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We learn that there is a misunderstanding in reference to the relations existing between Dr. Booe and the Senior Class, some supposing that the Seniors petitioned to be excused from reciting to the Doctor during the present term. The facts are these: When the committee for the present term was made out, the study of Greek under Dr. Booe was assigned to the classical Seniors. This gave to the classical three weeks, while to the philosophical and scientific divisions there was assigned but one. As the classics did not wish to study Greek, and as all the members desired to increase their knowledge of French, the class asked, not that they be excused from meeting Dr. Booe, but that Dr. Booe teach them in French instead of in Greek, thus giving all the classes additional study. The arrangement finally made by the Faculty was that the Seniors recite in French to Prof. Olsen (whom we all like), and that Dr. Booe take the Freschmen in Greek. This arrangement was satisfactory all around, and was perhaps the best that could be made.

The relations between Dr. Booe and the class of '78 have always been most friendly, and are so still. We entertain a high regard for his eminent abilities, and esteem him for his personal qualities. We have never had occasion to regret the resolutions passed by the class when the connection of Dr. Booe with the University was severed, and now we heartily congratulate both the University and the lower class men that his distinguished services have been once more secured at the head of the Greek department.

Some physicians, in giving certain medicines, portion them out into broken doses rather than give the same quantities in single doses, claiming that it is more effective and not so severe upon the patient. This may be very true in medicine, but when it comes to porting out studies to students, we think this rule is reversed, and teachers make a grave mistake in so doing. The old maxim, "Too many irons in the fire," etc., will apply in this case, or, that one, "Finish what you are at before you commence something else," is very appropriate. The course of study in our Junior year is very much afflicted with this trouble of broken studies, and though every class that goes through it readily sees the inconsistency and is much annoyed in consequence of this irregularity of studies, yet there is no change for the better made from year to year by the Faculty. Having two studies alternate, one twice a week and the other three times, is not desirable by any means, yet when unavoidable we should not complain, but when one of these is pursued for a half term or less and then set aside for something else and not finished until the next or perhaps the second term after, it becomes very annoying to the student, and a lack of interest in the study is almost sure to result from it. We think it would be far better to have fewer studies on hand at once, and pursue them thoroughly during the term allotted to them, thus this way of carrying on too many studies cannot be carried on together. Of course the members of the Faculty have to suit themselves individually in their respective branches when arranging the catalogues, but the more they can avoid this dividing up and alternating of studies, the more effective will their labors be, and the more benefit will the students derive from them.

While it is very essential that a professor should be accurate and precise in his instruction and illustrations of the different subjects that occur in the lessons and the questions that may arise, it is also very important that he use the correct pronunciation of the different words. Especially is this difficulty encountered in the natural sciences where so many scientific terms are used, and which are so commonly mispronounced in colloquial language. Many
geographical names also are subject to this error, and when we once get a preconception fixed in our minds, no difference whether it is right or wrong, that is the one which comes up first when we attempt to express it. The impossibility of thinking up the right pronunciation of every word before we can say it is evident—hence the importance of getting it right in the first place. The teacher is the one to set the example, and he should correct his pupils when ever error is noticed, but when he falls into this error himself the pupils are liable to do the same, though they may know better and try to avoid it. We are judged by how we say things as much, or more, as by what we say, and a mispronunciation of a single term, or a slight grammatical mistake, often spoils a very fine expression or forcible argument, because it indicates a carelessness in small points, and carelessness in these is liable to be care less in large points.

One of the almost invariable features of the Spring term is the decline of attendance and lack of interest taken in the literary societies. There are several things which play a prominent part in this. Warm and pleasant weather tends to produce lassitude and loss of energy, and a want of time is the excuse. Base-ball and other out-door sports have their influence. Seniors have to prepare for class-day and commencement. Juniors want a long time for their corollations, and the result is the presidents of the societies frequently find it quite difficult to fill out their programmes and make them attractive enough to draw an audience. They are necessarily compelled to appoint younger members to take the different parts, and these members should bear in mind that this is just the term for them to come out and begin work in earnest, and coming Senior class will deprive us of many valuable members, and their places must be filled from your number. There are a few things which favor the term for a society work. Outside attractions are not so many. The weather is more favorable for evening walks, and put the two together, more visitors are likely to attend. Our lady members, rapidly increasing in number, are generally too much occupied to be often with their presence. But why talk further. Brace up, everybody, and give us your presence, if not your assistance. The man who will sligt the moving thing, or refuse to bring out a lady, is no man that all, and the lady who will decline his invitation ought to be suspended.

The new departure in college commencements is meeting with considerable favor in some of the colleges and universities. The University of Michigan, the college ranking third in the number of students in attendance, was the first institution to depart from the old regime. The John Hopkins soon followed, and now the University of California has but recently taken similar action to that taken by Michigan University. Next year's record will undoubtedly see

sent a larger number of colleges that have fallen into line. We hope that one or two institu tions may be held in this change, which, in several years, it is probable, will be as general as is now the programme of Senior corollations.

Is it not a strange inconsistency to be setting out evergreens, shade trees, laying out walks, and otherwise beautifying the campus, and at the same time cattle and horses are allowed to graze upon the Campus? It would seem that the Campus is common property. The handsman is allowed to herd his cattle right under the shadow of the college walls.

Why? Does this increase the revenue of the University? It seems a pity, the mother nature tries her hand in adorning the Campus that the acres of grasses (1) or the old manning the grounds lawn brown and sere, instead of beautiful in a robe of green. We have yet never seen the necessity of the great high fence which at least a part of the way surrounds the Campus. There is not a gate in the whole fence, yet the openings are there, and where is the necessity of a fence when eight or ten gate-ways are left open. The Campus would present a much finer appearance as an open park, and with as neat walks on Cottage Grove and Rhodes avenues, University Place and College St., as we have running everywhere through the grounds, - would make quite a resort, and give the College far more importance in the eyes of all other picket fence around it.

Again, a name for a new park or the laying out, the Volante would suggest the names of University Park or Square.

LITERARY.

BETTER

Better to gather pearls of thought Than richly gone of the stone; Better to remember the words Of truth than the ruby vine.

Better to dwell on a sheep Than a poem of a night, Better to wake with a perfect health, Than to trudge through a day.

To be a loyal friend To morning's light, Than to fall by the setting sun; Better to have a gay mind Than give up to the Evil One.

Better to be in sympathy Than a pair of passion, Better to live somewhat unknown, Than be a nation's toy.

Better to love an honest heart Than to think of even when dead; Better to have a common mind, Than a secret sin to hide.

The whole of antiquity, with scarcely an exception, regarded Homer as the author of the Iliad, and all the Homer we know is the two poems, the Iliad and the Odyssey.

A few modern critics, and prominent among them the celebrated German, Prof. F. A. Wolf, have advanced views directly contrary to the expressed views of all ancient and most modern critics. Prof. Wolf maintained the hypothesis that neither the Iliad nor the Odyssey was composed as a distinct whole, but originally consisted of separate epic ballyads, yet after their composition was continued and arranged, forming a separate poem, and that these separate lays, which had no common purpose or fixed arrangement, were for the first time reduced to writing and formed into two great poems by Pindarides and his friends.

