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CHANCELLOR HAMMOND was here the first of the week making arrangements for next year's work in the Law Department.

OUR thanks are due to the Opera House management for bringing to our city the famous Gilmore Band. Most of the students were present, and it is safe to say that not a single one regretted having gone.

We are disappointed in not receiving a report of Inter-State Oratorical Contest for this week's issue. We learn through the dailies that Knox College took first. We hope no one will try to get off any puns about this as we reserve all rights till after our next issue, when our readers may expect a full report.

MR. JONAS CLARK of Worcester, Mass., is now making arrangements for the organization of a University in that place to bear his name, and which he intends endowing with a munificent sum. It is to be modeled after the German universities, and its organization and progress will be watched with much interest.

We learn that there will be a meeting of the University Senate next Wednesday afternoon, to enable the professors of the various departments to become acquainted with our new President. He is expected to remain a week or more at in order to become acquainted with the school and its workings. The executive committee will be present at the meeting and also the members of Medical Faculties.

ONLY \$800,000 of the desired \$5,000,000 for the founding of the proposed American Catholic University has been raised as yet, but it has been decided to expend

this sum at once in founding what is intended to be a skeleton of the university that is to be when the entire amount shall have been raised. At first its work will be largely confined to the preparation for the priesthood of those who have already enjoyed the advantages of a college course. It is hoped that with this as a nucleus, other colleges will grow up around it, established by the individual endowment of wealthy Catholics.

THE Tilden Trust, for the founding and maintenance in New York City of a free library and reading room, is the largest fund ever set apart for such a purpose in the New World. With the income at their disposal the trustees have it in their power to establish a library that in the space of a few years ought to rank with the greatest libraries of the Old World. The feeling of uneasiness pervading Europe renders probable the sale of many inherited treasures, upon terms that such a fund as this could well afford to meet. The establishment in New York of such a library as this promises to be, will go far toward making this city the intellectual center as well as the commercial metropolis of the United States.

YESTERDAY'S papers reported the death of W. C. DePauw, of Albany, Indiana, the man in whose honor DePauw University, at Greencastle, Indiana bears its present name. This University was founded under another name by the Methodists a good many years ago, but had a very precarious existence until about five years ago, when Mr. DePauw came to its assistance and very liberally endowed it. It was then re-organized and christened DePauw University and has since been making very rapid progress. It is reported that his will provides for an additional endowment of \$1,500,000, which, if true, ought to place it in the very first rank of western Universities. The liberality of a few such men goes far toward justifying the amassing of great wealth. It would be a matter of interest if statistics could be collected showing the proportion of college endowment funds in our country that has been derived from such sources.

The Erodolphian Exhibition.

The audience at the Senate of year 2000 last Saturday night was large, quite filling the lower floor and thickly dotting the gallery, notwithstanding the increased admission fee of 20cts. The audience was also appreciative, expecting to be well entertained, and the close attention throughout the entire evening was evidence that they were not disappointed.

The program opened by a quartette by Misses Cox and Ross and Messrs. Morgan and Johnson, which was highly en-

joyed by all. The curtain rose upon the Senate at the opening of the third day's session. The members were seated in easy chairs with desks before them and hand-bags close beside. Each consulted her own fancy in devising a costume suited to the time, and from the result we might argue a greater diversity in the fashions of the future. One Senator went back to the old Roman Toga, several adopted a modified Elizabethan costume, one wore what might well pass for the maximum development of the high hat, another wore a stove-pipe hat and sported a cane which she flourished vigorously—alas, too vigorously, while another played the feminine Oscar Wilde with toilet articles close at hand and in almost constant use. Miss Evans was President of the Senate and Miss Shepherd Secretary. Roll call revealed the fact that the U. S. now embraced the entire Western Hemisphere with the capital at Iowa City. The minutes of previous session came bright and fresh from the new and wonderful Acoustic-Spasmic—Grapho—Wringophone, a simple looking instrument very much resembling an ordinary clothes-wringer. The bill for the admission of Alaska was then discussed, in a vigorous and spirited manner. Miss Pennock, Delegate from Alaska, urged its claims, painting in glowing colors its marvelous resources, wondrous growth, and ready access by aerial navigation. Her only fear was the opposition aroused by the "Anti-Gum-Chewing" clause in its constitution. Miss Paxton, Senator from Washington, bitterly opposed, ridiculed its climate and resources, denounced its women as tea-drinkers and gossips, and characterized its men as dandys who drank pop and wore bangs and knickerbockers. Miss Hattie Williams, Senator from Arkansas spoke briefly in favor of admission which was carried by a vote of 10 to 6.

