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A NATION can never be legislated into true prosperity. It must be worked out inductively. We must work out through the individual the perfection of the state. From particulars we may generalize, but we may not come from generalities to particulars. The good of the nation demands that integrity and purity should prevail in the administration of public affairs. Laws cannot make it. Theories can never bring it about. An honest constituency, honestly represented, is the only way. To each atom of that constituency must pressure be applied. Political economy must be based upon acknowledged equity, and not, as in the past, upon the most sordid and rapacious qualities of human nature. The intellect, the heart, and the body as well must be trained to work together for the furtherance of a common cause. A spirit of patriotism, which would declare it joy to die for one's country, must be inculcated in every growing mind, and above all must be enforced the ideas that dishonesty toward one's government is the greatest possible crime, and worse by far than death.

THE Baltimore Sun gives an interesting account of the celebration of the centennial anniversary of the battle of the Cowpens and the unveiling of the Morgan Statue, at Spartanburg, South Carolina. The event is of peculiar interest because it was celebrated on the soil of the State which was the first to attempt to destroy the nation which the heroes who fell at the Cowpens gave their lives to establish. It is of national and not sectional interest. Its memories reach back to a time when North and South were not synonyms for sectional hatred and strife; to a time when a common danger and a common cause bound the Colonies together in the strong bonds of brotherhood. Since then that brotherhood has been broken. Over the fields on which Americans once stood united to meet a foreign foe, has poured the blood of a terrible struggle between brothers. And now, after the smoke and rage of that struggle

have passed away, North and South meet on the historic field of the Cowpens to pay a common tribute to the heroes of the Revolution. It is on such occasions as this that statesmen may feel the national pulse, and judge of the effect which time is having in dispelling the sectional hatred and animosities engendered by the great Civil War. If the sentiments expressed at the unveiling of the Morgan Monument are true sentiments of the people, we should congratulate ourselves that the bitterness of sectional hatred is rapidly passing away. The speeches of southern men, and of Wade Hampton in particular, were characterized by sentiments of loyalty and a desire to bury forever the issues of the past. Senator Hampton said in his oration: "At this shrine, dedicated to liberty, no fires save those of patriotism should be allowed to burn. The spirit of sectionalism should stand rebuked, and fraternity alone should inspire every heart. Here, at least, we should bury all animosities and dedicate ourselves to the noble work of promoting the prosperity, the happiness, and the peace of our whole country. The great questions which roused our bitter dissensions and brought so much suffering on the country are forever settled, and political wisdom as well as patriotism demand that the animosities they engendered should be buried with them."

The Zets and Irvings elected officers last night for the fall term of '81. They are as follows: Zets—President, F. O. Newcomb; Vice-President, J. B. French; Corresponding Secretary, H. C. Harris; Recording Secretary, Harry Lamson; Treasurer, S. B. Reed; Sergeants-at-Arms, Arthur J. Cra-ven and Wm. O. Payne. Irvings—President, C. H. Forney; Vice-President, W. H. E. Selleck; Recording Secretary, W. E. Tallant; Corresponding Secretary, W. C. Burton; Treasurer, H. W. Seaman.

The state department has been officially advised of the seizure of the American bark Acacia, of Boston, by the custom authorities at Merida, Mexico, which harbor she entered in distress. A request by the American consul for her release was refused. Her crew are on shore, and have been threatened with arrest should they board any American ship. The navy department will order one of the vessels of the north Atlantic squadron to the scene of the trouble to investigate it. The reasons given by the Mexican authorities for detaining the Acacia are not yet known.

The Steam Bakery is always prepared to furnish the best quality of Ice Cream, Cakes, Fruits, etc., for parties and sociables, on short notice.

WATER WORKS.

The Council at Their Session Last Evening Unanimously Adopted the New Ordinance.

The Council met last night to hear the reading of Water Works ordinance as revised, and acted upon it. The ordinance was read by the Clerk, and but a few unimportant amendments were made. After the reading of the ordinance, a vote was taken, and it was unanimously adopted. This result was received with applause by the audience which had assembled, and it must have been with a sense of relief that the Aldermen felt themselves free from the business which for over five months was almost continually before them. The Council then took up the matter of a City Hall, but nothing decisive was accomplished, and they adjourned.