The first argument by which Prof. Wolf brings forward to support his hypothesis is that "there were no written copies of the Iliad during the time to which their composition is refered, and that without writing neither the perfect symmetry of so complicated a work could have been conceived by any one man, nor, if realized by him, transmitted with assurance to posterity."

In other words, he asserts that there was no Iliad until Pindarides and his friends collected these epic ballads, composed by different authors and at different times, and embodied them into one bounteous whole and made the Iliad of to-day, the bright, particular star of Greek literature. No scholar can place his fingers upon his fine thoughts, beautiful similes, apt comparisons, and then be forced into the conclusion that, after all, Homer is not the prince of bards, but a poet of no superior talent.

One point of Prof. Wolf's argument all scholars admit, and, e., that there were no written copies of the Iliad during the earlier period of its composition. The Iliad itself is sufficient proof of this statement. No art of writing is any where mentioned in it. But admitting this fact it does not follow that the second part of his proposition is true, namely, "that without writing neither the perfect symme try of so complicated a work could have been originally conceived by any one poet, but realized by him as transmitted with assurance to posterity." This is only a question of the capacity of the memory, and were we to take into account the immense memory of the Greek, it is by the artificial aid of writing, and from this we draw our conclusions respecting the power of the memory of the ancient bard. Between learned gentlemen, the Wollan theory would be fully established.

But in respect to this point two things must be kept constantly in mind, which completely overthrow the argument of Prof. Wolf, and demonstrate conclusively that such a poem as the Iliad could be the product of one man's mind, and by him left a rich legacy to posterity. They are these: first, and of no small importance, that Homer was not the only man, but was an unknown man, had men to trust to memory to preserve their thoughts. 2nd. That the bard of that time threw their soul-life into their work. It was their business, their profession—not an after-dinner amusement, as we can readily imagine it is with some men who in this nineteenth century aspire to the honored and envied name of poet. They treasured their poems in their memories, and transmitted them to posterity through rhymers, who also devoted their lives to their profession. I think it is a well-known fact that there were educated gentlemen at Athens who could repeat both poems by heart.

If this task could be performed by men who were originally unacquainted with the scenes and characters of the poems, and whose lives were not moulded into and colored by them, it certainly cannot be questioned that Homer, who lived with his whole life in the bosom of all his fertile mind. If it is true, as Wolf asserts, that "they had not only not a common author, but originally even the purpose of their first permanent arrangement and integration was delayed for three centuries afterward." The authorities he quotes as proof of his statement are Josephus, Ciceron and Pausanias. Josephus unusually remarks on the discrepancies, and excuses them, from the fact that the poems existed for so long a time in an unwritten form. If the above assertion is true, it eradicates the "Pindarides both collected and arranged in the existing order the rhapsodies of the Iliad and the Odyssey, implied as mere orally entire, not so much as by fragments of the Iliad, which he partially and isolated from each other, each part being then remembered in its own portion of the Grecian art."

This seems to me very plausible. It is not a fact from Homer that is cited in support of this assertion, as the author of this greatest of poems, nor detracts from the honor of Pindarides, as the one who gathered up the scattered fragments of the master genius, and arranged them in their original order. The parts, very naturally,
would become scattered during an existence of three centu-
ries in an unwritten form, and sung by different rhapsidi-
s in different parts of the Greek world. 
Wel!’s theory contradicts the very authority by which he
seeks to establish his own hypothesis. He says that the
lydian originally consisted of separate special balls, with
nothing more than some general order, while Cicero
and Pausanias, his authorities, explicitly state that “a
Pieristus
collected and arranged in the existing order the rhapso-
dical poems as poems originally, and
s subsequently broken into pieces, which he found par
cfised and isolated from each other.”
I cannot conceive how different authors, with no fixed
order of arrangement and no common plan, can exist between each
other, could or would write poems having the same hero,
the same characteristics running throughout their separate
lines, which centuries later the productions should be
connected together, they would form so complete
and masterly a poem. Different men would choose differ-
ent subjects, different heroes, and display a wide diversity of
talent, while the Greek, while it is not equally brilliant in
all its parts, yet on every page are traces of the mas-
ter hand. As regards the discrepancies, they can be ac-
counted for very easily, as it is admitted that there were
numerous interpretations made from time to time that rhaps-
ids might make particular mention of their tribe.
Again, the Wblian theory stands opposed to the testimony
existing respecting the regulations of Solos, who, before
the time of Pieristus, had enforced a fixed order of reci-
tation of the rhapsodies of the Idians, at the Panathenian-fes-
tival, not only directing that they go through the rhaps-
dies without omission and corrections, but also appointing
a prompter or cenotaphal authority to insure obedience,—
just as the same thing that is pro-
claims an infringement of an orderly aggregate, as well as
a manuscript confusely complete. Accepting them as
true, these statements of Cicero and Pausanias, and the
rhapsidcal associations cannot be even a copy of the
Homeric poems.
One point alone remains to be met—that of authorship.
That such a poem could have been conceived by one
man in an age when writing was unknown, has been
proven; that there are discrepancies, is admitted and
accounted for.
That there is diversity of talent exhibited is not inos-
istent, nor unaccountable with unity of authorship.
We cannot expect the same charm in the simple
emulsion of facts that gathers around a hero when bowed
in grief, and though bravesf of the Greeks, yet dishonored and
condemned the Maenads. Hall-wright’s flight from
heaven to check Achilles’ wrath; nor yet so sub-
lime as when he puts into Hector’s mouth his parting words to Andromache:

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ATHENIAN ANNIVERSARY.
On Thursday evening, March 29th, Athenæum Literary Society held its seventeenth anniversary meeting at the Fifth Presbyterian Church. Although the church is situa-
ted some distance from the University, and the weather was unfavorable, yet the popularity of the Society brought out a large audience to witness the exercises. After prayer by Rev. Mr. Sunderland of the Fourth Unitarian Church, the Semiannual quartette gave a song entitled The Days of Grace. The rendering was good and well received, but there was an evident lack of culture in their voices. Mr. Black, the president, introduced the literary portion of the programme in a well prepared and appropriate address, which presented to the public the interests and condition of the Society, and extended to all an invitation to its reg-
spective interests. After the performance of the quartette, the speaker, and Mr. Hancock rendered it in a manner well
worthy of its merits. Miss Anna M. Coon then read an essay on Victor Emmanuel." Miss Coon’s conception of an essay is original, and differs from that of the majority of writers as much as the old style of
speech and manner. One of the essays to Mr. L. J. West, who has equalled his namesake Mr. W. G. Hadley.

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COMMENCEMENT.
On Thursday, the 11th inst., at the Second Baptist Church, were held the commencement exercises of the Theological Seminary. As a whole they were good, and

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morality and an infallible conscience. Perfecting a knowledge of God, we perfect conscience.