Miss Lalor, Senator from Isle of Man, asked consideration of a "more important bill," one "to improve the weak and degenerate condition of man." The first clause of its preamble was "when in the course of human events a woman takes to herself a man to protect, govern, control and chastise!" Miss Lalor provoked frequent applause both by manner and matter, and did not forget that she was acting a part when she had ceased speaking. Miss Elliot, Senator from Ontario, represented an unmarried lady very desirous of changing her name, and of course bitterly opposed the bill. She yielded the floor to Maj. Gen. Perambulator, (Miss Cox,) who reported that the Mormons were preparing to bombard the city with oleomargarine bombs, and dynamite pistols. The Senator from Iowa, Miss Lloyd, was equal to the occasion, and promptly urged a vigorous prosecution of the war, declaring it their duty to protect their husbands, children

and homes. Miss Nellie Peery, Senator from Missouri, said that language could not overdraw the iniquities of the Mormons, and that no reconciliation was possible. Miss Harney, the aesthetic Senator from Tennessee, said that they were unprepared for war, that it was too dangerous, too barbarous and too expensive. Just here many Senators withdrew, leaving the Senate without a quorum, after which they adjourned for the day. This gave opportunity for a vocal solo, by Miss Pennock which was very nicely rendered and well received.

At the opening of the fourth day's session, Miss Lloyd again urged war in a vigorous and eloquent manner. She denounced the "ante-diluvian and fossiliferous" opinion that women could not fight, and urged that the women should free the slaves of the West as the men had those of the South. Miss Ella Graves, Senator from Connecticut, thought that nineteen Mormon women ought to be able to govern one man. Other short speeches followed, interrupted by the entrance of the Senator from the Isle of Man in great excitement, alas to great for the fragile (?) cane.

Miss Ross, Senator from Massachusetts, counseled moderate measures, spoke of Africa and America as the upholders of right and justice, and hoped to see the "sulfuric habit" overcome, as that of opium, alcohol and tobacco had been. The Delegate from Alaska hoped they would defer the matter until she could return from a visit to her husband, prostrate with an attack of nervous sick-headache. The Mormon question was accordingly laid upon the table, and the Senator from Wyoming, Miss Hanks, made her report as Chairman of the Committee on Patents. Among other recent inventions were the following: a telescope revealing the latest styles from the moon, a dish-washing machine, thought-reading eye-glasses, a criminal evaporator, and an automatic cook-stove.

Miss Johnson, Senator from New York, reported the expenditures of the Senate. These included \$20 a day for ice cream, and proportionate amounts for button-hole bouquets, French mirrors, black-bordered handkerchiefs on mourning occasions and 100 pairs of gloves to handle the divorce bill. The Senator from Missouri objected to the enumeration of these articles, and suggested they be classified "sundries." What promised to be a lively debate was cut short by the dinner bell, which caused an immediate adjournment without motion or other due process.

The program closed with music by the "Eero-Windo-Stringo Band," consisting of eleven ladies equipped with the most absurd and grotesque instruments that fancy could devise.

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Tuesday next the joint classes will commence a review of torts.

Prof. McClain is making a brief visit to Madison, Wis. Will return in a few days.

After hearing Gilmore, O. W. Wheeler was heard to say that he did not think that he was cut out to be a musician, and if he was he was cut out of poor material.

At common law, a wife's rights were merged in her husband. But it can not be done nowadays, says a man who ought to know.

Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast! was the word passed around Tuesday morning, when a number of the Laws had congregated on the campus, discussing the merits of Gilmore's Band.

Chancellor: "What is the highest degree of confidential relations in organized society?"

Noble Senior: "Between man and wife."

Chancellor: "Where there is no wife what then?"

Noble Senior: "Why—a man and his best girl."

Tuesday morning a New York *Weekly* man invaded the territory over which George has supreme jurisdiction, and gave the lovers of fiction a few sample copies of his paper. But George thought it would not add to the appearance of his territory to have papers strewn over it, and gave the gentleman a polite invitation to take his departure.

Rebecca J. Farley, of Dubuque, notifies the public in a card through the local press, that she "has changed her mind." She hired lawyers, complained to the neighbors, excited sympathetic witnesses to swear her William Henry was a brute and wild beast, recorded a complaint in the shape of divorce proceedings, that she wouldn't be Mrs. Farley—so she wouldn't—any more, and then with the change of moon "changed her mind." 'Twas ever thus with the gentle Rebeccas.—*Ex.*

"Owing to ill-health," says Bill Nye, "I will sell at my residence in town 29, range 18, west, according to government survey, one crushed-raspberry colored cow, aged six years. She is a good milk-er, and is not afraid of the cars—or anything else. She is a cow of undaunted courage and gives milk frequently. To a man who does not fear death in any form she would be a great boom. She is very much attached to her home at present, by means of a trace chain, but she will be sold to anyone who will agree to treat her right. She is one-fourth short-horn and three-fourths hyena. Purchaser need not be identified. I will also throw in a double-barreled shot-gun which goes with her. In May she generally goes away somewhere for a week or two, and returns with a tall, red calf with long, wabby legs. Her name is Rose, and I would prefer to sell her to a non-resident."

