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THE systems of scholarships which has been in vogue in Eastern institutions for many years is becoming a question of considerable discussion among the authorities of colleges in which such a system exists. The number of scholarships which can be offered to students has always been one of the strong inducements to those who were in need of assistance. However, at the present time the system seems to be meeting with considerable disfavor among both students and college faculties. The feeling does not seem to be one of recent origin, but the popularity of the practice has kept many silent when they felt there ought to be a change. In the West we have had no experience with the system or the institutions of learning are not old enough to have alumni of sufficient means to establish scholarships, or the reason may be that it is not the fashion, hence it is not done. Whatever may be the reason, the fact comforts us that the young men whose parents are not able to give them an education and who are desirons of entering a university find that by working one year in three they are able to work their way through college and very often they come out the best men in their class. They do not find time for social enjoyment, which is expensive; but it is no pecuniary tax to study, so their books are their social companions. The man enjoying what is considered a "good" scholarship is able to live well and enjoy life, with no care but to not live beyond his scholarship. The natural effect of such a system with the ordinary youth is to make him indolent and dependent. What a young man wants is an ambition, and let the ambition be one which will strengthen his self-reliance and give him the independence of a man, and not an ambition which will make of him a weak, dependent being. Which does the scholarship system do? is the question under discussion. We know that the self-reliant youth becomes a man; then ought not the system to be modified to

make of students educated men?

EDITORS VIDETTE-REPORTER:

A writer for the Republican, who hides his bitter hatred of things German under the mask of candor and sympathy for the oppressed, recently wrote in the Republican as follows about Mommsen and Bis-

marck:

"Familiarity breeds" sometimes better than "contempt." It begets friendship and a hearty fellowship often. A wide circle of the world's readers have become conscious of this as they have read of the illustrious Mommsen's late escape from legal prosecution for daring to oppose Bismarck. In a political campaign the historian ventured to call some financial legislation favored by Bismarck swindling, and to pronounce it discreditable to its advocates. Acquitted of the charge of libel by one court, he was forced into a higher one, where the case was reversed, but when he apppealed to the Supreme Court he was discharged. Bismarck is one of the first of living premiers, possibly one of the very first, and imperial minds are likely to be imperious. Bismarck certainly is, and Prussia proud of him as she justly is, has now said a man may criticise his acts, and very sharply, too.

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This writer, who will not allow a fair answer to such undigested verbiage to appear in the Republican, must be answered in the columns of THE VIDETTE-RE-PORTER, if at all. He undoubtedly aims to exercise an influence on our students, and as this influence is, in my opinion, very pernicious, an answer at this place may not be improper. Mommsen had referred to certain financial measures of the Prussian government as "swindling." He had furnished no proof for this hard word, having judged like a professor of history who imagines that his position authorizes him to dispense with courtesy.

Now the Prussian laws, made by the Prussian people, punish libel. Even Gambetta could not be libeled by a Berlin paper with impunity, an imprisonment of four weeks having been the fine imposed on such a libeler.

What protected Mommsen was only his privilege as a deputy. On the ground of this privilege the Supreme Court dismissed his case.

Bismarck himself had nothing to do with the prosecution. Any one who knows something about the Prussian press laws will understand this. Precisely as suit was brought against the libeler of Gambetta, so also suit was brought against the libeler of Bismarck, that is, through the regular channel, the

It is a pity that any one near this University can be found so arrogant and so malicious as to put such half understood facts before the public, in a manner which expresses nothing else but the design to misrepresent a great man. The only excuse for these constant attacks I can find is contained in the couplet:

"Immodesty admits of this defense, That lack of modesty is lack of sense."

COLLEGE FRATERNITIES.

(Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, Feb. 28, '83.)

The circumstances connected with the signation of the President of Purdue (Indiana) University render that event of interest to the students and graduates of nearly every university and college in the United States.

