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THE failure of the VIDETTE-REPORTER to make its appearance last week was due to a strike at this office among the compositors. For several days the manager of the job department was obliged to almost entirely suspend work. Occurrences of the kind, however disagreeable and discommoding, are not always to be avoided. The editors of the VIDETTE-REPORTER regret very much that they were compelled to pass by a week without a publication, and will try to make up for the non-appearance some time before the close of this year.

COULD not some mathematical genius suggest a new and better system of marking at our oratorical contests? This is not the wail of the defeated alone, but the question of many sincerely interested as well.

At the home oratorical contest at Des Moines, Mr. J. A. Dyer took first honors and will represent Drake University at Ames next week. His oration, entitled "Mirages," appeared in full in the Register.

THE founding of a University at Mitchell, Dakota, is being seriously agitated. The endowment fund, which at present is nearly \$100,000, is expected to be raised to half a million soon after the machinery of the institution is properly set in motion.

THE State Register, speaking editorially of the University discloses some interesting and important facts in comparing our institution with those of the nearest sister states—of Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin, and giving the following figures:

	Students.	Funds.	come.	State Aid.	Appro- priat's.
Iowa.....	647	\$216,435	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$40,000
Minnesota...	228	575,000	35,000	25,000	*80,000
Michigan....	1,440	458,656	38,644	64,280	50,000
Illinois.....	382	352,000	21,298	18,842	50,000
Wisconsin....	342	508,128	80,000	43,181	50,000

\*\$90,000 for six years.

"As to total income—the Iowa University gets \$53,000, that of Michigan \$180,000; Wisconsin, \$106,535; Minnesota, \$58,000.

The rate per student at the Iowa University is \$85, at the University of Michigan, \$126; Wisconsin, \$308; Minnesota, \$260.

In value of buildings and grounds the Iowa University counts \$250,000; that of Michigan, \$681,000; Wisconsin, \$455,000; Minnesota, \$320,000."

"The State University of Iowa," the Register goes on to say, "with nearly three times as many students as that of Minnesota, has \$5,000 less total income; and with about half as many as Michigan has about one-fourth as much income. The Iowa University is behind every other University in the Northwest in everything save in popularity and determination to succeed at all events. In scholars it has representatives from about seventy counties of the State and some seventeen States of the Union. With the meagre income rate of \$85 per student, it calls together about twice as many students as any other State in the list—save Michigan. The great State of Iowa has given its University for new buildings, in all, about \$174,000; and the State of Michigan, only six hundred and eighty-one thousand dollars! The State of Iowa enriches its University library with about \$750 a year; the State of Michigan gives \$7,500 for the same purpose, yearly, and has just completed a library building at a cost of \$100,000. To the professors who devote their lives and energies to university teaching, the State of Michigan gives \$2,200 a year. For like services the opulent State of Iowa gives from \$950 to \$1,800."

The Republican, of this city, also has a good word to say for the University: "In requisites for admission she stands abreast of the best, with which she is brought in comparison. Six years ago steps were taken to give to the University a vital connection with the public schools of the State by abolishing the preparatory department. For four years she has depended upon the high schools and academies of the State for supplies for the Collegiate department. They have responded nobly, and in turn have received an impulse of greater benefit to them than the entire cost of the University to the State. From a school largely local in its patronage, until the abolition of the preparatory department, it has become a State institution in fact as well as in name, having students in collegiate classes from more than three-fourths of the counties of the State. The last senior class, numbering forty-three members, had one student each from England, Minnesota, Idaho, Illinois, Maine and Missouri, and of the remaining thirty-seven the homes were in twenty-four different counties of the State."

For the past few years the attendance at the annual exhibitions of our literary societies has been perceptibly falling off. Instead of being greeted with large and enthusiastic audiences, as was once the case, exhibition speakers of late have been compelled to speak to empty seats and poor houses. Since 1880 there has not been what might be called a large audience at any one of the exhibitions given by the societies. On several occasions the evenings have been unpropitious, but it cannot be said that this has been the main reason. The cause can be attributed to one of two things, either the programmes are not as good as they were in the "good old times," or Iowa City people are gradually developing a taste for performances of a different nature. Whether it is on account of poor programmes we are not in a condition to state. We see no reason, however, why the ability of to-day should not be of as high an order as it was in former times. Perhaps it would be safe to say that the people of the city are growing unappreciative. In our opinion the programme rendered by the Irvings last night was fully up to the standard of the past four years, and in some respects surpassed those of last year and the year before,—especially in length.