The last speaker, Mr. H. L. Stetson, mastered his subject: "The Preacher a Thinker." His oration and reasoning power is necessary in a preacher, and he ought not to be the channel of other men's thoughts. The preacher holds a two-fold position in the Bible; first, as defendant, and second, as accuser, he should have the unit-knowledge of the Bible, and be able to meet charges against it. As teacher, having a thorough and consecrated knowledge of the Bible, he must be capable of imparting it with the force of intellect and the ardor of heart, and must be gifted for the questionings of this restless and skeptical age.

Dr. Northup closed the exercises with his customary good advice to the graduates, and then gave them their diplomas, the initiatory to their life-work.

ET CETERA.

At the convention of the college and base-ball league held April 1st, at Racine, the following changes were made in the constitution of the association.

The men may be selected from among the students or tutors in the medical, theological, law and preparatory departments, as well as from the college proper.

They must have been in attendance at least thirty days before the first annual league game.

The names of the respective nines and those of the substitutes must be forwarded to the secretary before April 20th of each year, such names to be properly endorsed by certificates from the college officers.

Each club shall pay to the treasurer of the association the sum of $2 before April 15th.

The officers of the association for this year are to be: President, H. E. Fuller; vice-president, Homer Carr, Chicago; secretary and treasurer, H. E. Esher, Evanston. Executive committee, N. J. Rowell, Chicago; John McDowell, Racine; W. M. Booth, Evanston; U. N. D., Racine; F. S. Martin, Racine; J. B. Rombout, Chicago; F. G. Keller, Racine; C. R. Tilly, Chicago, N. C. O. T., Racine; George Mitchell, N. K. H.; Evanston; George Muir, George Lunt, Robert C. Soot. The secretaries of the several college associations are E. H. Cleveland, Racine; F. P. Tyler, Evanston; F. A. Helmer, Chicago.

The schedule of the times and places of the games for 1879:

Monday, May 6, Racine vs. Evanston, at Racine; Saturday, May 11, Evanston vs. Chicago, at Chicago; Monday, May 20, Racine vs. Chicago, at Racine; Saturday, May 25, Evanston vs. Chicago, at Evanston; Saturday, June 1, Evanston vs. Racine, at Racine; Saturday, June 8, Chicago vs. Racine, at Racine.

CONSEPTION OF THE SENIOR CLASS.

Although our Senior class is subject to a good many extremities, yet it avenges pretty well, as the following will show. In number we are even sixteen. The oldest man is thirty-two; youngest, thirteen; average age of the class, twenty-four years and eight months. The heaviest weighs one hundred and seventy-six, lightest, one hundred and seven; average weight, one hundred and forty. The tallest is six feet, two short, five feet, five; average, five feet, eight, one and one-half inches. The shortest is the lightest and youngest, and may be styled our "spring chicken." We have no habitual smoker; four smoke occasionally; one or two can stand a cigarette, and the rest never try it. But one ever attempts to cheat, and he only does it for sanitary purposes. One can take a drink when it is necessary, and not more often than once a week. "Wax a la cerveza!" five have signed the red ribbon, and two of these would not take a red ribbon for a thousand. The remainder perhaps do occasionally, but won't own it.

Two of us don't deny wearing a little—in a mild form—on special occasions; several others have their pet expressions, such as go, hang, it, drum, it byimmy, etc., while a limited few apparently have a silent outlet for unnecessary expressions. Five wear monocles alone; two, mon-     


cates and ear-ruffs; three, ear muff only; four can't support any kind. Twelve are classical and four are scientific men. We are studying for the ministry; three for law; three for business; two expect to teach; two are on the fence, and don't know where to jump; and one for medicine. Nine are secret-society men; six are Psi U; two D. K. E.; and one a Knight Templar. The rest are either opposed or never get a chance to join. One is engaged "are you pop?" two others are supposed to be; and the remaining thirteen are in the market waiting for a rise.

Knowing that our cigarettes are second to none, and learning that the red label has led many scrupulous persons to suppose expressions put up in so attractive a style to be but an ordinary article, has induced the manufacturers to prepare an elegant new and less showy label, hoping thereby to induce some of the many cigarette smokers to stop using those which are prejudiced against Vanity Fair cigarettes to give them a trial, which will convince them of their superior excellence. The old label is not abandoned by this change. Connoisseurs may always depend on finding both Vanity Fair cigarettes and tobacco full up to the standard.

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PERSONALS.

Miss Grace Sawyer has left college.

Billy will captain the nine again this year.

Goodspeed was expelled at the beginning of the term.

The Mission Harmon have returned to their home in Davie.

79. Mr. H. E. Esher, formerly of 79 of Evanston, has joined the Junior Class here.

79. Morey has returned to pursue his studies, after closing a winter term of school teaching.

80. Miss Lucy White, who was absent during the winter term, is resuming her course this term.

80. Mr. E. C. Tagg has suspended study for the present, and is running for a notion house in this city.

Messes Wendette, Hadley and Gage we see occasionally, but our classic halls know them no longer.

W. A. Gardner played a game of base ball, last Saturday, in the picked nine, against the White Stockings.

80. Phillips, formerly of '78, who left during the winter term of his Sophomore year, has returned and joined the present class of '80.

Miss Chapin, our wellremembered principal of former days, looked in upon us, last Thursday, much to our delight.

Miss Darrow, of '80, writes that she is Devonishing most of her time to the study of music. We wish her all possible success, and hope she will return to her class next September.

LOCALS.

Colds. Rheumatism.

Spring fever.

Time to clean house.

How did you spend the evening?

Now, instead of "Wipe off your chin," it should be "Plug up your phonograph."

Yasir girls do not favor their new elevators; it is more fun to slide down the banisters.

A number of gymnasts attended the Seminary commencement exercises last week.

Owing to the sickness of their father, the Hopkins brothers have been compelled to return home for this year.

Some one wanted to know why Athenaeum didn't go outside of the city limits to have its anniversary.
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The cry of the girls of '89 is "Oh, that history!"

The young ladies think seriously of organizing a class in decorative art study. The study room offers an ample field for their labor.

Student: "Mr. President, I did not get the idea of the word "concurrent.""

Pres.: "That is not at all surprising."

Tell a man his head is level, and he thinks you are a bully, but tell him a hat is flat, and he wants to fight right off.

"Rock youse!" "Yes; it's a big house." "No, me lack yuse." "Yes, sir; it's a very fine, large house." "Och, rich for rich!" "Well, to the devil with you then, and ask somebody else."

The ladies of '29 took exceptions to Prof. Colbert's remark that "The moon is like a woman; she comes to be interesting when she reaches a certain age; and they who want to know what age she refers to."

"What is the matter with that door?" we exclain, when we find it locked and are obliged to retreat our steps to the room south and discover that we have, with wanton afterthought, been locked out.

Button-hole bouquets are very nice presents, yet that Freshman looked as if he hadn't any more dinner money than to buy a week's supply for his own table. Perhaps the attention it attracted had something to do with it.

We never wanted to know what is the most convenient thing for a cold. We can speak only from experience, which was one day after four times a minute, blow every five, sneeze when necessary, and use six handkerchiefs per day for two days.