The resolution in regard to the erection of a City Hall, was referred to a committee instructed to report at a special meeting of the Council to be held next Monday night.

DECORATION DAY.

The Executive Committee have decided to depart this year from the custom previously prevailing here, of having the entire procession march to the cemetery. A stand will be erected in the City Park where the exercises will be held, at the conclusion of which the Decorative Committee with the Floral Car and little girls will proceed to the cemetery and decorate the graves of our fallen comrades.

The exercises of the day will commence with a National Salute by the University Battery at 12 o'clock M.

The procession will form at 1:30 P. M. on Dubuque street, head of column resting on Market street, in the following order:

1. University Battery fully horsed and equipped.
2. University Band.
3. University Battalion and Law Military Company.
4. Carriages containing Chaplain and Speakers.
5. Floral Car.
6. Wagons containing little girls representing thirty-eight States.
7. Carriages containing Singers.
8. Civic Societies and Citizens on foot.

The line of march will be as follows: North on Dubuque to Fairchild street, west on Fairchild to Clinton, south on Clinton to Court, east on Court to Dubuque, north on Dubuque to the City Park.

Maj. Thurston of the University Battalion, will command the military portion of the procession.

The Mayor and City Council, the President and all officers and Professors of the State University together with the clergy and members of the press of the city are cordially invited to be present on the grand stand, while the column is passing in review.

The exercises at the Park will consist of:

1. Music by the Law Quartette.
2. Invocation by Rev. G. P. Folsom.
3. Music by University Band.
4. Address by W. F. Skinner.
5. Music by Law Quartette.
6. Address by J. H. Sweeney.
7. Music by Band.
8. Departure of Decorative Committee and Little Girls.

All citizens and people from the country are invited to participate.

E. G. STEPHENS, Marshal.

HIATT'S ACADEMY.

An Interesting Oratorical Contest.

This forenoon occurred the contest at Hiatt Bros' Academy to select commencement speakers. The orations were of a high standard of excellence, all showing careful preparation. The following is the programme:

Bismarck, D. C. Blasfield; Compulsory Education, A. C. Hoart; The Jews, Inez Philbrick; Josephine, Cora L. Emery; Lafayette, F. E. Chamberlain; Lafayette, Wm. McMicken; Monarchies, Alien Holson; George II Lulu Grimm; Stream of Time, Lila Lewis; Julius Caesar, Anna Wkinson.

ix of the number were to be chosen to appear at commencement, the markings of the judges counting two-thirds, and class standing one-third. Some of those marked highest by the judges, fail to be among the six on account of low class standing. The six orators chosen are D. C. Blasfield, Inez Philbrick, Cora L. Emery, Lillie Lewis, Anna Winkinson, and A. C. Hobart.

The result of the contest was very complimentary to each speaker, and if we are to judge of the merits of the school by the appearance of its graduates, we must certainly conclude that Hiatt Bros are doing excellent work.

The judges were J. A. Kerr, A. J. Even, and S. B. Howard. After the announcement of the decisions, the genial professors invited judges and orators to repair with them to Madam Noel's, where a bountiful supply of strawberries and ice cream had been procured, and thus amidst good fees, pleasantly ended a very successful contest.

It was interesting to observe the different effects which the fair labors of the Academy produced on the judges. Kerr pretent to be indifferent, assumed a stoical determination and gazed upon their most emotional oratory like the flights of butterfly Howard was affected; tears ston his tender eyes; his affectionate scattered; he says his he's gone, but don't know just what his case is different still. It is a silent exhibition of "mash" in its most threatening form. His sympathies are concentrated. An introduction to her at the restaurant he was somewhat relieved and as we go to press is relieved easier.

to George Fink's for your tobacco and cigars.

your hammocks at One-P-Cash Bookstore.

are going to George Fink's, here there is where we get the cigars.

dies, call on Murphy Bros. a good gentle driving horse. I have some nice ones.