A few minutes after eight the curtain rose, and ten stalwart Irvings strode from behind the scenes and took their positions on the stage. Mr. Lyle Sutton, President of the evening, announced the first exercise on the programme, music by the University Band. This was followed by the invocation pronounced by Prof. S. N. Fellows. Then came the salutatory by L. McCloud, subject "Thinkers." Mr. McCloud lacked animation. His oration was a well-written production, and was characterized by some thought, but he failed entirely in putting the proper amount of enthusiasm into the delivery. The declamation by W. M. Woodward, entitled "The Murderer's Secret," was excellently rendered and evinced careful preparation and drill. The vocal solo by Miss Lizzie Hess was superb, and was highly appreciated by the audience. The next exercise was an oration, "The Silent Statesman," by T. J. Hysham. Mr. Hysham acquitted himself creditably. There was little to criticize in his production or in his delivery. The debate, "Resolved, That the President of the United States should be elected by the direct vote of the people," was ably argued on both sides. Gilliland and Seaman made the best speeches, while Evans and Miller did fairly. The decision was given in the affirmative, much to the surprise of the audience. After music by the band R. A. Greene declaimed "How the Old Horse Won the Bet," in a manner that won for him the admiration of everyone. Greene was followed by C. E. Thayer, the valedicto-

rian. Mr. Thayer's subject was "The Work of Luther." This production was the finest of the evening, and the careful and undivided attention the gentleman received was sufficient proof of this. The programme was concluded with a vocal duet by Mrs. D. D. Donnan and Miss Agnes Hatch, entitled "See How the Pale Moon Shineth." The ladies were highly appreciated.

THE Bolter school bill, which has been under consideration in the legislature during the past few days has called out much comment and argument pro and con all over the State. What first gave rise to the movement is a question which so far seems to be unanswered. The schools of the entire state have been working harmoniously and successfully, and not a single petition from over 10,000 districts within the State, has been presented favorable to a change. It is to be supposed that those who possess sufficient wisdom to preside over the schools, as well as those who are capable of expounding the first doctrines of learning to our youth, possess sufficient judgment to select for themselves those text-books which best serve their needs in imparting instruction. Variety is one of the spices of learning, and to attempt to make the whole mind of the Iowa youth run in the same groove would be to curtail in a large part that which adds to the beauty and profit of the public school work. But this is not the point. It is a question whether we would be supporting a just principle of law by attempting to restrict the trade and publication of books other than those which the State would select. If the State can take charge of its school book publication, it is only a step farther until she can take charge of any other line of business. In other words, it is a step toward socialism, and a step which in our free country we cannot afford to take. Who was it that inaugurated or gave cause for the move? It was not the schools, who are the consumers, and only one other conclusion can be reached, which is that it is a scheme of some individuals or corporations who wish by this means to gull the people and to enrich themselves with whatever spoils they can create.

At a meeting of the Board of Regents yesterday, Richard W. Hill, M. D., was elected to fill the position of Demonstrator of the medical department vice Dr. C. M. Hobby, resigned. Judge Love resigned as lecturer on American Jurisprudence, and Judge Shiras was chosen to succeed him. Dr. I. G. Gilchrist, who has been lecturer on the Therapeutics of Surgical Disease in the Homœopathic department, was made a Professor without increase of salary. The report of the executive committee was examined and accepted, and after other routine work the Board adjourned.—Republican.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF MODERN HISTORY.

By T. J. Hysham, awarded 3rd prize at the Oratorical Contest, Feb. 27th, 1884.

There is a plan in history. Progress has its sources and its laws. Every current idea of government, every discovery of modern science, every tenet of modern theology, is the slow outgrowth of centuries of human thought and human suffering.

Modern history if widely written would not be a record of quarrels in politics, oppression, and rebellions only, but it would also be a history of sentiment—a strange sentiment which in childhood reaches out after the beauties of nature, in manhood strives to analyze its secrets. The one is the instinctive tendency of the soul for adoration; the other the analytic tendency of the mind for knowledge. The soul longs to adore and the mind seeks to know. Each is known through its manifestations. Man's first instinct is a want, and the first want is protection. But the gods are far away. He intuitively bows before his chief, his priest, obeys him while he lives and puts his trust in him when he dies. This, I take it, is the first great historic force—this adorning—this faith in a superior power which we call religion. The mind inquires after truth and searches for the cause of an effect. Its vision is circumscribed within the limits of the real and the actual. This is the realm of thought—the home of science. Science links man with beings irrational; religion, with spirits immortal. Science reveals nature; religion, the Author of nature. Both are distinct, yet indispensable to a healthy state of progress. The products of science are useful to sustain life, but the world cannot live upon them alone. They have a limited utility. So religion is useful, but man cannot exist upon only moral law. Man would die were he only a saint. He must enjoy the fruits of natural law. Thus Medieval Europe was injured because exclusive of all else, it pursued a superstitious faith which surpressed individual thought, and scowled upon invention and discovery with a baleful and malignant eye. Religion crystallized into creeds and became a blind credulity. Man knew no individual. He lived in public and had no home. Learning found retirement in the cloister and the world was wrapped in darkness. But when the light of science scattered the mists of superstition, a higher and nobler faith stood forth pleading to be a divine benefactor of society. To be a servant—a slave of the soul. The inspirations of the soul are as useful as the reasonings of the mind. The beautiful and the spiritual are as full of the valuable as are the useful and the material. The latter toil in vain for man unless the former make him an object worthy of solicitude. Behold those nations that have bowed at the shrine of intellect. The empires around the Mediterranean were surpassed by Philosophy and Law twin sisters of science. But

where are they now? History answers, gone—while on their hoary heads still towering above the wrecks of time it is written, "Intellect cannot perpetuate unless virtue endure." Science and Religion must each have a place in the symmetrical development of society. Working together they raise the human mind to the contemplation of divine truth and justice.