The Soph. and Fresh. have arranged to play a series of three games for the championship. Perhaps the winning side will plug up enough courage to challenge '78, which ought to have one more chance to lose the championship.

A Prof. who spent last summer in Europe said that while he waited for admission into the Houses of Lords, he walked about the hall looking at the beautiful paintings, looking at the leading parties in history. Think of it! William Pitt a leading party in history.

It is bad enough to fix up a bell, and by means of a long string keep students awake with its everlasting clatter, but when it comes to throwing water—of a doubtful nature through a transom—is it getting serious. Don't try it again, or somebody might get hanged.

Owing to the unfinished state of their grounds, the Chicago Whites are practicing on our grounds daily now.

THE VOLANTE.

One of the students said that during the April vacation he proposed to a young lady, and she deliberately pronounced the letters, R.A.P. He interpreted it in this wise: "blocks, a fool and a hanger on." This is thoroughly dilly, and is happy. His interpretation was more felicitous than that of a young lady, who, after studying for some minutes the same words, said, "That must mean "Rest in Peace.""

Of course he knew better. We all at least thought he did, but it is certain that when Prof. R. asked him to give some examples of mammals, he mentioned, without hesitation, "birds." At this point the laughter of the class put an end to his remarks. The gentleman was never before in such a predicament and we believe there has been made some endeavor to account for this blunder. All parties have come to one of two conclusions: first, that the gentleman recognized that he had made a blunder in having consented to it, he blushed at the maximinity of the applause.

Two or three college girls were discussing their plans and hopes for the future. Said one: "I want to go to Osaka, as I have heard so much about its delightful climate, etc." Said another: "I think we should like to go to Osaka too, I have a cousin teaching there; that is, she is in Osaka city, not in the territory." After the laugh had died away a few minutes, one of the girls who is not going to Osaka any time, said: "At any rate, I think it is a good idea to go to Osaka, even if they don't go there."

Work is rapidly progressing again on Douglas mansion. The old structure has been torn down to the base, and will be built from thence up of new material. When finished it will be one hundred feet high, capped by a bronze statue of the great philanthropist, and covered with a dome of sheet iron. East and south sides of the grounds are enclosed by stone walls, the north a bow of evergreens, and the west is yet unfinished. The basement is two stories, and are being leveled up and sodded over. The whole promise to be very beautiful, and will well reward the memory of so noble a person. Everything is expected to be finished in June.

We are not wont to complain of our books.

But in its group quite easy to please; Can't find one thing in that matter. You must speak: "What's the matter with your feet?" "Well, I thought it was my left; but my right is bad enough."

Coffee strong enough to melt a wedge; Sugar a sepulcher for lips and minds; Sardines, inedible in love, insipid; Pancake, half-baked—either does not seem to like the other. The now white egg may be boiled hard and blue; Tie the old shoes with power enough to walk, but fresh ones, but little better than dough.

The sum of all that we would say about it, better more than less, or strong, too much.
THE VOLANTE.

It is too bad for a young lady—one of our students, at that—to so touch the feelings of a young man right out upon the open street west of the University, so that she has to have him her knick-knack to wipe away the bitter tears of disappointed love, so supposed. If that young man felt as bad as he looked when he walked away wiping his eyes, he would have been the one to write this article, and not the one of his friends who wrote it. The story is so tragic, and the tears are so bitter, that we hope the one who so recently experienced it will be comforted by these words.

The Tripped complain of the dust accumulating about the buildings, and says, "The desks, seats and window-edges are all provided with this kindly covering, and the halls are thickly wrapped in its folds." The same hall, the Tripped thinks, will without doubt stop at Evanston this year.

Trinity Tablet has a cheap wood cut. There are quite a number of pretty things in that paper which could have been written with equal propriety for our columns, besides which are "Matulation of Reading Room Property," "Ventilation in Chapel," &c., &c.

The College Record takes the Reporter to task for quoting over the misfortunes of Wheaton College. The affairs at Wheaton are certainly unfortunate, and it is, to say the least, an act of kindly charity not to take the role of the报仇er. The supplement of the Record contains a dissertation on Maxwell's "Theory of Heat," by Pres. Blanchard, upon "The Wheaton Exparte Cornell and its Findings."

The Washington and Jeffersonian for March presents quite a formidable list of alumni, including many distinguished names in the various professions of life. The paper is open to the same criticism made upon The Volante last issue, viz., too long a list of localities, such as "Tom," "Marble," "Croquet," "White Plugs," "Black Plugs," "Spring Fever," &c., &c. Misery loves company. We are all in the same boat. Help heave up. This number has an article on "The Ranges of College Life," by Pres. Porter, of Yale College; also an article on "College Government," by Pres. Hayes, of the University.

The Rochester Campus is ahead of us this time. We acknowledge only the thanks of our brother paper for the clipping. The exchange clippings would not be a good plan for all of us to give each paper credit for what it says, and not put simply "Ex." and "Volante." They do not acknowledge that we did put "Ex." after every clipping in that issue. The remark made was, with us, an afterthought, and not inserted until after all other matter was in type, hence the necessity. Look on our first page, Campus. You will see the necessary change made, however, not because of your kindly suggestion, but because of the "eternal troubles of things," and not because there is a Campus contains three long articles, "Genius and Gumption," "The Sibeliungen Lied," "John Wickliffe and the English Bible." We make it for granted that they are good. They ought to be.

A correspondent of the Volante of March 10th makes some remarks regarding conduct on the ball-ground which we most heartily endorse, and hope the players and friends of the Evanston nine will take the Evanston nine, and not our friend of the nine, as he expresses himself, has at last become so convinced of the necessity of reform that he has expressed his opinion through the Volante. Previously this matter of conduct has been a great annoyance to other clubs of the college, and some little ill-feeling has arisen from it. We hope the managers at Evanston will take it in hand this year, and see that visiting teams and their doornuts, who always seem to be present at these meetings, have neither been on the ground. The Volante also makes a number of base-ball notes in regard to their nine, giving an illustrated history of its individual members, besides their great confidence in bearing off the "silver." Its remarks in regard to Iowa field students we would simply ask them to apply to their own team. Is Yale really a Prep. or a Senior?

Dartmouth, we raise our voices in lamentation with you. Let us together hang our harps on the willow and sit down and weep. Our gas, however, is not turned off until half past ten o'clock. We quote the following editorial because it is for the benefit of us like experience. "A "new regulation, the gas in the halls of our buildings shall be cut off at ten o'clock. In this matter the Faculty show their usual ignorance of human nature. If the average student ever needs more light, it is while endeavoring to reach his room between ten and the small hours. It is estimated that the combined effect of a large light house, a volume and a Boston fire, assisted by three thousand feet of gas, would not distinctly light him to bed at that time. Entirely unconscious of a door, he will endeavor to thrust a key into the solid wall in the hall, and then back a whole partition at a time. All past experience is a blank. It only by intuition or a burst of reasoning that he understands the use of the simplest articles of furniture. It is fortunate for him if he can finally so far gain control of his bed as to find place in the dunce's cap and rest in peace. Light cannot do away with his troubles, but with the progress of science will make him as it were the student savant. The Faculty are scholars and men of science, but by our course they show themselves eminently impractical." CLIPPINGS.