For ten or fifteen years a number of American colleges have been endeavoring to suppress the Greek letter societies (fraternities, as they are called), but in only a few instances was a permanent suppression effected. The membership of these societies, as a general thing, embraced the most active and popular students, and such as in after life rose to positions of prominence and influence When the fraternities were threatened with extinction their alumni members came to their support, and such was their influence with the college authorities that, with only a few exceptions, the rules prohibiting the students from joining such societies were rescinded.

Purdue University was one of the colleges which held out, and about two years ago refused to admit students to its classes who had become members of a fratenity before entering college. This action produced something of a sensation among fraternity men both in and out de llege, it being a manifest violation of the civil rights of every American citizen. Upon the advice of prominent lawyers the debarred students appealed to the Courts. A decision was rendered by the Supreme Court against the Faculty of Purdue University notwithstanding which they continued the restrictions against the fraternities.

Not being able to incur further expenses by en appeal to the Court to enforce its decision, the students appealed to the Legislature of Indiana, Purdue University being a State institution. The students' case was ably represented by Hon. J. H. Willard, a fraternity man, though not a member of any fraternity represented at Purdue. After stating the case at length, Mr. Willard, knowing that he was addressing many fraternity men,

"Are you going to disregard the sacred provision of the Constitution, shat the system of common schools shall be equally open to all? Are you going to say that a man who joins a Greek fraternity should be classed in the same catagory as a criminal, that he shall not be accorded the same liberty as other inhabitants of this State? Why, what are the Greek fraternities? If you listen to the drivel of the President of Purdue you would suppose they were the offspring of Saten and the damned! Away with such fanaticism! These fraternities have numbered in their catalogues the grandest names in American history in the nineteenth century. You find their members in every assemblage of educated meu. As I look around upon my colleagues, I find that well nigh half of them have experienced their blessings and known their worth.

"* * The Greek fraternities train

the student by the art of criticism into habits of correct thought. They teach him the first rudiments of political maneuvering. They give him new and broader ideas of humanity. They elevate him in all that constitutes true manhood. These fraternities form the green cases in the dreary desert of collegiate labor. For myself I can say that the Greek fraternities into which I had the honor to be initiated accomplished for me fully as much as the collegiate course itself; and in after days, when fighting the battle of life, in the pauses of the contest, with what fond remembrance does the mind look back and dwell upon fraternity experience! I have experienced the beneficent influence of Greek fraternities, and never shall my voice be silent when they are assailed until my tongue is stilled in death."

But more effective than his appeal to the members of fraternities, was Mr. Willard's appeal to the members of secret societies, outside of college, as follows:

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"But there is another aspect in which this question should be viewed. What means this sudden attempt to engraft into the youthful mind the belief that a secret society is simply a league with hell? Are we going back to the dead issues of the palmy days of Thurlow Weed, and attempting to revive the spirit of Morganism in the land? Are we expending the money of the State that the worn-out, so-called principles of the anti-Masonic party may be instilled into the minds of the halt, and say that not one single cent of the money of the State shall be expended for the inculcation of such pernicious doctrines. You can never eradicate an innate principle from the human mind. The tendency of men to associate themselves together in secret societies is a part of human nature. I challenge all history to disprove the assertion."

The effect of this speech and other influences caused the Legislature to adopt a resolution making it compulsory upon the Faculty of Purdue University to rescind the resolution against secret societies before any of the money appropriated for its support could be drawn. The President, Emerson E. White, preferred to resign rather than submit.

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"Metaphysical conclusions compensate for their fewness by their vast generality of applica-tion. In this point of view, mathematics them-selves might be regarded as the result of a few convictions of the kind which Metaphysics contemplate; and all real physical science as the result and creation of the first logical principle which led to it."—William Archer Butler." ce as the re-

Metaphysics and Science are the respective names of two rival methods for the explanation of the Universe. These two methods have existed in a form more or less definite from the age of Thales and Anaxagoras, and between them have divided the allegiance of the intellectual world. At present the advantage is unmistakably with Science, a series of brilliant triumphs over matter having given her a prestige rivalled by no corresponding successes on the part of Metaphysics. Science, therefore, would take this opportunity to get rid of a method which she has long regarded as useless and unproductive-an ingenious, but artificial contrivance of the intellect.