[Latest—earliest account on third page.]

HOW IT HAPPENED.

The Causes Which Produced the London Horror.

The Cold Blooded Manner in Which the Corpses Were Handled.

All for the Sake of Money.

From London, Ont.

May 26.—The bodies still unclaimed are being enclosed in shells and removed to a drill shed, where they can be visited by anxious friends in search of missing ones. The number on board on the return trip is estimated at 700, a burden out of all proportion to the strength and capacity of the vessel.

R. G. Montgomery, a passenger, says the boat was greatly overcrowded. The passengers were quite orderly, and no chasing, and there was considerable water on the main deck at the start, which accounts for her listing to one side. When the lurch came the stanchions snapped like pipe stems, and the whole wreck slid down to the port on the shore side into the water, and hanging on to an iron support he saw scores of men, women and children being drowned like rats in a hole, and heard piteous shrieks on every side without power in rendering aid. Mothers with eyes starting from their sockets would madly beat the water while their children hung about their necks shrieking, until at last smothered by water they went down with a sickening gurgle beneath the flood. He could feel the drawing of little children as they swept past him, clutching his legs in their dying struggle. The drowning mother grasped him frantically and piteously implored help.

Searchers for the dead this morning raised two girls clasped in each other's arms, as they had no doubt fallen together. Several cases of the dead are reported. Among the articles missing is a gold watch and chain which Mr. Williams had worn, and the gold necklace of a young lady. The wagons kept for hire were busily engaged, and in some cases to make money as fast as possible, the corpses were hurried into houses in unceremonious manner, and the drivers hurried off for another load. In one case, the driver brought a body to a certain number, and finding no person in, and the door locked, pitched the body through a window and left it until the people came home.

In nominating Judge Murphy, of Davenport, as chairman of the canal convention, Colonel J. M. Allen stated that the survey from Rock Island to Hennepin is sixty-five miles in length; that the canal can be cut for less than \$50,000,000, thus completing a highway from Chicago to the extreme northern boundary of the northwest. There are 378 delegates in attendance. Addresses were delivered by Hon. Thomas J. Henderson, Governor Gear, and Carter H. Harrison. Hon. R. G. Horr, of Michigan, was elected permanent chairman. Letters were read from Heratio Seymour, Secretary Windom, Governors Pillsbury, Jerome, and Cullom; Senators Allison, McDill, Saunders, Davis, Logan, Ingalls, and Sawyer, and Congressman Farwell.

Commodore Nutt, the dwarf, whose real name was George W. Morrison, died of Bright's disease at New York. He was 37 years of age and forty-three inches in height. Of late he has kept a restaurant.

GIVE AND TAKE.

The following effusion is by a Junior, and describes, undoubtedly, his own experience. It clearly indicates that he is a victim of the Junior fever:

The moon was casting her lambent rays
O'er earth's Spring mantle of green;
In slumber the birds had ceased their lays
In praise of the day that had been.
Oh! what an evening for a walk
In the cool and refreshing air!
Not even unlearned lessons could balk,
From the hopes of a stroll and a talk,
With a maiden faithful and fair.

Almost heedless of the way we went;
The moon was in the western sky,
Before we our footsteps homeward bent,
And to the garden gate drew nigh—
The wooden one that has so oft, of late,
Witnessed our separation;
That has creaked 'neath our mutual weight,
And listened to our *tete a tete*
With submissive resignation.

We stood there whispering, all alone,
Words that filled me with fond delight.
"One kiss," I pleaded, "just a tiny one,
For pleasant dreams and a good night."
A deep carnation suddenly sped
Across the face so pale before,
And modest drooped the graceful head,
As the trembling lips, so blushing red,
Denied that which the eyes foreswore.

"Ah, yes!" still pleading, "We are alone.
You do not think of me I fear,
Or you'd give me one, a tiny one,
To prove that still I'm to you dear."
The crested head was lifted proudly now,
And flashed the eye like diamond light;
And the pretty face was purest snow,
And the ruby lips they pouted so,
As the maid swept beyond my sight.