WAS THE LEGISLATURE JUSTIFIED IN INCREASING THE NUMBER OF DISTRICT JUDGES?

—Oskaloosa, Iowa, April 28.—Charles E. Emmons, of this city, was indicted by the grand jury of this county last January for burglary. He was tried at the last term of court before Judge Ryan; convicted and sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment in the Fort Madison penitentiary. His counsel obtained a writ of habeas corpus from Judge Seevers, of this city, a member of the Supreme Court, upon the ground that the conviction is void. The constitution of Iowa provides that "the district court shall consist of a single judge." The last general assembly of Iowa increased the number of judges in one of the districts from one to two, and in some cases to three judges, this district being one where three were provided for. Accordingly Judges Johnson, Ryan and Lewis were elected last fall, and began terms of service Jan. 1. As stated above, Seevers granted the writ of habeas corpus, but, it is understood, will not take the responsibility of deciding the questions presented, but will refer the matter to the full bench. A decision of the case will not be reached for some weeks. In the meantime Emmons remains in jail here. Should the position claimed by his counsel be upheld, the entire judiciary system of Iowa will be wiped out and every judgment rendered by the district courts of the entire State from Jan. 1st, will be invalid.—*Dubuque Telegraph.*

A lawyer in Cleveland, Ohio, was defending a very handsome young woman accused of stealing from a large, unoccupied dwelling in the night time; and thus he spoke in conclusion: Gentlemen of the jury. I have done, when I gaze with enraptured eyes on the matchless beauty of this peerless maiden on whose resplendant charms suspicion never dared to breathe. When I behold her radiant in this glorious bloom of luscious loveliness, which angelic sweetness might envy, but could not eclipse below, while the star on the brow of the night grows pale, and the diamonds of Brazil are dim, and then reflect on the utter madness and folly of supposing that such beauty and gentleness would expose itself to the terrors of an empty building, in the cold, damp, and dead of night, when innocence like hers is hiding itself amid the snowy pillows of repose—gentlemen of the jury, my feelings are too overpowering for expression, and I throw her into your arms for protection against this foul charge, which the outrageous malice of a disappointed scoundrel has invented to blast the fair name of this lovely maiden, whose smile shall be the reward of the verdict which I know you will give! Gentlemen! you may hang the ocean on a grapevine to dry, lasso an avalanche, pin a napkin to the mouth of a volcano, skim the clouds from the sky with a teaspoon, throw salt on the tail of our noble American eagle, whose sleepless eye ever watches over the welfare of the nation, paste "for rent" on the moon and stars—but never for a single moment delude yourselves with the idea that this charming girl is guilty of the charges here preferred against her." It need not

be said that the jury acquitted her without leaving their seats.

The world is full of mysteries. Our origin, the laws of our being, and our dependence upon God; the relations of mind to matter and of matter to mind; the existence of evil; the harmony of providence with free will, and the very processes of our feeling and thinking, are problems which, from the earliest ages, have exercised human ingenuity. Whence we came, and whither we go, and why we are here at all, are questions which puzzle as many minds now as they did when metaphysics first began to be discussed. Even in matters directly within the range of experience our curiosity is frequently baffled. Crimes are committed and the criminal remains undiscovered; matters are concealed where the deed is known; our most intimate friends have secrets which escape detection by us; and we walk through life, as it were, in a fog, seeing only the things that lie close around us. Hence has arisen the hope on the part of some that death will lift the veil that hides the truth, and that beyond the grave they will know all and understand all. This hope can never be realized, or fulfilled. Such as man is, when he dies such will he continue to be afterwards. Undoubtedly his clarified vision will perceive objects to which gross material eyes are insensible, and to that extent his intellect will be assisted. In one respect indeed, our ability to solve the problems of our existence is likely to be less in the next life than in this. The advance of natural science is here continually aiding us to comprehend the laws of the material universe, and thence by analogy those of unseen things. Hundreds of things which puzzled our ancestors are plain to us, and in the same way what are puzzles to us will be plain to posterity. The nature of the human mind itself forbids us to expect either here or elsewhere the revelation of all mysteries.

