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There are a number of highly respectable and intelligent business men in Iowa City who do not advertise in the VIDETTE-REPORTER. They say that it would not pay them to do so. And there are a few who insert advertisements more to show their good will to the students and to the University, than with any business interest in view. There has been time enough for all to learn the fact that whatever contributes to the prosperity of the University contributes also to the prosperity of the city, and that in fact the University is the life of the town. And the prosperity of a town means the prosperity and success of the business men of that town. There is no doubt that a good, weekly, students' paper, adds very largely to the reputation of our school, and that in numerous instances it has first led students to come here. Examples of this could be given. Our college paper is an index to the character of the institution from which it emanates, and is itself an evidence of its life and excellence. It is the best possible advertisement the University can have. A business man, who, by his patronage, aids in supporting the VIDETTE-REPORTER, aids in advertising the University, and the business man of Iowa City who advertises the University, advertises his own business. He can't help it. This seems to us as plain as day, and we write what we most candidly believe. Such advertising is indirect to be sure but it is bound to bring its returns. Every four students who come here spend on an average more than \$1,000 per year, and by a fair estimate, all the students of the University and Academy leave in this town every year more than \$190,000, and every six years, more than \$1,000,000. Of this money people of all occupations receive the benefit. Though there are some who lose sight of these

facts and patronize us somewhat reluctantly, yet we know that they will receive back their outlay in solid cash, and with an increase equal to a mighty good interest. We offer a good advertising medium. Conscious of this we approach the business men of the city in a business way, asking for their patronage only because we have something to give in return for it. The merchants of large cities go to considerable expense to bring excursion parties from a distance to their doors. What we ask of the people of this city as a matter of business, is that they shall aid us in sustaining the tone and character of the Iowa University, and so increase the number of pilgrims to the "Athens of Iowa." For our Athens is their London.

Some may take it into their heads to laugh at us for urging, as we hereby do, a better attendance of the students at chapel exercises. They condescend to moral culture, and cannot be neglected without loss. We think also that the exercises of chapel have a tendency to put one in a frame of mind in which it is easy to enter with spirit upon the day's work. From the songs, the readings and the prayers, the student should at any rate catch some intimation of the great aims of life, and the objects for which he is striving to make himself more of a man by the disciplining and expansion of his mental capacities. If a stranger should judge of the general moral character of the students of the University by the attendance at chapel, he would be led to a wrong conclusion. This ought not so to be. We venture the assertion made partly on the ground of experience, that the average moral character, perhaps we ought to say religious character of the students of our University, is fully up to that of the students in the sectarian institutions of the State and country, and owing to the fact that the University has somewhat of a reputation abroad as a school where skeptical influences are very strong, the really existing moral sentiment of the students should be made manifest, and be even emphasized on every proper occasion and in every proper way. One of the best ways of doing this is to fill the benches of the chapel, and it is especially incumbent upon students of avowed christian standing, to find places there every morning. This would mean something, and would be taken for quite all it was worth, for while chapel attendance is compulsory in most sectarian schools, it is well known that such attendance is not compulsory here. But aside from any moral considerations, the chapel exercises open the college day and are a feature comprising nominally the whole University. As such, they should be entered into with spirit, as other University enterprises

are, and be so largely attended at least as to be very respectable. The chapel is a thing easily, as it appears, to be made light of, but it is a good. And while these remarks are addressed more particularly to the students, yet we do not care if some of the professors overhear them, and so draw a hint through a key-hole.

In order that our paper may not appear to be inconsistent with itself, it will be necessary to make the statement that three men have a voice on its editorial page, and that these three men, though their relations to each other are most amicable, do not always think precisely alike. Our "we" therefore, is an indefinite pronoun.

There was some disposition at the late meeting of the Home Oratorical Association to fix the time of holding the home contest late in the present fall term or at a date in the winter term a week prior to January 13th. The reason offered was the early date of the State contest, and the fear was expressed that we could not hold our home contest in the fore part of next term, and three weeks or longer before the State contest as required by the constitution of the State Association without rushing our contestants. There is something in this, but we are very glad the home contest was put off till next term. This gives to those desiring to enter the contest the winter vacation in which to write or complete their orations, and prepare for delivery. And this time, we maintain, is indispensable. A student having ordinary school and literary society duties, can very hardly find time before the end of the first and busiest term of the year's work in which to prepare an oration of those proportions and that excellence requisite for a contest oration. He has had the summer, but few productions of any consequence are composed at home in the hot months, and when it is so easy to procrastinate, even by those who are quite at leisure; and some of our best and most talented men put in the summer vacation at downright hard labor on the farm, or in some other occupation calculated to fill up their depleted purses and enable them to run an unbroken college course. For the idea of holding the home contest, either, in the spring of the year before that in which the State contest is held, we have no sort of entertainment. The goal is then too remote. Senior orations, as a rule, should be better than Junior orations. The wheels go fastest, the shouts grow loudest, the very best efforts are inspired and put forth on the "home stretch." We do indeed hope that this year a change will be made in the present arrangement. We suggest that the Inte-State contest be held, as it is now, on the first Wednesday in May, and that the State con-

