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DELAWARE COLLEGE REVIEW,

NEWARK, DELAWARE.

THE management of the REVIEW has decided to inaugurate a series of lectures and other entertainments to be known as the *Review Lecture Course*. The object of this move was not only to add to our treasury, but also to afford the students and the people of Newark and the surrounding country a chance to hear and see the best lecturers and artists in the lyceum field. In order to bring our plan prominently before the public we engaged, at considerable expense, for Monday, March 2nd, the services of the well-known impersonator and reader, Miss Helen Potter. As we expected, the tickets sold well, thus encouraging us greatly, and inciting us to renewed efforts. We secured the services of the Newark Choral Society to fill out intermissions with music, erected screens, and thoroughly advertised the entertainment. In connection with the last, we can but mention the generous aid given us by our larger brothers in the journalistic field.

The *Newark Ledger* and *Elkton Appeal* took the lead in this matter, and the *Democrat, News* and *Whig* of Elkton; and the *Every Evening* of Wilmington, were not far behind. We take this occasion to thank them heartily for their opportune encouragement, and will do all in our power to return the compliment, when we are permitted in any manner so to do. After all this work, our fond expectations were suddenly dispelled by a telegram received on the afternoon of the 2nd, informing us that the entertainment would have to be postponed through the illness of Miss Potter. To say that we were disappointed would but feebly express our true feelings, but when we learned that the postponement was unavoidable and that we were not alone, (Washington, D. C., Huntingdon, Pa., and other places sharing a similar fate), we were much more resigned to the inevitable. It was a heartless work that evening, repeating the old story to those who climbed the college steps only to be disappointed, and despite our exertions to spread the report by telegraphing, &c., there were quite a number who did come. This attested the fact that the public appreciated our effort, and, at least, encouraged us. Miss Potter has now recovered, and we have every reasonable assurance that she will be with us on Thursday evening, the 26th instant. We trust that none who intended coming before will stay away this time, and that many others also will be present. Upon the success of this, our first, venture will depend our future course. If the people of the community appreciate and substantially encourage our efforts, we shall use every exertion to secure first-class entertainments, but otherwise will not be able to do so.

THE inauguration of Junior Public Orations is certainly a good move on the part of our Faculty, and cannot be too highly commended by all devotees of education. The public cannot but be benefited as well as the student by this open intercourse. It will be apt to give students an ease in public speaking which can only be ac-

quired by practice, and then there is a greater incentive for them to write an oration for the public to hear, than merely for the ears of their fellow students. We hope that the public will turn out in full force on the evening of the 27th inst. The subjects selected by the Juniors will be found in the local columns.

THE evil that newspapers do by their apparently innocent jokes and burlesque criticisms is constantly perceptible to the most casual observer. An organization, even of considerable merit, will deteriorate in dignity and importance if it is made the laughing stock of the community by the fun-poking papers.

The criticisms upon the "Concord Philosophers" by the universal press of the country, although it did not produce an abatement in the interest and enthusiasm of the "philosophers," yet it had the effect to render the association unpopular and to be looked upon in its results as the idling away of valuable time.

One of the most conspicuous evils done by the press in making particular associations or institutions the butt of certain classes of jokes, is making Vassar bear the brunt of all the jokes that are told and originated about boarding school and college girls. The managers of Vassar are alarmed by the steady falling off of pupils during the last five years. The number now is only a little more than half that of 1875. A professor of that college is stated to have said:

"The cause isn't in any deterioration of the college itself, for it is the same noble school as ever. The trouble is that Vassar has become a thing to poke fun at. Half the new jokes about girls are put upon Vassar students. Their doings are ridiculed, exaggerated, falsified, and the very name of Vassar is a synonym for feminine foolishness. The consequence is that girls are beginning to dislike to go there. It would not be surprising to see the doors of the college shut in five years more. The newspaper paragraphs will have done it."

WE received the other day an extract from the *American Journal of Science*, entitled: "The Gravels of the Southern Delaware Peninsula," by Frederick D. Chester. From this we find that our Professor of Geology is still continuing his geological work in this State. His excellent articles, which have appeared quite frequently of late, are a credit to the College that he represents, and he is winning for himself a very enviable reputation among geologists.

THE bustle and excitement concerning the coming athletic season is perceptible in almost every exchange. Most papers and consequently most students look forward to the spring term as the busiest yet, the most enjoyable of the year. The preparation of declamations, speeches, cremation, commencement and other exercises, cramming for the examinations, &c., keep the average student busy, while his work is pleasantly interspersed with enjoyment on the ball ground and tennis courts.

