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We are pleased to direct the attention of our readers to an article by Prof. M. B. Anderson on our literary page, in which he considers the importance of the study of English, and then gives an outline of the work done in his department in the University. This is the second instance this year in which a member of our faculty point out to us the aim and ideals of their particular department. More will follow. Students are eager to feel and see that their leaders are deeply interested in all their work. They like to understand the ways, means and purposes of the conquests in which they are engaged. The history and present status of any branch of study is always interesting. Students are too often ignorant of these. Things which seem of little importance to maturer minds are highly interesting to beginners. We can of course, read about these things in foreign journals, and professors can present their views in the class-room, but to see them materialized on the generous pages of our own college journal inspires us with peculiar interest in our labors, confidence in our superiors and pride in our alma mater. The magnitude of our undertakings, the worth of achievement and the difficulties of attainment being known, we nerve ourselves to greater endeavors.

## Constitution of the Oratorical Association of the State University.

The following is the constitution of the Oratorical Association as it now stands. The old constitution has been so much amended that we publish it with the amendments incorporated into their respective places.

ART. I. This organization shall be known as the Oratorical Association of the State University of Iowa, and shall consist of the members of Irving; Erodolphian, Zetagathian and Hesperian societies, and such other persons, belonging to the academic department of the University, as shall become members of this Association as prescribed by the constitution.

ART. II. The object of this Association shall be to hold an annual contest in oratory, at such times and places as shall be agreed upon by the Association.

ART. III. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall together constitute the Executive Committee. The President and Treasurer shall be elected from one hall, the Vice-President and Secretary from the other; the order this year to be Erodolphian, President; Hheperian, Vice-President; Zetagathian, Secretary; and Irvings, Treasurer. These offices shall be held by each society in regular rotation.

ART. IV. Sec. 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association, and see that all the provisions and requirements of the constitution are faithfully carried out; shall call a meeting of the Association on the written request of five members, which meetings shall be considered regular meetings, provided that ample public announcement has been made of the same; and shall fix a date for the first regular meeting in October.

Sec. 2. The Vice-President shall perform the duties usually pertaining to that office.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall carry on the correspondence of the Association; keep a correct record of the proceedings of all meetings; notify all judges immediately after their appointment; and shall file a copy of the orations delivered.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall perform the duties usually pertaining to that office.

ART. V. The Executive Committee shall make all arrangements for the contests and shall take charge of all the interests of the Association when it is not in session.

ART. VI. Three persons shall be chosen each year, by the contestants, to act as judges of the literary contest of that year; and also one person to act as

referee. They shall not be in any way connected with the University as instructors, and shall, if convenient, be non-residents of Iowa City; and must be chosen at least three weeks before the home contest.

Sec. 2. Any of these judges may be removed upon a protest of a majority of those contesting. If action be taken after the six speakers have been announced, the markings of the deposed judge on thought and style shall remain, and the new judge mark on delivery alone.

Sec. 3. If any of the judges be unable to appear, the Executive Committee shall provide a substitute.

Sec. 4. The judges shall deliver their markings on thought and style at least one week before the contest, and those six orations ranking highest shall be delivered at the final contest.

Sec. 5. Each judge shall, without consultation, decide upon the merits of thought, composition and delivery of each oration, marking each of these particulars on a scale of 100; markings on thought and style to be made before the oration is delivered.

Sec. 6. At the close of the contest the President and Secretary shall receive the markings of each judge for each contestant. The oration graded highest by two judges shall be awarded first prize; in case no oration shall be graded highest by two judges, the orator having the highest general average of the three judges shall be awarded first prize. The position of each speaker shall be decided in like manner; and the judges markings shall be published in the succeeding issue of the VIDETTE-REPORTER.

Sec. 7. In case any speaker shall by any reason be unable to appear, his place shall be taken by the person ranking next below the sixth speaker. In case of a tie for sixth place, both contestants shall be entitled to speak.

Sec. 8. The duty of the referee shall be to mark the grade of each contestant, and if called upon, to present his markings only upon those between whom the decision rests, and his markings shall only be published in such cases.

ART. VII. Sec. 1. At least two weeks before the contest, each contestant shall hand five copies of his oration to the President, to be delivered by him to each judge separately.

Sec. 2. The orations shall be set in long primer type, if possible, the body of each page being four inches wide and six inches long, with a margin of one and one-half inches in width, and shall contain not to exceed two thousand words by actual count. All orations shall be printed on a good quality of book-paper. No oration shall bear the name or any other indications of its author.

Sec. 3. Each of the six speakers, as soon as these are made known, shall

hand to the President, five copies of his oration to be handed by him to each of the other speakers.

Sec. 4. The order of appearing on the program shall be decided by lot among the speakers themselves.

ART. VIII. The first prize at these contests shall be the honor of representing the University as her orator and a delegate at the State Contest. The second prize shall be to represent the University as chairman of the delegation to the State Contest. The third prize shall be to represent the University at the State Contest as a delegate.

