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With this issue, we introduce to our readers our newly-elected publisher, succeeding H. T. Ingham, of ’81, who, on account of absence from college this term, thought it best to resign; thus the change. A few minor changes, of no special interest to the public, were also effected in regard to the publishing board, and we assure the students and our friends generally, that nothing has been left undone to make The Volante what it was intended for by its founders—the representative of the University. To this end we cordially solicit contributions, as also the good-will and patronage of every friend of our Alma Mater.

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"College Politics." To students this expression is only too familiar, and invariably signifies a combination on the part of different parties, aiming at obtaining control of certain offices, supposed to bring honor and distinction. Indeed, formerly, when merit alone served as the criterion, it really was an honor to represent one's college or class in public occasions; but, alas, the persistent machinations of party cliques, etc., have brought matters to such a point, that to hold an office means to hold it by grace of chicanery and the success of a particular "ring." We have no doubt that, in many cases, even though true merit deserved the reward, this prevalent opinion so warped public judgment that the attainment of office was related to this universality of parties, and thus innocence was made to suffer, undeserved. Lately, in our last students' meeting, a resolution was drawn up, proposing to appoint a committee empowered to select the different class representatives for the co-educational Washington Supper. Its sole aim was to avert the formation of combinations usually accompanying such elections, and thus avoid any dissatisfaction likely to occur. After a short debate and the introduction of several amendments, the resolution was finally defeated, and the election of class representatives left to the classes. These elections have been held, and who does not feel mortified at the unusual large amount of wire-pulling indulged in during the last week? Those who are familiar with the inside workings of party management know that more schemes were connected, more elections done, and a greater amount of reprehensible work accomplished, than for many years past. And what has been the result? Dissatisfaction on the part of those who were unsuccessful. The ones to blame are they, who, by their votes on the 19th last, allowed the different classes to elect their representatives. On an occasion like the Washington Supper, it is the most absurd folly to set the entire University in commotion by resorting to measures communistic to a Presidential campaign. Quid faciendum?

In a recent article in The Library Journal, Justin Win- ner, of Harvard University, writing on the subject, "The College Library and the Classses," calls attention to the want of practical usage for the College Library by the student. He says that if anybody gets any good from the library of the average College, perhaps it is a few professors; and if anybody gets any amusement, perhaps it is a few
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students, from the smooth worn volumes of Sterne and Franklin to the fresh young book for which the library should be used in connection with the various English branches, such as History, Rhetoric, Philosophy, and Mental and Moral and Social Science, and we cordially agree to help the idea the store in our brains. The library should be used in connection with the various English branches, such as History, Rhetoric, Philosophy, and Mental and Moral and Social Science, and we cordially agree to help

Professor (Logepelter) — "Gentlemen, we will take up in March the Counter in England. Mr. Bight, you must be prepared on Bulwer's "Harold," to analyze the events and compare them with what you deem the best, the most distinguished, and the best of its kind in the English language. Mr. Bight, you must be prepared on Bulwer's "Harold," to analyze the events and compare them with what you deem the best, the most distinguished, and the best of its kind in the English language.

The examinations of last term closed with a result which proved a great surprise to many. Hitherto it has been the custom to have a rather loose oral examination, where the best scholars were "shawn off" for the edification of visitors who were present to view the progress of the students and the amount of work done. But what a change last term! Seemingly following the Volante, our professors treated us to some very thorough examinations which were oral and written, and in some cases both; and the consequence was that quite a number were startled by the announcement that they had not passed and would be compelled to make up one or more "citations.

While we are sorry that any student should have so abused his opportunities as to incur a condition, we are re- joiced to see the Faculty make a vigorous effort to raise the level of scholarship in the University. Let once her determination of demanding and insisting upon thorough work gain currency, and students will throng in crowds into her halls.