As "the darkest hour is just before dawn" so March is the dullest and most disagreeable of months in the college year, and the students are anxiously looking for the dawn of the coming season. At Delaware, base ball as usual will in all probability take the lead in our spring sports followed closely by tennis.

In regard to base ball, it is sincerely to be hoped that the management of the club this year will be better than it has been for the two previous years. The individual members have usually been left to train themselves when and how they pleased, with little or no systematic training by the managers, the consequence was as might be expected, that but little was accomplished. The clubs of previous seasons, however, made themselves famous in one particular, namely, the fewness of the games they played. In this respect, the club of the coming season should not follow in the footsteps of its predecessors but should make early arrangements for games with Dover, Washington, St. John's, Chester and other colleges.

The material with which to compose the club is more promising than it has been for several years past. Notwithstanding the loss of several good players, '88 presents some promising men, who with efficient training will ably fill the vacancies. An advantage of this year over last, which we hope will make a perceptible difference is the fact of having our new sporting grounds adjoining the old college grounds, which were ruined by the B. & O. R. R.

Tennis will likely receive a new impetus and become very popular.

After few or no sports in the fall and the long rest during the winter, we have every reason to predict that athletics will boom at Delaware College during the coming season.

WE desire to agitate the question of colors. Not those recognized by the Fifteenth Amendment, nor those of our National Ensign, nor yet those of prismatic refraction; but those little albeit useful and important trifles known as "class colors" and "college colors." There seems to be an illy authenticated rumor in the air that the Delaware College colors are sea-green and old gold. We rise to a question of privilege, to ask if any one ever saw these ultra-æsthetical colors brought into juxtaposition upon the person of any Delavarensian? This is an important matter. We are accused of having these highly poetical shades as symbols of our greatness, but we should like to see them. Seriously, however, the probability is that the colors adopted by the Athletic Association are too difficult to procure in various materials. It has been proposed that the base ball suits of the College Nine should be composed of the college colors. We think this a sensible idea, and would therefore urge upon the Athletic Association the expediency of adopting as soon as possible some combination of more simple colors, out of which base ball and tennis suits, and even if need be, a college flag, may be made in time for the spring sports and Field Day. A further suggestion which we regard favorably has been offered by someone; namely, to have made for each student a knot of narrow ribbon of the college colors for ordinary wear in connection with the society pin or class colors. The wearing of this ought to be, of course, optional with the individual student, but the bows might at any rate be adopted. Some of the classes, the Junior for one, have adopted this idea in regard to their class colors. The regular commencement badge will also be worn by this class on that occasion. We would suggest to the several classes and to the Athletic Association that it would be well to settle this matter as speedily as may be.

HOW much time do students waste in building hair-castles? If the truth were known, many a "flunk" would be explained, we imagine, by saying that time that should have been spent in grinding at a disagreeable or difficult task, was consumed by the student giving reins to fancy. A lesson in mathematics, for example, is calling

for attention. But it is so much easier and pleasant to sit down and dream of future forensic triumphs, of applauding auditors in church or court room, of social honors and the rest. Yet if a young man will look at the question of his future seriously and sedately, we think that he cannot fail to see that in all probability he can never attain more than a modicum of fame. Says Bacon: "Men of age content themselves with a mediocrity of success." When we get out into the world, we shall find that almost everything we have to say has been already better said by those before us, that nearly everything we think of doing has been already done by the master hand of some one else. Not that ambition—kind but blinded driver of our car of fame—is thus to be killed. Not that; we would not say that. But let us recognize this: That it is superiority alone in any matter which raises its possessor to the summit. The men of thoroughness, of intellectual height and breadth are already in the fore-front, and if we are to take their places, we must acquire their powers. Yet we all feel, even in our most self-complacent moods, that to us—most of us, at least—these are unattainable heights. Men of our own age in years, with better opportunities, with greater capacity, wealth, natural endowments, domestic and personal influences, are preparing to take these posts, and if we do not modestly estimate our own strength now, future disappointments will pronounce the judgment of our fellows. It would seem therefore a wise thing for a young man to do thoroughly and conscientiously the present work, fully persuaded that the castles he would build, to be more than airy fancies, must rest upon such foundation alone.