Æolus just then sent forth the howling wind;
It was a wind with a most prophetic mind;
"Young Silly!" is what it seemed to me it said,
As it sent the dust a whirling round my head,
"To plead for what is yours—if you but make it!
To give she could not, but would let you take it!"

—S. U. I.

OUR MOTHER TONGUE.

[Delivered by Miss J. ADA KNIGHT, May 21st, in the Hesperian Society.]

Language has been called "The armory of the human mind, which contains the trophies of the past and the weapons of its future conquests." Without language we could neither commune with ourselves nor others, and our triumph over nature would be impossible. It is the instrument by which we analyze all our impressions, preserve or communicate them. Impressions and expressions go hand in hand. New ideas demand new words. The growth of language indicates and limits the growth of thought. A knowledge of language is necessary to the acquisition of ideas, and an extensive vocabulary to a wide range of thought.

In its fitness to civilize and fraternize the world, the English stands a peer to to any—a language at once rich and beautiful, flexible and simple, picturesque and graphic, bold and effective, soul-stirring, musical and deep, copious, grand, and majestic. While it has borrowed words from many languages, it has borrowed grammatical principles from none. It is inflectionless, idiomatic, and unique. It flourishes in every clime, and more nearly than all others, among all races. Heir to all the intellectual wealth, all the greatness, and all the power of the two noblest languages of antiquity, namely, the Romance and

the Germanic, it fills every station in life. It has long since superseded the Latin as the language of the scholar and the churchman. More than ninety millions speak it to-day as their native tongue, and the rapidity of its diffusion is unparalleled in history.

"Stronger far than hosts that march
With battle-flag unfurled,
It goes with Freedom, Truth, and Thought
To rouse and rule the world."

For English speaking people it has especial importance, and should, among all languages, occupy the central place in every system of higher education. To English speaking people, English is the most important in the every day affairs of life; for them, it is a prerequisite for the most successful study of all other languages, and with them the true instrument for the highest culture of the mind.

It is the most practically important, since it is the medium through which we acquire all our ideas and communicate them. It is in English that all our thoughts take form and find expression. No one can understand more of what he reads or hears than the words mean to him. He who cannot express his thoughts clearly and correctly in his own tongue will get little benefit from, or credit for, knowledge of any other. Since, then, the usage of our tongue is so important, and since the only way to learn its usage is to study its usage and use it, it is self evident that the art of original composition and the study of English literature should be given an amount of attention proportionate to its importance.

A thorough knowledge of English is necessary to the most successful study all other languages. The only way to the unknown tongue, is through the known, and were English more thoroughly learned before the extended study of the classical and modern languages, their acquisition might be easier, more perfect, and possible to a greater number of persons. The ease, correctness, beauty, and profit of any translation is dependant upon a knowledge of English, which must precede translation and cannot follow as a result of it.

The study of the vernacular, for any people, the true instrument for the highest culture of the mind. The true object of education is to enable men to think clearly and correctly, and to express their thoughts logically and briefly. This all will confess, yet there is nothing of equal importance which is so nearly universally overlooked as the educational value of the study of English. From the beginning to the end of education, the acquisition of ideas and their fit utterance in words are practical and joined. The vernacular is the key which holds the jewels of thought.

"Thought itself falters when language fails." The practice of original composition is one of the best means of giving the power of continuous thought, and of making close and accurate discriminations. The study of English literature cultivates every intellectual faculty, perception, conception, imagination, memory, reason, and taste. More than this, it cultivates the moral powers; "As evil communications corrupt good manners, so a diction terse, refined and rich in noble thoughts, fosters evident truth." Nothing tends more, at once to strengthen, broaden, stimulate, and elevate the mind than the study of English writings. There is our own complete treasury of thought, our complete fund of expression.

Since, then, all our intellectual wealth—both the accuracy and the amount of our knowledge, the soundness of our reasoning, the correctness of our opinions and judgments,—is dependent upon a knowledge of English, he who has a mastery over it must have the fundamental possession of a trained and powerful mind, and whether his thoughts turn to commerce, politics, science, or literature, he must have the prime element of success.