But we are told there is a conflict between science and religion. True there is, but it is over non-essentials. The mission of religion is conservative; that of science radical. Religion ever strives to protect the old; science, to tear it down. Whenever science prevails its iron harrow breaks up the creeds of humanity like the clods in the field. But the fertile furrows germinate new theologies; the soul in the agony of its distress believes once more and finds again the language of prayer. Out of its own ruins, in the gladsome light of peace and progress, religion always rises purer and more enlightened. Christian churches now lift their spires toward heaven on the very spots where once stood the temples of Budha, Osiris, Odin and Apollo. One by one they have fallen as the mind of man has risen. Prostrate by the Ganges, the Nile, the Baltic and the Tiber they are sleeping away the centuries in graves dug by science. No, science and religion are not enemies; only the ignorance of over-zealous scientists and bigoted religionists have made them so. The earnestness and grandeur with which they are driving the world on to the light, indicate that they are not antagonistic, but are complements of each other. Extremes they are indeed, but it is in the co-operation of these extremes that we find the philosophy of modern history.

Ask you what this philosophy has done for the world? Look along down the valley of modern history and see its sides all dotted with those mighty monuments that invention and discovery have built for the race; glance at those renowned colleges and benevolent institutions that have been established for the enlightenment and amelioration of humanity; consider our civilization more majestic in its elements, both of tragedy and of triumph, than the world before has ever seen—and the overwhelming evidence from all these will lead you to the irresistible conclusion that this philosophy so manifold in its operations, so constructive in its spirit, so supreme in its force, is the heart of the great giant of modern civilization, giving impulse to discovery, life to religion and a meaning to history. Turn to the field of government and you will find that this principle lies at the basis of the great reaction which gave to the world modern life. Heretofore each man had dedicated his services to his superior—king or ecclesiastic; but when from the wreck and ruin of twelve centuries modern science and modern ethics were born loyalty declined into a sentiment and individuality became predominant. The old idea of government passed away and as from the ruins the individual arose the Puritan Revolution, strong with the strength of heav-

en, stood up and gave him a conscience. At last the world had solved the problem of permanent civilization and found its basis in the idea of individual liberty and responsibility. This spark is the beginning of modern history. The bans of popes and the edicts of tyrants were piled upon it, but they could not destroy it. They smothered it for a while, but, in mighty thought muffled energies, it smouldered on until at last, with all the accumulated strength of a volcano, it burst forth in two awful eruptions—the American and French Revolutions. That explains to-day. Ideas confined for centuries are almighty when the barriers break. They are broken. Every man stands alone amid the thunder of Sinai. Every man is a priest worshipping at the shrine of his own conscience. Every man is a measure of the universe. It is the glory of our day, the grand undercurrent of the nineteenth century—this individualism. Down deep under all the governments and philosophies and aristocracies it flows, ever running, ever rising, silent and resistless as the ceaseless heaving of the ocean. Bubbling up in codes and literatures, undermining structures of philosophy long cherished as divine, lifting to the surface names that are human history—Gambetta and Bismark, names that are tragic poems—Lincoln and Garfield, always struggling to express the truth and the right—call it Nature, call it Skepticism, call it Evolution, it is individualism that is moving and guiding the world to-day.

Oh! the world moved fast when it commenced to walk with the gods! Hand in hand with science and christianity it was lead onward, not round and round, but right on to the light! There were nations who said "we will not go on" and they disappeared in the darkness. Let them vanish—their spirit lives. Eternal rest is not the language of the aching heart. The lessons they taught us are unforgotten. This age picking up all that is good and beautiful, and true, that has floated in from the wrecks of other ages is rushing on and out into a fuller, wider and nobler sea; on under brighter, bluer skies than e'er were seen before—on to the sea of unity. Every wire that spans the continent or stretches under the billows of the deep, every railroad that crosses the land, every ship that sails the sea, every philosopher in the garret, every genius in the grotto, every spirit that broods in the midnight sky, and deity that smiles in the life inspiring sun strives for one and the same thing—"strives for that the angels strive"—to bring men into closer unison. Our log book was lost for sixty centuries and we wandered o'er an unknown deep, but at last have all met in the same haven. No wonder there is confusion—all the centuries are crowded into the last two. No wonder the age is imperfect—the ends of the world have come together so rapidly. All the nations stand face to face; they do not know each other yet. The din of party strife shall cease and the right shall brighten the sky. We shall not see the rising sun. But we can catch the foregleams of the coming day, and standing in the light of the gray dawn of morning looking back o'er the

deep we have sailed, let the old questions come.