We hope the late examinations may prove a beneficial lesson to those who failed in any study. We hope for their sake that it may not occur again, and they alone have it in their power to decide how it shall be. One thing must be remembered: pleasure and scholarship do not lie in the same direction. Either the one or the other must be pursued, or both must be given up, or lessons will have to suffer; and as sure as they do, will come humiliations in the shape of failures and conditions at the end of the term. May the delinquents profit by experience.

There is a certain class of people in this world who are forever complaining about something or other; are always dissatisfied; are always discontented. This class includes such a large number of the people of the Lower Orders that it is continually growing. They are worked hard, lessons are too long, or vice versa; professors arraign them too hastily; if they happen to be met with inconvenience, they are conditioned in examinations, or if any one else falls into the same distress; in fact they become chronic grumblers. The crowd of men usually embraces all the loafers, trick- ers, and idlers. The Commissaries, who must have commodation or they will perish.

Such men ought to be drummed out of college. They have no business there. They should "go West" and locate on a farm, or dig ditches. College is not their proper sphere. They are like the foreigners who disparage our government. Yet they will flock here by thousands and tens of thousands to enjoy all the privileges that we can, and at the same time malign and vilify the country in every manner possible.

If the college curriculum does not suit any one; if it is not thorough and complete enough; if lessons are too severe or professors are too boisterous; if one's classmates and asso- ciates are not of the right quality, every one is a free enough agent to go elsewhere. No one wants these individuals to stay. By all means let them get out. It does not cost any more to go to some other college, and then they can be so much happier. Let them either keep their matriculations to themselves, or make their adieux.

It seems a little curious to notice how Sophomores, as a body of students, are regarded the world over. Of course most College graduates pass through a Sophomore year unless they are "Scientists," or are smart enough to jump from the Freshman class into the Junior, so it is with no slighter motives toward any particular class of Sophomore who feel attachment to the peculiar light in which they are held. A recent editorial on "How to Close the Year," in the New York Tribune, commenced, "School graduates — Sophomores and the large class of gray- headed young folks who carry the fiddles and habits of their caller days on into old age, are not to occupy to-day with a sentimental review of the past year, but to prepare for the future." Why the poor "Soph" should be classed, with school girls and gray-headed young folks, and why they are more properly to spend New Year's day in the way mentioned, is a question which requires investigation.

Newspapers also frequently mention "Sophomore elo- quence" in disparaging tones, and furthermore, all mis- chievous conduct is laid at the door of this very innocent assis- tant Sophomore. To be sure, "Soph" are the recog- nized "chauvinists," but then a great deal of misconformity is attributed to them. We are apt to think that Sophomores have been slightly abused; also their reputations to raise trouble have been given to them. But we are disposed to think the Sophomore rather feels as if he had a position to sustain, and act accordingly. If he were not from force of previous example and general anticipa- tion of such conduct on the part of the college, he might be excused.

Commencement orations are sometimes bores, and are often stenographed on account of their high sounding titles; Junior orations generally sound so much "eloquent," but they, too, are passed over, while it is left for the or- arians of the Sophomore to be dubbed "bombast" and "spread eagles." This is altogether too severe. While it may be right to crush the Freshmen, the "Soph," soon

lends into the Junior,—into the acknowledged region of their enemies, and there they should be treated more leniently and with more respect.

Within the past few years there has sprung up in this country a class of literature which has peculiar attractions for college, and this species of literature embraces such books deeply engrossing to college students generally and those aspiring to become such.

College life is always considered the brightest and most charming part of a man's life, and where the pros- trated student seeks for some sort of enjoyment and pleasure are the most abundant, there the prospective collegian turns his eyes, and there, and only there will be satisfied to pursue his course. If necessity, or circumstances compel him to attend elsewhere than is his heart's desire, as a general rule discontentment and complaining are his conspicuous characteristics. This is the plain, unblushing truth, and we believe that such a state of things is owing to the picturesque and gaudy painting given to us in some of the more noted institutions of the land, particularly Yale and Harvard. It is a well-known fact that though no more may be needed, yet a very large amount of money is used by the average undergraduate in some of the well known Eltang, colleges. To be popular in college one must needs be a literary or sporting man, and must excel in his underwritings. If one belongs to the sporting set he will certainly be賞会ing his college duty. But it is too true that a very large per cent. of students belong to the sporting fraternity, are members of some club or other, and are followers of some leading athletes. Of course exercise is necessary, but no man can excel in both pursuits, i.e., as a "dug," and a sporting man. But the student will have his choice taken alone.

