place lectures should be made as interesting and attractive as possible, so that good attention will be paid to them; and besides, at the beginning of the term a synopsis of the lectures, or some sort of heads of them, should be given. In this way it would seem that better results might be obtained than are reached by the plan now most common. In studies where recitations are necessary some professors seek to prevent cramming by taking some account of the work done during the term, and by examining upon new matter, thus requiring knowledge of principles rather than a simple restatement of something which has been learned. And this is a true way; for to base all one's knowledge of a student's proficiency upon an examination paper is a very faulty method of procedure. Apparently professors are coming to see this more plainly the more

they make use of that way of doing. The plan of cramming is not a healthy one, and not a wise one; and the less of it there is done the better. If a student has done good honest work during the term he need not have much fear of examinations, and he had better enter them fresh and ready to think, relying upon his term's work, than exhausted with long reviews and overwork. Worrying about examinations causes a great deal of cramming; but those who trouble themselves the most are usually the best prepared, and it is a poor plan to worry anyway. No one should cram on that account. Examinations always seem worse before they are entered than they really are, and while it is well to be sure that you have a fair knowledge of a subject, it is better to do your hard work when you get at them than the week before in trying to learn a whole book by heart.

A TERRIBLE MISTAKE.

I stood before the window with a maid,
A maiden erudite and fair to see,
And I, of course, had all my plans well laid
T'inspire in her some slight respect for me.

While thus we stood intently gazing out
Upon the throng which trod the snowy street,
The maid with outcry much akin to shout
Said, "See that ulster with a watteau plait!"

"A watteau plait! pray what is that?" I said,
"Is it some double-pocket for the hands?"
Then Hood's sad song sped swiftly through my head
"Perhaps it is the gusset, seam and bands?"

"Oh, no," she said, "it is the fold behind"
"Drawn up together underneath the belt."
Then I, alack! who to results was blind,
Must needs express the wonder that I felt.

"But can there be no watteau plait before?"
(What demon dire had urged me to begin it!)
She bit her lips, and blushing more and more,
Disclosed to me the fact "my foot was in it."

With eyes down cast she slowly stuttered:
"A w-watteau plait is only m-made behind."
"A kind of pull-back, I suppose," I muttered.
Hereafter, I'll not ask such terms defined.

SWEDISH POETRY.

While attempting a study of literature we are surprised by the gems of poetry found in the Swedish language. That these exquisite poems are not more universally known we can attribute but to one reason. Mythology seems long to have held a prominent place on the Scandinavian shore, and it was not until the new era of literature had become well established in central and southern Europe, that the impetus permeated Sweden and discovered her historians and poets. The comparatively recent date of this development, together with the smallness of her population is the reason why she does not rank with other nations in the abundance of her literature. The works of Tegnèr,

Franzèn, Geijer Atterbom and Nicander, when taken collectively, are not so voluminous as those of one modern romance writer in Germany or England. But every page will abundantly prove that it is not a paucity of ideas, a barrenness of fancy or in a word the poverty of their internal world, but rather a characteristic disposition of northern genius which prompts to say much in a few words and to condense rather than amplify, to cherish their fanciful creations in the hidden recesses of mind, rather than bring them prematurely into public light.

The conditions of Sweden are favorable to a peculiar style of poetry. The atmosphere of summer, and the soft light of winter mingled with rural simplicity, render a charm to the poetic mind. "How beautiful is the summer night, which is not night, but a sunless, yet unclouded day, descending upon earth with dews and shadows and refreshing coolness! How beautiful the long, mild twilight which like a silver clasp unites to-day with yesterday! How beautiful the silent hour when morning and evening thus sit hand in hand beneath the starless sky of midnight!" Those old-time myths are woven into sagas, and they are clothed with pleasing garb under the influence of a Swedish clime. To us no language is more charming or beautiful than the Swedish. Flexible yet strong, flowery yet concise, it combines the gravity of the northern with the melodious beauty of the southern tongue. It is peculiarly fitted to a softer northern character. The popular poetry of Scandinavia rivals that of the English and Scotch in beauty and intrinsic worth. This is particularly true of Swedish poetry. Some of the finest passages of which equal if not surpass those most admired lines of Virgil and Goethe.

Its beauty is its figures, its simplicity and its chronicles. Those antique legends are beautifully told and shaded with the cast of that soft and sonorous dialect.

The genius of Sweden is essentially lyrical rather than dramatic or epic. Ancient styles of poetry retained favor until the birth of the Gothic school in 1811. Rich and fanciful as were the writings of several centuries, Geijer (1783-1847) may be called the first historian, and at the same time a poet. His poems are among the most precious treasures of Swedish literature; but the universally acknowledged poet was Isaias Tegnèr (1782-1846). Translations from these poets have been made in various languages, but Swedish like most other languages, loses much of the original beauty by the change.

Tegnèr gave perhaps in his "Axel," a tale of love and jealousy, all the tender pathos of which it was susceptible. This short work betrayed an imaginative revelling amid a field whose treasures

have been touched but not exhausted. When he compares the dark tresses on the cheek of Beauty, to "midnight slumbering on a bed of roses," the image is truly pleasing; and when "Madness, Death's younger brother, arises from an abyss and walks the earth in bodily form," few spirits more striking and tender have been evolved from their dread abode, since the Sin and Death, of Milton. Here is a version of another portion.

"Love! our being's waking bliss!
Spirit garb of happiness!
Heaven's halo, sent to shine
O'er a world no more divine!
Nature's heart whose choicest measure
Beats in time to promised pleasure;
Drop to drop, within the ocean;
Star to star, in heaven above,
Moving with harmonious motion,
Round the sun they love;
Brotherhood and Sympathy
Are the laws that flow from thee."

Fridthiof is a composition bolder and loftier in character. It forever enshrines a precious Runic medal in a setting so exquisitely appropriate and characteristic that one may be allowed to question if the most experienced eye could detect their amalgamation. This saga is one of the most remarkable with which we have met. It frequently catches the tone and spirit of the times which it imitates with a degree of life and truth rarely paralleled amongst the pseudo-ancient poems. It is based upon an Icelandic saga (Sagann af Fridthiofe Frackna) the hero of which is supposed to have lived in the eighth century. It consists of twenty-four cantos each written in a different metre corresponding with the change of scenes. Among them are found classical, Scandinavian, and modern metres with the early ones of most European nations. Most of the cantos are in rhyme; but blank verse also occurs.

The first canto describes the youth of Fridthiof and Ingelborg, as they grow up together under the humble roof of Hilding their foster-father; he the son of a peasant, she the daughter of King Bele. They are represented as two plants in the old man's garden—an oak with lance-like stem, and leafy top like a helmet; a rose, in whose folded bud the spring still sleeps and dreams. Thus the poet says of them:

"When day rules heaven, earth and air
World's monarch with his golden hair,
When life is active, men are moving,
Neither can think of aught save loving.

When night rules heaven, earth and air
World's mother with her dusky hair
When life is hushed, stars only moving
Neither can dream of aught save loving."

Canto 12 is a description of Fridthiof's return home after a winter's absence. It is written in a natural style and cannot fail to be appreciated.

"How sweet to the rover, from distant land,
His prow to turn to his own home's strand!
There rises the smoke from his father's hearth
And gaze where he will, 'tis his native earth,
Where his childhood's haunts in brook are seen;
Where his fathers sleep in their hillocks green;
And where still, from the cliff, his faithful bride
Sends her anxious gaze o'er the waters wide."

In another portion of the legend Fridthiof takes a pathetic leave of his friend Ingelborg. The sea is henceforth to be his home and grave.

"Tread not oh friends! in moonlight sweet,
Or starlight soft—the silent strand,
Lest cruel waves should to your feet
Waft my pale corse upon the sand!"

That Tegnér ranks among the best of our modern poets is a fact not to be disputed. It is impossible to convey to the English reader any just conception of his real merits by mere translations even from his finest versification, his most spirited and characteristic poems. His true genius is manifest solely in his native language. Few have written more beautiful things or exhibited more fanciful thoughts. Excellent as are his productions, we give one stanza to show the genius of Stagnelius.

"When earth's joys are o'er,
And the days darkly roll,
When autumn winds roar,—
Weep not, O my soul!
Fair lands o'er the sea
For the birds brightly bloom;
A land smiles for thee,
Beyond the dark tomb,
Where beams never fading its beauties illumine!"

—H.

D. G. P. R.

In a certain Young Ladies Seminary, the name and location are unessential to my story, there is a society, a species of Sorosis, whose members have banded themselves into an indissoluble league, having as their primal object the initiation of all of the male portion of humanity coming within their "field," into the mysterious fraternity, the initial letters of the title of which organization frown so ominously from the heading of this article. That B—— and I,——but I anticipate. It were better for me, without additional introduction or explanatory discursion, to seize the thread of my narrative at the proper end, then to gradually unwind it so that it may exhibit to the reader as it is unraveled, some sequence and not a mere tangled skein of events.

It was a bright afternoon in mid-winter when B—— and I paused before the gate of the —— Young Ladies Seminary, having previously mustered up our courage and adjusted our cuffs, we opened the gate, entered the enclosure and approached the portal of the Seminary building. As with stately steps we traversed the walk leading up to the door we were astonished, not to say shocked, by a unique and most peculiar greeting, being a shower of snow-

balls evidently aimed directly at us, and apparently proceeding from the second story front windows; apparently, I say, for we could not determine accurately as we dared not elevate our faces to a sufficient height to discover the source lest a niveous missile might take effect somewhere about our necks and not only dampen our ardor and collars but also permanently disaffect our scarf-pins, a calamity which would only have found a parallel in "the Fall of Troy," somewhere mentioned in historic annals. Still undaunted by this cool reception we continued on our way, not even, I am proud to say it, so far detracting from our dignity as to, in the slightest degree, augment our pace. At length we stood at the entrance to the building when, having given a final mollifying stroke to our coat-collars, we rang the bell.

The propriety with which the famous inscription "*Lasciate ogni speranza,*" &c., might have adorned the archway of the entrance now presents itself most forcibly to my mind, not that I would have it inferred that in aught else I would seek to compare the —— Young Ladies Seminary to the "Inferno," nay, far from it, as the thought of our visit lingers in its hallowed shrine in my memory, the Seminary has all the radiant effulgence of a "Paradiso," but however that may be, no time was given us for moralizations as to the peculiar adaptability of Dante's line, even if in our then innocent state we had felt "so dispeged;" for almost before I could recover myself from the shock occasioned by the the contact of my hand with the bell-pull, the door opened and we were ushered into the parlor.

Tyche favored us; the teacher with whom B— was most intimately acquainted was "in," and soon after she had received our cards entered the parlor with our four young lady friends following most docilely in her train. We had scarcely resumed our seats and plunged into a most earnest discussion as to the uncommon frigidity of the weather, when the rumor having spread throughout the Seminary, "*Fama, quo non aliud velocius ullum,*" that there were two young gentlemen in the parlor, no less than forty fair maidens forthwith flocked into the library, which the short-sighted architect of the building had seen fit to place on the opposite side of the hall from the parlor and directly flanking it. It is needless, of course, to say that we were not embarrassed by this unforeseen movement but somehow, notwithstanding our outward stolid indifference, we both acknowledged to each other afterwards, that being the objective point for a battery of forty pairs of inquisitive eyes doesn't fill a person with that same "*ungezwungenheit*" which is ordinarily induced by the quiet enjoyment of a meditative pipe in one's own room. One of our friends apparently appreciating our situation came

to the rescue with the suggestion that the folding-door on that side of the parlor, on which we were seated, be closed; a happy thought, which was at once carried into execution. The deep-seated purpose which lurked beneath this outward show of thoughtfulness and care for our comfort, was not disclosed until some time later when, chancing to glance at the end of the parlor, I saw a long pier-glass in which were to be seen the reflections of forty pairs of eyes, whose owners believing their movements to be entirely masked to us, were intently gazing through the half opened door, and evidently enjoying to the full the parlor pantomime, in which B— and I were, to the best of our several abilities, unwittingly filling the characters of clown and Pantaloon, respectively. The enormity of this discovery placed me so doubly ill at ease that I was beginning to meditate a sudden escape when I was happily rescued from the perplexing situation by the interrogation of one of the young ladies, who being a "parlor boarder," (which is a being, as nearly as I could determine upon subsequent inquiry, closely allied to our post-graduate) was at liberty to make such suggestions: "Would you not like to see the school-room?" Marvelous coincidence! B— and I were both of the unanimous opinion that if there was any one thing upon this mundane sphere with the sight of which we were particularly anxious to refresh our vision, it was the school-room of the —— Young Ladies Seminary. So to the school-room we went and here was presented to our astonished minds an enigma more difficult of explanation than the mysteries of ancient Eleusis, which was: how, that one of the young ladies of our party in an absolutely inappreciable space of time had forsaken our sides, crossed the entire length of the room, seated herself at the piano on the estrade, on the opposite side from that on which we stood, and had filled the large auditory with the witching strains of "*Verdute*;" now, if there was any one purpose for which this same school-room was better suited than another, it was for a ball-room, and so we thought, and hence Mnemosyne only added to her chronicle one more of those numerous defeats received at the hands of her young and fri.cloous daughter Teopsichore, in short *horresco referens* we were *waltzing* in the —— Young Ladies Seminary. Well was it for B— and myself that the principal of the Seminary was absent enjoying a two days' vacation, or in all reasonable probability this veracious chronicle would never have been given to the world.

The waltz finished, we adjourned again to the parlor, visiting on the way the various recitation rooms, in which a vague and undefined yearning came over both B— and myself, as we afterwards found when comparing impressions, that we

might be, by some mysterious process, transformed into pieces of chalk to be clasped by the dimpled fingers of our companions, or that we might be metamorphosed into the black-boards to enjoy a diurnal "rubbing down," at the hands of the fair occupants of the Seminary. It was not till afterwards that we discovered that during the entire period of our call we had been unconsciously undergoing an initiation into the mysterious rites of the D. G. P. R. and when the time came for our departure we became aware of the fact for the first time, that we were finally and irrevocably members of the organization. Our fair charmers gave us the mystic grip and we returned into the outer air no longer the same beings that had entered so short a time before; for, whereas, upon our entrance we had been comparatively untrammelled we were now

THE PASHA ON THE CAP AND GOWN.

Great is Allah and Mohammed is his prophet! Listen ye unto the sayings of the Pasha, and pay heed unto the same! Behold the Freshman, how he sporteth a cane and speaketh knowingly of Shallowitz. Behold the Sophomore who poketh the seductive billiard, and is free from all guile. Behold the Junior, who knoweth all things that now be, and vainly desireth a new creation, who sweareth by strange gods. Behold the Senior whose feet are on the earth and whose head is in the clouds. Behold how these all desire the Cap and Gown, the same being an abomination. Ye tillers of the soil, ye great men, how could ye plow therein? Ye mechanic artizans, ye cunning and nimble-minded, how could ye devise vessels of steel and hammers of iron in the same? Ye engineers, how could ye engineer them? Behold they are a vain thing, and my soul abhorreth them. They who desire them most are the "poneyers," whose feet are in slippery places, and in whose mind repositeth deceit. Woe unto ye, scribes and pharisees, hypocrites, whose souls are filled with the breath of your phylatories, that ye heed not the weightier matters of the arts and sciences. They that tarry long at the wine-cup desire them, and unto the "poneyer" they are verily a bonanza. The sleeves of the gown are exceeding wide, yea, a whole Deschanel can be carried therein. The sinful player of cards desireth them. Like as a hart longeth for the water brooks, so longeth the bow-legged man for the gown; the knock-kneed howleth for it, he that tooth-in crieth after it, but the upright scorneth it, saith the Pasha. Listen ye worldly unto a parable. And it came to pass that a certain man was tempted of the devil to buy one of the caps and array himself in strange raiment, yclept a gown. Behold the devil said unto him, "When that thou directeth thy steps toward the

University—for he was a scholar—all the people will render homage unto thee, yea, even the Profs. Men high in authority will make obeisance unto thee." He donned his strange garb and set out on his journey. And behold the sons of men did scoff at him, the small boy did rail at him and the wise did intimate that there was room to rent under the cap, and that the wardrobe of him which lay beneath the gown was scanty. And behold the winds blew, and the rains beat upon him, and the cap did sink into a ravine which was hard by, and for his gown did the people cast dice. Then did that man see the error of his ways, how that his wisdom was a negative quantity, and the place which knew him once, knew him no more. Selah!

SPORTS—RESUMÉ FOR FALL TERM.

At such a time as this, it seems fitting, indeed it becomes almost a duty, to review our history for the preceding weeks in order that we may notice the changes that have been made, and contrast the record with that of previous times to determine whether we have advanced. In looking over our record for the present term several significant facts strike us, the most important of which is the lamentable one that we have not had occasion to chronicle a struggle with any sister college in any of the branches of athletics in which we have so often engaged in other years and with such success. We have received but one challenge, and that the condition of affairs would not warrant our acceptance.

Again, the declining interest in boating is at once noticed; this is partly due to the precarious state of the Navy, but it also shows what is proven by other colleges, the tendency towards less expensive sports, and especially those in which more may participate. We will not discuss the question which every debating society has taken up, but only suggest that the large number of boats which the Navy possesses, and which it has endeavored so well to retain, may as well be used as allowed to rot in the boat-house. This term has not known a field-day, which is a feature of all other institutions; but of this we would not complain severely, for a movement is on foot, which, if successful, will enable us next term to discover what ability will display itself after being hidden so long.

In proportion as rowing has been neglected, the interest in foot-ball has been gradually rising, and during the remainder of the collegiate year doubtless the Rugby Union rules will be more widely practised and universally received. This is certainly a step in the right direction, for through them we may reach, as it were, the outside world. The record of match games is not a large one. On November 1st, the Hill and Valley game was played

but the question of superiority was left undecided by a draw after a most stubbornly contested game. The Juniors and Sophomores met on November 10th, and an easy victory was obtained by the former in three straight goals.

The Base-ball interest has not been wholly neglected. The usual number of games with the so-called "town" nine have been played in all of which the University were successful. The Juniors, on October 6th, defeated the Sophomores by the score of 11 to 3; and on the 16th, the Freshmen, 17 to 8, which places '79 as the champions of the University.

The Fall regatta upon October 13th, was successful financially as well as otherwise: the result gives '78 the Cluck cup for '77-'78; the Sprague crew easily rowed away from their antagonists, the Tom Hughes club, and Welles defeated Russel in the single scull.

To place chess under the head of sports would be to offend those who are skilled in this deep science; but we trust that we shall not be called into an account for giving at least the statement that the Philidor are now playing with Princeton and Ann Arbor and the chances are very even; but the members are hopeful of success in both cases.

This completes the record for the past three months. As a whole it does not differ widely from that of the same period last year; but when compared with the fall of 1875, it shows at a disadvantage. The regatta then showed much better rowing in more closely contested races. The field day was a success. Many were in attendance: the time shown compared favorably with other colleges and in every particular it is a pleasant day to recall. In that term we remember the exciting inter-class foot-ball matches which were continued throughout the year. In one thing only can we boast superiority, over them—our base ball nine has better material and a more brilliant showing in its favor. Soon we will have an opportunity to do something to our credit. All promise well if but due attention is given to them.

IN MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Divine Father to remove from our midst our beloved friend and classmate, JAMES A. LEMAN, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the class of '80, while acknowledging the hand of Providence in all earthly afflictions sincerely lament the loss of our classmate, as a conscientious student, a true friend and an earnest Christian.

Resolved, That we extend to the relatives and friends our deepest sympathy in this their hour of sorrow.

Resolved, That in token of respect to our departed brother, we wear an appropriate badge of mourning for the space of one week.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to the parents of the deceased.

OSCAR G. LATHROP, WILLIAM A. HENRY,
HIRAM J. MESSENGER, JR., Committee.

CORNELIANA.

— Junior debaters, as usual, draw their illustrations largely from Roman History.

— A Junior thinks that hatters could utilize the Sage chapel hymns in making the mortar-boards for the Oxford caps.

— Another disciple of the 'lengua castellano,' rendered " *dé ties piés y medio de estatura*," " of three feet and a half in stature."

— The management of the *Review* has been changed and Frank H. Severance will hereafter conduct the business of that periodical.

— An enterprising Spanish student somewhat astounded the professor with the information that Gil Blas's uncle's name was 'Llamábase Gil Perez!'

— The following *Cornellian* editors have been elected: *A. A. P.*, S. T. Ballard; *X. P.*, R. H. Treman; *A. S. X.*, P. A. Welker; *G. A. X.*, S. A. Simons.

— A Freshman who saw on a Senior's shelf a number of French books with "Tome 1," "Tome 2," &c., printed on the backs, inquired why he had so many of Tome's works.

— The various metamorphoses through which Prof. Prentiss' house has been developing from its chrysalis to its present butterfly state, have been watched with much interest.

— The only thing that is necessary to make the Sage dining room perfect is a watch with a self-snapping cover, which would click a merry warning to the unfortunate who comes late to breakfast.

— Owing to some repairs which the furnace in the McGraw building is undergoing, it will be impossible to heat the building to-morrow (Saturday) and hence the Library will be closed.

— A Freshman having been inveigled into "Spahn's" the other night, saw the sign "Rhine Wine and Seltzer," upon which he exclaimed, "What! do they have Rhine wine and Seidlitz powders here?"

— "Man glories in his strength, woman glories in her hair; but this butter has a superabundance of both," said a Sophomore, as the oleaginous substance went round the table at one of our popular boarding houses recently.

— At a meeting of the Philidor Chess Club held last Friday evening at the rooms of Youngs, '79, the following officers were elected for the winter term: President, G. P. Eaton, '78; Vice-President, J. T. Hill, '78; Secretary, F. W. Skinner, '79; Treasurer, W. M. Alberti, '79. A committee consisting of Ryder, '79, Alberti, '79, and Skinner, '79, were appointed to arrange for tournament games which will be played as usual next term for the championship of the various classes and of the University. The game with Princeton is suspended for the present owing to the illness of one of the Princeton players.

—Prof. Russel gave the "Annual Talk," in the chapel to-day at noon. The address set forth in a strong light the relations of the students to the University, the town, and to themselves, and contained much sound advice on topics connected with student life at Cornell.

—"Impudent Sophomores at Syracuse block the college walks and stare at the *pretty* co-eds. At Cornell no such demonstration occurs, because —."—*Review*. This is rank heresy. It were better for that *Review* editor to have never been born, than to trifle thus with truth.

—"Those who advocate 'the wearing of the gown,' are also the bitterest enemies of co-education. One moment they emit a dolorous wail because there are fifty ladies among the five hundred students, and the next they are industriously employed in trying to pass an act entitled 'An Act for the Compulsory Adoption of Female Attire among all students.'"—*Review*.

—Professor Law's class in general veterinary science numbers twenty-nine, the largest he has ever had in the University. The first edition of Professor Law's book on the treatment of diseases of domestic animals, which has been so favorably received by the scientific press of this country and England, is exhausted, and a second edition is in preparation. This speaks well for the ability of Dr. Law, and shows that the interest in veterinary science is increasing in this country.

—The *Register* has at last appeared. The only change of importance is the fact that registration for the spring term will be on Saturday instead of the usual Thursday. There are 490 students attending the University, divided as follows: Seniors, 72; Juniors, 96; Sophomores, 155; Freshmen, 146; Post-graduates, 21. The examination papers are quite interesting, although many of them have served as specimens till they are hoar with age, notably the one on Ancient History, which still lingers despite the fact that Ancient History is no longer in the course. The papers submitted by Professor Røhrig in Arabic and Sanskrit cast a halo of solid learning around the pages of the *Register* which they never had before. Of course, the old error of printing the defunct "Adelphi" among the literary societies is still kept up. Copies may be obtained at the Business Office.

—A card similar to the following has been sent to each alumnus of the University the past week. If and of our readers who may not have received such a communication, will forward to Professor Fiske any of the information requested, particularly, concerning those students who may not have graduated from the University, they will render thereby very material assistance: "The University intends to publish a TEN YEAR BOOK which will include the names of all those in attendance

during the decade 1868-78. Will you, therefore, kindly communicate to me, as early as possible, 1. Your full name and post-office address; 2. The years during which you were at the University; 3. The number of terms you were present; 4. Whether you had previously been connected with any college, and, if so, what one; 5. Any degree conferred upon you by another institution; 6. Your present profession or occupation; 7. The titles and dates of any political, educational, ecclesiastical or military positions held by you since leaving the University; 8. The titles of any publication you may have issued, and of any journals with which you may have been connected; 9. Any information concerning members of your class, especially their professions and addresses.

—Pursuant to a call of the president, the Sophomore class held a large and enthusiastic meeting in Military Hall on Wednesday evening. Rumors of a proposed attempt of the Freshmen to interfere in the deliberations were rife and every precaution was taken to prevent the achievement of any such design. Two sentries were stationed at the entrance, and no one was allowed to cross its portals unless he exhibited the unmistakable signs of loyalty to the Sophomoric cause. The first business which was transacted fixed the time of holding the class supper as the last Friday in January. The adverse report on the Cap and Gown was then recorded, and a committee consisting of Messrs. Williams, Tracy and Kendig were appointed whose duties are to arrange for a cap which shall mark the member of '80 for the remainder of his collegiate course. The election of the officers for the supper was then held, Sanger, Force, Fox and Cramphin acting as tellers. During the election, two packages of red pepper were introduced *without* the approval of the meeting through a broken window. A momentary stampede took place, but quiet was soon restored, and stamping being wholly dispensed with, excellent order prevailed to the end. The following are the officers chosen: L. Force, orator; F. C. Lawrence, poet; H. H. Soule, historian; H. E. Hills, essayist; R. T. Morris, toast master; R. H. Farquhar, prophet; E. B. Sanger, chaplain; C. E. Wagner, G. M. Mann, marshals.

IN the Christmas number of *Scribner's* Prof. Boyesen will have a poem, entitled *Jarl Sigurd's Christmas Eve*. It will be elegantly illustrated by Miss Fanny Hallock, and will be one of the chief attractions.

MRS. CORSON, wife of Prof. Corson, begins in the *Canadian Monthly* for November, a serial entitled, "Strange Experiences: a Story of Bohemian Life." This magazine, which is published at Toronto, was formerly edited by Goldwin Smith.

EXCHANGES.

The *Orient* is degenerating, the *literary* department of the last number contains nothing of particular note, save a lengthy memorial address, which has the savor of having been inserted to "fill up." The local items are poor, we quote two merely as examples :

"The most that the "old clo' man" would offer for a bran new twenty dollar overcoat was a pair of vases worth a dollar and a quarter at most."

"Prof.—"What can you say about the Trap dikes of this period?" Student—"Can't say anything, sir," Prof. "That's sufficient."

The exchange editor being absent, the example set by—well, it is not necessary to say by whom, has been adopted, and the exchange department is filled with comments upon the *Orient* by various other papers of the college press, comments which however well they may have applied in the past would certainly not be sustained by the present number.

The *Lafayette College Journal* is doubtless a publication much appreciated by the undergraduates of Lafayette, as it is filled with matter peculiarly attractive to students of that college, but all of its articles relate so exclusively to local affairs that they are out of the reach of criticism from alien readers.

The *Review* for November introduces its contents with a poem, "The Tide-Bell," which is to say the least, quite common-place, several of the verses are either decidedly obscure or are defective in grammatical construction, and we rather incline to the opinion that they are an unhappy combination of both. After a careful examination of the first verse we are still at a loss to know the spot for which the hero's heart yearns in the last line :

"Did you hear the ring of the bonnie bell
That chimed far over the sea?
And oh! where is the ringer, where is the bell?
Oh, would that I there might be."

In the eighth verse the writer says :

"For the lily hand, for the soft, warm cheek
For the lips that were laid to thine
There shall waft to thee," laughs the wave-rung bell,
"A kiss from the lips of mine."

After reading the first two lines we are irresistibly forced to the conclusion that the lips referred to must have been of the oriental type to have had sufficient superficies to form a support for a hand, a cheek and another pair of lips ; and we still remain in a maze of dread uncertainty as to what the "mine" in the last line refers to.

"The Moral Type," etc., many of our readers will remember as having been delivered at the last "Woodford" contest by H. W. Foster ; it is an excellent production, indited with much care, and exhibiting no little research and labor. "Rumpelstilzchen" is a translation from the German of Roquette and "National Glory" an article by J. Ness, holding up to view that which should be the

true glory of a nation, that is "a perfect manhood and womanhood, strong in individual character, strong in purpose for good, strong in love for humanity." Professor Corson devotes several pages to a consideration of Chaucer's "Parlament of Foules," which is of a kind with all the Professors talks upon old English literature. The editorial department of the *Review* is only moderate, and we would suggest a little more of originality of thought, and a little less of editorial matter hinging upon what the "Era" has recently said or done.

The *Yale Lit.* for November opens with a short moralization entitled a "Looking-Glass" in which the writer holds up the mirror before the faces of all college men, that "we may see ourselves as others see us." The piece is well written, and contains some decided homethrusts, which are the more cutting, that they are true. Speaking of college conceits, the writer says :

"Conceit is plainly stamped upon the canvas, college conceit, which seems at once to attract the notice and comment of the world. Go home after an absence of a year or two at college, and you will be a model man if your old school-fellows and playmates do not unanimously think you conceited. In spite of your best endeavors to greet them in the old familiar way, they will detect condescension in your politeness and superiority in your air. There seems to be something in the atmosphere of our college life that fills us with a self-satisfaction that we cannot conceal."

And again, treating of the financial habits which obtain with college men :

"But how strange does this looking-glass make our business habits appear! The matter-of-fact world may be pardoned a laugh at our expense on this subject, for we have no principles in common with it. Here it is more orthodox to be without money than to have some in your pocket, to be in debt than to be in funds. To manage an undertaking without reckoning the expense, to ignore the relation of the cost to the return, to disdain the consideration of seeking the best possible terms are business axioms known to college men alone. To borrow or to lend and then forget, is a freak of the memory encouraged nowhere but here. To remind another of the debt he owes, is indelicate among us alone. Here only, is carelessness in regard to money matters a virtue, and carefulness the same as stinginess."

In this present number of the *Lit.* also appears their Prize Essay, which under the title "A Representative Woman," gives us an admirable sketch of the life of "Madame de Riedesel," which, although a very carefully written article is too long to bear even epitomizing here.

A would-be poet in the *Lit.* under the head of "Repose," murders the "king's english" in the following delightfully naive fashion :

"Wanton stars of Summer night,
Chasing gloom away,
On her brow in mellow light
Let thy beamlets stray."

While in a "Fury and a Friendship" we are presented with an exciting little novelette.

All of the Yale papers seem much aroused over an article which appeared in a recent western pa-

per, and which was afterwards copied in the New York *Tribune*. The writer has in this article depicted the Sabbath of the Yale student, and has represented the said student as one of the vilest and most iniquitous of beings, if this be true, and coming from the source which it does, it certainly must be, we would only suggest to the Faculty of Yale College, that as the "Thanksgiving Jubilee" was abolished because of its immoral tendencies, so likewise, Sunday should be abolished at Yale as being immoral in its tendencies and being but one more step in the great work of reform of that apparently wickedest of human beings a Yale student.

The *Advocate* always has at least one good poem, one which appears in the present number is so exceptionally pretty that we have seen fit to reproduce it in full:

OUT OF SIN.

With'n a garden where the air
Shone full of light, around, above,
I saw three blossoms, wondrous fair,—
The flowers of faith and hope and love.

A shadow through the garden swept,—
A moaning storm of sin and woe ;
And in the midst a voice that wept,
Cried, "Darkness cometh: light must go."

O'erwhelmed and broken in the tide
Of night, of peace and joy bereft,
Two blossoms bowed their heads, and died :
The flower of love alone was left.

Alone, and weary with the fight,
The flower of love began to yield ;
When, round it poured, a holy light,
Of sorrow born, the sorrow healed.

Now, in that love-wrought light rejoice
New faith and hope ; while, far away,
Amid the flying storm, the voice
Cries, "Love can make the darkness day."

The *Advocate* also contains a quaint little love story entitled a "Lesson for Seniors," and a "Letter from Germany," the latter is quite a laughable sketch of the experience of a Harvard graduate in his matriculation in a German University. Having been ushered into a large room he is asked by the University Quæstor for his papers, and presents his diploma and passport! But to let the writer speak for himself.

"A professor, at one end of the long table, began to call the names of the students as they appeared on the pile of papers before him ; and as fast as we were called we went up to the table, and fell first into the hands of the Ex-Rector Bardeleben, who inquired who my father was, what he did, where he lived, was he dead. He did not ask for a photograph, which after his great interest in that gentleman seemed strange. Having exhausted this fruitful subject, he passed on to myself, and inquired so deeply into my past life that I momentarily expected to be required to state how many children I had left mourning on the further shore. But he seemed satisfied at last, and passed me on to the next harpy.

"To this one the office was given to find out about me since I had reached Germany. This he did in the fullest manner, and passed me on to Helenholly, the Rector, who with a glance

full of mildness and pity handed me my diploma, with the remark that it was "of no special value," so I might keep it.

"Thence, I was despatched to a feeble little consumptive in a corner, who proved not to be so much in need of my pity, being Tobler, the Dean of my Faculty.

"Here I learned that I was a "vir juvenis ornatissimus," which I was glad to hear, and much portentous paper was handed me by the Pedel a moment later. With these valuable possessions, I was about to walk sighing away, when the words "Achtzehn mark" rung with painful clearness in my ears, and I was, of course, obliged to arrange this little matter with my hands full of the papers."

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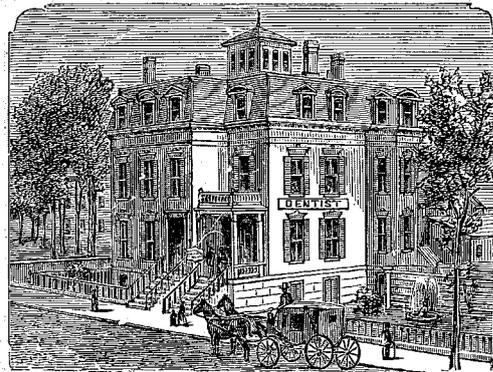
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It is generally known to the students or at least to those who have been here any length of time, that we have in the University a chess club. Notwithstanding this fact, the club has never received the patronage which it should. Chess is pre-eminently a student game. All students should understand it, and there are undoubtedly in the University a number of players who have, so to speak, not shown their hand. We are soon to have a series of games to determine the chess championship, after which there will be played a match game with some college not yet decided on. We hope that all students who are interested in this fascinating game, and not connected with the club will become so, in order that it may reflect the skill of the student body in this respect.

THE Freshmen crews have been at work some time, and practice regularly every day. The Gymnasium again resounds with that familiar sound which was wont to fall on the ear. There are three separate crews, and the men in training already show an unusual aptitude for the oar. An answer to our reply to the Harvard challenge has just been received in which the captain of their crew states that it will be "impracticable" for them to row a race with six oars, however, in case a race is arranged under these circumstances, there is no reason why we may not expect success. The crews are under the efficient supervision of Lewis and Smith, both of whom have been to Saratoga twice, and understand thoroughly the *modus operandi* of training. We have every confidence that if the Freshmen are to row, it will be only after steady and faithful work.

THE *Chronicle* has prepared a table which shows the use made of the books in the libraries of the principal colleges. An error is made in the number of hours in which our library is open. The true number is fifty-four hours per week. The number of volumes drawn daily by students is two hundred, which is higher than at any other college except Harvard, where it is the same. Considering the number of students here compared with that of those at Harvard, the figures speak well for the value of our library and the use which students make of it. Besides this number, one hundred of the volumes most frequently used are placed where all may use them, and no account is taken of these. With better catalogues there is no doubt that the library would be used more than it is, for it contains many treasures which we have not yet discovered.

DURING the cold weather which we have had of late a voice of lamentation and discontent has been heard, even from those who are usually satisfied, while those who make a point of grumbling upon the slightest provocation have been unusually loud in their complaints. The fear that they would be quite frozen has even deterred some from attending lectures at all regularly. It is certain that there are days at this season of the year in this vicinity when, that he may be comfortable, one needs a very large amount of heat, in fact more than the body generates, especially when it is at rest. This idea is not a new one, but on the contrary it has so forcibly impressed itself upon the minds of those who have in their hands the ordering of such affairs that they have provided instruments by means of which the needed caloric was to be obtained. But unfortunately this scheme for producing comfort and maintaining health has not been entirely successful. The fuel with which these heat-producers are supplied can, not unfrequently, with great difficulty be prevailed upon to burn in any sort of a cheerful manner, and the heat which is given off is often in too crude a form to be of any use to us, and we are

constrained to open the windows to let it escape. Whether this failure results from the inability of the furnaces to perform their duty, or is the fault of those who have been appointed to engineer them has not been accurately ascertained, but some have stated that they believed both to be to blame. However, the facts in the case remain the same, and we continue to be cold. As is usually the case, what is harmful for a majority is salutary for the rest; in this instance also; for those who were formerly accustomed to read surreptitiously something interesting during lectures, or to take short naps, are now rendered too uncomfortable for such occupation, and they cannot avoid listening. But the plan of sacrificing the many that the few may be benefitted is not to be encouraged. The unfortunate state of affairs which is here presented is now alluded to, not perhaps for the first time, and certainly not with the expectation that this will help to produce any change, but to assure those who mourn that their laments are shared and appreciated.

CLASS elections have ever afforded opportunities for unlimited wire-pulling. They have been the source of much unpleasant feeling and very frequently through petty personal spite or factious quarrels have had as their result the election of unqualified men to office. The present system under which the ERA elections are conducted, being in no sense different from other class elections is necessarily subject to the same defects as those ballots held exclusively for the purpose of electing class officers. It is a fact so well known as to be scarcely worthy of comment that men are frequently nominated for the ERA whose literary qualifications are taken much less into consideration than their popularity. Many of the electors seem to forget that a man may be a very expert athlete and still not have the proper qualifications for a writer, he may possess all of those peculiar traits necessary to one who would seek class popularity and still may be unable to indite an editorial. Since this truth is so well known, it is passing strange that no better method for the election of ERA editors should have been adopted prior to this. Upon the Harvard, Yale, and Columbia papers the new board of editors is appointed by the retiring board

and in no case does this seem ever to have been productive either of ill feeling or poor papers. The Yale *Lit.* has recently experienced much embarrassment induced solely by the method pursued for the election of editors, which is similar to our own, and the difficulty has been finally overcome by the adoption of the system mentioned above. The Junior and Sophomore classes may feel that they lose a portion of their prerogative in relinquishing the annual ERA elections, but however this may be, all must acknowledge that what is wanted is a superior college paper, and if this can be best obtained by the method suggested, namely, that of appointment by the retiring board, there will be few indeed who will not willingly consent to part with this much of their privilege. That the retiring board can have no interest in the matter save that of seeing the ERA conducted by the men in the two classes best qualified to act as its editors must be patent to all, and that their judgment of the men best fitted to act in that capacity must be superior to that of others who are quite inexperienced, will be equally manifest. As the present board of editors desire to see the ERA of next year an improvement upon that of any preceding year, this method for the appointment of editors has been suggested as being the one most likely to bring about the desired end, finally it is to be hoped that the subject may be thoroughly canvassed by the members of the classes most interested and that if the plan suggested be deemed a good one it may be adopted without delay.

FROM GOETHE'S EGMONT.

Act I—Scene iii.

The drum be beaten!
The fife be played!
My lover's the leader
In armor arrayed;
His halberd high holds he
The rabble controls he.
My heart, how it's swelling!
My blood's in a fume!
O had I a doublet
And trousers and plume!

Ah then I'd follow him
With swaggering stride;
All over the country
I'd march by his side.
The foemen are yielding,
Our sure aim they see.
What bliss unexampled
A soldier to be.

W. F.

[From Tegner's Frithiof's Saga]

FRITHIOF ON THE SEA.

See, the clouds the welkin moiling,
Thunders through the desert roam—
From the depths the waves up-boiling
Fleck the surface o'er with foam.
Lightnings in the heavens streaking
Here and there a bloody band,
While the sea birds, shrilly shrieking,
Seek their nests upon the strand.

Now the storm its wings unfurling
Wildly dives into the deeps,
Now again far upward whirling
Strikes the door which Heimdal keeps.
All its power of horror roaming,
Riding out upon the waves,
Up from out the wide and foaming,
Cavernous and soundless graves.

R.

ABSTRACT OF PROF. CORSON'S LECTURE, TUESDAY, FEB. 4, 1878.

Tennyson's career as a poet dates back as far as 1827, more than half a century ago, in which year, he being then but 18 years of age, he published anonymously, in connection with his brother Charles, a small, and now very rare, volume, entitled 'Poems by Two Brothers,' with the somewhat conciliatory motto from Martial on the title-page, "*Hæc nos novimus esse nihil.*" The Preface, which is dated March, 1827, states that the poems contained in the volume, "were written from the ages of fifteen to eighteen, not conjointly but individually; which may account for the difference of style and matter."

The poems, none of which, I believe, are contained in subsequent editions of Tennyson's works, embrace a remarkably wide range of subjects. Many foot notes are added, some being designed, evidently, to ward off adverse criticism; and passages from various authors are given illustrative of the text. The only opportunity, strange to say, I've ever had, of even seeing these poems, was when on a visit, last summer, to a gentleman in Liverpool who has a quite complete Tennyson library, containing all the original editions, every periodical publication in which any poem or poems originally appeared, and a large body of Tennysonian criticisms. This gentleman is preparing a complete bibliography of Tennyson's works and of the criticism upon them, which will give the history of the publication of each and note all the changes in the text as exhibited in successive editions. A little book of this kind, entitled 'Tennysonian,' was published in 1866; but it is far from complete, up to that date. Such a work is necessary for any one who would study the growth of a poet's mind and trace the stages of his poetical reputation. Tennyson's poems have nearly all undergone changes, more or less, which reveal the careful filing and polishing to which the

author has subjected them. Some may be said to have been re-written.

In 1829, Tennyson took the Chancellor's Gold Medal, by his poem entitled 'Timbuctoo.' That appears to have been the first year of his residence at Cambridge, and also of his acquaintance, which soon developed into an ardent friendship, with Arthur Henry Hallam, this friendship, as we learn from the XXIIId Dirge of 'In Memoriam,' having been at Hallam's death, of "four sweet years" duration. It is an interesting fact that Hallam was one of Tennyson's rival competitors for the Chancellor's prize. His poem is dated June 1829. It is contained in his Literary "Remains." Tennyson's poem was published immediately after taking the prize at the Cambridge Commencement, and was very favorably noticed in the *Athenæum* of July 22, 1829.

In it can already be recognized much of the real Tennyson. There are, indeed, but very few poets whose earliest productions exhibit so much of their after selves. The real Byron, the most vigorous in his diction, of all modern poets, doesn't appear at all in his 'Hours of Idleness,' which was published when he was about the age Tennyson was when 'Timbuctoo' was published.

Tennyson's muse has been productive of a body of lyric, idyllic, metaphysical, and narrative or descriptive poetry, the choicest, rarest, daintiest, and of the most exquisite workmanship, of any that the century has to show. In a strictly dramatic direction, he has not been successful. His 'Queen Mary' is a failure, as a drama, and his 'Harold' but a partial success. The furthest he has successfully gone in a dramatic direction is in what might be called the lyrico-dramatic exhibition of passion, as in Locksley Hall, for example, or in 'Maud.' With action proper he has shown but little sympathy, and in the domain of vicarious thinking and feeling, but little ability. But no one who is well acquainted with all the best poetry of the 19th century, will hesitate to pronounce him *facile princeps* in the domain of the lyric and idyllic; and in these departments of poetry he has developed a style at once individual, and, in an artistic point of view, almost "faultily faultless,"—a style which may be traced from his earliest efforts up to the most complete perfection of his latest poetical works. To reign supreme in one form of art is quite enough—certainly as much as any one can reasonably hope for in an age like the present, when in the great rivalry of energies, success in any direction is attainable only by a clubbing of all the faculties in one direction. A man in these days, whatever his ability, both native and cultivated, can hardly hope to be more than the first of philologists, the first of historians, the first of chemists, or the first of naturalists; much less

can he hope to be more than the first of artists in more than one department of poetry. For each department of impassioned thought has its peculiar and inseparable forms, in which, for its highest vitality and effectiveness, it must be cast; and these forms demand for their perfection the almost exclusive practice of a life-time.

The splendid poetry Tennyson has given to the world, has not been the product of a fine frenzy, but of the most patient elaboration. The varied material which he has worked up, may be said to have reached its final forms. No future poet will be able to work it over into more organic and consequently more vital and lasting forms.

I shall endeavor, further on, to call your attention to the evidences which abound in Tennyson's more ambitious works, to the undramatic cast of his genius,—in other words, to his want of sympathy with action, and his consequent want of power to create active *character*. A subtle analyst of human nature, at least of his own individual being, he certainly is, but he is deficient in that keen objective perception of externals of scene and action essential to the successful dramatist.

Tennyson's poetry, as a spiritual dietetic power, ranks above all the poetry of the age. No English poet, with the exception, perhaps, of Milton and Wordsworth, ever worked with a deeper sense of the divine mission of poetry, than Tennyson has worked. And he has worked faithfully, earnestly, and conscientiously, to realize the ideal with which he appears to have been early possessed. To this ideal he has given expression in two of his early poems, entitled 'The Poet' and 'The Poet's Mind.' And in another of his early poems, 'The Lady of Shalott,' is mystically shadowed forth, the relation which poetic genius should sustain to the world for whose spiritual redemption it labors, and the fatal consequences of its being seduced by the world's temptations, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. If it would be true to itself and to its divine mission, it must not beckon to the silken-sailed shallop, skimming down to Camelot; must not stand idly at the casement, gazing out upon the votaries of pleasure and pride and worldly ambition, as they glide gaily by; but with a heart true to the inner and mysterious song of the Universe, must weave, by night and day, into its magic web, the shadows of the world that are reflected in the clear and spotless mirror of its soul. "Poets," says Shelley, "are the hierophants of an unapprehended inspiration; the mirrors of the gigantic shadows which futurity casts upon the present."

In the opening of the poem, we are presented with a highly *cultivated* landscape: "On either side of the river lie Long fields of barley and of rye, That clothe the world and meet the sky." Tenny-

son's landscapes always serve some subjective purpose. He has gone to Nature, not to copy her minutely and literally, either for her own sake or for the purpose of moralizing, but to gather the elements of *ideal* landscapes that reveal, and are an embodiment of, his inner world of sentiment. Nature's forms have sunk deep into his memory and feelings, and he makes such combinations of them as best suit his subjective purpose: like the artist who, from time to time, copies into his sketch-book, during his strolls, individual objects, here a tree and there a beetling crag, here a cascade, and there a quiet farmhouse, and afterward employs the material he has gathered, in the creation of new wholes which reveal the varied phases and moods of his spiritual being.

A signal example of Tennyson's subjective landscape, is afforded by the XIth dirge of 'In Memoriam,' beginning "Calm is the morn without a sound."

The landscape that is pictured in the opening stanza of 'The Lady of Shalott,' would seem to indicate a theory of the poetic opposed to that advanced by Macaulay, in his rhetorical essay on Milton, that "as civilization advances, poetry necessarily declines." Objective poetry, the poetry of the outward (I mean that in which the outward *predominates*; there can be no such thing as purely objective poetry; man's soul must always be more or less a factor), may, indeed, decline; but it gives place to a higher poetry, a poetry which is the expression of man's inward experiences, of the subtle thought and sentiment consequent upon a higher and more complex civilization, which forces the soul to look in upon its own workings and to reveal them through novel combinations of the outer world of man and nature. 'The island of Shalott,' the abode of the poetic soul, Tennyson, accordingly, places in the river which flows down to 'many-towered Camelot,' and which is bordered on either side by carefully cultivated fields of waving grain. But these 'fields of barley and of rye' may also symbolize the crops of spiritual grain that are growing in their midst. 'The Lady of Shalott' is not necessarily separated in her sympathies from the great world; she can weep with those that weep, and rejoice with those that rejoice. But to be true to her highest mission and to preserve the delicacy of her receptivity, she must keep herself apart from the selfish and hardening interests of many-towered Camelot, and listen attentively and reverently to "the still small voice." And in reproducing that voice, she must be content if it is listened to by but a few out of the gay, the busy, and the moiling multitude that pass by. These few are referred to in the fourth stanza of the poem, as "reapers, reaping early in among the bearded barley," and "piling sheaves

in uplands airy." The few that in every age hear the song of cotemporary genius, occupy the higher planes of the thought and sentiment of their age, represented by "uplands airy." There, early and late, they reap and pile the sheaves for the future intellectual and spiritual nourishment of men.

But the glittering temptations which present themselves to her, often prove too strong for the Lady of Shalott, though she has heard a whisper say, a curse is on her if she yield to them, and though often, through the silent nights, a funeral, with plumes, and lights, and music, goes to Camelot—the funeral of one who has prostituted his genius and paid the penalty of a spiritual death. That which should be to her the only true 'substance' becomes 'shadow.' The crystal mirror of her soul ceases to reflect that which is 'eternal,' and into it flashes the 'temporal,' represented in the poem by gay Sir Launcelot. Her face is turned towards 'the things that are seen,' the unknown 'curse' comes upon her.