To know everything, and to comprehend everything, is not the lot of finite intelligence; it is the attribute of the power that put us in motion. Sages, who have spent long lives in study and research, and deservedly became esteemed as the wisest of mankind, have always been most ready to confess the meagerness of their acquirements. Learn as one may, there always is more just beyond. As fast as one height is gained, another rises before us, and an ever-receding goal mocks our efforts to attain it. So it is now, and so it has always been. The most that a man can do is to make himself supreme within his sphere, and age in which he lives, for the man of the next generation will have the benefits of his knowledge, and, with equal capabilities, press on into depths that were unpassable to him.—*Prof. B. L. Harvey.*

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The Zets elected H. A. Hollister June orator last night vice R. C. Craven, withdrawn from society.

Jack Gates and Drew Musser spent last Saturday and Sunday at the home of the latter in Muscatine.

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"Jakey" is responsible for the following: "If St. Louis girls are sweet may we call them them then Mo.lasses."

German got the bottles mixed and put chloroform in his eye and hence has been lying off somewhat for repairs.

O. R. Young, after a few days visit in the city left on Wednesday to put in a week or so in Durant and Davenport.

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Lost.—Two volumes of "History of Democracy in Europe." Please leave information of them at Republican office.

C. V. Manatt, LL. B. '86, now of Washington, is in town to-day. He reports a good practice and business in fine condition.

Carl Stutsman returned to work this week after an absence of several days at his home in Burlington on account of sickness.

A. E. Palmer, the Iowa College orator, stopped in the city Tuesday afternoon, and started for Bloomington with Craven in the evening.

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Quartermaster E. R. Nichols and Ordnance Officer E. R. Meek have accepted the offices of first and second lieutenants respectively, of special company.

A large gold pin was picked up in Irving Hall last night by an honest sophomore. The owner may learn its whereabouts from any of the V.-R. editors.

The dress parade yesterday passed off smoothly and well. The battalion in many respects, shows the good results which have arisen from its winter drill.

Powell Johnson went home Tuesday evening to take in the Gilmore concert. Why should he go home to hear the same concert which he had heard here? Query.

Noble received an invitation this morning to deliver the Master's Oration at the graduating exercises of Howe's Academy at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, the last of June.

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E. H. Sabin, class '86, spent Sunday in Iowa City. He is at present in a law office at Clinton, but intends to strike out for the west in a few weeks. "Elbie" has our best wishes for success in expounding Blackstone to the western natives.

Prof. Smith had a very severe cold this week and had to call upon some of the students to help her in class work Thursday and Friday. Stempel and Noble assisted in Early English, and Anthony and others, whose names we did not hear, in German.

Mr. J. L. Andrew, formerly of England, for five or six years a Liberal Lecturer in this country, will speak in the Unitarian church, to-morrow morning and evening. Subject of morning lecture, "Liberty and Law," for the evening, "Science and Religion."

The photographers are busy. Townsend is immortalizing the beauty of the Law and Clench of the Collegiate Seniors and with the scores of under-grads who are having the freshness of youth transferred to cardboard, the sweet-smelling negative is almost universal.

Prof. Booth and the six contestants are working hard for the Junior contest which is to take place in a few weeks. It has been announced that so nearly equal are the six in thought and style that everything will depend on delivery and the boys are getting down to work accordingly.

Stempel hands us a copy of "The Mikado," an amateur journal published in Davenport, of which he is one of the editors. The editorial staff assumes the *nom de plumes* of the characters in the "Mikado," Stempel appearing as Ko Ko. His contribution in the present number is entitled "Sweet and Low" and is well worth reading.

Prof. Crane has been in the city several days engaged in packing his goods. He has been out of bed but eight days, but is recovering from the effects of his paralytic shock very rapidly. He is very resolute and hopeful and everything points to a complete recovery within six or eight months.

The joint program of the Irvings and Erodolphians was a very successful one. Each member on the program was good. Miss Evans and Cloz orated, Miss Shepherd and King declaimed, Misses Pennock and Lloyd favored taxation of church property and Grimm and Pickett opposed. Johnson played a violin solo and Miss Pennock and Stutsman each gave a vocal solo.

The North Hall societies have negotiated with Mr. Scott for a new Chickering Parlor-Grand Piano, which is expected to arrive some time next week. They are talking of giving a benefit concert to initiate the new instrument. They are to pay \$450 and the old piano, which is certainly a very reasonable price for a standard instrument like the Chickering.

We are informed of the fact that there is a standing reward to be given to the person who discovers the identity of the horse-editor connected with this sheet. Many of our subscribers upon whom his alleged poetical efforts have been inflicted, are thirsting for his gore, being haunted by the terrible thought that at some time he will again attempt to perpetrate one of his effusions upon them. We desire to say right here that the horse-editor is backed by the muscle of the entire corps, and he is moreover a crack-shot with the Gatlin gun, which we keep for emergencies. Those who wish to interview him will do us a favor by stating beforehand their preference as to the disposition of their remains.

The following will appear in to-night's *Republican*. We stole a march on them this time and got first use of it, but don't tell anybody.