test be held on the first Wednesday in April, and the home contest on the third Wednesday in February, or second in March. The agony would then last only two months or ten weeks instead of longer. When one is in the oratorical business he should to be most successful be kept hard at it and diverted as little as possible. The spell should not be broken. Other objections to any but the plan we propose, particularly that suggested by the Junior contest, the time of it, we might dwell upon, but they are of minor importance, and we shall not notice them now. And also some minor advantages connected with the plan we propose, we shall not mention. Knox College holds its home contest in the spring of the year, and has of late, certainly done very well; but Wisconsin a few years ago, following an entirely different plan, and very similar to the one we have suggested, if not practically identical with it, came to the front with its "Iago," and for a time companions seemed to attend that devil. In brief our idea is this: Get the oration well ready in the first place, and then put it to the three tests in somewhat rapid succession, for each successful test will make it stronger.

Prof. CALVIN received a letter a week ago from Dr. Asa Horr of Dubuque, offering the donation of a large and valuable collection of birds and mammals, to our museum, subject only to the conditions that the University should bear the trifling expense of transportation, and display the specimens under the name of the "Horr Collection." This, of course, the University will be but too glad to do. Miss Prof. Smith has also recently donated a large collection of beautiful shells and other specimens, collected by her along the Atlantic coast last summer. The shells are about 150 in number, and although not large, are none the less interesting. Among other items, attention should be called to two specimens which have been mounted by Prof. Nutting, since his connection with the University. The first is a White Pelican, donated by Mr. W. F. Cline about a month ago. The second is a turkey buzzard, donated last week by Mr. Linder. The mounting of both specimens is most excellent, exhibiting the skill of our worthy curator.

Pres. Pickard attended the inauguration of Prof. E. D. Eaton, as president of Beloit College, Thursday evening. Pres. Eaton's father and Pres. Pickard came to the west together, and Pres. Pickard now but returns a friendly compliment in attending the son's inauguration, the latter having been here when Pres. Pickard was inaugurated.

The Junior Greek class has entered upon the reading of "Prometheus Bound" which Emerson calls the romance of skepticism.

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LAW DEPARTMENT.

J. F. BURNS, Editor.

G. F. Humbert has been chosen Junior Librarian.

Frank D. Jackson, of the class of '74, has been elected Secretary of State.

Don't fail to read and preserve the model indictment below for the several degrees of homicide.

P. J. Rogde has returned to the fold to complete his course. A drummer's life seems to have agreed with him.

William E. Fuller, of the class of '70, was returned to Congress in the 4th district by an increased majority.

Charles W. Farr, of the class of '84, has been elected county attorney of Jackson county. Charles give us a fraternal shake.

Miss Snider, of Columbus Junction, visited the Law department Thursday. Miss Snider spent several days in the city, the guest of her brother, John Snider, of the Senior class.

"And now Mrs. Smith," said the counsel. "will you be kind enough to tell the jury whether your husband was in the habit of striking you with impunity?" "With what, sir?" "With impunity!" "He was sir, now and then; but he struck me oftener with his fist."

A large number of the boys who were interested in politics, went home to vote. Ye scribe also imbued with that worldly attribute, sought his home to cast his first ballot and to return, after a week's vacation invigorated by the sojourn.

W. S. Kingsley, of the class of '86, has been elected county attorney of Bremer county. The county was close and the fight a hard one, but through persevering industry a majority was obtained. Willis, your persistency during the campaign is worthy of admiration, and we wish you success as prosecuting attorney.

C. B. Whitcomb, LL. B. of '85, writes encouragingly of his success as a practitioner. Mr. Whitcomb is practicing law near the shadowed domes and classic air of old Yale. The dualism of his duties keeps C. B. busy, recently with his theological arm he married a couple and with his legal arm brought suit for \$75,000 damages.

The question was recently raised whether a thief steals goods at retail or by wholesale; upon a trial for larceny it appeared in evidence that the value of the booty, if estimated at the current wholesale prices of the commodity, was a trifle below pecuniary limit which divides grand from petty larceny. At the customary price of the article when sold at retail, the value considerably exceeds that limit. The difference was very material to the prisoner, for petty larceny could be punished by imprisonment for six months, whereas grand larceny entitled the convict to a sojourn of two years in the state prison. The jury was puzzled, and asked for further instructions. The judge told them that if they were satisfied as to the guilt of the prisoner they should charge him the

highest price for the goods that the evidence would warrant, that it was not the usage of any branch of trade to give favors in the way of rebates, discounts, or special rates to customers of his description.