It is said that Sitting Bull has selected Princeton College to educate his son. He wants them "big fight, up hill!"—Inter Ocean.

"Why, Chum, where have you been? I didn't know but one had kidnapped you." "I went to Lovejoy's Student press. Here are two things you ought to get." "And I didn't." "Chum smiled and didn't deny it."

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Are holy things ever injurious? Our holy campus occasioned a stranger's fall and slight injury the other day. He had been gazing at the stars. He saw stars in falling, anyway.

A prep. debating for the first time supports the negative with the following: Paradoxically speaking, the opposition haves never been, charges a proposition. "This is a proposition of the contrary." Does he mean they have never been, or is he only talking about other people?" "That's not important," he added. "I mean that I have never been, and that's all there is to it." (Pronounced with a gap in my speech, as I cause, can only scratch around the spot where the hole vanished, and "-judges look relieved.—Ex.

An irreverent Athenian correspondent, speaking of a new railroad from that city to the Ferras, says: "Think of Socrates soliciting over a steam engine; Diogenes, with his tub, dead-heading it to the Ferras, or haggling about a wheel. A fine day! A visit in the country!" It seems to me exactly like experience. "Yes," he exclaimed, "if they eat in proportion to the noise they make, they must be a hearty set."

They come around me here and say "What's the matter?"

That I shall morn the barnyard fence, And spread my "fan" no more.

They come, and, to my face, they've chock'd me as I go.
I think they're kind o' hokey, eh?
Don't you, Fred?—What's for dinner?
—Union Herald.

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In our last issue we congratulated ourselves upon having
again secured the services of Dr. Boas in his department.
It is thoroughly inspiring to meet such a man as the Dr.
in the Greek class, but we are again disappointed. Dr.
Boas met his classes the first five weeks of the term and
was then, by great feebleness of health, compelled to give
up the work which is so pleasant to him, and which he
never fails to make interesting and profitable to those who
come under his charge. A great many of us recall with
peculiar pleasure the pleasant and profitable hours spent
with the Dr., and we regret exceedingly the illness which
compels his withdrawal from the class room, and the con-
sequent loss, to the lower classes, of his always thorough-
good satisfaction.

To withdraw or not to withdraw. That was the ques-
tion, but it is no longer a question, the Sophomores,
Freshmen and Preps having decided that it is not possible
to secure any glory for themselves except in the field of
contest. In other words, the matter of withdrawal from
the State Otoronal Association came up before the Stu-
dents' Association, where it was decided that "We, as a
University, shall never consent with the State and
Inter-State Collegiate Otoronal Association." At a sub-
sequent meeting the motion was reconsidered. It elicited
not a little discussion. The Seniors, and no inconsiderable
portion of the Junior Class urged with great force of argu-
ment the advisability of withdrawal; but the lower class-
men and Preps finally prevailed, and the motion to with-
draw was defeated by a vote of 32 for, and 44 against. We
are glad, however, that a very desirable change has been
made in the plan of choosing our orator. Hereafter our
representative will be the one who, according to three
judges chosen by the students, shall have delivered the best
junior oration. There have been generally objections to
the plan of the students choosing their representative. The
man is more apt to be the representative of the strongest
party numerically than the representative orator of the Uni-
versity. By the method just adopted the best man for the
position will, in a majority of cases, at least, be our repre-
sentative. Here for the present ends the matter.

The ventilation of students' rooms is an important mat-
ter which practically we think it is too much neglected. Pure
air is necessary to secure good health to any person, and
without this the strongest and most robust will break down
in course of time. Some students are very careful to take
daily walks and plenty of outdoor exercise, simply because
they think it is necessary and beneficial. Others have de-
tics that secure these without any special effort on their
part. We are fully aware of the good results that may fol-
low from this method of obtaining fresh air, and do not wish
to discourage it in the least, yet we think many of them
overlook an item of far greater consequence, and that is of
keeping plenty of fresh air about the rooms. Counting sleep
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proper care can stand more study and do better work. It is not necessary to keep a stream of cold air pouring into the room all the time, for this makes the room uncomfortable, and you are liable to catch cold, but a partial change of air at intervals is necessary, and a thorough airing should be given in the morning, after rising.

Lately our printers seem to have a peculiar aversion against corrected mistakes as indicated in the proof, and they will insist in mixing up with the slips, for variety's sake, we suppose. Instead of "Composers of the Senior Class," as in our last issue, it was written, and corrected in the proof, "Composers of the Senior Class." Two or three other mistakes of like importance were left in this article. There should be neither carelessness, nor base negligence, for this has been happening for the last two or three issues. Perhaps we were to blame some for not going over the proof after the paper was made up, but none of us cared to take the time for this extra trip and so left it to the head printer, who used to make up The Volante in good shape. Hereafter we propose to put ourselves to a little more trouble, and will try and have things more as they should be.

SOURCEs OF AESTHETIC CULTURE.

In a previous issue of The Volante, the argument for the improvement of eatery was concluded. We there briefly considered the importance of delivery of cultivated taste, the essential requisite for natural interpretation. We pointed to literature as the embodiment of cultivated taste, and only those of its productions which depict natural objects with their natural character, their proper features and expression, did we regard as exhibiting genuine taste, for only those masterpieces have found respondent hearts in every age and nation. To go for aesthetic culture, obtaining which we can better interpret and by the faithful application of the interpretive law improve our delivery. We here end the article without referring specifically to the sources of the highest aesthetic culture. To these we now call attention as of paramount importance to the college student, and especially to the aspirant after literary fame.

The masterpieces of literature which have exerted the greatest influence in the cultivation of taste and to which mankind is most indebted, are not unknown to the student of college. They are among the very studies he pursues. They are the immortal productions of Greece and Rome. It is these that have always swayed the sceptre of taste, and to these has a trained and educated man, for the spirit and sentiment that inspire and adorn their writings. Much is due the works descend to us from the Greeks and Romans. It is their writings. Pindar's and Coleridge's are the bulwark monuments of their taste, but the richest legacy to mankind is their written moments—their Poems and Orations and Histories and Drama. The scribes and historians of the ancients have availed themselves in every age and nation. The时髦的 and those monuments have never been surpassed in beauty and excellence. This is not an idle statement. It is the conviction of the most cultivated men of all times and climes who have deeply examined and deeply appreciated these "sepulchers of thought and taste." By their labor and careful examination, they were enabled to penetrate the sanctuary of genius and become the masters of its perfection as though it were their own. The world beheld and admired them, while they themselves pointed to the original sources and said there "tastes were formed in the personal and study of the ancient classics." But cannot our tastes be improved without consulting the classics of antiquity? Possibly they could be greatly improved if the masterworks of our own age were visited with the same appreciation. Its possibility is admitted, but it is certainly impracticable. There is not that in the study of our own classes which fastens the attention and compels close ob- servation, and there are elements necessary to aesthetic culture, and, in fact, to all true culture. Innocuous as the prejudices are that are wasting in the permanency and vigor which alone the study of Greek and Latin gives, in so far must culture be superficial and this work lessen similar to the original. The Greeks did not care to spend all the time in the drinking of these waters of learning and cultivated taste. But again, are not the best translations substitutions for the originals? They cannot be so regarded. They are at best imperfect attempts, and fall far short of the true spirit of the authors. A translation is the original enervated. The thought is present, but divested of the vitality which the original has. This can never be the simulacrum of the original in thought, rhythm and harmony. The nature of the language prevents it. The matter remains, therefore, as they are, and cannot rightly judged from so-called "literary translations," can neither be rightly appreciated therefrom. The student alone pursues the right method. Aspiring after scholarly and literary fame, he is contented with nothing short of these productions which have reached that standard of taste and culture universally regarded as nearest perfection. He pursues the thoughts and sentiments as they were evolved from the mind of Greek or Roman. He goes to the original sources.