Such examinations as the above fill up much of the "good old times" of college life. They are, perhaps, a necessary evil, and to play makes a dull boy, etc. But these books are the funds and the play makes a dull boy, etc.

Harvard Days," for instance, are altogether too bright and jolly to be real, and they only serve to create a long- ing for that which can never be satisfied. To be sure they draw men to the college which is the assumed scene of action, but these men, alas! find the sky too often laden and the waving elm too régionable instead of steady if they have come there only for fun. Many a man has left those aristocratic colleges at the end of his Freshman or Sopho- more year broken hearted, and has sunk him through excessive voluputiveness and expenditure in trying to instinct
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DEPARTED DAYS.

Like the life before a dream Where nowhere-bes were, but are no more, The sweetness of departed days Lingers through all our lives and years. As when, across a room of flowers The blade of a horse stops over snow. Not several sweetness he brings, But simple odors lead his wings. So from the path that gently微笑 A smile, joy, he knows who feels; Not many remember his soul, But the best influence of the whole. M. E. A.

MABEL.

"Two in early spring when I met her, Bee open the rose-buds had bugged, But the olive was telling his low song, The words with his mild music rang. She wand’red in the Goddess of Beauty, With eyes that sparkled at night; Her voice was a music of melody, A sweetest of bow-wishing dolls. Also the spray-time that opened so radiant, Closer nimbly in summer and giants; Like the jolly whose beauty he stalked, My darling was laid to the tomb.

So deep in the deepening twilight, And dreams of the four long ages. Word memories on the rose eyes with tears Swell to the fountains of the sea. Oh, Life! busy burden of trouble— Oh, Death! silent refuge from six. Of all thoughts that are strong tonight, The saddest, "It might have been.""

SPELLING REFORM.

One of the leading questions that is now engaging the attention of English-speaking educators is that of spelling reform. Philological societies having this end in view, are agitating upon every side, and the whole ground of the subject is an appointment committees have interested themselves in the matter, some of them even going so far as to petition Congress and the legislatures of the states, that a committee of experts might be appointed to investigate the subject. In addition, almost all the educational weeklies are advocating the reform, and the press, generally speaking, bonus with articles pertinent to its consumption.

The great object of a written language, as a lecturer said not long ago, is to convey to the mind the thought by the voice, and the voice can convey more of the same meaning, "—a virtue which written or printed English cannot boast. It is a ridiculous fact, also, that there is no person who is able to spell this English language correctly. And such being the case, it is high time to make some change so as to place this faculty within the power of at least those wishing to acquire it.

There is no doubt but that it will be a great saving of time on the part of the student, and space on the part of the printer. At present, "A" with its various combinations has lost almost all of its meaning, and other vowels and letters a corresponding number. The plan seems likely to succeed, authorized by such men as Professor Lyman, Professor Stuart Mill, and others. Lytton, and Carpenter. But the change, if there be one, must be brought about very gradually. Some literary magazines favoring the movement are inaugurating it by spelling programs, program, catalogue, catalogue, logic, &c. Thus little by little the change can be made, and, as was the case with the reformation of speech sounds, January 1st, the reform will by degrees become so widespread and general, and the results so satisfactory, that people will wonder that it had not been accomplished before. To be sure there is a slight objection, the change in the way of spelling, and in that the derivation of a word will be lost sight of. But the fact is that it is only the Latin or Greek student, or the person well versed in modern languages, that knows or cares anything about the derivation; and they, from their knowledge of the language from which the word is derived, will also be cognizant of the rest of any word.