The Senior class spent the early part of the past week in investigating the mysteries and technicalities of indictments. Here, as in all other branches of the law, is illustrated the growing tendency to cast off ancient forms and technicalities, and to retain the essence of that which is founded in human reason. Each member of the class prepared indictments, charging the crimes of arson, burglary and murder. Thus an opportunity was given the student to apply his abstract knowledge to concrete illustrations. This is always the most difficult part to perform. A man may have ideas, but unless he can apply them so as to produce tangible results, they are of but little value. These opportunities for practical work cannot come too often, nor be too highly appreciated. Under Prof. McClain's energetic and lucid explanation of the subject, the difficulties surrounding the drawing of an invulnerable indictment have disappeared, and the members of the class may pride themselves upon having a good understanding, both theoretical and practical, of this difficult pleading.

INDICTMENT FOR MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

That B. J. Adams on the first day of Nov., 1886, at Iowa City, Johnson county, Iowa, did feloniously, WILFULLY, DELIBERATELY AND PREMEDITATELY, and of his malice aforethought, make an assault on one John Doe, with a deadly weapon, to-wit, a pistol then and there held in the hands of the said B. J. Adams, and loaded and charged with powder and bullets, and did then and there, with the specific intent to kill and murder said John Doe feloniously, WILFULLY, DELIBERATELY, AND PREMEDIATELY, and of his malice aforethought, shoot off and discharge the contents of said deadly weapon at, against and into the body of said John Doe, thereby inflicting upon the body of said John Doe, a mortal wound, of which said mortal wound the said John Doe then and there died, [or thence continuously languished until the tenth day of Nov., 1886, did then and there die.] And so the said B. J. Adams did in manner and form aforesaid, feloniously, WILFULLY, DELIBERATELY AND PREMEDIATELY, kill and murder said John Doe.

To make this an indictment for murder in the second degree, omit all matter in small capitals, and for manslaughter, all matter in small capitals and italics.

SCIENTIFIC EXPERTS AS WITNESSES.

Let us look at this question as it presents itself to men of science, alike to the chemist, the physicist, the mechanic—the geologist, the physician, and the microscopist, though certainly not to the astronomer, who is in no danger of being called, as such, to give his testimony. The expert occupies a totally anomalous position in court. Technically he is a mere witness; practically he is some, thing between a witness and an advocate, sharing the responsibilities of both,

but without the privileges of the latter. He has to instruct counsel before the trial and to prompt him during its course. But in cross examination he is the more open to insult because the court does not see clearly how he arrives at his conclusions, and suspects whatever it does not understand. The late Dr. R. Angus Smith complained of being "contemptuously compelled to heard with thieves and scoundrels in a witness-box." He adds: "I have seen barristers speaking to a scientific witness in such a way as to show that to them a witness was always an inferior person." Surely every person who has been present at a technical trial, or has had to appear as an expert in a poisoning, a patent, or an adulteration case, will be able to confirm this from his own observations and experience. Now it may, perhaps, be cynically hinted that men of science should be willing to bear all this annoyance for the public good. But is it for the public good? In the first place, not a few of the most eminent men in every department of science distinctly and peremptorily refuse to be mixed up in any affair which may expose them to cross-examination. "I will investigate the matter, if you wish it, and will give you a report for guidance, but only on the distinct understanding that I am not to enter the witness-box." Such in substance is the decision of not a few men of the highest reputation and the most sterling integrity. Certainly it is not for the interests of justice to render it impossible for such men to give the court the benefit of their knowledge. Further, the spectacle of two men of standing contradicting or seeming to contradict each other in the interests of their respective clients, is a grave scandal. Men of the world are tempted to say that "Science can lay but little claim to certainty, and is rather a mass of doubtful speculations than a body of demonstrable truth." To us, at least, there is nothing more saddening than to read the trial of a notorious prisoner, or the report of a great patent case, especially if taken along with the comments of the press and of society on these occasions. Here, then, we see that our present mode of dealing with scientific evidence is found on all hands unsatisfactory. The outside public is scandalized; experts are indignant; the bench and the bar share this feeling, but unfortunately are disposed to blame the individual rather than condemn the system. But we fear that this unanimity of dissatisfaction will vanish as soon as a remedy is seriously proposed. To that, however, we must come unless we are willing to dispense with scientific evidence altogether. As it seems to us, the expert should be the adviser of the court, no longer acting in the interests of either party. Above all things, he must be exempt from cross-examination. His evidence, or rather his conclusions, should be given in writing, and accepted just as are the decisions of the bench on points of law. Here for the present we must invite the suggestions of our readers, hoping to arrive at some definite result from their collective wisdom.—*Chemical News.*