Is there hope for the future? Yes there is hope. In the name of modern science and modern ethics there is hope, the future is bright. The morning light of a millenial day is already playing along the horizon. Away in the hazy distance glows the grand Utopia of civilization. Far out into measurless space swings this globe freighted with its happy singing children gazing on that

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## "A Mountain Pink."

Doug. Terry Sundayed at—where was it, Doug?

Donnan has been on the sick list for the past week.

Messrs. Pomeroy, Hysham and Craven start next Tuesday for the seat of war. Success to them.

Laura Dainty in "A Mountain Pink" is pronounced a splendid success. Go and see her next Tuesday.

Senator Donnan and wife, father and mother of D. D., have been visiting their son for several days past.

President Pickard was called to Des Moines on Thursday last to attend a meeting of the University committee.

Good, a student who entered the University last fall term, will not be in attendance for the remainder of the year.

The editorial fraternity of the country are to enjoy the pleasures of an excursion to New Orleans the latter part of this month.

Junior in Astronomy—"Professor, why does the tide always flow up the river?" Class is silent. The Professor solves the mystery.

The place for holding the State Contest has not been changed, and will be held at Ames, as was at first decided, next Wednesday.

Miss Lake, a cousin of Miss Nellie Cox, came in from Marengo on Wednesday and attended the Northwestern dance in the evening.

Mr. Rawson, a brother of Miss Nellie Rawson, visited his sister during a part of last week. Mr. Rawson is a student of the Agricultural College.

J. J. Jones, a graduate of the University and at present county superintendent of Iowa county, stopped over for a short time during the week.

Miss Anna Clarke, of Des Moines, sister of Chas., is the guest of the Misses Ross. Miss Clarke will spend a few days in the city, to the great delight of her many friends.

The second of the series of the Northwestern dances came off at Ham's hall last evening. The party was considerably larger than the previous one and fully as enjoyable.

The alumni of the medical department of the S. U. I. met in the medical building Wednesday afternoon. The attendance was very large, and an interesting session was held.

J. W. Bopp, of last year's law class, and one of the rising young men of the state, was in the city Wednesday on business. He returned to Des Moines the following day.

How the Junior's mouth began to water when he read the card sent by his folks saying: "Dear Charlie, we send you by express a box of cake to eat with this postal."

We publish this week the two orations delivered at the recent contest by Messrs. Hysham and Craven. They are both thoughtful productions and are deserving of careful study and perusal.

We are pleased to inform our readers that Lieut. Knower has resumed his work in connection with the military science department. The sickness of one of his sons had rendered it necessary for him to remain at home for several days.

Chancellor Manatt, of the State University of Nebraska, and Prof. Macy, of Iowa College, old students of Prof. Parker, were in the city a few days last week looking up matters in the University relative to their work in their respective institutions.

The number of students patronizing the gymnasium of Messrs. Murray and Meyers is not small, but still not as large as it should be. This is a fine opportunity for those who are in need of exercise to pay some attention to their physical well-being and should be overlooked by no one.

The "Mountain Pink" star company furnish a bill which excites enthusiasm in the gallery, while it brings forth loud applause from the dress-circle. A large and select audience manifested approval of an uninterrupted success. Aside from the star part there abound other curious types of character, and it is an exceedingly attractive performance. Of the company too much cannot be said. It is made up of stars.—*New Orleans Item.*

THE many friends of Mr. Arthur J. Craven will be pleased to learn of his having recently been admitted to the bar and of his having formed a law partnership with another well-known graduate of the University, Mr. James A. Kerr. Both these gentlemen were very successful while in the University, Mr. Kerr having represented the S. U. I. at the State Oratorical Contest in 1881, taking second honors, Mr. Craven having taken first prize at the State and second at the Inter-State in 1882. The VIDETTE-REPORTER wishes the new firm success and many bright and happy days in the practice of their profession.

The death of Adam Etzel, which occurred a week ago last Friday, will be regretted by many of the alumni readers of the V.-R., with whom the deceased was quite intimately acquainted. Mr. Etzel was twenty-three years of age at the time of his death and but a short time before was the picture of health. Till very recently he had been prosecuting his work in the medical department of the University, where he had all along given evidence of superior ability and diligent application. His untimely death is mourned by all who knew him.