ART. IX. The Association shall pay the expenses of her orator and delegates and also of such judges as may be chosen from outside the city.

ART. X. All expenses or dividends shall be apportioned *pro rata* among the several societies. Members not belonging to a society shall be assessed *pro rata*. Any society or member in arrears to the Association shall not be entitled to participate in the meetings or contests of the Association.

ART. XI. The first annual session shall be called by the President, in October, at which time the annual election of officers shall take place, or as soon thereafter as is convenient.

ART. XII. Every contestant must comply with all the requirements of this constitution. The speaker awarded first honors shall comply with all the requirements of the state constitution.

ART. XIII. Charges of plagiarism shall be submitted to the Executive Committee, and if deemed sufficient shall be laid by them before the President of the University, together with the alleged proofs; and at the same time the alleged plagiarist shall be notified of such action. He may submit his reply to the President of the University. If the charges be sustained by the President, he shall be debarred from further participation in the privileges of this Association. If action be taken before home contest, his place shall be taken by the person ranking next after the sixth man; if after, by the person ranking next him in all particulars.

ART. XIV. Any student connected with the Collegiate Department of the University, not a member of one of the literary societies, may become a member of this Association, upon the payment of one dollar as initiation fee, and such dues and assessments of the Association as be thereafter levied.

ART. XV. All meetings of this Association shall be governed by "Robert's Rules of Order."

ART. XVI. This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Association, by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

ART. XVII. Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum.

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## LITERARY DEPARTMENT

## The Revised Course in English.

BY MELVILLE B. ANDERSON.

Franklin Carter the President of Williams College, said in his address last winter before the Modern Language Association: "It should never be forgotten that the use of one's native language is the ultimate test of that union of culture and power that marks an educated man."

Another eminent educator, President Eliot of Harvard College, has made a still more emphatic statement to the same effect, which has been widely quoted. In fact, the time seems to be past when any person competent to speak upon such matters seriously denies that the study of the English Language, and the literature that gives dignity and glory to it, is equal in importance to any other subject taught in the college or university curriculum. One of the chief reasons that have always been advanced for the study of Latin and of Greek, is that the knowledge of these tongues gives one a better command and comprehension of English. Strange that those who commended the study of other languages for the sake of English, should so long have neglected the study of English itself! But the times of this ignorance are no longer winked at; English studies are coming to be regarded as something more than ornamental branches suitable to young ladies' boarding schools; and colleges are so rapidly increasing their requirements in this direction that the time seems not far distant when the study of the language of Shakspeare and of Burke will be pursued with as great zeal and precision as the study of the languages of Horace and Homer. A majority of the distinguished scholars in English are, I believe, still Germans, but many energetic Englishmen and Americans are now in the field, and in several of our colleges the English department is presided over by a scholar of more than national reputation. In the comparatively few places where English studies have been placed upon a footing of complete equality with other studies, they have abundantly approved themselves as not merely interesting and instructive but highly disciplinary as well. In such places the notion is no longer prevalent that a man must study a foreign language for the sake of discipline and his own for the sake of literary taste and style. It is unnecessary to say that no damaging reflection is intended upon the liberalising study of foreign languages; but it is important now to emphasize the fact that those who, having tested the matter, are best entitled to judge, are unanimous in asserting that English studies, in addition to their other enormous claims upon us, have a very high disciplinary value. But as less has yet been done to render English available for educational purposes than has been done for the ancient classics, and as methods of study are still in the rough, much more depends upon the energy, tact, and patience of the teacher

and at least as much upon the earnestness of the student. There is in the study of English literature no alchemy potent enough to transform listless youths into men of letters.

I cannot here dwell longer upon the merits of English studies. The subject is one to which I hope to return. The authorities of this university have wisely seen fit to somewhat increase the range of the instruction in English, and it is hoped that what is now done is but a beginning. The special aim of this article is to indicate the nature and scope of the courses now offered. For convenience of reference I will number my paragraphs.

I. Of the Freshman class weekly exercises in composition are required. These exercises are of a practical nature and are intended to make up, as far as possible, for the numerous deficiencies in the preparatory training in English.

II. *Fall Term.* Minto's careful analyses of the styles of Macaulay, DeQuincey and Carlyle, are studied, and practical application is made of the principles learned to the text of the authors. This is a course in applied rhetoric—the laboratory method in literature—the aim being to familiarise the student with the mechanism of prose writing, to show him the varieties that may exist in good prose, and to give him something more than a cursory acquaintance with the works and the characters of these great masters of style. It is hoped that this course will react favorably upon the student's own methods of expression. This is the only English study, the work in composition and elocution always excepted, which is "protected" or required.

III. *Winter Term.* The Sophomores will study two or three of the orations of our greatest master of political and social wisdom, Edmund Burke. There will be a closer application of the methods of Minto, particular attention being given to general outlines of thought and to the art of argumentation.

IV. *Spring Term.* Lounsbury's "History of the English Language." As giving a sound elementary knowledge of the origins of our tongue and of the general principles of linguistic development, and as tending to correct erroneous notions of English grammar, this course is especially commended to those who expect to become teachers.