The superiority attached to these ancient writings is so capacious of human imitations that its foundation is good reason, and needs only candid examination of them to satisfy the most skeptical mind. In them we find the best examples of the spirit which breathes as it were to the page of Greek or Roman. Their productions are transcripts of nature. Amid its charms they admired and wrote. They were natural because they lived near nature. Mountains and valleys, rivers and groves, woods and fountains, a pure transparent atmosphere surrounded them, and no wonder they fancied those the seat of invincible beauty; no wonder the mind there thrilled with natural harmonies, the models existed in the objects of nature around them. They followed "the method of nature, the archaic type of image and the ideal." Like the Colonnade of the Olimpian Samian, we have, in the instruction and guidance of the conserva- tive element of their works; and they, together with the finest scholars of our own age and time did not neglect "those ancient immortals" for the second rate, but always covered them with the most exquisite praise, and knowing that "here words are learned, here eloquence is acquired, necessary to persuade and explain." Let us then go to the original models, of aesthetic culture, and, like our illustrators predecessors, let us be close students of the ancient classics, and we will surely be repaid, as they were, in treasure; we are never lost and wealth that never depreciates in value.

POWER VS. ACTIVITY.

In looking off on a scene of nature, or in re-examining old ideas, the mind delights to detect new resemblances. It is in a chief source of originality, and gives birth to new figures of rhetoric, the most brilliant illustrations and combinations. The faculty might be denomi-
STATE ORATORIAL CONTESTS.

The enthusiasm manifested in our State oratorical contests is rapidly declining, and we are gradually abandoning ourselves to a state of utter indifference. In this feeling our University does not stand alone. Two of the colleges have withdrawn from association with the State Association, and in others the matter of withdrawal is receiving the earnest consideration of the students. While there is still a certain degree of interest in these contests, it is in the institution which two or three years since showed the enthusiastic support of the leading colleges of the State. It undoubtedly lies in the fact that the Association has utterly failed to accustom the public to the object. The experience has been tried and has failed. Like all new enterprises, which promise good, it received for a while enthusiastic support, but when the balance was not found wanting, it is now being abandoned. What, then, are some of the objects of this Association? One of the first importance is, of course, improvement in oratory. Another, but of secondary importance, is to create a friendly feeling among the students and thus awaken a livelier interest in the college. Now let us notice these two objects which are made by the supporters of this institution of prime importance. First, then, respecting improvement in oratory. No fault can be found with the aim; on the contrary, the object is certainly commendable. But does the institution secure this object? If the opinion of those who have taken an active part in these contests is entitled to any respect and credit, we must say no, most emphatically no. One of our exponents last year gave this account of the first prize in one of the contests, says he derived no benefit, nor on the contrary. The failure to derive any improvement from it is certainly an important consideration. A man may sit down and write splendid speeches, commit them to memory and deliver them in strict accordance to some principles, and yet be absolutely unworthy of his oratory; a Kvackstream, a Crenau, a Bingley, a Echo, or a Questor, no doubt, has his place in the literary annals of the university. We do not speak of other colleges, but can truthfully affirm that no such literature has ever been awakened in this institution.

About the time of the Junior Exhibition the college becomes wild until an orator is elected, and then all enthusiasm dies. Now, it is evident to all that the interest then manifested is not in oratory, but in the man who is to represent the college out of the contest; the three approaches for the contest some little excitement is aroused, and if our representative has been successful, our enthusiasm is kindled to a splendid flame but is quenched in the bowl of a sour soup with which we toast him. If he has been unsuccessful, our enthusiasm manifests itself in another phase; but very generally, no: it is a harmless one. In regard to what we consider to be a second object of the Association, that of creating a friendly feeling between the students and awaken a livelier interest among the colleges. We can safely say that during the last few years the attitude of interest was considerable feeling around, and a pretty lively interest secured. It seldom failed that all the colleges but one have considerable feeling about the matter; with the college not very dissimilarly interesting secured the trophy is strangely indifferent to the interests, and manifests little concern in the feelings of other colleges. In fact, in the history of this oratorical institution we fail to see where any very pronounced benefit has been derived, either by individual students or by the colleges as a whole.

Such organizations are discouraged by some of the leading educators. The theory is, that if the wiser part of the students of this State will prevail in the end, and the State Oratorical Association will soon be an institution of the past.

VARIOUS TOPICS.

BASE BALL.

Our hopes have been somewhat elevated, and our fears are not so grave as they were before we met Evanston on the diamond. After a couple of sound drubbings by two city clubs on Wednesday and Thursday before the game on the 15th, we began to have some doubts about the ability of our men. No doubt these very curious benefits have been derived, either by individual students or by the colleges as a whole.

Some wonderful exhibitions of skill in shooting were seen in this city recently by Capt. Bogardus with his shot-gun, and Dr. Carver, the California riflemait, with his rifle. The former breasted 1,000 glass balls from spray, in 70 minutes and 20 seconds, doing his own loading, and firing 1,006 times. The latter gave an exhibition of his rifle shooting at Dexter Park, where he broke 94 out of 100 glass balls without touching the air ten paces. He uses a sixteen-shot open-eagle Matterson rifle, the rapidity with which he loads and fires is truly wonderful. A ball thrown up forty feet he fired at twice, purposely missing it, and still it did not leave the air. A silver dollar was thrown into the air, and the man who was shot from a distance of one hundred feet was hit at the first trial. A half dollar shared the same fate. A cartridge shell was sent whistling through the air, and was returned before it had touched the ground. He knocked clean out of sight the audience nearly went wild. He fired his hip and broke a ball thirty feet away on the ground, and also from his shoulder, standing with his back to it and sighting by means of a small mirror held in his hand. Like results were accomplished by holding the gun sideways, upside down, and bending backwards over a barrel, shooting from the shoulder. The man is a Frenchman, and comparatively young, only 28. He is a dentist by profession, and was brought up among the Indians. He dresses in true Western style, and is on his way to Europe, where he expects to give exhibitions of his skill. Capt. Bogardus has made arrangements to travel with him.