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The Husband's Pocket-Book.
 There has been quite a lively discussion going on in *The Housekeeper* as to whether the family pocket-book belongs to the husband, the wife, or a little of both. One thing is sure, the pocket-book ought to be open long enough for the wife to get one dollar to pay for *The Housekeeper*, one year, especially as the publishers send the last three numbers of 1886, all of 1867, and a choice collection of imported bulbs for fall planting or forcing for winter blooming in the house, to any new subscriber who orders now, so as to get the first numbers of the story by the brilliant new editor, Maud Meridith. Address for premium list and full particulars, Buckeye Publishing Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

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GOING NORTH.
 No. 3, Cedar Falls passenger, 12:00, noon.
 No. 40, Clinton passenger, 4:50 a. m.
 No. 47, Cedar Rapids accommodation, 1:20 p. m.

GOING SOUTH.
 No. 8, Burlington passenger, 3:40 p. m.
 No. 41, Iowa City passenger, arrives 9:40 p. m.
 No. 46, Riverside accommodation, 10:10 a. m.

Time of trains at junction points:—
 No. 1, passenger north, 8:07 a. m. at Elmira.
 No. 5, passenger north, 9:08 p. m. at Elmira.
 No. 2, passenger south, 7:53 p. m. at Elmira.
 No. 6, passenger south, 5:25 a. m. at Elmira.
 No. 10, freight south, 3:31 p. m. at Elmira.
 No. 16, freight south, 10:43 a. m. at Elmira.
 No. 42, freight east, 5:00 p. m. at Elmira.
 No. 43, freight west, 9:00 a. m. at Elmira.
 No. 44, freight east, 9:25 a. m. at Elmira.
 No. 45, freight west, 1:45 p. m. at Elmira.
 No. 51, Decorah passenger north, 9:45 a. m. at Cedar Rapids.
 No. 61, Spirit Lake passenger, 9:35 a. m. at Cedar Rapids.
 No. 63, Watertown passenger, 10:30 p. m. at Cedar Rapids.

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No. 1, Le ves.....	9:21 P. M.
No. 3, ".....	8:00 A. M.
No. 9, ".....	11:23 A. M.

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No. 21, Leaves.....	4:55 A. M.
No. 17, ".....	1:45 " "
No. 19, ".....	8:55 " "

No. 19 carries passengers no further than South Amana.

EASTWARD PASSENGER TRAINS

No. 2, Leaves.....	5:00 A. M.
No. 10, ".....	3:21 P. M.
No. 4, ".....	8:15 " "

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No. 22, ".....	10:15 A. M.
No. 24, ".....	6:30 P. M.

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C. R. Rall is Assistant Principal in the
high school at Dysart, Iowa.

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Martin, LL. B. '82, was elected clerk
of Scott county without opposition.

Miss May Williams is enjoying a visit
from Miss Stephens, of Davenport.

The boys who went home to vote are
all back, conscious that they did their
duty.

Alaska London Dyed Seal Skin short
wraps and Sacques from \$125.00 to \$225.
00 at Horne's Big Cloak House.

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Julius Lischer went to Washington,
Ia., on Thursday, to start a gymnasium
there.

James R. Foote donated a fine speci-
men of the mole to the Museum yester-
day.

The Sophomores have target practice
to-day. Look out for an astonishing
record.

Powell Johnson started Wednesday
on his trip to Mexico. He will be gone
the rest of the term.

Mr. and Mrs. Leech, of Independence,
parents of Leech of the Freshman class,
visited with their son a few days this
week.

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Walter Bryant, C. E. '86, is now in
Columbia College, New York City, tak-
ing a course in Mining Engineering.

Lischer reports fifty charter members
in the new gymnasium at Washington,
Iowa.

Lischer is now engrossed with gymna-
sium work, and trying to bring up a
mustache in the way it should go.

Mr. G. W. Green presented to the Mu-
seum, Thursday, a fine specimen of the
red-tailed hawk, which Prof. Nutting has
already mounted.

Dr. Gilchrist, of the Homoeopathic
Medical Department, is having a visit
from his daughter, Mrs. Ridgway, of
Detroit, Mich.

The Earl of Iddesleigh was elected
Lord Rector of Edinburgh University
last Saturday, by a vote of 1094 against
747 for Sir Lyon Playfair.

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usual annual subscription for the Vi-
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neckties than all other houses combined.
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pay elsewhere.

Mrs. Prof. Philbrick arrived from Ne-
braska Tuesday, and the Prof. is now lo-
cated on Bloomington street, between
Dubuque and Linn.