The Greeks and Romans strove to perfect their language with the utmost care. Of their success let the "winged birds of Homer" and the stirring words of Cicero make answer. Their example we should imitate. Though our language contains a literature unparalleled, it has not yet reached the limit of its possibility. We, with the present and the future, may build up a language more cultivated and richer in noble thoughts and sentiments. "There are combinations of sounds grander than ever

through the mind of Milton; more awful than the mad gasp of Lear; sweeter than the sighs of Desdemona; more stirring than the speech of Antony; sadder than the plaints of Hamlet; merrier than the mock of Falstaff." In the name of the intellectual development of the world, I plead that whatever else be taught or untaught, whatever else be learned or unlearned, that every English speaking person learn to speak and write correctly his mother tongue,—that tongue in which all his thoughts take form; all he speaks is spoken "from the first articulate word he utters to the last hope he breathes," and to fully appreciate that literature which contains the wisdom of all the ages.

LETTER FROM MONTANA.

E. S. Lloyd reached his destination in safety, and is now well established in his work. He sends the following letter to THE VIDETTE, which his many friends will be glad to read:

CAMP PORTER, GLENDIVE, MONTANA,
May 16th, 1881.

DEAR VIDETTE:—If your editors, unlike the Pharisees of old, are not unwilling to hear the "voice of one crying in the wilderness," make straight your columns, and here goes.

Were I learned in the natural sciences, which I am not, I would give you an exact description of the various "strata" which form this country, and an interesting discourse upon its *fauna et flora*; being unable to do this, I will simply state, that the surface of the country is made up of land and water, sand and water, a fair sprinkling of rocks, and some coal. I went through one town which, judging from the vast quantities of ice, appeared to be built during the glacial period.

The flora, that I have observed, are principally sage brush and buffalo grass; along the river banks is quite a heavy growth of timber.

The animals are wild, especially the antelopes and prairie dogs, which are very plentiful. These I have seen. I am told that there are bears in the Bad Lands, but as I have had no particular business in the Bad Lands, I have met no bears. The Indians, I suppose, are wild. I have not seen any. The wildest animal I have met, is the emigrant, who comes from the east to civilize the country. I hope this lucid and true description will enlighten those of your readers who have not been here and desire to know about the country.

Some of the scenery is beautiful, not to say sublime. I have wished many times that your artist were with me, that he might take views for you, both of the country and the people.

There has now been given, in regular order, surface, plants, and animals, and general appearance, so of course the next in order is inhabitants. An anecdote may perhaps introduce them. At a station, in Dakota, I entered a somewhat crowded car, in which every seat was taken, except one, across which was stretched a huge man in a buffalo overcoat, belted round with a long-lashed, heavy-handed stock whip. Presently I approached this individual, and touching his shoulder, asked, "Can I sit down here?" He looked at me a moment, then replied gruffly, "Certainly." So I sat down. We were just approaching the Bad Lands; on a small hill not far from the railroad was a mound with a board above it, indicating it to be a grave. Presently my companion asked me, "Well, little kid, which of the States did you come from?" Not desiring to take offense with such a large goat, at being called a "little kid," I replied that I came from Iowa. "Oh! from Iowa," he said, "that man that's buried out there, he was killed, he came from Iowa." Then, looking out of the window at the grave, he added pensively, "They all go there."

Glendive, on the Yellowstone river, is the end of the Missouri division of the U. P. R. R. Though quite a brisk little town, it is not at present a metropolis, but will, in a few years, undoubtedly, be a large and important place. As a store-keeper here said to a gentleman who said that they could not compare with the east—"No, gentlemen, no, we are young; we are not yet New York or Chicago, nor can we compete with them,

except in prices; but, gentlemen, we'll be with you there."

And now, lest I impose upon you, I must close, only saying that should you, VIDETTE, make a western tour, which I hope you will, I shall always be happy to see you.

Ever your friend,
E. S. LLOYD.