V. *Fall Term.* In Hales's "Longer English Poems" the Juniors study the texts of several of our chief poets from Spenser and Milton to Wordsworth and Shelley. Some attention will be given to the epochs of our literary history.

VI. *Winter Term.* Shakspeare Seminary. One or more of the plays will be read and analysed, critically and philologically. Once or twice a week an essay will be read by a member of the class upon a play which he has studied carefully and which all members will be expected to have read for the occasion. This essay will be criticised and the subject freely discussed by class and teacher.

VII. *Spring Term.* Anglo-Saxon and Early English. This study illustrates the English language on one side as does Latin on the other, and its value in the

way of linguistic discipline is similar to that of the Latin. For a sound knowledge of our language we must go back to its origins.

VIII. *Fall Term.* The study of Early and Middle English is continued and Chaucer's masterpiece, the Canterbury Tales, is studied by the seminary method.

IX. X. *Winter and Spring Terms.* The advanced student is now prepared for the philosophic and critical study of the History of English and American Literature. Special attention will be given to the rise of the drama and to the development of the modern novel. Text books will be supplemented by lectures and a broad range of independent reading will be encouraged.

Finally it is to be borne in mind that the writing of themes and orations is required throughout the course. Credits will be allowed for carefully prepared essays on subjects assigned by the several professors. The foregoing course of study is as yet tentative and may appear in a somewhat modified form in the next university catalogue.

## Our Senior Again.

When last heard from, our Senior, whom we introduced some time ago, was monopolizing the conversation in the following manner:

We all desire to be missionaries in a certain sense. Whatever our creeds or opinions, we love to make converts to our views; we want fellowship in the minds of others. No doubt this is a good tendency of human mind, but it also has its evils, evidently. For if by this inherent tendency, good is propagated by those who cherish true and noble thoughts, those who entertain the contrary, strive with perhaps equal zeal to impose their ideas.

What wrongs, sufferings and even horrors might we not ascribe to this desire to communicate our thoughts to others? How great is the blessing—our present possession—the liberty of the press, and of speech, secured through the intercourse of minds, generous distribution of knowledge, the establishment of truths and "the greatest of these," the more than human gift of charity! Do we realize that all this has become possible through education?

Education! Do we weary sometimes and think this all of no avail? Perhaps so, for into all our days, "some rain" will and "must fall." Yet the glorious sunlight of knowledge should also at times overwhelm us with its dazzling radiance and elate us with its more than earthly inspiration. Education! To communicate with magnanimity if we so choose; to read the revelations that are capable of making us supremely happy; to grow greater than our own selves; to absorb and assimilate the thoughts of others, and give them forth again purified by our own true, noble principles, or muddled, as the case may be, by our own vices and prejudices. Yes, the greatest the truest mission of education is and ought to be, to get as much knowledge as possible in this manner presented to, assimilated with and distilled from our own being.

How important is it then, that the thoughts presented to our mind be the noblest and purest possible, and that the processes of assimilation and distillation be carried on with our mental capacities—our apparatus—in the best possible condition! How important, 'aye, how sacred is the trust confided to teachers having charge of the direction of these acquisitions and distributions of knowledge!

The result of education depends upon what the educated mind produces; this is the test. While, as college students, it is important to distil large quantities, let us never forget that quality is even more desirable. Improvement, progress, should be our watch-words. Let us throw open the portals of our being and let the free winds of charity sweep through its every nook and corner! Let the sunshine of eternal truth shine through the windows of our soul!

Especially let us remember that whatever may be our thoughts, that other people think much in our own manner; that our own ideas, even those we deem most novel and original, may be but the first faint glimmers of knowledge that for centuries has shed its benign light upon humanity, or that for ages has repeatedly been relegated to the rubbish of the past.

Goethe says that "children are all rigid moralists," and I am glad that this is so. I am glad that there is purity and truth implanted in the very bosom of our being! Else how should we withstand as much of evil as we do? Often in our college orations and essays do our high standards become conspicuously apparent. We criticise, we dictate. No social evil escapes our censures; no political problem, but we add our quota to its solution. Are we wrong in thus formulating our views? Are we wrong in cherishing noble purposes, in praising worthy principles and prescribing high ideals? No. No ideal can be too high, no sentiment too noble for a young man or woman! Let our sentiments, our ideals, our aspirations be founded on good sense, then may we pity those cross-grained pessimists who dared not in their younger days hold fast those golden cords of faith! While yet we may, let us most nobly rise, and then, if must be, let us nobly fall!

Some of the strangest things to be met with are the isolated sayings of great men. It seems too bad sometimes that even men of great repute, men of authority, are not superhuman, but, on the contrary say some very foolish things, pregnant with prejudices, upon which lesser minds find foundation for their petty structures.

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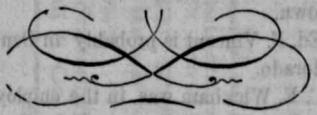


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are cordially invited.