Observations of the late transit of Mercury were not very successful at our Observatory, owing to the bad weather. The sky was cloudy more or less the whole day, and at times rain fell. Preparations had been made by Prof. Elias L. Todd, Superintendent of Dearborn Observatory, assisted by Prof. W. G. Hough, formerly of Dudley Observatory at Albany, N. Y., to do as accurate and valuable work. In addition to the chronometer and an assistant to check off the time of signal, a Leeds chronometer was to be provided with a chronograph. This is an instrument of modern invention, and very valuable in taking observations, as it enables the observer to determine his time to the hundredth part of a second. The only student at the transit of the first contact, and a pretty good view could be had without the aid of any smoked glass, for the clouds answered this purpose. The observations made by our exports show, so far as can be inferred, that the transit occurred a few seconds earlier than the most probable time, and the path of the planet was observed from off the disk of the sun a smaller segment than was calculated.

The second contact was very carefully observed, but a few minutes after this it clouded up and began to rain, which kept up at intervals until past one o'clock, when it cleared off sufficiently to take a few measurements. The micrometer was applied to the planet and a series of measures taken, which, so far as could be perceived, revealed no appreciable difference between the polar and equatorial diameter of the planet. A little before three o'clock, it cleared up again enough to make some chronograph records. The sun was not visible at the two last contacts, much to the disappointment of our celestial observers.

The Inter-Collegiate Contest took place at St. Louis, in Mercantile Library Hall, on the evening of May 5th. Ex-Senator B. Gratz Brown presided, assisted by W. W. Martin, of Cornell College, Iowa, President of the Association. The Inter-Collegiate is a flabby old institution of Beloit College, Wisconsin; F. C. Barnecker, of Knox College, Ill.; Lewis Minniss, of the State University of Indiana; Geo. A. Hall, of the University of Chicago; Geo. R. Hazelton, of Oberlin, Ohio; and James G. Eberhart, of Cornell College, Iowa. The Judges were Judges Taft, of Cincinnati; Prof. Bowman, of St. Louis; and the Hon. Ben. Harrison, of Indiana. Reform. Wm. Hyde, President of the State of Indiana Republican. E. A. Barnecker won the first prize, and James G. Eberhart, the second. The exercises were followed by a banquet at the Lovell Hall.

COMMUNICATIONS.

EDITORS OF THE VOLANTE.—One of the young ladies who spoke for us at supper on Washington's Birthday, had for the topic, "The Development of our Country," and expressed a desire to hear of some of the advantages of that system early in the future. We are confident that she must have read innumerable articles pro and con, written by noted leaders in the intellectual world, and are surprised
at her request. The advantages are, we think, three-fold, inasmuch as they affect the gentleman students, the lady student and the community at large. As belonging to the first class we claim, and think we shall be supported by the majority of the students, that while the ladies have been of no disadvantage to other presence has been of great value. Some sceptics dare to say that the work done in the class-room and in the literary societies is of a lower order than that of the students. Is it true? Has the curriculum of study been made less advanced and less comprehensive? Are the requirements for admission less severe? Is the standard for “passing” lower than in former times? We answer thrive, no. Then how has the standing of the University been lessened, when our professors are of the best and our course of study of the highest? And what is the literary society? It has been affirmed that the introduction of ladies has caused a very great change in the quality of the exercises,—that a sort of frivolity pervades everything. Strange, that a dozen girls in a society of sixty active members will have more influence than the forty-five gentlemen! Do these students opposed to education imagine that they will gain more adulation from the ladies by giving debates poorly prepared, or do they fear their brightest thoughts will be unpertactuated by the weaker minds? They should remember that once upon a time, magna moratoria, and if their speeches are not comprehended, so much the more admired they will be. If the ladies’ work in the societies is inferior to that of the gentlemen (which we do not yet believe), they will soon discouer a talent for extricating themselves from the field. If they do not believe many students agree with the objections above mentioned, but that every student tries to do his best at all times, b.h. for his own good and for the pleasure of others.

If, then, we find by a careful investigation that the ladies do their work in class-room and society hall as well as the gentlemen, is it not advantageous that they should be educated together? Is it not apt to make men more gentle and women more womanly? We think the tendencies in a University are to abolish all such rough practices as badmintoning, and to incline toward a more quiet and dignified bearing. While we are firm supporters of class and college spirit, that the athletic sports can be easily dispensed with, a University acted con is an honor to any city, and such an one, we claim, is the one from which we hope to graduate, and we know we shall always be proud of our Alma Mater, although our sisters pursued the same studies and received the same degrees.

A STUDENT.

ARCHERY.

PERSONALS.

78. Charles has a girl.


80. Miss Longenecker has returned home for a few weeks.

81. Miss Hawley was obliged to suspend study for a time, on account of her health.

82. W. C. Hadley has postpnsed study for a short time in order to give his attention to printing.

83. G. W. Hall, after a severe spell of illness, returned home to recuperate.

84. Miss Corrie H. Howe has been compelled, on account of illness, to drop her studies for the remainder of the year.

85. Dr. Nash, President of Iowa State University, was present at chapel exercises, one morning recently, and entertained the students with a pleasant and instructive address.

86. J. D. S. Riggs went east to Rochester, N. Y., to represent the Omega Chapter in the Forty-Fifth Annual Convention of the Pi Upsilon fraternity.

87. Homer Carr, while playing ball near his home in Englewood, got his leg broken between the knee and ankle. A base runner ran against him on third, causing the accident.

LOCALS.

She has many.

Jaw, and make up.

Shortcake strawberry.

The new catalogue is out.

We have an umbrella to lend.

Four new Senators sport plimsolls.

The "lawn mowers" are still at work.

They had to pull a little anyway.

Frost on Monday morning the 19th.

The flower garden bloomed out very suddenly.

The parks are beginning to look nice again.

Baldwin is class photographer for the Seniors.

Bush has severed its connection with the University.

The voice of the fruit peddler roared in the street.

It is cold enough for a fire, yet we don’t like to make one.

Joint meeting of Athenaeum and Tri Kap in Chapel on May 17th.

The Sophomores mourn the absence of a certain professor. He isn’t sick either.

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New lots received every day.

Our young ladies evidently aspire after ornamental homes. But one was in favor of withdrawing and her emphatic "No" was enthusiastically applauded. A student asked our Astronomy if he took his interest in base ball. He said, "not much. I occupy my time and thoughts with larger spheres."

The "Dekes" growl and say "What is the use of having a baseball but no home to keep it in?" The raging waves demolished the old one and they haven’t had a ride this year.

From Chicago daily persons not residing here might infer that we are in due peril of a Communist outbreak. We see nothing of it, nor of it except through the papers. Reporters must have something to write about, you know.

The photographs taken by Stevens, 85 and 97 E. Madison street, (over Hurley Hall), are attracting a great deal of attention. For beauty of finish and artistic effect they are unsurpassed by any in the city. Reduced rates will be given to students.