In the larger sense of the term, Metaphysics includes both Ontology and Psychology-the two grand departments into which it is most convenient, for purposes of study, that the realm of mind should be divided. Strictly speaking. however, Metaphysics is synonymous only with Ontology; and it is against it as thus narrowed in comprehension that the shafts of Science are mainly directed. The aim of Psychology is to give an accurate and complete classification of the mental faculties; an aim practicable, as is evident, on the simple condition that there exist definite phenomena of mind susceptible of investigation on the principles of the inductive method. Owing to the comparatively neutral attitude of Science toward Psychology, however, we shall here attempt no formal vindication of its claims, but proceed at once to the consideration of Ontology.

As we are led to infer by the composition of the word, Ontology is the science of being or real existence. Its domain is exclusively that of abstract truth. The conclusions at which it arrives, therefore, are such as are determined by the necessities of thought. For instance, suppose that, in the course of the solution of some problem, we find ourselves compelled, by the necessities of thought, to assert the existence of a relation or an entity never before known to exist; it is a fundamental principle of Ontology that not only is such an assertion warranted, but that the existence of the relation or entity concerning which the assertion is made rests upon the strongest possible evidence. Hence, if, in reflecting upon the problem of the Universe, we find ourselves compelled by the necessities of thought to assert the existence of a First Cause, Ontology teaches that a First Cause exists. As famous examples of Ontological reasoning, we might mention the arguments of Spinoza, Descartes, and Leibnitz on the existence and attributes of God: likewise those of Sir William Hamilton and Herbert Spencer concerning the Infinite and Absolute.

this connection upon the relation of Ontology to Psychology. We have spoken above of compulsion by "the necessities of thought." Now Psychology is the science which, in certain of its departments, teaches what the necessities of thought really are. In other words, it is through Psychology that we learn the capabilities and limitations of the mental powers. Ontology, therefore, is pri marily dependent upon Psychology; for every conclusion at which it arrives is a conclusion determined by these very capabilities and limitations. By way of simple illustration of this truth let us take the following: Psychology reveals the fact that the intellect poss idea of cause; i. e., the intellect is endowed with a certain capability. Psychology also reveals the fact that the intellect is unable to conceive of change without cause; i. e., the intellect is subject to a certain limitation. Availing itself of these two discoveries of Psychology, therefore, Ontology proclaims the abstract and universal proposition-true in all times and in all worlds-that change implies cause.

Having thus briefly reviewed the subject of Metaphysics, let us turn for a short time to that of Science. Accurately to define the signification of the term "science," in this connection, is by no means an easy task, but we shall probably not go far wrong, if we regard it as comprising any rational knowledge of the material world acquired by observation and experiment. The importance of the adjective rational, as applied to the knowledge of which we speak, cannot be overestimated. A mere empiricone who never makes a deduction nor draws an inference, but whose labors consist entirely in the observation of factsmay doubtless be rendered useful in various ways, but he is no scientist. His knowledge is altogether destitute of the rational element. Hence, it is plain, that Science necessarily admits of a certain amount of inference and deduction. The question which we desire to consider, therefore, may be briefly stated as follows: Does the extent to which inference and deduction are carried by Science afford a justification, in principle, of the extent to which inference and deduction are carried by Ontology?