Part IV of the poem opens with another subjective landscape. Nature is brought by the poet into sympathy with her fall; the low sky rains heavily over the city whose inhabitants were lighted, without their knowing it, by a light that has gone out. She is now ready to float passively with the current that bears down to Camelot. A boat is always at hand for such a voyage. She would now be *known* among men; and around the prow she writes her name, 'The Lady of Shalott.' "And at the *closing of the day* she loosed the chain, and down she lay; the broad stream bore her far away, The Lady of Shalott." The 'withered leaf' falls lightly upon her as through the noises of the spiritual night in which she is shrouded, she floats down to Camelot, singing her own requiem. Knight and burgher, lord and dame, come out upon the wharfs, and learn, with wonder, for the first time, who she is! The sound of royal cheer dies in the lighted palace, and all the knights at Camelot cross themselves for fear! Sir Launcelot, whose gemmy bridle, and bridle-bells, and blazoned baldrick, and helmet and helmet-feather, and broad, clear brow, and coal black curls, had turned her gaze towards Camelot, now, that she is dead, recognizes the transcendent beauty of a face that, while living, had for him 'no form nor comeliness.'

—The blank for "Marriage Record" in the old University bible that has been discarded since the elegant copy was presented at the opening of Sage Chapel contains the following:

Cornell University
to
Sage College.

June, 1874.

THAT WASHERWOMAN OF MINE.

I was not a little disappointed when on returning to the University after the vacation to find that my old and faithful washerwoman was missing; what had become of her was a mystery. I made inquiries of several of "her boys" as she used to call her patrons, but they were as much in the dark as myself. Of her present whereabouts, of her sudden departure, and the why and the wherefore of it none knew. Many, I suppose, didn't care, but in me the old lady had excited a peculiar interest, and I couldn't help speculating on her absence, and mourning her loss. She seems to have evaporated in the thin air like her own soap suds, and has left behind her a reputation as pure and spotless as a shirt bosom "done up" in her best style.

Perhaps she has received a legacy and gone back to her native Ireland to spend the remainder of her declining days, as she playfully used to say, but romance now is too formal and stiff a thing to drop bags of gold in the laps of washerwomen. I have searched the death notices in the *Ithaca Journal*, since Christmas, with a melancholy interest, but as "Mrs. McCrea" didn't appear, I concluded she was yet in the flesh. No, she cannot be dead, for like Longfellow's "Albrecht Dürer, the Evangelist of Art":

"*Emigravit* is the inscription on the tombstone where he lies, Dead he is not, but departed—for the artist never dies."

She *was* an artist in her humble way, as much as any long-haired poet or painter, and took as much honest pride in a soiled cuff mysteriously turned by her skill into a glazed and stiff surface, as the one does in his polished hexameters, and the other in his finished Madonna.

For almost two years now, she has come through fair and foul weather, every Sunday afternoon to my door, to collect my weekly washing and deliver my regenerated linen. It was always with the same half-hesitating tap, and when she heard the "come in"—the door would slowly open, her big basket would be crowded in, and behind, the ever beaming face Mrs. McCrea would announce her regular call. After her customary "duck," you could hardly call it a bow, with Milesian volubility, so delightfully "set-off" by her rich brogue, she would expatiate on the button she sewed on that white vest, or the rent she had mended in that shirt. "Thim socks, Mr. Sampson, was past being fixed for a gintleman like you, for the hale was worn to shrids, so I give thim to me boy Jimmy," she told me one day with the most charming *naïveté*. Perhaps its was just as well, for although her washing was above reproach, her genius did not extend to "minden," as witness the time when she darned my white stocking with green—probably as a touching tribute to her

native bogs. The old lady had an unhappy way of getting my washing mixed with the apparel of some one else, and in consequence it often took several weeks for my "turn" to come around to wear a collar or a white neck-tie of mine, that had strayed off into some strange fold. However, it was a great source of interest and amusement to see what she would bring in, and I often caught glimpses of the "true inwardness" of Smith, Brown and Robinson, by specimens of their linen, she would deal out as mine. Now, I always wear a stand-up "Drury Lane" collar, No. 14½, plainly marked with a large "S," but it didn't make a particle of difference to her for she would frequently with the most exasperating unconsciousness of mistake hand me out an absurd "Paul Revere," No. 16½ or a No. 13 turn-down, belonging to some one on the hill, or Jones over in the block. This I got used to by degrees, but when she one day drew from the innermost recesses of her basket in exchange for a pair of socks I had given her, a pair of fine stockings which seemed to my inexperienced eye at least, twenty inches in length from the heel to the top, I stood aghast. Remembering that Cornell was a co—well, in short I blushed and demanded a reform.

Mrs. McCrea had a most delightful way of gossiping on events of "contemporaneous human interest," plentifully sprinkling the whole *ragout* with the salt and pepper of personalities, that made her talk more entrancing than a Persian fairy tale. She always seemed to have a motherly interest in the personal welfare of "her boys," and although more than one of them has left town without settling with her, she never lost faith in the rest or failed to make some good-hearted excuse for the sneaks who cheated her. Prof. Matthews in his book on "Great Conversers," has omitted Mrs. McCrea, but could he have heard her eloquent complaints when the price of her favorite soap was raised three cents a bar, or her denunciation of the male wretch who started a laundry where clothes could be washed at fifty cents a dozen thus breaking Mrs. McC.'s standard price of seventy-five cents, he would correct his error. It was her idea of political economy, that the "min" ought to be prohibited by law from engaging in the washing business, and that "wimmen" were the chosen instruments of Providence for that purpose. The climax of her argument on this point, was always, with a half sigh "for we poor wimmen must live!"

If I were out of the room when she called, no fancy milliner would bestow more pains in arranging rosebuds in a bonnet, than Mrs. McCrea would in spreading out the linen on the bed for inspection. A row of clean shirts arranged in a semi-circle would be festooned with stiff collars

and cuffs, *ad lib.*, piled up with an eye to artistic effect. Then there would be a solid back-ground of other things, a colored handkerchief perhaps, would be so placed as to contrast with the pearly whiteness of her "bosoms," and a stocking with the "bill" conspicuously pinned on the end, would mar the beauty of the otherwise pretty scene. Well, she is gone now, with all her inimitable ways, her real old Irish humor, and warmth of heart. And so the old question comes up again, where is she? *Emigravit?* Longfellow is right,

"Dead she is not, but departed—for the artist never dies."

—Sampson.

THE CORNELL PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

At the suggestion of Dr. Wilder a meeting of the professors of the University was held on Friday afternoon, Jan. 25, for the purpose of forming an association for mutual improvement and wider culture in the various branches of knowledge included in the University instruction. Fifteen professors were in attendance and after considering the subject it was agreed that the primary objects of the association should be: (1) the presentation and discussion of original work by any of its members. (2) the presentation and discussion of any subject interesting or new to the majority of the members. A resolution was then passed to organize such an association to be confined to the professors, assistant professors and instructors, together with such other officials of the University and friends of the institution as the association should see fit to invite.

The following officers were then elected: President—Prof. W. D. Wilson; Vice-Presidents—Prof. A. N. Prentiss and Tracy Peck; Treasurer—Prof. B. G. Wilder; Secretary—Prof. W. R. Dudley.

The first regular meeting of the society was held last Tuesday evening at Sage. The purposes of the organization were clearly and fully set forth in an opening address by Dr. Wilder. It was not designed for popular lectures, for purely technical addresses on special subjects, or for elementary instruction. "We meet," said the Dr. "to help our fellow-professors and receive help ourselves." The secretary then announced that the council had decided to present the following name, "The Cornell Philosophical Society," which name, after a brief discussion, was adopted. A paper was then read by the president, Prof. Wilson. He rejoiced in the formation of the society and hoped that all the members would take a lively interest in its work. An interchange of the thoughts deepest in our hearts on those subjects in which we are especially interested cannot fail to be instructive,

and bring us to a broader culture. The tendency to narrowness is due to a want of knowledge of what others are doing about us. It is not the object to promote science alone—other subjects demand and must share our attention.

Dr. Wilder followed with a very interesting paper on "The Habits of Amia or Air-breathing Fish." The facts presented were based upon personal observation and original investigations. A spirited discussion followed this paper, and valuable suggestions were elicited. Interesting statements concerning the analysis of the respired air of the "Amia" were made by Prof. Brenneman.

COMMUNICATION.

THE '80 CLASS SUPPER AGAIN.

To the Editors of the Cornell Era :

The article in the last number of the ERA criticising the young ladies of the class of '80 for attending their Class Supper, has called forth many remarks of disapproval from students of every class. The sentiments expressed in that article, while they are far from complimentary to the gentlemen of the class of '80, are to say the least, lacking in consideration for the ladies. If the writer had shown that the conduct of the gentlemen towards the ladies on that occasion was otherwise than the conduct of gentlemen towards ladies at all times and under all circumstances should be, there might seem to be some cause for his criticism. Or if he had shown that there is a single reason based on absolute justice, why a portion of a class who are ready and willing to pay their portion of class taxes, should be deprived from participating in class meetings, then there might be some excuse for his article. I do not know what facilities the writer of that article may have for becoming acquainted with the "general feeling" of the gentlemen of the class in regard to the attendance of the ladies at the Supper, but I am confident that it is directly opposite from what his words intimate. It is possible there may be a few in the class whose ideal of a class supper and of a "good time" is so low that they are not "over particular as to how it is to be procured," but the writer is mistaken when he supposes that the general manhood of the class of '80 is on this low plane.

The conduct of the ladies is in every way to their credit. While they were not ashamed to recognize their right to attend the supper and listen to the literary exercises, they expressed their willingness to buy their tickets and remain at home if their presence would in any way detract from the enjoyment of the gentlemen of the class. At a meeting of a large majority of the gentlemen who attended the supper, the ladies were cordially invited to attend the class supper by an almost

unanimous vote. The supper was a grand success and many of the gentlemen of the class feel that the presence of the ladies added much to the tone and enjoyment of the occasion. The ladies of the University certainly have no "desire to be considered as men," nor do they ask any other consideration or treatment from the gentlemen on the college walks or in the crowded class-rooms, than every true gentleman is always prompted to extend to the ladies whenever he is in their presence. L. F., '80.

[The conduct of the men of the class of '80 was neither criticised nor condemned. Ability and a desire to purchase do not always entitle one to a privilege. The facilities possessed for obtaining a knowledge of the "general feeling" of the class were excellent. We have no desire to enter into an argument with reference to the "manhood" of the class of '80.—Eds. ERA.]

CORNELIANA.

—There are about forty-five students taking regular practice in the Gymnasium.

—It was a Senior who familiarly referred to Hawthorn's "Scarlet Fawn," the other day.

—Still the good work goes on. H. S. White, '77, has bought a fire-engine for his private use.

—The classes in Sophomore French, having finished "Athalie" are reading "Le Misanthrope," a comedy by Molière.

—Tennyson's Poems complete, inclusive of even 'Poems by Two Brothers,' published in 1827, can now be had in paper for \$1.

—Prof. Roberts in company with some of his special students will visit the Dairymen's Association at Syracuse, next week.

—The class in Economic Geology was dismissed Monday on account of the cold. The temperature of the room was below 45° F.

—Wednesdays Prof. Shackford surrenders the rostrum to the Seniors, who lecture from notes upon the various authors assigned them.

—The Master of the Chimes found the other day that the zephyrs had swept with such strength through the McGraw tower, as to blow in the letters on the bells.

—A Freshman was much surprised to learn that the wind was so strong upon the campus one day last week, that it blew the words off of Professor Anthony's telephone wire.

—In response to the solicitation of Prof. Potter, the Governors of the various States have each presented the library with a copy of the latest compiled laws of their respective States.

—A set of standard gauges, for a Cleveland firm, have been constructed in the machine shop which are accurate to the one-forty-thousandth of an inch. They were made by Smith, '78.

—Freshman Rhetoric: Q. Give an illustration of a symbolic expression becoming a legend. A. "The story of Sampson killing quite a number of people with the 'jaw-bone of an ass,' has come down to us as a legend." It no doubt meant that he talked them to death, when taken in a figurative sense. Whereupon the instructor marked him 2.9.

—A very pleasant entertainment was given to the "Mechanical Association" by Prof. Sweet and lady, at their rooms in Cascadilla, last Friday evening, celebrating the fourth anniversary of the founding of the society. A bountiful board was spread, and no pains were spared by the worthy host and hostess to make the occasion a pleasant one in every respect.

—The Senior Engineers now go on their way in stone cutting, rejoicing. On Wednesday a neat and very complete model of an oblique arch bridge was placed in the engineering drafting room. The model is a bridge which skews to the right, and the angle of obliquity is 54 degrees. It was designed by Prof. Fuertes and constructed under his personal supervision, at a cost of about \$150.

—A change has been made from the usual custom of holding a regular preliminary examination in Roman History on Fridays. According to the new arrangement the examination may occur on any day in the week at the option of the professor. And now the wily Junior maketh a tardy appearance, pauseth and listeneth before making his final ascent into "T." If a lecture is in order, he gravely taketh possession of one of the hindmost pews. Otherwise he maketh a deliberate "cut."

—The following from the Rochester *Cambus* will be of interest to the admirers of Hoyle: "Cornell whist-players being anxious to institute a series of games between their champions and ours, a meeting to perfect arrangements for this purpose will be held in Chapel Saturday, Feb. 9th. Let all whist-players turn out, as we mean to show Cornell that, even if we can't play base ball like professionals, we know something about games requiring another kind of ability,"—evidently a sly reference to brain. Who are the Cornell "champions?" Perhaps, in order to find out, it would be well to have a preliminary contest in Sage Chapel during the week. With a little persuasion the organist might be induced to play between the "rubbers," and thus make the contest delightful as well as interesting.

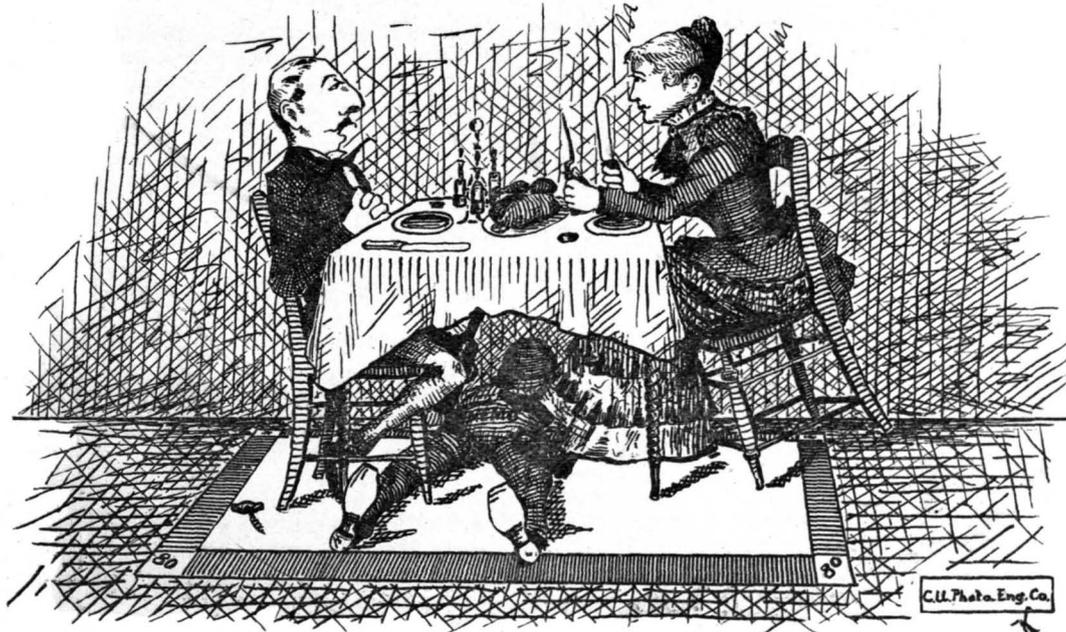
—The Junior oratorical exhibition on Thursday, was highly successful in a dramatic point of view. Mr. Welles rendered the part of Capt. Jack, the Modoc, with great fidelity to the original, the stately dignity of the savage being represented with impressiveness. If an imitation of a scalp dance or a few war whoops had been judiciously intro-

duced the verisimilitude of the character would scarcely have been increased. Mr. Gibson appeared as President Lincoln, Mr. Moffat as a member of Congress, Mr. Dounce, as Peter the Hermit; Mr. Hostetler, as Alex. H. Stephens; and Mr. Gelatt, as Mark Twain. The feminine characters of the drama, Hannibal and King Alfred were assumed by Misses Fleming and Green. Next week the third part of this historical trilogy will be given with the following cast: Messrs. Alberti, Edwards, Millard, Newton, Russel, Tompkins, Weinman, Young, and Misses Pattin and Halpen.

—A bright idea struck a student the other night that he could take a short cut from Aurora street to Sage College, by going crosslots; all went well until he collided with the new wire fence in the rear of Prof. Morris's house. He noticed the sharp teeth placed at short intervals on the wire, but there seemed to him to be sufficient space to allow his small body a passage, and he boldly thrust one leg through. He instantly repented, however, when he found himself caught behind and before with the perverse little teeth. He twisted himself in all imaginable attitudes in order to touch the middle of his back with both hands, but was forced to relinquish the undertaking. He tried to retreat but found it was "no go"; advance was impossible without damaging seriously his apparel. He balanced himself on the wire and thought deeply, and finally concluded that the unpleasant situation must be terminated at all cost, and he gradually drew himself through accompanied by a tearing of cloth and quotations from profane history. He goes up Buffalo street now.

—It has been felt by many in the architectural course, that an association which provided a certain amount of literary work, for which the course itself makes no provision, and at the same time afford occasion for the discussion of technical topics, would be very desirable. Existing organizations of the kind in the other technical courses seemed to show only the more clearly the necessity of such a society among the architectural students. As an expression of this feeling, a meeting of all the members of the course was held last Friday afternoon, and initiatory steps were taken for the formation of an architectural society. Mr. Pomeroy, '78, was chosen chairman, and the following officers were elected: President, F. A. Wright; Vice-President; Q. N. Ribeiro, '78; Secretary, C. L. Knapp, '79; Treasurer, H. N. Pomeroy, '78. A committee consisting of Knapp, '79, Pomeroy, '78, and Miss Hicks, '79, was appointed to draw up a Constitution and By-Laws, and also to present some plan of action for the society.

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PERSONALIA.

W. J. FLANIGAN, '81, has gone home on account of ill health. He will return to the University next term.

P. C. J. DEANGELIS, '71, has engaged in the law business in Utica with Scott Lord, Jr., under the firm name of DeAngelis & Lord.

J. C. STOWELL, Prof. of Nat. Science in the Cortland Normal School, has been visiting the Anatomical Laboratory during the week.

W. T. J. WRIGHT, formerly '79, who has been in business for some time past in Syracuse, spent a few days here with his old University friends during the week.

J. M. KELLOG, '75, is practicing law at Ogdensburg, N. Y. Besides graduating at the Albany Law School he has taken unto himself a wife since leaving the University.

PROF. ROBERTS lectured last Wednesday evening before the State Dairymen's Association at Utica, on short horned cattle. The lecture was illustrated with the Stereopticon.

PROF. KRUSI, of the Oswego State Normal School, projector of the Krüsi Drawing Series, to which Professors Babcock and Cleaves are contributors, has been visiting the University during the week.

MR. TAKAMINE, of Tokio, Japan, a graduate of the Oswego Normal School, and a friend of Yatabe, '76, is studying histology in the Anatomical Laboratory. He will return to Japan in March next with Prof. Morse.

EXCHANGES.

The Yale *Lit.* in the initiatory article of its January number advocates the example set by John Jarndyce, and recommends that each and every person who is habitually given to the discovery that "the wind is in the east," shall betake himself to his "Growler" and there remain until he has exhausted his anathemas against his fellow-men and his misfortunes, and until an accommodating Æolos shall have seen fit to recapture and enchain the wayward Euros. The article is very well written and many of the "points" which it embodies are carefully assumed and well sustained at the conclusion the author remarks:

Many will agree to all we have said. They will go further and declare that while the undergraduate confines himself to questioning the wisdom of the Faculty, there is no harm done. They even grant that he may entertain a mild scorn for the methods of the tutor without endangering his future welfare; but when he extends his inquiries beyond things secular and seeks more evidence upon some very generally received opinion, then these wisecracks imagine the danger begins. There can be no objection to an honest effort to find the truth. Those who insist on being convinced by facts and arguments are they who will be able to meet and refute the arguments of an adversary; while the poor bigot who follows closely in the footsteps of his fathers, never asking himself the reason for anything, will prove of little service to the cause which he

champions. That which is misnamed college skepticism is little more than a cry for more information, and a combined attack of the "Growleries" upon those who refuse or fail to furnish it. Those who are as gratuitous as ignorant in their treatment of this feature of college life would best investigate the facts and perhaps they will find that the crudeness is not all upon one side."

Of equal merit is the article entitled "Beatrice: a Flirtation Homily." The introduction of Beatrice the heroine and model flirt, is admirable, and will certainly bear reproduction.

"There is something so refining and spiritual in the sight of a beautiful woman; something so entrancing about her sweet, low voice; something so purifying and ennobling in her very presence, that to have this Goddess, this bit of divinity, this being seemingly so infinitely above you descend to flirt! 'Tis horrible, degrading, debasing to every mind which loves to see its ideal constantly reproduced in the last created and fairest of all God's wonders. The fascinations of a young lady who presses my hand at parting and says, "Dear Mr. Granton, you must come again soon; it is always a pleasure to see you," were even more than a match for my Spartan sentiments, albeit I know that in an hour's time she will be saying the same thing to Pomander, who enters as I leave. In fact, ladies, while I hated the sin, I could not help loving the sinner.

Beatrice, then, was a flirt. But there are flirts and flirts. Beatrice was none of your common flirts. She did not disgust you by throwing herself at your head (metaphorically of course) as some young ladies do, and thereby making you despise them for their very cheapness. No, no, Beatrice had a much more subtle way of flirting than that. She would remember little things you said; stow them away in her good memory; reproduce them after two or three weeks and quote them at you, when you, poor fool, would feel delighted and flattered at her remembering your sayings."

One day Miss Beatrice and the hero are riding together, when the hero proceeds to lecture the fair flirt in the following fashion:

There is no denying you like to flirt, and I see no reason why you should not be allowed to indulge in your favorite amusement to a moderate extent. But you ought really to be very careful as to the subjects you select for flirting. This makes all the difference between harmless and harmful flirting. There are certain men you ought never to flirt with, if you have any regard for what is right and what is wrong. I allude to those men who are technically known as simple or inexperienced. Men who are honest and true in everything, and withal so simple that they think everyone else as honest and true as themselves.

You can easily perceive what a wreck you might make of such a man, who should place all his happiness in your keeping. (Of course you didn't mean anything; you only did it, *'pour passer le temps.'* He, however, would not understand this, being not worldly wise. When the *denouement* came, there would be one unhappy wretch in the world, full of wrath and misery, in a fair way to go the devil and sent there by your machinations. So I beseech you, do not try your skill on any such men. Now, *per contra*, there is a class of men with whom you may flirt with the most perfect impunity. They understand you exactly. They know you don't mean anything by all this nonsense. They are immensely amused at all your little arts to captivate and ensnare them. They know you don't care two straws more for one of them than you do for another. I imagine there are a good many from this class among your acquaintance."

The didactic portions of the tale having been extracted to the exclusion of the romantic, it might interest the lovers of the latter vein to know

that Beatrice and the hero suddenly discover themselves to be mutually in love, and the twain are afterwards made one. The exchange editor of the *Lit.* seems suddenly to have been awakened from his previous lethargic state and presents his readers at length, with some really good criticisms upon the college press.

The Hamilton *Lit.* opens its January number with "The Moslem in Europe," there being a faint suggestion lingering in our memory that this subject has been discussed before, we deem it advisable to refrain from criticism. Indeed, all of the lengthy articles of the *Lit.* are too uniformly heavy, it is not a necessity that a literary magazine should be exclusively preceptive. The "Editors' Table" of the *Lit.* is well sustained, and is by far the most readable portion of the publication, and as an example of the treatment which this department receives, we quote a portion of an editorial on "College Years Indicative of the Future."

The generally accepted theory is, that one's future career is, in a great measure, determined by his manner of life at college. We find, however, that the facts do not seem to entirely corroborate this. Many who greatly distinguish themselves at college, utterly fail of even ordinary distinction in life. Again, those whose prospects were least flattering, judging from their college mark, attain positions of honor. These seemingly contradictory results are of such frequent occurrence, that many have ceased to consider the college course prophetic. However, a closer examination of the motives of study among students, assures us that there is really no contradiction; that usually the relation between the respective records of college men before and after graduation, is perfectly consistent with the declaration—

"As ye sow, so shall ye reap."

The Nassau *Lit.* sends up a wail for a "Reading Room" properly supplied with current periodicals, it is consoling to feel that there be other colleges no better equipped than ourselves in this respect, we can only hope that this Jeremiad may be more successful in its ultimate effects than the one which we have so recently printed. The *Lit.* after advocating the withdrawal of Princeton from the I. C. L. A. in its editorial columns, goes on to treat of intercollegiate competition in general, in a very sensible manner, and says:

"Competition, which gives life and prosperity to so many departments of human effort and which might exert such a beneficial influence in the college world, seems to have become a prolific source of evil. Its pernicious results are not only forcing themselves upon the notice of students but they are beginning to attract the attention of the public at large. College contests of all kinds fully exemplify this. Rivalry in athletics engenders the worst of feelings. The bitterness thus produced between two of the oldest institutions of learning has been known to culminate in a scene disgraceful even to the dregs of society. Intellectual competition seems to produce no better results. Envy and malice seem to actuate all. If a college withdraws from the inter-collegiate association the worst of motives are assigned. In many cases the exchange departments of the various journals instead of being used for mutual improvement have become the mere exponents of a contemptible spirit of petty spite. Competition is indeed a necessity, where four hundred colleges are striving

for the lion's share of public patronage. But constant invective and abuse are not necessary. There is such a thing as manly rivalry which produces no evil effect, gives rise to no belittling feelings. It recognizes the fact that some one must be the winner and that the defeated should good-humoredly bear their lot. Under such circumstances even failure becomes a good, since it urges to renewed effort."

BOOK REVIEWS.

Creed and Conduct and Other Discourses, by Rev. O. B. Frothingham. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. The small volume which bears the title given above is one of the latest publications of its author. It is composed of short essays or discourses of prime importance to everyone. The book contains in all twelve of these sermons which will be read with much interest particularly by those who heard Mr. Frothingham in the chapel last year, and who will remember his excellence as a speaker and can not fail to recognize his marked ability as a thinker, however much they be inclined to differ with him in his religious views.

The Tatler is the first of a new series of reprints of the British essayists published by G. P. Putnam's Sons. This initial volume contains the essays published in the Tatler, Guardian and Freeholder, by Steele, Addison and Bishop Berkeley, and an introductory historical essay by Habberton. The set when completed will form an economical edition of a series of books which are of the choicest in our language.

On Poetic Interpretation of Nature, by J. C. Shairp, LL. D. Riverside Press, Cambridge. This elegant volume is the outgrowth of a series of lectures delivered by the author before the students of St. Andrew's College. It is charmingly written and is throughout an advocacy for what the Germans have dignified with the name of "Naturpoesie." Professor Shairp is, indeed, a champion of poetry in this eminently materialistic age, when there is indeed a possibility of a conflict between Poetry and Science. An additional charm is lent to the otherwise very entertaining book by the chapters having reference to the various treatments which nature has received at the hands of different poets in different ages.

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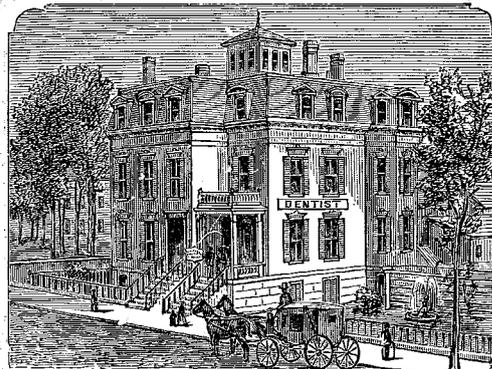
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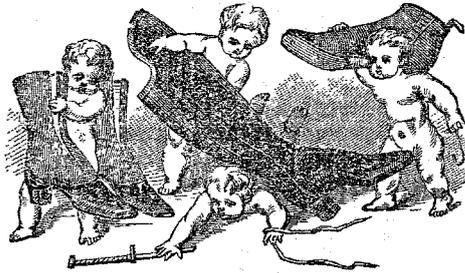
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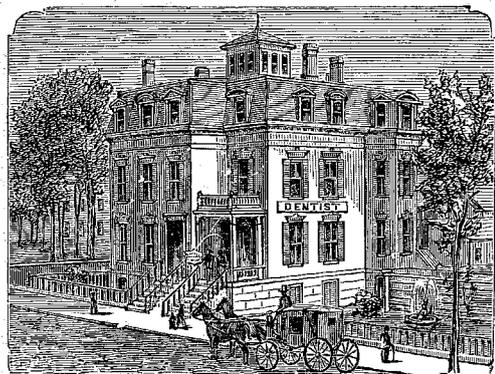
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THE game of foot ball that is to be played tomorrow is the first of the season and it is gratifying to see that, with the interest which is being manifested in other sports, this important branch is not to be allowed to die. In the fall term an association was formed to introduce the Rugby rules and secure their adoption at Cornell. Now is the time for it to show that it is an Association in fact as well as in name. The advantages that will be secured by our adoption of the new game are known to all. The ball has been used and its popularity is shown by the fact that the initial game is to be played with one. The only thing that remains to be done is to overcome the feeling that always exists when a reform is to be attempted; that feeling which is reluctant to leave the old and cleave to the new style because, at the start extra effort has to be made, and as most are unfamiliar with the game, it will not be so enjoyable. Such has been the experience of all the colleges who have gradually chosen the Rugby rules.

MANY thanks are due to Prof. Piutti of Wells College for his earnest and continued efforts to raise the standard of music in this place, to create a love for the best, and to interpret it so that it may be rightly understood. It is with this purpose that he is delivering a short course of illustrated lectures on the three representative composers of the romantic school, Schubert, Schumann, and Chopin. He has succeed in rendering these lectures valuable in many ways, and is doing a good work. The Mozart Club, under Prof. Piutti's

direction, is also doing much in the same direction. It represents much musical talent, and its rehearsals are pleasing and instructive. Its members, both from the town and the University deserve much credit for what they are doing, and their concerts should be well attended. Such an organization is useful both for its influence upon the study of music among us and is also likely to develop latent talent which might otherwise have remained hidden. Until we have our department of music in the University, this must offer the only opportunity for advanced study of this pleasant attainment.

ALTHOUGH we have no regular medical department the preparation for a medical college which can be obtained here is of the best and most practical kind. Dr. Wilder has returned from lecturing at Bowdoin, and has begun a course of lectures on the anatomy of the cat, homologizing the various parts of this animal with those of man. These lectures are fully illustrated, and are made very valuable to the learner by their admirable clearness, and by the care with which every step in the operations is pointed out. Thus this instruction is made very practical, and affords the best kind of elementary training in the study of medicine. Besides the lectures, instruction is given daily in the anatomical laboratory in dissection, of animals mostly, in microscopical study, and in the study of human anatomy. The best of opportunities is given for work of this kind, the means for such study being abundant. This term twenty are spending at least a part of their time in this work, and the number who take advantage of this opportunity is growing larger. The value of such preparation as this, compared with that which most of those who attend lectures at a medical college are usually able to obtain, is at once seen. The work has in it enough of a practical nature to prepare the student for that which will come later, while that which is more theoretical has its value too. The value of comparative anatomy to the medical student is coming to be quite generally

acknowledged, and certainly that study which begins with elementary things, or simple types, and leads gradually to the highest is the best. Dr. Wilder holds to this view in the study of medicine, and it is as true in this study as any other. With the study of medicine as yet far from being an exact science, the university has done well to found and maintain a department where at least a sound basis can be had for advanced and original work in this, one of the noblest of professions.

It seems almost surprising that no enterprising person has conceived and carried out the idea of keeping a stand or place of some kind for refreshments on the hill. The beginning of warm weather recalls more vividly a sense of the want of some place where at least cool water can be obtained. At present a great share of the students live down town, or nearly down, and they are likely to do so for some time; those who have to be on the hill quite early in the morning and can not return until afternoon, frequently feel sadly in need of some light refreshment. Many too are obliged to remain at the University till night to work in the laboratories, and others would like to do so to read in the library; for these it is sometimes quite inconvenient to carry a lunch with them, and likely most would prefer to get it on the hill if they could. There seems to be no doubt that a restaurant well conducted would be hailed with pleasure, and well patronized. Fruit would always be in demand, and in the summer cool drinks would be more than acceptable. Some years ago some one kept a small stand with profit to himself and pleasure to his patrons, who were very many. Some one else ought to follow this example, and show that he too is enterprising. The water which is to be obtained at the buildings, when any can be got, is very warm and unpleasant to drink, and he who takes pains to furnish better will be willingly paid for his trouble. But the scheme of having a restaurant where meals can be obtained is a good one. Indeed, one managed like those in large cities would be very likely to have many regular customers from those who live in or near the buildings, besides those who remain only during the day-time, and would do a thriving business. We sincerely hope that the time will come soon when this vision will be a re-

ality. In the mean time, let some one who is willing to do business in a smaller way set up a stand at once, thus making a public benefactor of himself, and benefitting himself by getting his pockets filled with silver.

It is generally believed, at least by the unfortunate man himself, that at this season of the year the Senior is the busiest man in existence. With the pleasantest weather inviting to long rambles, and with flowers and health waiting for him in the woods and on the hill-sides, he must remain in the library or in his room and leave all these pleasures to others, almost wishing he were not a Senior after all. For him life seems to be one everlasting round of work, sandwiched with sleep enough to keep him just alive. He has hardly time to look about him, and scarcely knows how the world does go. He, the observed, the envied, who is thought to have climbed above any such thing as work, feels that he is a drudge, a slave, that he has not a minute to call his own. The reality is very different from the idea which he had when a Freshman of what he would be at the end of four years. The Senior year seemed then a time when algebra and rhetoric would have ceased to disturb his dreams by night, and vex his soul by day; but instead, he would go up the hill not very early in the morning, listen to a lecture or two, and go down again when he was ready. Such an existence seemed quite delightful, and indeed it would be; but now that he has tried it, he is constrained to look back upon the earlier years of his course as the time when he knew few cares, and was comparatively happy. Sad indeed is such a state of affairs as this, if it is unavoidable, and if in the last year one is compelled to do more than is good for him. But perhaps this is a very important fact, that the work in a large degree, or wholly, voluntarily assumed. In seeking to gain much, much must be endured, and if one is satisfied with being graduated in a course which does not give much culture, he can get along quite easily. This he can do where there are optional courses. A burden is always heavier to him who has carried it a long distance, and perhaps this is partly the reason why a Senior feels overworked. But after labor is rest and reward, and this is reason enough for going steadily on to the end.

ABSTRACT OF PROF. CORSON'S LECTURE, TUESDAY, MARCH, 5th, 1878.

(Concluded.)

The Mariner's soul has been violently wrenched from its connection with the animating principle which linked it with the universe. A fearful stagnation and drought follow.

"Day after day, day after day, we stuck, nor breath nor motion,
As idle as a painted ship upon a painted ocean." . . .
"And every tongue through utter drought was withered at the root."

The crisis of this soul's fate is approaching. Shall it be restored to its connection with the divine spirit of Love, from which it has alienated itself, which it has grieved, and whose messenger of mercy it has slain, or shall it be forever "shut out from Love, and on his threshold lie howling in outer darkness," never again to be warmed and revived by his holy breath?

A little speck appears in the dim distance. It is scarcely discernible across the dark waters. It nears and nears and takes at last a certain shape. On its nearer approach it seems to be a ship. All are thrilled with a mingled joy and horror. For can it be a ship that comes onward without wind or tide? It seems but the skeleton of a ship, and its ribs are seen as bars on the face of the setting sun.

"And is that Woman all her crew?
Is that a Death? and are there two?
Is Death that woman's mate?"

This Woman that brings death, also brings life, and aptly is she named Life-in-Death.

The naked hulk alongside comes, and Death and Life-in-Death are casting dice for the ship's crew; and the woman, Life-in-Death, wins the Ancient Mariner. Then with far-heard whisper o'er the sea, off shot the spectre-bark. His companions, each turning his face with a ghastly pang, and cursing him with his eye, drop dead around him. But on him Life-in-Death begins her work. In his loneliness, he beholdeth, by the light of the moon, the creatures of the great calm, their beauty and their happiness. A spring of love gushes from his heart and he blesses them unaware, and Sleep, beloved from pole to pole, is the recompense which Love sendeth him for this recognition of the least of his creations. Beautifully has the great poetess of England sung:

"Of all the thoughts of God that are
Borne inward unto souls afar,
Along the Psalmist's music deep—
Now tell me if that any is,
For gift or grace surpassing this,
"He giveth his beloved sleep."

The Ancient Mariner drinks in deeply of all the blessedness of sleep, and when he awakes, his ears are opened to the music of Nature. The sky-

lark's note and the notes of all little birds that are, seem to fill the sea and air. And now the music is that of all instruments, and now it is an angel's song that stills the heavens. Now he hears and in his soul discerns two voices, the voice of the Nemesis, the spirit that jealously watches over the sanctities of Love, and deals retribution upon all that violate them, and the voice of the Paraclete that soothes the other's avenging wrath, and affords comfort and consolation to the offending soul in its dire extremity. Quoth one, "Is this the man? By him who died on cross, with his cruel bow he laid full low the harmless Albatross. The spirit who bideth by himself in the land of mist and snow, he loved the bird that loved the man who shot him with his bow. The other was a softer voice, as soft as honey-dew; quoth he, the man hath penance done, and penance more will do."

Swiftly now glides the ship, and sweetly blows the breeze. What pleasant shores are those that are now looming up in the hazy distance? A "light that never was on sea or land," hangs over them. The outlines of the hills grow more and more distinct. Oh! dream of joy! It is indeed the light-house top he sees! it is the hill, it is the kirk, it is his own native country, from which he has been so long an exile. Soon he hears the dash of oars, and hears the Pilot's cheer. A little boat is putting off from the shore to meet him. It comes leaping over the laughing water, urged forward by the brawny arms of the pilot, and the pilot's boy. In the bow is seated a venerable and majestic Hermit, who will shrive the Mariner's soul and wash away the Albatross's blood. It is well that the little boat makes such speed; for the ill-fated ship is soon to go down like lead. But the Mariner is rescued. Who is this Hermit good, that lives in the wood that slopes down to the sea, and loves to talk with mariners that come from a far countree? He is the representative of that mighty monarch, Solitude, within whose silent, holy courts, that tower amid the green haunts of Nature, far from the distracting conflicts of men, the soul of the ancient Mariner can enjoy the soothing ministrations of the great Mother—can listen to her low and gentle voice, and can put to himself that all-important question, *what manner of man art thou?* Truly has the most loving and lovable of poets sung thy regenerating power, O Solitude!

"I was a stricken deer that left the herd
Long since. With many an arrow deep infix'd
My panting side was charged, when I withdrew
To seek a tranquil death in distant shades.
There was I found by One who had himself
Been hurt by archers. In his side he bore,
And in his hands and feet, the cruel scars.
With gentle force soliciting the darts,
He drew them forth, and heal'd, and bade me live.

But, O mighty and beneficent Solitude, thou

dost not only pour an assuaging balm into the Mariner's wounded spirit. Thou tearest out the proud, superfluous flesh, with pincers fiery hot, and dost wrench his frame, oftentimes, though mercifully, with a woful agony, until thou obtainest from thy patient a full acknowledgement of the power of the omnipotent master, Love. Then, when his wounds are healed, and his soul has drunk deeply of Love's divine afflatus, he is constrained to go abroad into all the earth, to tell Love's wondrous story to every creature. He stops the young and the old, the man full of worldly cares, and the votary of pleasure, on his way to the marriage feast; everyone, whatever be the favorite phantom he is pursuing, he constrains to listen. He holds him with his skinny hand, and, if disregarded or cast off, he fixes upon him his glittering eye, until he cannot choose but hear the story of the wondrous voyage he made upon the wide, wide sea.

So we may read "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner." But the author has maintained through out the poem, that *indefiniteness* and æsthetic vitality which redeem it from being a mere didactic allegory. The legitimate purpose of the true poem is attained independently of the mystical meaning; and in the minds of the majority of those who read and deeply enjoy the poem, it never assumes, perhaps, any definite shape. A work of the imagination may be a consistent expression, even in its details, of a certain idea; as for example, throughout Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice, may be traced the working of the old law-maxim, *summum jus, summa injuria*; but only the critic who makes it his chief business to scent a moral, and who regards it as the chief purpose of a work of art, to *teach*, would claim that such an idea exercised a conscious influence in the author's mind during the composition of the work. All works of genius are richly suggestive, and are characterized by a flexibility of significance, which often leads critics of a philosophic turn of mind, to attribute to their authors, definite purposes which they, perhaps, never dreamed of. The truly poetic mind is constitutionally synthetic in its action, and substitutes pictures for arguments. Fed with the contemplation of nature and of human life, the great artist brings forth the True, the Beautiful, and the Good, *in an adequate, sensuous form*. Mere truth is not his aim, but a deep sympathy with the true; and this sympathy cannot be secured through an abstract enunciation. The Word must become flesh—must be incarnated in an adequate sensuous form, a form which, while being a revelation of wisdom, affords a satisfaction to the soul, not from a consciousness of the contained idea, but from the secret harmony between our sensuous nature and our reason. Whatever a poetic mind may at one time have abstractly

conceived, will firmly incarnate itself, often, no doubt, without the poet's consciousness, in a concrete form, which possesses in itself a sufficing beauty. If a poet set about, consciously, to clothe an abstraction, he will produce at best, an allegory, and not a thing of beauty that will be its own excuse for being. It is through the refinement of beauty that the highest moral results are wrought by a work of art. The upper current of every true poem must be sensuous, and the upper interest attaching thereto must be an æsthetic interest. The mystical or under-current of meaning must not be allowed to rise too near the surface; the more it lurks beneath, or is consubstantiated with the scenery of the poem, the better. The highest form of the poetic teaches as Nature teaches, as forests teach, as the sea teaches, by causing us to feel serenely and profoundly. Its great function is to keep alive man's sensibilities and instincts, and thus to fit him for the reception of high spiritual truths.

UNA ESTUDIANTINA.

PARIS, March 20, 1878.

The cynosure of all Paris for the last two weeks has been a body of Spanish students, about sixty in number, who came on here, dressed in the picturesque costume of the students of the University of Salamanca during the sixteenth century, to see Paris during the gay holiday season of Mardi Gras. They wore a sort of cocked hat decorated with a little ivory cockade, a coat of black velvet, knee breeches of the same material, black silk stockings, low shoes fastened with a silver buckle, and a large mantle of black cloth thrown gracefully about the body in such a way as to leave the arms free to hold their musical instruments. These latter consisted of sixteen guitars, ten violins, six flutes and six bandores, under the direction of a leader. Of course such an uncommon thing as an orchestra of Spanish students in a curious costume created no little excitement in this capital, always eager for something new and odd. Some idea of the extent to which they monopolized public attention may be gathered from the following extract from the leader of the *Journal des Débats*, of March 4th, on the Oriental question, when all Europe anxiously awaited the nature of the treaty between Russia and the Porte:

"It appears that yesterday the deputies of Versailles scanned with curious anxiety the telegraphic dispatches, and this is what the Havas Agency laid before them: 'Sixty Spanish students have passed through Bordeaux, with guitars, on their way to Paris to participate in the Carnival.' Our deputies were greatly surprised and disappointed, but the Spanish students will be more so on arriving here to take part in what was formerly a Carnival."

The captivating effect of the guitars and neat uniforms on the Bordeaux telegraphic operator was only a forerunner of their conquests at Paris. I venture to say that ninety-nine out of every one hundred Parisians were more interested in these sixty students during Mardi Gras week, than in all the public questions, foreign and domestic, lumped together. As proof of this, let me enumerate a few of the honors heaped upon these Madridians during their two weeks' visit.

They attended the Elysée ball given by President MacMahon, on which occasion the Marshal and his wife returned hearty thanks for several pieces of music that they rendered in a private parlor of the Presidential palace. A day or two after arriving in Paris, 1800 French students marched over from the Latin Quarter to welcome the Spaniards, who, instruments in hand, accompanied the Frenchmen back to the Latin Quarter where they were formally received in the Law School. The next day a grand banquet of 370 covers was given them by the young men of the Paris schools; then followed an invitation from the authorities to play in the Tuilleries gardens, and thousands of people were present to hear the music; then came a banquet and fancy dress ball in the Grand Hôtel under the auspices of the Spanish-Americans residing in Paris; the next day the Prince of Wales entertained the students at the Hôtel Bristol; the evening of the same day they were invited by the proprietor of the Théâtre Italien to attend the opera and gave some selections from their repertory; the next morning found 8000 people in the Jardin d'Acclimation awaiting the arrival of the students; and finally they wound up this long list of festivities with a ball at the Bullier given in their honor by the French Students.

I have said nothing of the visits to Baron Rothschild, the Duchess de Valence, Ex-Queen Isabella, Victor Hugo, the editors of the *Figaro* and the *Gaulois*. They even began to be a feature in domestic politics, the *Gaulois* coming out in a long editorial one day defending the students from the attacks of certain republican journals who thought to see in their visits to conservative newspaper offices something disrespectful to the Republic.

But eliminating from this incident all that is due to the Parisian love of novelty, there still remains enough solid fact to teach American undergraduates two important lessons. In the first place, we must all be astonished at the wonderful musical talent of this body of Spanish students, who did not hesitate to play before the connoisseurs of the Théâtre Italien; and, in the second place, the union of sixty students for an expedition to a foreign capital extending over several weeks, speaks volumes for the solidarity of the Spanish undergraduates, the like of which is only partially real-

ized by our Greek letter societies. And American educators and legislators might also learn something from this event where a body of university students is publicly received by the head of a great nation, fêted by men of rank and men of letters, welcomed by thousands of fellow-students gathered together from all parts of the world, in short, honored in every way in "the city of cities." It was France paying homage to university education. The presidents of some of our sectarian colleges, the members of our State legislatures and, I am sorry to say it, the governor of the Empire State, if they would ponder a moment on the visit of this *Una Estudiantina* to Paris, might be convinced that the educational system of the United States must have something more imposing to point to than common schools and little colleges, if it would take rank with the systems of the great European states.

—T. S.

THE GYMNASIUM EXHIBITION.

The long-expected exhibition of the gymnasium was given at Wilgus hall last Saturday evening, and in a scientific point of view was a substantial success; the coffers of this deserving institution, however, failed to be replenished in the least, owing to a lack of support from the students of whom only a moderate number attended who, nevertheless, showed their hearty appreciation of the entertainment. The old familiar landscape on the curtain rolled up slowly at half after eight amid the enlivening strains of Howe's orchestra and there stood the brawny-armed, agile athletes, clad in veritable gymnasium costume, with occasional spangles, which dazzled the eyes of the spectators, reminding them of their childhood days when they used to "cut" school to see the circus.

Messrs. E. H. Cole and W. P. Pickett did not appear, both being prevented by injuries received in practicing, and their loss was severely felt in several of the most important features of the programme. The bill opened with general tumbling in which Mr. Cole was to lead, but W. M. Taylor proved a good substitute, his special acts with N. D. Shinkel being the best of this department. Such a good showing at the start surprised many who did not know the powers of the participants. Dumb-bell swinging by Messrs. Carpenter and Boyer followed: the time of the orchestra was too slow and annoyed the gentlemen not a little; their movements, however, were very graceful and gave proof of careful training. Mr. Sanchez was excellent with the rings: he did many difficult feats, the best being that of holding his body horizontal beneath the rings. The parallel bars were introduced between the two parts of the exhibition, and

Messrs. Lewis and Snyder used them to advantage—Mr. Pickett and Mr. Cole being unavoidably absent. But the audience had been on the *qui vive* for the next on the programme, and their anticipations were not disappointed in the least when “the daring young men,” N. D. Shinkel and E. C. Rusrel, performed on the “flying trapeze.” Most of the hazardous feats of professional athletes were gone through with gracefully and fearlessly: however, with the sense of pleasure came that of relief when the two descended unharmed to the floor. Mr. Shinkel in his single acts showed remarkable equipoise in standing on the lower bar and swinging with his hands free from ropes. The part with the trapeze was the most enjoyable of the evening. Six gentlemen then swung Indian clubs with John Lewis as leader. Here it was that the music, which had not been too good heretofore, might have been dispensed with to advantage as it was the means of “putting out” several, in justice to whom, it should be said that this was their “first appearance” with a musical accompaniment and hence they became confused rather than assisted by it. James F. Moore, who has taken such pains with the men, and by whom in less than ten lessons they have been brought to such a degree of skill, then favored the audience with some special motions which were faultless in rhythm and beauty. The acts on the horizontal bar closed the real gymnastic part of the programme. This was very interesting. Mr. Shinkel led and was most powerful as well as skillful, his back somersault being especially good. Mr. Dounce in the “giant’s swing,” Mr. Mann in his “chinning” with one hand, and Mr. Taylor’s evolutions, all merited the applause which they received. There was an abundance of pleasure left yet in the farce, in the cast of which were Messrs. H. T. Parke, R. A. Parke, Howard, Sheldon, Pickett, Cary, Moffat, and Kendig. The scene was laid in the stronghold of the C. K. C. fraternity, and the local hits were enjoyed immensely. Thus ended the first exhibition of the Cornell Gymnasium which passed off almost without a flaw. This is in no small measure due to the efforts of Mr. A. G. Boyer, who has worked most faithfully since the idea of an “ex.” was suggested. It is to be regretted that many who patronize worthless troupes which visit Ithaca, should have refused to buy tickets for the benefit of an association which, besides being composed of students, does so much to keep up an interest in college athletics. We trust that subsequent affairs of this kind will have a better financial exhibit, though it is doubtful whether a more satisfactory evening can be afforded than that of last Saturday. The gymnasium officers would express their thanks to Pinch & Apgar for having taken care of the tickets gratuitously and to those who took part in the farce.