It is a great undertaking, and the incoming generation of the better educated classes, that those now the college students, will in a great measure improve or advance the project by their opposition or support. For the sake of the great good it will accomplish, and its vast literary worth, it is hoped that they may dignify in their power to carry out this executive.

CALIFORNIA.

On account of limited space, it will be impossible to even mention all the points of interest in our great, most western State, California. But the little we can say we hope will not be proof of interest to our fellow-students. Hoping that many of our readers will some day have an opportunity to visit this goddess State, it may be well to suggest what a five miles could be most enjoyably spent in a tour of five or six months’ duration. If the tourist should be so fortunate as to have eight months at his command, it would be well to start as early as October, in order to spend a month or two in the vicinity of Lake Tahoe, which is situated near the Western Pacific railroad across the State. About five miles into the mountains, by fifteen in width, is situated the Sierra Nevada range, and is six thousand four hundred feet above the sea level—higher than Mount Washington, that giant among the peaks of New England.

In depth it is probably not exceeded by many lakes of its size, being in some places one hundred to five hundred feet deep. Never was water so clear and blue. One can look down fifty feet and count the pebbles on the bottom, and see the fish glide along. The sky looks bluer than the water, and the tint is particularly soft and bright. This lake abounds in trout, which are of an unusually large size. A ride in a row-boat in a pleasant morning is particularly enjoyable. Venturing out a few rods, perchance a little breeze roughens the calm surface of the lake, and then the shining moon direction that the crest of such little wave is converted into so many glinting diamonds, and all of the first water—can remind one of nothing less beautiful than the starry heavens. This lake, like the beautiful Donner, but a few miles away is not without its less associations. Surrounded on every side by snow-topped mountains, a sudden gust of wind is at any moment liable to come pouring down an immense cascade, dashed the crystal waters into foam, and many is the fisherman and pleasure seeker who have reached an untimely and on account of the tempest a beautiful death. The three cities of most importance in the State are Stockton, Sacramento, and San Francisco, the latter being about one-half the size of Chicago. It is a city built upon sand, and, according to the parlance, is liable to fall at any moment when the great Author of Natures sees fit to allow the whole and tidles of the broad Pacific to sweep over it. It has a harbor equalled by none in America, and probably by none elsewhere, which is always filled by steamers from all parts of the world. Some of the points of interest in and around the city, and Wood’s Garden, which contains a rare collection of animals and many specimens of tropical plants; the great Jewish Tabernacle, the Catholic cemetery, the Chinese quarters, and the hotels, which are excelled in magnificence and grandeur by none in America. A drive of six miles along a road smoother, if possible, than those in Lincoln Park, finds us at the Cliff House, where we see the seal rocks, the Golden Gate, and the broad expanse of the Pacific ocean. Any of the winter months will be suitable for a visit to the State, where the lakes and lemon groves are the most interesting sights. The most suitable and satisfactory way of going, especially to the person who has never been tasted by the mountain lilies of our ocean, would be by steamer; for although one does not become acquainted with the country by so doing, unless possessed of a cast-iron stomach, he gains the pleasure of knowing it is to be really and sick; but a few sweet, fresh oranges after arriving at Los Angeles makes one feel inclined the worse for his ride. A return by stage gives one the pleasure of going through the strong constitution to endure day and night riding in a stage coach, a good idea of the country.

The University of California, situated at Berkeley, just across the Bay of San Francisco, and about five miles from Oakland, is an institution of true western liberality, and opens its doors to all, without respect to sex, color or condition, and free of charge. The site is as charming as can
well be conceived. The grounds run up to the foot-hills of the Contra Costa mountains, and are handsomely orna-
mented with acacias and eucalyptus. From every part of the ground, the view is grand, and the seats in the Golden Gate, to the boundless ocean beyond. The build-
ings are of a fine granite, brought from somewhere near San Francisco.