A joint programme of the Erodolphian and Irving literary societies drew a large audience to their hall last evening, and right well were our citizens repaid for their attendance. After a well rendered vocal solo by Miss Pennock, Mr. Jacob Cloz, delivered the salutatory oration on, "Our National Poetry." Mr. Cloz's oration was original and filled with good thoughts. It was received warmly by the audience. Next came a sparkling declamation by Miss Shepherd. The question for debate was: "Resolved that church property should be taxed." The affirmative was taken by Misses Pennock and Lloyd, of the Erodolphian Society, and the negative by Messrs Grimm and Pickett, of Irving Institute.

Each debater showed good preparation and acquitted themselves in a way evidently pleasing to the audience. The Judges gave the decision in favor of the negative. The next number on the programme was an exquisitely rendered violin solo by Mr. D. P. Johnson. This was followed by one of Senior King's, inimitable declamations. Miss Evans, delivered the valedictory oration upon "Nature and Strikes" which was good in thought and style and the effect of which was greatly heightened by her earnest and forcible delivery. The last number on the programme was a vocal solo by Mr. W. H. Stutsman, his deep bass voice filled the hall with melody. Thus ended one of the most successful programmes of the year. In another week Irving Hall will have secured their Chickering Grand piano and then the Irvings and Erodolphians will entertain their friends more delightfully than ever.

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The National Educational Association will hold its annual meeting at Chicago, in July next, and will be attended by many of the prominent educators from all parts of the country. Pres. Pickard and Prof. McBride of the S. U. I. will take part in its proceedings, the former speaking on "The Educational Influence and Results of the Ordinance of 1787."

The base ball team took the eight o'clock train for Grinnell accompanied by Warner as umpire and Clarkson, Anderson, Davis and Dickenson as spectators and sports. With the exception of centre field where E. C. Nichols takes Cobb's place, the nine will occupy its regular positions, with Orelup in the box and Blake behind the chest protector. We confidently expect "our boys" to get there, for the team is a good one. It will probably play Cornell next Saturday, and a number of the enthusiasts have signified their intention to back up the S. U. I.

Bows and scraps of the old-gold ribbon are now the common adornment of S. U. I. youth and maid and the "ever-busted"

senior who is unable to steal or borrow old-gold is feign to bedeck himself in faded yellow and then to use his powers of argument in persuading others that he is right on top of the style. Another scheme is, we understand, to so enthrall the above mentioned maid that she will hasten to manufacture a huge old-gold banner, under which the S. U. I. ball team may rally and "crack their cheeks" and charm the country collegians with the musical yell: "S. U. I., S. U. I., giddy giddy Uni, S. U. I."

WANTED.

Correspondence with a gentleman of good moral character, must be good looking and well educated, (don't have to be rich) by a young lady who has lately moved to Iowa City; she is a graduate from one of the finest schools in the east, a handsome blonde of medium height, with a fortune of \$40,000 well invested; *object matrimony*, with only this one condition, the accepted one must buy the wedding suit, trunk and whole outfit of Sawyer, the clothier, as she is satisfied he keeps the most stylish, and best fitting clothing in Iowa City.

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FACTS BRIEFLY STATED.

M. M. Williams, a grocer of Indianapolis, has failed. Liabilities, \$15,000.

New York and Elgin capitalists are about to erect milk-condensing works at Dundee, Ill., costing \$100,000.

The bill exempting old soldiers from poll tax or road labor was rejected Thursday in the Illinois House.

August Bielfield, son of the late Henry Bielfield, committed suicide at Milwaukee on Thursday by taking poison.

F. M. White, for fifteen years president of the Mississippi & Tennessee railroad at Memphis, Tenn., died on Thursday.

Secretary Whitney has decided to order the repair of the United States steamer Hartford, now at Mare Island, Cal.

Dubuque (Ia.) ball-players have formed a club, and will join the Northwestern League when an opportunity offers.

Large quantities of sulphur water was struck in gas well No. 2 at Huntington, Ind., at twenty feet in Trenton Rock.

The London Standard, Conservative, condemns the course of the Government as to the Times and its attacks on Mr. Dillon.

The Chatteroi railroad, running from Richardson to Ashland, Ky., was sold under foreclosure Thursday for \$780,000.

Rev. J. B. Wootard, the oldest Methodist Episcopal minister in Southern Illinois, died at Greenville Thursday, aged eighty-two.

J. H. Maddock, who was one of the noted witnesses from Louisiana in the electoral count investigation, died in Alexandria, Va., on Thursday.

Nine tenement houses at Allegheny City, Pa., were destroyed by fire early Friday morning, rendering sixty persons homeless. No insurance.

Adolph Rassinier, the largest importer of wines and liquors in Louisville, Ky., failed on Thursday. Liabilities, \$15,000; assets about the same.