Such a company as presented "A Mountain Pink," at the Coliseum, last night, would make an attractive entertainment out of a barren nothingness—and this play is not that, by a good deal; it is better than many, and has an advantage over most of them, in that it is presented by an exceptionally strong cast, of which too much cannot be said in praise. "A Mountain Pink" will compensate any one for making a call this week at the Coliseum. Nothing but in way of praise can be said of each member of the company.—*Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.*

Scarcely a week passes in which some malicious joker does not manage to grind out two or three witticisms about the Vassar girl. The following is the week's product:—The Vassar girl's favorite Roman hero—Marius. —Vassar girl eating gooseberries, loquitive—"Yum! yum! Wouldn't I like to see the goose that laid these berries!" —An L. P. contributes a conundrum: "What is the difference between Vassar and Wesleyan—domestically speaking?" "Give it up." "Why, there, when they find holes in their stockings, they darn them—here, they d—n them." Too bad! too bad!"

## MEDICAL COMMENCEMENT.

## HOMOEOPATHIC DEPARTMENT.

On Tuesday evening the Seventh Annual Commencement of the Homoeopathic Medical Department took place at the Opera House. The audience that assembled to hear the exercises was unusually large and was composed of the most cultured of Iowa City people. President Pickard, Professors Dickinson, Cowperthwaite and Clark of the department, Dr. Baker, of Davenport, and Dr. Stillman, of Council Bluffs, were among those on the stage. The programme was an interesting one and was opened by the University Band, after which the Rev. H. M. Thompson pronounced the invocation. The class valedictorian, Mr. D. W. Dickinson, B. Ph., was then introduced, who spoke on the subject of "Sanitary Needs." Mr. Dickinson is an '81 graduate of the academic department and his having passed through a four years' course in this department amply qualified him for his position as valedictorian. His production was very creditable, and was delivered in a very graceful manner. After the rendition of the selections from the "Bohemian Girl" by the Instrumental Quartette, President Pickard conferred the degrees, with a few appropriate remarks. Prof. Thos. P. Wilson, M. D., of the University of Michigan, delivered the annual address. His subject was "The Old and the New Prophets." The address was highly appreciated by all. Music by the S. U. I. Band closed the programme for the evening.

## DENTAL DEPARTMENT.

On Thursday afternoon the Commencement exercises of the Dental Department of the University took place at the Opera House. The valedictory address for the Faculty was delivered by the Dean, Professor Ingersoll, and the class valedictory by Mr. W. K. Sinton. The following is a list of the graduates: W. K. Sinton, Council Bluffs; T. M. Hallett, Des Moines; J. W. Stark, Rock Island, Illinois; J. H. Besore, Iowa City; S. G. Hill, Davenport; S. W. Hill, Osage; P. R. Ross, Fort Dodge; M. H. Ross, Hampton; P. C. Chamberlain, Clarinda; R. H. Tullis, Columbiana, Ohio; J. O. Ball, Mt. Pleasant; W. H. Walker, West Branch; Rufus Elmer, Bennetts Mills, N. J.

## ALLOPATHIC DEPARTMENT.

The Allopathic Medical Commencement on last Wednesday evening was one of the most pleasant and entertaining which Iowa City audiences have ever had the pleasure of attending. The Opera House was crowded to its utmost capacity with an attentive and appreciative audience. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. Thos. Bell. The valedictory address by Mr. J. R. Guthrie was one of the best we have heard from medical orators. Mr. G. was in thorough sympathy with the study of medicine, and enumerated some of its greatest achievements. While showing his ardent enthusiasm for his chosen profession, his oration indicated that he had read and labored in other fields.

In the absence of Governor Sherman, President Pickard, with a few characteristic and appropriate remarks, conferred the degrees upon the class. Dr. S. E. Robinson delivered the "Address for the Faculty." The Dr. delivered his well wrought thoughts with a clear, distinct voice, and if the graduates of '84 follow his suggestions and recommendations, their *alma mater* will never have cause to be ashamed of any one of them. In each of the addresses of the evening appropriate and touching reference was made to the memory of Adam Etzel, who died just as he had finished preparation for his professional life. The exercises were interspersed with good, though somewhat lengthy musical selections by the University Band.

The S. U. I. Oratorical Contest took place at the Opera House on February 27th. The programme consisted of the following: "The Saxon and the Mongul," by D. C. Blashfield; "The Free Man," by W. F. Walker; "The Philosophy of Modern History," by T. J. Hysham; "Roger Williams, the Champion of Religious Freedom," by H. W. Craven; "The Last of the Roman Tribunes," by J. T. Chrischilles; "A Fiction and a Fact," by Carl H. Pomeroy. The first honors were awarded to Mr. Pomeroy, second and third to Messrs. Craven and Hysham respectively. The Judges were Prof. Sabin, of Clinton, Mrs. Partidge and Dr. O. T. Gillett. The decision gave general satisfaction and the contest was considered by all one of the best ever held in the city. We refrain from giving a more detailed account for the reason that several of the contestants are closely connected with this paper, and almost any remarks by way of criticism or praise would appear out of place.