In closing, I will mention the most remarkable feature of the State, the Yosemite valley, which is about one hun-
dred and fifty miles from San Francisco. Leaving the rail-
road at Stockton, and after becoming possessed of a good
horse (which can be purchased at a very reasonable price), a pair of blankets, a large knife, and a good, strong seven-
shot, one is prepared not only to behold the most beauti-
ful sight which the imagination can picture, but also for
climbing and descending hills which at first sight seem al-
most insurmountable. Following the journey which we
arrive at our destination, suffering in every joint and
limb. After such a journey, especially to one not accustomed
to riding on horseback, one's very bones seem to find a way
to make their grievances felt; but a short sleep and a little
stimulus of some kind (the latter for those who have not
joined the Red-Ribbon Club), assures to reality what an
active imagination could never have pictured. The first
spectacle which attracts the attention after entering the
valley, is the falls, which are about opposite the entrance.
The Yosemite creek which forms it, rises about ten miles
north of the valley. Being fed by melting snow, it attains
its greatest magnitude about the middle of April, which is
the most favorable time to visit the valley; but the great
height of the fall makes it wonderful, even when the volume
of water is not great. The whole descent is twenty-six
hundred feet, but it is not all made at one leap. The water
falls over a granite precipice sixteen hundred feet, where
strikes a projecting ledge, then for six hundred feet it falls
in a series of cascades, and finally gathers itself together
and makes its last plunge of four hundred feet. This is the
highest fall in the world, and is sixteen times the height of
the Niagara. The valley is about seven miles long, and ex-
ceedingly wide in height at its narrowest part, and has an aver-
age depth of three quarters of a mile. But alas for poetic
phrasing! Who can adequately explain the various emo-
tions that do necessarily arise in the soul of every per-
son at viewing such a spectacle? Hoping that the future may
produce such an one, I leave you to see for yourselves
and be satisfied.

The Freshmen were considerably surprised and amazed to
find, on application to Prof. Howe to be excused from attendance at chapel exercises, that a written request from
their parent or guardian was required by a new rule of the
faculty. When we were a Freshman, they took our word,
but in these times, the degenere canth are not to be
trusted.

EVOLUTION.

EDITOR VOLANTE: We have had the courage to take
another glance at your immortalized November number,
and are delighted in reading "Dana's" letter on evolu-
tion. As to the personal allusion, we are perfectly con-
scious and know nothing, but are rather of the opinion that, if any
remark was made about the ignorance of evolutionists, it
was extremely insignificant, and we are probably inclined to some
such nonchalance of the most innocent fanatics which invariably swarmed from the crevi-
ses of society whenever any new theories or inventions are
propounded to the world, which they carry by a fiery efflux
of enthusiasm into the distant regions of impotence.

In the present case, there is evidently the usual army feat-
tured throughout the hamlets and cities of Christendom,
who seem in their highest best of earthly pleasure when,
with uncovered heads and flying hair, they can sail, with
furious and wild gestures, through the deepest and most
furious stream; who have sense enough to see the herculean
swEEP and radical change that evolution must inevitably
infiltrate throughout the world of thought, opinion, and
belief; who, in short, go about sallying their enemies in
hostile colors, and, while they point with one hand to the
blaming names of Darwin and Tennyson, throw up their caps
with the other, and shout "Victory!" These are the self
appointed pionneers of Science. Like the news-bearers over
a country district, who go to a central depot for the article,
but which somehow grows to unnatural proportions before
delivery, they pand to the sensationalism of their hear-
ners by telling them, with wonderful gravity of countenance, that, according to the indications of science, they are posi-
tively the direct descendants of an arboreal monkey; that,
positively, they have no souls; that, positively, there is
no God—and many other things of an equally palatable
and hotly-seasoned nature. Even here, among so-called
hard-headed lovers of truth, is the original Fama of Virgil,
who, before the horizon of science and Science herself has become
a veritable lies, who sits behind closed curtains, and from
her tripod throne sends forth orders, mandates, prophecies.
Why, these middle-men of science promises, by their indol-
ent and dogmatic manner, their ignorant and presumptu-
ous ways, to destroy the very credit, the very popularity
and strength of the firm. We are thankful, indeed, that
for some time our friends have been kept at a distance by
its marked by an ingenuous spirit, as must needs be, it
is sometimes subtle, lacking that equinox of logical proof, and
therefore incapable of being a rebuttal. But not the more its
value is the less worth. As a single example, take a strong factor in
his theory—anthropomorphism, or reversion to ancestral forms. Child-
ren sometimes exhibit traits or features belonging to their
grandparents or still remote ancestors, not seen in their
immediate progenitors.