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Any one having numbers 3 and 31 of
the VIDETTE-REPORTER for '83-4, will con-
fer a favor by leaving the same with the
librarian.

M. F. Westover, LL. B. '82, and Miss
Lou Ham, an old University student,
were married in this city on the 4th
inst.

Warner, of the Law class, acted as
drum major of the band yesterday, in
Lischer's absence, and he "did it up
brown" too. Guess "he's been there"
before.

Drill will begin hereafter at 4:15; first
call at 4:05, and those who wish to avoid
the receipt of those well known and al-
ways noticed, pictured envelopes, will
take heed and profit by this notice.

Myron F. Westover, LL. B. '82, was
in the city Tuesday and Wednesday,
visiting with old friends. He has for
some time been engaged in stenographic
business in Roston.

Try Stewart's shoes.

The exercises in the gymnasium,
under the direction of Julius Lischer,
began this week. Ham's hall has been
secured for athletic purposes, and the
prospects are that we shall have a good
gymnasium.

The Board of Regents have accepted
the Horr collection of birds and mam-
mals, spoken of in another column, and
Prof. Nutting expects to go to Dubuque,
Monday, to make arrangements for
bringing it here.

The ladies of the University will
please remember Horne is headquarters
for first-class goods at rock bottom
prices.

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for your friends. The holidays are ap-
proaching and you can find the largest
and finest assortment of useful and or-
namental articles in the city at Fink's
big store.

The game of foot-ball with Mt. Ver-
non could not be played to-day on ac-
count of several of our players being
from town. The game is still in the
shadowy future.

The results of the elections will cause
many a blithsome student to turn with
a melancholy countenance to his "inci-
dentals" column, and jot down how con-
fident he was that the wrong man would
get there.

One of our Freshmen is developing
alarming tendencies toward anarchism.
Let him reflect on the fate of his breth-
ren in Chicago, lest he too might be in-
vited to seek a warmer clime.

Prof. Nutting received a letter this
week with a special delivery stamp on it,
but he found it quietly lying in the post
office, awaiting his coming. Hurrah for
the special delivery system in Iowa
City.

Once more the sweet co-ed appears on
our streets, armed with those formidable
clubs which have caused many of the
more thoughtful and cautious of their
male friends to wonder if, in the future,
matrimony is going to be a perfectly
safe and profitable enterprise.

When you have a local, personal or
even a joke, if not too threadbare, don't
be selfish and keep it to yourself, but
hand it to one of the editors. They can't
always, out of two or three hundred,
strike the one man who knows some-
thing.

Miss Nellie E. Rawson visited in the
city Monday. She is chief of the cook-
ing school in connection with the
High School of Toledo, O., and is now
having a vacation of two weeks, which
she is spending at her home in Des
Moines.

T. Q. Records, at one time a member of
class '86, and who has been keeping
books for some time in the asylum for
feeble minded children at Glenwood,
spent last Saturday in the city, on his
way home to Illinois for a short vaca-
tion.

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The prices have been reduced for the
entertainment next Monday and Tues-
day evening's, at the opera house, to 50
cts., lower floor, 35cts. gallery. Reserv-
ed seats without extra charge. This re-
duction is an experiment, and it is hoped
there will be a large number out.

The gymnasium is open for the winter
at Ham's Hall, and hours have been ar-
ranged to accommodate all classes. No
student can afford to neglect this oppor-
tunity to build up a constitution, which
will be in keeping with his mental de-
velopment, and which will stay by him
in after life.

David W. Evans, of last year's class,
was in the city Saturday, Sunday and
Monday, visiting with his brother and
sister, and saluting his acquaintances.
He left Tuesday morning for his home,
where he expected to cast his vote for
good government, and take a rest of
three weeks, that being the length of
the Springdale Seminary's fall vacation.

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C. B. Whitcomb was a student in the
Law department here a few years ago.
He is now practicing his profession in
New Haven, Conn. We clip the follow-
ing from the *New Haven Register*: Na-
thaniel Sleeman, of Derby, has sued in
the superior court, Lewis Hotchkiss, of
the same place for \$90,000, alleging no
fulfillment of contracts on certain pat-
ents. C. B. Whitcomb and Judge Rufus
S. Pickett, of New Haven and James A.
Hudson and Rapheal J. Mask, Jr., of
New York, have been retained by Mr.
Sleeman. A suit for \$100,000 has also
been brought against New York parties.

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The gymnasium will be open as fol-
lows: For ladies, Mondays and Thurs-
days, from 4 to 6. For Freshmen, Tues-
days, from 7 to 9, Fridays, from 2 to 3.
For Seniors, Juniors and Sophomores on
Wednesday evening, from 7 to 9, and on
Saturday mornings from 9 to 10 o'clock.
Arrangements will soon be made to meet
students of the other departments.