THE Trustees of Delaware College have presented a memorial to the General Assembly setting forth the condition and needs of the College, and asking for an appropriation of \$8,000 with which to carry out certain contemplated improvements. We have been favored with a copy of this memorial from Dover, and have read the document with considerable interest. It is unnecessary to say that the REVIEW, as the organ of the students, is thoroughly and enthusiastically in favor of the appropriation, and of the proposed plans of the Trustees for the improvement of the

College fabric. We have pointed out in previous issues what other States have done for their colleges, what is needed here at Delaware College to make it worthy of its name and rank, and the like; and now it is a pleasure to chronicle the presentation of the above mentioned memorial as the first step in the march forward. The memorial gives a detailed history of the various legislative acts of the General Assembly in the behalf of Delaware College since 1821, when an act was passed, "To Establish a College in the Village of Newark or its Vicinity, for the Education of Youth in the English, Latin, and Greek Languages, Besides the Arts and Sciences." The duty of the State, through its Legislature, to the College is so clearly and irresistibly stated in the Assembly-memorial that we cannot see how our intelligent Assembly-men at Dover can avoid the conclusion of its reasoning as to the protecting and supporting aid which Delaware owes to its College. We hope therefore that a bill for the improvement and repair of Delaware College may speedily be passed by the Legislature and collegiate education in Delaware be thus given a push forward.

The above bill has passed the House of Representatives by a vote of 14 to 4. The Senate, which is composed of enlightened and intelligent men, cannot but sanction the work of the lower house.

MORTAR-BOARDS and gowns are growing in favor. The chief objection to them seems to be the expense of purchasing. This is a progress in college spirit among the students that should be encouraged. Every association of this kind makes their Alma Mater dearer to the hearts of the students. We think that by clubbing the students will be better enabled to purchase these college accessories, and then it must be remembered that they can be sold again to the newcomers, when the time comes for leaving college. Let this question be agitated.

The verdict of the ladies is that they can obtain well-fitted and comfortable Supporters, Trusses, Elastic Stockings and other private appliances at the Ladies Department of BELT the Druggist, corner 6th & Market St, Wilmington. Competent Lady attendant.

Literary.

"OUR" WASHINGTON TRIP.

"Let us go to Washington," said a Senior to a crowd of Delaware College students, who had collected in a room in the Delta Phi wing, on the eve of the inauguration.

"Who's going?" inquired a young gentleman with a mustache.

"I am," said a Sophomore, whom we will call James.

The Senior then turned to me and asked me to go. I concluded that I would. I accordingly left the room and sought my own apartment, and made myself ready. My readers will please remember that this was the eve before March the 4th, and that it was 11.30 P. M. As the train left at 12.12 A. M., we concluded that it was time to start. We walked to the station. While we are walking, let me introduce my readers to my companions. The first in the line, (we were walking one behind the other,) was the Senior. As he was the only Senior with us, we all looked to him for friendly advice. The next is the gentleman with the mustache. He, by the way, is a telegrapher. I came next. Following me was "Senator." He is that tall gentleman on the right. The next and last was a Freshman. He was a brother to the telegrapher.

When we arrived at the station, the operator asked what had become of James? Could it be that he was lost? It was absurd to think of such a thing. "Ah! here he is!" I cried as he came up, blowing like a bellows. Nothing happened that I should chronicle until we were buying our tickets. Then the mustached gentleman dropped a cent. Great construction prevailed accordingly. After crawling around the room half a dozen times the cent was found. James, in buying his ticket, picked up the change that was due him, and left his ticket on the window, lighted a cigar and was happy. Fortunately for him, an honest man chanced to get hold of that ticket. He looked for James, and found him smoking a "two-fer" cigar. There was great happiness expressed in James's when the man handed him his ticket. By the time that James was ready to thank the man, the man was out of hearing distance.

The train having arrived, we all rush to the cars to get seats. Then the trains starts, and our journey commences. The Senior cautions us with parental advice. The people that were on the train when we got aboard, were all "wrapped in the arms of Morpheus, the goddess of liberty," as one of our Freshmen put it.

Finding that we could not sleep, we talked most of the way to Baltimore. We passed through a number of towns, but as it was night, I could not see much of them. We arrived in Baltimore at

2.30 o'clock. We got off at Union Station. As the train stopped, the hackman announced that we were stopping at Baltimore, and that we were to change cars for Washington. At this time James was sleeping the sleep of the just, and dreaming of Snow Hill and its fertile fields. On hearing the hackman scream, he jumped up, made a rush for the door, and started on a dead run for Charles St. He had been in B. before, while the rest of us had not. We thought that he ought to know what he was doing, so we followed as close to him as we could. At length the Senior catching James by the arm, said: "James, do you know where you are leading us to?"