The net earnings of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad during the past year were \$8,028,040, an increase over the preceding year of \$113,968.

It is rumored that the Paris exposition, announced for next year, will be postponed until 1890, in order to dissociate it from revolutionary memoirs.

L. B. Cook's barn at La Salle, Ill., containing sixteen horses and mules, was destroyed Thursday morning, involving a loss of \$4,000, with no insurance.

Edgar Boulingny, a member of one of the oldest and best known Creole families of New Orleans, was shot and killed by an El Paso, (Tex.) barber on Thursday.

Allegations that the convicts in the "camp" at Coal Hill, Ark., are overworked, underfed and brutally whipped without cause are undergoing investigation.

A tract of ninety acres, situated a little southwest of Wyandotte, Kan., was sold on Thursday to a syndicate of Kansas City capitalists for \$450,000, or \$5,000 an acre.

The fire underwriters of Boston on Thursday voluntarily reduced the rates of insurance on the millions of dollars' worth of property contained in the business portion of Boston.

Michael Munley and Malachi Lenahan, miners employed at the Enterprise mine in Wilkesbarre, Pa., were crushed Thursday—Munley to death and Lenahan dangerously—by a fall of several tons of coal.

A lot 128x114 feet, at Chestnut and Seventh streets, St. Louis, has been purchased by Jay Gould, who will build upon it a nine-story structure, to be used as headquarters of the Missouri Pacific system.

H. Streicher, the jewelry salesman arrested at Pittsburgh on Wednesday as a suspicious character, was released on a telegram from Chicago which contained the information that Streicher has all right.

Cattle are very cheap, and extra heavy beeves have been sold at the Chicago Stock Yards this week at just what they cost as "feeders" nearly a year ago. Cattle from the Texas ranges are coming forward more freely.

NOTES OF THE DAY.

William Gardner, of Illinois, chief clerk of the National Bureau of Education, has resigned.

Copious, much-needed rains are reported in the Southwest, including the drought afflicted portions of Texas.

President Garfield's widow will attend the ceremonies when her husband's statue is unveiled on the 12th inst.

Thirty-five thousand dollars have been subscribed toward the erection of a Victoria jubilee hospital in Dublin.

A dog show opened at Madison Square Garden, New York, Tuesday, nearly one thousand animals being on exhibition.

An assignment was made Tuesday by A. & H. Straus, furniture dealers at Cincinnati. Liabilities, \$50,000; assets, \$40,000.

The St. Mary's roller mills and the opera-house at St. Mary's, Kan., burned Monday night. Loss estimated at \$30,000.

The 103d annual convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the diocese of Pennsylvania met at Philadelphia Tuesday.

The safe in the Hotel Hays, at Warsaw, Ind., was robbed Monday night of \$2,000, and the night clerk, William Virns, is missing.

Some mysterious and contrite boodler anonymously returned to Commissioner Nelson \$1,000 which had been stolen from Cook County, Ill.

Recent incendiary fires at Galesburg, Ill., have been traced to a little four-year-old boy, who appeared to have a natural mania for arson.

Jay Gould is reported to be purchasing, through agents, large tracts of land in Arkansas along the route of a railroad he proposes to build.

The assets of Goodrich & Wegner, wholesale grocers of Milwaukee, Wis., who assigned a month ago, are \$168,979, and the liabilities \$156,225.

Two men were instantly killed at Glencoe, north of Chicago, Tuesday afternoon, by the explosion of the boiler of an engine used in wood-sawing.

The body of Rossini was reburied at Florence Tuesday with imposing ceremonies. Over one hundred societies followed the funeral car to the grave.

The Inter-State Commerce Commissioners are said to be convinced that it will not be safe to make any exceptions in the long and short haul clause of the law.

There is a project on foot among Chicago lumbermen to buy up large tracts of Southern yellow pine forests. Prices are low, and it is regarded a good time to purchase.

The Buffalo (N. Y.) brewers propose to organize a union and advance the price of beer to retailers ten per cent. on account of increased wages and cost of materials caused by the Inter-State law.

R. Hermann & Co., manufacturers of jersey and knit goods, New York, have failed, and the sheriff is in possession. The liabilities are estimated at about \$50,000 and the assets at about the same.

The experts appointed by the court to ascertain the amount of assets and liabilities of the insolvent firm of John and James Hunter, Philadelphia, have had returned to them \$300,000 of outstanding paper.

The printing establishment of Collier & Cleveland, State printers, was damaged at Denver, Col., \$20,000 by fire Tuesday morning; fully insured. A large amount of State Department printing was burned.

The coffee importers of Chicago do not place any credence on the rumor that a coffee famine will take place this year, but say the short crop will have a tendency to increase prices until the consumption is materially checked.