The *Scholastic's* leading article for April 30th, is devoted to base ball. We presume that the editors of short pantaloons notoriety are enthusiastic players. But on dusty days they must tie their garters above their knee, lest perchance, their immaculate stockings be discolored. We know of no more long-winded fellow than the one who writes up the *Scholastic's* exchanges. He would make it appear that he is always ready for a fight, and when he does attempt to battle he strings out what might be accomplished in one good square round, to lengths interminable. If an exchange talks religion, the *Scholastic* wind bag is at once opened, and theology, history, nonsense are happily jumbled together. Two pages of the last issue are devoted to a lengthy review of a meaningless article that some time ago appeared in the *Monmouth Courier*. Now, to start with, the *Courier* is below notice in such matters. If the *Scholastic* imagine that its encyclopedical answer will revolutionize the world, well and good. If it think that it has for its object the pleasing of its readers by presenting a mass of dry facts, known to the average book worm, it is deceiving itself. For the sake of suffering humanity we call upon the *Scholastic* gas generator to turn himself off at the meter.—*Niagara Index*.

What is incredible to thee thou shalt not, at thy peril, at thy soul's peril, attempt to believe! Elsewhere for a refuge or die here! Go to perdition if thou must, but not with a lie in thy mouth; by the Eternal Maker, no!—*Carlyle's Sterling*.

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From London, Ont.
May 24.—This evening at six o'clock the steamer Victoria, with over six hundred excursionists on board, was returning from Springbank, and when near the Cove railway bridge one mile below the city, the boat suddenly collapsed like an egg-shell and became a total wreck at a level with the water's edge. All the passengers were instantly plunged into the stream, more than half of them being underneath the debris. The first news which reached the city was brought by the survivors, who struggled through the streets wet and weary. The news fell like a thunderbolt, and a stampede took place for the place. Arriving there a horrible sight met the view. Fifty or sixty bodies had already been recovered and were lying on the green sward some distance up the bank. By 7 o'clock about eighty bodies were recovered from under the wreck, where the water was twelve feet deep. Almost every minute some victim was brought to the surface and conveyed to the boat. The steamer Princess Louise was early brought to the spot, and the victims placed on her upper decks. Fires were lit on the bank overlooking the river, and petroleum torches were used and the search continued. A full list of the lost cannot be obtained. All is in deep confusion. Newspaper staffs, like all else, are sadly demoralized, all having friends involved in the calamity. Up to the present hour about 150 corpses have been recovered. The total loss will aggregate 175.

The accident was certainly due to gross carelessness. The boat was overcrowded to a disgraceful extent. The manager, Geo. Harish was expostulated with by several at Spring Bank, and urged not to let the boat go out in that overcrowded condition, but he is reported to have replied, "All right, I know my business," or something of that sort.

Further Particulars of the Excursion Horror.

From London, Ont.

May 25.—The boat shipped water on the down trip, but all went well until her return, when for some cause the passengers rushed to one side, causing the boat to be thrown on her side, and the water to come over the deck. While the crowd on the lower deck were trying to save themselves from slipping into the river, the stanchions suddenly gave way, and the whole upper deck with its load of human beings came down on those below, crushing and imprisoning them. A leather merchant of Toronto was on board, but escaped and succeeded in saving many others. He states that on the passage up he went among the passengers, urging them to keep on the other side. He said: "For God's sake, keep on the other side; if you don't, you will have to swim for it." A little later on he saw the water pass in over the deck, and the boiler go by the board when a crash immediately took place. Almost all business is at a standstill, and crowds line the stream discussing the sad calamity. The burial of the victims is at this hour, 2:30 p. m., proceeding; solemn stillness prevails in the city, flags are at half mast, and bells are tolling.

When the water was let off by the removal of the plash boards, the search was continued for those under the lower deck and twenty-two more bodies were brought to the surface, making about 200 in all recovered. It is not known how many more, if any, are lost; the city council met to-day and passed resolutions of condolence. Settled gloom reigns over the city.

Up to the present time (10:30), 238 bodies have recovered. It is believed there are several yet beneath the wreck.