"To the street cars, of course. Didn't that fellow say take the street cars for Washington?" It was then that James was blest. We went back to the station and tried to sleep. After a little James and Senator started on an exploring expedition. In a short time they returned and reported that a restaurant was within a square of us. The way that we left the station was a sight. I am very tender-hearted, and I pitied that restaurant man; but, as the old saying has it, "I could feel for him, but couldn't reach him."

On returning, I examined the other people in the station more closely. There was one man discoursing sweet music. The Freshman offered to tell the man that there was no sleeping *allowed* in the station. The man was evidently of a musical turn. I counted no less than sixteen different tones in one pull. The man snored so loud that he woke himself, and wanted to know if somebody had not yelled fire?

Our train was now ready, for which we were indeed thankful. Establishing ourselves as comfortably as possible, we were soon on our way again to Washington.

We were just getting to sleep when the conductor came around. A man went before the conductor and woke the people. He shook me in such a manner that it reminded me of my father. I awoke with a start, and yelled, "I'll never do it again." In doing this, I had jumped from my seat, and pushed the man across the aisle into another seat that contained a sleeping man. "I hope you never will, I am sure," the man said, after he had extricated himself from the other fellow's legs. I was almost asleep again, when the operator composed some poetry. That put an effectual stop on my trying to sleep. His poetry ran thusly:

"That's the way it's done,
When you go to Washington."

I have understood that he has had a headache ever since that moment. What a silenced there was after that! Even the sleeping ones seemed to be affected.

It was not long before the light in the dome of the Capitol building appeared. James vowed

that it was a lighthouse. Now we are over the Potomac. How our hearts were filled with sublime emotions of patriotism as we stepped out of the cars at Washington! We wanted to go everywhere at once. Yes, we were starvelings after Washington sights.

To please the Senator, we sought the Legislative Halls of our country. With the aid of a few quarters, (quite a few, if I remember) we secured the services of a colored gentleman to show us around. The only thing remarkable about him was that he could say the word "correct" better than any man I ever heard. He accented both syllables, letting his voice rise on the last. His style of conversation was something like this: "And would you like to see this?" "Yes," we would say. "Cor-rect," he would return, letting the sound of his voice make an obtuse angle.

As we could not see all in one day, and as both Houses of Congress were in session, we sought the House of Representatives. I must say, that for one who is not interested, to get the hang of what those fellows were saying, was extremely difficult. I remember that "The gentleman from Kentucky," kept saying that he "Would not be bound." I don't blame him. When I was a Freshman I was left bound to a wooden horse for half a day, and I must say it was not exactly pleasant.

We now left the House and sought the Senate. Our Senator got lost just about this time. In the Senate were quite a number of gentlemen asleep. Here there was a good dealing of rapping on the desk by the chairman. Leaving the Senate, we sought Washington Monument. While at the Monument, James was separated from us. As it was getting quite late, we concluded to find a place where we could see all and hear what we could. As we ran across a restaurant, we concluded to appease our hunger. I forgot to say that a few minutes before, James came thundering up to us. When he was two squares off, he had seen us as we crossed a street. We all concluded that it was quite a miraculous escape. Entering the saloon, we partook of something to eat. After we had eaten, we sought the street again. Where was James? "Lost again!" ejaculated the Freshman. We now sought the Capitol building. We again ran against James. He was coming down the Avenue under full sail. We now took up our station on the steps leading to the House. Here we waited. Were we tired? Perhaps we were. To ease myself a little, I took a walk down among the crowd. Here I ran across the Senator talking politics to half a dozen men. It was not long before I again lost sight of him. And now the soldiers commenced to file by. As it is not my duty to describe the different exercises of the day, and if I was so disposed, a better account could be found in the daily papers, I will

content myself with saying that I saw in the first place a great crowd, policemen trying to get the crowd back, and a long line of soldiers. I also saw Mr. Cleveland give his inaugural, got fearfully tired, and got into a fuss with a man from the "blue grass region." He said that he was from Kentucky, in the course of his conversation. After this, we left for Pennsylvania Avenue, that we might see the parade. It was not long before we were all separated from each other. As for me, I seated myself in a door, and watched the parade. I believe I did invest 5 cents in a quart of ground-nuts. Again we all came together. Now the Senior tried to make me walk up and down the Avenue, looking for James, which did not agree with me. Then the Freshman and I being together, we bought some oranges, and were happy.