SPORTS.

We have received the following circular from the Secretary of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association:

NEW YORK, April 6th.—The Third Annual Convention of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association will be held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, in New York City, on the 20th of April, 1878. All colleges, those who have not been represented heretofore, as well as former members of the Association, are invited to send delegates. The executive committee, in issuing this notice, would strongly urge upon the athletic clubs of the different colleges the advantage of belonging to the Association. It affords the best opportunity for competition between the athletes of the separate colleges upon the fairest terms, and strongly encourages fellowship among college men and graduates. The Association, by the excellence of the records of its field meetings, and by the spirit of generous rivalry which it incites, tends in the highest degree to promote an interest in out-of-door sports among collegians in general. The expense involved by membership is very slight, and should deter none.

Respectfully,

C. W. FRANCIS, (Columbia,) }
E. H. HERRICK, (Harvard,) } Ex. Com.
D. C. MORRELL, (Amherst,) }

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Allusions have often been made to the fact that Cornell is in a great measure isolated from other colleges of the country by reason of a seeming lukewarmness in respect to the interest in leading college sports. Rowing is about the only means we have of engaging in contests with other colleges and this bids fair to be closed ere long. There was a time not many years ago when Cornell did participate with credit in certain branches of athletics, and there is no reason why such should only be a memory of the past. We should certainly be represented at the coming convention; let the president of one of the upper classes call a general meeting of the students at some hour at which a full attendance can be secured and the advisability of sending delegates can be discussed.

—The opossum (*Didelphys Virginiana*), mentioned in another paragraph has escaped. Thursday afternoon its small den was replaced by the large box in which the University bear was formerly confined, and the next morning the occupant was missing. A burrow in one corner showed how her escape was effected. She had ten young opossums in her pouch, and it is hoped that any one who finds her, dead or alive, will bring her at once to the anatomical laboratory, where she will hear something to her advantage.

CORNELIANA.

—Soliloquy of the student taking entomology for drill: "To Bee or not to Bee."

—Refrain of the State student as he "pays" his tuition: "Base is the slave that pays."

—Sixty-three have registered in entomology this term, making the class considerably larger than any of its predecessors.

—No candidate for the ERA with the fear of Sage before his eyes could ever have written "Faculty Physic" in *Cocagne*.

—Any Tuesday or Thursday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock the Faust class stand ready to play base ball with any regular or picked nine.

—A Cornellian was recently asked if Horace Greeley was not very highly esteemed at the University for establishing the agricultural department.

—Being warned of his certain defeat in the coming ERA election the Pasha exclaimed that it "was better to have run and lost than never to have run at all."

—A speaker last Sunday in the Y. M. C. A., said that the impression left upon his mind by his early religious experience was like *Dr. Wilson's Sensation*.

—*Translation nouvelle du français*: An English-French student of Prof. Crane's class in Madame De Sévigne, translates "On l'est donc allé quérir," "It is still all a query."

—In a certain case that came up in court down town recently, in which a former ERA board was involved the crier called out, 'Era ye, 'Era ye, 'Era ye! The court room was immediately vacated.

—The Pasha says that all monies received by the natural history students for admission to the University zoölogical garden is to be employed in establishing a fund for the importation of the *felis domestica* in large numbers.

—An interesting meeting of the Philosophical Society is anticipated to-morrow evening. Prof. Oliver will read a paper on "Some Peculiarities of Modern Mathematical Study," which will be followed by a paper on "The Latin C," by Prof. Peck.

—A large number of evergreens and other ornamental trees have been ordered by the horticultural department with which to embellish the campus. The department has also received a choice collection of seeds from the botanical gardens at Washington.

—Promiscuous serenaders, who would have their efforts appreciated at Sage, are requested to assemble hereafter in the court, instead of on the terrace in front of the building; but it has been suggested that the felicity of the occasion would increase inversely as the harmony diminishes.

—The treasurer of the Y. M. C. A. reports the association \$30 ahead. He is in doubt whether to declare a dividend or provide Cascadilla with free bibles. It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a Y. M. C. A. to be thus rolling in opulence, a veritable bloated bondholder, and a vile coupon clipper.

—The enterprising, not to say "cheeky" advertising agent of *Cocagne* has utilized the black-board in room "K" to set forth the merits of that precious sheet "Tuck" holds a placard on which *Cocagne* is modestly asserted to be the "students' boon." By the same token the *Review* must be the "students' bane," and the ERA the "students' bone and sinew."

—The *Old Soldiers Advocate*, a western paper, says: "Cornell University is educating a son of Ex-President Grant, and President Hayes, with several sons of the rulers of Europe, and a host of young Sovereigns of America." Whoop la! It is supposed that the "sons of the rulers of Europe" refers to the *Review* board, who have said to have disguised themselves as American citizens.

—Owing to the increased numbers and activity of the students in comparative anatomy, it is more than probable that the species *felis domestica* will soon become extinct in this locality. In anticipation of this dire calamity it is said that the good matrons of Ithaca are about to adopt measures to encourage feline emigration into this region for the purpose of promoting scientific research.

—The *Review* makes the following explanation which would have appeared better in the November number: "For the benefit of some of our friends who regard the late appearance of the *Review* as unintentional, we would state that the date of publication was changed with the November number from the middle to the end of the month. The change was made in order to include the interesting exercises of commencement week in the June number."

—It was proposed in the chemical society recently to have a special department called *Telephoniana* in the regular *Crème des Journals*. The discussion of the telephone is occupying so much space in the current scientific literature, that it seems desirable to have a resumé of the same regularly presented to the society in connection with the general scientific news.

—The following gentlemen have testified their willingness to renounce the pleasures of this life and sacrifice both peace and purse to the welfare of college journalism: In '79, Abraham Cane, Roland B. Gelatt, Edward C. Howland, Clayton Ryder and Frank H. Severance; in '80, R. H. Farquhar, L. Force, G. F. Gifford, H. E. Hills, A. Jonas, F. C. Lawrence, H. W. Snyder and H. H. Soule. "There's millions in it."

—The Inter-Collegiate Literary Association announces the following programme for the contest in Jan. 1879: In oratory each speaker will be limited to ten minutes. Subjects for Latin are the "Captives" of Plantus and Cicero's "Academicus;" also Latin composition and Latin at sight. In Greek the subjects are the "Panegyrics" of Isocrates, the "Iphigenia in Tauris" of Euripides, analysis of verb forms, and Greek prose composition. In Mathematics, Analytics and Calculus will be the subjects. Another circular will be issued soon giving the subjects in essay-writing and mental science.

—A writer in the March *Virginia University Magazine* has been paying a visit to Cornell, and thus expresses himself: "The buildings of the University constructed out of dark stone, are upon an eminence nearly a mile from the village and from the high hill look down in stately gaze. They are firmly founded, built upon a strong rock—financially—and no storms can uproot them. Their eminence in situation is but an emblem of that pinnacle to which in a decade the University has attained in the educational world. The village of Ithaca with its 20,000 inhabitants nestles at the foot of the University."

—We notice that the lady-like and accomplished opossum who is holding court in front of the McGraw building, has a card on her cage announcing that she "is not a candidate for the ERA." This is unfortunate, as it is desirable that the best talent in the class of '79 present themselves for election. There is nothing in the constitution of the board that would rule her out on any ground of "sex, race, color or previous condition of servitude." We hope her backers will keep her on the field until the closing of the polls.

—On his way home from Bowdoin Dr. Wilder read a communication on the Amia (air-breathing fish,) at the same time exhibiting living specimens, before the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and also repeated the same before the Boston Society of Natural History. As none of these wonderful fishes had ever been seen alive in Boston, their appearance before these societies created a good deal of interest. The Dr. is now giving a special course of lectures to the natural history students on practical dissection.

—The following resolution, lately passed by the faculty of the Iowa State Agricultural College, and approved by the board of trustees, will be of interest: Whereas, Prof. Isaac P. Roberts, Professor of Agriculture in the State Agricultural College from 1872 to 1873 inclusive, and since then Professor of Agriculture and Dean of the Agricultural Faculty of Cornell University, has by his long and successful occupancy of these positions shown himself a man of rare merit and attainments in his

chosen profession, therefore, *Resolved*, That we recommend that his name be placed upon the Board of Trustees, with the recommendation that they confer upon him the degree of Master of Agriculture.

—The increased interest manifested in entomological laboratory work this term has necessitated the purchase of additional apparatus. Three large microscopes were received last week by the department, under whose magnifying power the flea assumes the gigantic proportions of the *gryllus vulgaris*. Field-work is a very important feature of this term's work. Excursions are made every afternoon under the personal supervision of Prof. Comstock, in which door-yards and wheat fields are ruthlessly invaded and the precious booty carefully stored away in behalf of scientific research. The laboratory, situated as it is in the tower of the McGraw building, receiving light through north, south and west windows, is finely located for microscopic work. Yesterday's expedition resulted in the capture of several specimens of the Hessian fly, so disastrous to the wheat crop, whose habits are now being inspected with a view, doubtless, to the speedy extermination of the species.

PERSONALIA.

PAGE, '79, has left the University.

WARNER, '79, has left the University.

WILLMARTH, '76, turns up smiling once more.

LOWENBEIN, '79, was called home suddenly last week.

FRANCIS, '76, has been in town visiting friends recently.

HUTCHINS, '80, is practicing stenography in Delaware, Ohio.

MISS MOORE, '76, is principal of a public school in Dunkirk, N. Y.

INGALLS, '79, is gone home. He will return to the University next year.

SIBLEY, formerly '78, has returned to the University, and enters with '80.

MARK CURLEY, '75, is practicing law in the office of Collins and Corbin, 281 Washington St., Jersey City.

ROBERT MORRIS, '80, lectured in the Congregational church at Danby, April 15, on "The ancient Peruvians."

WM. H. CORBIN, '73, has been admitted to the Jersey City bar and is chief clerk in Wm. Brinkerhoff's law office. His address is No. 1 Exchange Place, J. C.

JUNIUS *alias* Equity *alibi*—'78, having become tired of University life and disgusted with Ithaca people generally, contemplates leaving the University before commencement and will, therefore, probably not graduate with the class as we stated in a recent issue.

EXCHANGES.

The conduct of the exchange departments of many college papers is a somewhat interesting study in cause and effect. We have learned from experience that if we notice, for example, in the *Bugle* a scathing criticism of the *Clarion*, the cause which has produced the tirade is to be sought in the *Clarion* itself, and so we turn to a back number and find a similar severe commentation upon the *Bugle*, and thus in its own peculiar manner each journal follows out the *lex talionis*, and the majority of the college papers are involved in a continual word-war, fortunately not internecine, but, at least, provocative of irreconcilable animosity, not alone between the editors but even between colleges, for to a greater or less extent it cannot be disputed, the college paper fashions and molds inter-collegiate feeling. It is not to be marveled at that it is difficult to launch out into a severe criticism of a journal which has but recently lauded your own paper, but just why because another directs your attention to your own errors and shortcomings you should dip your pen into the bitterest editorial gall ere you approach your critic for discussion, is not so easy of explanation. If the entire fraternity of college editors would but dismiss their individual feelings and prejudices, and become imbued with a right and fair spirit of criticism, much petty wrangling might be forever abolished and the exchange columns be made of much more interest to the general reader.

For plainness of speech and bitter irony a writer in the last *Record* merits the palm. The class of undergraduates which he so poignantly censures is not, we believe, exclusively confined to Yale. Thus he writes :

"England, eighty millions people most of them fools," was Carlyle's opinion of his countrymen. Yale College, eleven hundred students all of them—but no. The soothing "neath the elms" is too powerful and we cannot finish. To state it very mildly, we are not all philosophers. No one expects that. In all Greece there were only seven wise men, and the Greeks were generally considered a heavy batting team, even the wisest of us can find along the pathway of life, especially through that part which leads through dreary wastes of Freshman year, dark, heart-rending deviations before which we draw down the veil of oblivion. Among ordinary mortals folly is balanced by wisdom, and we take them as they are. There is a class more disagreeable than a cheeky Freshman, more asinine than a twenty-two year old baby with a new top and a sickly grin, who alone illustrate that truly beautiful and beautifully true proverb, "there is no fool like a certain fool whom we need not mention." These extraordinary creatures are a compound of peevishness, arrogance, self-conceit self-sufficiency—everything, but brains. From the time when the Faculty, in an unguarded moment, allowed their names to appear on the college roll, their respect for themselves and their contempt for others has been simply gorgeous. They have, in their own belief, reached a point where politeness ceases to be a virtue. The Faculty receive their share of attention. It must be decidedly amusing to a professor to hear his instruction derided and his manner laughed at by puppets who were making mud pies with

the washerwoman's eldest when he commenced his discoveries in science and mathematics. Anything like reverence or enthusiasm is utterly distasteful to these experienced men of the world, who long ago discovered that such things were frauds. These are the ones to whom we owe the unenviable part of our reputation.

Now idols of your own imaginations, please accept a few words of sympathy and advice. You laugh at earnestness yet earnestness in one thing or another is all we live for. Remember enthusiasm may make a man uncouth, but it never makes him ridiculous. It is true that a mountain brook lacks the complacency of a stagnant frog pool; nevertheless, the brook is the better company. You pretend to deride enthusiasts. Haven't you sense enough to see the men you sneer at will be gratefully remembered by thousands long after the gout, dyspepsia or jimjams has ended your memory with your useless life. The most distressing thought is that the world moves on in utter ignorance of either your opinions or yourself. As with reverent step, and uncovered head we leave you, allow us humbly to suggest that it is possible, barely possible, that in a city as large as New Haven, there are some people of as fine birth, as much wealth, as good intellect as you can show. That in most cases it pays to be polite. And it may be that a creed, a code of morals, which has stood the shock of centuries contains something which even you might profitably observe.

We are inclined to infer from the last paragraph that the writer, to descend to slang, is "sweet upon" some New Haven girl, but that need make his sarcasm none the less pointed, his irony none the less bitter.

Lampy has received a poem from one of his fair friends which she begs him to publish, and so, apparently much against his will, he presents it in the last number :

A MONOGRAMMATIC EPIGRAM.

I.

"There is a swell youth of class '80
Who besides being tall is quite weighty.
He runs like a fox,
He can spar, he can box,
This howling young swell of class '80.

II.

"This perfidious, treacherous Soph.,
Attired in his big Melikoff,
Any number of times
Four monogrammed dimes
Did promise—this wily young Soph.

III.

"To four maidens he made a rash vow,
That—provided his funds would allow—
He'd give each a dime
(N. B. *Many* a time
D'd he swear to abide by that vow.)

IV.

"The maidens believed in this hero,
Their motto was 'Dum spiro spero,'
Now Roger beware!
For vengeance they swear,
Since their hopes have sunk quite below zero."

Pretty well posted for a girl, rather flat for a man would be our criticism. The *Lampoon* also contains a "Truly Rural" poem which is too good to be left unquoted, so here it is :

'T was evening and the village chimes
Most musically chome.
The graceful cow and warlike calf
Unanimous hied home.
The bleating sheep in chorus blote ;
The squealing piggies squole ;
The *tout ensemble* being quite
Bucolic, as a whole.

Two lovers, happy, hand in hand
Stole stilly to the stile
The crickets cricked, the owlets 'owled,
Bats beat about the while.
The katydids in unison
Together katy-dode ;
The whippoorwills set up their cry
And ominously crode.

The genial skeeter hummed his hymn,
And bote his baneful bite.
She tried to say a tender pomps,
But couldn't quote it quite.
And when he gope a mighty gape,
She snole a sickly smile—
There was not (for the sake of rhyme)
A mole within a mile!

She heaved a mighty deep-drawn sigh,
And he in answer soghed ;
And round her taper, shrinking waist
His manly coat-sleeve glode
Then, while the distant curfew peal
Lugubriously pole,
She drew a pickled onion forth,
And coyly ate it whole!

The Vassar *Miscellany*, *mirabile dictu*, appeared last week in advance of its day of publication. The number is an admirable one, the subjects of its literary essays well selected and carefully treated. An article having as its title "the 'Vassar Victim,'" misled us at first, for whereas we had supposed it was the tale of some blighted love-lorn college man it treats in reality of Vassar's own fair daughters. One paragraph is fraught with peculiar suggestions ; it may be that there are or have been other Freshmen who have dilated in somewhat the same fashion upon the wearing tedium of college study. This is a mere suggestion, undoubtedly we are wrong :

"Though with sadness we say it, yet it is indeed the truth that we may find one great cause of the length of this roll of victims in the Vassar girl herself. Perhaps we may say she is the chief cause. At the end of her first year at Vassar, the ambitious young lady goes home eager to make an impression of some kind on her friends. Her acquirement of knowledge in her Freshman year has not been so startling as immediately to produce the desired effect. So she calls to her aid her powers of description, and with many adjectives and exclamation points, gives an account of the work she does at college. She pictures in all its terrors the essays which haunt her dreams ; she tells of the mathematics, the Latin and German, and the 'awful examinations;' she exaggerates all her points for rhetorical effect, and gives the listener to understand that her life at Vassar is continual drudgery, that it has no joys, and that its sufferings are untold. Whereas, if her friends should drop in unexpectedly upon her some eve-

ning, they would probably find her dancing in Room J, sitting in Society Hall listening to the strains of an improvised orchestra, or following some favorite hero through the mazes of a dramatic plot. Instead of the wretched countenance they had expected to see, and the slough of despond in which they had expected to find her, lo! her face beams in the possession of a front seat, her crimps are in a delightful state of crispness, and her mind is intently fixed upon a piece of fancy work."

We learn from an editorial in the *Miscellany* that Vassar is to hold annual examinations in Boston and Cincinnati similar to the Harvard examinations. The idea is certainly an excellent one and is deserving of success.

The Michigan *Chronicle* presents at each issue letter-press enough to warrant the occasional introduction of some light, pithy sketch, whereas its longer articles are almost always upon rather heavy themes. It has made a new departure in placing a woman at the head of its exchange department and it is with no small amount of curiosity that we await the arrival of a paper edited by a bi-sexual editorial board. We shall have a care henceforth how we criticise that paper lest we bring down on our devoted heads the dread terrors of a feminine wrath. We take this opportunity to offer as a suggestion to the *Chronicle* that it follow the example of old grandmother *Dartmouth* and send out photographs, not of professors, but of its editorial board.

BOOK REVIEW.

ODDS AND ENDS, by Henry A. Beers. Boston : Houghton, Osgood & Co. *Riverside Press*, 1878.

This is a handsome little book of poems, by Professor Beers, of Yale, written, for the most part, as the Professor informs us in his preface, "during a residence at Yale College, first as undergraduate and afterwards as tutor," and farther on he adds, "at least half the pieces here included can lay claim to whatever indulgence, if any, is ever given to *juvenilia*, or the work of writers under age." The greater number of the pieces are upon subjects attractive to the undergraduate mind and all are easily and gracefully written. Perhaps we cannot better present the author's pleasant style to our readers than by quoting one of his shorter poems.

SIXPENCE FOR A KISS.

Stranger maiden, when you waken,
If you miss
So much sweet as may be taken
In a kiss,
What's a mouthful musk or civet?
Sure you would not grudge to give it ;
(In your dream
You did seem
Smiling *yes* though blushing *nay*.)

Yet I would not choose to thieve it,
Like the bee
Who sippeth free :
Therefore, sweet-heart, here is pay.

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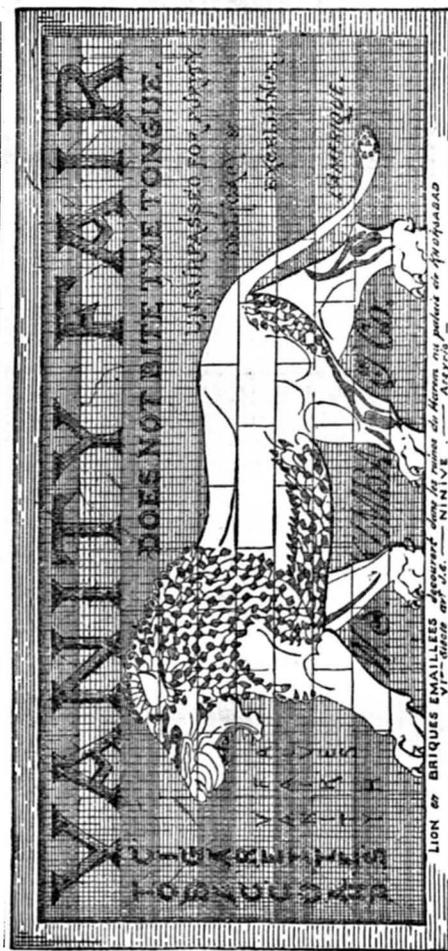
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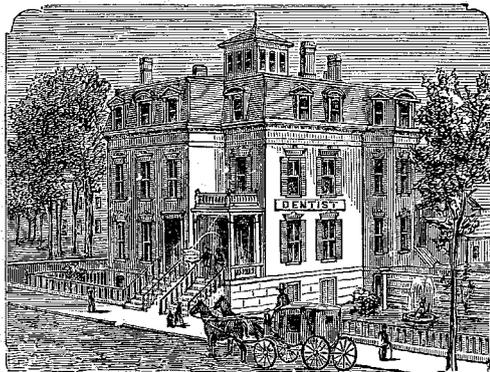
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It will be seen that we present in another column the names of those who are to compose the base ball nine for the coming year. The candidates have been practising for some time past and much interest has been manifested in the endeavor to secure positions on the nine. Through the energy of those who have the matter in charge, arrangements have been made for several games at an early date. It is expected that nines from Union College, Hamilton, Syracuse and Binghamton will be here, besides others not yet heard from.

THE two classes interested have been making severe efforts to elect the new board of editors, and they have succeeded in electing six of the required number. The Juniors after two attempts have elected but two men, and the new plan for election which has been proposed recommends itself more strongly than ever. However, we are glad to see that there are men anxious to be elected, and hope those who are successful will be quite as eager to do their best with the paper. The selection this year seems to be a wise one, the men being known in their classes as those possessing ability. Whether it is that peculiar ability which is required remains with some to be seen, others have already shown that they possess it. The position of editor is not an easy one for him who cannot write with some degree of ease, especially that which comes from practice. To one really in earnest the work is pleasant, and an invaluable means of culture. We have no doubt that the new board will do their best and well. They have our congratulations and very best wishes.

ONE of the things which tend to spur up and invigorate the mind of the editor during the arduous labors of the spring term is the thought that at some time before the close of the year, he is to meet in a social and convivial manner, those around whom the student body has chosen to throw the editorial mantle for the coming year. As this hard-worked individual consumes the midnight oil, writing sundry articles for the edification and amusement of the general public, this thought is ever present and grows more prominent as the time for this *convivium* draws nigh. He remembers very well his entrance into the field of journalism, and how before that he honored the retiring board with a festive entertainment, and now is mindful that the condition of things is changed. The custom alluded to, namely, the giving of a banquet by the incoming to the retiring board of editors, is one inaugurated several years ago, and has been found so enjoyable and so promotive of interest in our college paper, that it has been fixed as one of the regular occurrences of the college year. Coming as it does, it relieves the otherwise undisturbed monotony. The prospect of initiating the candidates into the ideal side of journalism is a pleasing one to those acquainted with its stern realities. All is enthusiasm upon this occasion, especially on the part of the newly-elected editors, and a casual auditor might conclude that the editor's life was one round of unalloyed pleasure. Nor shall we say anything to the contrary. The event is inspiring, and the toasts and speeches tend to impress upon the neophyte the importance and responsibility of the duties which he has taken upon himself. It is eminently proper that when the present year draws towards its close and when the editors for the present year have finished their labors that they should meet in a social way those to whom they resign their work; and it is equally as fitting that the retiring board should meet those who have preceded them. Thus the interest is kept intact and preserved from year to year.

THE acting commodore of the Navy has received a telegram from the Harvard Freshmen, in which they have expressed their willingness to row at Saratoga. Notwithstanding the fact that this decision comes at so late a date as to place the Harvard Freshmen in no enviable position for promptitude of action, still, although the action has been long delayed it has finally been taken. Our Freshmen, owing doubtless to the long delay and the consequent belief that the race was "off," have displayed no small degree of apathy with reference to the race. Still, we believe at even this late day it is not too late to recover whatever time they may have lost by the laxation in training induced by this supposition, and to enable them to place their crew in good rowing form by the time which shall be appointed for the regatta. A meeting has been appointed for this evening at 8 o'clock in Military Hall to consider the subject and to take final decision with regard to the race; and we trust that not alone the Freshmen but all of the members of the other classes will be present and that we may have an enthusiastic boating meeting as of yore, which will encourage the Freshmen to enter the race and if possible add to our already well-earned boating laurels.

Now is the season at hand when all nature rejoices and is busy, especially the seeker of specimens. Armed with the weapons best suited for the capture and detention of the prey for which he is in search of he may be seen early and late prowling through woods and meadows, and examining the waters of the marsh with an attentive eye and a dip net. Nothing in the earth, in the air, or in water escapes him, but is brought out from its hiding place, and is made to serve an important purpose and help to accomplish the greater end for which it among all its fellows has from the beginning been destined. And indeed how pleasant it is to think that the frog which croaks so incessantly, the cat which howls so terribly to-night on the back fence may before the setting of another sun have found its destiny, and have helped to further the great cause of science and scientific investigation! Contemplating this one cannot fail of being impressed with the importance of even the humblest and most despised

of living things. True they are called upon to make an acquaintance with science often while laboring under great difficulties, but those are unavoidable, and must be made the best of. All this helps to show how creditable is the purpose of the searcher for specimens. And when he is seen gently approaching the object of his solicitude, he should be looked upon not as one to be shunned and hindered, but one who is doing well and helping others to do well. He is also making true an assertion which otherwise is doubtful, that everything has a use.

THE Senior committees have shown a praiseworthy zeal in performing their duties, and much of their work is already done. The class has been quite fortunate thus far in all matters pertaining to graduation week, and every thing seems likely to pass off smoothly. The photographs of the class are now completed, and seem to give almost universal satisfaction. Their example in this respect ought to be followed by all other classes as long as good work can be obtained at home at such reasonable rates. The committee on arrangements for class-day are also nearly through, having decided upon invitations, and the more important matters which they had to attend to. They propose a new plan in regard to seats, which is likely to be considered a good one. Formerly, but few seats have been reserved, and in consequence of the rush which always occurs many visiting friends of the members of the class have been able to obtain seats only with difficulty, or even not at all. This is very annoying, and to remedy it the committee propose to reserve a large number of seats, giving each as many as he will be likely to need. This will effectually prevent all trouble, and it is but fair and right for the class to dispose of the hall as they wish. Even the whole might be reserved, but probably there is no need of that. We earnestly recommend to the committee that they reserve so large a share of the seats that those who have come a long distance to be present at the exercises, and are much interested in them, will not be obliged to go to the hall very early and take such seats as they can get. The plan proposed is a most excellent one, and should by all means be adopted.

THE peaceful minded and the timid are again made nervous by the evolutions, and the seemingly warlike demonstrations of our incipient warriors. He who prefers to make military drill a part of his college work now buckles on his armor and shoulders his musket, and three times a week learns that which, it is to be hoped, will be the most useless thing which he does learn here. The time when every one drilled is past, and now that option is allowed our army is rather a small one. To know how to handle arms, and the general plan of the way in which a body of men may be made effective, may be on very rare occasions useful ; but so rare are these occasions that they need hardly be prepared for by those whose special power ought to lie in another direction. The theory that drill is necessary and useful for the exercise which it gives is a poor one, for men in college ought to know enough to be able to manage their own exercise. Besides, the expression of the victims is more often that of men who are tired and disgusted than of those who are invigorated. Few can afford to come to college for such a purpose as that of tramping around in a blue uniform with stripes, learning how to drill. They can do that almost as well anywhere else, in many places much better. Here, it seems to us, there are better and more important things to be done, and for those there is too little time. The preparation of soldiers ought to be made at military schools, here it is out of place. Well it is that there is option in regard to drill, for otherwise it could hardly be endured. It is one of the things which the University does not need, and while it has wisely been made optional, it must always be a necessary evil. It is to be hoped that the time will come when drill can be wholly dispensed with, and cease to be made a part of our college work.

EVOLUTION.

I.

Broad were the bases of all being laid,
 On pillars sunk in the unfathomed deep
 Of universal void and primal sleep.
 Some mighty will, in sooth, there was that swayed
 The misty atoms which inhabited
 The barren, unilluminated fields of space ;
 A breath perchance, that whirled the mists apace,
 And shook the heavy indolence that weighed
 Upon the moveless vapors. Oh, what vast,

Resounding undulations of effect
 Awoke that breath ! What dizzying æons passed
 Ere yet a lichen patch the bare rock flecked !
 Thus rolls with boom of elemental strife
 The ancestry e'en of the meanest life.

II.

I am the child of earth and air and sea !
 My lullaby by hoarse Silurian storms
 Was chanted ; and, through endless changing forms
 Of plant and bird and beast, unceasingly
 The toiling ages wrought to fashion me.
 Lo, these large ancestors have left a breath
 Of their strong souls in mine, defying death
 And change. I grow and blossom as the tree,
 And ever feel deep-delving, earthy roots
 Binding me daily to the common clay.
 But with its airy impulse upward shoots
 My life into the realms of light and day ;
 And thou, O Sea, stern mother of my soul,
 Thy tempests sing in me, thy billows roll !

III.

A sacred kinship I would not forego
 Binds me to all that breathes ; through endless strife
 The calm and deathless dignity of life
 Unites each bleeding victim to its foe.
 What life is in its essence, who doth know ?
 The iron chain that all creation girds,
 Encompassing myself and beasts and birds,
 Forges its bond unceasing from below,—
 From water, stones, and plants, e'en unto man.
 Within the rose a pulse that answered mine
 (Though hushed and silently its life-tide ran)
 I oft have felt ; but when with joy divine
 I hear the song-thrush warbling in my brain,
 I glory in this vast creation's chain.

IV.

I stood and gazed in wonder blent with awe
 Upon the giant foot-prints Nature left
 Of her large march in yonder rocky cleft :
 A fern-leaf's airy woof, a reptile's claw,
 In their eternal slumber there I saw,
 In deftly-wrought sarcophagi of stone.
 What humid tempests from rank forests blown
 Whirled from its parent stem yon slender straw ?
 What scaly creature of a monstrous breed
 Bore yonder web-foot through the tepid tide ?
 Oh, what wide vistas, thronged with mighty deed
 And mightier thought, have here mine eyes descried !
 Come, a fraternal grasp, thou hand of stone !
 The flesh that once was thine is now mine own.

V.

Sublime is life, though in beginnings base
 At first enkindled ! In this clod of mold
 Beats with faint spirit pulse the heart of gold
 That warms the lily's cheek ; its silent grace
 Dwells unborn 'neath this sod. Fain would I trace
 The potent mystery which, like Midas' hand,
 Thrills the mean clay into refulgence grand ;
 For, gazing down the misty aisles of space
 And time, upon my sight vast visions throng
 Of the imperial destiny of man.
 The life that throbbled in plant and beast ere long
 Will break still wider orbits in its van,—
 A race of peace-robed conquerers and kings,
 Achieving evermore diviner things.

—Prof. H. H. Boyesen in the Atlantic.

CRUMBS OF COMFORT.

Well, Novus, if you will hand me that cigar which peeps over the top of your vest-pocket, I will tell you, in answer to your question, what I know about boarding-houses. As you are aware, we have no Memorial Hall here, and are on this account somewhat scattered. During my four years of college life, I have passed through many wonderful and strange experiences in this line, and will be most happy to give you the result. I can count up nine separate and distinct landladies I have had, and equally as many boarding-houses have been graced with my presence. I have often inwardly communed, Novus, on the various kinds and degrees of boarding-houses with which I have been connected during my college course, for you know they differ from one another as all other things do. They may be good, bad, or indifferent. This is my classification; some writers on the subject are inclined to do away with the divisions, good and indifferent, and place them all under one head. But then we must recognize distinctions here as elsewhere. It is said, you know, that nature never repeats herself. Neither do boarding-houses, except in their bill of fare. Then again the conditions surrounding each are varied by external circumstances. For instance, a pretty young lady, belonging to the family and sitting opposite you, might prevent you enjoying your meals during your entire Freshman year; therefore avoid this. Again, you will find, as I have said, that while all boarding-houses have certain methods and *modi operandi* in common, there are, nevertheless, particulars in which each one differs from every other one. There are, as we may say, three classes—the select, the semi-select, and the non-select. The first is not, strictly speaking, a boarding-house, but rather a private family, in which you are taken by a combination of fortuitous circumstances, arising from acquaintance, relationship, recommendation, or something of this nature. Should you satisfy the cravings of the inner man at the last named, you may consider yourself fortunate, for it is a boon that blesses but few students. But situated even here, you labor under some disadvantages. Thus, your usual tranquil state of mind is very apt to be ruffled by visitors; in this case you would not feel so comfortable as if at an establishment of the second or third-class; or you might feel yourself called upon to entertain the company and then your Freshmanic ignorance would display itself. Besides, suppose untoward fortune prescribed for you an eight o'clock recitation. This is a rather early hour, and especially so for a well-to-do family, and you would naturally shrink from demanding an earlier breakfast; then too, your absence from meals would be quite noticeable here. So much for the first, and now for the second-class I

spoke of, viz., the semi-select. In the choice of its boarders it is rather particular, but the ability to pay the price demanded is the "Open Sesame" to its doors. This too, has its desirable and undesirable features, and differs in important respects from both the other classes. Here you are kept in a measure apart from the *ignobile vulgus* and a mantle of dignity is thus thrown around you. But on the other hand, my dear Novus, an air of gentility in a great measure assumed, and a sort of forced *tone* pervading this class, will detract much from your pleasure. Your meals will be served with the solemnity and slowness of a state dinner. Now this is very laudable, preventing any tendency which you may have formed, to eat too fast. However much of a hurry you may be in at the time, you should be thankful for this. Here you will never be asked to partake of "bull-heads," but you are welcome to some French trout if you choose. Again you will never eat "hash" here but "meat and potatoes." Could economy ever appear as a feature in the management of this table? Certainly not. So if you are asked, after having slowly and carefully folded up your napkin and arranged your knife and fork in the prescribed order, to have another piece of the pastry, you must ascribe this tardiness to an oversight of the matron, and politely refuse with a, "Have eaten heartily, thank you." However, and here mark, in case you are seasonably asked to select from several kinds of pie, never take but one kind the first time, but afterwards send out your plate for a second piece, the reasons for this proceeding being obvious. If you wish an early breakfast and it is delayed by some unaccountable chronometrical deviation, you must smile upon your hostess with the affability of a Chesterfield, and say something about the carelessness of clock-makers in general.

But when we come to the third class, that is, the non-select, our topic assumes a multifiform number of shapes, and its ramifications are difficult and somewhat tedious to follow. However, a few hints here may greatly simplify your future action. This last class may be regarded as including two subdivisions. First, those boarding a number of students whose congenial tastes and similar studies have drawn them together, and secondly, those taking any students who may apply. The great majority of students, as you see, fall under this head. Upon the tables of this latter class you will always find a number of what we may call lay dishes, such as crackers, soft pickles in brine, condiments of various uncertain colors, winter-killed ginger-snaps, last year's apples, popcorn, &c., &c.; all of which remain from day to day in unmolested security, and help to give the festive board appearance of fulness. If you happen to have a visiting friend to dinner these have a certain effect

upon him, and should he depart with an inward feeling of emptiness, he will be in ignorance of the real cause, as he will be certain that there was enough upon the table. Your viands will be instant in season, and for several successive days you can choose between eggs boiled, fried or scrambled. Hot oats you will find to be a staple, in fact, Novus, I have never found them wanting. Your syrup may have the appearance of sugar boiled down, but don't for a moment suppose this to be the case. If your steak should look as if it had received an undue amount of pounding, or even if its perversity equalled one of Allcock's Plasters, don't expostulate with your landlady, for this estimable woman would tell you how, when she did her marketing, she was asked why she did not purchase cheaper meats as Mrs. So-and-So did. In that case you would feel as if you had done her a great injustice, and congratulate yourself that you were not boarding with Mrs. So-and-So. At times the tide of good living will be at its flood, and then your guardian angel may ask in sweetest accents whether you do not think the Ithaca meats are very good. Now I have found this to be the most embarrassing situation in which the average student can be placed and my only resource has been to mildly answer "Yes." Forewarned is forearmed and with these tidbits of experience you may perhaps pass more smoothly through your college course.

CONFESSIONS OF A CANDIDATE.

I was a candidate at the late ERA election. The fact in itself is not remarkable, for I was only one of a number of self-sacrificing patriots who expressed themselves as willing to lend their time and talents *pro bono publico*, but as I wish to explain my position it is necessary to state it in the beginning. Unfortunately, I was *only* a candidate, for if you examine the returns you will fail to find my name among those who have been chosen to edit Vol. XI, and this is the cause of my grievance. With writing home accounts of the election and "seeing" their friends, the successful candidate has no time or desire for confessions, but with me it is different, time is of no consequence, and for the warning of all who will hereafter run, I wish to indite my experience. Some time ago my friend Boggs said to me "Agonistes, why don't you run for the ERA?" This started the demon of ambition in me, and I told him I'd think of it. Then when Thompson was talked of, and finally Whallop who, as everybody knows, can't write, I determined to run, not so much for my own sake, as to keep the board from the danger of being swamped by them. Boggs reported from day to day that things were looking very favorable for me; he said Cascadilla was mine to a man, and

he was in active negotiations with a side-hill candidate who was to combine with our ticket. Now I have always been opposed to this method of "swapping" votes, and even in my Freshman days I read with virtuous indignation the editorials in the ERA protesting against "log-rolling" and the general political chicanery that was said to be prevalent on such occasions, and if elected now I wanted to be an editor whose conscience would allow him to write editorials of the same sterling quality. But few know the temptations that beset the honest candidate, and my virtuous principles of disinterestedness had to be laid aside for something more flexible, for Boggs affirmed that I was going into the campaign like a child and would be sadly beaten if I did not get off my virtuous stilts and come down to the common level. I had great confidence in Boggs as a manager, as he was a politician of long standing, and had rare synthetic powers of "combining," so much so, that I believed him able to get up a combination for an election even between the Y. M. C. A. and the C. K. C.'s, if necessary. I "came down," and Boggs set to work. I wouldn't dare affirm how many times he "turned" the ten votes in our set, but for a piece of arithmetical architecture it was beautiful. He combined with Thompson against Whallop, and then with Whallop against Thompson. Boggs had a friend boarding at the Sage, who was delegated to see that my interests didn't suffer in that quarter. Boggs gave the emissary an exaggerated account of my respect for and belief in co-education, and told him to insinuate that Whallop, in a moral point of view, wasn't just the man to run a Sunday school. Things went on swimmingly and Boggs had almost enough names checked off on the *Register* for me by Wednesday night to insure an election, and Boggs was in his element. He urged my claims over the beer at Spahn's, brought the hill to a realizing sense of my fitness and showed me up as a hail-fellow-well-met to the valley. Early Thursday morning my political barometer showed signs of fluctuating. Whallop declared from the steps of the McGraw that I was "cutting his throat," and that he heard that I was the man that put the signs upon the chapel. Then Thompson told the mechanic arts voters that my essays under Prof. Shackford would have disgraced the literary department of the *Journal*, and that he had heard (but did not care to have it repeated) that I was the one who plugged up the key-holes in room "T" last term. To cap the climax it was reported at the Sage that I was the *Nemo* who wrote anti-co-educational articles in the ERA last fall, and that slander killed me there.

The rumors spread quickly and bore fruit a hundred fold, so that at evening I was not surprised to hear that I had been accused of being the owner

of the spectacles found in the grave-yard ; doubts were cast upon my ability to remain in the class after the present term, and as a proof of my "unsoundness," I was said to have taken stock in the political heresy of having the incoming board chosen by the outgoing one. Nor was this all. Whallop secured all my agricultural vote by saying that I was the author of the pamphlet signed "Equity," and if he wasn't very much mistaken, "Shewannebeke" and I were one ! This last was too much, and I quailed. Friday morning Boggs deserted over to Thompson and my doom was sealed. I had no character left and what was worse on that day, I had very few votes left, as the returns showed. And all this comes of letting the renegade Boggs misrepresent me to the community. My character is ruined, and my mind filled with dark suspicions that even my chum "cut" me on election day. My faith in human nature is shattered and I believe in the pithy words of Boggs "be virtuous and you will be eccentric."

—AGONISTES.

TOPICAL STUDY.

One of the characteristic tendencies in the higher education of to-day is toward improvement in method. The best colleges in this country are leaving behind the old routine system and adopting a plan more liberal and far more rational. Every one recognizes and acknowledges the advantages of the Agassiz system in the study of natural history, where the student is sent without any text book or hand book to interrogate nature herself, and to see with his own eyes what by the old system he would have taken at second hand, through wood cuts and pen and ink descriptions. Now there is a system analogous to this in the study of history and literature, and one which is being pursued to some extent, with great success, here at Cornell.

We do not know any name by which to characterize this system, and perhaps we can make ourselves better understood by illustration. In the Senior class in general literature, much of the work is done by students themselves. For instance, each student is given some English author as a subject for a lecture to be delivered before the class ; in the preparation of such a lecture, he must take hold of that author's works in a business-like manner ; he must accomplish what some one has called the end of literary study, "come face to face with whatever of goodness or beauty or strength in an author has made him beloved or remembered by men ;" and by the time he is ready to lecture before the class, he has a personal acquaintance with the author such as he would be likely to gain in no other way.

Again, in the Senior and Junior Latin class, a

part of the time is given to original work on the part of the students, in the course of which they learn the methods of textual and literary criticism, which are used by the best classical scholars, and perhaps cultivate thoroughly some little corner in the vast field of Latin literature.

In the American history work, this method is adopted entirely. The students have topics assigned them, are referred to a number of the best standard authorities, and present their work in a series of essays. These are read before the class and freely criticised by the class itself. The benefits of this kind of work must be evident to anyone who sees the steady improvement both in the quality of the essays, and the comprehensiveness of the criticisms. Looked at merely as mental discipline, the work is invaluable and as an introduction to the study of American history it is all that could be desired. (If we may be permitted to let fall a word of criticism, *en passant*, it seems to us that it would be well if the professor were not so chary of his own criticism ; the students would take it very kindly if he should speak ten or fifteen minutes of every hour in the expression of his own opinions upon the essays and criticisms.) When we have a University of our own, we shall have some such exercise continued through the whole four years, and if then we do not find our students capable of forming sound judgments and expressing them tersely and strongly—we shall be much disappointed.

The special advantage of this kind of instruction is that it prepares the student for future work. While he is in the University he has the guidance of the mature scholarship of the professors, and at the same time he finds the way to the fountains of their inspiration. He acquires habits of independent investigation which will be of inestimable value to him when he comes to work by himself. Of course there are some branches of study to which this method could not be applicable, and it is not generally suitable for elementary work. But it is certainly capable of a wider application than it has yet received. The more our higher American colleges adopt this plan, the more nearly will they approach to the sphere of a true university. Lectures are very well in their way and within limits, but no youth can ever grow to manhood so long as he confines himself to "spoon victuals."

—CAROLUS.

SPORTS.

The first game of football of the season was played on Saturday afternoon between the disciples of the scalpel and the manipulators of the draughting pen. The Rugby ball not having arrived, a number six rubber one was used : Messrs. Baker and McCormick acted as umpires. The game was of short duration, the natural history, with three more men, showing their training by capturing

flies adeptly and taking three straight goals with little opposition. The game afforded no little enjoyment to a large number of spectators. Young, '79, Howard and Crim did the best work on their side, Munson and Knapp carrying off the honors among the architects. An effort is being made to have the hours devoted to football counted as "time" in each of the departments.

The baseball men have taken advantage of every fine day for the last two weeks and quite satisfactory practice has been exhibited. At a meeting of the directors on Wednesday the following men were selected and they will comprise the nine for the year subject to change by the managers. Green, Pickett and Treman, '78, Bailey, Baker, Knapp, Newton, '79, Pennock, '80, and Adams and McConnell, '81. R. H. Treman will act as captain.

More money has been subscribed than was anticipated, and the nine will be uniformed at once, if the fair grounds can be secured free of charge, which is quite possible. If a rental has to be paid, more will be needed and it is hoped the response will be as liberal as heretofore. Manager Bradley went to Syracuse to-day and while there he will arrange definitely for games with the Stars and the Syracuse University nine. Games will also be arranged if possible with Hobart and Lafayette: so the prospect is good for a very busy season for our nine and the students will undoubtedly be treated to many interesting Matches.

CORNELIANA.

—A mass meeting of the students is to be held at Military Hall this evening. Every man should be present.

—Arbutus parties are in order.

—Why not compromise on Shewannebeke?

—A course in parliamentary law is sadly needed at Cornell.

—Agricultural bulletin: Now plant your seeds for straw hats.

—\$25 a term is the fee for tuition at Cornell. Shewannebeke will please take notice.

—New tubular boilers for heating purposes are being put in the basement of the Sibley.

—Prof. Prentiss and lady gave a reception to the members of the Psi Upsilon fraternity last evening.

—The *N. Y. Herald* P. I. man says: "Hjalmar Hjorth Boyesen will marry a New York lady."

—One of Dr. Wilder's disciples who revels in logic, now calls his dissections in the laboratory *categorical analysis*.

—A Junior in logic defends his ignorance of the *illicit process of the major* on the ground that he isn't taking drill this term.

—The Senior class has been agitating for the past two weeks the great question of Labor and Capital in its political aspects.

—And now the student tramp makes his way "o'er moss and fell," as the pleasant days tempt him from the pages of his lexicon to the gorges.

—The *Niagara Index* says that Cornell has no works of fiction in her library. What does it call the files of the *Journal* and the *Cornell Register*?

—The manager of the *Review* has lost a cane valued for its association, and extreme age. He offers a bound volume of the *Review* as a reward to anyone finding it.

—The lake once more is swept by the ethereal canoe-boat and the fragile shell, and the banks are dotted here and there by the solitary freshman in quest of the festive bull-head.

—In a legal sense the Louisiana question does not hold a candle in intricacy and importance to the query agitating the '79 Blackstones, who has a right to run for the ERA on a second election?

—A meeting of the members of the Tom Hughes Boat Club is appointed for Tuesday evening next at half past seven, at the room of Newton, '79. Officers for the ensuing year are to be elected and other important business transacted.

—The Mechanic Arts men went to Syracuse this morning to visit the rolling mills, steel works and other interesting manufactories of that city. Their leave of absence extends until Tuesday morning.

—A banquet of the defeated candidates is talked of. They have a touch of fellow feeling among them that should unite them in a circle of harmony. Eat, drink and be merry, for many are called but few are chosen.

—Speakers in the Junior class for next Thursday: Peck, Chandler, Severance, Woodard, Moffat, Smith, Miss Jackson and Miss Halpen. For the following Thursday, Ayres, Bailey, Cane, Gelatt, Gifford, Hostetler, Millard, and Misses Corbett, Fleming, and Kelley.

—The *Nation* on *Cocagne*: "*Cocagne*, the Cornell equivalent of the Harvard *Lampoon*, contains in its first number some decidedly clever drawings, some that are crude enough, and letter-press of a grade which we hope represents the low water mark of the literary capacity of the University."

—We call the attention of our readers to the sonnets of Prof. Boyesen, which are reprinted from the current number of the *Atlantic*. This is the first attempt, we believe, to deal with the poetic side of Evolution, and the success of these sonnets points out a new and attractive field for poetry.

—Further news from the proposed change in recitation hours has not been received, and the alarm created by the article recently published in these columns has visibly subsided.

—A loud call has recently been heard for photographs of the ERA Board. We are happy to announce that the artist is now at work on the same, and that a limited supply may be expected soon. They will not be for sale.

—Prof. Boyesen gave an analysis of the popular drama, Col. Sellers, yesterday to his class in German Literature. Had this been done before the troupe visited Ithaca, the Professor would, no doubt, have been deluged with "comps."

—A lady in the Sophomore class who displayed considerable interest in behalf of the successful candidate in the final election yesterday, explained her conduct by saying that inasmuch as there was to be no conscience, she foresaw the necessity of having at least a Soul(e) on the coming ERA Board.

—As a matter of precaution it would be wise for students and others who return home late from Society meetings and evening entertainments, to carry at least a heavy cane. Two or three instances of attempted violence on the part of vicious persons have lately come to our notice, and it would be well for all to be on their guard.

—The result of the ERA election is not yet fully known. Six members of next year's board, however, have been chosen, as follows: R. B. Gelatt, '79, E. C. Howland, '79, R. H. Farquhar, '80, G. F. Gifford, '80, H. E. Hills, '80, and H. H. Soule, '80. One member yet remains to be elected from '79, which will probably be done early next week.