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The *College Rambler* gives the following glowing description of the executive committee of the Inter-State Oratorical Association:

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Be and continue poor, young man, while others around you grow rich by fraud and disloyalty; be without place or power, while others beg their way upward; bear the pain of disappointed hopes, while others gain theirs by flattery; forego the gracious pressure of the hand, for which others cringe and crawl. Wrap yourself in your own virtue, and seek a friend and your own daily bread. If you have in such a course grown gray with unbleached honor, bless your fortune and die.—*Emerson.*

The following timely and excellent article we copy from the Council Bluffs *Nonpareil*. It is the right word in the right place and will be appreciated by ministers as well as their listeners:

We want to whisper a word in the ears of the ministry this warm May morning: Preach short sermons. Especially while the present weather lasts. If when the weather changes the preacher forgets himself and continues to preach short sermons, so much the better. The sermon, regardless of the time of year, will be all the better and stronger and easier to be remembered if boiled down to about half the usual length. The desire to give a congregation a great deal for their money may be very honest at bottom, but this is an age in which quality is valued more than quantity—an age, too, in which hearers are so near the intellectual level of preachers that they are quick to detect any padding put into a sermon to increase its size. If a minister knows his subject he ought to be able to tell his hearers a good deal—if not all—about it in twenty-five or thirty minutes. He will at least be able to tell them as much as they can remember and assimilate. To do this it may be necessary for him to prune the luxuriant branches of his thought pretty freely, but let him remember that it is the switch that is stripped of its foliage that cuts deepest and tingles most. People do not care for words—they want ideas. Let the minister use the fewest words and the simplest words that will express the idea intended to be conveyed, and when he has done that let him—stop. Josh Billings once said in his quaint way that the minister who "couldn't strike oil in thirty minutes, either had a very poor gimlet, or else he was boring the wrong place." There is a good deal in that. Much can be done—more, perhaps, than most people imagine—toward reducing the length of a literary composition by care in the selection of words and phrases. Henry J. Raymond once excused himself for writing a long editorial on the plea that he didn't have time to write a short one. Let the ministers take to write short sermons, and our word for it, regular church-goers will be better satisfied, not only, but many who are not in the habit of attending, will be attracted to the now vacant pews. It's the surest prescription that can be offered to make a minister "popular" in the best sense of the term.

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Oscar Groschell passed through the city Tuesday, on his way to Omaha, where he has a position in a drug store.

Mother and aunt of Miss Flora Clapp are in the city visiting her. Mrs. C. returns, to-day, for her home in Ashtabula, Ohio.

From the press all over the west come enthusiastic commendations of the speeches of Gov. Gear and Jas. F. Wilson at the canal convention, at Davenport.

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There is a great rush for wall paper at the One-Price Cash Bookstore.

The President objects to a "grass band" under his office window.

The Zets and Irvings had a social treat last night after the election of officers.

All notices and advertisements should be handed in by Friday afternoon, or early Saturday morning.

For the second time this year the Irvings anticipated the Zets, and ate their treats at the Mad-am's.

The Grinnell base ball club will meet the University nine at Marengo next Saturday for a game of ball.

It has been discovered that the man who is the most anxious to get hold of the new version of the Bible never was known to read the old style Scriptures.

The city nine, consisting of Miller, Fry, Tantlinger, Scott, Dodson, Moon, Gruber, Hess, and Little, go to Marengo to-day.

Rev. Mr. Craig will preach in the Christian Chapel, at the usual hour, to-morrow morning. Rev. Mr. Brown, of Oxford, will occupy the pulpit in the evening.

Some of our legal friends have started up a correspondence with the Chancellor, and are now anxiously awaiting a message from the dear ones at home.

The University ball club went to Mt. Vernon to-day to play the Cornell boys. Quite a number of young ladies and gentlemen of the University went with them to see the game, and visit their sister college.

The Law Literary has a special session next Thursday evening, when a treat may be expected. This class has shown enterprise in keeping up a good society, and we hope they will have the audience their programme will deserve.

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