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Chas. Erin Verner Tuesday evening.  
Jos. Mekota is back for a day or two.  
A law has been passed against the  
guides saying "hep."

Are the Juniors going to have an ora-  
torical contest this year?

J. H. Liggett says now to address him  
at 1050 7th Street, Des Moines.

Miss Lillian Johnson is spending Sun-  
day at her home in Spirit Lake.

The cases in the museum begin to pre-  
sent a very handsome appearance.

Students will find a full line of Uni-  
versity stationery at Lee, Welch & Co's  
Special programs are a nuisance. It  
any one can prove the contrary let him  
speak.

Every one at chapel Monday morning  
seemed to be well pleased with the lec-  
ture.

Judge Orton of Princeton, Mo., is spend-  
ing a few days with his children, Helen  
and Ira.

Prof. Magowan was left to "batch" it  
over Sunday, his wife having gone on a  
visit home.

The Romantic Comedy Drama, Sha-  
mus O'Brien at the opera house Tuesday  
evening.

Students of the Senior and Junior  
classes are invited to join the Reading  
Class which meets weekly, on Tuesday  
at 1:30 in South Hall. It is proposed to  
take up fresh selections from classical  
authors, as found in Henry N. Hudson's  
"Classical English Reader."

The Lee Brothers of the firm of Lee,  
Welch & Co. are in Chicago laying in a  
fine stock of holiday goods which will  
arrive in a few days. It will be the fin-  
est and fullest line of holiday and gift  
goods ever brought to the city, and every  
one is invited to call and examine.

Go to the Opera House to-night for a  
first-class shave and hair-cut.

The game of foot-ball Thursday, against  
the City, was as usual undecided. The  
S. U. I. after a very hard contest, suc-  
ceeded in winning the first goal, although  
the next goal was hotly contested for an  
hour and 30 minutes, it was not won by  
either side and the game was called on  
account of darkness.

Norman Campbell, a few days ago,  
served as juryman in the case of a man  
charged with insanity. The jury re-  
turned the verdict "insane" and the lo-  
cal paper in commenting says, "The man  
was judged by his peers."

The report comes to us of the marriage  
of W. E. Crane and Miss Stevens, form-  
erly a student here. Mr. Crane is well  
known in Iowa City, having been con-  
nected with the University as assistant  
Professor of Engineering and his many  
warm friends here unite in heartily  
wishing him happiness and prosperity.

The members of the foot-ball team,  
accompanied by a number of others, are  
spending the day at Cornell. Most of  
the boys go by rail, via Cedar Rapids;  
reduced rates having been secured. A  
few, desirous of visiting the Cornell lit-  
erary societies, will drive over, as the  
train leaves Cornell for Iowa City at 6 p.  
m. We hope the University foot ballists  
will cover themselves with glory.

Geo. W. Swigart writes us from 513  
Elm Street, St. Louis, in this way: "Find  
enclosed one dollar for which you will  
please forward to me at St. Louis that  
well edited and very valuable—particu-  
larly to an old student—sheet, the V-R.  
I have a very good position here as  
cashier of the Western Newspaper Union  
with my brother, who is manager."

Herbert Brown whom many will re-  
member as an old student here, sends us  
a copy of the *Graphic* of Granada, Colo.  
Of this paper Mr Brown is editor. In it  
we find this item concerning an old stu-  
dent: "Mr. John G. Spielman, a college-  
mate of the editor, was in the city last  
Saturday. He is running a preliminary  
survey for an irrigating ditch beginning  
at a point near Granada and ending at  
Garden City. Mr. Spielman is a skilled  
engineer, and is thoroughly competent  
to accomplish in a highly satisfactory  
manner whatever he undertakes." Mr.  
Spielman is we understand a brother of  
Miss Carrie Spielman.

We present this week in another part  
of the paper the report of Class '84 from  
H. G. Lamson. For our own part, and  
in behalf of the class we extend sincere  
thanks to him for the pains he has so  
evidently taken in preparing the report.  
The older a class becomes, the more  
scattered its members become, and more  
difficult is the work of making ready a  
report. We hope ere long to hear from  
the Class of '83, and as Mr. N. C. Young,  
Secretary of Class '86 has been asked to  
report, we suppose we may soon look for  
an account of that class. Reports of oth-  
er classes will follow in the course of  
time.

### Report of Class '84.

R. C. Craven, Iowa City, Iowa.

DEAR SIR:—

I send you herewith the report of class  
'84, so far as I have heard from them.  
Some have failed to respond to letters  
addressed them, and the address of  
others could not be ascertained.

C. L. Gillis is book-keeper for the firm  
of Sperry, Watt & Garver, Des Moines.  
He is well and flourishing.

W. C. Kelso is cashier of the Mer-  
chants' National Bank, Crookston,  
Minn. W. C. seems to have a natural  
bent for the banking business.

Rush C. Lake writes on the eve of his  
departure for Kansas City, to enter upon  
the practice of law. He hopes that "some  
poor unfortunate will there need his as-  
sistance to rescue him from the toils of  
the sharks who infest the growing cen-  
ters of our great west."