The piece, "A Mountain Pink," is full of business, crowded with well introduced situations, and a really effective termination is managed at the end of each act, without forcing the action of the drama or injuring the accumulative interest. When the scene is removed to the mountain, little can be said except in words of positive praise. The action is rapid, the dialogue curt and to the point, and the situations are excellent." —*Chicago News.*

## A COMMENCEMENT.

The following concerning the University will prove of interest to our readers:

There is no better advertisement for an enterprise than a large, intelligent audience in active business. That "nothing is so successful as the success of the best of us." The University is proud of her alumni in this and other standing positions of honor, constantly gaining influence is not only a credit, but is being a credit.

There are three graduates of the University in the Senate of the State. L. L. B. (1870), Senator, is engaged in law at Sigourney.

Hon. John Glass, several years a student in the law department, is Senator from the district. Mr. Glass is a resident of Mason City, Iowa, of the firm of Glass & Co.

Hon. J. Henry is Senator from the district. Sweney is engaged in law at Osage, Iowa, and by many of the people of the University.

There are six members of the Representative body having received a university education.

C. S. Ranck, LL. B., law practice in Iowa Johnson county in

W. M. Grant, LL. B., Scott county. Mr. Grant is a member of the Dakota

J. M. Gilliland, LL. B., practicing law at New York is the Representative of Johnson county.

Chas. W. Fillmore, Representative from Clinton in the practice of law

Wm. O. Schmidt, student in college '72 to '76, is Representative of Johnson county.

J. J. Russell, LL. B., Representative of Muscatine, of representing his district.

Senators Brown, Representative Fillmore, but Representative Ranck, Russell and the other side of the coin. They are all fine, in point of ability and in point of ability in the Legislature.

There are several not members of the University, perhaps, be said by marriage, and so in this connection.

Mrs. Senator H. Sallie Taylor, graduated the winter in Des Moines. The social life of the son has developed a cultured woman, a study and reading benefits of travel.

Mrs. Alice Remond, Senator Glass, is also a graduate of the University in the college in 1868, sitting at the desk seems greatly interested in debates, and in water legislation.

Mrs. Holbrook, wife of Representative

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A COMMUNICATION.

The following letter to the *Republican* concerning the University and the legislature will prove of interest to many of our readers:

There is no better or greater advertisement for any institution of learning than a large, intelligent alumni, engaged in active business. Men still believe that "nothing succeeds like success," and the successful graduates of a college are the best recommendations she can have. The University may well feel proud of her alumni, scattered all over this and other states. They are occupying positions of honor and trust and are constantly gaining in influence. Their influence is not confined to business circles, but is being felt in our state legislature.

There are three graduates of the University in the Senate, Hon. C. M. Brown, LL.B. (1870), Senator from the 12th district, is engaged in the active practice of law at Sigourney, Iowa.

Hon. John Glass, LL.B. (1870), and for several years a student of the collegiate department, is Senator from the 43d district. Mr. Glass is practicing law at Mason City, Iowa, and is senior member of the firm of Glass & Hughes.

Hon. J. Henry Sweney, LL.B. (1882) is Senator from the 41st district. Mr. Sweney is engaged in the practice of law at Osage, Iowa, and will be remembered by many of the present students in the University.

There are six members of the House of Representatives who are proud of having received a diploma from the University.

C. S. Ranck, LL.B. (1871), leaves his law practice in Iowa City to represent Johnson county in the legislature.

W. M. Grant, LL.B. (1873) represents Scott county. Mr. Grant is an honored member of the Davenport bar.

J. M. Gilliland, LL.B. (1873), is practicing law at New Hampton, Iowa, and is the Representative from Chickasaw county.

Chas. W. Fillmore, LL.B. (1876), Representative from Clay county, is engaged in the practice of law at Peterson, Iowa.

Wm. O. Schmidt, LL.B. (1877), and student in collegiate department from '72 to '76, is Representative from Scott county.

J. J. Russell, LL.B. (1878), Representative of Muscatine, Iowa, has the honor of representing his county in the legislature.

Senators Brown, Glass, Sweney and Representative Fillmore are republicans, but Representatives Grant, Gilliland, Ranck, Russell and Schmidt stand on the other side of the political fence. They are all fine, intelligent looking men, and in point of ability, rank among the best in the Legislature.

There are several others who, while not members of the Legislative family, may, perhaps, be said to be related to it by marriage, and should be mentioned in this connection.

Mrs. Senator Hutchinson, *nee* Miss Sallie Taylor, graduate of '66, is spending the winter in Des Moines and enjoying the social life of the city. Mrs. Hutchinson has developed into a large minded, cultured woman, and in addition to study and reading has had the added benefits of travel.

Mrs. Alice Remley Glass, the wife of Senator Glass, is also spending the winter at the Capital city. Mrs. Glass graduated in the collegiate department of the University in 1868. She is often seen sitting at the desk of her husband, and seems greatly interested in the various debates, and in watching the progress of legislation.

Mrs. Holbrook, *nee* Ida Osmond, the wife of Representative Holbrook, is frequently seen on the floor of the House.