—There will be a contest in Essays and Oratory between members of the Irving Literary Society this evening, beginning promptly at half-past seven o'clock. The orators are W. Weed, F. E. Smith, W. M. Alberti, C. G. Wagner, and M. J. Spaulding. The essayists are Clayton Ryder, W. L. McKay and Miss H. L. Greene. A report of the contest will be given next week.

—For some time past it has been generally believed that the I. L. A. is in an insolvent condition. We are happy to state that owing to the exertions of those most interested in the Association, its financial prospects have brightened and that it expects to pay the full amount of its prizes. To prevent any recurrence of these pecuniary embarrassments, a committee are now endeavoring to secure a permanent endowment fund, and have already, as we understand, done much towards this end. In short, the Association looks forward to a career of greater usefulness and prosperity.

—The following are the subjects for Junior Essays to be handed in May 9th. 1. "Be sure no lie can reach old age." 2. "I have often remarked in the United States, that it is not easy to make a man understand that his presence may be dispensed with; hints will not always suffice to shake him off." 3. "The two ways of being known— notoriety and fame, or appreciation."

—The ladies of Sage College have been playing a series of practice games of base ball in the rear of the building during the week. The object being to develop the feminine talent so that appropriate positions may be secured on the Sage College Base Ball Club about to be organized. The players are becoming quite familiar with base ball phraseology and have already distinguished themselves by their heavy batting. On the whole the prospect is very favorable for the early organization of an additional B. B. Club of which all will feel proud.

—Far be it from us to make any suggestions relative to the management of the Sage, but one phase of the vexed question of co-education is so happily provided for at the Iowa State University that we venture to present the following extract, from a late catalogue of that institution on the subject: "Domestic economy is taught to the Junior ladies by means both of weekly lectures and actual practice in a well furnished kitchen, two afternoons a week. Practical instruction is given in bread, biscuit, cake, and pastry-making; cooking of meats, including beef, mutton, veal, ham, and dressing and cooking of poultry; the preparation for the table of vegetables, of desserts, and the canning, preserving and pickling of fruits. At each session the cooking of some new dish is carefully considered, and the class take notes and assist the teacher. At the next session material is supplied and a certain number detailed to do the same work unassisted. If the material is spoiled it is paid for by those wasting it, and the same work given over until successfully performed. Thus each member of the class becomes in turn responsible for each kind of cooking." We are left in the deepest ignorance regarding the "domestic economy" of the Senior ladies who perhaps "take notes" in the higher branches, as the scientific way of shaking down the front parlor stove, or doing up the back hair. To the Freshmen and Sophomore ladies lessons might be given in artistic dusting and sweeping out, with an occasional lecture on the "æsthetics of washing" and the "chemistry of soft soap." Whether it is desirable to add "domestic economy" to the curriculum at Cornell the faculty must decide. Although it would be rather hard on those boarding at the Sage at first, the novelty of the "new dish each session" would do much toward breaking the monotony of the meals by introducing an endless subject for discussion, and a fair field for guessing.

PERSONALIA.

McMULLEN, '76, is a tramping reporter for the *Oil City Daily Derrick*.

PERRY D. CLARK, '77, is studying law in Judge Brown's office, Warren, Pa.

ARTHUR BIRD, formerly '73, is Secretary of the American Legation at Port-au-Prince, Hayti.

PROF. SHACKFORD was absent in Philadelphia and did not meet his classes last week.

C. F. ALLEN, '73, now holds a lucrative position in the Tuna Valley Bank, of Bradford, Pa.

COLE, '81 is rapidly recovering from the injuries received while practicing for the Gymnasium Exhibition.

THE final result of the tournament games awarded the chess championship of the University to Clayton Ryder, '79.

A. S. HATHAWAY, '79, has an article on "A case of Symbolic vs. Operative Expansion," in the March number of *The Analyst*.

CONANT, '74, is a bloated oil producer down in McKean county, Pa. He is one of the illustrious Freshmen of the class of '74 who landed in the cooler shortly after their arrival in the Forest City.

AVERY, '72, is working on a salary of \$3,000 at Petrolia, Butler county, Pa. He is in the employ of H. L. Taylor & Co., one of the heaviest firms engaged in the business of producing oil in the region.

WINT RANDALL, '75, who was for some time numerous around the chemical laboratory, married the daughter of a rail road president during the fall of 1877, and is now practicing medicine in a town on the Low Grade Division of the Allegheny Valley R. R.

EXCHANGES.

The *Crimson* still insists that the Freshmen should row at Saratoga, rather than that there should be no race. The meeting of the Harvard Freshmen which was appointed for Apr. 8, was postponed as the attendance was so small that it was impossible to secure a quorum. So far as we can learn no meeting has been, as yet, appointed; and no farther action with reference to the race has been taken. Upon the subject the *Crimson* remarks editorially:

"According to a member of the class of '81 who has just returned from Cornell, matters there are in a condition which should greatly encourage our Freshman crew. The Cornell men have not yet been on the water, and for the last week or so they have hardly trained at all, being apparently satisfied, by what they saw in our papers, that they would gain an easy victory or not have to row. Their weights as printed in the *Advocate*, gave a somewhat false impression, as they were all weighed in their clothes. All this certainly ought to cheer our crew as to the result of the race, if race there be. It

seems, however that the Cornell men are quite determined to row nowhere but at Saratoga. The *Era* of April 12th seems to consider very naturally that the race is "off." Once again we urge the Freshmen to meet the consequences of their want of prudence boldly, and consent to row at Saratoga. Of course individuals are to blame for causing a hasty and ill-considered challenge to be sent, but the whole class is responsible for the result. Whatever means they may take to punish their evil counsellors, they cannot honorably escape the consequences of following bad advice."

The Columbia *Spectator* has an editorial with reference to Mr. Colgate's withdrawal from the crew, claiming that his resignation was not because that he had ever made any claim to the position of stroke, but from purely private reasons. In concluding the *Spectator* says:

"But apropos of the changes in the four, we hope the directors of the boat club will be very careful how they send a weakened crew across the ocean. They will meet far different stuff at Henley than they have ever met here, and the best of stuff will be required to get the boat across the winning line ahead."

In connection with this subject we quote the following paragraph from the last number of the *Country*:

"The Columbia College Glee Club will give a concert on Tuesday April 30th, at 8 p. m., at the Union League Theatre, in aid of a fund to send their crew to Henley. The crew is now in daily practice on the Harlem and are doing good work. They will sail for Europe on the 25th of May, per Inman line steamer."

Several weeks had elapsed since we had received a copy of the *Dartmouth*, and we had come to the conclusion that she was defunct and had actually commenced an obituary notice beginning: "Died, at an age in advance of her years, &c.," but a few days since the old lady came wandering into our office, without, as far as we can see, any material change in her appearance having taken place since we last saw her, there are the usual four columns of personals, ditto female college God-send, an editorial or two, not neglecting the standing one on the reading-room, and a few blood-curdling locals one of which we cannot refrain from quoting. It is such a startling piece of information:

"Owing to the recent rains the river has been very high during the past week. Not many logs have come down yet."

It seems strange indeed that a paper can be so unintermittingly dull as is the *Dartmouth*. If the editors find it impossible to publish an interesting hebdomadal sheet, and our experience has demonstrated clearly to us that the editor's position on a college weekly, whether that paper be interesting or uninteresting, is no sinecure, why do they not prolong the interval between dates of publication, in which they could devote to the paper increased care and attention. We make no doubt there is editorial ability on the *Dartmouth*, but either there isn't enough of it to carefully attend to all the departments of the paper, or what there is, is not equal to printing an entertaining *weekly*.

The *Exonian* is the name of a new weekly paper published by the students of Exter Academy. The paper is well edited and the enterprise of the editors is certainly commendable, and we trust may reap its just meed of success.

The Amherst student rejoices in a new editor who makes his bow to the public and speaks as follows :

"Since our last issue wonderful changes have taken place, and a new exchange editor now enters upon his duties. Be it known to all whom it may concern, that said editor is a very peaceable man, he is conscientiously opposed to all "grinds;" he has often with tears in his eyes plead with former exchange editors to spare the poor college journals they were so mercilessly criticising. Therefore be it also known that whenever anything approaching the severe shall appear in these columns it will have been rung from the sorrowing editor by a stern sense of duty."

We deem it unnecessary to ring the changes on that "rung," and yet it grieves us sorely to permit such a golden opportunity to escape; with the understanding, however, that the next time this editor rings himself we will enlarge upon it, we retire the subject from our columns.

Scribner's for May presents, in addition to fresh installments of its continued stories, an exceedingly interesting paper on the New York post office, a bright little sketch entitled "Bohemian Days," another of the laughable "Rudder Grange" stories, besides numerous other articles, light, as well as, instructive. From its "Bric-à-Brac" we quote one of its "Fables, à la Mode :

THE HOODLUM.

As a Chinese actor was reflecting on his Cue, he was accosted roughly by a Hoodlum, who besought him to pull down his v-st. Accustomed to take things Coolie, the disciple of Confucius showed no confusion. "I have no such garment," he said, "but I will willingly exhibit the sword trick for your edification." With that he drew his two-edged sword and made a dextrous flourish before the eyes of the Hoodlum. Then, wiping his weapon and returning it to its scabbard, he politely offered his snuff-box and the Hoodlum sneezed his amputated head from his unsuspecting shoulders.

Moral—Down with the Chinamen, wholesale, retail and pigtail.

And now the *Chronicle* has arrived, with, we presume, its newly-installed exchange editor presiding over its "Notes on the College Press"—we say presume, for we cannot believe that any sane-minded man would have devoted almost the entire space, apportioned to his charge, to an advocacy of the bisexual system in education. The editor, whether man or woman, has sought to adopt the style of our good old friends *Sophronia* and *Scissors*, and has been, to say the least, very unsuccessful in the attempt. Although naturally charitably disposed, if we were *Scissors*, we are rather inclined to the belief that, seeing such a counterfeit of our coin would so craze us that we would burst into the sanctum of that exchange editor and it seems to be the only revenge possible, "dead-rabbit" the flow-

ing locks of that "American Girl;" however, this would doubtless prove of little avail, for she would probably come out at once with a placard on her dress front: MARTYR IN THE CAUSE OF CO-EDUCATION.

As an example of the treatment of the exchanges under the new regimen, we quote :

"The *College Index* next attracted notice, and I was enjoying the last lines of a fine article on "Art in Argument," when I heard a light step on the stairs and knew that my Freshman friend was coming. Mabel's first question was what I expected, "Have the Harvard papers come yet?" You see, Mabel had a brother Tom at Harvard. He was older than she by two years, but they had always been in the same classes, and prepared under the same tutors. Their home was in old Cambridge, only a short walk from the college buildings, but, for reasons which I suppose Harvard best understands, when they desired to enter a university, it was necessary that they should discontinue their studies together; hence Mabel came West, and, in her first year, had already won a reputation for superior scholarship. She was descended from a race of scholars, a genuine lady in appearance and feeling, just that kind of a girl whom we like to have come to Michigan University."

How we should enjoy seeing the editors of the *Advocate* and *Crimson* writhing when they read this withering rebuke! This new editor has been saving a paper, on "Co-education at Cornell," which appeared in the *New England Journal of Education* several weeks since, and reproduces a portion of it here in addition to the other interesting co-educational matter. The "Notes" are closed in the following manner :

"This begins well," said Roger.

"You won't like it very long," I said, "because it is a review of the 'Americal Girl.' I think myself that is one of the best which has been written. It is signed M. F. P., and I suspect that it is by Miss Frederika Perry, who graduated from the Law School in '75, and is doing so fine work in her profession in Chicago, that the girls are all very proud of her."

"I think I'll go," said the senior, taking his hat, and, with a courteous bow he departed.

"Are there many like him?" asked Mabel as the door closed.

"Quite a number now," I replied, "but the race is fast dying out. After this year, I think there will not be very many left."

"The gentlemen in the Freshman class always treat me with the greatest respect and kindness," she added thoughtfully.

"You will meet with no other treatment. Have no fears," I answered. "But do not misjudge Roger. In many respects he is a fine man. He stands well in his class, and has done splendid work ever since he has been in college; only he is naturally conservative, and his home influences have increased the tendency."

"Tom believes in women, if he does go to Harvard," said Mabel proudly.

"There are plenty of gentlemen in our class like Tom," I answered.

We have merely to suggest, in view of the matter presented in that department, that the exchange columns of the *Chronicle* be headed hereafter not "Notes on the College Press," but "Co-educational Gossip."

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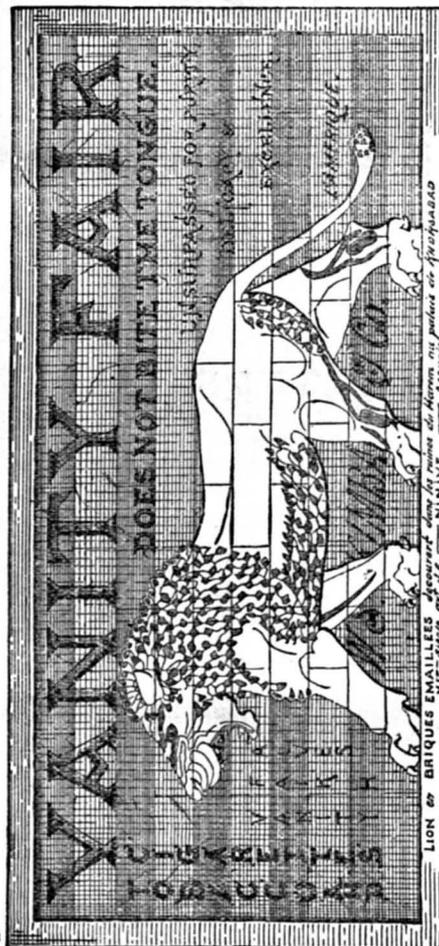
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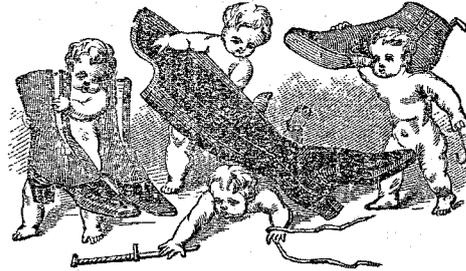
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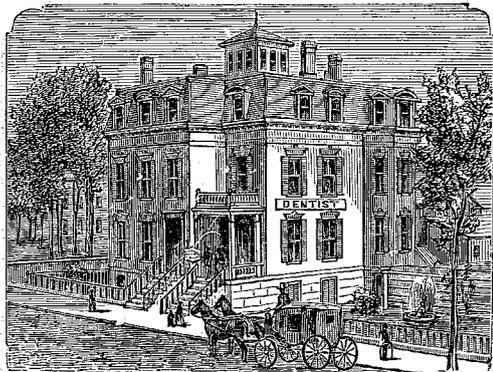
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THE reply sent to Harvard's challenge for a University race has been received there and is noticed in the last number of the *Crimson*. That paper, while regretting that the answer was in the negative, yet speaks with satisfaction of the spirit in which it was made, and perfect good feeling seems to prevail in regard to the matter. A hope is expressed that a race may be arranged next year, and this is something which we heartily second. A University race, more than a class race, will be of advantage to both colleges in furthering the friendly relations which now exist between them. At the present time another race would not be advisable, and the matter has been wisely arranged. Next year, however, it is to be hoped that the subject of a race will be considered earlier in the year, and that one will be decided upon. In the mean time the class race which has been arranged recommends itself for attention; and any one who has either time or money to spare can use it in lending assistance to this race. The time is now so short that extra exertion must be made in preparing for it.

THE system of voluntary attendance upon lectures, instituted at Harvard some time ago, has been pronounced a failure by the authorities there, and it must be confessed that in so far as it has been informally tried here, it has not resulted very successfully. In fact attendance on lectures where no notice has been taken of absence has been at times quite thin and scattering. For this there may be however some palliating circumstances; especially is this the case when the lecture is a dry one, but when really interesting lectures are so poorly attended as they have been this term, it

shows clearly that attendance is not to be made a matter of choice with the student. In the German universities where attendance is voluntary such a thing as "cutting" is unknown. True the class of students there is as a rule, older than the class of American students, but it would seem as if those of the upper classes here might without much discernment realize that it was for their interest to attend the lectures, whether their presence was required or not. However as long as the present indifference is manifested, we must not complain of a forced attendance.

THE Freshman race with Harvard has finally been definitely settled. As was noticed last week, Mr. Baker went to Saratoga to meet delegates from Harvard, and the time and place for the race were there fixed upon. Instead of being rowed at Saratoga as was expected, the race will occur on Owasco lake, it being decided that the change of place would be advantageous. It certainly is even nearer for us than the former place would have been, and this is a matter of some importance. It is likely that a greater number than usual will go from here, and will feel a greater interest in the race than if it were farther away. Now that all preliminaries are settled, and in a satisfactory manner, our Freshmen have only to get at work, and that too in an earnest energetic way. They have lost time by the delay, and the end of the term is near at hand, but they must make up for the loss by working the harder. And the work is not to be done merely by those who are to row, but by the whole class, for to be successful the crew must have plenty of willing assistance, and this, we have no doubt, will be promptly rendered. The members of the upper classes too should immediately subscribe what they can for the race, and thus it can be made quite likely to be successful. The Freshmen must remember that to win they must do their very best, and work like men determined to come out ahead. That our crews always have won is no proof that they always will, but this crew should not be the first to fail. They have our best wishes for success.

ALMOST as soon as we have realized that we have fairly begun the work of the term, the fact that it is nearly ended forces itself upon us. The time for the presentation of theses which seemed safely distant in the future is now startlingly near, and the Senior begins to feel that this is a matter which demands his immediate attention. Some, no doubt, have completed a great share of their work, and have some chance to rest and occupy themselves as they please, but there are others who can expect to be nothing but busy until the term is ended. This is not the best time of year for very hard work, and much care ought to be taken to preserve the health. Although it is not usually considered necessary to urge students not to work too hard, yet it is certain that many do themselves great injury by overwork. The best way to avoid this, as well as the necessity for cramming, is to work and exercise enough each day during the term to accomplish a reasonable amount of work, and to keep well also. One should rest enough each day, and not wait for vacation to enable him to catch up, for he may break down before that time.

Now is the time when the Senior, nearing the close of his last term and feeling the necessity of deciding speedily on his future action, receives through the mail sundry pamphlets and circulars setting forth the various advantages and facilities of law schools, medical colleges and theological seminaries. With this imposing array of documents before him, he knows not where to turn or what to choose, the respective merits of all being so favorably and so elaborately set forth. For this sort of literature has a style peculiar to itself, and the writer of it if successful, must be one fitted for it not only by practice but by nature also. To write these catalogues, requires an unusual sort of genius. In case the Senior has decided to follow the law he is at a loss to determine what particular institution he will favor with his patronage, their advantages being so evenly balanced. However he reads all these documents very critically, and his familiarity with them has enabled him to separate, at a glance, the plausible and eternally true, from those portions beautified and etherialized by the unconscious figments of a

too lively imagination. The circulars are carefully put away and preserved for future reference.

COLLEGE journalism has come to be an important thing in this country, and has so extended itself that no college of any consequence is to be found which has not at least one publication coming from the students themselves. And the importance of college papers is a real one, for they have come to be looked to everywhere as the means for learning what is the state of affairs at the various institutions from which they emanate. The leading papers and periodicals exchange with them, and many print a column of notes gleaned from them. They have thus come to be recognized as of importance, and as really the most reliable source of information in regard to college matters; and of these more notice is taken than formerly was. A college paper is of value to students both because of the practice in writing which it gives, and in this all may in some degree share, and also it helps to make students in different courses and years better acquainted with each other and with what each is doing, and furnishes a record of the events which have transpired during the time when they were in college to which they will turn in after years with pleasure and perhaps profit. But there is no need to speak of the power and use of the press, they are evident. Now if the large number of students engaged in editing the papers of the various colleges were to meet each other and become acquainted, it seems to us that good would result. Naturally, perhaps, but for very slight reasons, the best of terms do not always exist between the various boards of editors, and they sometimes say hard things of each other. While this may do no serious injury, yet it is certainly not what might be wished for, and could easily be dispensed with. To meet occasionally in person those who are known only through their papers would surely tend to bring about more friendly relations between the representatives of the different colleges, while the interchange of ideas would be mutually beneficial. It is to be wished that some kind of an intercollegiate association of the kind here referred to be inaugurated, and that meetings be held to which each board may send at least one or two representatives. We recommend this plan to the notice of other boards.

TO GOETHE.

From the German dedication of Bayard Taylor, in his translation of Faust.

Exalted soul, to spirit realms departed !
Wherever thy bright dwelling place may be,
On pure creation thou art newly started,
And singest there thy fuller litany.
From chosen strings where thy soul hath darted,
From purest ether where thou breathest free,
Oh bend thee gracious answering to these
The latest echoes of thy melodies.

The dust-strewn crowns of ancient sages
Thou tak'st to splendor new, with fearless hand ;
Thou solvest the mysteries of earlier ages,
By newer faiths, that sense may understand,
And mak'st where stirring man his conflict wages,
The whole of earth thy only fatherland ;
And thy disciples, wondering see in thee
Already formed, the coming century.

What thou hast sung, all joy and sorrow telling,
Life's oft-repeated wisdom, newly-wed,—
The thousand-stringed harp whose swelling
Once Shakespeare's hand, once mighty Homer's led,
Dare I in foreign measures build a dwelling
For all, nor fate of former builders dread ?
Let thine own spirit in my tones be ringing,
And what thou sang, let me be singing.

—F. M. PENNOCK.

CONCLUSION OF PROF. CORSON'S LECTURE
ON COLERIDGE'S POETRY.
KUBLA KHAN.

In estimating Coleridge at the highest, on the basis of what he actually did, we cannot claim for him more than as being a possible great poet, a possible great philosopher, a possible great theologian, and a possible great statesman and political economist. That he was potentially all these, the careful and appreciative student of his works must admit; *potentially*; actually, he can hardly be said to have been any one of these. His greatest poetical productions are splendid torsos which cause the reader to lament the absence of head and limbs. With all his logosophy, he cannot be said to have excogitated and elaborated any system of philosophy; and Dr. Stirling, in his masterly article on 'De Quincey and Coleridge upon Kant,' in the *Fortnightly Review*, Oct. 1, 1867, says, with truth, that 'it is difficult to believe even that there is any single philosopher in the world whom he had either thoroughly studied or thoroughly understood.' All this can be said in the face of DeQuincey's

verdict, which may be equally true, that his was 'the largest and most spacious intellect, the subtlest and most comprehensive that has yet existed among men.' His 'Friend,' his 'Biographia Literaria,' his 'Treatise on Method,' and his 'Theory of Life,' valuable in themselves, and stimulating as they are, are, after all, but philosophic *fragments*, translated, to a greater or less extent, from Schelling and other sources. Certainly as a philosopher, he was a stupendous failure. As a theologian, his writings must be admitted to be, or to have been, more valuable than what he produced as a philosopher; and their influence has been notable on the course of religious thought in England and America, since his day. The opposition he made to the worship of the letter of the Bible, and to which he first gave the name of *bibliolatry*, was, of itself, of great service to theological thought.

There is but one other poem than those which I have already specially noticed, to which I would call your attention, namely, 'Kubla Khan : or, a Vision in a Dream.' This title bears the usual unfortunate addition, 'A Fragment.' But perhaps, if it had not been published as 'a fragment,' the poetic reader would have accepted it as a satisfactory whole, which it really is, if we look at it aright; as much so as many of the compositions of Robert Browning, for example, which no one would regard as fragments. It embodies, most beautifully, a subtle psychological fact, which every one of sensibility must have experienced.

The author has informed us of the occasion of its composition. But what he says should be accepted, perhaps, *cum grano salis*. The habitual use of opium is not favorable to the strictest veracity, even in the case of such great natures as were those of Coleridge and DeQuincey. It seems to be the specific moral effect of the dreadful drug, to engender a general untruthfulness of character, and this specific moral effect, there is evidence, Coleridge did not altogether escape. He tells us that in the summer of the year 1797, being then in ill health, he had retired to a lonely farmhouse: that from the effect of an anodyne which had been prescribed, he fell asleep in his chair while he was reading the following sentence in 'Purchas's Pilgrimage': "Here the Khan Kubla commanded a palace to be built, and a stately garden thereunto: and thus ten miles of fertile ground were enclosed with a wall." He continued, he tells us, for about three hours in a profound sleep, during which time he had the most vivid confidence that he could not have composed less than from two to three hundred lines. On awaking, he immediately wrote down the lines which are preserved in Kubla Khan; and was then, unfortunately, called out by a person on business, who detained him over an hour. When he returned to his room, he

found to his great regret, that with the exception of a few scattered lines and images, all the rest had passed from his memory. It was a most remarkable experience, if true; as the composition contains some of the most musical verses he ever wrote. Some of them may be said to be the most musical in English poetry; those, for example, descriptive of the deep romantic chasm, and the flow of the sacred river, Alph. The story is not unlike that related of Tartini, in connection with the composition of his 'Devil's Sonata.'

Kubla Khan is a beautiful embodiment of the fact of the transfer of function which, under certain conditions, takes place between the sense of seeing and the sense of hearing—that transfer generally being from the latter to the former, though it is sometimes the other way. It is the tendency of the feelings, whenever they are highly active, to project and embody themselves in the concrete; and we are best acquainted with the concrete through the sense of sight. Dallas, in his 'Poetics,' pronounces hearing to be the most poetical of all our senses, because it requires most imagination. We do not simply listen to sounds, but whether they be articulate or inarticulate, we are constantly translating them into the language of sight, with which we are the best acquainted; and this is a work of the imaginative faculty. In listening to soul-stirring, or sweetly soothing music, we translate it, through the imaginative faculty, into grand and solemn or beautiful and airy architecture, varying in style with the varied impressions of the music on the feelings—or into wild and rugged and sombre scenery, or into beautiful landscapes wherein art and nature cooperate toward a poetic unity. Sometimes, while under the influence of music, the feelings will embrace and idealize whatever objects may be in sight, which recommend themselves by the beauty and gracefulness of their forms—vases, statues, pictures, etc. This is a fact which must be within the experience of every one who has ever been 'moved with concord of sweet sounds.'

In the first of the two sections into which the poem of Kubla Khan divides itself, is described the stately pleasure-dome decreed by Kubla Khan, with its twice-five miles of fertile ground, girdled round with walls and towers, its gardens bright with sinuous rills, and its ancient forests enfolding sunny spots of greenery.

"But oh! that deep romantic chasm which slanted
Down the green hill athwart a cedarn cover!
A savage place! as holy and enchanted
As e'er beneath a waning moon was haunted
By woman wailing for her demon-lover!
And from this chasm, with ceaseless turmoil seething,
As if this earth in fast thick pants were breathing,
A mighty fountain momently was forced:
Amid whose swift half-intermitted burst
Huge fragments vaulted like rebounding hail,

Or chaffy grain beneath the thresher's flail;
And mid these dancing rocks at once and ever
It flung up momentarily the sacred river.
Five miles meandering with a mazy motion
Through wood and dale the sacred river ran,
Then reached the caverns measureless to man,
And sank in tumult to a lifeless ocean;
And mid this tumult Kubla heard from far
Ancestral voices prophesying war!"

In the second section, the poet says:

"A damsel with a dulcimer
In a vision once I saw:
It was an Abyssinian maid,
And on her dulcimer she played,
Singing of Mount Abora."

He then adds:

"Could I revive within me
Her symphony and song,
To such a deep delight 'twould win me,
That with music loud and long,
I would build that dome in air,
That sunny dome! those caves of ice!
And all who heard, should see them there," etc.

The poem has certainly a satisfying wholeness for every one who has experienced the fact which it so beautifully embodies.

COLLEGE JOURNALISM IN FRANCE.

PARIS, April 20, 1878.

For a year the Paris schools have had no organ, but during the present month two college journals have suddenly appeared almost simultaneously—*Le Collégien* and *La Voix des Ecoles*. The first is edited by the young students of the Paris Lycées, and is not strictly speaking a college journal in the American acceptance of that term, for a French Lycée resembles somewhat our High Schools or Seminaries where are educated boys between the years of ten and eighteen. This paper, however, is so characteristic of the French boy that I wish to dwell upon it one moment. Speaking of a certain foot-ball ground—this game is becoming the rage in the French schools—*Le Collégien* goes on to say, "Many mothers, passing by, doubtless remark, 'How I wish that my son might participate in that game.' Well, papas, mammas, dear uncles, aunts, tutors, this wish may be easily gratified. . . ." Imagine an American boarding-school boy writing such nursery sentiments. Yet this is perfectly in accord with a French boy's character. You have no idea of his tutelary condition. It was only the other night that an English lady told me of an instance to the point that fell under her eye recently. Three *lycéens*, almost twenty years old, started for school Monday morning without their attendant, but, on reaching the Lycée, they were afraid to appear at the office unaccompanied, so they got the door-keeper of a neighboring house for a few sous to enter with them as their attendant. This may be an extreme case,

but it is an indisputable fact that the tutelage to which French boys are subjected, is one of the causes of the tremendous amount of vice that exists in France. Think of the excesses that these *lycéens* must practice, when, suddenly freed from all restraint, they plunge headlong into the wild university life of the Latin Quarter.

La Voix des Ecoles is a genuine college paper. "Though republican and anti-clerical," the editors say in their Salutatory, "the political faith of an immense majority of the French students," the journal means to avoid partisan politics, the rock on which most college papers of the Latin Quarter have split. All Frenchmen are politicians and every journal, however far removed from politics its field may be, feels bound to touch upon the questions of the day. During the Empire the best journal the Latin Quarter has ever seen was suppressed by the Censor of the Press. "To-day a body of students comes together," the editors go on to say, "with some pet ideas which they wish to propagate among their comrades, and a journal is the result, the organ of a *Coterie*, not of the Paris schools. * * * Our aim is to offer a tribune where all questions that concern the student body in the slightest degree may be presented and discussed." Another object of *La Voix* is to unite more closely the students. "The elements of solidarity exist at Paris; whenever there is to be any great demonstration the students are united to a man. It was not long ago that we had a strong proof of this fact at the funeral of the regretted Michelet. But so soon as the demonstration is over, we separate and the friends of yesterday are forgotten to-morrow." This is not only true of Paris student life; it is more or less the case in all great university cities. The three colleges of New York City, for example, demonstrate this, where students find other companions and other distractions than those offered by the college. With true French love of the grandiose, *La Voix* aspires to do more than simply draw together Paris students alone. The editors hope to centre in their columns the interest of "all our comrades in the provinces" and even those of "foreign nations." To carry out this plan a correspondent has been secured in every college town of France, and in the universities of Switzerland, Belgium, Spain, Germany and Russia. This is a fine idea, but, I fear, too ambitious for the transient nature of a board of college editors. But this is not all: à propos of the Exposition the editors extend a welcome to the students of the whole world. "We wish that each of them on arriving at Paris, instead of finding himself lost in the crowd, should have a friendly hand to grasp and receive a brotherly greeting. All that is necessary to this end,

"is to present yourself at the office of the journal (No. 35 Rue Shomond) with some official proof of connection with a university, and you will be immediately brought into friendly relations with a certain number of Paris students pursuing the same studies and ready to place themselves at the service of their guests. If we are able we will go still farther. We will see that our comrades are supplied with rooms, etc., in order that that they may remember us for our acts as well as our words."

What the French students think of such a journal may be judged from the following editorial note in the second number:

"Our first number was literally swept away in a moment from the newspaper stands where it was on sale, and a second batch was called for by the newsdealers, which, owing to our large issue, we were able to supply, at the expense, however, of our country readers."

This shows that the Latin Quarter is ripe for a college journal, and the prospects of *La Voix* are better than those of its many predecessors, which have always had but an ephemeral existence, for the present government has not only relaxed the stringency of the restrictive press laws, but it has begun to take up the question of educational reform, and has invited all France to a consideration of the changes that ought to be made. Universal suffrage, if it is to be trusted, must be intelligent. The French republicans see this, and now that domestic politics is at last in a settled state, education has come to the front. *La Voix des Ecoles*, therefore, has been founded at a time very à propos and by speaking out clearly and bravely the opinions of the thousands of students of the Latin Quarter on the present system, may do something to shape the reforms that are meditated. —T. S.

SPORTS.

Commodore Baker went to Saratoga last Friday and upon Saturday met the representatives of Harvard—Mr. Crocker '79 bow of the University eight and Capt. North of the Freshman crew. J. G. Knapp Esq. of the Southern Central road arrived there about an hour later than the latter and made a proposition to both parties to row at Owasco Lake, extending an invitation to examine the course at Ensenore. Mr. Crocker immediately telegraphed to Harvard for instructions and the answer was that he might use his own discretion. The gentlemen then went to Troy to order the boats which are to be furnished in about five weeks—costing four hundred dollars apiece with the rigging. They then returned to Auburn and were taken to Ensenore by special train. A glance sufficed to point out the advantages as well as the

beauty of the spot and the troublesome question of place was settled by the choice of Owasco Lake. The course is the same as that over which Courtney has pulled so often and is unquestionably one of the finest in the world. The finish will be where the start is usually made and here the stands will be placed from which a view of the entire course is secured. There are no troublesome turns but the course is as straight as an arrow. Arrangements will at once be made for procuring headquarters for the two crews, and cottages will be built near the start with a half mile between them. If the race is satisfactory to Harvard this year, there certainly is no reason why it should not prove a more than satisfactory substitute for Saratoga and become *the* scene of future struggles. Mr. Baker has gone to Ensenore to-day to superintend the surveying of the course. Mr. Dounce went to New York last evening to get the Columbia eight-oar which has been kindly offered for our use until we receive our own boat. This will be a great accommodation for us and deserves our hearty thanks. The time of the race has been fixed at July 17th. Harvard wished it earlier in the month and Cornell later so a compromise was made upon this date. The rules of Saratoga for '75 and '76 were adopted for this meeting. A judge is to be selected by each college and the two will choose a referee.

Capt. Ostrom has been written to and his answer expresses his enthusiasm that there is going to be a race and says that he will be on a week before the race; his presence will undoubtedly be beneficial as well as inspiring to the Cornell eight. John Mason '79 will come at once if possible and his experience and practicability will be invaluable.

—The University Nine has been practising daily, preparing for the game with the Syracuse Nine to-day. A match was played on Tuesday between the University and a picked Nine; Bird and Wandley pitched and caught for the latter until the sixth inning when Bailey and Treman exchanged, which resulted in two more runs for the P. N. who were defeated by the score of 7 and 3.

On Wednesday the Heustis St. men played with the Invincibles and did not succeed in getting a man to take the home plate while the University who did excellently scored 23. The batting was good, the fielding better than before and justified the expectation of coming victory. Bailey and Treman are certainly the best team that was ever on a Cornell Nine, which is now stronger than ever before.

The new uniform is very pretty. It consists of a sleeveless rowing shirt with "Cornell" in carnelian across the breast, pants of light flannel with stockings the same as last year's Nine, and a blouse jacket to slip on over the shirt.

COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Editors of the Cornell Era :

Will you give notice that the Senior class photographer has filled all orders and that those who have ordered can at any time receive their pictures by calling and paying for them. Mr. Frear has ceased printing and while he has thus far printed only enough to fill orders, no more will be printed unless ordered.

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CORNELIANA.

—The logicians will receive their syllabus on or before next Monday.

—A "German" will be given by the ladies of Sage to-morrow evening.

—The "man with the umbrella" is getting much commendation now for his prudence and foresight.

—The proposed combined literary society contest has been given up owing to the lateness of the term.

—There will probably be a P. G. crew in the spring regatta which will row against the class crews.

—Stern visaged war hath smoothed her wrinkled front and the *Cocagne* editors breathe easy again.

—Special instruction in rifle practice may be had in the S. U. B. daily on a range not exceeding 30 feet.

—Essay subject for May 30th: "The necessity of external government of man is in inverse ratio to his self-government."

—A Junior who has been disgusted with his boarding house milk, refused to drink it on the ground that he had hydrophobia.

—The Alpha Delta Phi fraternity will hold their annual convention May 22d and 23d with the Wesleyan chapter, Middletown, Conn.

—And now the Saratoga hackmen will wish that they had never been born, and their Auburn bretheren will rejoice with exceeding great joy.

—On Tuesday afternoon the *A. K. E.* and *Ψ. T.* Nines engaged in an impromptu game of base ball; the score was 23 to 15 in favor of *Ψ. T.*

—Do not forget to attend the choral service at the chapel Sunday. Mr. Parke will conduct the singing, and Mr. Morgan will preside at the organ.

—The Freshman who misquoted the familiar expression "damns with faint praise" as "praise with faint damns" probably expressed more than he thought.

—Last Wednesday Prof. Dudley accompanied by eight of his special students in botany made an excursion to Freeville for the purpose of collecting specimens.

—The present year has been a prosperous one for the Mech. Eng. Association. Good essays, live discussions and full attendance have marked all its meetings.

—The Zeta Psi fraternity has removed to the Curtis rooms in the Andrus & McChain block, and the Curtis has taken the room vacated by the Zeta Psi in the Blood building.

—A. M. Reeves '78 has gone to Philadelphia for a week with his leave of absence duly endorsed by the Vice President and the secretaries of the ERA, *Cocagne* and *Cornelian* boards.

—The rumors are revived that Cascadilla is to be changed into laboratories. When that time comes the Chapel will be turned into a recitation room and *Cocagne* will be a religious weekly.

—A new directory is soon to be published which is intended to be the most complete one both of town and University that has yet appeared. Some announcements in regard to it will be made next week.

—Next Tuesday Prof. Corson will deliver a lecture on Sheridan's "Rivals" and "School for Scandal," and will touch upon some later plays, as Bulwer's "Richelieu," "Money," and "Lady of Lyons."

—Professors Fiske, Roberts and White together with Messrs. Etgene Corson, W. Carpenter and McKinstry have taken passage in the *Schiedam* which sails for Rotterdam on the 15th. of June. Professor Boyesen and family sail on the 18th. of July.

—The new ERA board held a meeting Monday evening, whereat great plans were evolved for capturing advertisers and subscribers for the coming year. The feasibility of having the trustees add the price of the ERA to the tuition, thus making it a University affair, was discussed.

—The proposed minstrel show has gone the way of all flesh, but it is to be changed into a dramatic entertainment, the managers being confident that the "talent" of the University is more dramatic than minstrel. Mr. R. A. Parke, '79, will be stage manager, and Harry Hill, '80, business manager.

—A western exchange prints the following new Essay on Man, which will serve for a warning to new journalistic aspirants:

Man's a vapor
Full of woes;
Starts a paper
Up he goes.

—A yell was heard on the campus yesterday morning that might have passed creditably for a war-whoop of Sitting Bull, and not a few were alarmed by it. Investigation, however, showed that it was only an echo from the overflowing heart of our sporting editor when he heard that the Buffaloes had defeated the Lowells by a score of 3 to 0.

—The faculty have broken loose with the following notice: Games of foot-ball, baseball, or any other kind (probably a sly reference to hop-scotch or "shinney,") will not be permitted on any part of the campus during the hours of military drill, during the morning recitation hours they will be allowed only on the ground south-west of the president's house.

—The floor over the boiler room in Sibley is being re-laid so as to make it even with that of the shop, and additional windows are being placed in the basement. This supplies a want long felt, as it gives room for any additional machinery which may from time to time be added to the department.

—An irreverent Sophomore in writing an essay on the "Phenomena of Spring," took occasion to remark among other "phenomena" that "now nature puts on her new clothes free of expense, but the average student charges his new spring suit to his father, and the landlady changes her feather bed to a hair mattress."

—Cornell will not exhibit anything at the Paris exhibition this summer, except a choice assortment of professors, alumni and undergraduates. Notwithstanding the earnest request of the French government the *Review* board, enclosed in a glass case, will not be sent, although they would attract much attention as the supply of Egyptian mummies is almost exhausted.

—The following "stars" twinkled in Junior oratory Thursday: Bailey, Character of Aaron Burr; Miss Kelley, Education and the State; Ayers, the Charge of the Light Brigade; Miss Fleming, the Dream of one Age the Science of the Next; Cane, the Growth and Influence of Public Opinion; Miss Halpen, the Relations of Oratory to Literature; Lucas, the Present Crisis.

—It is said that prominent among the articles to be disposed of during the cremation ceremonies of commencement week will be the constitution and by-laws of the defunct Senior debating society which departed this life peacefully in room I, Mar. 21st. The exercises of the occasion will consist mainly of a eulogy on the society which will be pronounced by Mr. Pickett, chairman of its executive committee, followed by appropriate burial services to be conducted by Mr. Cary who presided over its valedictory meeting. The memory of this institution is especially dear to us who have witnessed its origin and growth. For, though its career was short, it has pointed out what a prolonged existence might have accomplished. Already it had settled in skeptical minds the probable results of President Hayes' southern policy, and had thrown a halo of light around many other

kindred themes, and all this, too, before the organization had really begun its career of usefulness.

—The members of the Syracuse University nine arrived this morning, and are at the Ithaca Hotel. The following are the names of the club and their positions: Clark, c.; Tallman, 1 b.; Marsh, 2 b.; Holden, 3 b.; Dawson, c. f.; Ayres, s. s.; Babcock, l. f.; Show, p.; Shakleton, r. f.; Wells, substitute. They are accompanied by Messrs. Howlett, Belden, Hotchkiss, and Gere. The party will return this evening.

—Major Burbank makes the following announcement: Notice is hereby given that in answer to a request, the executive committee of the University have leased certain parts of the fair grounds for drill and athletic purposes and vested the control of the same in me. Any parties connected with the University desiring its use must make application to me and subscribe to such general rules governing the same as shall be adopted. To Major Burbank the athletic associations are much indebted for his exertions in providing them with grounds the want of which has been seriously felt since the old Willow ave. grounds were sold.

—Captain Ostrom, in a recent letter, expresses his belief in the ability of the Freshman crew to give Harvard a hard pull on July 17, especially if they receive the assistance and instruction of one who knows what kind and how much work is necessary to win a race. He highly commended the decision to row, even though made so late, because of its indication that there is pluck among the Freshmen, but more particularly on account of the needed revival of the art he loved so well and did so much to make famous at Cornell. While wishing well for the success of '81, he hopes too low an estimate will not be made of the task of defeating the opposing eight, nor any trouble or expense spared in perfecting the eight who are to represent Cornell.

—A former Cornell Freshman, who wandered down to the N. C. University, was recently elected one of the editors of the University Magazine, which seems to be having a hard time, as the following extract from an editorial shows. There is a nervousness and force in the writing which will be readily recognized by his friends: "There have not been wanting individuals ready to sneer and carp at this enterprise, even before and after the first issue. Such beings, we will not call them men, have no more spirit than one half of a blind, deaf, but ready-braying ass. Blind buzzards of ill omen they are who would alight with blundering officiousness on the fly wheels of time. Putrid idiots! concatenated compounds of asinine stupidity! How in the name of all the fiends of

Gehenna can we run a \$ 600. magazine on \$ 480. promised?"

—Last Saturday evening the Curtis reconsidered its vote of the previous meeting, and withdrew entirely from the *Review* board. The editors elected for next year resigned, thus separating every connection and leaving the future publication of that periodical to the Irving and Philalatheian societies, who are understood to be willing to go on with it. As the *Review* is "published by the literary societies" each member is obliged by the constitution to subscribe for it, and this has long been a thorn in the flesh of those who wanted to belong to a literary society and do not wish to be obliged to take the *Review* as a sort of penalty. If the *Review* is so delicate a creature that it must needs be suckled and dressed by its three nurses, and is unable to creep without their aid, it has our tenderest sympathy, and we hope that no other society will desert it in its unfortunate position. The *Review* is useful in its way; the ERA has repeatedly in former years found much to commend in it, and may in years to come. Even this year one may occasionally—but it is a delicate matter to compliment the present board, and we forego. They have fought a good fight, and will undoubtedly have a choice side of the monument dedicated to their memory, which Cornell is sometime to raise to her devoted journalists. "To err is human and"—we forgive them their iniquities.

—In a recent letter from a '72 man, who is now practising law in San Francisco, the esteem with which President White and one of our professors are held by a foreigner is quite curiously shown. He says: "I was sent for to consult with a prisoner in the county jail, one Chin Much Low. In passing through the corridor of the jail I glanced through the window of one of the cells, and there on the wall saw a picture—a picture very familiar to me—now hanging before me—and of one whom I shall never cease to love and respect. Think of it; in the county jail of San Francisco and in the cell of one of the grandest rascals ever imported from the east. Now whose picture do you suppose it was? I looked at it twice and then asked the privilege of speaking to the prisoner in the cell, which was granted. It was the picture of And. D. White and it ornamented the walls of the "confidence man" and general aristocratic swindler, one Baron Arrid de von Mehr who informed me that that he had met President White socially with James Russel Lowell and Louis Agassiz. Since then our "Baron" has gone over the "Bay" i. e., to the State Prison and I am sure if the President made a tour this way he would certainly be surprised to find his picture in so public and yet such a private place".

PERSONALIA.

FRANK HISCOCK, '76, is at Columbia law school.

G. H. FITCH, '75, is making a fine reputation on the New York *Tribune*.

W. J. BERRY, '76's Senior president, is at the John Hopkins University.

MISS THOMAS, '77, is at the John Hopkins University.

FRED STEPHENS, '75, has charge of the Sailors Retreat Hospital on Staten Island.

ED. MORGAN, JR., formerly '75, is a successful physician in one of the hospitals in New York.

CHAS. T. DUNWELL, '73, is practicing law in New York city in the office of ex-Gov. Hoffman and ex-Judge Leonard, 206 Broadway.

A. C. WEEKS, '72, is practicing law in the office of DeForrest and Weeks, 120 Broadway, N. Y. He is as much of an athlete as ever and quite as liable to indulge in a foot-race as when in the University.

GEO. H. VAN DEWATER, '74, having prefixed "Rev." to his name, is now in charge of a flourishing parish at Oyster Bay, L. I. George is becoming a distinguished divine and now holds himself in readiness to occupy the Sage Chapel pulpit at any time.

PROF. LAZENBY gave a very interesting account of the various lady graduates of the University before the Irving society last Friday evening. To each one of the "asteroids" was devoted a brief biographical sketch, setting forth in a very pleasing manner the chief events of their lives since graduation. The Ten Year Book will please take notice.

EXCHANGES.

The Syracuse *University Herald*, in common with many other of our exchanges, has taken to itself a new editorial board, and, so far as we are able to judge from a first number, a move which will tend to the improvement of the paper. The poem which the issue before us, contains, the title of which is "Twilight Reverie of a Lover on closing 'Lucile,'" can, if intended to be serious, scarcely be considered a remarkably successful effort, the first paragraph which we quote will afford an idea of the whole. The celestial orbital theory advanced in the first line of this stanza is worthy of the sable Divine who has recently promulgated his manifesto against the Copernican system.

"One e'en as the occident sank in his courses,
As the Day King drew in on the reins of his horses,
Foam-spattered, fatigued, (for the drive of twelve hours
Had slackened their pace, enervated their powers;)
Their whinnying, neighing and stamping prolific,
For thirst—and this slaked—as they neared the Pacific.

Their pausing again on the fiery brink
For a last *au revoir*—then the world saw them sink
Out of sight : and the monarch, far down in the west,
His coursers unharnessed ; himself layed to rest.
As the ebon of night held her mantle thrown o'er us
And hushed in her death pall the twittering chorus
Of songsters."

Among its longer articles the *Herald* presents us with the tale of a terrible tragedy "The Scorcian Horror." The heroine is thus introduced :

"It was a sweltering eve in the July of the cold summer of '64. The starlit gleams were clothed in mildness, and the lovely moon, garnished o'er with silvery sheen, effused its gentle rays thro' the circumventing etheriality, thus lighting many a weary pedestrian on his homeward peregrinations, as well as adding lustre to the halo 'round the heads of many, many beach rambles. But we have not to do with summer resort scenes; no indeed! Our romance savors of the street, aye the street. Cook ave., the principal thoroughfare of the then budding city of Scorciana. On this ave., sheltered by the o'er spreading arms of a stunted "button ball," stands an amateur *café* or lunch counter, and the numerous placards, exhibited for public inspection, inform us that Madame Sturzurungo invites, with earnest, the public to general patronage. Conspicuous among her wares may be observed a dried eel skin, three papers of pins, one Roman toga—worn by Drusus, four pairs of brooms, rights and lefts, three-quarters of a Creedmoor target, and a ham-bone. She also kindly informs you that all staple articles in common use are constantly on hand, and that she sells peanuts at five cents per quart. As her name implies, her natal day transpired in a foreign clime. In Italy, *dear* Italy, land of exquisite sunsets and graceful *gondolas*."

The hero is Rostzeflo Mogunzo an errant Bohemian, and thus are we informed as to his heinous crime :

"The deed is done ; e'en while the dame, with glittering, yet still placid eye, the while observes the action—the extraction of a peanut has been effected—and now with horrid glow in eye and angry words from lips flowing, she swears a fearful vow : "By the sainted cracker, and the bull-dosed crab-apple, this k-night yon ksnave shall k-die ; by the holy poker and the perjured potato-bug, he shall, he shall, say I. Yunkum !"

Which thus works out its fearful expiation :

She spoke and the while she resembled a maniac. Rostzeflo, dumb with fear, complied. Scarce have the three minutes transpired when the sound of a bugle echoes through the woods. "A-a-a-h!" cries the dame ; "'tis the mayor's mounted brigade of lamplighters on a tare. Must hurry I in my dread work!" Once more the gleaming bread-knife is raised aloft for an instant, then descends with a hiss, rivalling the purr of a rattlesnake through the air. The deed is consummated. Rostzeflo lies a bleeding *corpus* at the feet of the Sturzurungo, pierced to the cardium by the blade of the wronged Madame."