Thus it was all the afternoon. Along towards five o'clock, the Senior, the man with the mustache, the Freshman and myself, congregated at the station. The man with the mustache and myself concluded that we would leave on a train going to Baltimore, but no farther; while the Senior and Freshman said that they would wait and take the regular train for Newark. I forgot to say that we had bought a lot of cake just before we sought the station.

After the operator and myself had settled ourselves in the car, we went to sleep. We went to sleep before the train left Washington. When we awoke, I found a man seated beside me, and he found the same. Not the same, but another man. The man was apparently young, and was quite good looking. To strike up a conversation, I offered him some of my cake. Didn't he take it? Well, you ought to have seen him. I never saw cake fly so in my life. He not only ate, but he talked. He lived in California; was raised in Virginia; and was born in New York. Had been to Europe, and had seen all the crown princes. Told me all about one of Queen Victoria's receptions. O, it was rich! In conclusion he told me of the Cotton Exposition that is being held at New Orleans. I concluded that he was a *well read* man. Just before we arrived at Baltimore, he left the cars. A young girl took his place. Then the operator, who sat in front of me, commenced to turn in his seat, and all of a sudden had a good deal to say to me. He honestly got quite social. I—well, I just fell in love with that girl. Had such a sweet voice. She was talking to her mother, who was just behind her. That was not the worst though. She commenced to talk with the fellow in front of her—the fellow sitting with my companion. As this fellow was of a big and fierce look, we were quite affected.

Arriving at Baltimore, we walked up and down Charles street, until the other train should come.

We were soon speeding along on our homeward

journey again. Did not find the Senior and the other boys until we had reached Newark. We had left the Senior and the Freshman at the station, you remember. After we had left, the Senator and James had sought out the station. Senator stayed in Washington until after the fireworks. Did not get home until the next day, and was not fit for anything for a week. James had come home with the Senior.

We arrived at Newark just 24 hours after we had left. We were a very tired crowd, indeed. All the next day the Freshman and James kept to their beds. The man with the mustache is as well as ever, I believe. The Senior was at the Skating Rink the next day; while I, the chronicler of this excursion, soon settled into the daily routine of college life again.

REDEM.

COLLEGE VACATION.

[It is not generally known that Delaware College can boast of two poets among her Alumni, each of whom has published a volume of poems. They are W. S. Graham and Thomas Hempstead. When the latter graduated his valedictory address was a poem. From the volume of the former is taken the following extract which may be as applicable now as when first written and afford the reader as much pleasure and amusement.—Eds.]

And ye, who in Livy have stood by the tide
That mirrored great Rome in her seven hilled pride,
And saw, as the ages went by in their flight,
How the world was absorbed in her overgrown night;
Like the earth, you may rest from her triumphs at last,
For your toil, like the reign of her terror, is past.
Ye knights of the blackboard accustomed to ponder
The mysteries of Davies and awful Legendre,
May part with your chalk and your problems profound,
And, like Newton, make figures awhile on the ground.
Ye disciples of Gunter, who carry the chain,
May rove without Jacob-staff over the plain;
Protractor and compass aside you may lay,
And freely the beauties of nature survey.
And O, ye poor wretches, forever who hammer
At the person and mood and hard cases of grammar,
Who have sighed over mysteries made only to bother,
And groaned interjections from one end to t'other;
Rejoice that your star at last mounts the ascendant,
And you're in the nominative case independent.

W. S. GRAHAM, '36.

Few persons have sufficient wisdom to prefer censure which is useful to them, to praise which deceives them.—*La Rochefoucauld*.

He whose first emotion, on the view of an excellent production, is to undervalue it, will never have one of his own to show.—*Aiken*.

We ought in humanity no more despise a man for the misfortunes of the mind than for those of the body, when they are such as he cannot help.—*Pope*.

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[The following neat acknowledgment of a REVIEW was received by a Freshman.]

Do you know why I write you these lines, Mr. C.?
 Ere you read very far, enlightened you'll be.
 Last night I received (and I know 'twas from you)
 An interesting, newsy COLLEGE REVIEW.
 With pleasure I read, and I think gained some knowledge
 About the "doings" at Delaware College.
 Reading I wondered if you, Mr. C.,
 Enjoyed the same pleasure your kindness gave me.