Mrs. Holbrook will be remembered with pleasure by her many friends in Iowa City, where she is so well and favorably known, and where the early part of her life was spent. She took a course in the collegiate department, and graduated in 1874.

Quite a number of University students are occupying various positions in the legislature.

Frank D. Jackson, LL.B. (1874), a practicing attorney at Greene, Iowa, is Secretary of the Senate. Mr. Jackson fully understands his duties, and makes a most excellent officer.

Miss Myra E. Troth, class '83, of Hampton, Iowa, occupies the position of Engrossing Clerk of the Senate, and is universally praised because of the faithful performance of the duties of her office.

Frank S. Rice, class '80 and law '81, is very acceptably filling the position of First Assistant Clerk of the House. Mr. Rice is practicing law at Rockwell City, Iowa.

Geo. S. Saylor, of Saylorville, Polk county, Iowa, a student in the collegiate department from '69 to '72, is mail carrier.

D. F. Johnston, of Hampton, Iowa, a student in the present Senior class, is First Assistant Sergeant at Arms.

The following are committee clerks: Miss Jennie Pearson, of Cedar county. Miss Pearson was a student in the collegiate department from '72 to '74 and part of '77.

William Mercer, a student in the academic department during the college year '77-'78. Mr. Mercer resides at Dexter, Iowa, and has selected teaching as his profession.

H. S. Fairall, LL.B. (1874), formerly of Iowa City and editor of the *Republican*, now of Des Moines.

F. A. Remley, class '80, of Iowa City, Iowa.

F. A. Vanderpoel, class '80 and law '83, and a practicing attorney at Osage, Iowa.

Miss Ella A. Hamilton, class '78, of Des Moines, Iowa. Miss Hamilton is engaged in journalistic work.

A number of University boys have visited Des Moines during the session, and quite a reunion can be held on very short notice. A large number of "old" University students are residing in Des Moines, but we have not space to even enumerate them at this time. It is possible that we may have omitted some, who are connected with the legislature, of whom we have not been able to learn.

Judge Love's lecture on "The Place of Science in Civilization" was delivered to an appreciative audience on Thursday evening, February 28th. It was a scholarly effort, evincing profound thought, wide information, extensive travel and close observation, relieved at times by flashes of wit and humor in the Judge's own inimitable style. From a literary point of view it was beyond praise—correct throughout—there were sentences which will stand the test of time. From a scientific view it abounded with deep, curious and accurate information and original views. The members of the law literary society have put us under lasting obligations by affording us an opportunity to hear the lecture. Music was furnished as follows:

Instrumental solo,.....Miss Dostal  
Song, by Miss Kimball accompanied by Miss Rose  
Instrumental solo,.....Miss Bishop

The whole entertainment was a decided success.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

J. R. CALDWELL, Editor.

Can you table an appeal?

Jos. Brown knows how he wants to vote.

Wanted—The man who took Sutton's overshoe.

There is a class in Common Law pleading now.

The Board of Regents came, saw and departed.

Mr. Ward has been admitted, as also has Mr. Danskin.

The Gymnash meet twice a week—Wednesday and Saturday.

Hon. John Duncombe, of Fort Dodge, delivered six lectures on Railroad law last week.

Chas. H. Howard, formerly of Muscatine, now of Dakota, was a caller last week.

Mr. Duncombe promised to receive us with hostile hands if we called at Ft. Dodge.

We were glad to see Mr. Donnan in class again on Friday. He was unavoidably absent by reason of sickness.

Very able decisions were read in Moot Court by Messrs. Seaman, Southard and Prof. McClain, February 26th.

F. C. Stevens read a decision in first Division Moot Court, February 25th, and Mr. Williams read one Tuesday, March 4th.

John M. Redmond, of the law class of 1881, is now a member of the legal firm of Smith, Powell & Redmond, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Elmer E. Kelley, a brother of our Kelley, was chosen to represent Simpson College at the State contest at Ames, March 13th.

Jaob Bopp, of last year's class, returned to his old haunts this week. He called at the law class rooms on Tuesday forenoon. The boys were clamorous for a speech, but Mr. Ropp would not gratify them.

There was a class meeting on Wednesday afternoon, February 27th. No business done; they were just getting their hands in. On Thursday the tug of war came. Biernatski was in the chair, Raymond, Sec'y. The purpose of the meeting was to elect a permanent secretary. After a stormy meeting, Mr. Farr, of Maquoketa, was elected.

James Brown, H. F. Norris, Allen B. Seaman, Silas Keeler, Linnaeus Robson, J. A. Metcalf and Frank Fletcher successfully stood an examination by a committee, composed of Messrs. W. J. Hadcock, T. S. Wright, L. W. Clapp, Chas. Bakea, Joe. A. Edwards and L. Pattergon. They remain with us until the close of the winter term. Success be yours, gentlemen, in your future labors.

The action of the House of Delegates on the tariff question has attracted a great deal of attention throughout the State.