Darwin gives examples of dogs, cattle, birds, and then
draws the inference that the savage disposition of certain
halfface races of man whom travelers tell of, is due to the
same law, produced by crosses and refusals to a savage
ancy. Why not, at the same time and spot on the earth,
a complete r version to the quadrupeds form? And why
not, in the same manner, take the black and white products of a great
or intelligence? The author, however, argues his point
rather in a circle, and helps to prove, at most, a probability.
The same author, however, would propose that there is a
common ancestor; therefore, those marks are facts of re-
version to the wild form, and y, and having the same marks,
a circumstance necessary to reversion itself, if therefore all the
more the common ancestor—a conclusion assumed, in
turn, as true, in order to strengthen the premises.

Of course, it will be seen that proof in this way will never
arive at certainty except in due course of time, and the
question, from its nature, is left solely in the hands of
experts, who are capable of weighing the delicate grains of
truth in determining the ultimate probabilities and making
a probability—how many probabilities one certainty.
A further point may be mentioned here, in reference to
one of the fundamental doctrines of evolution, that Prof.
Huxley gives it as an candid opinion that not a single dis-
tinct species has yet been found, based upon either natural
or artificial selection.

But there are other fields of investigation which are yield-
ing their quota of evidence, and where the battle of evolu-
tionary theory is either lost or won. Notably that of Pale-
ontology, and the results of long and strenuous labors in this
direction were summed up, in an unexceptional manner, by
Prof. Huxley, at the close of his lecture on the same
subject where he says, in substance, that the positively ascertained
facts in this line of investigation, negative the common
discipline of progressive modification. The amount of
modification in the fauna and flora of the several ages, is
so insignificant, the entire species being of hardly more
generalized structure than the later—that it is quite incom-
prehensible. Not the less, however, have these hysteresis
and the results of a necessary process of continuous develop-
ment.

Notable recently, Prof. Virchow has thrown some very
serious doubts upon the subject, by announcing the results of
extended researches in Archaeology. The Quaternary man,
or remains of man in the different strata, though strongly
commonized by the remains of animals of the same time, does not
possess the elements of the one, and yet its more human
form is marked by many of the pangs of modern, and conse-
sequent social, and religious influences in the aspect of the
common sciences. And every fossil man here found is
marked by distinct genic characteristics, such as distinc-
tially distinguish him from the former. Although they are
under examination, from the tertiary strata, which have al-
ready convinced many of the existence of man in that pe-
riod. Among the elements of standing, such as the
Abbé Bourgeois, the evidence is received as sufficient basis
for a positive doctrine. Even should they not prove so
eventually, it is suggested that the tertiary man may turn
up in some unexplored region, because the probabilities are
that the inhumans of that period were grouped together

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The Junior Class becomes its fate in having lost three of its lady members, who have retired to private life, for the present at least.

Provisions of all kinds used by the boarding club have risen. This will probably necessitate a tax of $1.50 at the end of the current term.

How are all your good resolutions — to study harder than ever before; to be more regular in your attendance at Chapel, and in regard to quiet wearing, etc. ?