Can you tell me who is the young lady called "Della"?
 Or "Ware" can be found that poetical "fella"?
 Lives he in Newark, and what is his name—
 Longfellow, Shakespeare, or Milton of fame?
 Examine the *top of his head* and then tell
 Good friend, if *it* has the fate that befell
 Early in life, our *Liberty bell!* (Cracked.)

Receive with these lines my kindest regards,
 Extend them, I pray, to the "Chief of the Bards,"
 Vainly I've wondered who "Della" can be;
 I now give it up to you, Mr. C.,
 Expressing again my best wishes for you,
 With many kind thanks for the COLLEGE REVIEW.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

At the last meeting of the Athenæan Literary Society, the following resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Septimus D. Jay, M. D., were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Father to remove from this life Septimus D. Jay, M. D.; and,

WHEREAS, Our records show that he was a faithful and active member of our Society;

Resolved, That we lament the loss of him whose life as a citizen, and as a benefit to his fellow man, has been an honor to us.

Resolved, That by his nobleness and success in his profession, he has furnished an example worthy of imitation.

Resolved, That we extend our sympathies to the relatives of the deceased.

Resolved, That these resolutions be placed on the minutes of the Society, and published in the DELAWARE COLLEGE REVIEW.

C. W. Cullen,
 S. Polk,
 R. E. DeMaranville, Jr.
 Committee.

After graduating at this College, our young men and women who intend entering business, should prepare for it by taking a course of business training in the Bryant and Stratton Philadelphia Business College. No pains are spared to maintain the high reputation of this institution for thorough and practical instruction, and careful attention to the interests of the pupils. Write to them for a circular, and when you are in Philadelphia call and pass a pleasant hour examining the College.

Locals.

Ferrotypes.

Mortar-boards.

Shot through the hand!

Cream of tartar, 35 cents.

"Freshie, sing us a song!"

"The Boy I left behind me."

"The Black horse and its driver."

Base ball is once more the order of the day.

The Y. M. C. A. meetings are becoming very well attended.

"Dossy Jones" has left us. Drop a silent tear to his memory.

It is very near time for the Glee Club to become thawed out.

The Juniors are agitating the question of a Commencement Ball.

A student in speaking of the company said he didn't like "military tic-tacs."

Prof.: Is *dromenon* active or passive? Student: Yes, sir; active passive. (Gratuitous smiles.)

The latest translation of *sic semper tyrannis* is (by Freshman authority) "shoot the son-of-a-gun."

Student (translating): "*Non Afra avis decendat in ventrem meum* : Not a turkey buzzard descends into my stomach."

Prof. in Logic: "What is an accident of a circle?" Student: "Dropping it on the floor and breaking." Applause in the gallery.

Fresh (translating): "*Fulmine ictus* : struck by thunder." Audible smiles from the class. Fresh (blushing): "Oh! yes, I see my mistake, *fulmine ictus* : struck, by thunder!"

The Elkton Dramatic Association will render the melodrama, "Robert Macaire" on the 9th and 10th of April. Each night's performance will be concluded by a different farce. We wish them success.

Our esteemed military instructor while performing his duties as Superintendent, at a recent M. E. Sunday School Anniversary, said in announcing a hymn: "I am a soldier." The students wept bitter tears.

At a special meeting held recently the Faculty of Harvard College voted to put themselves on record as being in favor of making attendance on morning prayers voluntary to all undergraduates. Concurrent action by the overseers is necessary before the change can be made.

College Notes.

The brass band of Harvard numbers 108 pieces.

Pie-making is one of the electives at Vassar this year.

The Williams' Freshmen are hazing the Sophomores.

The college property of Cornell is valued at \$7,000,000.

The Faculty of Cornell has forbidden smoking on the Campus.

Phillip's Exeter Academy is to have a new gymnasium, costing \$50,000.

Harvard is considering a proposition to shorten the length of the course to three years.

Efforts are being made to raise the funds for a much needed gymnasium at Bowdoin.

The first female college in the world was Wesleyan, in Georgia, opened in 1833.—*Thielsenian*.

The Latin Salutatory which has been customary at the commencement of Yale is to be dispensed with.

The University of Virginia has received a bequest of \$470,000 from a Mr. Austin of Massachusetts.