Hattie Cochran is at her home in Iowa  
City.

Mrs. Linnie Coffman, nee Hunter,  
writes from South English where she  
has enjoyed the pleasures of married  
life since Oct. 26, 1886.

Mrs. Flora Clapp Truesdale is another  
member of class '84 who has married  
since the last report. Her home is in  
Titusville, Pa., where her husband is  
editor of the *Sunday World*. She says  
her occupation is strictly domestic, and  
the class of '84 will probably never be  
startled by any brilliant literary pro-  
duction from their old classmate, Flora  
Clapp Truesdale."

J. T. Chrischilles is doing a private  
banking and brokerage business in Min-  
neapolis, Minn. His location is prob-  
ably a permanent one.

Chas. H. Clarke is junior member of  
the firm of J. M. Orvis & Co., Real Es-  
tate and Insurance Agents, 403 Court  
Avenue, Des Moines. He is very much  
pleased with the business and has evi-  
dently found his life work. He is not  
yet a Gould or a Vanderbilt, but has  
hopes that a fortunate speculation in  
"dust" may yet make him one.

T. J. Hysham has been practicing law  
in Red Oak, Iowa, since March 1, 1887.  
He expects to remain where he is.

Chas. E. Thayer is practicing medicine  
in Minneapolis and doing first-rate. His  
friends say that his future looks bright.

Chas. W. Russell is at Glenwood, Iowa,  
in the mercantile business.

L. S. Kennington is the editor of the  
*Iowa State Democrat*, Newton, Iowa. He  
proposes to continue in the good work  
he has begun until Iowa goes Demo-  
cratic. Kennington shows the same ap-  
titude for politics that he did while in  
school.

Chas. S. Magowan is Ass't Professor of  
Civil Engineering in the State Univer-  
sity. He says "There is one more of me  
than there was at the time of last writ-  
ing." Magowan is one of the boys who  
has met with success since graduation.

Ella Ham is still teaching in the  
Grammar Department of the Iowa City  
Schools. She is apparently making a  
successful teacher.

Carrie Mordoff is likewise one of the  
corps of teachers in the Iowa City  
Schools.

Lillie Selby is stenographer in the  
loan office of P. L. Johnson, Hastings,  
Neb.

Forty-five children in the public  
schools claim the time and patience of  
Cora Rynearson, at Red Oak, Iowa. She  
is teaching in the Grammar Grade.

O. D. Wheeler is a member of the  
Senior Law Class of the State University.  
He will enter upon the practice of law  
upon graduation.

H. P. Mozier writes from Washington,  
D. C., where he is in the office of the Su-  
pervising Architect. He had just re-  
turned from a vacation to Iowa City. He  
finds the old S. U. I. full of strange  
faces.

Mrs. Nell Custer Swisher is still living  
in Iowa City where her husband is in  
the insurance business. She has a  
mother's pride over the "sweetest little  
girl in the world," age three months.

Mrs. Alice R. T. Ragan is living in  
Clarinda, Iowa.

W. F. Walker is a traveling salesman  
for a drug house. His route is in south-  
western Kansas.

Samuel P. Gilbert is in the wholesale  
lumber business at Burlington, Iowa.

H. G. Lamson is principle of schools at  
Glenwood, Iowa.

Of the foregoing members of the class  
we have had definite and positive infor-  
mation, but from the remaining members  
of the class as below we have not heard.  
We will thank anyone who will write us  
concerning them:

Belle R. Andrews, A. H. Gale, Frederick  
Hull, Jennie Hanford Wood, Agnes L.  
Hatch, D. F. Johnston, James McElin,  
Edward F. Vincent, Charles E. Wickham  
Cassius M. Wirick and A. A. Cotton. A.  
H. Gale had gone to Minneapolis at last  
accounts, but what he is doing we are  
unable to state.

Fred Hall was for a while professor of  
Mental and Moral Science at Pellar Uni-  
versity.

Jennie Hanford Wood is supposed to  
be at Nebraska City, Neb.

Agnes L. Hatch was at her home in  
Muscatine when last heard from.

D. F. Johnston was in the employ of  
the Green Bay Lumber Co., at Stuart, Ia.  
James McElin's whereabouts are un-  
known.

Ed. F. Vincent is probably in Denver,  
Colorado.

C. E. Wickham was in the employ of  
the B. C. R. & N. Ry., at Cedar Rapids,  
some time ago, but we cannot say where  
he is now.

C. M. Wirick is married. He was at  
Marshalltown last year, teaching science  
in the high school, but has thus far,  
this year, not informed us as to his do-  
ings.

A. A. Cotton is married and living in  
Sioux City. He is supposed to be prac-  
ticing medicine.

Belle R. Andrews has not yet reported  
Since graduation seven members of  
the class have married, viz:

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F. Walker is a traveling salesman in a drug house. His route is in southern Kansas.