The employes of the coke-works in the Connellsville district of Pennsylvania, 12,000 in number, are out on a strike for an advance of 12 1/2 per cent. in their wages. A protracted struggle between the employers and employes is anticipated.

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LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

GOETHE.

BY FRED A. NYE.

Advancing nations are ever watchful for the appearance of master intellects among their people, for men who can withstand the various changes of time without sinking into oblivion, are comparatively few. In Germany among this few, yes near, very near the summit of mortal's attainments, is to be found the name of Goethe.

Over a century ago, in the town of Frankfort, on the Maine, was born a child who was destined to become the greatest genius Germany ever produced. He was not born of noble parentage, but endowed with a father's exactness and thirst for knowledge, combined with a mother's love of the true and the beautiful. As a child he was the delight of children, as a poet the most favored and loved. His active mind began to be productive early in life. The busy streets of Frankfort were a source of much influence, and it may be said he was a creature of circumstances; but a mind less alive with curiosity would have seen nothing worthy of special attention. Who can say Goethe would have been less productive had he been reared in some country village where quietude and the development of nature are the most noticeable features. His boyhood days might have gathered knowledge of an entirely different character, but the inborn aptitude would have manifested itself ere the time of his existence had been spent. The "Seven Year's War" with its terrible destruction, waged by the greatest General of his time, was food to the young poet's mind. Every victory that the great General achieved made the boy more enthusiastic for the hero's cause. These incidents of warfare, together with theatrical scenes, furnished much to work upon, after boyish pranks had given place to manlier thoughts. The father determined that jurisprudence should be his son's chief study at college; but the son's thirsting and impressible nature demanded something more congenial and quickening than the dry statements of law. To supply this deficiency and satisfy his desire, he sought society where he heard Buffon and Linneus mentioned with much admiration. Who could foretell the result of this early training? Who could guess that this youth, whose passions of admiration met many a response from fair maidens and accomplished women, was to be the future Goethe?

Each day provided materials which found expression in German, French and English verses. How thankful should Germany, aye, all posterity be that this youth did not attempt to bind himself down to a work wholly repugnant to his natural inclinations?

The example of this, the most illustrious benefactor of Germany, was to occupy a place never yet occupied by its equal. Jurisprudence was doomed never to become a potent force for immediate and active use. At this time the seed

for the tragedy "Götz," was sown. Its advent brought success to crown the efforts of the author, who had but entered the field for public criticism. Hitherto German literature had been looked upon as gradually declining. Now its poetic worth was discovered. Chivalry with all its splendor ascended toward its utmost elevation. The flow of dramas and romances that followed was great, the effect marvelous. The tide of prosperity was running high when the volatile nature of the poet became restive. The Duke, Charles Augustus, offered him companionship and a place in the village of Weimar. In this new home a season of unmingled pleasure was experienced, in which society worshiped the poet as though he were superhuman. While his remarkable intelligence and mental capacity raised this village from insignificance to the centre of intellectual culture. In the council chamber his voice was listened to with the greatest of favor. Because he for a time "sacrificed his genius to the court," could reproach be entered against him? To say that this period of the poet's life was unproductive, is a false statement. Science had been treated somewhat abstractly, now it was taken up with renewed zeal. Physics, anatomy and optics received unusual attention, and crude ideas gave way to more perfect opinions. Art had always received much admiration, but there was a lack of talent. The journey to Italy resulted in awakening latent powers, in making imaginations more real and representations more magical. Inspiration ruled the master mind, while it poured forth its productions to the honor of himself and Fatherland.

From this time "the poet's writings are in literature what the works of Raphael and Michael Angelo are in painting and sculpture." That loyalty can be manifested in different ways is an unquestioned fact. To lend the poet's patriotism to a height that mortal man has never yet attained, would honor him more than he himself would ask. Let praise be given him who is worthy! Let reward be bestowed upon him who merits it! Goethe was a patriot! But where was the nation? Napoleon stood at the door ready to devour whomsoever ventured without. The poet looked on in despair, and in conversation with Soret, said—"We have no country of which we could decidedly say, here is Germany! If we inquire in Vienna, the answer is, this is Austria! and if in Berlin, the answer is, this is Prussia! What could he do, one who had not inherited a belligerent disposition? Had these circumstances occurred during his youth, undoubtedly enthusiasm for victory would have urged him on to active service; but age was upon him; time had wrought her many changes. The spirit of aspiration lay in a different direction. The day for summing up life's work was at hand. The result of his success upon the minds of the people depended on his final efforts. The rounding of corners in poetic works, the smoothing of rough places in scientific researches could not be accomplished on the field of battle.

Goethe's creation of a new science made him a teacher of modern scientists.