On the first of June, eighteen hundred and forty-six, Leverrier announced to the Academy of Sciences, in Paris, that, if the telescopes of astronomers were directed to a certain quarter in the heavens, a new planet would be discovered. The prediction was based entirely on two circumstances; the first, an observed irregularity in the orbit of Uranus, and the second, a mathematical inference. In other words, on an objective fact and a subjective necessity. On the 23d of September, of the same year, the German astronomer, Galle, found the planet Neptune within the region designated by Leverrier. Now then, suppose that, instead of an observed irregularity in the orbit of Uranus, which, by the necessities of thought, demands for its explanation the hypothesis of an ulterior planet, the mind discovers in the Universe that, which, by the necessities of thought, A few words ought also to be said in demands for its explanation the hypothe- Ontology.

sis of a First Cause; shall we not reason, in the second instance, like Leverrier, in the first, and assert a first cause to exist? To begin with, we have observed a fact. Secondly, there is a metaphysical necessity whereby we are compelled to make an assertion respecting this fact. Shall we not make it? A distinction, in principle, cannot be claimed on the ground that, in the one se, the necessity is mathematical, and, in the other, metaphysical. A mathe matical necessity is equally subjective with a metaphysical necessity. We accept either, because not to accept it, would involve a contradiction in thought. It follows, therefore, that our inference relative to a First Cause, based on a metaphysical necessity, would, in principle, be of the same validity with Leverrier's inference relative to Neptune, based on a mathematical necessity. The telescopic discovery made by Galle on the twentythird of September, was a confirmation of Leverrier's reasoning only because it was something which that reasoning had led scientists to expect. If, from the nature of the case, the fact sought to be established by the reasoning of Leverrier had been incapable of verification by physical means, the reasoning itself must none the less have been accepted by scientists as conclusive; for that reasoning was mathematical, and hence demonstrative. We submit, therefore, that the question: Does the extent to which inference and deduction are carried by Science afford a justification, in principle, of the extent to which inference and deduction are carried by Ontology? should, in one instance, at least, be answered in the affirmative.

Again, since the period of Lavoisier's remarkable discoveries in chemistry, the indestructibility of matter has become a scientific axiom. And why? Not primarily, because it has been ascertained, by observation and experiment, that a particle of matter "raised from the sea, may ascend invisibly through the air, may float above us in the cloud, may fall in the rain, sink into the earth, gush forth again in the fountain," and remain a particle of matter still; for indestructibility is predicated of every particle of matter in the Universe, and not every particle of matter in the Universe has thus been subjected to observation and experiment. But, because it is utterly impossible for the human mind to conceive of a particle of matter ever ceasing to be a particle of matter; in other words, because it is impossible to conceive of something becoming nothing; therefore, every particle of matter in the Universe is declared to be indestructible. In this case, conception is primary. It underlies all experiment. It co-ordinates the results of observation. It enables the scientist, by inference and deduction from a few facts, to establish a law of absolute universality-a law as irrefutable on one of the fixed stars as it is in the laboratory of Professor Tyndall. Here, likewise, therefore, the extent to which inference and deduction are carried by Science readily affords a justification, in principle, of the extent to which inference and deduction are carried by

Nevertheless it cannot be denied that the difficulties encountered in the application of this common principle are much greater in the case of Metaphysics than in that of Science; that-owing to its deficient nomenclature and the highly abstract nature of its discussions-philosophy has achieved but few such triumphs as astronomy or chemistry. But, having once assured ourselves that the principle itself is secure, difficulties encountered in its application only stimulate the mind to renewed endeavor. To know that, through the instrumentality of pure reason, truth may be discovered which can be discovered in no other way, is to know that the science of pure reason can never cease to exist.

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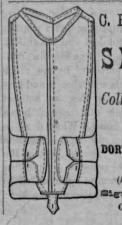
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Birthday. They gave one of the professors a tin horn charivari, broke his windows, tore down his fence and smeared lard over the faculty's chairs in the chapel. The sophomores were mum about the business and were suspended by the indignant faculty. Washington's Birthday exercises were dropped. There they both stand in defiance. Well, the warm weather is at hand and such juvenile ebullitions are excusable.

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"Civilization; The Old and the New," Tuesday evening.