Samuel P. Gilbert is in the wholesale grocery business at Burlington, Iowa.

G. Lamson is principle of schools at Wood, Iowa.

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Mr. Hall was for a while professor of English and Moral Science at Pella University.

Miss Jennie Hanford Wood is supposed to be in Nebraska City, Neb.

Miss L. Hatch was at her home in Iowa when last heard from.

Mr. Johnston was in the employ of the Green Bay Lumber Co., at Stuart, Ia. Miss McElin's whereabouts are unknown.

Mr. F. Vincent is probably in Denver, Colo.

Mr. Wickham was in the employ of the C. R. & N. Ry., at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, some time ago, but we cannot say where he is now.

Mr. Wirick is married. He was at alltown last year, teaching science in high school, but has thus far, we hear, not informed us as to his do-

Mr. Cotton is married and living in Iowa City. He is supposed to be practicing medicine.

Mr. R. Andrews has not yet reported on the graduation seven members of the class have married, viz:

Flora J. Clapp, now Mrs. Trusdale; A. A. Cotton, Nellie G. Custer, now Mrs. Swisher; Jennie Hanford, now Mrs. Wood; Linnie Hunter, now Mrs. Coffman; C. S. Magowan, and C. M. Wirick.

We shall supplement this report as soon as we hear from the remaining members of the class. Very Truly,

H. G. LAMSON.

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C. H. Maxson returned this week from Sioux City, where he spent a week attending the Y. M. C. A. State Convention. While there he met E. Frank Brown who represented Jefferson, T. J. Stevenson, P. H. Grimm, T. F. Beyington and others, all of whom are graduates of the S. U. I. Collegiate Department; the first two, having graduated last June.

Mr. Maxon informs us that there are about twenty-five alumni of the S. U. I. located at Sioux City, some fifteen of whom are engaged in the practice of law.

He reports the convention a successful and profitable one, and thinks that the building enterprise here may expect material aid through the State Committees and others who are interested in the work.

Mr. Maxson will lead the Y. M. C. A. meeting tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Christian Chapel, when he will give some account of the convention work.



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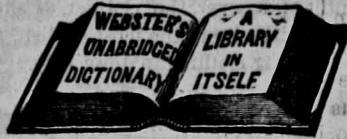
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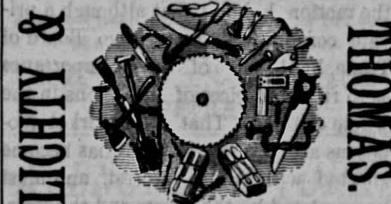
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## LAW DEPARTMENT.

J. H. RANDALL, Editor.

Ex-Chancellor Ross is located in Council Bluffs where he has a lucrative practice and is well satisfied with the change.

A couple of Iowa City's fair ladies were heard to remark that they would like to kidnap Rosencrantz's bear. Oh why did not a "Medic" stand in place of said bear.

The "Laws" and "Medics" met upon the diamond field and the former were victorious by a score of 9 to 11.

Dickinson is out of the city quite often and it is rumored that a member of the fair sex is the cause.

John Sullivan, '87, was in the city this week visiting friends.

## POWERS OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

A late decision of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania among other things holds that the inhabitants of a municipality are the incorporators, the officers thereof are only agents of the corporation, and their powers and duties are prescribed by the charter and statute. All persons dealing with them are bound to know the extent of these powers.

The agents, officers, or city council cannot bind the corporation by any contract not within the scope of its power. A municipality does not possess and cannot exercise any other power than those granted by express words or those necessarily or fairly implied in or incident to the declared objects and purposes of the corporation, not simply convenient, but indispensable.

Any fair, reasonable doubt as to the existence of power is resolved by the courts against its existence in the corporation and therefore denied. But contemporaneous with this decision comes another from Judge Brewer, of the U. S. Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Missouri. In this decision, *City of St. Louis v. The Steamboat Maggie P.*, there is a variance with the prior decisions of the courts. The city of St. Louis is given by her charter the control of the levee and harbor. The charter also makes it the duty of the city to keep the wharf and shore free from wrecks and obstacles, but does not make it a part of its duty to pump out old vessels which sink at the levee. This decision holds, that where it owns a levee boat it may contract with owners of sunken vessels to pump them out and raise them, when such work will not interfere with the public service. That the city is estopped from denying its liability for breach of contract even when it has made such contract, and received compensation through an officer who has no authority by ordinance specifically empowering him to so contract for doing this kind of service.

Having received gains from such contracts, it does not lie for it to say that there was no officer authorized to so act. If this doctrine is correct then a city can, in some cases, contract outside of the powers expressly conferred by its charter and by statute. But the force of decision is to the effect that a municipality is a mere creature of legislative will, and

can exercise no power except such as the state has conferred on it. The powers it possesses are held in trust for the people of the municipality and for the public generally. Its governmental and administrative powers other than those conferred by statutory or constitutional enactment which are self-executing, can only be exercised by appropriate ordinance.