L'ENVOI :

"Were the city of Scarciana still in existence, a double grave containing the bones of the Sturzurungo and the victim of her fiendish temper—the child Rostzeflo would be found in the depths of that lonely suburban forest, watched o'er only by the unpying moon and the far away stars.

"There in the moonlight cold and gray
Silently and peacefully it lay."

A shingle, tacked on a bean-pole, bearing these two well-known stanzas—"Honesty is the best policy," and "Murder will out," would also be observed sticking out of the mound, on whose earth the sleeping inmates once trod in direst combat."

Although our excerpts would scarcely seem to substantiate our first statement that the *Herald* had improved, we still maintain that it has, but as the betterment is principally perceptible in the editorial and local columns, the contents of which will not bear translation, we shall have to request our readers to take our statement on faith.

By far the best thing in the May number of the *Pennsylvania University Magazine* is the poem "Leila," which as it will not bear garbling, we have transferred in full. We are obliged to confess ourselves as a little in doubt as to the originality of the verses, but that does not modify the fact that it is an excellent production :

"Cursed be the fate that tramples men,
And spills brave blood like wine,
And crushes in the press true hearts,
As it has now crushed mine.
Allah is weak to hold his own
Against the stern decree ;
The crop must come ; the seed is sown,
And what will be, shall be.

Too beautiful she was, by far,
To live on earth with me :
Cheeks glowing with the tulip's bloom,
A brow of ivory,
A thread of scarlet were her lips,
As in the east we see,
When floats in cloud the broad red sun,
Upon a rosy sea.

And, often, in the starlit night,
When, on the desert bare,
I lie upon the sands and watch,
The stars that shine in air,
I start, for in their holy beams
Thy lovely eyes I see,
That shone with luster softer far,
In tenderness on me.

And, blacker than the silent night,
My loneliness and hate
Burst forth against all living things,
All creatures small and great,
Here puppets in an iron hand,
Dead pieces in the game,
Whither we go we cannot know,
We know not whence we came.

And when, upon the field of death,
The voice of battle calls,
I hasten to obey the word,
Some other ever falls. —
When the dread angel, Azreal,
Sends forth his dark decree,
He calls not me, I long and wait,
For what will be, shall be."

We learn from the *Lafayette College Journal* that Lafayette College has withdrawn from the I. L. A. and for the following reasons which we quote in full believing that as members of the association it would be well for us to give the matter our careful consideration to see that if we, too, may not be justified in deserting a sinking ship :

"No comment is required upon the following report. The action of the undergraduates in adopting the report of the committee at the college meeting held Thursday, April 18th, is precisely what has been long expected by those who have

watched with care the workings of the I. L. A. for the past eighteen months. It is worthy of note that when the question was put there was not a dissenting vote.

Following is the full report of the committee :

Lafayette College has been a member of the Intercollegiate Literary Association from its organization, and has had full opportunity to test its workings. In reviewing her connection with the Association, the committee are of the opinion that there are serious objections to her continuance as a member of that body. In addition to numerous minor objections existing in the minds of individual members of the college, and of the public, the following reasons are sufficient, in the opinion of the committee, to make the withdrawal of the college from the Association at once expedient and necessary :

1. The lack of interest which has always characterized both the faculty and students of Lafayette, with but few exceptions, in regard to all matters relating to her connection with the Association.

2. The increased and unexpected demand upon the general body of students for money to meet the expenses made necessary by the failure of the Association to secure a permanent endowment for the payment of the annual prizes.

3. The comparative lack of facilities, under present circumstances of securing the special instruction required by the conditions of success at the contests of the Association.

4. The serious interruption of the regular college work which appointees experience by reason of the long preparation they must undergo.

5. The strong tendency of competitors, apparent in all the contests thus far held, to adopt a course of training not representative of the curriculum work of the colleges by which they are appointed."

In the current *Columbia Spectator*, Cornicula presents a learned disquisition upon the "Mysteries of bottled sound"; as few of our readers are familiar with the discovery of this remarkable beverage, we have quoted the first part of the article that our select coterie may no longer "wallow in the slough of ignorance." Cornicula is found engaged in conversation with his friend Wiskie a denizen of Brooklyn and erstwhile professor of acoustics in Rock Candy University :

"After discussing two or three kinds of bottles, I ventured to inquire about his wife. 'Ah, poor woman !' he sighed, 'It's all over with her now.'

'Not dead !' I cried excitedly.

'No. Bottled !' and then the crimson flush of pallor mounted his Alpine visage, like the last rays of the setting sun(?)

'Bottled ? How ?' I exclaimed.

'Well, you see I left one of my cursed bottles in the kitchen, and when I came home late, I mean later, almost unconsciously I corked it.

On opening the bottle a few days afterward (tears) it poured forth such a volume of abuse as no wife should utter. Little did she think that this unfaltering witness would tell it all to me.'

He unrolled a scroll of tin foil, and I was just going to say, 'no thank you don't chew,' when I saw I was mistaken. On this scroll were several indentations evidently made by a pin.

'Here it is,' he said. 'You see, when the number of vibrations was 4-11-44 it began to register, and finally when she became excessively violent and the number of vibrations 1878, or over, —it burst the tin-foil. I secured a divorce the next week. She wrote to me, a few days ago, saying that if I came back she would make a public retraction, and I could bring all the bottles I wanted. But I wrote back to her those stirring words of the song :

'Blow ye the trumpet, blow !'
And I'll bottle the sound.'

PSI UPSILON GATHERINGS**ASSEMBLAGES OF COLLEGIANS IN THE CHIEF AMERICAN CITIES.**

Last Friday, the third of May, was one of the most remarkable days in the history of American Colleges. On Thursday the XLVth General Convention of the Psi Upsilon commenced its sessions with the Upsilon Chapter at the University of Rochester. Delegates were in attendance from every Chapter of the Fraternity. The business sessions continued through two days, interspersed with visits to the University, excursions to the lake, and various private entertainments. On Thursday afternoon the venerable President Anderson addressed the Convention. After extending the hospitalities of the institution to the visiting delegates he presented an elaborate exposition of his ideas in regard to the Greek Letter, or so-called secret Societies. Although not a member of any of these organizations he stated that his long experience induced him to defend them against their detractors, as he had always found them of great help in the maintenance of discipline, and believed them to be important and necessary adjuncts to our Colleges and Universities. Dr. Anderson, with witty sarcasm, pointed to Princeton as a shining example of an institution in which no Greek Letter Societies existed. He closed a most logical address by asserting that he had arrived at his conclusions by a most careful and extended study of the subject.

The public literary exercises took place at the First Baptist Church, which was most elaborately decorated for the occasion. The Hon. Sterling G. Hadley, one of the five surviving Founders of the society, presided and delivered the opening address. He was followed by the Hon. Daniel H. Chamberlain, ex-Governor of South Carolina, whose theme was "The Position of the Greek Language and Literature in the American System of Education." The oration opened with a tribute to Psi Upsilon for its long and earnest devotion to the cause of scholarship and good-fellowship. The orator then entered upon a brilliant, but logical and carefully wrought defense of classical study. The poem—a charming legend entitled "The Archer and the Bird"—was then pronounced by the Rev. Joseph A. Ely. The exercises, which were listened to by an immense audience, concluded with the singing of Fraternity songs.

The Convention Banquet, which lasted from ten o'clock in the evening until five o'clock Saturday morning, was held at the Brackett House. At the tables were seated nearly 150 Psi Upsilon graduates and undergraduates. Judge Hadley occupied the post of honor, having on his right and left the Orator and Poet, while among the other distinguished guests were the Rev. Dr. A. H. Strong, President of the Rochester Theological Seminary, who acted as the Convention's Chaplain; several Professors of Rochester, Syracuse, Union, Cornell, and other Universities; the Hon. Daniel W. Noyes; the Hon. A. A. Porter; the Hon. Theodore Bacon; the Rev. Dr. Morehouse (author of the annual Convention Song) and many other well-known persons. In the course of the evening congratulatory telegrams were interchanged with the Psi Upsilon assemblages

which took place at the same hour in the leading cities of the Union. Letters of greeting were read from Governor Rice, Attorney-General Akerman, Congressmen Frye, Loring, Potter, Robinson, and Pettit, the Hon. C. M. Depew, and other noted men in political life; and from several authors, including Charles Dudley Warner, E. C. Stedman, Dr. J. G. Holland, J. G. Saxe, the Rev. Dr. Dexter, Professor C. K. Adams, Professor Goldwin Smith, the Right Rev. Bishop Perry, of Iowa, President Seelye of Amherst, and President Angell of Michigan.

THE BOSTON REUNION

at the Parker House was a brilliant success, the account of the proceedings in the Boston papers filling several columns. His Excellency Governor Rice took the chair, and among the other participants were the President of the Massachusetts Senate, the Hon. John D. B. Cogswell; the Hon. Harvey Jewell; U. S. District-Attorney Stevens; the Hon. W. D. Northend; D. B. Hagar, Principal of the State Normal School; Professor Theodore Lyman of Harvard, Professor A. H. Buck of Boston University; Professor Homer B. Sprague, (formerly of Cornell), Principal of the Girl's High School; the Rev. Dr. Dexter, Editor-in-Chief of *The Congregationalist*, and eighty other gentlemen. The music was furnished by the Boston Psi Upsilon Glee Club.

THE NEW YORK REUNION

was held at the Metropolitan Hotel, under the Presidency of Edward Martindale, Esq., one of the surviving Founders of the Fraternity. The Hon. W. E. Robinson, ex-M. C., acted as toastmaster. The Rev. Dr. Seymour, Bishop elect of Springfield, the Rev. Dr. Houghton, Rector of "The Little Church around the Corner"; the Rev. Dr. A. H. Clapp, the Rev. Dr. J. E. King, and several other distinguished clergymen were present. Other fields of activity were represented by Judge H. C. VanVorst of the Supreme Court of New York; U. S. Collector Arthur; the Hon. Isaac Dayton; the Hon. William Taylor, known throughout the Fraternity as "Father Bill Taylor"; G. P. Quackenbos LL.D.; the Hon. G. W. Schuyler, State Auditor; the Hon. John Taylor Johnston, late President of the New Jersey Central Railroad; and more than one hundred others. The Rev. John Cotton Smith, D. D., was Chaplain of the evening. Twelve of the seventeen chapters were represented.

THE WASHINGTON REUNION,

at which the Hon. W. W. Rice M. C., presided, took place at the Maison Doree, the fashionable restaurant of the capital. Speeches were made by the Hon. G. B. Loring, M. C., the Hon. W. P. Frye, M. C., the Hon. J. H. Goodenow, the Rev. Dr. I. L. Townsend, the Rev. Dr. B. Sunderland, Chaplain of the U. S. Senate and others. A selection of songs was printed for the use of the guests. A Washington Psi Upsilon Association was organized, Congressman Rice assuming the Presidency.

THE PHILADELPHIA REUNION

occurred at the Penn Club, of which many leading Philadelphian graduates are members. The presiding officer was the Hon. George Northrop, assisted by the Hon. S. C. Perkins and the Rev. Dr. W. P. Breed. Among the speakers were the Hon. J. K. Valentine; Judge J. Parsons and several other noted college men. A Philadelphia Psi Upsilon Association was organized, and arrangements made for an annual dinner.

THE PORTLAND REUNION

was held at the Falmouth Hotel, the Hon. G. E. B. Jackson in the chair. Before the banquet the Hon. C. E. Clifford delivered an oration. Thirty resident graduates of the city attended, besides many from various parts of the state, and the undergraduates of the Kappa Chapter at Bowdoin College, the last named rendering the Psi Upsilon songs in brilliant style. A Maine Psi Upsilon Association was formed with the Hon. Lewis Pierce of Portland as President.

THE CHICAGO REUNION

at the Palmer House was a noticeable success. Judge Henry Booth LL.D., Dean of the Chicago Law School and one of the founders of the Yale Chapter, was President of the evening. The beautiful typography of the selection of songs and programme was noticeable here as elsewhere. The Hon. J. T. Wentworth, Judge of the First Judicial District of Wisconsin, at the close of Judge Booth's address, responded to the toast of the Psi Upsilon, after which speeches followed from Judge T. C. Whiteside; the Rev. E. N. Packard D. D.; Professor H. S. Carhart of Northwestern University; Professor Edward Olson, of the University of Chicago, and many others. The music was furnished principally by the undergraduate members of the Omega Chapter attached to the University of Chicago.

THE DETROIT REUNION

was organized by the Psi Upsilon Graduate Association of that city,—a most active body—and among those present were the Hon. Elisha Taylor, the Hon. Alfred Russel, the Hon. C. M. Davidson, the Rev. C. Stebbins D. D., and several Professors and undergraduates of the University of Michigan.

THE ST. PAUL REUNION

included the Psi Upsilon residents of that city and Minneapolis, the Hon. R. R. Nelson, Judge of the United States Circuit Court, acting as President. At the table were the Rev. Dr. E. D. Neill, one of the founders of the Amherst chapter; the Hon. I. Atwater, Chief Justice of Minnesota; and the Rev. Dr. J. Brooks, President of Hamline University.

THE SAN FRANCISCO REUNION

was attended solely by graduates, the Fraternity having no Chapters on the Pacific coast. Among those who participated were the Hon. W. H. L. Barnes, Professor W. B. Rising of the University of California, and the Hon. S. P. Holway, the honorary Presiding officer being ex-United States Senator Cole. A permanent organization was effected under the title of the Psi Upsilon Association of the Pacific.

OTHER BANQUETS

were held, the same evening, by twelve chapters of the Fraternity, including the Chi of Cornell, from all of which telegrams of greeting were sent to the Rochester Convention. Judge Hadley, in responding to these dispatches, communicated the intelligence that the Convention of 1879 was appointed to be held at Yale College, the Chapter at New Haven having unanimously requested the privilege of thus commemorating the close of its fourth centennium. It is expected that the proceedings at this striking series of collegiate reunion will be published in a volume by the Executive Council of the Fraternity.

Seeing that the professor was over-excited I ventured to change the subject. I asked him how he came to make this wonderful discovery of bottling. He said that his first insight into the mystery of this phenomenon was the noise issuing from the neck of a bottle. It filled him with awe, and he thought for a while that the bottle contained spirits.

'But now I am able to bottle any kind of sound!' he exclaimed triumphantly.

'Can you bottle Long Island Sound?' I ventured to ask.

'Corny, you trifle with me? You run this joking into the ground.'

'Excuse me, professor, I am engaged as funny man for the San Antonio Locomotive. Please give me the history of this bottled sound.'

The professor then talked as follows, in paragraphs, and very solid:

'Simultaneously with the discovery of bottling by myself, another professor stumbled on this invention in the following remarkable way: A large, empty cider bottle was left in the nursery for the children to dress up as a doll. In attempting to put a head on this doll various articles fell into the bottle, viz: 1 spool black sewing-silk No. 30, package of chewing tobacco paper of pins and a tooth-pick. The tobacco becoming separated from its tin foil by the rapid shifting of the doll from Boston to California, and any places which suited the youthful minds, the bottle resolved itself into all the ingredients for producing a sound.

Time wore on. The children left the doll to engage in the more exciting pastime of drowning newly-arrived kittens. A large bumble-bee flitted in through the open casement, and crept down into the abdomen of the doll-bottle, probably to get a chew. The father of the house and scientific professor combined on entering the nursery was much startled to see and hear sound issuing from the head of this doll.

'Rum! Rum!' it exclaimed, and the professor, was a little intemperate, rushed frantically down stairs and fainted, crying 'Eureka! Eureka!'

Time passed. The bumble-bee extracted himself from the silk and tobacco, and fled home to see his honey. But that event had opened a new field to the professor. He set himself to work to examine the cause, manner, means, and other concomitants of the phlogisticated phenomenon. A careful dissection of the doll brought to light the above mentioned articles, and the old man reasoned it out this way: The particles of air setting the plug into vibration cause the pins to impinge upon the outer strata of the tin foil and the toothpick is entirely unnecessary. Thus it was, my dear boy, that this wonderful discovery was made, as all great discoveries are made—by chance, and once upon a time."

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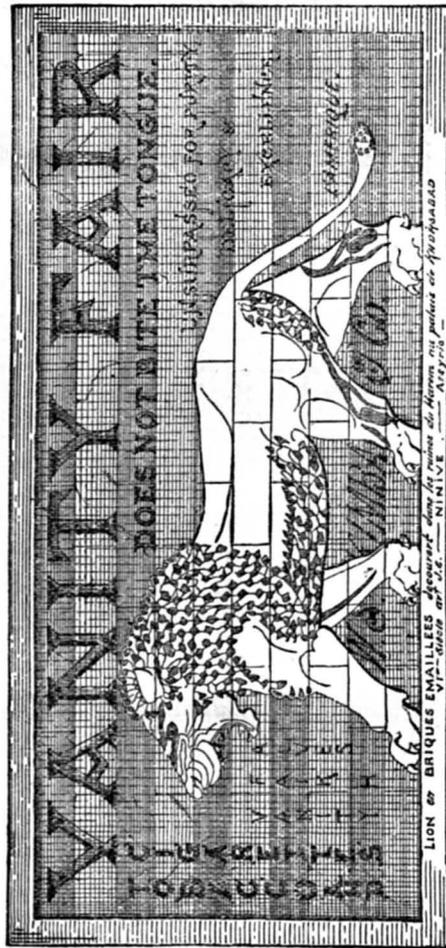
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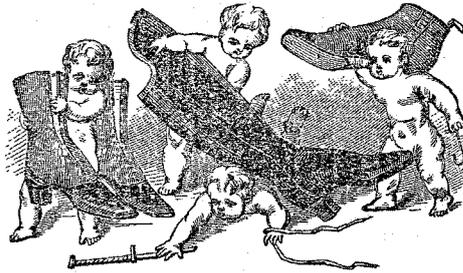
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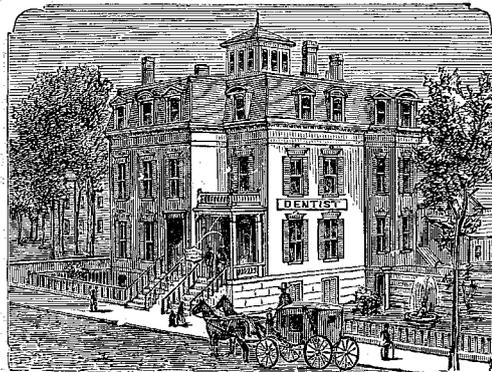
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During the past week we have sent bills to most of our subscribers who have not yet given attention to our bill for subscription, and we trust that those to whom they were sent will respond promptly. We cannot afford to allow these small accounts to run longer on account of the near approach of Commencement, and shall be obliged to all who will pay their subscriptions next week. Subscriptions may be paid to the Editors or at Miss Ackley's.

THE campus has been vastly improved within a few years, and there are students here yet who can remember a time when it was, so to speak, a wilderness. Now instead of being a rough field it is beautiful and attractive, and promises to be more so. Several more houses are being or are to be built on or near it by professors, and it begins to assume a more pleasing and homelike appearance. Since the plan of moving the University down to a less exalted position has been abandoned by even the most indolent as not exactly feasible, these changes are watched with interest, and doubtless many will soon come to live nearer to it than they have formerly done. Fifty years from now, when the trees along the avenues are tall and stately, and all the new college buildings which are needed are built, while the professors all live close by and are happy, some one of us will come back and think regretfully that he was born too soon, and will be inclined to take his course over again. However, it is not likely that many of us will envy posterity their additional advantages, but will be glad to see the improvements continue to be made.

THE advanced Italian class having finished the *Inferno*, Professor Crane is now treating its members to a series of lectures upon early Italian literature. As this is a subject in which the Professor is remarkably well versed the lectures are not only replete with valuable information but very entertaining. The Italian course in the University under his direction, we think it may be safely asserted, is not surpassed at any other college in the country, and it is only to be regretted that his other duties in the University should be such as to prevent him from devoting his entire time to this department.

THE crematory preparations which have been making of late give evidence that this new feature of commencement week is to be an interesting one. Such affairs have taken place heretofore, we believe, but with no regularity, nor were they held in connection with any event; hence the making of these exercises part of the programme for commencement week is a sort of experiment. Something of this nature has been needed to relieve the rather monotonous character of the exercises, and the cremation ceremonies as now arranged, will constitute a new and pleasing element. Coming so early in the week many of the students will be able to witness them. The class, provided with torches and suitable habiliments, is to meet at one of the University buildings and march over to the campus where the exercises are to take place. Funeral orations are to be pronounced on Weisbach and Psychology and followed by appropriate songs composed for the occasion. The chaplain will read some selections and after remarks from him the funeral pyre will be lighted.

It is safe to say that at no time during the year has the Senior been so unsettled and so agitated as the present week, for the fact that the graduation theses must be handed in by Monday next, has fully dawned upon him. He has known this before; has been well aware of it, but till a short time ago has not realized it. True, some few, in whom

the spirit of promptitude prevails, have with commendable diligence furnished their productions and rest with an untroubled conscience. But these constitute the minority. The great majority, conscious of their procrastination, might be observed if such a thing were possible, hastily gathering together their scattered thoughts and reducing them to some tangible form. Books, magazines, periodicals and newspapers are frequently called for at the library, and from this chaotic mass of information is gradually evolved form and proportion. As the time for handing in the theses is almost up most are probably done, but the few remaining hours will be assiduously employed in polishing up rough corners and putting on an extra touch here and there, and when this is done they will all go to swell the pile of those that have gone before.

THE choral services at the chapel last Sunday were perhaps as much of a success as could be expected. The instrumental part was of course excellent and was much enjoyed. The attendance was large, and on the whole the change in the kind of service was a pleasant and a good one. The singing was not and never has been good, and if this service does any good in particular it is to be hoped that it will be in the direction of an increased interest in singing, especially as a part of the exercises in the chapel. We do not pay much attention to singing here at best, while the hymns are dealt with most sadly. It is too true that many of us who live down town do not take the pains we ought to go up the hill on Sunday to attend the sermons at the chapel, and the whole service is too much neglected. Of course it is a long walk, and one which has to be taken too often to be at all novel, but an effort ought to be made by all to go up at least once on Sundays. There is no need of having hymns so sadly used as they are. There are enough good singers in the University to form a choir under whose leadership the others may sing at least with some sort of approximation to time and tune. Something more practical ought to be done in this matter than merely to talk about it. We are not compelled by any petty rules to go to any particular church, or to go at all if we do not choose, but many attend church regularly, probably all do occasionally, and it

ought to be considered a duty to go to the chapel when we can. The best talent in the country is employed there, and in the course of the year many ministers of note of all denominations may be listened to. There is something new each day both in thought and manner of presentation, and if we can not agree with the ideas of all, we can get the greater advantage of seeing how different men look at the same thing in different ways, thus surely obtaining broader freer views of these things ourselves, and avoiding all taint of bigotry. We cannot afford to miss hearing these weekly sermons both for these reasons and many others; and we should also feel an interest in seeing that they are well attended, thus proving that the trouble which is taken to get them delivered is appreciated, and we should try too to assist in making the whole of these services as pleasant as possible.

THE movement, recently inaugurated, which has as its ultimate object the introduction of a new concomitant to our University system, is certainly one for which the originators deserve the heartiest congratulations of every student and is one to which each member of the University should lend all aid and encouragement that in him lies. The project is still in embryo, but so far as we are able to learn it is about as follows. It is proposed to rent Cascadilla from the University and to convert it into a student Assembly Hall. The building is to be entirely remodelled and when the changes have been perfected is to contain a thoroughly equipped gymnasium, an assembly room in which the student body can meet at stated intervals for the consideration of topics of general interest and which upon the occasion of any social student fêtes can be transformed into a commodious ball-room. In addition to these general features there will be a library, reading-room, a restaurant under the supervision of a superior caterer where at any time the best of meals can be obtained and where likewise those students living in the vicinity of the building can obtain their board, regularly, throughout the year. As minor, but by no means unimportant features, it is proposed to provide a bowling alley, billiard room and offices for the various student organizations. That the Cascadilla building is admirably adapted to the purpose both as to size and situation

will be evident at once, and it is certainly a peculiarly fortunate condition of circumstances which places the building at our disposal. Upon the advantages of such an Assembly Hall it is unnecessary to dilate, they must be patent to all; its merits as a place of resort where all the students can meet together in friendly intercourse, a feature otherwise entirely debarred by our non-dormitory system of life, its attractiveness as a convenient and pleasant place in which to while away a leisure hour, its merit as a place in which we will be enabled to obtain that hitherto almost unknown treat "a good supper," as well as its many other valuable features will suggest themselves at once. The persons who have the conduct of the enterprise in their hands, hope to be able to secure from the trustees of the University or from other sources, a sufficient amount of money to enable them to entirely remodel the building as proposed; a good caterer and general manager is then to be secured, and the running expenses are to be thereafter defrayed by a small tax to be levied upon each student at the beginning of each trimester. As has been already stated the scheme can scarcely be said to have taken definite shape, but it is being rapidly forwarded to realization and we hope soon to be able to give a more detailed account of this new University feature.

THE CHORAL SERVICE.

Instead of the usual sermons last Sunday, at the Chapel, a most admirable substitute was offered in the Choral Service. The service was attractive in itself apart from the novelty, and was important in the impetus it will give to congregational singing hereafter. For the last two weeks Mr. R. A. Parke, the Organist of the chapel has given much of his time and attention in arranging the exercises, and training the choir of thirty picked voices who were to lead the singing. Heretofore the Chapel singing has not been remarkable either for a rigorous adherence to the notes of the organ, or for the artless enthusiasm of a methodist camp-meeting, and it was wisely resolved to remedy this defect, if possible, by devoting especial attention to the singing in the service of song last Sunday. Prof. Geo. W. Morgan of the Brooklyn Tabernacle, whose reputation as the first organist in the United States is well established, was invited to preside at the organ and conduct the singing. Not since Henry Ward Beecher preached two years ago has the Chapel been so crowded as on this occasion. The expectation of hearing Prof. Morgan, and the unusual character of the services attracted both in

the morning and afternoon, large crowds which the gentlemen ushers, Messrs. Monroe and Kennedy, were unable wholly to provide with seats despite their endeavors to pack the multitude *à la* sardines in a box. The services were opened by Prof. Morgan playing as a voluntary, Handel's "Samson"; Prof. Shackford read some selections from the scriptures and offered the invocation, then Vice President Russel introduced the service proper by explaining the object of the exercises and making a few appropriate remarks on the use of music as a means of religious culture. The hymns were all taken from the "Sage Chapel Hymns," and were so arranged on the programme that the whole collection was sung in the two services. Never before have the students entered so heartily into the spirit of the services, and never before have the arches of the Chapel rung with such soul-stirring music. The same hymns that formerly dragged their slow lengths along, under the magic of the occasion were imbued with a new spirit and were given with genuine enthusiasm.

The great feature of the day was the marvelous organ playing of Prof. Morgan. Those who were able to witness his execution, could to some extent appreciate the performance. But even then, the great majority of the congregation would be unable to comprehend the degree of excellence and accuracy with which the instrumental selections were rendered. The playing of the hymns was a minor matter, as any organist of moderate skill, good taste, and fair judgment could lead the singing portion of the services at the organ with equal success.

But the great beauty of the organist's performance could only be thoroughly appreciated by those understanding the nature of such selections as Bach's Fugues, the Offertoire by Wely, and the Tema by Hesse.

The precision with which his hands and feet expressed every note,—the dexterity with which he manipulated the stops—and drew out and expressed the beautiful combinations and effects of which the organ is susceptible, were simply wonderful, the exquisite tenderness with which he expressed the delicate effects of the organ, in the selections from Handel and Mozart, and in his own improvisations, stood forth in bold contrast to the more subtle fugue, and went directly to the heart. In the morning service Prof. Morgan played Handel's "Samson," Haydn's "Arm of the Lord," Air (varied) from Mozart, J. S. Bach's Toccato and Fugue (D minor), Slow movement from the Sonata of Beethoven, and Wely Offertoire in G. In the afternoon service, J. S. Bach's Fugue in D. Major, Morgan's Rousseau's Dream (varied), Selection from Beethoven, Handel's Chorus, "Then round the Starry Throne," Hesse's Tema in A with variations, and Morgan's Voluntary, (extempore.)

HORRIBLY COMMON-PLACE.

MINNIE.

"Now dear Ella, don't be foolish! why of course I don't love Jack,
One can't love every person that one's fate throws in one's track,

"I acknowledge that he's handsome, has glorious wavy hair,
Thanks you, when your waltz is ended, with a bow quite *debonnaire*.

"He is very nice and thoughtful, sends me elegant bouquets,

And has the very sweetest way of offering one his praise,

"He knows Tennyson divinely says he worships Locksley Hall—

Shall I tell the verse he quoted to me last night at the ball?

"Looking way into my eyes, he took my hand and drawing near,

He said, 'I'll change the verse a little to make my meaning clear.'

"Then he whispered, 'Darling Minnie, speak, and speak the truth to me,

Trust me dearest, all the current of my being sets to thee!'

"I replied, while laughing softly, as I tapped him with my fan,

'What a foolish boy you can be, when you wish, you naughty man,'

"When he turned upon me, Ella, we were sitting on the stair.

Though I fear you won't believe it,—he looked injured, I declare.

"He pretends you know to like me, he is just a frightful flirt

Since I know him, he can't trap me so there'll be no feelings hurt."

JACK'S CHUM.

"Come now, don't be so cast down, chum, that girl isn't worth the thought,

There are better fishes in the sea that have'nt yet been caught,

"Come now let her drop, old fellow, she's a heartless, dull coquette,

You must drown all memories of her. Brace and take, a cigarette." R.

SAGE CHAPEL HYMNS.

"The congregation are requested to join in the singing."

"Such blessing from thy gracious hand
Our humble prayers implore."

Hymn No. 17.

The familiar card bearing the well remembered and oft repeated score of "Sage Chapel Hymns," has for nearly three years held its place as the only orthodox authority from which Cornellians could take their "hymns and psalms and spiritual songs"

in the services at the chapel, and now that the card has been systematically "sung through" at the choral service last Sunday, the present seems a proper time to petition the authorities to discard it, and furnish a new collection. Three years' constant use ought to be a sufficient length of service to entitle these hymns to a long furlough, and to be put upon half pay. From "With one consent let all the earth" to

"May thy presence
With us evermore be found,"

every line has been so often reiterated that if the average chapel-goer be given an odd line at random the words will recall the music, and a stray bar of the music cannot be whistled without dragging in the words with it. Even the most ardent admirer of the collection will admit that a most profitable change might be made, which would materially add to the musical interest of the services. The hymns in themselves are among the finest ever written and possess that sterling quality both in words and music which in one sense endows them with perpetual life. They were selected with great care and taste, with an evident desire to exclude anything savoring of the abominable rattle and bang of the average Moody and Sankey hymn, or the wishy-washy trash of the modern Sunday school singing book. Had it been otherwise the limited collection would have been worn thread-bare long ago. Up to this time the card has served its purpose well, but in view of the musical *renaissance*, something fresher and more extended is imperatively needed. There are so many hymns that have been tested by time and proved genuine and so many excellent collections, notably the new Episcopal Hymnal, that twenty or fifty hymns of equal merit might be found without difficulty. Perhaps no collection would be complete without

"Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;"

"Nearer my to God thee."

And Doddridge's inspiring

"Awake my soul, stretch every nerve,
And press with vigor on."

And if a new collection is projected these should be included.

But the fact still remains that while in the language of the 13th hymn:

"That all of good the past hath had
Remains to make our own time glad."

yet this should not be so construed as to bar out much of the good our own time hath that might be employed in the benevolent way pointed out by the second line. There are about sixteen hymns on the card that might be permitted to go where, as the 15th hymn expresses it:

"There is a land mine eye hath seen
In visions of enraptured thought."

—D. W.

COMMUNICATIONS.

REDIVIVIVUS.

Now that there is a possibility of realizing our *Gasthaus*, we should afford all the encouragement and aid necessary toward satisfying this long-felt want. Cascadilla even by choice, would be the most advantageous situation; while the inducement of an endowment ought surely to bring us to our senses. At no time, as at this, have we been so in need of a meeting place, when the only substitute can be found in obnoxious and ill-fitted beer saloons. Although we think that no University in the land possesses this attraction, yet they all have some rallying-point of interest. Yale has its fence, Princeton its arsenal, &c., while we, scattered in a circle of two miles, in vain seek for a college and fraternal feeling.

A word about the object of a *Gasthaus*: it will, of course, contain the means of amusement as billiard tables, reading rooms, bowling alleys, restaurant, &c.; but there is also space enough in any one of the stories, to have a large hall where the students can hold either regular meetings (as their *constitution* suggests,) or meet occasionally to decide on questions of importance. Such a place would indeed, if rightly used, not only engender a pure college feeling of association, but would also be a source of attraction to young men about to enter college.

We do not say that there is nothing that can be asserted against it; for surely its very object is questionable; but regarded in the light of a necessity and benefit, it cannot fail of beneficial results. It has been determined that Cascadilla must be no more; that its spirit must betake itself to the shades, (where even the spirit will occupy vast space;) that the home and trysting place of the C. K. C. must be unhallowed and desecrated; yet, *in memoriam* of what it has been, let it be kept sacred to the hearts and minds of the students. No better way, no more endearing means, than to make it the storehouse of our gayest moments, to make it the home of alumni on their visits. Beyond all questions of enjoyment and pleasure, beyond all object and interest, it should be the centralizing force of our scattered hosts; our music hall; in short, the spot around which, as around the maypole, the young assemble for enjoyment.

—CADMIUS CANNING.

A SUGGESTION.

As the long summer vacation is rapidly approaching, when calm and quiet will reign on the campus, it is proper for the University authorities to be thinking of such extensive repairs and improvements as cannot well be carried on during the busy season. On this point I ask a few lines' space to call general attention to two or three matters in reference to the University Library and to suggest some improvements which have been long and eagerly desired by all those students who use the library to any extent.

In the first place the library is not well lighted. This matter could be remedied at a not very large expense by roofing the McGraw building with glass, or by setting a few large lights in the roof, and by laying a glass flooring in the central part of the floor of the anatomical museum, after the manner in which the lower stories of great metropolitan business places are lighted. This would very likely necessitate a rearrangement of the specimens occupying the middle floor of the museum. Perhaps it might be found best, instead, to construct two or three large openings in the museum floor for the admission of light to the library. Perhaps, instead of adopting this plan, it might be found less expensive to move the book cases to the central part of the floor, and arrange the study tables along the sides of the room. The light from the windows would thus be right upon the tables and every purpose would be answered. But this arrangement might not prove of such elegant appearance as the method above suggested, of lighting the library through the ceiling.

A second point in the matter of library improvements and a very important one is the necessity for a sitting room apart from the library, where those students who wish to study merely from their own books or from their notes might congregate. This would relieve the library from the uncomfortable pressure usual during the morning hours, and would give better opportunity for undisturbed study to those who come to make use of the books of the library.

—AJ'AT.

SPORTS.

The Syracuse University nine made the journey from Syracuse to Ithaca in vain for the day which had begun so bright and promising ended in a heavy rain. About one o'clock a slight shower took place, but the grounds were thought dry enough to play on so the game was called about three o'clock with Cornell at bat. Knapp hit a beautiful fly to center gaining second and scored easily before the requisite three were put out. Syracuse went out in one-two-three order. The second innings did not increase our figures although Newton made

a fine base hit to right field. Dawson, of Syracuse, made the first base hit for them in their next innings and scored on Green's failure to hold Babcock's fly to center. Knapp led off again for Cornell with a base hit and was followed by Adams with a safe one over short; both scored by errors of the catcher. For the Syracuseans, Clark was given first on three balls and doubled the runs for his side by errors of catcher and third. The fourth was begun but rain falling sharply the game was called, the score being 3 to 2 in our favor. It was at first the intention of our visitors to remain over until Saturday and play again, but the weather giving no signs of improvement, they left for home in the afternoon.

During Cornell's second inning Pennock was declared out for not batting in the order of the score card. The decision was wrong as Mr. Chadwick holds that the batting order is not established until the nine men have batted once. The following is the score :

UNIVERSITY.					SYRACUSE.						
R	IB	PO	A	E	R	IB	PO	A	E		
Knapp l. f. . .	2	2	0	0	0	Clark, c . . .	1	0	1	0	2
Adams, 3b. . .	0	1	0	0	0	Tallman, 1b . .	0	0	6	0	0
Green, c. f. . .	1	0	1	0	1	Marsh 2b. . .	0	0	0	3	1
Treman, c. . .	0	0	5	0	3	Holden, 3b. . .	0	0	0	2	0
Bailey, p. . .	0	0	0	3	2	Dawson l. f. . .	1	1	0	0	0
Pickett, 1b. . .	0	0	3	0	0	Ayres, s. s. . .	0	0	1	0	0
Pennock, 2b. . .	0	0	0	2	0	Babcock, r. f. .	0	0	0	0	0
Newton, r. f. .	0	1	0	0	0	Shove, p. . . .	0	0	0	2	1
McCon'll s. s. .	0	0	0	0	0	Sh'kelton, c f .	0	0	0	0	0
Total.	3	4	9	5	6	Total.	2	1	8	7	4

Balls called—On Bailey, 11; on Shove, 11. Strikes called—On Bailey, 5; on Shove, 1. Wild pitches—Shove, 1. Struck out—Cornell, 1; Syracuse, 3. First base on errors—Cornell, 1; Syracuse, 2. Two base hit—Knapp 1.

Pennock was put out in the second innings for not batting in his turn.

The above score does not include the first part of the fourth inning which was in progress when the play was stopped by rain.

The two nines will again meet at Syracuse on Friday, the 24th. Special rates at hotel and reduced fare have been obtained and it is desired that as many as possible accompany our representatives who will certainly render a good account of themselves.

—In the second game of the season, we were favored by a perfect day. The game was called at 2 30 with Knapp of Cornell at the bat; he struck in vain three times as did all the batsmen of this inning, although Green reached his first.

The Auburns scored one run in their first, Reipp making a base hit by third. Treman made two plays which won hearty applause, by capturing a foul on the run and catching a man at home.

In our next attempt Newton made a fine baser over the center fielder's head but was put out at third. Fair scored the second run for the Auburns by errors of the University.

Cobb sent a splendid fly to right earning the first base, but did not get to the home. Farquhar was caught napping at first by Roseman holding the ball.

The Auburns led off well in their third by getting a man on second and one on third with none out, but only one scored as our nine played the rest of the inning finely.

After Adams had struck out Green reached first by an error of the short stop but was left.

Pickett was placed on first Cobb taking right. The Auburns added two to their score this inning by good hits and loose fielding on our part.

The usual nothing was scored by Cornell but they gave their opponents the same privilege in their half of the fifth. A base hit in the next inning did Knapp no good, he dying at first. Our nine now seemed to wake up, Bailey and Adams being instrumental in administering another zero. A round O again in the seventh for Cornell—also for Auburn. A base hit each by Newton and Pickett were again useless, the succeeding batsmen being put out on three strikes. From this to the end of the game no runs were made by either side, the Auburns being victorious by 6 to 0. Of the game the best that can be said is that although we were overmatched by our opponents in almost every feature, yet the number of runs should not have been as great as it was. In justice to Farquhar it may be said that he is entirely out of practice and Cobb filled a new position. The fielding by Adams was excellent. Newton, Knapp, and Pickett led the batting in the order named. Although Bailey did not make as many pretensions as did the tricky Welsh, his balls were fully as hard to hit. The two clubs play again in Auburn to-day and our representatives may do better.

CORNELL.					AUBURN.						
R	IB	PO	A	E	R	IB	PO	A	E		
Knapp, l. f. . .	0	1	1	0	0	Reipp c.	1	1	8	6	2
Adams, 3 b. . .	0	0	4	5	0	Roseman, 1b. . .	1	0	13	0	2
Green, 2 b. . .	0	0	2	0	1	Welsh, p.	0	0	1	9	0
Treman, c. . .	0	0	7	3	4	Snyder, l f. . . .	1	1	1	1	0
Bailey, p. . .	0	0	2	5	0	Miller, c. f. . . .	0	0	0	0	0
Newton, c. f. .	0	2	0	0	1	Fair, 3 b.	1	0	3	0	0
Pickett, 1 b. .	0	1	6	0	1	Rocap, s. s. . . .	1	1	2	1	2
Cobb, r. f. . .	0	1	3	0	4	Fisher, 2. b. . . .	0	1	1	3	0
Farquhar, s. s. .	0	1	1	2	3	Mansell, r. f. . .	1	1	0	0	0
	0	6	27*	15	14		6	6	27	20	6

INNINGS.

Cornell,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Auburn,	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	0

Balls called, Bailey 8, Welsh 12; Strikes called, Bailey 8, Welsh 10; Left on bases, Cornell 5, Auburn, 5; Passed balls Treman 3, Reipp 1; Time of game. 1 hr. 38 min.; Umpire, John Collins.

*Miller out by batting in wrong order.

—In regard to the question which arose in last Friday's game, as to the justice of Pennock's being declared out, the following is the opinion of Mr.

Chadwick of the *Clipper*, who is authority on base-ball disputes.

CORNELL B. B. C., Ithaca—"A man takes his place to bat, hits a foul which is not taken, when the captain states that said man is batting out of turn, and calls for proper man. The other side claim the man who has missed his chance to be out because the error was not found out before a ball was struck out. Is he out by the rule covering striking out of turn? Is there any striking order established until after all have been at the bat once? for the occurrence came up before all had been at the bat."... The order is not established until the nine men have all been at the bat; consequently, no one can be put out for not striking in order until that order has been practically established.

—The candidates for the Freshman crew have gone out every day this week under the supervision of Commodore Baker and Messrs. Lewis and Wilcox. On Thursday the following were announced as the successful candidates:

	HEIGHT.	WEIGHT.	AGE.
J. G. Allen,.....	5.11	178	18
B. Arnold,.....	6.00	146	24
E. H. Cole,.....	5.11	165	20
A. H. Cowles,.....	6.00	163	19
F. C. Curtice,.....	5.11	137	23
E. C. Foster,.....	5.07½	135	23
D. L. D. Jaynes,.....	5 10½	170	20
J. E. Read.....	5.09	151	17
N. D. Shinkle,.....	5.11	183	21
H. T. Waterbury,....	5.10	166	20
	5 10½	159½	20½

They will go into quarters to-day at the corner of Tioga and Mill street. Mr. Dounce safely brought the eight-oared Columbia shell to Ithaca and it will be used until the new boat is built. Mr. Gardiner who was the coach of the last Saratoga crew is expected daily and his presence cannot fail to be beneficial to the crew.

CORNELIANA.

Do not forget to pay your subscriptions this week!

—*O Novo Mundo* has a striking picture of the late Prof. Hartt.

—The latest definition of logic is "common sense mystified."

—The syllabi in logic are selling off rapidly at twenty cents each.

—A Junior translates Cicero's "*in curia Libertatis*," "in Independence hall."

—Prof. Oliver will lecture before the Philalathean society to-morrow evening.

—An Ithaca clergyman offers reduced marriage rates to clubs of ten. Chip in.—*Ex.*

—In the game last Friday, Cornell and Syracuse Universities vs. Rain, Rain won by a big score.

—The Philalatheans have elected J. C. Kennedy, '79, and J. L. Knapp, '80, to represent that society on the *Review* next year.

—The engineers will leave on Monday, May 27, to commence the survey of Seneca lake. The headquarters this year will be at Geneva.

—Owing to a misunderstanding in regard to the time the Chi Phi base ball nine failed to meet the *A. K. E.* nine last Saturday, as was anticipated.

—The names for the "Ten Year Book" are in type as far as the letter D. The book will probably not appear before commencement.

—Some of the Professors who live on the campus and do not own a turnout are heartily in favor of the establishment and complete equipment of a University stable.

—Prof. Boyesen completed this week his short course of lectures on Goethe, and will occupy the remainder of the term in delivering six or seven lectures on Schiller.

—Scene at the chapel: First intelligent Senior to No. 2, "What's a toccato and fugue?" Second intelligent Senior to No. 1, "Why a 'fugue' is 2 —ahem! a sort of sonata with a voluntary tema!"

—The Senior engineers have presented the engineering department of the University with an elegant and expensive set of signals and field flags which will be used this season on the Seneca lake survey.

—A Freshman seeing Mr. Parke beat time in the chapel last Sunday, told a friend that he was "waving around a cane," and noticing his look of surprise explained himself by saying "I guess it was a *tuning-fork*."

—Here's the way they do it at Yale: "President Porter refuses to allow the Yale base-ball nine to play with clubs outside the college on any days but Wednesdays and Saturdays, or to leave town at any time without the permission from the faculty."

—The Professor in entomology yesterday in following the syllabus in his lecture said: "We will omit fleas." It was a matter of regret to many of the class who have much practical knowledge of that pugnacious insect as they wished to have it treated theoretically.

—Those who sat near the tenors' seats at the chapel Sunday, say the way they launched into the 14th hymn

"Oh deem not they are blest alone
Whose lives a peaceful tenor keep."

was particularly inspiring.

—The "German" given at the Sage Saturday evening was a very elegant and enjoyable affair. About twenty couples participated. Among those present were Major and Mrs. Burbank, Prof. and

Mrs. Crane, Miss Smith, of Philadelphia, Miss Richards, of New York, and Profs. Boyesen and White.

—Invitations are out for the marriage of Charles S. Francis, '77, to Miss Alice Evans, of Ithaca. Thursday, May 23d. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Dr. Tyler of the Congregational church at half past four, after which a reception will be held at the residence of the bride's mother, No. 22 East Seneca street.

—The Pasha took the following abominable notes on German literature Tuesday: S(h)elfish happiness—eating oysters alone. Real happiness—the Virginia reel, with the belle of the ball. When you "surpass yourself" do you "get left?" A rural idyl—a countryman on a drunk. He meets her at the well and says "well met!" Will a sherry cobbler wax you and peg you out, and are you badly sold if you take one?

—Thursday's Junior orators: Mr. Gifford, the Revolution of Religions; Miss Corbett, Music; Mr. Spaulding, Senator Morton; Miss Greene, the Maid of Orleans of Shakespeare and Schiller; Mr. Hostetler, Stephen A. Douglass; Mr. Smith, the Destiny of the United States.

—"O! Soph-ly o'er us stealing
The Freshmen meekly cry.
"O! gentle breeze re-fresh us,"
The Sophs in turn reply.

—During the last few weeks many of the students have been "examined" by Dr. Stevens, the physiognomist, whose card informs the public that he has "examined Lord Dufferin, Presidents Lincoln, Johnson, Grant, and Hayes. He has visited 116 colleges, has written three books and is writing another." Not the least remarkable performance of the Dr. consists in telling "about what kind of a sweetheart, or lover, would suit you, and describes the size, hair and features of such a person. He tells the signs of poor health on the face, and gives rules for right living. He describes your temperament and informs you whether you absorb or eliminate magnetism. He shows you a commercial nose and financial ear, and gives you all the rules and signs for reading character from the face and head."

—The "authorities" are frequently in receipt of letters inquiring about the University, which for "richness" of ideas and mangling of orthography cannot be excelled. Some, filled with the idea that this is a "working college," imagine that they can pay their expenses, one individual going so far as to ask if he might save enough up to send \$1000 home! Some anxious inquirers call for the health of the community, and others want to know what precautions are taken to guard the spiritual health. Below are given two recently received specimens,

illustrative of the character of many of the communications. In the second the writer proposes a problem in astronomy, which can be studied with profit:

WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, Ohio.

Sec. C. U. Dear Sir: Please send me a catalogue of your college and a Board of Health report, or some reliable information in regard to climate, prevailing diseases, character of water, also a report of the public schools unless you prepare young boys. We are three brothers one twenty, myself seventeen, and one twelve. Each with feeble health but of different characters and oblige.

ASTORIA Ills. May 28 1878.

Presd White. Sir. Will you be so kind as to send to my address a catalogue of Cornell University. Also (if of easy access) when Jupiter, Saturn, Venus, will be Collided together in the near distance as one in light as 1878 years ago, when they will visit this Earth with their moon like one star in Brightness. Respt JAMES JOHNSON.

—The following from one of our exchanges will be of interest to those who are to wield the editorial quill next year: "Those who bewail the decay of the literary and debating societies in the American colleges and attribute it to the degeneracy of American students, can console themselves, if they will, by watching the development of college journalism. Nearly every American college supports one or more periodicals, few of which are positively dull, while many of them are extremely clever. Yale has two papers in addition to the time-honored *Lit*; Harvard has also two papers, and in place of a literary magazine something in *The Punch* line known as *The Lampoon*, which is remarkable for neatness of typography and density of humor; *The Dartmouth* and *Princetonian* reflect credit upon their colleges; Cornell has a good weekly, *The Era*, and a literary monthly, *The Review*; Brown University has *The Brunonian*, an excellent college paper, with literary articles of real merit and an interesting record of college news; and the list might be indefinitely extended. The colleges may not be sending out as many debaters and orators as they did thirty years ago, but they are graduating clearer and stronger writers. After all, is there the same need for oratory now that there was then? A Senator addresses the reporters' gallery, his aim being to influence the public that reads the newspapers rather than his colleagues on the floor. If college journalism is teaching students how to write with grace and force, its development is a fair compensation for the decline of the literary societies."

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PERSONALIA.