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the *New York Independent* "and no trust-
worthy description of his appearance
has come down to us. It is remarkable
that the four evangelists should have
agreed in omitting just what every
other biographer or novelist is careful
to give. Nowhere have we a hint as to
his personal figure or as to a lineament
of his countenance. Some have guess-
ed that he was fairer than all the fair, and
others have presumed that his counte-
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to us his certain portrait, is not older
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The world moves. It probably finds it cheaper to move than to pay rent.

A Chicago man has applied for a patent for a bath tub. He seems to think it a new idea.

In the police court, the other day, a flushed female excitedly emerging from the door: "There, she told Judge Poyer I was a common street walker. I said I'd make her prove it, and, by glory, I did."

If people who mean to begin to read should read all the advice to readers about reading they wouldn't read anything else.

"Worthington made a convincing speech" said one young man to another. "Why do you think so?" "Well, when I went to hear him I had almost made up my mind to vote against him. When I came out I was certain of it."

It is said that a MeCook man has a nose so red that when he opens his eyes slowly in the morning he imagines he sees the sun rising.

The meanest church organist lives in Philadelphia. He is all bent with age, and the other day, at the wedding of an antique Philadelphia belle, whom he knew many years before, he astonished every body by playing a fantasia on the air, "When You and I Were Young."

A man in West Virginia reports having seen a snake forty feet long in the act of swallowing a sheep. It is believed that about two drinks more of the stuff would have enabled him to see a sheep forty feet long in the act of swallowing a snake.

A woman in Newayg county, this State, picked and sold enough blackberries this fall to buy her husband a fiddle and shotgun. She is only a sample of what we have left.

In Potter county, Pa., a slim youth was being married a few days ago to a stout, healthy country girl. The male was perfumed, wore frills in his shirt, had his hair curled, and presented such a feminine appearance that the clergyman said: "I don't want to make any mistake about this business, so which of you is the bride, anyhow?"

"Is any one waiting on you?" inquired the polite salesman of a Westville maiden. "Well, I can't hardly tell, she blushing replied. "Sometimes I think there is, and then again I ain't certain, but Will's so sort of funny, you know," and then she blushed again and asked to look at some lace collars.

A newspaper man in Minneapolis one day caught a young woman as she was falling in the street. They were introduced a few days later, and after marriage, which occurred in a few months, he learned that she was worth \$75,000 in cash. It is said that it is now impossible for a young lady to walk in the streets of Minneapolis without being followed by a dozen newspaper men and some of them are caught strewing the sidewalk with banana skins.

First Commercial Tourist (from Charleston)—Earthquakes have become so common in Charleston that no one notices them. Second Ditto (from San Francisco)—Yes, one soon grows accustomed to such things. In San Bernardino, for instance, you call for a sherry flip, and the bartender, having prepared the ingredients, waits for an earthquake to come along and shake 'em. Rural Passenger (much impressed)—Well, I swan!

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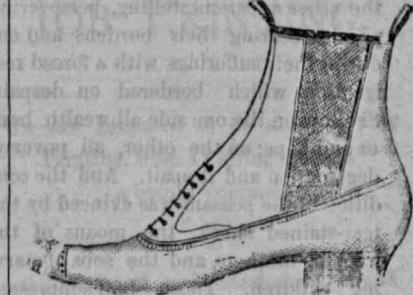
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Ambition is the great motor of human action. It warps and bends the acts of men. It chisels out the courses of nations. It guides the pen of the poet and directs the chisel of the sculptor. At its shrine the warrior kneels and lays his dearly won laurels. Here the statesman finds his inspiration to intrench himself within the circles of honor, integrity and truth. It makes the philosopher content with his rags, and cheers the scholar in his lonely toils. But it furnishes the destroyers as well as the benefactors of the world. It makes the grasping despot and the apostle of Liberty. It makes the champion of religious freedom, and the defender of superstition. It makes the world's Alexander III's, and her Gladstones. And in the confused struggling of humanity each one seeking to reach the top, each has his own distinct aim, his own individual ambition, which is the guiding star of all his actions. Rare, indeed, is it, that an ambition is more manifest, more obvious, more marked, than that which controlled in the career of Richelieu.