We are called upon, with sorry, to announce to our readers the death of a son of our respected Chancellor, who was a young man of ability and was entering upon a career that promised to be one of usefulness to himself and his associates. The department join with others in extending to Chancellor Love our sincere sympathy in this hour of trouble.

Resolutions on the death of the son of Chancellor James M. Love, of the Law Department of the S. U. I.

WHEREAS, It has been the pleasure of the Almighty to remove from earth our young friend, the beloved son of our worthy Chancellor, James M. Love, in the midst of his endeavors to obtain knowledge and the preparations for a noble and useful life, when ambitions were high and promises for the future were bright, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Junior Law class of the S. U. I., being engaged in very similar struggles for learning as was our late young friend, do extend to our most respected Chancellor, his family and friends, our profoundest sympathy in this time of great bereavement.

J. E. WILLIAMS, }  
E. L. STOVER, } Com.  
H. AINCKENDEN. }

Considerable interest was excited Oct. 20, in Chicago, by a decision of Judge Collins of the circuit court, in refusing to dissolve the temporary injunction obtained some time since by J. A. Murphy & Co., an alleged bucket shop concern, in a bill filed against the Board of Trade. The injunction restrained the board from cutting off market quotations from them. The board moved to have the injunction dissolved, and Judge Collins, in a long and carefully prepared opinion, denies the motion, holding that although a private corporation, the Chicago Board of Trade, has become of so great importance as to rule the prices of provisions in the whole country. That their market quotations are property which has become affected with public interest, and must be regulated by the courts and the legislature.

As one of the objects of the injunction is to dissimilate commercial information it must not be allowed to discriminate as to whom the information is to be given. The opinion is regarded as a victory for the bucket shops and a precedent against Board of Trades in reference to discriminations, although it is opposed to the ruling of Judge Bagby in a test case which is now on the docket in the appellate court.

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How the Freshies shouted when they'd won the glorious day,  
Then they swung their sweet-hearts at their banquet so they say,  
After they'd done up the Sophomores.

Chorus.  
Hurrah, Hurrah, Hurrah, for Ninety-One,  
Hurrah, Hurrah, for every mother's son,  
So we sing a chorus, for a victory was won,  
When the Fresh did up the Sophomores.  
How the ladies smiled upon the heroes of the day,  
How the upper class-men looked askance upon the fray,  
How the Laws and Medics scarcely could be kept away.  
When the Fresh did up the Sophomores.

Cho.  
How they rolled and tumbled round and round upon the grass,  
How they heaped the Sophs up in a horrid bloody mass.  
Just as if they meant to say, we won't have any of your sass,  
When the Fresh did up the Sophomores.

Cho.  
How the Cop sus-PECK-ted that he'd run somebody in,  
How upon a Soph at once he bravely did begin,  
How at last he boldly ran a Law and Medic in,  
When the Fresh did up the Sophomores.

Cho.  
How the Sophs with faces inked unto their homes did go,  
How the Freshies trembled lest they'd find them still a foe,  
But kind friends the moral of the story you will know,  
How the Fresh did up the Sophomores.

Cho.  
Encore.  
The Fresh can brag of vict'ry but they cannot brag of brains,  
Although they beat us in the scrap their glory will soon wane,  
And so the Valliant Class of Ninety gets there just the same,  
Although the Fresh did up the Sophomores.

Chorus.  
Hurrah, Hurrah, Hurrah for Ninety-One,  
Hurrah, Hurrah for every Son-of-a-Gun,  
Though they beat us in the scrap, they numbered three to one,  
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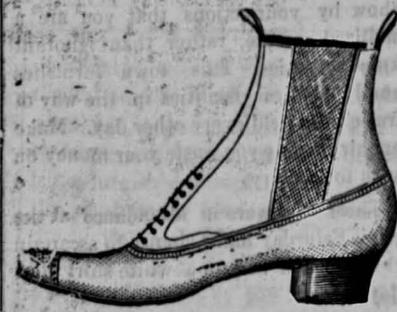
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As a general on the field of battle, so at his operating table stands the surgeon. Every step toward his enemy, strongly entrenched in vital forts, is attended with obstruction and delay. In the fight the watchword is not only "Boldly forward—trust in God," for when life is hanging in the balance, and the quiver of the surgeon's finger may send it up, when streams of blood are pouring forth, calm like a marble statue, yet alert as an eagle, he strikes in quick decisive blows and leaves no vestige of a camp for reassembly. And though not every battle be crowned with glorious victory, the wise leader gains from defeat that knowledge and skill with which he whets his weapons for the next encounter.

Prof. Langenbeck, Surgeon General of the German army, who died recently, was one of the boldest as well as most conservative surgeons of the age. Born in 1810, and graduating as M. D. in 1835, he soon surprised his colleagues by his daring, and merited their praise by his successes. Conservative surgery became his favorite. "Just as war is the last resort of nations, so amputation should be only the final means of opening the Gordian knot," was the fundamental principle of his teaching. To him we owe the operation for the relief of cleft palate by causing adhesion of the periosteum of the incisive portion to the body of the superior maxilla, and in orthopaedic surgery his introduction of tenotomy did wonders. Five years ago, his eyesight failed him, and to the sorrow of the profession universally left the chair he had so well filled. From 1842 he was Prof. of Surgery at Kiel, and in 1847 was appointed to the same chair at Berlin, successor to the famous Dieffenbach.