FLINT, '74 is a house physician in Bellevue.

HENRY TIFFT, '74, is a disciple of Blackstone in Chicago.

H. G. WHITE, formerly '79, is attending the Paris exposition.

W. G. HALSEY, '75, is a successful business man in San Francisco.

W. J. YOUNGS, '72, has sought the retirement of Oyster Bay, L. I., and is very successful both in law and politics.

A. M. ENSIGN, '76, an ex-ERA editor, is on the New York *Tribune*.

HAWN, '75, has just been admitted to the bar in Salt Lake City.

PROFESSORS ANTHONY and Corson are members of the Wells College faculty.

LOUIS FULTON, '73, is a member of a well known law firm in New York City.

PROF. FISKE has been spending a few days with Dean Sage at Albany during the week.

S. H. COON, '76, who is now on the N. Y. *Tribune*, has been spending a few days in this vicinity.

E. T. BETTS and EDWIN JACKSON, '75, of Wilmington, Del., are visiting their old friends.

TYNDALE, '77, now a student at Columbia law school, is spending his vacation with friends here.

GENTLEMAN, '77, an ex-ERA editor, is studying law in the office of Robert Lincoln in Chicago.

B. F. MCCONNELL, '81, was called to his home in Chicago by the sad news of his father's death.

C. E. VANCLEEF, '71, is a very successful physician and a member of the board of health in Brooklyn.

C. F. CARPENTER, '76, is assistant engineer for the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. and is located in New York city.

J. H. MORROW, '73, is on the Brooklyn *Union*. He is one of its oldest and most successful reporters.

FRED W. NOYES, one of the '76 Woodford orators, who is studying law at Dansville, has been visiting friends in town recently.

WILL O. BATES, '75, is telegraph and commercial editor of the Indianapolis *Daily Journal*, the republican organ of the State.

EBENEZER WELLS, '73, occupies a responsible position as secretary of the N. Y. Metaline Co. 7 Park Place.

JESSE GRANT, '78, is in Paris with the ex-Presi-

dential party. He will either return to the University or go to Columbia law school next fall.

STANTON, '76, is still in Paris at work upon his Translation of the life of Theirs, and will probably remain in that city throughout the summer.

CHARLES PENNOCK, '80, of the University nine, left yesterday morning for a four week's visit to the Adirondack region in company with Hough, '80. Mr. Hough has been at home preparing in Greek this year and will enter the course in arts next fall.

H. WALTER, '75, is in the law office of Russell Sage, 25 William street, N. Y., where he has been several years. Since leaving the University he has been a member of the famous crew known as the Winning Dauntless Four, which won twice on the Harlem and once on Greenwood lake, against the crew of which C. C. King, '75, was a member.

EXCHANGES.

The early spring has done much toward rapidly developing the base ball interests at a number of colleges and Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Trinity, Brown and Amherst now have nines in the field. Of these Harvard has been the most successful and will doubtless prove to be the champion. Princeton, despite her poor success thus far, certainly has an excellent team, while Yale has still to develop her superiority. With our present revived interest in base-ball here, and taking into consideration our excellent University team, certainly superior to any we have had for a long time, it is to be hoped that the manager of the nine will exert himself to the utmost to arrange matches with, if possible, all of the colleges above mentioned, and if not with all, with the greatest possible number. To be sure we may not prove successful, but after all to play with some superior nine and be defeated will, we venture to say, be of more benefit to our ball interests than a score of games won from inferior nines. This subject should receive immediate attention, as but a few weeks of the term are left, and with the present term we will lose a number of the Senior members of the nine whose places may not be readily filled in the autumn.

The *Advocate* in its last number casts its lines in pleasant places as witness the following :

LINES WITH ROSES.

Though from that flower-sweet angle of the earth,
Where roses bloom for ever through the year,—
From perfumed Persia, land without a peer,
Where love and lovely roses know no dearth.

I could collect and weave for thee a crown,
How lustreless and cheap and poor 'twould seem
Compared to thee! There are no flowers I deem
Fit for thy lovely tresses soft and brown.

But since both time and space, and lack of gold—
But not desire—prevent the Persian rose,

Accept from me, if I may be so bold,
These native buds, than which no sweeter grows.

Faint images they are—need'st thou be told?—
Of graces sweet that in thee find repose.

With the exception of this poem it is the least interesting number of that periodical that has appeared during the present year. The exchange editor of the *Advocate* informs us that we never neglect to "dig" the *Record*, and that the *Record* returns the compliment. "Can this be?" We now for the first time realize that a man can do a thing of which he is not conscious. Has the *Record* too experienced this tendency unconsciously.

The Williams *Athenæum* has in its local columns one or two rather good jokes which we append :

"A Sophomore caught in the incipient manipulation of a tin horn, tried to escape cross questioning by pleading that he was merely acquiring skill in the use of a blow pipe. He was acquitted on the ground of extenuating circumstances."

"Student, (*very anxiously*): 'When did you say Rhetoricals come off?'"

Second Student, 'Yesterday.'

First Student, (*greatly surprised*): 'There, my watch has run down again. He may think I meant to cut.'"

A lengthy essay on "Ambition," fills the literary department of the paper, which is rather Sophomorical and has the genuine undergraduate-essay bouquet.

The Bowdoin *Orient* appears with an exceptionally readable number. It has a very well written criticism of Longfellow's poems and a capital article on muscular development which while its subject is a hackneyed one, is nevertheless one which cannot be too constantly kept before the student's eye. We quote a portion of the last paragraph :

It has been quite often said, and there is danger of the force of the truth being lost with much protesting, that nearly all the men who have lived successful lives have started with the foundation of a sound and healthy body. This is especially true of orators, lawyers, and ministers of the gospel, where their characteristic position of body and their use of their arms have a great deal to do with the force of their remarks, and many say that the so-called magnetism of popular preachers is almost wholly owing to their excellent physical organization.

The *Orient* also presents some excellent verses upon "The Poet" :

I.

"As out of the chill, turbid ocean
Fair pearls the diver brings,
So out of the deeps of sorrow
His songs the poet sings.

"Yet not for himself, but another,
The diver braves the tide ;
And not for himself sings the poet,
But for all the world beside.

"Scant dole or of wage or of glory
Win either, soon or late ;
The diver the slave of his master,
And the poet of his fate.

II.

"A thousand days of shade and sun
Go to perfect the rose,
Whose petals yet unclose
In one brief moment when the time is run.

"The poet's art in its most sure progression
Is as a snail's pace slow :
Genius is half the power of self-repression,
Half energy to grow.

"Poet and rose must both abide their day,
But gather sweetness in the long delay

The *Princetonian* in an article entitled "Dialogue between a Father and a Princeton Student," enters into a long explanation of the Princeton hazing affrays. Isn't it about time to bury this corpse which has been for so long a time before the public? The coroner's jury has rendered its verdict by this time and why the body should not have received decent burial long since is past finding out. In other respects the *Princetonian* is all that could be expected of the first production of a new editorial board.

In the last number of the *Brunonian* there is a superabundance of poesy. The prettiest conception, though unfortunately it is not so well worked up as it might have been, is embodied in the poem "My Study Chair;" the verses quoted are among the best in the production :

"Through the regions of facts, figures, classical lore,
Like a steed never tiring, you've carried me o'er.
And when flesh seems to groan beneath all it can bear,
Not a word of complaint from the faithful old chair.

"And often, when some pleasing story or joke
Would appeal to my mirth and my laughter to provoke,
As if wishing my merriment with me to share,
You would shake with me too, you hilarious chair.

"Oh what longings I've cherished, what plans I have planned!
Oh, what visions appear at my heart's mute command!
Oh, what towering castles I build in the air,
When reclining at ease in my old arm chair!

"On your soft padded cushion inviting repose,
I oft yield to the slumber that weariness knows,
And in dreams, through bright fields that the angels prepare,
I am borne in the arms of my old study-chair.

"False fears for the future, dark doubts from the the past,
Often over you hover, but never to last.
As a cradle of hope, and a grave of despair,
Like an Eden-born boon seems my old study-chair.

"But misfortune may come with its harassing woe ;
My possessions may feel its all levelling blow,
Yet whatever it brings I most gladly will bear,
If it only will leave me my old study-chair.

Under the title "Research and Reward," the *Brunonian* presents a short sketch which represents the discovery by an antiquarian of a wooden flask which had been fished out of the sea, he obtains possession of it, opens it and finds a document written in Spanish in Scotty Briggs' style, a very small portion of the translation will be sufficient to

illustrate the character of the whole, where taken in its entirety it might be rather discouraging :

"Say, ole man, jes' look ahere. I want to possess your time for few minutes to have a little private confab with yer. This new country business is gettin' almighty thin. The boys are gettin' ravin,—they've stood it jest about as long as they're goin' ter. You've seen enough yerself to know that things is mighty ticklish. Well to say what I was comin' at, the boys have jest had a sort of a meetin' down in the fo'c's'le, and they lit on me, bein' as I was somewhat on a chin, and besides an old pal o' yourn, to be their spokesman, and come on deck and see what you've got to say fer yerself. I've tried to calm 'em, off'n on, all I knew how, but it's no use tryin' any more. That story of another world was a putty takin' thing at the send off, but its got altogether too stale, and as loose as their collars are. an' they won't swaller it no longer."

We have received a copy of the *Homeopathic Expositor*, edited by E. J. Morgan, Jr., M. D, formerly of the class of '77. It is a homeopathic dose and for those needing treatment would doubtless prove very pleasant to the taste and very beneficial in its effects. The editor has chosen as his motto "The Agitation of Thought is the Beginning of Truth." We confess ourselves incompetent to judge of the merit of this first attempt at "Agitation," but nevertheless trust it may meet with whatever reward its originator may have in view.

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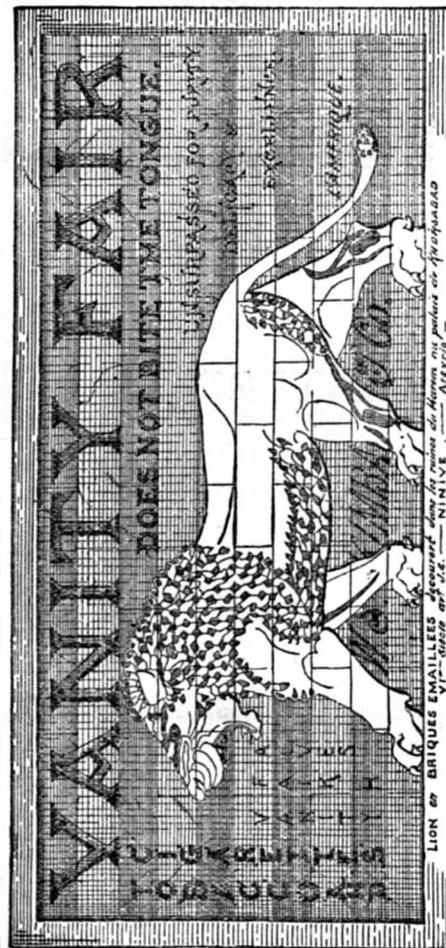
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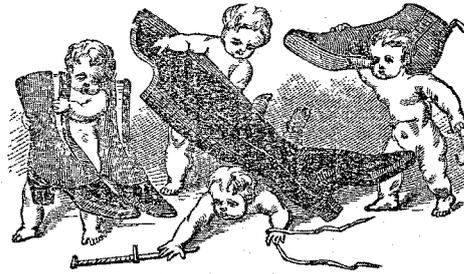
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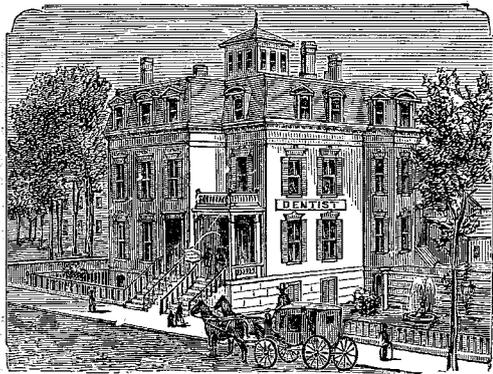
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LET us have a field day by all means if it is not too late, and we do not think it is. Last Saturday evening quite an assemblage of students gathered around Military Hall having seen the call for a meeting to consider the subject, on the bulletin board. For some unaccountable reason the persons having the conduct of the meeting in charge failed to put in an appearance and open the hall, so the meeting was necessarily postponed. Considerable interest has been manifested in the matter, and if it is carried through this year, field day will hereafter be a settled thing. The only question which arises now in considering the feasibility of holding a field day, is that of time. We think there is yet time enough to make a very creditable show. We have lately held a gymnastic exhibition and many of the participants are already in training or at least in good condition. A field day will be quite an attraction to the visitors here at commencement, will undoubtedly pay for itself, and will do us a vast amount of good. We have been rather negligent in athletics of late and there is a general feeling that interest in them should be revived if it is possible. No means will be better than this proposed. The sports might be held in connection with the spring regatta, as they were two years ago, or an entire day might be given them. But something should be done about the matter and that soon, for we feel confident that those taking the initiative will be ably seconded by those of us who take an interest in athletic sports. Field day is an enjoyable occurrence at other colleges and it should be here.

ONE of the most important results to be attained by the appointment of Senior officers in the Fall trimester, was that by this means the various committees might be appointed at once and thereby be enabled to accomplish their various functions and discharge their various duties at an early date, and would not on this account be harassed with extra toil, owing to the limited time which they would otherwise have in which to perform their work. What these committees may have done it is not possible to definitely determine. We only know that whereas the invitations for Class Day and Commencement Hop should have been at the disposal of the members of the class at least two weeks ago, they have not yet appeared. In former years the committees have offered as their excuse for the late appearance of the invitations the limited time allotted them in which to act; certainly there can be no such apology offered this year and we must confess ourselves at a loss to account for this inexcusable delay.

A LATE number of the *Niagara Index* has a well considered editorial on the subject of "Sporting American Colleges," in which the writer soundly belabors the tendency of certain colleges to devote themselves to sports to the exclusion of "the sterner duties of college life." "Rivalry of brawn, not brain, prevails to-day in our highest institutions of learning. And so close is the contest that it would be difficult to decide upon whose brow the laurel wreath should be placed. Harvard, Yale, Columbia, and Cornell, are probably the most prominent competitors. At least their college papers convey that impression." The last sentence explains the very common error that has blinded the piercing vision of the screeching bald eagle of the mighty Niagara. Because a college paper chronicles the sports, considering them live topics, and does not overload its columns with ponderous encyclopædia extracts and prize essay trash, it is no indication that all the college exercises have been suspended in honor of a base ball match, or that the bat and the oar have usurped the place of Minerva's owl.

Not the least interesting and instructive of the many attractions and advantages which the University affords to its students and visitors are the valuable museums. In these the most practical instruction is afforded, and to those who do not care for instruction they afford amusement. They are really very valuable, and in them are collected curious and rare things from all parts of the world, things which would require much travel and time to be seen less satisfactorily. Especially valuable are the collections illustrative of zoology and physiology, and these are perhaps more frequently visited than any others. There is, however, a great deficiency in regard to some which detracts largely from the value of the specimens. In looking at anything which you do not know, one of the most valuable and necessary things to learn is its name, for by their names is the simplest way to know objects. And on the other hand we may know the name of an object very well but not be familiar with its appearance, and so will not recognize it. Names are undeniably essential, but in this respect our museums are deficient, and many specimens are not marked, at least so that the names can be read from the outside of the cases. This is a matter deserving of attention, since it is one of importance to many. The specimens are not so much for those who know about them as for those who do not know, to assist them, and certainly they are not now of so much value as they might be with a very little more care and trouble.

THE ball nine did not go to Syracuse to-day to play the return game as was expected. All arrangements had been made and the game had been quite extensively advertised in Syracuse and it is very unfortunate for us that we did not keep our engagement, as more or less odium will be attached to the fact, whatever reasons we may or may not have had for not going. All of us know that the nine is at the present time in a rather weak condition; two of the best players have been called away and we have thus worked under disadvantages. But is the fact that the nine is in a measure crippled a sufficient excuse for not meeting its engagement in Syracuse? We think not. The nine has already played without these men and the natural inference would be that it could

do so again. Besides, whatever might have been the result of the game, the club should have fulfilled its engagement, and it seems rather puerile that any personal whims or disagreements should kept it at home. There is in reality no good reason why the nine should not have gone, and most of them desired to go. A fear of being defeated might have actuated some, but it certainly would have been wiser to have played and returned unsuccessful than not to have gone at all, for if the nine is to disband, it is much better to do so in a manner which, if it does not leave it victorious, will at least place it in an honorable light.

THIS is the time of year when the editor of a college paper, busy with examinations, prospects of graduation, and all the many duties and occupations which take up a student's time during the last few weeks of the year, begins to feel pressed for matter. The work on the paper has lost a great share of its novelty, he has made his reputation, if he ever will on a college paper, and he feels as though he does not care much whether the paper is out this week on time or not. All through the year he may have rather smiled at the idea of others admitting that they sometimes were hard pressed to fill their paper satisfactorily to themselves, or, they feared, to their readers; for he got along very well by just a fair amount of application, and always filled his columns quite easily. But now with perhaps a thesis, and with innumerable essays, preparation for recitations and the distraction attending all these on his hands, he begins to feel that he had just as soon have the year come to an end now as not, for he has nothing to write about. In fact this is the dry time for editors of college papers. Scarcely any one can now be induced to write a communication on any impossible reform, or anything else, and the editor is obliged to depend wholly upon himself when he feels least like doing so. It is no wonder that the papers are dry at this time of the year, written by busy editors to a public too busy to pay much attention to what they say, and as late in the week as the printer will allow. They have omitted to study some things all the term to get more time to write, expecting to cram them up in time for examinations; but now the writing is even worse for every reason, and with both urg-

ing him he feels quite distracted. Interesting subjects too are very scarce now and exceedingly hard to find, for he has used up all the old ones and nothing new happens. But perhaps this is the time when the work does him really the most good, for if the paper is made up out of almost nothing, and made to be at all interesting, it implies a good deal of hard thinking, and requires the exercise of a peculiar power, that of being able to write under pressure. And any way the end is now so near that it does not pay to complain but only to write more earnestly than ever.

QUESTION.

O when is a maid at her prettiest? tell!
 Ah, none but a lover can answer so well.
 Is it when she is smiling,
 Her suitors beguiling
 With silver toned words? Ah the silvery belle!
 "O no, not then,"
 Make answer the men;
 'Tis a reef-guarded haven that's safe from the swell.

In sorrow, when faces are tear-stained and pale,
 And the eyes scarce appear 'neath the mourner's
 dark veil,
 When the form like the spirit
 Unable to bear it,
 Sinks lower till everyone reads the sad tale,
 Ah, then is a maid
 Averse to parade:
 Such beauty is holy; away lusty gale!

But ah merry wooer, who fancy your case
 Rests safe in your hands, 'tis a dangerous place.
 For never so pleasing
 As when she is teasing
 [To those who observe, not the one in disgrace,]
 The whimsical maid
 Must needs be obeyed:
 So beware of the words of your tongue and your
 face.

Her roguish bright eyes, how gaily they dance,
 And yet how her gestures repel an advance,
 Her dimples, how charming,
 Her tones how disarming.
 And yet how she pierces your heart with a glance!
 O confident man,
 Beware while you can:
 For once in the breakers, how slender your chance!

G. MOTT WILLIAMS.

SCOTTISH BALLADS.

It has been said that the soul of poetry is the intensity of inspiration caught by the reader. It is impossible, however, fully to appreciate any poetry unless we can assume to ourselves the writer's sentiments and exist in the same sphere of fancy. It is there the ideal is to us real and we are enabled to make inferences and comparisons. No one language possesses the charm of all tongues, but as every language has its grace in modes of expression, its strong similes and close harmony, so every translation aims to preserve the same figures in his own language. Strongly contrasted as are the pastoral rhymes with the fanciful verses of a more classical and imaginative people they possess a beauty purely their own and attract by their singular rustic simplicity. A genius like Burns gives quiet pictures of rural life and his mirth is not a meaningless overflow of spirits but is gilded with the reflections of a keen discernor of human nature. He does not embolden with exaggeration, falsehood, or affectation, but paints life true to itself with a sensibility and pathos becoming Scottish life. Susceptible to the exquisite delights of nature in both the gay and gloomy aspects, he diffused his poems with these joys, but he took a deeper interest in man, and as a consequence the chief interest of his powers is in the humanitarian feature with which he mingles his vivacity. That Burns has shown great strength as a descriptive poet is fully illustrated by many passages exemplifying his exquisite perception of nature's beauties. Every country moulds the character of its people and they in turn transfer these imprints to their poetry. The bold expressions of landscape—the rugged braes and rocky banks reflected in the lochs and friths inspire the Scottish bard with the sturdiness of pastoral life, while Spanish poetry blends a light and gaiety genial as the glow of a Southern sky upon a land of peace and plenty.

A more fanciful way than the poet has employed to express a rosy face can hardly be imagined when he says:

"And Gerda's cheeks why praise they so,—
 'Aurora's fair on purest saow'?
 For cheek I know, as if together
 Two dawns should break in cloudless weather."

Burns never embellishes with such grace, but his touches of sensibility are found scattered among the cold appalling passions of his age like the beautiful edelweiss amid the avalanches of Switzerland. In Spanish ballads love glows with the fierce ardor of a tropical sun. It emblazons every song. But the calm dejection and tender melancholy diffused in Scottish songs are far more affecting than all this turbulence of passion. There is revealed in them the ties which bind the

simple man to the hearts of his people. Humble in birth and unfortunate in a short, sad life, his character is one of praise and pity. He was, perhaps, the most directly inspired of poets. His poems did not seem to grow but merely to awake and unfold the ecstasies of a happy dream. That short ode commencing :

“Thou ling’ring star with less’ning ray
That lov’st to greet the early morn,
Again thou usherst in the day
My Mary from my soul was torn.”

is one of his most melancholy productions. It seems to have been his secret thoughts in a time of sadness. Few of his songs are more beautiful and impressive than :

“Ye banks and braes and streams around
The castle o’ Montgomery ;
Green be your woods and fair your flowers,
Your waters never drumlie!
There simmer first unfauld her robes,
And there the longest tarry ;
For there I took the last fareweell
O’ my sweet Highland Mary.”

Many a poet surpasses Burns in his fertility of imagination, can paint in richer colors, or twine the more curious expressions of harmony, but Burns is valued for his strong insight into character, his gleams of sagacity and sense. His poems are almost incomparable. Not from superiority is this true, but merely from peculiarities. Plain and easy in style they seem the very soul of the man himself taking tangible form. There is an impetuosity and vivacity in many of his stanzas which disclose the rapidity of his thoughts and the ease of his writing.

That was a gentle, soothing song sung in the tragedy of Valentinian :

“Care-charming Sleep, thou easer of all woes,
Brother to Death, sweetly thyself dispose
On this afflicted prince. Fall like a cloud
In gentle showers ; give nothing that is loud
Or painful to his slumbers ; easy sweet
And as a purling stream, thou Son of Night
Pass by his troubled senses : sing his power
In hollow murmuring wind, or silver rain
Into this prince gently, oh ! gently slide,
And kiss him into slumbers like a bride !”

How different are the songs of Burns ! Neither history nor romance were themes for his muse but rather topics of familiar life endowed with thought, passion, and tenderness were his chosen subjects. It was more to his taste to sing :

“And here’s a hand my trusty fiere,
And gie’s a hand o’ thine;
And we’ll take a right guid willie-waught
For auld lang syne.”

Lyric poetry admits of less variety than any other species, and Burns for this circumstance as well as for the flexibility of his talents may be considered as the representative of his country. He displayed a faculty of dealing with meanest objects and giving to them an air of truth and cordiality. His

thoughts are new and unborrowed. To a brotherly love he has added an affection for flowers of the valley and the beauties of the wildwood. All he has written is distinguished by an elasticity of spirits mostly mirthful and concise, clear yet full. “All this and much more is embodied in the language of humble life—a dialect reckoned barbarous by scholars but which coming from the life of inspiration, becomes classic and elevated.”

—C. H. W.

COMMUNICATIONS.

FLORA ITHACENCIS.

To the Editors of the Cornell Era :

For the benefit of the present class in botany, and others interested in the study, I gladly avail myself of the space offered in your columns for a short homily on a familiar text, viz.: the attractions of local flora. An opinion pretty generally prevails that our flora is rich in species, but the manner in which it is stated by the visitors at our laboratory shows that the facts on which this opinion is based are but little known.

When we can say that within an average radius of ten miles we find very nearly one thousand species, almost the exact number of flowering plants and ferns or fern-like plants besides numerous varieties ; and when we consider that this is very nearly two-thirds of all such plants found in the State of New York, and more than one-fifth of the whole number east of the Mississippi in the Northern U. S., we may indeed consider ourselves favorably located for the study of this science.

This excess over the average flora, results from our great variety of soil, elevation, and surface exposure. The great plain of Ithaca and the shores of our lake contain a flora in large part quite distinct from the surrounding country five hundred to one thousand feet above them.

In other words we find a considerable number of plants growing in the rich sedimentary soil of the valley or along the warm, protected nooks of our shores which are not found, with us, outside these limits. Several of these are trees. The Downy Ash, the Hackberry, the Swamp White Oak, the Overcup Oak, the Silver Maple and the Black Maple seem to shun the colder heights and exposures, as much as the delicate blue bells of the Virginian Cowslip or the clematis-like wreaths of the Star-Cucumbers. Half a hundred species might be mentioned which shelter themselves in this deep valley, which is only a few hundred feet above the sea-level and where the season is fully one month longer than upon the rim of surrounding hills. The most remarkable specimens, however, are the Box Elder and the Kentucky Coffee

Tree, neither of which has been found elsewhere in this State, both being visitors from the South. To the credit of a Cornell student belongs the discovery of the former, and I am very sure the ERA will join the botanists in asking the prayers of the whole "Pagan" university for the confusion of those individuals who are at present engaged in cutting down these interesting trees in their native grove two miles above the town.

The lake and the shore floras afford us rare visitors from the sea shore, such as the *Lythrum Salicaria*, the yellow Millilot and the beautiful Marsh Holly-hock with a corolla five or six inches in diameter; also flowers peculiar to themselves, as the white pond-lily and *Vallisneria*. The glens of our creeks, perhaps, give us the greatest profusion of species and of individuals. Taghanic ravine is especially noteworthy as the "earliest" place for Trilliums, Hepaticas and violets, and producing specimens of wonderful size. Six Mile Creek has the greatest variety through the whole season. In Fall Creek in the cool recesses and on dripping cliffs below Triphammer Fall we find two visitors from the far north; *Pinguicula*, a little carnivorous plant with a violet-like flower, native of the sub-arctic regions, blooms beside the rock primrose—our only primrose—high above the reach of even the adventurous collector. About the middle of May the high cliffs are almost rosy with the bloom of the latter. For these two plants Ithaca is the most southern station yet known in this country; and *Pinguicula* is found at present, we believe, nowhere else in the State.

Then comes the Mecca of our amateur collections—the Sphagnum swamps of Dryden; and "trips to Freeville" in search of Orchids, heaths, pitcher-plants and rare honey-suckles, have come to partake of the nature of crusades on these pretty orientals. About the middle of May we find the pink or white urns of the heaths, *Andromeda Cassandra* and *Ledum*, together with the Painted Trillium, the Clintonia, the Buckbean and the *Showy Orchis*.

Toward June appear the Ladies' Slippers, the single rose-colored flower of the *Arethusa*, "like an old, Greek helmet" as Hawthore said, followed by *Linnaea*, the pitcher-plant flower, *Calopogon* and others.

The flora of other localities would also furnish us with interesting data; a chapter might be written on the significance of the Ithaca valley flora in connection with certain local geological questions but we have not time to deal with these points. The list of our local flowering plants slowly increases, one or two new discoveries being added each year so that the most industrious and triumphant collector who plumes himself with the honor of having discovered the "last" plant of the flora, is usually relegated to the shade, botani-

cally speaking, the next season by an equally triumphant successor.

We have spoken only of Spring flowers. The following enumeration concerning them may not be uninteresting: Whole number of species exclusive of grasses and sedges usually blooming before commencement time, 420.

The following are some of the Natural orders largely represented:

Rosaceæ, 34 species.	Ericaceæ, 15 species.
Cruciferae, 25 "	Compositæ, 14 "
Ranunculacæ, 22 "	Umbelliferae, 14 "
Liliacæ, 21 "	Leguminosæ, 12 "
Caprifoliacæ, 16 "	Caryophyllacæ, 12 spec.
Salicacæ, 16 "	

This enumeration, of course, must vary with each season, and with the present may be increased thirty species. With your permission we will forward for printing in your next issue a list of the rarer plants of the vicinity with localities to be used as a check list by collectors in case new stations are discovered.

WM. R. DUDLEY.

OUR correspondent, AJAT, who made some suggestions last week relative to improvements in the library building has sent in a communication on the close order system in the library, which has long been a standard subject for complaint. Owing to the length of the article we will only be able to make an extract:

Considerations of convenience alone ought to be sufficient to determine the adoption of the open order system. Libraries in which this system is in custom are a great deal more frequented than those run on the close order system. Take for example the Mercantile Library at Philadelphia, and the Philadelphia Library of the same city. They are each collections of more than a hundred thousand volumes, the latter being perhaps the more valuable. The Mercantile, run on the open order system, is always filled with readers, while the Philadelphia, where close order is in vogue, but rarely enjoys a visitor. The contrast between the Astor library, New York, (close order) and the reading room of the Cooper Institute is equally as great, the visitors at the latter place often numbering over a thousand a day. The Library of Congress, at Washington, conducted very strictly on the close order system, is a collection of nearly four hundred thousand books, but seldom attracts more than a hundred readers. From these illustrations it is seen that the usefulness of a library bears a direct relation to the accessibility of the books.

The chief objections urged by the University authorities against the adoption of the open order system, are the liability to loss and misplacement of books. As for loss of books, I do not think there is much danger here, but even should such

abuses be found to occur, they might easily be prevented by making those who use the library liable for damages. As to the misplacement of books by those using them, that could easily be obviated by requiring readers to leave the books they have been using on the study table, instead of replacing them on the shelves. The librarians can then at their leisure return the books to their proper places.

If the open order system were adopted that long unseemly study table had better be replaced by a number of smaller ones, which would certainly be an improvement in the appearance of the library.

A BULL FROM THE TREASURER OF THE GYMNASIUM.

Auscultanto, filii :—Our mind is burdened with vexations and we would fain relieve it. Notwithstanding our endeavors the towny still manages to get into the gymnasium and fiendishly delights in tearing the mattresses and abusing the apparatus—since he now finds no clothes to steal. Now, inasmuch as defensive measures alone do not seem to suffice, we would ask *anyone* finding a towny in there to judiciously administer a few love pats, that he may better understand that his presence there is not desirable.

We have also been vexed with questions from the inquisitive Freshman and impudent upper class man (for he should know better) as to the stability of the gym. and its probable existence next fall. Seest thou yon massy crag, which from time immemorial has withstood the ravages—but we must not crib from "The Charge of the Light Brigade," which was so finely rendered before the Junior class recently. Suffice it to say that the gymnasium was probably never in a better condition to continue its work. To make this the more certain the present officers have determined to defer the election of officers, heretofore a farce, till later in the fall term, when it may become as exciting as a Junior ERA election. We have also determined, in order to prevent the stealing of the lock as happened last summer, to take it off at the end of this term and substitute a pad-lock, and any member who wishes to practice there in the summer, can obtain a duplicate key from the humble servant of that most honorable body, the Gymnasium Association, its

TREASURER.

—The following from the New York *World* will be of interest to many of our readers. "The engagement of Mr. Hjalmar Hjorth Boyesen, Professor of German at Cornell University, to Miss Elizabeth M. Keen, a daughter of Mr. William B. Keen, of No. 326 Madison avenue, New York, is finally announced, and the wedding will take place quietly on the 27th of next month at the residence of Mr. Keen, and the couple will sail for Europe in the Mosel, of the North German Lloyd

line, on the 13th of July, with the intention of remaining abroad for a year. Mr. Boyesen, who is an author of note, was born in Norway in 1848, his father being an officer in the Norwegian army and his mother the daughter of Judge Hjorth, a man of prominence in his country. His youth was spent under the guardianship of his maternal grandfather, who placed him at an early age at the University of Christiania, from whence he was graduated in 1868. His ambition at this time was to be an author, but his family opposed such a plan and said that Norway afforded too small an audience for any one to devote his whole time to writing for it. It then occurred to him to master a language which would open to him a larger field, and he selected the English, coming to this country to travel and study the language at the same time. He landed in this city in April, 1869, and spent some time in traveling through New England, and then went West. In a short while he accepted the position of associate editor of the *Fremad*, a Norwegian paper. In his editorials he took strong grounds against the prejudice of the Norwegian clergy against common schools, and his arguments excited interest outside of the ordinary readers of his paper. In September of the same year he accepted the professorship of Latin and Greek in a small Ohio college, principally for the opportunity afforded of perfecting himself in English. It was while there that "Gunnar" was begun, and in fact it was finished before Mr. Boyesen had been two years in America, though to an extent it was rewritten before its publication in 1873. Just previous to the publication of his book he went abroad and spent a year at the University of Leipsic, where he studied Germanic and comparative philology. Before returning to this country to take the chair to which he had been appointed at Cornell he went to Paris, where he met Tourguéniéff, with whom he has been on the most friendly relations every since. Since Mr. Boyesen's return to America he has been a very frequent contributor to the magazines, writing for them numerous short stories and poems, but during this time he has been engaged upon a more ambitious work—Goethe and Schiller; their lives and works—which will, it is understood, appear next September. The supervision of the publication of this book is what will detain Mr. Boyesen in this country after the wedding. It is not his intention to resign his chair at Cornell on account of his trip abroad, as arrangements have been made to supply his place during his absence. Miss Keen, whose father was formerly a member of the Chicago publishing-house of Keen, Cook & Co., is described as tall and graceful, with regular, clear cut features and in every way beautiful. She is twenty-two years old, and cultivated far beyond the level of most young ladies of the day.

SPORTS.

During the past week the crew have been making decided progress under the skillful management of Mr. Gardiner, who was obliged to leave upon Thursday evening, he will return, however, at Commencement week and correct and improve the crew in what he could not now touch upon. He expresses himself as very well pleased with the crew who are as far advanced and in as good form as any of the Freshman crews have been at this time. The men have for the most part readily fallen into the Cornell stroke and swing, and catch well. The crew are very fortunate in having Mr. Gardiner at this time when it was difficult to leave his business, and they should not fail to follow out his directions. Instead of taking the quarters mentioned last week, the old situation near Fall Creek will probably be chosen, being much more convenient and satisfactory. The opinion of Mr. Gardiner is encouraging and the prospect of adding another to our list of victories is bright.

—The base-ball nine went to Auburn upon Saturday in order to retrieve themselves in a measure for their defeat on the previous day. They, however, received a crushing defeat, being satisfied with no runs and allowing their opponents 14. They were accompanied by a few students who did not give any encouragement by their presence. At first, general demoralization seemed to prevail, but, towards the last as in the first game, they played much better, keeping the Auburns from scoring many runs. Bailey pitched excellently, in fact too well: nearly every ball was a fair one as is shown by his having only three called balls. The batting was weaker than upon Friday, the same men doing the work.

The return game with Syracuse was to be played to-day, but for some reason a general feeling against going seemed to take possession of most of the players, and Syracuse was telegraphed that they could not come. The loss of McConnell and Pennock has proved quite a serious one, as it is difficult to fill their positions; but it is to be hoped that the men will "brace" and do at least better work than has been exhibited lately.

In the college championship, Harvard has led until the game with Yale who defeated the Harvards by the close score of 4 to 3. Princeton is third.

CORNELIANA.

—Ho! for Watkins!

—Thesis Sunday—May 19th.

—Now bait your hooks for commencement ball partners.

—They call Prof. Shackford's Shakespeare class now *Shackspeare*.

—The Pasha wants to know if a poet can properly be called a versatile genius?

—In the next number the *Review* will devote itself exclusively to classical subjects.

—The report recently circulated that the *Review* will be out next week is said to be well founded.

—The Saratoga flugs in the library flap enviously with the morning breeze as they hear of the new rival "Owasco."

—Question for the Senior debaters on Monday: "Is socialism to be regarded as a dangerous element in our society?"

—It is said that a majority of the faculty are in favor of having no University duties on the Friday following Decoration day.

—The statistics compiled by the editor of the Ten Year Book show that no Cornell graduate ever dies of religious excitement.

—Professor lecturing: "Suppose that the land had been bequeathed to some person, say John Smith, for he lives in all ages," etc.

—The Senior as he plods his way down the hill cogitates sadly that but four weeks remain for him "on the threshold of the battle of life."

—Wilson, the hatter, has got out the expected Cornell hat, made by Dunlap of New York, and decorated with the orthodox carnelian and white.

—The Rugby Union foot-ball rules have been printed in a very neat manner and can be obtained of the librarian or from members of the committee.

—Prof. Wilder's public museum in front of the McGraw building has been enlarged by the addition of an extra tank containing several Amias and some young turtles.

—Prof. Potter has a large engraving of Prince Louis Philip, from the portrait by Winterhatter, which he is about to have hung in the University library for safe keeping.

—The uncompleted structure of Prof. Comstock's new house next to treasurer Williams's, gives promise of being the most handsome of the many cottages on the campus.

—An imaginative Junior who watched the pictures on the wall during the oratory Thursday, says that during one of the exciting bursts he distinctly saw a brick fall off the Colosseum.

—An innocent old dame who was examining the curiosities in the museum the other day, was informed by a veracious Senior that the gigantic fossil megatherium was a species of *titanic moth*!

—Prof. Oliver's lecture before the Philalathean society last Saturday evening on the "Benefit of Modern Mathematics," was a very commendable effort. And inasmuch as the lower classes were largely represented in the audience, we have no doubt that the number of those who will hereafter elect mathematics will be considerably increased.

—The reaction from the musical *renaissance* was noticeable last Sunday in the depleted and decimated corporal's guard who listened to the two very excellent sermons by Rev. Dr. Greer, of Providence.

—The plans for Prof. Caldwell's new house on the campus have been prepared by Instructor Wright of the architectural department, who will remain here this summer to superintend the construction.

—A meeting of the "Dwellers on the Hill" was held Wednesday evening, and it was decided to postpone the banquet until the Friday evening of examination week. Mr. Hostetler was elected prophet in place of Mr. Haight, resigned.

—The projected play of "The Loan of a Lover," which was to have been acted at the Curtis to-morrow night has been given up, owing to the fact that no well organized lover could have devoted the necessary time so near examinations to a proper rehearsal of his part.

—The P. G. crew has been fully organized and practices three times a week. The new feature caused by the P. G.'s competing with the classes in the annual regattas is one that will not only add interest to the spirit of rowing but bids fair to become a pleasant part of the regatta programme.

—Next Tuesday Prof. Boyesen will deliver the last lecture of the Faust course, on the Faust legend. These lectures have been pleasant and profitable to the many who have attended, and as it is the last time the course will be delivered at Cornell for several years, this year's course has been of unusual interest.

—We are informed by the Commodore of the Navy, that but little has yet been done in the way of subscriptions for the coming race, outside of the Freshman class. This is not right. Everybody in college and in the village of Ithaca should feel a lively interest in the race, and all committees appointed for the purpose should be constantly on the look-out for subscriptions. The money *must* be raised, and it should be done at once.

—All Cornellians on taking up their residence in New York are requested to call at the law office of De B. Wilmot, '73, Evening Post Building, 206 Broadway. Mr. Wilmot, who is now secretary of the New York alumni association, has a register in his office in which all should place their names, residences and occupations in the city. This will be a matter of great convenience to all as it is the only means by which University men in the city can successfully find each other. The advantages of belonging to an association, now more than one hundred strong, of earnest young men of like aims in a great city, must be patent to all and it is to be hoped that next year will find the membership not only of this but of all the alumni associations of the University considerably increased.

—Work on the Ten Year Book has been pushed rapidly forward and it will be ready before commencement. The stereotype plates are made by the University press, but the printing will be done in New York.

—The Ten Year Book will be sold at \$1 per copy. Students who desire copies should leave their names and money at the library before leaving town for vacation, in which case the books will be forwarded as soon as published. The books will be neatly and substantially bound and will supply many wants which are usually met by any one wishing information of any person connected with the University, as professor or student, since its organization.

—The last number of *Cocagne* was "heavy, flat, stale and unprofitable" to an alarming degree, and was far from being a "counterfeit presentment" of number 3, its best issue. The pictorial department has degenerated till it is but a shadow of its former self. As a specimen of unmitigated insipidity commend us to the "nothing" cut on the first page; the concluding local cut, however, was quite pointed. With the exception of some very "palpable hits" in "A Little of Everything," and the exceedingly clever parody "Evolution," the literary department failed to raise a smile. The blighting effects of too much Senior thesis seems to have settled over its columns but we have faith that the two remaining numbers of the term will compensate for this temporary eclipse of our cotemporary.

—Tuesday afternoon at half past four o'clock, the wedding ceremonies of Charles S. Francis, '77, and Miss Alice Evans, of Ithaca, were performed. At this hour the Congregational church was filled with friends of the couple, representing very fully the faculty of the University, the élite of Ithaca, and many visitors, the Rev. Dr. Tyler officiating. In this short notice we can only give an epitome. The bridesmaids were Miss Sterns, New Orleans; Miss Benton, Newark. Miss Burr, Florence, Conn; Miss Converse, Elmira; Miss Treman, Ithaca; and Miss Whiton, Ithaca. The groomsmen were, Mr. Heublin, formerly '78, Hartford, Conn.; Mr. Bush, Troy; Mr. Eldred, Auburn; Mr. Littlefield, Albany; Mr. Lape, Troy; and Mr. Cole, '81, St. Louis. The ushers were Mr. Otis, Cleveland; Mr. Everson, '78, Syracuse; Mr. Follett, post graduate, Marietta, O.; and Mr. Northrup, Ithaca. The decorations of the pulpit were very fine, and at the house of reception rich and beautiful in design. The presents were elegant and so numerous that it would take many hours examining to do them any degree of justice, instead of hasty glances at the more conspicuous. The day was cloudless and perfect; the dresses superb; the entertainment the best; all the appointments splendid and the whole most enjoyable and brilliant.

PERSONALIA.

G. L. ROSENBLATT, '73, is rapidly rising in the profession of law in New York city.

H. L. SPRAGUE, '73, is a member of the law firm of Webb and Sprague, 206 Broadway, N. Y.

D. J. TOMPKINS, '75, is with the law firm of Ise-lin and Warner, at 52 Williams St., N. Y.

M. T. CONKLIN, '72, is with the firm of J. Sabin & Sons, prominent booksellers, 84 Nassau St. N. Y.

PROF. ROBERTS will lecture before the Agricultural Club this evening on Robert Bakewell.

PROF. SWEET left the University last Saturday for Chatanooga, Tenn. where he is to read a paper before the Institute of Mining Engineers on the new Steam Engine Indicator.

E. K. ROSSITER, '75, has lately returned from his honeymoon in Europe, and has settled down to the realities of life at Cold Spring, N. Y.

W. F. DUNCAN, '73, is enjoying the fruits of a large practice as physician and surgeon at 123 Broadway, N. Y.

EXCHANGES.

—The *Journal des Débats*, the leading Paris daily, in its number for May 3, speaks in this way of our late professor: "The newspapers of Rio de Janeiro announce the death of a well-known American geologist, Professor Ch. Fred. Hartt, who followed up the researches of Agassiz in South America. His most important work is entitled *Geology and Physical Geography of Brazil*. Mr. Hartt died of yellow fever."

In Daudet's "*Nabab*" there is a certain *M. Joyeuse* who is continually building impossible *châteaux en Espagne* in which he becomes so absorbed that he is only awakened from his reverie by the startled expressions on the faces of his companions announcing to him that he has unwittingly given utterance to a portion of his vagary. It is somewhat such a character as this that the *Yale Record* would ascribe to one of our editors, who recently gave substance to a preconceived idea of his, that it would be of much mutual benefit to the participants, if the editors of the various college periodicals might meet together for the interchange of opinion and the establishment of friendly relations. Perchance the idea is Utopian, and if so, the *Record*, an eminently conservative periodical, may feel

itself justified in promptly throwing cold water upon the plan, but we must beg leave to differ with our cotemporary and still hold to the opinion that the suggestion merely because it be Utopian is not necessarily evil in itself. We abide by the doctrine which inculcates the theory of the greatest good of the greatest number. We believe that such a social commingling of college editors at stated intervals would be productive of good. If the suggestion could be carried into execution and the *Record* still maintain its innate repugnance to what would be probably be pleased to call the suggestion of the "brawny Sir Thomas More of the University of the Future," that is to say, if the *Record* doesn't want to come to such a meeting, there is always, we would meekly suggest, an alternative open to the man who doesn't want to go. We would not for a moment have our friends of the *Record* to believe that we expect they would derive any benefit from meeting with other college editors, our only hope would be that the secret spring of their better nature might be touched and that they would come down from their pinnacle, we had almost said Parnassus, and permit us duller and less fortunate beings to bask in the life-giving properties of their divine, intangible effulgence. Seriously, our friends of the *Record*, is there any good and sufficient reason why an annual meeting of the editors of the different college journals might not tend to their mutual enjoyment, if not to their improvement? The fact of "being opposed to intercollegiate associations on principle," is certainly an enormous obstacle in the way, but we beseech you do but try to overcome this unfortunate principle. We are still decidedly immature, (who can doubt it?) but we have found in our small experience it does not always result beneficially this being firmly set in one's opinions; far be it from us to seek to instruct, we merely throw it out as a precept we have learned, not always, willingly. In conclusion we would say that individually we don't believe the visionary Intercollegiate Association of American Editors will ever materialize, but we have an editor that does and therefore *fiat justitia ruat cælum*; and now, fellow editors of the *Record*, we "stand from under." After thought: can it be possible that the *Advocate* was right?

The last issue of the *Lampoon* has a good frontispiece, the letter-press accompanying which will explain its character:

THE WHY THEREOF, OR REASON ENOUGH.

Holtworthy.—Fine dog, that, Sportby. What do you call him?

Sportby.—Taffy.

Holtworthy.—Taffy? Old name for a pup.

Sportby.—Yes, perhaps. I call him Taffy because he was "given" to me.

It is also replete with poems, one of which we append; our limited space will not, unfortunate-

ly, permit the insertion of a longer and much better one entitled "Infatuation":

MOTHER GOOSE FOR MT. DESERT.

By the Sweet Singer of Michigan.

"Twinkle, twinkle, little moon,—
O, its awful nice to spoon,
Looking up into the sky,
Charley, darling, you and I.

"Is it not a pretty sphere?
Ain't it lovely, Charley dear?
How it glitters from afar,—
Stop! or I will call papa.

"How it sparkles on the sea!
Charley, let alone of me.
Don't, O, don't, or I shall smother!
No, you shall not have another.

"Hark! I hear my mother call.
What is that about a shawl?—
Please, mamma, it's only nine,
And the moon's extremely fine

"O, what stuff you're talking, hush!
Don't, or you will make me blush.
Watch, O, watch that planet gleam—
If you kiss me, I will scream.

"O, don't bother, I don't know,
Let my hand, you goosy, go;
If you really fancy me,
Ask papa, and I will see.

"Twinkle, twinkle, little moon,—
O, it's awful nice to spoon,
Looking up into the sky,
Charley, darling, you and I."

The co-educational influence is beginning to take effect in the *Chronicle*, not alone in the exchange department, but now also the editorial corner has succumbed to the all pervading power. In one of its leaders the *Chronicle* remarks "Right at the roots of this flourishing tree the blow was levelled, and we can feel the shake." Item for botanists derived from this remark: co-education seems to determine the gender of trees. Immediately following this statement is a sentence beginning: "Year in and year out the *Chronicle* has raised her voice," etc. Another example of the power which the bi-sexual system in education exerts in the determination of a new gender for inanimate objects. We beg the *Chronicle's* pardon if we are laboring under an illusion of our fancy in our decision as to the source from which she derives her new theories for the determination of her genders. We note in her editorials throughout a careless diction, a fault which we cannot but believe might have been obviated had they received rather more attention from their several authors. We learn from these same editorials, they are, with few exceptions, upon the same subject, that there have been various changes made by the faculty in the University curriculum, enabling the students to devote more of their time to optional work and

leaving them a greater range in their choice of electives. In its literary department the editors of the same paper have under the heading "Why is it?" presented a somewhat lengthy apology for the general character of the articles which appear in that department. The tone of this "Why is it?" may be determined from a paragraph taken therefrom, which we quote:

"Surely there are enough matters of interest about college to furnish material for two or three college papers, and if the students would only appreciate the fact that articles will not write themselves, and that the eight [six!] editors have other work besides editing the *The Chronicle*, our college paper would receive better support. If every man who finds fault with the editors for publishing heavy, dead essays, or light, thin compositions, would write *one* live, interesting article for the paper during the college year *The Chronicle* would no longer contain heavy literary or historical articles condensed from reviews in the library, or weak productions, written apparently with no other purpose than to "fill up."