The students of Princeton will produce a Latin comedy this winter. An immense attendance is expected (?).

Roanoke College, at Salem, will receive property worth \$6,000 at the death of the widow of the late Elijah Rudolph.

A correspondent thinks the Harvard boys ought to be kept at prayers until they know better than to tar the John Harvard statue.—*Boston Globe*.

The Columbian University of Washington has decided to admit women to the study of medicine, with the same privilege accorded to men.

Of the \$200,000 deemed necessary for the proposed female college at Baltimore, under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal church, \$135,000 have been subscribed.

Cornell University has secured an Egyptian mummy estimated to be nearly 3,000 years old. It was then in existence before Rome or Carthage was founded, and nearly 1,000 years B. C.

Wisconsin State University has sustained a great loss by the burning of her largest and most important building, Science Hall. The loss is estimated at about \$250,000 covered by only \$40,000 insurance; but as the university will receive an appropriation from the State it will soon be enabled to rebuild.

Sporting Notes.

Harvard's boat crew is undergoing hard training.

The Class of '87 won the class foot-ball championship at Columbia.

Yale has won the college championship in tennis, base ball, foot ball and lacrosse.

One of the worst foot ball defeats on record is the following: Yale 115 to Dartmouth 0.

Pugilism has invaded the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and the youths are being taught to box the compass.—*Pittsburgh Chronicle*.

Last year the expenses of the Harvard College Freshman crew were \$3,160.03 or \$922.68 in excess of all the moneys received. \$2,280 of which was spent for board, it is evident they were trained on the best.

Noremac, the pedestrian, *alias* George D. Cameron, is approaching the end of his walk of 5,100 miles, which was undertaken to settle a wager of \$2,000 between Captain Paul Boynton and Mr. Herbert Carpenter of the St. Onier Hotel.

The principal feature of the winter athletic meeting of the Cornell College Athletics at Ithaca, on Feb. 28, was the exhibition of fancy sparring by Charles Seeley, Athletic instructor at Lehigh University, against W. C. Cole, Jr., instructor at Cornell.

The seven men who have been selected by the executive committee of the Brown College Boating Association to train for the University crew are as follows: W. H. Beatie, L. A. Lindsay, C. Littlefield, C. A. Reed, O. E. Ryther, A. T. Sarle and W. W. Whitten. The average weight of the men is about 157 and the average height 5 feet 9½ inches.

At the Annual Convention of the Inter-collegiate Athletic Association held Feb. 28, at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, N. Y., Pres. J. M. Wainwright of Columbia presided. The following colleges were represented by their respective delegates: Amherst, Columbia, Harvard, Lafayette, College of the City of New York, Princeton, Yale, University of Pennsylvania and Lehigh. Applications for admission were received from St. John's College at Fordham and from the University of Michigan. They were admitted. Dartmouth College failing to send contestants to the field meeting for three successive years was dropped from the Association. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, H. S. Brooks, of Yale; Vice-President, Mr. Kohler, of the University of Pennsylvania; Secretary, J. C. Adams, of Princeton; Treasurer, D. B. Burney, of the University of Pennsylvania. Executive Committee: A. H. Trench, of Harvard and C. H. Mapes, of Columbia.

Exchanges.

Careless of censure, not too fond of fame;
Still pleas'd to praise, yet not afraid to blame.
Averse alike to flatter or offend;
Not free from faults, nor yet too vain to mend.

—Pope.

In the *Earlhamite* will be found an article entitled "A Be-Clouded Hero." The hero in this case is John Brown. The author is a pleasant writer. He endeavors to prove that John Brown was not a fanatic; but, "like other great men, lived in advance of his times." In another place he says: "The career of John Brown is heavily clouded, though he was incited by the grandest conceptions embodied in our most famous statesmen." In conclusion he says:

"Although the execution of criminals is rightly regarded a harvest for the fiends, yet faith in the wisdom of Divine Providence assures us that other spirits gathered about the scaffold where John Brown so nobly yielded up his life, and though in the estimation of men he was too vile for their association on earth, perchance when he appeared before the higher tribunal, that sits on the great white throne of justice, that looks deeper than the outward effect, there, where the purity of his intentions was not marred by the weakness of mortality, he received the reward which the integrity of his soul justified."