His revelations in anatomy have received universal respect. There are two ways leading to the shining goal; one poetic, the other scientific. The one more natural, yet both were traversed with equal vigilance. This was the course of him whom the world has acknowledged as Germany's greatest poet, whose capabilities are doubly manifested, in that he gained a reputation as a scientist as well as a poet. Whatever he undertook was thoroughly and earnestly analyzed till every hidden secret was revealed. What chanced to respond to magnet sensibilities was carried on to lasting success. What proved to be repugnant soon yielded to more profitable pursuits. When the succeeding generations became familiar with his productions, could they call him other than "a real philanthropist?"

May the time never come when men will judge of a past hero by other's ideas, rather than by the study of his achievements. The poet may have had faults that will be waisted hither and yon as long as people exist. Who in all this world has ever been found faultless? Let him be duly recompensed whose thoughts have touched the very center of humanity's soul; whose extended culture has impressed the world with the fact that enduring eminence is only gained by constant striving. Nothing came from his pen without a purpose. Whether one or another of his writings better fulfilled that purpose remains undecided. Probably his most striking characteristic was the unity of endeavor to acquire greater perfection in forms of thought and expression. That he succeeded is not to be denied. That he accomplished more for his country than any "Warrior Bold" can ever hope to accomplish, is generally conceded. Germany was justly proud of her "intellectual giant," whose profound knowledge of life and individual character, place his works among the first ever produced. Goethe's thoughts still live. They are vibrating through the intellectual atmosphere of every country, and this is his monument, built by his own efforts; one more benefiting and enduring than any superstructure, for its epitaph is written in the hearts of his people.

AN IOWA MUSK OX.

(The following interesting article appeared in the *Press* of two week ago and as it concerns a matter of great interest to all scientists, and is of especial interest to us since the specimens to which it refers now belong to our museum, we gladly publish it in our columns. To any who may have seen the article in the *Press*, Prof. Nutting desires to make one correction, viz: that the article was not written by him, but by Prof. Calvin. It is also worthy of remark that this skull of the Musk Ox is probably the most complete that is known to the scientific world.)

The University cabinet is indebted to Mr. John Keller, of Council Bluffs, and Chancellor Ross, of Iowa City, for parts of the skeleton of an extinct animal related to the Musk Ox. The bones found comprise the larger part of the cranium with horn cores attached, part of the up-

per jaw having well-worn molars still in place; about half of the lower jaw, the atlas or first bone of the spinal column, one femur or thigh bone, together with a number of other bones in a condition more or less fragmentary; the whole constituting an addition to our museum collections of very great scientific interest and value.

The specimens were exposed in making excavations on the lot of Mr. Keller in Council Bluffs, while work was progressing at a point about 12 feet below the natural surface and 130 feet above low water in the Missouri River. The region about Council Bluffs, including the lot on which the bones were found, is occupied by a peculiar geological formation which has been called the *Bluff Deposit* by Dr. White, but which is known generally among geologists as the *Loess*. Speaking geologically, this Loess is a deposit of very recent origin. Nothing is plainer than that it was laid down under circumstances very different from those prevailing to-day in the regions where it occurs. Just what those circumstances were, however, was, some years ago, a matter of sharp controversy among students of geological science. Much light is thrown on the problem by such discoveries as that herein recorded.

The modern Musk Ox lives within the Arctic circle. Its habits and organization adapt it to the climatic and other conditions that obtain in the extreme northern part of the western continent. When, however, Musk Oxen lived in Iowa, when the Loess deposit was accumulating, as we now know it did, in icy lakes with glacier-covered margins, Arctic conditions prevailed even in this latitude. The extinct Musk Ox, the Hairy Elephant and other Arctic species struggled even here with a climate and other surroundings as rigorous and uninviting as those of modern Prince Edwards Land or northern Alaska. It may be interesting to recall the facts that while Iowa was occupied by the species represented by the Council Bluffs specimens, a Musk Ox identical with the species now found in northern North America, lived apparently under congenial conditions in the valleys of southern France.

As to the zoological relationships of the Council Bluffs species, little need be said. We have called the old-fashioned animal inhabiting northern North America the *Musk Ox*, but in many works of excellent authority, the same animal figures as the *Musk Sheep*. The fact is, however, that the creature is neither ox nor sheep, but an intermediate form combining some of the characteristics of both. The men who are responsible for the jaw breaking names applied to animals in standard works on natural history call the sheep *Ovis* and the ox *Bos*, names appropriate enough and unusually reasonable as to length,—but neither of these could be applied with any propriety when the Musk Ox was presented for scientific christening. The resemblance to both sheep and ox were recognized and a happy compromise was reached by calling it *Ovibos*, *Ovibos moschatus*—the musky sheep-ox—is its full scientific name.

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