Richelieu lived at a critical age in the history of Europe, an age of political confusion, when European countries were crystallizing into their permanent form. France had not yet felt that religious pulse which throbbled through Europe, awakening the deepest interest in the minds of enlightened peoples. Civic and not religious questions were stirring her councils. The venomous hatred which directed the assassin's dagger to the heart of Henry IV, showed that the king was not supreme, that there was a power correlative with him, resident in the noble. Europe saw on one side a frivolous, licentious, and prejudiced, nobility, sapping the strength of France; on the other a patient, toiling, persevering people, bearing their burdens and enduring their sufferings with a forced resignation which bordered on despair. She saw on the one side all wealth, honor and hope; on the other, all poverty, degradation and despair. And the condition of the peasant was evinced by the tear-stained cheek, the moans of the weeping mothers, and the sobs of starving children. Those half-suppressed mutterings, the painful reluctance with which he paid his tithes, the studied deceit by which he tricked his oppressors, all told but too plainly of his degraded condition. The poor laboring man beheld the princely palace of the noble, then looked upon his own humble hut, and in vain he searched for a cause for this inequality. Long neglected grievances must be redressed, gross injustices were demanding attention, burning wrongs were crying for reform. It was in those troublesome times that Richelieu appeared on the stage of action and began that peerless career of diplomacy, which made Louis XIII "the first man in Europe and the second in France."

The humbling of Austria was the epitomy of his foreign policy. And Europe beheld the strange spectacle of Catholic France fighting the battles of Protestantism against Catholicism. But Richelieu did not see in this the injury to the church, but only the advantage to France. And every sweep of the great pendulum of Time found him one step nearer the goal of his ambition, still weaving his subtle plots for the advancement of France, still maintaining an equilibrium in the politics of Europe.

In his mind a mighty intellect and an iron will predominate over weak sensibilities. This accounts for that seemingly pitiless nature; that cold, hard, stern and relentless nature, which has led some to believe that pity was not an element of his character. But he has proven in his career that he could show compassion as well as severity, and his treatment of conquered Rochelle, and that of his foiled conspirators, will ever remain noble monuments to his mercy. Yet, these expressions of magnanimity were not prompted by benevolence. They did not spring from spontaneous from a generous nature. They originated in a marvelous selfishness and their source robs them of half their merit. Policy was his divinity. Before that he bowed and worshiped. At its dictate he could be unyielding or lenient, harsh or tender, cruel or kind, inexorable or indulgent. His whole career was the offspring of that principle which makes policy paramount to right, which knows no person but self, which recognizes no right that is not sanctioned by interest.

In Richelieu's character there is that delicate combination of qualities which testifies to genius. He never betrays a single doubt in his power, not a single fear of defeat, but through the most trying danger he is calm, cool, even stoically tranquil. His nature was primarily changeable, and it was this variability of characteristics which made him such a master of diplomacy. Now he displays the most elaborate care, now the most striking daring. Deceitful, or bound down by the adamant chains of the strictest veracity, resorting to the cunningest intrigue or the sincerest frankness, implacable or forgiving, he ever displays the consummate politician. Far-seeing, unerring, fearless, unscrupulous and impulsive, he harbored in his breast but one aim, a singleness of ambition, a unity of purpose, the honor and glory of France. His patriotism, peculiar as it was, commands our admiration at least. Well might he say:

"France! I love thee!

All earth shall never pluck thee from my heart.
My mistress France, my wedded wife,
Sweet France,
Who shall proclaim divorce for you and me!
Lo my eternal maxim—All things for France!"

For France! Ah, no. For Richelieu beheld France externally not internally. And "all things for France," meant with him simply her standing in Europe. He did not strengthen the country by building up her industries and developing her resources, and he failed to recog-

nize the true worth to national existence of a prosperous, free and contented people.

The most remarkable of Richelieu's peculiarities was a power of deep and fine analysis of character. His rarest quality was that searching penetration and keen insight into human character, which enabled him to read in their actions the intentions, aims and purposes of men. He had that peculiar gift, a most remarkable gift, by which he could divine the thoughts that were traversing the mind, the passions that were throbbing in the heart, the emotions which held sway in the breast. Every action, however trivial, betrayed to him some meaning, some hidden motive, some secret thought, beyond the reach of common mind. He saw in the expression, in the tone, in the very attitude the causes which prompted them. All this but told him upon whom he could rely, whom to watch, where to place his suspicion, where his confidence. He knew the effect of circumstances on every sort of nature, and just what arguments would prevail, what would persuade, what would compel. And, now we see him practicing the most artful flattery, now playing upon the weaknesses of men, now taking advantage of their most boasted powers.

Richelieu had lived for France, had labored for France; his greatest ideal had been a powerful and renowned France. Yet, he left it strong without, but weak within. He had thought nothing of trampling under foot the dearest liberties and the most precious privileges of the people. He had not lessened their taxes nor lightened their burdens. The laborer was induced to bear his sufferings, dazzled by the brilliant glory of his country. The poor peasant still plodded his weary way. The restless winds of complaint still wafted back to the court the mighty waves of discontent. But they heard it not. Until a century and a half later, those self-same waves broke against that mighty structure which Richelieu had built, and the absolute monarchy of France vanished into the invisible depths of the past. Had he loved freedom and liberty as he had loved France, a French revolution would never have crimsoned the pages of history. Had he labored to fortify freedom, as he had labored to establish despotism, his fame would have been secure under the benign protection of the Goddess of Liberty.