Paul Heinze, Spremburg, Prussia, who was born on Aug. 13th, 1887, can boast of an extensive living ancestry. His mother is 21, his grandmother 41, his great grandmother 61, and his great great grandmother 81.—*London Lancet.*

Civilization tends to a progressive movement, and every person, in his or her sphere, promotes or retards its onward course. We notice the peculiarities of our neighbors and by their faults and shortcomings, profit. A good example of this may be cited by those foolish people who, for the past two weeks, have been, in a reckless manner, exposing their health to a lot of Mexican Greasers, accompanied by a few dirty, nasty, redskins, with black, coarse hair dangling about their filthy frames. Who bedeck themselves with tin whistles, baby rattles, and old bones, for the purpose of attracting the victims; when in the same town there stands an institution which

ting treatment from men who do know something, and the treatment too being gratis, pass unobserved. Wake up, people of Iowa City, and do not be humbugged in this simple disagreeable way. Show by your actions that you are a civilized people, rather than ignorant know-nothings. This town furnishes amply medical facilities in the way of free clinics held every other day. Make enquiry before you waste your money on such tomfoolery.

Those who were in attendance at the clinic Saturday had a chance to ascertain that Aldrich had on a white shirt that day at least.

The place of holding the medical clinic has been changed from the new to the old hospital. This clinic affords a fine opportunity for the people generally, to obtain thorough examination and carefully prescribed medicines gratis. We don't deal in "taffy," but we can't help saying that our clinical Professor is considered one of the most scientific practitioners in the profession of our State.

The "ladies man" of the Medical Department this year, F. L. Kerns, is a late member of the "Knights of the Grip."

Prof. Chemistry—"What antidote would you give for mushroom poisoning?" Student—"Tannin I think."

Prof.—"Why there is no specipl poison in mushrooms and what is the use of your tannin?"

Student—"Won't it form tannate of mush and leave room in the stomach?"

Des Moines, Davenport and Muscatine are each represented by two men in the Medical Department.

Who is the proper caper?

John Wolfe has been on the sick list during the past week and we are glad to see him well again.

Mr. A. G. Hull of our department is a son of Lieutenant-Governor J. A. T. Hull.

The addresses of as many of the graded course graduates last year, as we have been able to get are:

F A Burrows, Riverside, Iowa; F E Cook, Baldiom, Iowa; Wm Eckman, Holstein, Iowa; A L Fugard, St Johns, Kansas; C P Jackson, Muscatine, Iowa; R D Mason, Delaware, Iowa; W G Mularky, Charles City, Iowa; L B Oliver, Dublin, Iowa; A C Peters, Iowa City, Iowa; E E Smith, Toledo, Iowa; F J Smith, Alton, Iowa; O D Wilson, Maurice, Iowa.

CO Hartman was located at Red Oak, but committed suicide by taking an overdose of aconite.

Next week we will publish a list of the non-grade graduates.

R. I. Peck, son of Prof. Peck, was a visitor to our school yesterday.

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Howard North, member of class '88 now a residing in Des Moines, spent Sunday at his home in this city.

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Prof. Parker filled the pulpit of the Congregational church last Sunday and the Sunday before, and filled it with his usual excellent ability.

The concert given by the McGibeny family last Wednesday evening was a very good one. The size of audience was discouraging, however.

Four acts of love, peril and adventure in the Emerald Isle, Irish wit, Irish love Irish Pathos, duets, songs, dances, etc., at the opera house next Tuesday eve.

The new officers of the Oratorical Association are: Myrtle O. Lloyd, President Wm. Drew, Secretary; Geo. S. Wright, Treasurer. A Vice President has not yet been elected.

We had a cold day for inspection last Monday. It seemed to be highly enjoyable to the spectators to see some evolutions at double-time. Just wait till we practice it a little.

E. V. Mills is in the dry goods, notion, boot and shoe business at Ashland, Oregon. He says he can't get along without the V.-R. even in the land of the "web foot," and wishes success to the V.-R. and to the S. U. I.

Anthony be careful where you carry your explosions. Each man in the hall thought his fate was sealed by some jealous rival, because he happened to take, too long a glance, on the Hesperian side of the house.

D. D. Donnan has sold the Clayton County *Journal* of which he has been the editor for three years to A. M. Packard. Mr. Packard graduated in the law department here a few years ago, and was lately on the *Republican* force.

At a joint meeting of the Hesperians and Zets last Tuesday m., the tranquility was broken by the explosion of a cannon primer. It was held thoughtlessly in hand of O. W. Anthony, when discharged, and might have been attended with very serious results; as it was his face and eyes were burnt a little by the powder, but no permanent injury will result.

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