Taylor, of the Sophomore class, was sick during the past week.

Miss Custer was absent from school part of the week. Sickness.

The band went to Cedar Rapids with the Ida Mae Pryce Opera Co.

We are to have a first-class entertainment at last-Minnie Maddern, March 14.

Prof. Call will occupy the pulpit of the High Street Baptist Church, Des Moines, next Sunday.

W. H. Martin is detained at home in Davenport on account of the sickness of his mother.

Mr. C. Miller, of Davenport, father of Frank Miller, was in the city visiting the University on Monday.

The Chemistry class enjoyed a vacation on Tuesday to read up their notes for a quiz on Wednesday.

Professor Eggert favored the Junior German Class with a lecture on Friday. His subject was Goethe.

Frank Newell, of the Freshman class, has gone home, Agenay City, Iowa, and will not return until next year.

Miss Florence Kirby, who has been visiting in the city during the past two weeks, returned to-day to Grinnell.

The Sophs are to have a sociable at Mr. Robinson's on the west side of the river this evening. It promises to be a

Miss Florence Witmore, of Iowa College, has been visiting her many friends For sale at Allin's.

in the University this week. She returned to her work this morning.

R. W. Montague, who had the misfortune to sprain his ankle two weeks ago, is still confined to his room. We hope he may soon take his place in his classe

Those indebted to us for subscription will please take notice that this dun ly applauded, and received the close atmeans business. We hope that we shall tention of a large and refined audience. not be obliged to mention this matter

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A large party of excursionists accompanied the Ida Mae Price Company to Cedar Rapids and returned with enthusiastic reports of the entertainment. The company won an enviable reputation at Cedar Rapids as they well deserved to.

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There is a brilliant vista in prospect for Miss Maddern. She is but eighteen years of age; she is the immediate descendant of a family of actors. She has made an instantaneous personal success in New York at an unpropitious season for dramatic exploits; she is under the guidance of a manager who will place her before the public in a proper manner. -NewYork Mirror.

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MEDICAL COMMENCEMENT.

HOMEOPATHIC DEPARTMENT.

Last Tuesday evening the Sixth Annual Commencement Exercises of the Homœopathic Medical Department took place at the Opera House. The programme was exceedingly interesting throughout. The speakers were all hearti-The first piece of music by the S. U. I. Band was followed by the Invocation; after which Misses Hatch and Cole, Messrs, Donnan and Harwood tendered a delightful song entitled "Sweet and Dr. Cowperthwaite then intro-Low." duced the class valedictorian, Mr. N. N. Brumback, who in a very able and forcible manner brought out arguments to prove the superiority of the homoeopathic rule of cures over that of allopathy. The speaker probably dwelt a little too long on this point: otherwise it was a very creditable production, and was strengthened by a good delivery. The gentleman Mr. Cary Craven, of the Sophomore closed his speech by a short and approclass. The degrees were then conferred by President Pickard, accompanied by a few fitting remarks to the eleven graduates; After music the Rev. Geo. W. Gardner, President of Central University, delivered the annual address. The close and individual attention of every listener in the audience was sufficient proof of the high excellence of Dr. Gardner's production. It was a rare literary treat and would well deserve to be ranked among the best efforts of our most prominent lecturers. The Doctor's style of writing reminds one of the terseness that charac terizes the literary works of T. Starr King. We voice the sentiment of all present in saying that few public speakers ever left a better impression on an Iowa City audience. The programme was closed by a song entitled "Good Night," by Misses Cole and Hatch, Messrs. Harwood and Donnan.

THE DENTAL DEPARTMENT.

Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock occurred the First Commencement Exercises of the Dental Department of the S. U. I. The auspicious opening of this school some time ago was a guarantee of its success, and this, its first commencement, seems to fix it as a permanent branch of the University. A goon audience assembled in the Opera House to listen to the exercises. The programme presented was excellent throughout, and would have done credit to the older departments of the University. The programme opened with music by the University band. Rev. Bell then pronounced the invocation, after which Miss Kate R. Kulp entertained the audience with a piano solo excellently well executed. The annual address was delivered by J. C. W. Coxe, Ph.D., D.D. The address. contained some choice thoughts and was interesting and instructive throughout. Miss Lill B. Kulp sang a solo, after which Perry A. Gibson delivered the valedictory oration. He first traced the history and development of dental surgery,

then in a few fitting sentences bade farewell to the faculty and students of the dental department. Mr. Gibson acquitted himself creditably and received the hearty applause of the audience. President Pickard, in his happiest manner then awarded diplomas to the following gentlemen: Perry A. Gibson, Joseph B. Munford, Earnest D. Hughes, Albert Morsman, Wm. H. Baird, Ben. Price, Geo. W. Fuller, and A. O. Hunt. An instrumental solo by Miss Lill B. Kulp closed the programme. The exercise were presided over by Dr. Ingersoll, Dean of the dental faculty.

ALLOPATHIC DEPARTMENT.

Wednesday evening at eight o'clock the Opera House was crowded, from pit to gallery to its utmost capacity, by an audience eager to hear the closing exercises of the regular medical department. The programme opened with music by the University band. Rev. O. Clute pronounced the invocation, and Dr. Peck President of the evening, announced Mr. J. P. Crawford as the valedictorian of the class of '83. Mr. Crawford stepped upon the rostrum and delivered in a pleasing and dignified manner a carefully prepared oration. His valedictory addresses to the regents, faculty, and students were modest and appropriate, and the hearty applause and numerous boquets which greeted him at the close testified the appreciation of the audience. After music followed the conferring of degrees by President Pickard, accompanied by a short and fitting address to the thirtythree graduates The address for the faculty was then delivered by his excellency, Buren R. Sherman. The Governor's speech was replete with sound practical ideas and his delivery particularly forcible. We doubt not but that the graduates and the young men and women in the audience went away better prepared to solve the problem of life for having heard it. A piece of music by the S. U I. Band closed the programme for the evening.

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Society Gazette, edited by T. E. Stout.

Considerable noise is complained of in

in such a way that it keeps others from their reading. The library should at all locality.—2 Kent Comm. 67. times be quiet enough so that one can read without being disturbed by the noise. There are many persons who cannot even hear a whisper in the room without great inconvenience, and for these talking aloud, makes study out of the question. It is all, no doubt, only a little thoughtlessness, but should be avoided hereafter as far as possible.

Sunday evening, while one of the laws was saying sugar-coated things to his very sweetest girl, she was vigorously shaking the corn popper over the parlor stove. She had been meditating for some time and then giving the popper an impatient shake, she looked into his earnest eyes with a why-do-you-keep-me waiting-so-long expression, and said: "Some don't pop so quick as others." The most horrible part of this is that it is true, and nothing but an action in

At the earnest solicitation of the Law Class Judge Love has consented to deliver his new lecture on "Civilization; The Old and the New," next Tuesday eve. at 8 o'clock. To the large audience who had the pleasure of listening to the Judge in his recent lecture, the simple announcement is sufficient, and to those who have not had the pleasure of hearing him we assure them a rare treat, not only instructive, but highly entertaining. There are six members of '82 now located | Come yourself and invite your friends and everything possible will be done for your comfort during the hour.

At their last session the Wright Club graduate of the law department, both Court had their first experience of jury trial proceedings. By a convenient agreement Rice had gone where they injured student, reports him as resting have no more club courts or elections by reason of a blast of rock fired off by Nichols while Rice was passing the later's stone quarry. The action was brought for damages for such an unceremonious taking off of R., and was conducted by Messrs. Hanchett and Tellofson on one side and Eli and H. W. Cale on the other. Both sides were so well argued that the jmry failed to agree. G. W. Ball presided, and complimented the attorneys very highly for their skill and tact in the entire management of the trial.