The *Princetonian* still continues to print long articles upon the hackneyed theme, their late hazing affray. Can it be that the readers of that, otherwise interesting, sheet are not surfeited with the subject? In connection with the I. C. L. A. it remarks in a very sensible editorial:

"The Inter-Collegiate Literary Association is fast nearing the death agony. One of the most energetic and influential of its members, Lafayette College, has recently followed the example set by Hamilton, and withdrawn, and it seems likely that others will follow. The temperate and sensible reason given by Lafayette for her action, will apply equally well to every other college which is now a member of the Association. The question of our withdrawal has been discussed here, time and again, until further words are useless. We are glad to hear that there is a prospect of our being called upon at no very distant date, to act in the matter. We understand that a meeting of those interested will soon be called, when the question as to whether or not we shall sever our connection with the Association will come under consideration. In the present state of the under-graduate mind, it requires no prophet to predict the answer that will be given to this question."

It would appear to be quite time for us to take action upon this same matter. As we have already suggested in these columns, in commenting upon Lafayette's withdrawal, the ship is fast sinking and we should leave it while yet we may, creditably.

Ariel, from the University of Minnesota, still holds to the 'even tenor of its way,' and a remarkably good way it is. There are many more pretentious papers issuing from institutions much better known to the world at large, which might well profit by a careful study of this very readable journal. The principal fault which can be found with its last number, is that there is a certain decidedly archaic flavor about its clippings which savors of "pad," to quote our devil, and which renders that portion of the paper not particularly entertaining; it is a fault, however, that can be readily forgiven, when the excellent character of the remainder of its contents comes to be considered. It informs us that our navy is in debt to the amount of \$2000, which we venture to say will surprise the navy di-

rectors who had heretofore labored under the impression that there was a surplus in the treasury. It also remarks the fact that there is "no lady in the Senior class."

The *Vassar Miscellany* greets us on time and we are beginning to have faith once more, in feminine promises. It has a genuine girlish character throughout and hence from this peculiarity, if it had no other merit, and it certainly is not limited to this charm alone, would be remarkably entertaining. Its editorials are delectable treats to the brain wearied with learned remarks upon baseball, boating and the like kindred topics. It is cheering, very, to turn from the perusal of articles upon certain subjects, the changes upon which are rung verbally in our ears throughout our waking hours, to such an editorial as the following :

"What is more ridiculous than the modern "bang"? If this were a conundrum we might try to guess it, but accepting it as an honest question we give it up immediately. It has been called "idiot's fringe," and no name is more appropriate, for it is hard to realize how a girl of sound sense can wear her hair in this way and imagine it becoming. Small children look very pretty with the hair worn short above the eyes, as any one will admit who looks at the little faces in the painting of the children of Charles I. of England. But there is as much difference between these heads and that of our "banged" young lady as between the smooth head of a little child and the shaven pate of some of our brothers. "Woman's crowning glory" has become a "fringe" and a dagger-pierced top-knot. It was an excellent satire which that little girl uttered, who, having stood for some time before the glass critically surveying herself in a new frock, turned to her mother with, "Mamma, now we want dagger."

Does it seem out of place to speak of such a matter here? If any one thinks so let her stand in the Dining Hall and watch the members of "our college family" as they come in. Let her notice how many have encircled the head with a line from which the hair falls in directly opposite directions; let her mark well how some, not content with that, have plastered the short locks to their cheeks; and then let her ask herself what an impression such a sight would make upon a stranger."

Although we have quoted this opinion, we would not for a moment have it understood that it coincides with our own ideas of the true, beautiful and good, on the contrary, we may say, we dote on "bangs."

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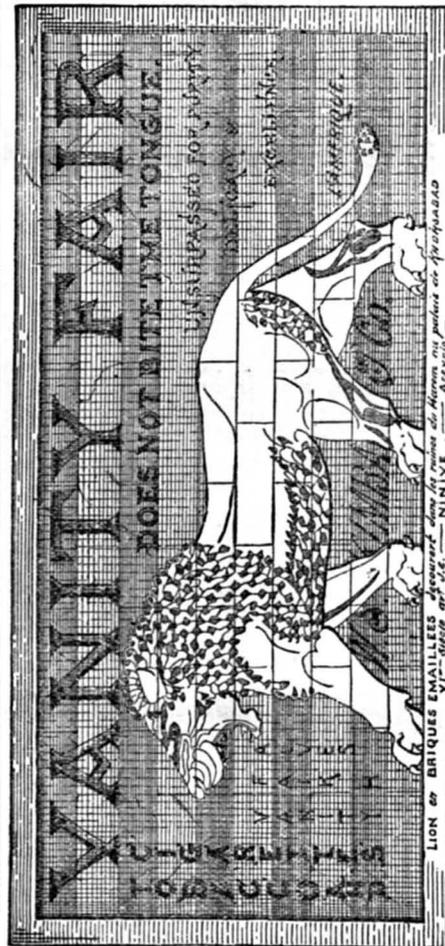
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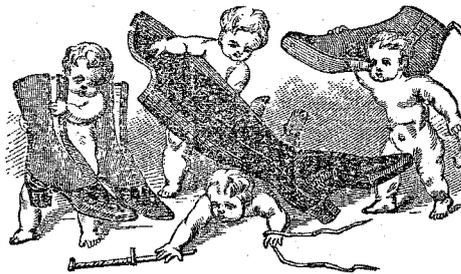
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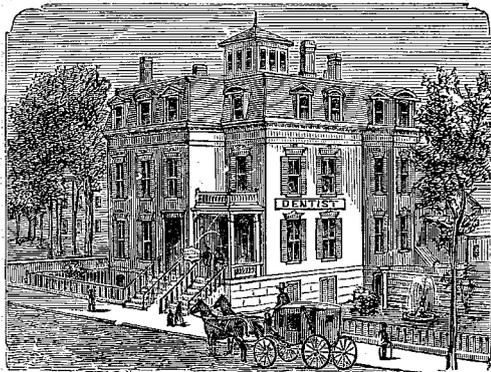
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THE end of the year is so near at hand that we feel compelled to speak a few words emphatically and decidedly to those who have not yet paid for their paper. Of these, we are glad to say the greater number are those living out of town, but not nearly all of those here have done more than ask to be considered as subscribers. To both those here and elsewhere we desire to say that the price of the paper was due at the beginning of the year, and that seven or eight months seems quite time enough to owe so small an amount. Subscribers should not forget that we have to pay for printing each week, and that we did not undertake to print a paper to give away. We can not think that any on our lists wish to avoid paying, but if there are any we shall not scruple to publish their names for the benefit of succeeding boards.

THERE is in the boat house at the present time a number of old boats, shells, pair-oars, barges, etc., which have outlived their usefulness to us. We don't mean to say they are not seaworthy, for most of them are sound, but the fashion of racing with four and eight oar boats has done away with the necessity for the six-oared shells. Now as the navy needs all the money it can raise to defray the expenses of the crew, and for other purposes, would it not be well to endeavor to sell some of our old boats? There are many places where boating is carried on to a limited extent and pursued entirely for the exercise it affords, rather than for any exhibition of speed and skill in a race,

and in some of these cases, we might dispose of some of our old boats. The plan is at least worth trying, and we would therefore suggest to the proper officers of the navy that they take the means of ascertaining what can be done. If some of the old boats can be sold it would be a means of ridding us of what is of no use, and also of partially relieving the somewhat slim condition of the treasury. Many of the boats we possess will probably never be used again and can, we think, be disposed of if the proper efforts are made.

It has always been a question with us whether an act of rowdyism, or a foolish and senseless practical joke was not just as contemptible and just as foolish when done by a student as when done by any one else. And it has been a question only because that is not the common verdict, but the fact that the perpetrators of a disgraceful deed are college men is often looked upon as an extremely extenuating circumstance. There is no need to draw here any distinction between fun, which no one of sense will object to, and the malicious acts and disgraceful deeds which are occasionally enacted by students, and it is of course of the latter only that there is any need to speak. It seems to be a firmly fixed belief with some men that when they leave home and enter college they can only do their whole duty by promptly throwing aside their former rules for action, and acting as they never thought of doing before. Fortunately these are not many, and in general students have more common sense than would seem to belong to some. Now an act which is bad in itself is just as disgraceful when committed by a student as by any other person, and even more so, for if he does not know better and have a higher purpose he does not deserve the name of student. It is true that some who do not do such things themselves justify others in doing them, and say that they would not have men act like good children all the time; but there is nothing to commend in acts that result only in the destruction of property, and in things that are done only to annoy some

one. Men are known by their deeds. Bearing this fact in mind it easy to fix upon the mental calibre and moral attainments of those who commit acts too senseless to laugh at, and too worthy of punishment to be done in any way but secretly.

THE arrangement of post graduate courses at the University has proved a decided success, and the value of such courses is continually becoming better seen and appreciated. The time is coming, and ought to come, when a master's degree will mean something more than it often does, but will be proof of real attainments. As a college course becomes more frequently a part of an education, the desire for still higher work is also increased, and the number of those who pursue post-graduate courses is constantly growing larger. The impulse toward special work is becoming stronger; and indeed such work is necessary for high attainments in any direction, in consequence of the rapid advance of science and the higher and more exact knowledge of philology and other kindred literary subjects. Recognizing the need of an opportunity for study of an advanced nature the University has taken care to give it, and not only have good courses been arranged, but the inducements to enter them are made great. The student in a post graduate course can take any study whatever upon which instruction is given, without money or any price, and all the advantages of the University are at his disposal. The free use of the library is inducement enough to call almost any one back for an additional course; for it is only when one can enter the alcoves of a library and get at the books for himself that the best use can be made of the library as a whole. And of the value of such a course, with such advantages, there can be no question. For those who wish to fit themselves for teaching this work is of especial value. It is pleasing to see that the importance of post-graduate courses is becoming better appreciated and they more highly valued, so that the number of those who return to pursue them is rapidly increasing. Their value is even greater than many think, and one year spent in this way is worth two spent in any other, if further general or special culture is desired. The number of post-graduate students is sure to become larger than it is, and it is to be

hoped that the time will soon come when it will be the rule rather than the exception for graduates to return for further study.

THE change which has been made this year in the time for the exercises of Class Day does not seem to give perfect satisfaction. Until this year, we believe, the day immediately preceding commencement has always been set apart for class day, but owing to the fact that the hall could not be obtained this time for that day, the exercises of the class are to occur two days before commencement. On some accounts this seems a better and more fitting time than the one of former years. Those who have orations to deliver on both days will be especially pleased to have a day between the two for rest, and for more carefully perfecting themselves in their productions. Without doubt the value of this rest will be seen in the presentation of the orations and essays. The ball too can occur on the evening of class day, when on some accounts is the best time for it to come. On the other hand, however, as we have said, some are not wholly suited with matters as they are now arranged, and it is suggested that after this, since the change could not now well be made, class day come on the day after commencement instead of before it. For many reasons we must think that this change would be a good one. This custom, we think, is not an unusual one at other colleges, and it presents a fitting occasion for the members of the class to meet each other for the last time, and to take leave of those with whom they have been so long and so intimately associated. At the more formal exercises of commencement there is little opportunity for leave-taking, and there is much less of the feeling toward each other which all must have at the literary exercises given by the class itself, and at the ceremonies on the campus in which all participate. Then, if they were to meet no more, the farewells would be earnest and hearty ones, each feeling the full significance of the exercises. And this should be a part of the purpose of class day, to give an opportunity for saying farewell, and to make more lasting the memory of faces not soon to be seen again. Then too, as the class meets as a whole at commencement to end its college career, the most fitting time to part from each other is after this, when the members are about to separate to begin life elsewhere. In this way much that is beautiful and peculiar to the exercises and the purpose of class day will be better preserved and appreciated, and such a change would surely be for the better.

JACOBY ON THE \$182-MAN.

One of the editors of the ERA has begged me to contribute an article to his paper, to which solicitation I very foolishly acceded and the consequences of which insanity on my part I now begin to rue; for what with sending and countermanding invitations for the Commencement Hop, to the young damsels of my acquaintance, the worry attendant upon the thought which constantly haunts my brain as to how in the name of Lazarus I am to so adjust matters with my creditors that I may be enabled to leave this burgh in the broad light of day, together with numerous complications of my *système d'être* more important to me than they could be, by any possibility, to the readers of the ERA; my time is fully occupied and ill fares it with me that I ever undertook this thankless task. In connection with the thoughts upon my financial crisis I can not refrain from quoting the first paragraph of a formidable document with which I hope to overwhelm my beloved *pater*, the suggestion may be acceptable to some other Senior who finds himself in a situation akin to mine: "Dear-est Parent: I am tolerably confident of graduation now. As the classic poet has so touchingly remarked *ex nihilo nihil fit*. My class tax is exceeding great and it will, I regret to say it, probably require the addition of a couple of hundred to this month's allowance to enable me to meet all of these necessary expenses. It grieves me sorely to be compelled to make this request just now, knowing the many demands upon your very generous purse, but then you know I never expect to graduate again, and you will believe me when I say *le pain sur les eaux est bien sûr de retourner*." I'm not I must admit very sound on my proverbs and their application. In fact the first adage seems to be contradicted by the sentence which precedes it, but I trust its effect, if it be evil, perchance, may be counteracted by the genuine Ollendorfisher smack of the second. Take the appeal in its entirety and I do not believe the father has as yet been constructed who could pass it over in silence.

But I am fortunately reminded just here that this article was intended to treat not of myself but of the \$182-man, so if my readers will pardon the digression, I will take a fresh sheet of paper and begin systematically.

The \$182-man is the type of a peculiar class of beings, which, like the fungus growth that frequently makes its appearance upon newly erected buildings, sprang up at the institution of our young University and is not yet, I regret to say it, entirely obliterated. This class of students doubtless found its origin in the long-since-exploded theory that a student could acquire an education and support himself by manual labor at one and

the same time. Possibly there may be one man in a thousand who is capable physically and mentally of sustaining the enormous strain, protracted throughout a period of four years, necessary to the fulfillment of this theory; that man is not a \$182-man, he is a man who labors steadily with a fixity of purpose for which he is to be commended, he is not the man who groans over his misfortunes and publishes to the world the fact that he is his own *lingerie*. It is not my purpose to comment upon this man. He, to use a trite and forcible phrase, "minds his own business" and I have no right to intermeddle with his domestic economy. But the \$182-man properly speaking, is the Cornell mule; he brays noisily, heartily and ceaselessly and is more than mulishly obstinate and thick-headed. He pulls against all reform with the stubborn pertinacity of the ignorant, and his only glory is in his unpolished boots, unkempt hair and general decrepitude of wardrobe. At frequent intervals he breaks out, like some unhealthy epidermal eruption, in a newspaper letter in which he holds himself up for the general admiration of other men of his ilk as having been able to reduce his diurnal supply of oat-meal porridge $\frac{3}{4}$ of a gill less than the minimum quantity previously considered necessary for the sustenance of life in other \$182-men; in addition to this he has discovered a new description of flannel garment that enables him to save $37\frac{1}{2}$ cents per annum in his laundry expenses. To the average civilized human being such details are simply disgusting and their author is at once, very properly, determined to be some curious human vertebrate in which the animal predominates over the man. I hold that any man who would write out an account of his annual expenditures in which he states that his annual payment to his laundress was \$1.52 is not fit to associate with decent men. Even admitting that this man might possibly have kept himself decently clad and that when he acted as his own laundress, nevertheless the motive which prompted him to unfold his deplorable condition to the world is such as no respectable man should brook. There is nothing to be gained by the public display of dirt, lack of wardrobe and make-shifts which enable some one to live on \$182 per year. No man ever enters into detailed statements as to how much he expends, why then should any one seek to inform the world as to how little he expends. To point the meaning in plain terms there is nothing in a blue flannel shirt and paper collar which tends to apotheosize a man, the combination is not to be vaunted of as in itself elevating: if the wearer can afford no better garments, no rightly balanced mind will find fault with him for appearing thus clothed, but the fact that he is compelled to dress in this way is no reason why he should

hold himself up as a model being, at the same time seeking to ridicule the man who always appears in immaculate linen, for his ability to meet the demands of modern civilized life. It reminds one forcibly of the fable of the fox that lost his brush to enable it to revolutionize mankind. I might continue my remarks to an indefinite length, but that I think I have discovered an aphorism which will cover the entire ground and fit the case of the \$182-man to very much better advantage than would a lengthy discussion, and my discovery is this, that: *Poverty is in itself not ennobling.* If those men who glory in their poverty and disagreeable personal appearance will ponder upon this, if they are reasonable beings, they will be tempted I think, to be more careful hereafter how they unfold their deplorable condition to the sight of the world. But they are not reasonable beings, so you will say, my talk has been in vain. I must beg your pardon; it has however formed an article and filled a portion of the paper.

MUSIC.

In the history of the fine arts as well as in the general history of mankind, individual nations and epochs are the representatives of certain ideas which they embody and display. Medievalism has revealed her expressible ideas in sculpture, painting and architecture, but music seems to be of a more recent era, the art of a universal expression of sentiments and fancy. It discloses to us in purest language the lofty flights of the imagination, mirthful and lively, or with mournful cadence reveals the gloom and sadness of a troubled soul. It reigns as one of the higher attributes linking together those nations and people which nothing else can unite. Men of the most contrasting character and lives that history records fraternize in music. Its fascinations arouse a mutual feeling and this is the kindred tie. Its eloquence, more powerful than words, appeals to our sympathies, and either subdues with its force or incites with its national spirit. Those national songs of Germany, France and Russia, have been the expression of sentiments common to those countries, and it is difficult to imagine a more spirited manifestation of public impulse than that of an army singing 'Die Wacht am Rhein,' or

"Aux armes ! citoyens ; formons nos bataillons.
Marchons ; qu'un sang impur abreuve nos sillons."

But it is only when the national rhythm is sacrificed to harmony that music can acquire that comprehensive freedom to express the whole range of human feelings, and not the particular character and emotions of one nation only. Music and poetry seem in some combination of proportion to have supplied a certain measure of enjoyment to

every cultivated people. In the most brilliant day of Italian poetic imagination there was, comparatively speaking, no music, and even the best music of Italy has never been able to disengage itself from the sweet melody of its language—they have flowed together in natural affinity. An Italian cannot appreciate the intellectual depth of a German symphony any more than a German can follow the impetuous declamation of an Italian recitative.

It is impossible to conceive how the Greeks could ever evince their natural predilection for music—those two chief elements of the art, time and harmony, being unknown to them. The whole Greek world it would seem never advances so far as the knowledge of those harmonious thirds which the youthful Mozart enjoyed. But from the simplest strains there has been developed one of the most pleasing and fascinating arts, an art which has had its early proficient and eager volunteers. It has revealed the native aptitude that other arts disclose only after long application. All the greatest musicians—Handel, Haydn, Bach, Mozart, Mendelssohn, were infant prodigies. Handel has not been surpassed in the sublimity of his composition. He abounds in passages of singular beauty which pervade his work. Haydn commands our attention and engrosses all our faculties by his power of expression and his sustained dignity. Mozart captivates by all these qualities ; by the easy grace of his lighter strains and the appropriate expression of those which are of a higher character. Beethoven has shown wonderful skill and a dark imagination lighted occasionally by a soft halo which shines bright by contrast. He is not at times superior in respect to regularity of design or purity of harmonic combinations. The distinguishing characteristic of the music of Mozart is its power of touching the deepest feelings of the soul. His numerous works are all pervaded by this strong faculty, hence he becomes the Raffaele of music.

Beautiful as is the music of these composers it is strikingly in contrast with those much admired pieces like Schubert's "Serenade," or Schumann's "Traumerei." A quiet reverie steals over him who listens to these and he feels himself floating gently along impelled by some unseen power, as measure after measure floats its harmony to his spiritual being. Nor does he wake to consciousness till the last lingering notes have ceased in their alternating keys, and then it seems a weird dream. It is this style of music that wakes the strongest feelings and the most ennobling sentiments. It envelops and fascinates the senses making men totally unconscious of the material world. Perhaps the most really enviable participant of musical felicity is the impartial one—he who sits at overture, symphony or chorus with closed eyes and

swimming senses, brightening at major keys, saddening at minors, smiling at modulations, he knows not why.

There is an appropriate season for all moods of music as well as moods of men. Gaiety and festivity associate the spirit of the waltz, martialness the pibroch, but those more quiet reflective moments, appropriate the slow and pensive strains of some soothing melody like "Home, sweet Home," or the "Last Rose of Summer," airs simple in themselves but expressive of so much pathos and so appropriate to every life that they will ever live.

One who does not appreciate music lacks a true enjoyment. Rousseau was an enthusiast and profound musician, while Dr. Johnson did not know one tune from another. Luther pronounced music one of best gifts from heaven, while Calvin and Knox persecuted it as a snare of the evil one, condemning it to perpetual degradation. Such are the contrasts of appreciation.

The newest era of music is based on classic principles. "As Greek art sprang from Greek mythology, so must future German art be founded on German mythology." This is Wagner's theory and he has thus far succeeded in astonishing the musical world. How far it will prove an epoch of progress or the critical period of degeneracy it is impossible to predict. But while in music, as in sculpture, beauty is worshipped, there will still be many admirers of the ennobling sentiments of old masters.

—C. H. W.

INFREQUENT PLANTS NEAR ITHACA.

The following list embraces only those plants blooming usually before June 20, and recorded from not more than *three* distinct localities. Botanists will confer a favor by informing the department of any new stations.

Clematis verticillaris, along Cascadilla and Fall Creek ravines; glen on east shore of Cayuga Lake. *Ranunculus multifidus*, marsh beside N. Cayuga street extension; marsh west of inlet. *Hydrastis Canadensis*, Six Mile Creek east of mineral spring. *Papaver dubium*, University campus, 1875. *Corydalis glauca*, Fall Creek on rocks below Free Hollow. *Corydalis aurea*, near Enfield Falls. *Dentaria maxima*, Six Mile Creek; Negundo woods. *Dentaria heterophylla*, Six Mile Creek; Negundo woods. *Cardamine pratensis*, Fall Creek marsh; Dryden sw.; Freeville sw. *Sisymbrium canescens*, (Watkins, N. Y.) *Draba arabisans*, Burdick's glen. *Draba verna*, cemetery, Ithaca. *Camelina sativa*, campus. *Alyssum calycinum*, campus. *Solea concolor*, Ludlowville glen. *Cerastium nutans*, Fall Creek; Coy glen. *Cerastium arvense*, cemetery, Ithaca; near Watkins. *Geranium car-*

olinianum, south hill. *Floerkea proserpinacoides*, Negundo woods; Freeville; Buttermilk valley. *Rhamnus catharticus*, near Freeville. *Staphylea trifolia*, along the Inlet, from Negundo woods to town. *Negundo aceroides*, Negundo woods. *Gymnocladus Canadensis*, E. lake shore near McKinney's. *Rosa setigera*, south hill. *Pyrus Americana*, Freeville; south hill; Cascadilla woods. *Mitella nuda*, Freeville; Malloryville. *Ledum ternatum*, Six Mile Creek, lower part. *Lythrum Salicaria*, Lake shore, on both sides of the Inlet. *Chaerophyllum procumbens*, Negundo woods; near Esty's tannery. *Lonicera hirsuta*, Freeville. *Viburnum prunifolium*, ravine north of Fall Creek. *Nardosmia palmata*, Buttermilk ravine; near Cayuga Lake. *Tragopogon porrifolius*, south hill. *Vaccinium oxycoccus*, Freeville; Malloryville. *Chiogenes hispidula*, Malloryville; Freeville. *Arctostaphylos Uva-ursi*, Six Mile Creek; banks of Taghanic ravine. *Cassandra calyculata*, Freeville; Malloryville. *Andromeda polifolia*, Malloryville. *Ledum latifolium*, Bear swamp at Freeville. *Primula Mistassinica*, Fall Creek cliffs in gorge. *Anagallis arvensis*, Mottville, D. L. W. R. R. *Pinguicula vulgaris*, Cascadilla ravine; Fall Creek ravine. *Lithospermum officinale*, Ludlowville; Fall Creek. *Mertensia Virginica*, Negundo woods; Taghanic ravine. *Convolvulus arvensis*, near Fall Creek below paper mill. *Menyanthes trifoliata*, Freeville; Malloryville. *Morus alba*, Six mile creek; Buffalo street. *Morus rubra*, near Fall Creek mills; west hill; Enfield ravine. *Juniperus communis*, south hill. *Arisarma Dracontium*, Fall Creek flat; Negundo woods. *Arethusa bulbosa*, Freeville. *Corallorhiza innata*, Dryden swamp. *Aplictrum hyemale*, Six Mile Creek; Ludlowville. *Chamaelirium luteum*, University woods; Cascadilla woods; Buttermilk glen. *Prosartes Canadensis*, Six Mile Creek; Turkey hill; Bald hill woods. *Smilacina trifolia*, Enfield.

APPOINTMENTS FOR COMMENCEMENT.

1. Eugene Cary, Dunkirk.—Inspirers and Organizers in History.
2. Heywood Conant, Wilmington, Del.—Theodore Winthrop and his Writings.
3. Joseph Ness, Hoopston, Ill.—The Evolution and Power of Ideas.
4. Charles M. Rexford, Watertown.—Woman in Tennyson.
5. Arthur C. Wakeley, Omaha, Neb.—Communism in America.
6. Watson Weed, North Rose.—The Elevation of Labor.

Those who have received honorable mention are, as far as has been learned, Mr. A. M. Reeves, and Miss R. Putnam.

COMMUNICATION.

SUBJECT vs. AUTHOR CATALOGUES.

To the Editors of the Cornell Era :

Why do our librarians insist on furnishing "author" in preference to "subject" catalogues of the books over which they have charge? Is it easier to make such a catalogue? Or is an author catalogue more useful to the reader? Whether it is easier or not, is a question of no moment if the subject catalogue is the more useful, unless the difficulty in making a catalogue of subjects is exceedingly great. It does not seem that an alphabetical arrangement of the titles of books can be much more difficult than a similiar arrangement of the names of authors. Is, then, an author catalogue more useful to the average reader?

Where a person reads in a desultory way, without a definite aim in view, an author catalogue serves every purpose. Such a person reads the works of authors whom he knows or hears to be interesting. Pleasure is his chief requirement of a book. He looks for the author and cares little about the subject. Probably this is the description of the average reader; and libraries intended wholly for this class of persons need only author catalogues.

But the *University Library* and the *Cornell Free Library* have a very large constituency of a very different sort, persons who use them for reference; in fact, the majority of readers in the University Library are of this class. They are in pursuit of knowledge on special subjects. Very few indeed are so far advanced in knowledge of literary matters as to know all who have written on the subjects which they happen to be investigating and recall the names whenever needed. *Very often* one knows no name of an author, who has touched upon his subject, and an author catalogue is of no use to him whatever. It seems, then, that in a reference library a subject catalogue is the more useful; and it was a mistake for the University librarian to spend all his time on one of authors. The round-about method of finding whether a book is in the library suggested in "*The Library*," causes too much loss of time, is too unsatisfactory and inadequate, and is too little understood to be of much benefit; and it seems more so, when a catalogue could have been made which would have saved so much trouble. There should be a catalogue of both kinds in both our libraries; but the more useful one should have been provided first—a subject catalogue in the University, and one of authors (as now provided) in the Cornell Library. It seems reasonable that libraries used on the average for such different purposes *may* need different indices.

May we not hope that a realization of the true needs of students will cause the authorities in both places to provide the other catalogue. The Cornell Library already has the material in a slip catalogue, which could be properly arranged for publication at small expense. The preparation of one in the University Library would be truly a great labor and would require an extended appropriation.*

NATIONAL TEST REGATTA.

The National regatta at Watkins opened under unfavorable auspices on Tuesday; about ten o'clock a north wind set in which continued till six, causing a sea in which it was impossible for a shell to ride. The immense stand which had been erected in anticipation of a great crowd was scarcely occupied at all, and the races were unsatisfactory, accidents happening in both.

The pair oared race was announced to be rowed in two heats, but owing to the lateness of the hour the four crews started together, viz., Detroit scullers, who were the favorites, the Atalantas, and two boats from the Northwesterns. The Atalantas and the second crew of the Northwesterns drew ahead at once and it looked like a good race but suddenly the latter ceased rowing the stroke having slipped his seat. From this point on the Atalantas had their own way, the struggle for the second place being, however, spirited; the Detroit, by a splendid spurt at the grand stand were successful, the two western crews bringing up the rear. The time was 8.10 over a mile and five eighths.

The junior single scull was then called and McLafferty, of Watkins, Larmon, of Union Springs, Gaisel, of the Gramercy club, and McMullin, of the Columbia, of Pittsburgh, drew into line. All made a good start, but McLafferty and Gaisel gained slightly on the others, and were turning the stake together when the latter was run into by McMullin, who was just coming up, and his chances for the race which were good were ruined. McLafferty won easily in very slow time, distance, a mile and return.

After the experience of Tuesday, there were grave apprehensions that Wednesday might prove a repetition of the previous day, and so it was, only more so. The wind began as usual about 11 o'clock and obstinately kept it up until sundown, leaving the water in such a state that it would be folly to attempt to pull a race. The signal gun sounded several times in the course of the afternoon: at each peal the people would start and run frantically for the boats and grand stand where after waiting in suspense for half an hour the referee's boat would steam back from the starting point and announce "no race." The crowd was triple the number of Tuesday and the representa-

tives of Cornell had increased to so many that one inquired whether the University was moving over to this little village. After supper, the party of Cornellians formed at the Jefferson house and proceeded to give Watkins an exhibition of their vocal powers in songs interspersed with the familiar slogan. After a serenade at the Glen Park hotel, the proprietor invited the company in and the invitation was not refused; in response to the Cornell cry, C-o-l-u-m-b-i-a was heard from the porch which immediately brought three cheers for that institution.

Many of the students took advantage of the proffered kindness of Mr. Frost and remained at the party which was held in the hotel parlors and was an enjoyable affair.

Thursday morning the day dawned cloudy and misty and it seemed at first highly probable that the slight mist would settle into a steady rain. At half past ten o'clock the referee's boat left the wharf and steamed up the course. Courtney had given orders Wednesday night that the boat should be ready for a start at eight o'clock in the morning, but on arriving at the wharf at that time found it deserted and the boilers cold, and was therefore himself compelled to go in search of the engineer, and besides, this annoyance occasioning at least two hours unnecessary delay, it was left to him to discover the gunner and send him to his post that the signals announcing the race might be duly fired. Shortly after eleven o'clock the three four-oared crews, the Atalantas, Northwesterns, and Carmans, received the word "go" from Courtney and sped down the course in fine style, their positions being in the order named, the Atalantas rowing nearest the shore. Soon after the start the Carmans, with their swift forty-two stroke, sped over the Northwestern's bow and took first place, which they held almost up to the line.

The Atalantas with their beautifully even 38 stroke quietly walked up to and past the Northwesterns, notwithstanding Curtis' exertions to hold his boat ahead, and began slowly to leave that boat. It seemed impossible that the Carmans with their shattering stroke could have enough "stay" to hold over the steady vigorous pull of the other boats to the finish, and the Atalantas appeared have reckoned without their host for they seemed to exhibit no symptom of spurt. So it held, the Carmans pulling away on what might have been called poor form had it not so nearly won the race, for it was only at the very finish that the Atalantas crossed the line a quarter of a length ahead of the Carman's in 7 m. 22 sec. The referee's boat had scarcely run up to the dock when the breeze freshened, the mist which had not ceased throughout the first heat, turned into rain, and all farther races were abandoned for the morning.

CORNELIANA.

—Now mount your white vests.

—Some say that the *Cocagne* board had a hand in it.

—The Curtis society will elect officers to-morrow evening for the ensuing term.

—Next Sunday's sermons will be delivered by Geo. D. Boardman, D. D., of Philadelphia.

—Song of the Senior as he contemplates examinations: "But one more river to cross."

—Owing to the large number of Philaletheans absent on the Seneca lake survey, that body will not convene to-morrow evening.

—The Pasha accompanied the engineering expedition to Seneca lake, but has suddenly returned. He says the work is to surveyor.

—A scene from Schiller's *Maria Stuart* was very finely rendered before the Irving last Friday evening, by Misses Halpen and Buck.

—It may be interesting to Macaulay's admirers to know that President White has waded through his history of England three times and intends to read it again.

—One of the Ithaca brass bands serenaded Sage College last Wednesday evening. Their performance was highly appreciated by the young ladies, and they were invited to call again.

—Prof. Boyesen announces his willingness to give a talk at some convenient time during the term, to those desiring it, on some of the representative English, French and German novels.

—The weather yesterday was rather unfavorable in this section for the performance of the farce entitled "Decoration Day." The "blue and the gray," however, were decorated with elegant bouquets at the usual expense, while the widows and orphans of many who fill the graves were starving—for strawberries and cream.

—Many of the students have spent a portion of the present week at Watkins in attendance upon the "Grand National Test Regatta," and doubtless very few have returned who will not concur in the opinion which has found expression in the various New York dailies to the effect that the regatta was devised as a vast moneymaking concern by the members of the Watkins association. The course is no better than that on our own lake, if indeed it is so good, no suitable houses have been provided for the accommodation of the visiting crews, the town is over-run with confidence-men and swindlers, and were it not for the untiring energy of the referee, the regatta would have long since proved a complete fizzle. Whatever other effects may result from the regatta, there is one conclusion that must occur to any visitor, namely, that Watkins has seen its first and simultaneously its last "Grand National Test Regatta."

—On account of the illness of Prof. Fiske, he will not be able to meet his classes again this term. The class in scientific German will be examined on the Saturday before examination week.

—The Pasha says: The difference between a worker in a coal mine and the man who attends the fires in the University buildings is simply this; one digs for coals, the other coals for digs.

—The fire-alarm bell at the police station has met with an accident, and the alarm sounded last Monday created the impression that somebody was beating the coal scuttle with the stove hook.

—The election of officers at the Irving to-night promises to be an interesting affair. There are fifteen office-seekers who must in some way be pacified with the nine offices which it is in the power of the society to bestow.

—And now *Cocagne's* advertising man is in a dilemma, as the Faculty has decided to allow him to "post no more bills" on the blackboards of the various recitation rooms.

—One of the University drums was in a dangerous predicament at the fire last Monday, but was bravely rescued by a member of the drum corps, whose presence of mind was greatly admired by all who witnessed the act.

—The Annual Report of the New York State Sunday School Teachers' Association just received has an article headed "What shall we drink?" and the Pasha suggests that a wink to the bartender will settle the whole matter.

—The "free passes" granted to the ERA board on account of the Watkins Regatta were over the main line of the Ithaca and Watkins wagon road and included an order for a drink from the town pump at Mecklenburgh and arnica for sore feet at Watkins.

—The next meeting of the Liberal League will be held at the new Curtis hall, Masonic Block, over Schuyler's drug store, on Monday, June 3d, at 8 p. m. The discussion will be upon the question: "What are the best means of promoting the objects of the Liberal League?"

—The inflammatory notice posted on the bulletin board last Monday by our Business Manager aroused some of those to whom it was addressed to a sense of their duty. Those whose minds are too obtuse to take a hint, will undoubtedly require a personal allusion to the matter by the b. m. aforesaid.

—The man with the "emigrant tickets" is again abroad with his "inducements to students." Those who were "induced" on a former occasion, will regard his announcements with righteous contempt. Those who were not, will probably be victimized, and have an opportunity to sniff the mellow odors of the emigrant car.

—We have been told that there is a possibility that Professor Corson will deliver another of his enjoyable readings at Sage before the close of the term. Although examinations are near at hand, most of us would gladly spare an evening to hear selections from Lear, Hamlet, or Macbeth, masterpieces, which the Professor is eminently qualified to render.

—A letter and circular from H. J. Rice, '76, gives information concerning a laboratory for the study of marine zoology which will be organized this summer at Fort Wool, about a mile from old Point Comfort, Va. The laboratory will open about the 15th of June, and close about the middle of August. Particulars may be learned by addressing Dr. W. K. Brooks, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.

—The enterprising young man who bangs on the bells at three o'clock would confer a favor upon those living within the radius of half a mile by omitting from his musical *repertoire* such familiar airs as "Pop goes the Weasel," "Way down on the Swanee River," "Hail Columbia," and notwithstanding the threatened Fenian raid over the border "The Wearing of the Green" could be parted with without a sigh.

—The improvement in the bill of fare at the Ithaca boarding houses at this season of the year is truly wonderful, and the smiles of the landlady are numerous and captivating. The solicitude with which she regards the countenance of her boarder as she expresses the hope that he will be back next year is affecting in the extreme, and displays a degree of disinterested sympathy rarely witnessed in these mercenary times.

—Dr. Wilder's feline exterminators and Prof. Comstock's embryo entomologists will sympathize with the views of the *Yonkers Gazette*:

Now savagely from roof to roof
The Thomas-cat is driven,
For her there is no sweet repose
Nor peace nor quiet given.
She hath not where to lay her head,
A vagrant's pangs do fill'er:
But soon the summer time will come
And bring the caterpillar.

—At a meeting of the Philidor Chess Club last week the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, Ryder, '79; Vice-President, Fleischman, '79; Secretary, Candee, '81; Treasurer, Alberti, '79. At present there are games in progress with Ann Arbor, the University of Pa., and Princeton, under the supervision of the executive committee, Hathaway, Youngs, Ryder and Fleischman. The two unfinished games with the seniors of Columbia College have been discontinued at the request of the New Yorkers owing to the proximity of Commencement.

—There was rejoicing among the logicians last Wednesday morning over the return of a member who had been practicing "the noble art of cutting." The Professor, after heartily shaking the delinquent's hand, gave expression to his unbounded joy in profuse Scriptural quotations, the most à propos of which was that from Luke XV, 7: "Verily, I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons which need no repentance."

—The Seniors and Juniors in Civil Engineering left at 6:55 on the 27th inst., for the purpose of commencing the survey of Seneca Lake. Their headquarters will be at the American House, Geneva, where they will hold themselves in readiness to receive Cornellians during office hours. A party will be detailed to complete the reconnaissance near Ovid which will have in view the connecting of the two lakes by a system of triangulation. The corps numbers thirty men and will probably consist of seven parties. The survey, as usual, will comprise triangulation, soundings and topography. A base line will be measured at Geneva. A member of the Senior class has donated the department a set of eight flags for primary signals. It is rumored that the chief engineer *ex officio* is to be presented with a fine banner which will hereafter designate the headquarters of the survey. A piano has been chartered at Geneva, and a double quartette has been organized. One of the first duties will be to extend the right hand of fellowship to Hobart, who, it is understood, will also begin a survey of this lake of a similar nature. The boys return on June 8th.

—The Term Examinations for June, 1878, will take place as follows: Senior examinations, beginning June 3. Monday, 2½ p. m., agriculture and architecture. Tuesday, 2½ p. m., organic chemistry; 11 a. m., rhetoric and oratory; 2½ p. m., Senior German. Wednesday, 11 a. m., special literature; 2½ p. m., Greek. Thursday, 8 a. m., analytical chemistry; 11 a. m., German literature; 2½ p. m. American law. Examinations in Junior, Sophomore and Freshman studies, beginning June 10th.: Monday, 8 a. m., Juniors, Latin; Sophomores, botany, land surveying and Greek; 11 a. m., Juniors, industrial chemistry and logic; 2½ p. m., mill work; Freshmen, French. Tuesday, 8 a. m., Juniors and Sophomores, physics; Sophomores, Middle English; Freshmen, Greek; 11 a. m., Juniors, special literature; Sophomores, Latin and special zoology; 2½ p. m., Juniors, architecture; Freshmen, trigonometry; Optional, Spanish. Wednesday, 8 a. m., Freshmen, German and Anglo Saxon; 11 a. m., Juniors, Greek and Palæontology; Sophomores, building materi-

als; Freshmen, rhetoric and composition; 2½ p. m., Juniors, history and chemical phil.; Sophomores, chemistry. Thursday, 8 a. m., Sophomores, German; Freshmen, Latin; Optional, Italian; 11 a. m., Juniors, entomology; 2½ p. m., Sophomores, French; Freshmen, descriptive geometry. Friday, 8 a. m., Juniors, English literature and veterinary science; 11 a. m., Sophomores, calculus; Optional, Sanskrit.

PERSONALIA.

BERRY, '74, is superintendent of the city schools of Duluth, Minn.

H. THOMAS, '77, has secured a position as engineer at Minneapolis.

PROF. BRENNEMAN visited the Ithaca gas works last Friday with the class in industrial chemistry.

C. TOMPKINS, '79, was elected a *Review* editor for the coming year by the Philatheans last Saturday evening.

MINNIE C. GROHS, formerly '79, is teaching mathematics in one of the public schools at her home in Troy, Pa.

C. W. FOOTE, '74, well known here as a prominent chess player, is at present connected with the *Cleveland Sunday Post*.

LEOPOLD EIDLITZ, ("Joe"), '77, has been made an associate member of the British Institute of Naval Architects. This is an important appointment and does honor to him and the University.

NOTICE of the death from consumption of John Borden, formerly of '78, was received this morning. His many friends will learn this with sincere sorrow, for he was a favorite with all who knew him.

B. H. REEVE, '81, will stump the State of Maine next fall in the interests of the Greenback party. Mr. W. H. Jordan, who left the University to-day for his home in that State, is to make definite arrangements for Mr. Reeve's fall campaign.

W. C. BRADLEY, '80, Geo. F. Haskell, '80, and Wm. E. Bramhall, '77, delegates to the Alpha Delta Phi convention at Wesleyan College, returned last Monday.

PROF. LAZENBY, accompanied by a party of special students in horticulture, visited the gardens connected with the insane asylum at Ovid yesterday.

C. H. MCKINSTRY, '80, has left the University in order to spend a few days at his home in Canajoharie, before leaving for Europe with the *Scheidum* party.

MARRIED.

HAMPSON—HALE.—In Washington, D. C., May 29, 1878, Mr. Thomas Hampson, of Newburgh, N. Y., to Miss M. R. Hale, of Boston, Mass. No cards.

EXCHANGES.

While we are no believers in personalities, and also hold to the old saw that teaches the odiousness of comparisons, still it may not be mal-apropos to disregard our tenets in so far as the consideration of the comparative merit of the various college publications may require us to trespass upon this hitherto-avoided ground. Our views may or may not coincide with those of our fellows in the field of collegiate journalism, but since during the year we have formed certain opinions as to the qualities good and bad of the various college periodicals their presentation may not be devoid of interest to our readers as the views of an undergraduate whose duty it has been to review these publications from week to week throughout the past year and, believing that they are at least unbiased, therefore we give them for what they are worth. Doubtless many of our contemporaries would differ from us radically in their judgments of the subjects which we purpose discussing, therefore desiring to forestall any future discussion we beg leave to remark that our comments are intended for our own subscribers and not for college editors else we would merely state at the outset that each and every college paper is perfection perfected.

The Harvard *Advocate* we consider the best of our college exchanges as an exceedingly interesting periodical which can be read from beginning to end not alone by a Harvard man but by any person in any way interested in college life. It is carefully and conscientiously edited, always contains one or two pithy sketches of incidents for the most part appertaining to college life, its college items are terse and to the point while in its poetry it is only rivalled by the *Crimson*, these two papers being the only ones among our exchanges which contain uniformly good verses.

As a typical college newspaper we would mention the Yale *Courant* which, while more decidedly local in character than the *Advocate* is nevertheless to an outsider an exceedingly entertaining paper. It is sprightly and vivacious, and has just enough of the devil-may-care spirit infused into its constitution to make it peculiarly entertaining to the undergraduate reader. This slight dash of, what may be called in default of "a more tenderer word," recklessness, is that which makes it to us a more entertaining paper than its compeer the Yale *Record*, which latter paper is of so conservative a character as to be rendered frequently decidedly prosaic. Were it endowed with the *Courant's* vigorous enthusiasm it would probably give that paper a close brush for first position.

We had not meant to have deferred our consideration of the *Harvard Crimson* thus far for it is certainly one of the first college papers. Its primal fault, and it is a serious one, is its bigotry, but

more than this, and that which principally renders it inferior to the *Advocate*, is its intense egoism. It would appear from its general tone that in its own opinions its editors out-edit the *Academy*, its poets out-Tennyson Tennyson, its sporting notes out-spirit the Spirit, and so on throughout; in fact we should not be greatly surprised if its editors, while not doubting that *man* was created a little lower than the angels, held to the belief that it was only by *their* very gracious condescension that the angels were permitted to hold any position at all. Perhaps we are a trifle severe, these are the *Crimson's* only faults, its letter-press is of the first order and would be as nearly perfect as that of the *Advocate* were it not for their influence.

Following these above-mentioned papers we would place the *Acta Columbiana* and *Princetonian* next in rank, and here also, a few weeks since, we should have placed the *Michigan Chronicle*, but with its new board of editors that paper has degenerated, and while it may regain its former prestige in the course of time, it cannot now be said to be equal in value to the *Acta* and *Princetonian*; we should therefore place it in the same rank with the *Vassar Miscellany*, *Columbia Spectator*, *Bowdoin Orient*, *Williams Athenæum*, and *University Beacon*. It becomes now very difficult to place several of our exchanges; very frequently the *Brunonian* and *Trinity Tablet* equal in many respects the last mentioned quintette, and they might, therefore, although they fluctuate greatly from issue to issue, be placed in the same class. Following in order we have *Ariel*, the *Rochester Campus*, *University Herald*, *University Magazine* and the *Amherst Student*. A further classification would be almost impossible. The papers unmentioned, while they may be of interest to their own subscribers, have little to recommend them to the consideration or perusal of another collegian.

First of the literary magazines stands, pre-eminently, the *Yale Literary Magazine*, to the general reader perhaps the most interesting of any of the college publications, although its only merit over the *Advocate* would be its bulk. Following the *Yale Lit.* we would place the *Nassau Literary Magazine*; and last of all the *Hamiltonian*, unless indeed the *Bates Student* and *Virginia University Magazine* claim to be literary magazines, when they should be accorded that position.

We begin already to tremble *in prospectu* at the consequences of our temerity in thus boldly unfolding our journalistic chart, and we have only to repeat in extenuation of our hardihood that we have not sought to open any Pandora's box for our own discomfort but have merely attempted to express in tolerably concise form the results of our year's communion with the wit and wisdom of, let us hope up to this time at least, our friends the Exchanges.

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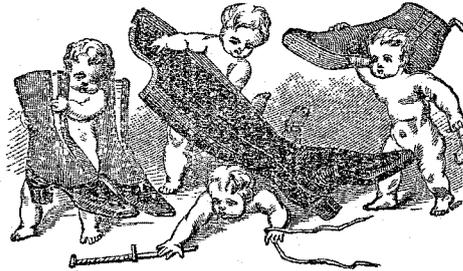
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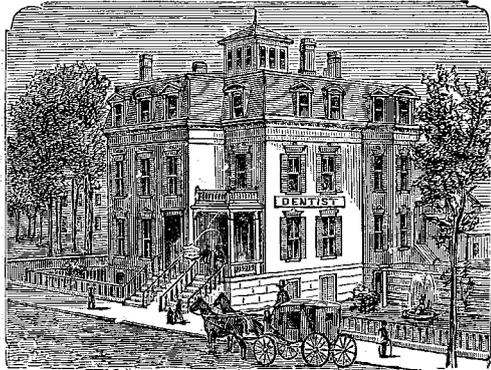
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To bid farewell to any undertaking or occupation is never a very satisfactory thing to do, since even when it is completed one seldom has done all that he could wish, or had hoped to accomplish. One is apt also to have a friendly feeling toward a work which has occupied his attention for a long time, and to leave it seems like parting from an old friend. And this is true even if the work has been long continued, and at times arduous and uninteresting. It is with something of this feeling that the editors of this paper conclude their work. The time is now at hand for the completion of the present volume, and with this number the duties of its editors are ended. In conclusion there is need to say but little. For a year we have done what our time and abilities permitted towards publishing a paper which we hoped to make readable, and more than a few words in regard to it seem unnecessary. We had not hoped to avoid all errors. Discussing the affairs of each week, often hurriedly and without time for careful consideration of them, it would be a matter of surprise if no mistakes had been made. In like manner we had not expected to suit every one, for with the many different opinions as to what a college journal ought to be this seems an impossibility. But on the whole the support and generous praise which we have had from those connected with the University, and those no longer here, have been as ample as we could wish. We desire to thank all most heartily for their interest in our work, which has thus been made easier; and

especially are thanks due to those who have given us assistance. It is difficult for a board of editors to write every week enough interesting things to fill a paper, and they should have occasional articles from others. We hope our successors will receive much aid in this way, and that it will be more frequently given in the future than it has in the past. As for ourselves, it is not likely that any of us will feel only glad to end a work which has brought both pleasure and profit, although a rest will be a relief. Our relations with students and professors have been very pleasant, while the work gives a practice which is worth the time spent and labor performed. The difficulty of an editor's task is little understood by those who have had no experience in that respect, and he must often feel that his work is not fully appreciated, but the duties are pleasant ones, and even on that account will not soon be forgotten. Hoping that our work has not been done wholly in vain, but has been of some use, we bid our readers a kind and last farewell.

SOME time ago in these columns we advocated the plan of a general inter class constitution and frequent meetings of the classes themselves. Such an organization, under definite and final laws, would prevent misunderstandings in the complicated matter of ERA elections, and would moreover bring out the talent of the classes, and hence better men for all the offices. The plan seems to have met with general favor and committees were appointed from all the classes to prepare such a constitution. But the action was taken so late in the term that not enough time was left to prepare such a document with sufficient care to make it lasting, and the committees have resolved to work the matter up during the summer for submission to the classes the first week of next term. We would urge upon the committees the importance of making their work as general and elastic as possible so that it will decide all mooted points and apply to every case. We wish success to the framers of our new government.