Some members of the law class did not think that it represented the feelings of the class on the question. A meeting was called and a committee consisting of Messrs. McFall, Friend and Leonard were appointed to get the sense of the class on the question. We will report the result at the earliest date possible.

House of Delegates was called to order by the Speaker at 7 o'clock, February 22d. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Mr. Erskine moved that the election of U. S. Senator be postponed one week. Carried.

Mr. Grubb moved that the House adjourn till 8 o'clock. Motion prevailed.

At that hour the exercises in commemoration of Washington's birthday opened by an eloquent eulogy by Chan. Ross.

The programme announced last week was then carried out. At its conclusion a unanimous vote of thanks was extended to the Chancellor.

House adjourned.

CHAS. KARNANSKI, Sec'y.

VENTUS PESSIMUS.

Of all the gales that ever blew,  
The toughest that I ever knew,  
Was one that snatched a billet doux  
From my eager finger.

I had proceeded just to this:

"Oh, for another dulcet kiss?"  
Ah, transient is all earthly bliss—  
My billet doux was flying!

Alas! Alas! that false wind blow  
My precious, precious, billet doux,  
An ill-starred open window through:  
Right to the parental presence.

Ask not the remnant of my tale;  
"Tis simply, merely love's last wail."  
Oh, for a Sparticus on bail,  
To venge such wrongs parental.

—University Cynic.

SHORT-HAND COLUMN.

ELDON MORAN, Editor.

New special class begins April 2d.

F. L. White reported the Rowley case last week.

Miss Hutchinson returns from Cedar Falls to-day.

J. O. Bredney, of Big Rock, arrived Monday and entered for a full course.

Miss Jennie Heiss, of the city, has become a special student of stenography.

Miss Laura Flickinger is transcribing the Lyman case et dictation for Mr. Michener, Circuit Court Reporter.

Our correspondence class is composed of ministers, editors, lawyers, principals of schools, teachers, postmasters, traveling men, college students, and people in many other occupations, in age ranging from 14 to 40 years.

New enrollments are Ruby Cogswell, Hutchinson, Kan.; Chas. Johnson, Guttenburg, Iowa; W. H. Jenkins, Armstrong, Iowa; George Buck, Sunny Hill, Ill.; W. S. Haines, Poultney, Vt.; Ed. Osborn, Malcom, Iowa; Lillian Brandt, Chariton, Iowa; Misses Etta Seymour, McCullough, Dillingham, Taylor, Lois Strangrem, Mr. W. F. Parrott, R. A. Whittaker, Mrs. Julien Richards, of Waterloo, Iowa.

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To lure the sailor nigh;
The perilous romances
Of fabled Lorelie,
And all the spells of Circe
Are roft of charm and weak,
Beside the dainty dimple—
The dimple on her cheek!

Were these the golden ages
Of knights and troubadors,
Who brighten olden pages
With tourneys and amours,
What lances would be broken—
What silver lutes would speak,
In honor of the dimple—
The dimple on her cheek.

—Samuel Minturn Peck in the Manhattan.

ROGER WILLIAMS, THE CHAMPION OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.

By Harmon W. Craven, awarded 2d prize at the Oratorical Contest Feb. 27th, 1884.

Free thought is the herald of progress. Before its power false theories vanish and superstitions fade away. When mind is free humanity advances; when mind is fettered the world stands still.

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Surely by this time the great lesson had been learned, that the mandates of religious authority should not be supported by civil power. But no! The Puritans have braved the ocean's storm and the terrors of the wilderness, not to open up an asylum for the oppressed of every race and name, but to find a place where they, and they alone, might have religious freedom.

But there was soon to come upon the scene a man of honest heart, of iron will and of ceaseless energy, who was to herald the era of Christian charity and sow the seeds of a purer faith. That man was Roger Williams. He maintained that the state might have control over the bodies and property of its citizens, but that to God, and to God alone, man is accountable for his religious convictions.

Before a new and great principle can become established in the minds of men it must pass through the ordeal of bitter ridicule and critical examination. Long years may roll by after the first defenders of that principle have passed away before the world appreciates the value of their work and the influence of their lives.

Rhode Island gave to all her full protection; Massachusetts excluded Rhode Island from the union of New England colonies. The two hundred and fifty years that have intervened since then go to prove that in the great contests between the right and the wrong victory never, in the end, smiles upon the banners of error.

Roger Williams belongs to that rare class of men, who, for the sake of truth, have thought and told what they thought, have investigated and declared their discoveries. It is to this noble band of pioneers in thought that the world owes its advancement.

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'Tis, hung upon a peg which I devote  
To that dark object which I see is where  
The shirt should be—a rubber overcoat.  
I had another stocking, I am sure!  
Aha! My watch on the floor with a broken face;  
The stocking neath my pillow, where, secure,  
It is my rule, at night, my watch to place.  
A shoe upon the hat rack hung. That's good!  
My hat is by the other on the floor,  
And in it has my wet umbrella stood  
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