If the Ex. Editor of the *Earlhamite* will spend some of his valuable time in translating this anecdote it will be of great benefit to him: "*Thales interrogatus, quid esset facile: 'alterum,' inquit 'admonere.'*"

The *Dickinsonian* for February, is a very good issue. The editorials are readable, particularly the one about the literary prizes. "The Poetry of the Bible," is another article that deserves an honorable mention.

The *College Mercury* has two very good articles. The *Mercury* starts its new volume with an excellent quality of paper, and what is better still, it is very nicely printed.

"College Work outside of the Curriculum," is a prize essay appearing in the March number of *The Syracusan*. The author treats his subject in an admirable manner. In the conclusion of his article, he says: "Physical and moral culture must be obtained in the same way, that is, by the steady, persistent, untiring labor of the student."

We are sorry that we can't speak about more of our exchanges than we do this month, but our limited space will not permit us so to do. But let us say, that taking all of the exchanges together, we never saw more interesting college papers since our editorial duties fell upon us. Of course there are some that do not come up to their usual standard; but the majority have pushed ahead. We are very glad to be able to say this.

Book Reviews.

1. ABBREVIATED LONGHAND, by Wallace Ritchie; and
2. SUGGESTIONS IN PUNCTUATION AND CAPITALIZATION, compiled by J. B. Huling. J. B. Huling, publisher, Chicago.

These are two unpretentious little books, which can but be of more than momentary interest to all students. The first brings before us a simple and easily acquired substitute for Shorthand, which can be mastered in a few hours by any ordinary student. That such an acquisition would be beneficial cannot be doubted by any, but heretofore the extreme difficulty of mastering and amount of time required to reach moderate perfection, made Shorthand beyond the reach of the general student. The work before us meets this difficulty, and we think any student will be repaid in purchasing this moderate priced little book.

The latter book on punctuation explains itself. It contains what is not ordinarily found in textbooks, and in such a form that it must be valuable to all who wield the pen.

KEY AND DIAGRAM OF PARLIAMENTARY RULES, by Uriah Smith. Review and Herald Publishing Association, Battle Creek, Mich. Price, 50 cents.

This strikes us as an especially valuable little volume to a presiding officer, who is compelled to decide points of order at a moment's notice. As especially adapted to his wants, so is it, also, suitable to the use of all who wish to take an active part in the debates and business of their societies or the meetings which they may be called on to attend. The map is small and can be easily folded and unfolded. It is attached to a stout cover, which also contains a key, a half hour's study of which will fully explain the diagram. It also contains concise hints and directions for conducting the business of deliberative assemblies. The book can be readily placed in one's pocket, and is in every way suitable to the purpose for which it was intended.

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Until Eve's arrival Adam was not a gift to the earth—he was a-loan.—*Yonkers Gazette.*

It's a poor skate that won't roll both ways, as beginners speedily learn.—*Boston Courier.*

Some persons entertain the opinion that "the bodies of persons struck by lightning do not become corrupt." If this theory should prove to be correct, no man should be nominated for Congress unless he could show a physician's certificate that he had been struck by lightning.—*Norristown Herald.*

Minnesota papers say college graduates make first-rate farm hands after they learn the business.

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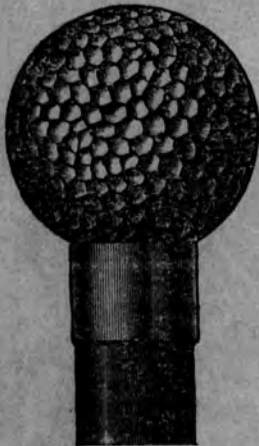
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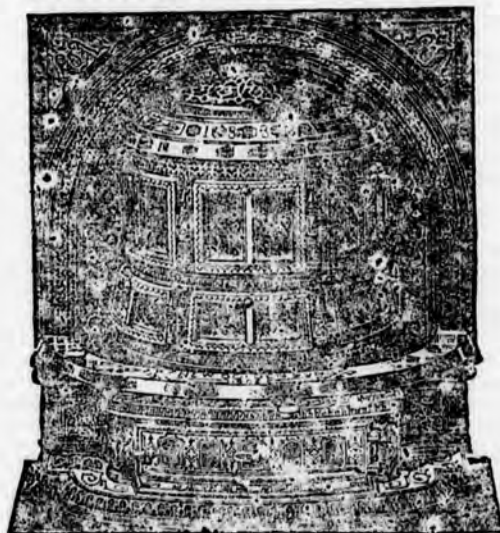
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