The students came back rather slowly at the beginning of the term. It seems as if it ought to be just as easy to be on time the first day as to lag behind a week or so.

The worthy treasurer of the Students' Association for last term, was obliged, much to the regret of the students, to decline a re-election on account of a rush of business.

The Students' Association, after receiving E. T. Ingham's resignation as publisher of The Volante, elected Ira W. Rebil to fill the position for the remainder of the College year.

Some evil-minded genius has been afoot inquiring about the gymnasium. Be quiet, sir, the executive committee is deliberating and intend to report before the end of the term.

The worst sidewalk in the whole South Side, was the walk in front of the University for several days, the first of the term. Oh, that Moses would return and showed a white out there.

Care should be taken to put ashes in the stone steps of the University during the slippery season. It is sometimes very hazardous to walk on them, particularly if there is a strong north wind.

The Seniors are raving " Demotions ! " with the Juniors, and their humor and smooth translations are quite noticeable — considering that they received their last Greek lesson about two years ago.

The election of officers of the Students' Association, held January 15th, resulted as follows: President, W. H. Miles; Vice-President, Willis Haxley; Secretary, John C. Hopkins; Treasurer, E. E. Cox.

If those enthusiastic Christian Association members who practice their virtues up in Douglas, Hall, could be cajoled into trying the top of the tower for said preliminary work, the denizens of the Little Giant's hall would say, " Thanks."

Nowadays, before a student enters a society, students' association or class meeting, he seeks under his arm the latest edition of Roberts' Rules of Order. There is nothing like conducting business " on the square " and in a lawful manner.

Her Majesty's opera troops have called out several of the boys who have enough gold to pay the prices. M'am Geron-

ter was the favorite with most of them. One member of the fateful corps could remark of nothing but the beauty of \( \text{the choruses}. \)

Erectors — Meletorian Officers for term ending Feb. 12th, '79:

President, Powers; Vice President, Bailey; Secretary, Goodman; Critic, Persons.

Professor Sanford was delayed in the East by the severe snow storms around New Years, from being present at the immediate opening of the term, and it was said to note the disconsolate looks of the members of his various classes when the announcement was made.

The annual convention of the Zeta Psi Fraternity occurred in Troy, N. Y., on the 30th and 31st inst., thus allowing ample time for the deluges to reach their respective colleges in time for the winter term. Perry Trumbull was appointed delegate from the Omega College.

Recently " Almost Persuaded " startled the denizens in the northern part of the University. By actual count not less than five different notes less enticement to the car, as follows: F sharp, B flat, D sharp, G sharp, and the other was thought to be meant for D sharp.

Mehkinds the venerable George Washington would much prefer never to have had a birthday, could he have known that the celebration of it would have given rise to so much budlingin, fraud in elections, stuffing ballot boxes, and general consternation among college students.

At the first meeting of St. Kupas, owing to a lack of customary articles, the president appointed three young ladies to act as judges on debate. The first speaker, however, started his angle with an appeal to the " gentlemen judges," much to the surprise of the young ladies.

The Volante of last month was mistaken in the name of the new fraternity about to make its appearance in our midl. It should have been Delta Kappa Psi, instead of Delta Psi. As all catalogues of college fraternities within reach omit this one, it is probably the initial chapter.

It was quite amusing to see some Sophomores shake hands enthusiastically after it was announced at close of last term that this or that study had been successfully completed. Is it possible that these young men belonged to that class and had been studied as much as 4 o'clocked through by the skin of their teeth! ?

The trustees of the University met January 9th and unanimously elected N. F. Fairbanks, Esq., President of the Board in place of the Hon. Thos. Hoyt, who resigned. After ascertaining that the finances of the institution had been materially bettered under the direction of Dr. Anderson, they adjourned.

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HOW THEY DID IT.

They were sitting side by side,
And he smiled and she sighed.

Sad said he: "Your hair is as black as your pearls."
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