Evil is not presumed.—4 Coke 72.

Custom leads the willing, law compels or draws the unwilling.-Jenk. Cent.

Obedience is the essence of the law.-

Truth fears nothing but concealment. -9 Coke 20.

Impunity always invites to greater crimes.-Coke 109.

The law requires nothing impossible -Coke Litt. 231 b.

Gathered fruits do not make part of the farm.—Dig, 19, 1, 17, 1.

A general expression is to be construed generally.—8 Coke 116.

The law blushes when children correct the library, as talking aloud or disputing their parents.—8 Coke 116.

Immoveables follow (the law of) their

Terms of art should be explained from the art.-2 Kent Comm. 556.

Faith or credit is to be given to the later decisions .- 13 Coke 14.

Odious and dishonest acts are not presumed in law.-Coke Litt. 78.

All men are equal as far as natural law is concerned .-- Dig. 50, 17, 32.

Lack of skill is the greatest punishment of artisans.-11 Coke 51 a.

Whatever is done in court is presumed to be rightly done.—3 Bulstr 43.

Truth is the desideratum in a juror; justice and judgment in a judge. Good faith demands that what is agreed

upon shall be done.—Dig. 19, 20. 21. Every man's house should be a per-

feetly safe refuge.—13 Johns (N. Y.) 21-35. In agreements reference is had to the

time at which they were made.—Dig. 50. A speech relating to the person is to be understood as relating to his condition. -1 Coke 16.

No man is to be esteemed a wrong doer who avails himself of his legal right.-Brooms Max. 124.

A gift is said to be pure and simple when no condition or gratification is annexed.—Bracton 1.

Reason is the soul of law; the reason of the law being changed the law is also changed.-7 Coke 7.

A contract founded on a base and unlawful consideration or against good morals is null.-Hob. 167.

The process of the law is a grievous vexation; the execution of the law crowns the work.-Coke Litt. 289.

The touch or removing another's property with an intention of stealing is theft.—Jenk. Cent. Cas. 132.

When the number of witnesses is equal on both sides the more worthy are to be believed.-Coke 4 Inst. 279.

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That Ah Sid played upon A bumble-bee flew in the spring.
"Melican butterfly!" Said he with winking eye, and poll off um wing."

Then with his cap He struck it a rap
This innocent bumble bee—
And put its remains
In the seat of his jeans:
For a pocket there had the Chinee,

Down on the green Sat the little sardine In a style that was strangely demure, And said with a grin That was brimful of sin, m butterfly sure.

Little Ah Sid Was only a kid.

Nor could you expect him to guess

What kind of a bug He was holding so snug In the folds of his loose-fitting dress.

"Ki-ya! Ki-yip-ye!" Ah Sid cried, as he Rose hurridly up from that spot. "Ka-yi! Yuk-a-kan! Dam um Melican man Um butterfly belly much hot?"

—San Francisco Wasp.

A Madison girl seeing a fire engine at work would "nevah have believed so diminutive looking an appawatus could hold so much watah."

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The President of Tuft's College was re cently made a happy father, and the following morning at prayer, in the chapel, he introduced this rather ambiguous sentence: "And we thank Thee, O Lord, for the succor thou hast given us," which caused a general smile to creep over the faces of the class

Mr. Labouchere, in the pages of the London Truth, thus describes the "Masher," a term that has recently been imported, and is now extensively understood in the British metropolis, where Freddy Gebhards are not altogether unknown: "He is a fungus, not an honest mushroom, or even a respectable toadstool, but a wet, spongy, and unwholesome emanation from a rotten and poisonous soil. Ridiculously overdressed, starched up to the very eyelids, smothered like a girl in jewelry, decked out with flowers like a footman, idiotic in countenance, and sparce in conversation, with a knotted stick to suck, he has become an observed form of social coad veal."

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Advanced students are transcribing the contested election case.