BETWEEN every two consecutive classes there is a natural feeling of antagonism which has its rise doubtless in the scorn of the higher and the resentment of the lower. But however strong this feeling may have been, it terminates at Cornell between the upper classes with the approach of Commencement. The Senior will soon be gone: the Junior will take his place. One is about to leave the scenes of four years' toil, trial and varying success and failure to meet with the results of training the hard list of the world: the other is to enter the crowning year of his college work when he will live each day as through one that can never be repeated under the same influence. The ceremonies of graduation are solemnizing and significant to the Junior that he too will stand ready to receive the certificate of labor done and end his joyous college days. Thus is a kind of sympathy established and no room left for petty jealousies. Seventy-eight must frankly acknowledge that seventy-nine will fill its place nobly; and seventy-nine must sorrow to lose its older and steadier companion. And so with mutual regrets will the classes part, and at least some of seventy-eight's sorrow at resigning its high dignities must be chased away by the thought that they are passing into worthy hands. Welcome to you, successors of '78, *exitus i saluamus*.

THE exercises of commencement day are apt to be somewhat tedious, comprising as they do several orations and essays besides the usual ceremonies of graduation. In some places the orations by the members of the class are dispensed with entirely, and a lecture or an address to the class by some one of note is substituted. In this way the friends of those who graduate miss the pleasure of seeing them appear in public, but that is an argument worthy of little attention. During the year enough public contests and exhibitions may be held to satisfy any one in this respect. It is also held that the wish to get appointed to speak will be an incentive to greater exertions in all college work. This incentive, like that which the marking system gives, may be very good, or necessary, for leading on young scholars, but men in college need no such thing to urge them. And this is especially true of those who will try for honors at all. On the whole the reasons for making commence-

ment exercises of so tiresome a nature are few and not very good. A change could certainly be made with advantage. It has been suggested that the professors take advantage of the opportunity thus offered to say something of their various departments, and to bid the class farewell. This plan, perhaps with modifications, might prove to be an agreeable change. Others could readily be suggested. Considering the weather that we usually have at this time of the year, and the nearly exhausted condition in which many of the Seniors find themselves after all the work which they have to do, a change would seem very welcome. Certainly this is a matter worthy of some attention.

PRUDENCE CRANDALL.

Every lover of art who visits our library stops to admire the portraits that adorn its walls. Most of these paintings are of such prominent personages that they need no comment, but to the casual observer two or three are veiled in obscurity. Of one very unlike the others we shall speak.

Hanging just over the President's chair enshrined in one of those deep, square, antique, gilt frames, and colored with the sombre tints of the artist's brush, is a figure with remarkable features. No name is written beneath to suggest the character or to disclose its history. But looking down from its modest and retiring attitude a face greets the beholder with an expression of intellect rather than that of beauty; with gentility and calmness rather than of vivacity and emotion. It attracts by its peculiar unassuming countenance which bespeaks a friendly nature. Although somewhat faded in tints the face retains a quiet reserve becomingly associated with the rich dark drapery and back-ground. Its whole expression is indicative of one of those generous-hearted, self-sacrificing beings overflowing with devotion to humanity. Nor are we mistaken in our idea. The first impression is that of some youth with regular features just verging into manhood, but a more studied look discloses a maturer form with womanly attributes, perhaps rendered more striking by contrast with those stronger manly characters represented in the paintings hanging on either side—Assiz and Lowell. The almost indiscernable folds of the dress hardly distinguish it from a mantle, and the clasped hands holding a book suggest a studious inclination. The longer one gazes, and is lost in thought, the more curious is he to know its history.

In the year 1832 there lived in Plainfield, Conn., a well-educated and highly respected young Quaker lady, who had gained some repute as a teacher.

The *élite* of the neighboring town, Canterbury, persuaded her to change her residence and instruct their daughters in the higher branches not taught in the common schools. She acceded to their request and for a time her endeavors met with approval. But a young colored lady, who was in no way inferior to the other pupils, applied for admission and was received as a co-equal. The question of color was the only objection any of the patrons could pronounce, and in this the parents remonstrated, disapproving the association of persons so different in appearance, and threatening to withdraw their children if the one individual were not dismissed. The teacher did not comply with the demand but announced her intention early to open a school for "young ladies and little misses of color." This action roused the indignation of villagers, who grossly insulted her and threaten all kinds of violence unless she desisted in her plans. A meeting of the citizens was held to "avert the nuisance," and able counsel engaged for both parties. Fifteen or twenty colored pupils from various cities and towns patronized the school at its opening, although inconvenienced by the citizens who refused them the necessary supplies from stores, and the water from their wells. An attempt was also made to enforce an obsolete vagrant law by executing it against the pupils from abroad, but without effect. The Black Law was then enacted, forbidding the instruction of colored people without a permit from the majority of the town, and hailed with general acclamation. The teacher was shortly after arrested and imprisoned, but bailed out the next day, and returned to her school to await the trial. A new prosecution was filed and tried at an earlier date, and decided against her. It was, however, carried to the court of errors which, after its session, reserved its decision and never rendered it.

Her persecutors next endeavored to burn her house, but the plot was discovered and the flames extinguished. A few nights later some of the rooms were rendered untenable on account of broken windows and other injuries made by her enemies. Repairs for new destruction were out of question hence the school was abandoned. "Thus ended the generous, disinterested, philanthropic enterprise" of this woman, the second attempt to establish a school for the colored population in Connecticut.

Her portrait was painted and given to her friend and counselor-at-law, Samuel J. May, who has donated it with his books to our library. Such is a short sketch of the life of Prudence Crandall.

—C. H. W.

—Major Burbank will lecture Saturday night at Library hall for the benefit of the Navy on "Some of the Conditions of Modern Warfare."

SOME OF THE CONDITIONS OF MODERN WARFARE.

At the last meeting of the Philosophical Society Major Burbank presented a paper upon a subject which under his treatment disclosed much of novelty to very many of his auditors, while it was at least remarkably entertaining to all. The central idea of the discourse was the presentation of certain general principles which govern the philosophy of modern warfare and these principles having been deduced, to exhibit their practical workings to which end the Gettysburgh campaign was cited by the lecturer and its progress minutely described, its whole conduct being the direct result of a thorough knowledge on the part of its leaders of the conditions which govern modern warfare.

To the successful issue of any hostile movement at the present day, the first necessity is that of thoroughly drilled and disciplined bodies moving with machine-like concert of action. Guerilla warfare in wild and mountainous regions may be attended with success, but for the prosecution of a successful aggressive campaign, no heterogeneous power can resist the attack of a thoroughly organized and disciplined body acting always under the direction of a confirmed superior, governing authority. And to the perfection of such an armed organization strict military discipline is the first requisite. In the middle ages such previous training was almost impossible owing to the then existing feodality which dividing nations into small irresponsible states rendered inter-state warfare little more than raids organized with a view to pillage or territorial acquirement in which the combatants, few in number gave little heed to any carefully organized, harmonious action. The overthrow of the feudal system brought with it the necessity for the establishment of defensive bodies to protect the suddenly aggrandized states. The first requisite in modern warfare is the preparation of secure bases of operation, that is of the provision of suitable magazines and depots of supply. (To demonstrate the previous propositions, necessary to the accomplishment of this object the lecturer presented statistics drawn from the official records of the Italian campaign of '59) The army carefully trained and equipped, and suitable bases of supply having been established, it became necessary to look to the provision of good roads for the convenience of transportation of the army and its supply trains. That more than one road is required for the progress of an army becomes evident at once, for were it not so its entire force could not be brought upon the field simultaneously, which is absolutely essential for the successful issue of an engagement. Napoleon's army at Waterloo, had it been conducted to the scene of operations by but one road, would have extended for 43 miles upon that way and the

rear of column would have been moving at a marching distance two days and a half behind the advance guard. The evils attendant upon the adoption of such a method of approach must be obvious. With the existence of standing armies many of the horrors attendant upon a military campaign, as at present conducted, are obviated: the leaders no longer look to the region which they traverse to meet the needs of their troops but to the previously provided supplies at the depots in the rear. This being true, it naturally follows that much thought must be given to the subject of the commissariat, and it may be assumed that the careful general devotes very much more of his time and attention to this than, as the superficial thinker might imagine, to his business proper, the striking of blows. The choice of an offensive or defensive mode of action by one of the hostile parties is induced and determined by one of three several causes, namely: Political, geographical and numerical. As an example of the first we have the case of the South in the late civil war taking up arms for, as its people said, the defense of their political rights. To the second cause was due the fact that Wellington acted upon the offensive in his campaign against the French in Spain in the year 1812. And as a result of the third cause the attack by Germany upon Denmark determined by the superior size and equipment of the Prussian army. The selection of an object to be striven after is the first step in modern military tactics. This object is generally the capture and occupation of the enemy's capitol, and this having been decided upon, it next becomes of paramount importance to fix upon a theatre of war, the choice of which is determined by varied and frequently widely differing causes. England, on account of her powerful navy, usually prefers that the scene of operations should be upon or in the immediate proximity of the sea board; with other nations other influences direct the selection. The military arena having been chosen, it next becomes necessary to adapt the army to the character of the physical conformation of the field in which it is to act; as, if the field be hilly or mountainous it becomes necessary that the infantry should preponderate, for in such a region mounted troops would be of but little avail. All operations against an opposing army must depend upon the power for fighting, and strategy is therefore employed by each party to bring its forces into the field with an increased relative advantage upon its opponent. The result of an engagement between evenly matched armies would depend upon the tactical skill of its generals, but strategy always seeks to make the conditions under which an enemy is engaged, unequal and to his disadvantage. Frederick William of Prussia was the first man to develop a thoroughly scientific army, and this through a harsh, almost

brutal severity of military discipline. Following him Napoleon greatly aided in systematizing and perfecting the principles which govern modern warfare, while military science received its last onward impulse in 1864-66 at the hands of the Prussians, who were the first to introduce the modern breech loader. These prefatory remarks concluded, the lecturer pointed his treatment of the subject with a detailed narrative account of the campaign of Gettysburgh, considering that military movement as a typical, practical exposition of the many varied conditions which go to influence the conduct of modern warfare.

SYRACUSE vs. CORNELL.

Although the University nine was very much weakened by the absence of three important men, it was thought best not to repeat the questionable action of two weeks ago, but to keep the appointment even at the risk of defeat. Accordingly the nine left at 8:45 by the hill road, and upon their arrival at Syracuse went to the Vanderbilt house where they took dinner. The game was played upon the Star's grounds and was opened by the Syracuse nine at the bat. At the third innings Cornell was behind one score, but in the fourth innings, five runs were scored which gave them a lead which could not be recovered by the Syracuseans, the ninth innings showing Cornell victorious by the score of 12 to 8. Of the game as a whole it can be said to have been well played by Cornell, the errors being made chiefly by the catcher, Warner, '79, who, though entirely out of practice, kindly consented to fill this difficult position. Adams led at the bat, being credited with four hits. Wing at short was excellent, having no errors and his field base running was a feature of the game. Knapp did well, as usual, at the bat and in the field. For Syracuse, Tallman at first has a good record. Ayres and Holden filled their positions creditably. The score is as follows:

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Knapp, 2 b.	1	2	3	1	0	Clark, c.	0	0	6	4	5
Newton, c. f.	1	1	2	0	0	Tallman, 1 b.	0	1	15	0	1
Green, r. f.	1	1	0	0	0	Marsh, 2 b.	1	2	4	3	5
Williams, l. f.	0	0	1	1	2	Holden, 3 b.	2	2	0	2	1
Bailey, p.	2	1	1	4	3	Dawson, l. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Pickett, 1 b.	1	0	9	0	2	Ayres, s. s.	3	2	0	3	1
Warner, c.	1	1	8	3	9	Babcock, r. f.	0	1	0	0	1
Wing, s. s.	3	0	2	2	0	Shove, p.	1	0	1	2	6
Adams, 3 b.	2	4	1	2	0	Shackleton, c. f.	1	1	0	0	0
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INNINGS.											
Syracuse.....	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	1	3	—	8
Cornell,....	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	3	2	—	12

Umpire, Youngs, Syracuse.

THE ERA BANQUET.

"From the time that the memory of man runneth not to the contrary," as Blackstone hath it, or more correctly speaking, for the past two years the custom of ringing out the old and ringing in the new ERA board by holding a banquet has been faithfully observed and correspondingly enjoyed. The out-going board hail it as an auspicious ending to a course fraught with danger, and laden with care, an oasis in the desert, a pyrotechnic display on a dark night. They willingly lay aside the pen and scissors for the knife, fork and glass, and from the fulness of their hearts their lips speak columns of solid nonpareil advice to the neophytes who are soon to assume the mantle that falls from their shoulders. It is a time of joy supreme. Even the delinquent subscriber and the wretch who wants to "turn his 'ad.'" are forgotten and forgiven when the "mantling bliss" goes round, and carried away by the spirit of the occasion the youthful editor is filled with budding hops and rose-colored possibilities for the coming volume, which the ruthless hand of time so often reduces to "pi."

The banquet last Monday evening at the Ithaca Hotel had the delightful smack and flavor of those of past years. A jolly party of seventeen sat down to discuss the elaborate menu provided, as well as talk over the prospects, to call up the past, and drink the health of the ERA. The elegant flowers that decorated the table may have been the cause of the exotic rhetortc of some of the toasts towards the close of the evening, but the champagne cork, as it gaily mounted aloft through the smoke rings in its flight towards the ceiling, sang of sources of eloquence that excel the pebble-stones and sea shore of Demosthenes. Mr. Howland gracefully presided over the toast-list and although some of his stories have the impress of age, kept the table in a roar. Mr. Rexford declaimed with great effect choice selections from editorials of the past year, and although Mr. Magner made brave attempts to sing some ERA poetry, as unfortunately no musical notes could be found to wind around the ragged edges of some of the lines, it was a failure. Mr. Severance's poem on "Softly o'er Memory's Heart Strings," would have been better if it had been shorter, and would have been shorter (to the hearers) if it had been better. Mr. Ames, of last year's board, gave a full dress rehearsal of his Woodford as it will appear at Commencement, amid enthusiastic cries of "go on!" "put him out!" and the like. Mr. Reeves's essay, a "Comparison between the *Cocagne* and the Lost Books of Livy," was well carried out, the only fault being that the writer discriminated too much in favor of Liyy. When Mr. Gelatt read an alphabetical list of delinquent subscribers so much excitement was caused by finding that three of the new board were yet in

arrears that he was forced to stop before he had finished the first hundred names. Space will not permit a more extended account of the festivities, but ample room will always be reserved in the hearts of all who attended, to treasure up the memories of the royal good time. The following was the

TOAST LIST.

1. THE CORNELL ERA, - - - MR. WAKELEY.
"First in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of its countrymen."
2. CO-EDUCATION, (by request,) - - - MR. AMES.
" - - - , - - - , - - - ."—Horace.
3. THE NEW BOARD, - - - MR. FARQUHAR.
"Hope springs eternal in the human breast."—Pope.
4. COLLEGE POETS, - - - MR. GIFFORD.
"And when false flowers of rhetoric thou would'st cull,
Trust nature, do not labor to be dull."—Dryden.
5. THE REVIEW, COCAGNE AND ERA, - - - MR. MOFFAT.
"Little children love one another."
6. BOARDS OF '76, '77 AND '78, - - - MR. HILLS
"Bonus, melior, optimus."—Harkness.
7. THE NEW GASTHAUS, - - - MR. WOODRUFF.
"Then whoop her up, the crystal cup
Yea to the brim we'll fill her."—ERA.
8. THE FINANCES, "Ex nihilo, nihil fit." - - - MR. GELATT.
9. THE FACULTY, - - - MR. SOULE.
"Most potent, grave and reverend seigniors."
10. THE BANQUET (to slow music,) - - - MR. SIMONS.
"Just look at the bead on that water! Have another turnip?"—Col. Sellers.

PASHA ON THE BLONDES.

Behold a strange thing hath come to pass. Yea, I say unto you the eyes of the Pasha have seen an abomination. For a large number of singing women have tarried with us. Yea in our midst have been damsels, playing upon the chin-chin, and by a strange name were they known. The English Blondes are they called. Verily I say unto you that high was the kick of them, and their jokes were a vain thing. And the Elders of the people were entertained by them. Yea, those high in authority did take them in. Verily they did much rejoice the Senior, and the heart of the Junior was full of joy, the Sophomores skipped like rams. Also were the Freshmen present, yea even from the pockets of these babes and sucklings, did the troupe gain strength. The tickets fell alike upon the just and upon the unjust. They that sing Sage chapel hymns with a loud voice, who pray upon the house tops, who are greatly concerned about their attendance upon the Y. M. C. A. Verily I say unto you they occupy reserved seats, and he that railed against the maidens upon the highway, and in the public place, he that denounced the show, as a trap for the ungodly, behold he fell into the midst of it himself. For the Pasha detected them upon the front seats, and behold his eye was glued to two telescopes, bound together, with a

STATISTICS OF THE CLASS OF

NAMES.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BIRTH.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	WHERE FITTED FOR COLLEGE.
Charles Wilberforce Ames.....	Minneapolis Minn.....	June 30, 1855.	22	Germantown, Pa.....	.....
John Wesley Babcock.....	Jamestown.....	Nov. 26, 1851.	26	Ithaca.....	Jamestown.....
Eugene Baker.....	Northampton.....	April 16, 1853.	25	Ithaca.....	Ithaca Academy.....
Fred Baker.....	Norwalk, Ohio.....	Jan. 29, 1854.	24	Norwalk, O.....	Norwalk, Ohio.....
Alfred Hovey Ballard.....	Syracuse.....	Jan. 24, 1853.	19	Syracuse.....	Syracuse High School..
Samuel Thruston Ballard.....	Louisville, Ky.....	Feb. 11, 1855.	23	Louisville, Ky.....	Private Tutor.....
Phillip Baruard.....	Chicago, Ill.....	Dec. 12, 1852.	25	Not Settled.....	Private Study.....
Willard Beahan.....	Watkins.....	Jan. 15, 1854.	24	Watkins.....	Starkey Seminary.....
Arthur Eugene Beardsley.....	Allegheny.....	Oct. 4, 1853.	24	Cayuga, Ill.....	Chimney Corner.....
Frank Edward Bissell.....	Ravenna, Ohio.....	Aug. 21, 1855.	22	Southbend, Ind.....	Southbend High School
Clarence Newman Howers.....	Delphi.....	March 22, '55.	23	Syracuse.....	Syracuse High School..
James McKee Borden.....	Jackson, Texas.....	July 25, 1858.	19	U. S. A.....	Never Fitted.....
Frank Bruen.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Feb. 23, 1857.	21	Dayton, Ohio.....	Dayton High School....
Ellwood Burdsall.....	Port Chester.....	Sept. 20, 1856.	21	Port Chester, Pa.....	Swarthmore, Pa.....
Daniel Wayland Cady.....	Fairfield.....	May 18, 1852.	26	Peterboro.....	Evans Acad., Peterboro
Eugene Cary.....	Dunkirk.....	Nov. 27, 1857.	20	Dunkirk.....	Dunkirk.....
Heywood Joant.....	St. Louis, Mo.....	Dec. 25, 1857.	20	Wilmington, Del.....	Wilmington, Del.....
Clayton Grandall.....	Babcock Hill.....	Feb. 4, 1858.	20	Ithaca.....	Ithaca Academy.....
Bessie Bell Dewitt.....	Owego.....	Nov. 28, 1854.	23	Owego.....	Owego Free Academy..
Samuel Griffith Dewsnap.....	Johnstown.....	Aug. 30, 1854.	23	Middletown.....	Middletown Academy..
James Lyson.....	Hudder's Field, England.	Feb. 14, 1850.	29	New Britain, Conn.....	Wibraham, Mass.....
George Penston Eaton.....	Oxford.....	Feb. 25, 1855.	23	Oxford.....	Oxford.....
Charles Brown Everson.....	Syracuse.....	Oct. 29, 1856.	21	Syracuse.....	Syracuse High School..
Arthur Falkenau.....	New York City.....	April 13, 1856.	22	New York City.....	New York City.....
Lizzie Jane Giddings.....	Jefferson, Ohio.....	Sept. 4, 1856.	22	Jefferson, Ohio.....	Jefferson, Ohio.....
Edward Green.....	Utica.....	May 10, 1856.	22	Utica.....	Utica Academy.....
Frederic Arthur Halsey.....	Unadilla.....	July 12, 1856.	21	Unadilla.....	Unadilla Academy.....
Forbes Heermans.....	Syracuse.....	Oct. 25, 1856.	21	Syracuse.....	Syracuse High School..
Margaret Hicks.....	Syracuse.....	Nov. 21, 1858.	20	Syracuse.....	Syracuse High School..
John Thomas Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
George Milton Jarvis.....	Canastota.....	June 20, 1849.	28	Canastota.....	Canastota.....
Ben Johnson.....	Ithaca.....	Oct. 15, 1858.	19	Ithaca.....	Ithaca Academy.....
Lizette Frances Jones.....	Newark, N. J.....	Feb. 12, 1855.	23	Utica.....	Union School, Ithaca..
Myron Cassius Kasson.....	Seneca, Ill.....	Aug. 2, 1852.	25	Woodstock, Ill.....	Woodstock High Sch'l..
William Keith.....	Rochester.....	Aug. 11, 1850.	27	Warsaw.....	Attica.....
Franklin Mason Kendall.....	Utica.....	May 12, 1857.	21	Attica.....	Attica Institute.....
Jacob Schwartz Lehmler.....	New York City.....	May 19, 1859.	19	New York City.....	New York City.....
John Lewis.....	Ithaca.....	March 21, '56.	22	Ithaca.....	Ithaca Academy.....
Frank Weston Mann.....	Norfolk, Mass.....	July 24, 1856.	21	Norfolk, Mass.....	Walpole High School..
Charles David Marx.....	Toledo, Ohio.....	Oct. 10, 1857.	20	Toledo, Ohio.....	Baden, Germany.....
Frank Adams Maxwell.....	Clymer Centre.....	Sept. 14, 1854.	23	Clymer Center.....	District School.....
Cyrus Hall McCormick.....	Henderson, Ky.....	Nov. 13, 1856.	21	None.....	Henderson High School
Kit McEbright.....	Millersburgh, Ohio.....	June 3, 1859.	19	Akron, Ohio.....	Akron, Ohio.....
William Lincoln McKay.....	Warsaw.....	March 16, '55.	23	Des Moines, Iowa.....	Elmira Academy.....
Frank Oliver Meeker.....	St. Lacombe, Wash. Terr.	May 3, 1855.	23	Payallup, Wash. Ter..	District School.....
Thomas Davis Merrill.....	Bangor, Me.....	Oct. 26, 1855.	22	Saginaw, Mich.....	Never Fitted.....
James Smith Monroe.....	Paterson, N. J.....	Dec. 29, 1854.	23	Paterson, N. J.....	Warwick.....
Joseph Ness.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mary Ellen Oliver.....	Lynn, Mass.....	Feb. 28, 1841.	37	Lynn, Mass.....	Providence, R. I.....
William Bernice Pattin.....	Fort Plain.....	Feb. 2, 1855.	23	Fort Plain.....	Fort Plain.....
William Passmore Pickett.....	Litchfield, Conn.....	May 23, 1855.	23	Litchfield, Conn.....	Litchfield High School.
Rento de Almeida Prado.....	S. Paulo, Brazil.....	Dec. 4, 1855.	22	Rio S. Paulo, Brazil..	Brazil and Ithaca.....
Edward Livermore Preston.....	Rockford, Ill.....	Sept. 27, 1853.	24	Newton, Iowa.....	U. S. M. A. West Point
Ruth Putnam.....	Yonkers.....	July 18, 1856.	21	New York City.....	Mrs. Brackett's School.
Arthur Middleton Reeves.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Oct. 7, 1856.	21	Richmond, Ind.....	Richmond.....
Charles Myron Rexford.....	Watertown.....	April 23, 1855.	23	Watertown.....	Watertown.....
Quintiliano Nery Ribeiro.....	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.....	Feb. 18, 1858.	20	Rio de Janeiro.....	Brazil.....
Francisco Valdes Rodriguez.....	Havana, Cuba.....	Jan. 28, 1858.	20	Havana, Cuba.....	Havana, Cuba.....
William Kelly Seaman.....	Newburgh.....	May 4, 1857.	21	New York.....	Newburgh Academy..
Elias Horning Sellers.....	Deerfield, Mich.....	May 5, 1849.	29	Fentonville, Mich.....	Ann Arbor, Mich.....
Albert William Smith.....	Westmoreland.....	Aug. 30, 1856.	21	Westmoreland.....	Rome Academy.....
Cornelius Stephen Thacher.....	Hopewell.....	Jan. 9, 1850.	28	Hopewell.....	Canandaigua.....
Jose P. Tiberica.....	Salto de Thi, Brazil.....	Nov. 3, 1853.	24	Brazil.....	San Paulo, Brazil.....
Robert Henry Treman.....	Ithaca.....	March 31, '58.	20	Ithaca.....	Ithaca Academy.....
Harvey Justin VanNorman.....	Jasper.....	Aug. 6, 1852.	23	Jasper.....	Woodhull Academy.....
Augusto Cezar de Vasconcellos.....	Portugal.....	June 11, 1855.	23	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.	Ithaca.....
Arthur Cooper Wakeley.....	Whitewater, Wis.....	March 19, '55.	23	Omaha, Neb.....	Nebraska City, Neb....
Watson Weed.....	Clyde.....	March 14, '49.	29	North Rose.....	Cazenovia Seminary....
Phillip Albert Welker.....	Toledo, O.....	June 1, 1857.	21	Toledo, Ohio.....	Toledo High School....
Wallace Jay Wilcox.....	Ithaca.....	Dec. 5, 1854.	23	Ithaca.....	Ithaca Academy.....

SUMMARY.

NUMBER in class, 50, (63 men and 7 ladies,) original number, 143.

DEGREES.—B. S., 26; B. M. E., 14; B. C. E., 14; B. A., 8; B. Lit., 3; B. Arch., 2; B. Agr., 2; Ph. B., 2.

OCCUPATION.—Engineering, 12; Undecided, 9; Mechanical Engineering, 8; Law, 8; Business, 7; Teaching, 6; Journalism, 3; Medicine, 2; Manufacturing, 2; Architecture, 2; Student, 2;

Chemistry, 2; Mining, 2; Naturalist, 2; Agriculturist, 1; Merchant, 1; Capitalist, 1; Ministry, 1; 1 too lazy to hand in a report.

POLITICS.—Republican, 31; Independent, 13; Democratic, 10; No politics, 7; Liberal, 2; Hayes Republican, 2; Independent Republican, 2; Best Man, 1; Liberal Republican, 1; Prohibition, 1.

RELIGION.—Episcopal, 8; Presbyterian, 7; Unitarian, 6; No Religion, 6; Liberal, 5; Non-sectarian, 5; Freethinkers, 5; Congregationalist, 4; Methodist, 3; Universalist, 2; Christian, 2; Jewish, 1; Deist, 1; Materialist, 1; Atheist, 1; Friend, 1; Bap-

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WHEN ENTERED.	NO. OF TERMS.	DEGREE.	FUTURE OCCUPATION.	HEIGHT.	WEIGHT.	POLITICS.	RELIGION.	FREE TRADE OR PROTECTION.	CO-EDUCATION FOR OR AGAINST.
Sep. '74	8	B. Lit.	Political Journalism	5-8	150	Independent	Unitarian	Free Trade	For
"	'74	B. A.	Teaching	5-11	155	Republican	Christian	Protect'n	For
"	'74	B. S.	Teaching	6	160	Republican	Methodist	Protect'n	For
"	'70	B.S.Nat.Mis	Medicine	6-2½	182	Republican	Presbyterian	Protect'n	Against
"	'74	B. S.	Medicine	5-7	150	Republican	Episcopal	Free Trade	Against
"	'74	B. S.	Mining	5-10½	140	Republican	Episcopal	Protect'n	Against
"	'73	B. S.	Law	5-7	142	Republican	Liberal	Free Trade	Against
"	'74	B. C. E.	Civil Engineering	5-9½	160	Liberal	Non-sectarian	Free Trade	For
"	'74	B. S.	Naturalist	5-8	160	Republican	Liberal	Protect'n	For
"	'74	B. C. E.	Civil Engineering	5-9	145	Republican	None	Protect'n	For
Oct. '74	3	B. S.	Journalism	5-9½	140	Republican	Independent	Protect'n	Against
Jan. '75	11	G. M. E.	Not decided	5-10½	155	Democrat, solid	Independent	Protect'n	Against
Sep. '74	12	R. C. E.	Civil Engineering	6	157	Republican	Unitarian	Protect'n	Against
"	'75	R. M. E.	Mechanical Engineering	5-9½	143	Republican	Friend	Free Trade	Against
"	'74	B. A.	Unknown	5-11	190	Prohibition	Materialism	Free Trade	For
"	'74	B. S.	Unknown	5-6	118	Independent Republican	Christian	Free Trade	For
"	'74	B. S.	Unknown	5-7	140	Liberal Republican	Unitarian	Lim. Pro.	For
"	'74	B. S.	Mining	5-7½	143	Democrat	Atheist	Free Trade	Against
"	'74	R. A.	Teaching	5-5½	124	Which?	Presbyterian	Protect'n	For
"	'73	B. S.	Chemist	5-9½	133	Republican	Presbyterian	Protect'n	For
"	'70	B. C. E.	Civil Engineering	5-9	160	Republican	Baptist	Free Trade	Against
"	'74	B. S.	Journalism	5-8½	145	Hayes Republican	Deist	Free Trade	For
"	'74	R. S.	Hardware Merchant	5-9½	155	Republican	Congregationalist	Protect'n	Against
"	'75	G. M. E.	Mechanical Engineering	5-3½	129	Independent	Liberal	Lim. Pro.	For
Fall '74	9	R. S.	Law	5-3½	123	Independent	Freethinker	Free Trade	For
Sep. '74	12	B. Arch.	Architect	5-11	150	Republican	Freethinker	Free Trade	For
Apr. '74	11	R. M. E.	Mechanical Engineering	5-11	135	Independent	Liberal	Protect'n	Against
Sep. '74	12	B. M. E.	Business	5-6½	145	Republican	Unitarian	Protect'n	Against
"	'75	B. A.	Architect	5-6	120	Republican	Protestant	Free Trade	For
"	'74	R. M. E.	Mechanical Engineering	5-8½	145	Republican	Independent	Protect'n	Against
"	'72	B. C. E.	Business	5-8½	145	Independent	Independent	For	For
"	'74	B. M. E.	Mechanical Engineering	5-11½	140	Democrat	Episcopal	Lim. Pro.	Against
"	'74	B. S.	Teaching	5-4	126	Independent	Presbyterian	Protect'n	For
Jan. '76	8	B. Ag.	Agriculture	6	196	Independent	Non-sectarian	Free Trade	For
Sep. '73	14	B. S.	Chemist	5-9	140	Independent	Freethinker	Protect'n	For
"	'74	B. S.	Undecided	5-9	142	Republican	Congregationalist	Free Trade	For
Jan. '76	12	Ph. B.	Law	5-9	139	Independent Republican	Jewish	Free Trade	For
"	'75	B. M. E.	Mechanical Engineering	5-8	165	Independent	Freethinker	Protect'n	For
Sep. '74	12	B. S.	Manufacturer	5-8	146	Republican	Congregationalist	Unde'ed	For
Jan. '77	5	B. C. F.	Engineering	6	145	Republican	Freethinker	Lim. Pro.	For
Sep. '73	13½	B. C. E.	Engineering	5-6½	160	Liberal	Non-sectarian	Protect'n	For
"	'74	B. C. E.	Engineering	5-10½	175	Democrat, solid	None	Free Trade	Against
"	'78	B. A.	Student	5-3½	120	Independent	Congregationalist	Protect'n	Against
"	'74	B. A.	Law	5-6½	130	Hayes Republican	Episcopal	Free Trade	For
"	'73	B. S.	Law	5-9½	150	Independent	Not decided	Free Trade	For
"	'74	R. C. E.	Business	5-5	135	Democrat	None	Free Trade	Against
"	'73	B. S.	Business	5-6½	145	Republican	Rational Religion	Protect'n	Against
Sp'g '75	10	Ph. B.	Teaching	5-1½	110	Best Man	Humanity & Morality	Lim. Pro.	For
Jan. '75	11	B. S.	Law	5-11	150	Republican	Universalist	Protect'n	Against
Sep. '74	12	B. S.	Law	5-9½	166	Democrat	Episcopal	Free Trade	Against
"	'72	B. Ag.	Capitalist	5-6	140	None	Freethinker	Protect'n	Against
"	'76	B. C. E.	Civil Engineering	5-9½	142	Republican	Protestant	Free Trade	Against
"	'74	B. Lit.	Student	5-2½	138	Republican	Unitarian	Free Trade	For
"	'73	B. S.	Unknown	5-10½	130	Republican	None	Lim. Pro.	Against
"	'74	B. A.	Medicine	5-6	155	Republican	Presbyterian	Free Trade	For
"	'74	B. Arch.	Unknown	5-10	143	Independent	Independent	Protect'n	Against
"	'74	B. C. E.	Civil Engineering	5-6	127	Independent	Independent	Protect'n	Against
"	'74	B. M. E.	Mechanical Engineering	5-7	137	Independent	Non-sectarian	Lim. Pro.	Against
"	'75	B. A.	Law	6-1	171	Democrat	Liberal	Free Trade	For
"	'74	B. M. E.	Mechanical Engineering	6-1	170	Independent	Episcopal	Protect'n	For
"	'72	B. C. E.	Civil Engineering	5-11	151	Republican	Methodist	Protect'n	For
"	'74	B. M. E.	Business	5-6½	140	Independent	Independent	Lim. Pro.	Against
"	'74	B. M. E.	Business	6	181	Democrat, solid	Presbyterian	Lim. Pro.	Against
"	'74	B. S.	Teaching	5-9	165	Republican	Universalist	Free Trade	For
"	'74	B. M. E.	Manufacturer	5-6	138	Republican	Methodist	Lim. Pro.	For
"	'74	B. Lit.	Unknown	5-9½	141	Democrat	Episcopal	Protect'n	Against
"	'74	B. S.	Ministry	5-8	150	Republican	Unitarian	Protect'n	For
Oct. '74	10	B. C. E.	Civil Engineering	5-7½	136	Republican	Non-sectarian	Protect'n	Against
Sep. '74	12	B. M. E.	Business	5-9	145	Democrat	No Religion	Lim. Pro.	Against

tist, 1; Rational, 1; On the Fence, 1; Religion of Humanity, Philanthropy and Morality, 1; Independent, 5.
 Co-EDUCATION.—For, 37; Against, 32; — 1.
 STATES AND COUNTRIES REPRESENTED.—New York, 37; Ohio, 6; Illinois, 3; Iowa, 2; Michigan, 2; Massachusetts, 2; Connecticut, 2; Indiana, 2; Kentucky, 2; New Jersey, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; California, 1; Delaware, 1; Nebraska, 1; Washington Territory, 1; U. S. A., 1; Brazil, 4; Cuba, 1.
 CLASS MAN.—Born May 20th, A. D. 304, at exactly 0.10656 seconds past 10 o'clock, p. m. Age, 1674 years and 27.083321 days.

Height, 388 feet 7.268 inches. Weight, 10176 pounds. Cost of college course, \$141,320.
 AVERAGE.—Average age, 23 years, 1 month, 27.72 days; average height, 5 feet, 8.693 inches; weight, 149.61 pounds. Average cost of college course, \$2,316.833. Tallest man, [P. Baker,] 6 feet 2½ inches. Shortest man, [Oliver,] 5 feet 1½ inches. Heaviest man, [Kasson] 196 pounds. Lightest man, [Cary,] 118 pounds. Oldest man, [Oliver,] 37 years. Class infant, [Kit McEbright,] 19 years 15 days.

strong band, which the ungodly call an opera glass, which instrument is an abomination unto the righteous. And the evil one at the door grew fat upon the half dollars of the men.

But stranger things than these came to pass. Yea the heart of the Pasha is grieved because of them. Verily I say unto you all men are liars. I, Pasha son of Balaam, do assert it, with my testimony do I confirm it. For many were there present. Old men saw the maidens, young men and Freshmen. But, upon the day following, of all that multitude, there was not one who did not deny, yea, even with curses and oaths that he saw them, they cried in a loud voice, "I saw them not, I say unto you I saw them not," and the Pasha crew thrice, and then sat down, for there was much chaff in the place, and wept bitterly. For there is more joy in the heart of the Pasha over one sinner that repenteth than over ninety and nine just swearing that they need no repentance.

HOLLAND NOTES.

[The following extract is taken from a letter lately received by Prof. Fiske from Prof. Hewett, who is at present in Holland studying the Dutch language and literature.]

Hotel du Lion d'Or, Leiden, May 21, 1878.

Your *fliegende Blätter* have arrived at intervals always freighted with something of interest. The last brought the news of the death of C. F. Hartt. The work which the University has done for Brazil is unquestionably one of its most important works. His has become more real with his death. Even while he was away there was the thought of his return, so that his place did not seem quite vacant. An early schoolmate of his and life-long acquaintance, Professor Welton, of Acadia College, was with me in Leipzig. He describes H. as a boy, as most marvelously gifted, drawing naturally with amazing quickness, bringing home from brooks and fields continually fresh discoveries. Hartt has two sisters in St. John's, unmarried, and both musicians of great talent.

I am fairly established here for a part of my summer's work. Both Professors Pluygers and Branare of Leipzig, advised Leiden in preference to Groningen. I have never been received into a more cordial circle of friends and helpers. Professor de Vries has been constant in his efforts to aid me. Professor Pluygers has introduced me to a literary club, and opened the library (University) to my unlimited use. Professor Kern, the Sanscrit scholar, has been equally kind. The latter was formerly a professor at Benares, in India, and lectured on Sanscrit and in Sanscrit to the Brahmins. He is at work on some emendations to Boehlingk's new Sanscrit Dictionary. He values Whitney highly. I shall stay here for the present, going later to the

Haag for a time, a course which all advise. I am reading Motley in Dutch, and the Camera Obscura von Hildebrand. All the professors speak German and of course Kern admirable English. Dr. Dexter's footprints are here in the tablet he set up to John Robinson. He is remembered personally very favorably. The city as you know is intensely quiet, the few carriages that go through the street make a noise like thunder. The weather is variable, one day often oppressively warm, the next equally cool. The sea air is wonderfully invigorating. The old university building is still in use, for lectures by the philosophical faculty. The walls along the staircases are illustrated with views of a student's experience, from his departure from home until he gets his doctor's degree. The pictures are life size, done in charcoal, by a student, now president of the art commission of the Netherlands. Ordinary drawings are whitewashed over every year, but those which have so much genius and humor are left.

At the middle of the Easter recess I started for a brief trip into South Germany and Italy, and spent two weeks in Rome, one in Naples and vicinity, and visited Ravenna, one of the most interesting cities in Italy, thence to Milan and over St. Gotthard to Lucerne; thence I went to Strasburg and Bonn, thence to Leiden. In Strasburg I heard Ten Brink on Macbeth, and Martin, who took Scherer's place. Ten Brink is unquestionably one of the finest lecturers that I have heard, and am not certain but that I should choose Strasburg in preference to Leipzig for some parts of English literature. In Bonn I only heard Bisehoff. I could not hear Deltius without stopping a day or two more, and was astonished at the work his students do in modern English. He lectures in English and conducts *Lesübungen*, where his students use English.

Martin I found the embodiment of dryness in matter and manner. Strasburg seemed very quiet. That is, the limited number of students when compared with Leipzig. The lofty rooms of the old bishop's palace afford delightful lecture and reading rooms. The city itself with its broad streets and fine stores is in striking contrast to Leiden.

Yours faithfully, W. T. HEWETT.

CORNELIANA.

—Thus endeth the first lesson.

—Somebody calls "cramming week" the "revival of learning."

—A young logician defines a *moral* certainty as something you can bet on.

—The *Cocagne* editors assert that the last number is an impending thunderbolt.

—Since they have been mowing the high grass on the hill the campus has borne a "truly rural" appearance.

—A Freshman the other day confidently referred to the chief inhabitant of Dr. Wilder's aquarium as a "mock turtle."

—A select corps of agricultural students have been engaged by the University farm authorities to act as "scare-crows" during the summer.

—Now the average store keeper stays awake nights wondering whether he can drop his little bill on Smith, Jones or Robinson before he leaves for parts unknown.

—A Senior disposing of his miscellaneous effects the other day sold a wall text, "In God we Trust" to a Sophomore for fifty cents, saying that he had no further need for it.

—Notwithstanding the hard times the price of the ERA next year will be \$2.50. A little gum on the back of this paragraph will enable prospective subscribers to paste it in their hats.

—The *Review* says that the trouble with the ERA is its "self-sufficiency." The trouble with the *Review* is that every body has a "sufficiency" of it except it—"self"—a sort of "self deficiency."

—The "Cornell hat," with its wealth of mild pink and white had a run of about three days, and then disappeared save on the heads of a few benighted Freshmen who prefer patriotism to good taste.

—Mr. John W. Bibcock, Jamestown, should have been noticed among the Commencement appointees as receiving an honorable mention. There being no official announcement his name did not come to our notice.

—The *Review* offers a very valuable prize—a bound volume of herself—to the Commencement orator "who will not refer to Goethe, either directly or indirectly." Several of the speakers are said to be remodeling their orations.

—A sketch from life: First student, (slowly ascending the hill, intently engaged in reading a paper.) Second student. "What are you reading?" "An examination paper." "When did you have it?" "O! it comes off this afternoon!"

—"The Ten Year Book" will be issued from the University press to-morrow. No student should fail to procure a copy. The book will be sold at actual cost, and there is apparently no reason why every Cornell man should not possess a copy.

—'79 made her final display of Junior oratory last Thursday morning in Room T. The following were the speakers: Alberti, Dissatisfaction; Dounce, the Statesmanship of Richelieu; Morris, Athens and its Influence; Wagner, The Growth of the Democraatic Idea; Macy, Political Parties; Philip, Dante and Milton; Porter, Richard Henry Lee; Miss Russel, The Influence of Natural Scenery on Character; Miss Weed, Chivalry.

—It is to be hoped that the ringers of the chimes will have enlarged their *repertoire* of selections by next term. The banged bells [no reference to Co-education] will almost play "Way Down on the Swanee" and "Wanitah" themselves, now.

—The managers of the base ball association hope that some of the Sage Chapel preachers will hold forth from St. Luke, 17, 17. "But where are the Nine?" No reference to Auburn intended. Why not try Genesis, 6, 14. "And shalt pitch it within and without?"

—The following officers were elected at the Irving society on Friday evening, May 31: President, E. L. Magner; Vice-Pres., M. J. Spaulding; Sec., W. M. Alberti; Cor. Sec., F. E. Smith; Treas., C. G. Wagner; Historian, Miss Halpen; additional *Review* editor, F. W. Smith.

—The great exhibition of "mental acrobats and trained intellects" connected with the University, will take place at Library hall, on the 20th, two weeks before Barnum's "most complete organization on earth." The grand street parade will take place immediately after the show.

—Shall we find Cascadilla turned into a Gasthaus next September? If such a plan is seriously entertained it had better be pushed through at once. Nothing could more promote the unity of college feeling among the students which as a necessary result of scattered residence, is at present the great lack in life at Cornell.

—The ruined hay on the campus last week excited many scornful comments from the rustics whose way lay through the University avenue. It would really seem, indeed, as though the managers of the Agricultural Department might have consulted the barometer and the sky to better purpose. Is it a result of the Conflict of Science and Religion?

—The programme for Commencement week as nearly as can be ascertained at the present time is as follows: Sunday, June 16th, Baccalaureate Address, Rev. Dr. Belkows; Monday evening, Creation Exercises and Class Supper; Tuesday, Class Day Exercises; Tuesday evening, Class Ball; Wednesday, Alumni Meeting; Thursday, Commencement.

—Manager Bradley submits a report of the finances of the Base Ball Association, by which it appears that there has been received from various sources \$298.10. The total expenditures have amounted to \$291.98, leaving a balance of \$6.12. The members of the nine are requested to leave their uniforms with Bailey before leaving town. The result of this year's management is highly creditable to Mr. Bradley, and it is safe to say that the affairs of the Base Ball Association have never before been so well managed.

—Will somebody please stir up the committees appointed to collect Navy subscriptions? If any thing is to be done toward raising the money it must be immediately attended to before the students go home for vacation. Commodore Baker is exerting himself in the matter and he should be seconded in his efforts by the committees appointed for the express purpose of collecting the funds.

—The cremation ceremonies of the class of '78 will be as follows. The members of the class, provided with sheets, will meet in room R, N. U. B., at 9 o'clock Monday evening, June 17th. They will there be supplied with torches. The procession will be formed under the direction of the class marshal, the members wearing sheets and carrying torches, and will march to the field west of the President's house, where the following programme will be carried out. 1. Dirge. 2. Reading of chapter on the friendship and intimate relations existing between Weisbach and Psychology, by the chaplain, W. L. McKay. 3. First part of song, "Psychology." 4. Funeral oration over Psychology, F. O. Meeker. 5. Remainder of song, Psychology, to be sung during the burning of Psychology. 6. First part of song, Weisbach. 7. Funeral oration over Weisbach, Willard Beahan. 8. Remainder of song, Weisbach, to be sung during the burning of the corpse. 9. Closing remarks by the chaplain, W. L. McKay. 10. College songs.

—The Cornelian published by the Kappa Alpha, Alpha Delta Phi and Psi Upsilon societies will be out in a few days and the advance sheets are at hand for criticism. The book will certainly be the most complete and interesting publication of the kind that has ever come to our notice. Aside from the useful printed matter, such as student and graduate directories, the most striking feature of the book is the abundance and excellence of the cuts. These with a few exceptions are extremely original and good. The hits at the other societies and at co-education are in general well pointed and not too harsh, and the manner in which the artist has avoided the usual stumbling block, the class cuts, is especially commendable. It is unfortunate that the editors could not have published the Cornelian earlier in the term, as we are afraid that their efforts will remain comparatively unappreciated. However, the book is one that will keep, and much of its flavor will stand the lapse of time and heat of summer.

—The following is the programme for Commencement Day: 1. C. W. Ames, Individual Manhood an Influence in History. 2. J. W. Babcock, The Origin of Italian Literature. 3. F. T. Baker, Study of the Native Races of Yucatan, Chiapas and Guatamala. 4. F. E. Bissell, English and American Iron Bridges. 5. Eugene Cary, Inspirers and Organizers in History. 6. H. Co-

nant, Theodore Winthrop and His Writings. 7. C. Crandall, Malt Liquors and their Chemical Relations. 8. A. Falkenau, The Efficiency of the 8-ton Hoisting Machine. 9. F. A. Halsey, Notes on the Steam Engine Indicator. 10. D. Marx, Design for a Railroad Bridge. 11. J. Ness, The Growth and Power of Ideas. 12. B. de A. Prado, Rotation in Crops. 13. Miss R. Putnam, Superstition among the Cultivated Romans. 14. A. M. Reeves, Tegner's Frithiof's Saga. 15. C. M. Rexford, Woman in Tennyson. 16. Q. N. Ribeiro, Swiss Architecture. 17. C. S. Thacher, Economic Conditions of Railway Location. 18. R. H. Treman, Technical Education. 19. A. L. K. Volkman, Aristophanes and Roman Satire. 20. A. C. Wakeley, Communism in the United States. 21. W. Weed, The Elevation of Labor.

PERSONALIA.

EUGENE PORTER, '80, is principal of the 110th street high school, in New York.

H. W. KING, '79, now in the Harvard law school, is an occasional contributor to the *Arcadian* and also to the *Merchant's Journal*, N. Y.

O. F. WILLIAMS, '69, a member of the first graduating class, is visiting friends in town. He is connected with the Rochester Business University.

S. M. LEHMAN, formerly '79, is in Liverpool, Eng., for the purpose of getting a general insight into commercial life, preparatory to engaging in business.

PROF. FISKE sails for Rotterdam with the *Schiedam* party on the 15th. He will visit the Paris exposition and London, after which he will spend a few weeks with Bayard Taylor at Berlin. He will probably be accompanied by Prof. Hewett on his return in September.

W. H. CARPENTER left town Wednesday in order to spend a few days at his home in Utica, before sailing for Europe, where he intends to study at Leipsic. Over his familiar initial "C." have appeared in the poet's corner of the ERA this year many pretty poetic productions, which have been widely copied by the college press. We wish him *bon voyage*, and although our brief course is run, we may exclaim in the voice of the incoming board "we mourn our loss."

THE *Journal*, June 3d, has an extended account of the suicide of Fred C. Talcott, formerly a student here, who jumped from the deck of the steamer Drew on the North river, May 31. Mr. Talcott since leaving the University, had studied a year in Germany, graduated from the N. Y. College of Physicians and Surgeons in '75, and just began practising medicine in Albany. He was supposed to have been suffering from congestion of the brain when he made the fatal leap, as there are no good reasons for thinking that the act was premeditated.

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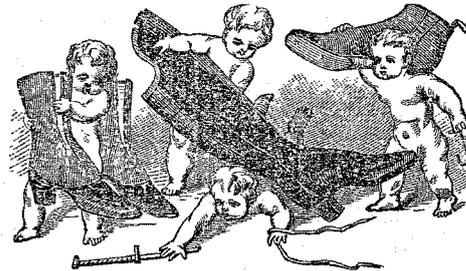
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