The Seniors are studying the Constitution now, and one day they were startled by one of their number who asked with great earnestness the question "Can the militia be called forth to repel State boundaries to squelch connotations and suppress surrenders?" Class passed.

At a recent meeting of the Student’s Association it is estimated that enough wind was wasted to blow a pipe organ enough to build a church. The Sophomores at the joint meeting of Athenaean and Tri Kap in Chapel on May 17th.

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Not satisfied with making a cow-pasture and a nursery out of the Campus, the last scheme seems to be to turn it into a vineyard; at least the students judged the number of grapevines that have turned around those ornamental (!) oaks.

C. D. Mosher, the well-known photographer, formerly of 901 Walsh avenue, begs to inform the graduating class and the professors of the University, that he will make their class card photographs at special reductions, at his hands and the newly furnished new gallery, 125 State St., Call and see.

The railroads have changed the name of Fairview Station to Douglas Monument, and have put a large sign containing the name at the end of Douglas Avenue. They have also graded and sodded the bank outside of the east wall, repaired the station house and fixed up things in general to compare with their surroundings. Work is progressing nicely on both the grounds and the Monument itself.

Cheeky Sophomore, displaying a two-wheeled velocipede model, to lady Sophomore: "Do you ride the velocipede?"
The Volante

College Notes.

Ohio has thirty libraries.
Yale has 567 students.
Boston University has 670 students.
Harvard and Yale boat-race takes place June 28th.
The Colby Echo advocates a Field Day for their University.
Canada's national game, "La Crosse," is being introduced at Bowdoin.
The Reason complains of not seeing enough of their President.
A new Fraternity has been organized at Cornell called the "Delta Rho Club.
President Anderson, of Rochester University, in a recent speech highly commended college secret societies.
The Bates Student says their classes of '87 and '88 have had a can rush recently, in which the latter came off victorious.
Lafayette College supports seven boarding clubs, ranging in price from $1.75 per week to $8.15. It has 276 students enrolled.
The University of California, John Hopkins University, and Michigan University, have abolished Commencement orations.
The Chicago Law School is talking of a three-years' course for future students. We say, Good! Let the pet-fienders do as much as the doctors and professors for their diplomas.
At the Athletic Meetings of the English Universities, the Crimson says that C. H. Hodgson, of Oxford, made 27 feet and 3 inches in running wide jump. If this be true, it certainly is a wonderful feat, and so far as we are able to learn, the best on record.
The fever is spreading, and we suppose another year there will be a general kick. All the Seniors at Madison, Wis., except two, favor the abolishment of Commencement orations. The University Press has a whole page editorial on it, containing some sound arguments.
Michigan University has been making some important changes in its different courses, and has added a new one giving the degree of Bachelor of Letters. About a hundred and twenty students will be taught through a semester, some of them daily, some four times a week, and others with less frequency. There are 1292 students in the institution.

Clippings.

Senior is questioned.—What is the name of that young lady to whom you are engaged?—Senior blandly responds.—"Whom are you asking?" It is a pleasant thing to see roses and lilacs glowing upon a young lady's cheek, but a bad sign to see a man's face break out to blossoms.

A newspaper man, who breaks the Sabbath, excuses himself thus: "If I am wicked enough to bite on Sunday, they ought to suffer for it, too." How women do catch up expressions! A Detroit woman was the other day telling a darning hole three out of a possible four in her handsocks' toes. Preacher (to boy in the street)—"My little man, is your father a christian?" Boy—"Yes, sir, but he ain't working at it much lately."—E.
The question was asked in class the other day, "How may a Supreme Judge be removed from his office?" If all other means fail but some one else has got him out and takes a drink.

Collegiate Obit.

A Sunday-school teacher once asked his juvenile class if any of them could quote a passage of Scripture which had a man having to do with the modern children. Arguently quoted in reply, "No man can serve two masters." Scene in History Class. Teacher—"What effect did the Diet of Worms have upon Luther?" Gentle student murmurs, "Cotty, yes," "The diet of Worms! Good heavens!" Answer—"I don't know, really. The effect was bad, wasn't it?"—Rockford Seminary.

Wilder Springgate's Daughter.

"I was on a bonfire, summer night, When things were up and career, And all among the panic-stricken The humble bees were harmless; I took on early maiden-wiles, As everybody else. When I saw the sun was not set By Wilder Springgate's daughter. Her eyes were black as Earth's ink, Her cheeks were red as fury, And one snarl of her hectorine lips Would be a judge or jury. I bowed—and she opened just the way Her rain-dress had taught her; She laughed—and my heart was gone To Wilder Springgate's daughter. Says I, "My dear, how do you do?" Says she, "How do you do?" Of all the gals I know, You look the most distinctly.

I encased a brick—but she slapped my face, In fact, just as she'd met me: "Believe yourself, how does you, sir," Cried Wilder Springgate's daughter.

Jehovah's Witnesses.—Just then an old ramshackle sheep, Who had been feeling near, Squared off, and like a ton of bricks He took me with his head, sir. I hurled in a part of the herd of cows and this was it. And then she stood and hard and level, That Wilder Springgate's daughter.

Iuther green I crawled out quiet, Plucked up my hat and mumbled, While her bright torch was barely lit, Out that way I speeded straight. Well, she was married yesterday, A lawyer from the state of New York. So I'll forget, if not forgive, That Wilder Springgate's daughter.—Patriotic Farmer.

The following sketch of college fraternities explains itself: Phi Beta Kappa was founded at William and Mary College in 1776; Kappa Alpha at Union in 1832; Chi Phi at Princeton in 1824; Sigma Phi at Union in 1827; Alpha Delta Phi in 1832; Psi Upsilon in 1832; Beta Theta Pi at Miami in 1839; Chi Phi at Union in 1841; Delta Kappa Epsilon in 1844; Theta Chi at Union in 1844; Delta Psi at Oglethorpe in 1847; Zeta Psi at University of New York in 1847; Phi Delta Theta at Miami in 1848; Phi Gamma Delta at Jefferson in 1848; Phi Kappa Sigma at University of Pennsylvania in 1850; Phi Kappa Psi at Jefferson in 1852; Sigma Chi at Miami in 1853; Delta Tau Delta at Athens in 1855; Alpha Delta Phi at Athens in 1859; Kappa Alpha at Richmond in 1856; Kappa Alpha Pi at Richmond in 1856; Kappa Alpha at Richmond in 1856.

Transcript.

Excursions.

Nearly all our exchange notices have been cropped out of this issue.

The Montgolfiers certainly did have a very bad dream about our locals of March. It doesn't help your cause any to abuse us on an imaginary case of plagiarism which hasn't the least particle of truth in it.

The Violette made the same mistake in speaking of our medical department—Rush Medical College—that it did in referring to the Michigan University Medical School. It has a three-years' course also, and any one who acts on the remarks of the Violette and attempts to get an M. D. diploma from Rush on two years' study of medicine will miss it about three hundred and sixty-five days, to say nothing of the amount of hard study that can be put in during that time. We concur with the Chronicle when it says: "It is not becoming to try to disgraciate one's self by disparaging others."
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