The Bureau will soon furnish a stenographer to Leonard Day & Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

The report furnished by the Bureau of the State Road Convention filled nine columns of printed matter.

Mr. Jas. B. French has accepted a situation as stenographer to the Walter A. Wood's Harvester Co., Chicago

Mr. S. B. Moran, father of our short-hand man, is visiting his son for a few days. Mr Moran was a pupil of Presi-dent Pickard thirty-five years ago, and the gentlemen are having a pleasant time talking over old times and old ties.—Re-

In the contested election case, sessions have been held already in Linn, Benton, Tama, Marshall, Johnson, and Iowa counties, and over one thousand folios of testimony taken on part of contestant. Testimony in behalf of Mr. Wilson, contestee, will begin on the 13th, and occupy forty days.

Mr. W. A. Campbelle arrived this week from Manhattan, Kansas. He will take a special course in the reporting style of enography, and in type-writing. Mr. Campbelle is more ambitious than the average student, and intends becoming a verbatim writer. He will enter the field of law reporting.

Among our beginning students are John Deitz, R. A. Williams, Iowa City; Otho Hicks, A. P. Picks, Creston; F. J. Stillman, Nancoma; S. A. McClure, Otley; Nellie Strong, Denison; J. L. Cale, Keokuk; W. D. McTavish, Maxwell; M. J. Goodricht Waverly; P. Sullivan, Osage; J. S. Jackson, New Market.

As a rule the most successful students are those who have faith enough to believe that if they become thoroughly competent their services will be in demand. The many who say they would learn Short-Hand if sure of securing a situation and who want one promised them before they take the first lesson, have not the courage to undertake and carry through any important work. Situations are not kept "salted down," but when a business man concludes he wants a stenographer, he is in a hurry about it. Does not wait for the mails, but telegraphs, "send stenographer quick!"

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YES AND NO.

would not say Yes, and I could not say No;

The summar was over; apart we must go;
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would not say Yes, and I could not say No.
He was really in earnest—a proof I could show,
From his numberless baskets of sweet Jacque-

(I would not say Yes, and I could not say No.) And so, though perhaps it was mal a proper His face was so near and his voice was low. That-I wouldn't say Yes, and I could not say No

The jest we so frequently hear concerning a man's wife supporting him need not become a reality in England, as it too frequently happens within the knowledge of all of us in this country. A law provides for married women the privilege of holding and disposing of property of all kinds just as if she were unmarried. Besides, a woman may prosecute her husband in either criminal or civil courts and even bring him into bankruptcy. The new law makes some curious distinctions between women who were marrried prior to 1870 and those who entered the estate between that year and 1874. Women belonging to the first named class are entitled to their earnings and to any property, the title to which accrues as from to-day. Their husbands, however, are liable for their debts before and after marriage. The husbands of the next class-that whose limit closes with 1874 are not liable for debts contracted before marriage, but the wives are sole owners of everything coming to them as heiresses. Women married after 1874 can make their husbands liable for debts only to the value of property they have received from their wives. What a splendidly mixed up mess a skillful lawyer might make of a case that and ambiguous to begin with, when considering these distinctions before a jury of average intelligence. In taking this view of the subject The Century remarks: "The only Englishmen who seem thoroughly capable of utilizing this state of things in all its aspects are Messrs. Gilbert and Sullivan, to whom it is respectfully recommended as possibly suggestive for next winter's play. A judicious mixture of French and English marraiges, with American divorces and confusion of property rights under the property act, would assuredly, in the hands of these play-wrights, afford a situation quite as perplexing as any that they have been able to invent." But this law, after it gets straightened out, cannot but be productive of good, especially among the middle and poorer classes, who need it most. It will prevent many a dollar from finding its way into the coffers of a saloon keeper, and it will supply the restraint upon the passions of the lower classes which culture and education has upon the higher classes. And "marrying for money" may not figure so largely in "high life"—a state of things greatly to

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