Backed by a record of such colossal achievements as his, the question arises, where then did Richelieu fail. Not in intellect surely, for what quality of intellect would you add? Can you condemn his will? In all that regards intellect and will, he was a complete character; psychologically, but two-thirds perfect. He needed keener sensibilities, that is where he lacked. He needed more of heart to restrain and temper and direct that mighty intelligence. He regarded everything too much from a political, rather than a religious standpoint. He was too much of a diplomat and not enough of a statesman. *Quantity* and not *quality* was his criterion of greatness. Had he displayed more of the huma-

and less of the politic, he might to-day bear the title of the "Apostle of Liberty" instead of that of the "Crafty Minister of France." No, Richelieu was not a true hero. He had some noble elements of greatness, some admirable qualities, but he lacked those nobler characters, which savor of the divine, generous sentiments, pure emotions, liberal thoughts.

Richelieu! Strange and solitary character, without a counterpart in all history, sublime in intellect and will, devoid of sensibilities, he is without a peer as a politician, without a claim as a statesman!

Wouldst know the whole?

Then scan the parts: for all

That moulds the great,

Lies mirrored in the small.

—Goethe.

A man whose opinions are not attacked is beneath contempt.—Holmes.

Believe me, the talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do, well.—Longfellow.

Trust a man to be good and true, and even if he is not, your trust will tend to make him such.—Max Müller.

In character, in manners, in style, in everything, the supreme excellence is simplicity.—Longfellow.

A teacher who can arouse a feeling for one single good action, for one single good poem, accomplishes more than he who fills our memory with rows on rows of natural objects, classified with name and form.—Goethe.

Consider what you have in the smallest chosen library. A company of the wisest and wittiest men that could be picked out of all civil countries, in a thousand years, have set in best order the results of their learning and wisdom. The men themselves were hid and inaccessible, solitary, impatient of interruptions, fenced in by etiquette; but the thought which they did not uncover to their bosom friend is here written out in transparent words to us, the strangers of another age.—Emerson.

Emerson explained to me his mode of composing. He said that usually after breakfast he went to walk in the woods in pursuit of a thought—very much as boys go out in summer to catch butterflies. He was not always successful, any more than the boys were. But when successful, no boy was ever happier with his butterfly than he was with his thought. Having captured his thought, he put a pin through it, and took it home and placed it in his collection. He explained that he made a note of his thought, but generally only in his mind; and that he kept what he called a "Thought Book," in which he entered each thought, having first worked it over and clothed it in fitting garb. Sometimes he would go again in the afternoon into the woods, find another thought which he would treat in the same manner. But this was exceptional. He was satisfied if he succeeded in securing one thought a day. The thoughts were entered one after another in the Thought Book, without regard to their connection. Whenever he wished

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to write an essay or a lecture he made free use of the Thought Book, selecting and adapting such thoughts as seemed fitting, and, stringing them together as a child strings beads on a thread. After this explanation I was at a loss to account for the mosaic character of much of his writing.—*Literary World.*

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Chas. Mackey, class of '85, is teaching in Bainville, Kansas.

P. D. Miller and W. J. Clare were welcome callers this week.

The "Spartans" are in a very flourishing condition regardless of all "exceptions."

The ladies' F. C. Society, which was reorganized last week, had their first rhetorical exercises yesterday afternoon. The following program was carried out:

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- Recitation, - Miss L. Kitteridge
- Select Reading, - Miss D. Massman
- Declamation, - Miss J. Ashby
- Essay, - Miss E. Davis

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On Friday evening, October 29th, the Academy halls were thrown open to the students; not, as usual, for the never ending routine of school work, but that they might come together and become better acquainted with each other. A sociable took the place of the regular Athenian program, and a sociable it was in the broadest sense of the word. During the evening mirth and merriment reigned supreme. Although the teachers were present they had not the words of admonition and reproof, but meekly looked on and said "amen." A short literary program had been prepared, and after its conclusion a feast was indulged in, which certainly did credit to the committee in charge. Immediately following this were the toasts. The rest of the evening was devoted to music and games of various sorts. The sociable was a grand success in every respect and much praise is due the Athenian Society for their management of the affair.

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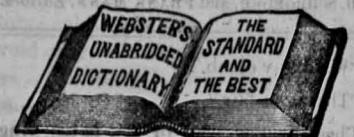
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