

## LITERARY DEPARTMENT

## Richard I of England.

BY W. R. PERKINS.

There are periods of history which seem in certain ways to be uninteresting, or perhaps better, uneventful; periods which are not in any way surprising and which lack the dramatic element. They are not the seed-time of constitutional life, nor during them are reaped the harvests sown ages before. Yet the generative processes are constantly going on though their action is not seen, and the treasure of the past is handed on to the future.

It is of material for constitutional history that these periods are barren; they are frequently rich in what constitutes the basis for the study of personal or national characters, but the question of government, and of the maintenance of privilege and liberty are no longer absorbing. Men live without the intrusion of uncomfortable problems of legislation, problems which, in an age like that of Richard, must find their solution in the sword. Personal character however is more clearly seen, national character develops more fully, but in especial will there be a wealth of detail, and perhaps of adventure which will give an elucidation of the manners of the age.

The reign of Richard I of England partakes somewhat of these characteristics. Only ten years in duration, it lies between the great preparation, as it may be termed, of Henry II, and the fruit of that preparation *i. e.* the charter of John.

The family and the baronial disorders which continued from the end of Henry's reign, the absence of King Richard, and his personal character above all, seem to have been the reasons for the quiescence of constitutional and legal life. But although this reign is a barren field for the investigator of the growth of law and of legislation, it is not merely to the details of adventure and the romance of the crusade that it owes its charm.

To follow King Richard through the decade of his sovereignty is to be brought face to face with a variety of men and with a complication of politics which are unequalled in longer and more eventful reigns. The east and the west are brought together by the crusade. The family connections of the king involve him in the clashing interests of France, Germany, Italy and Spain, and through his personal adventures is seen the whole political character of the age. No prince of his time, nay, few princes of other centuries, held sway over dominions more diversified; King of England; Lord of Ireland, Wales and Scotland; Duke of Normandy, Guienne and Gascony; Count of Maine, Anjou and Poitou superior Lord of Brittany, Auvergne and Toulouse; King of Arles; Conquerer of Cyprus, and for a time real ruler of the kingdom of Palestine, he knew personally, and was brought in contact with, almost every potentate in Christendom. Perhaps it would be better to say that he was brought into collision with all these princes, for he had an unrelenting

enemy in Philip of France, he quarrelled in Sicily with both Tancred the Norman and with the German Emperor Henry. In Cyprus he alarmed the decadent empire of the Byzantine sovereigns and in Palestine alienated the good-will or incurred the bitter enmity of every prince with whom he had to do.

Occupying as he did so central a position in the history of his times, this king has been portrayed for us by a greater number of historians than any other sovereign of his age, or of England until his era. We are able to learn what German, Frenchman, Norman, Englishman, Greek and Moslem thought of him, and when his facility in antagonizing princes is remembered it will not seem strange that in the hands of foreign chroniclers his character has fared badly. The German historians describe Richard as a monster of pride and arrogance, the French as the most perfidious of men, but the German venom is far more bitter. This however is easily to be explained, for it arose from his family connection with the Welfs. The old traditional friendship between England and Germany had reached its culmination in the times of Edward the Confessor; it has afterwards been resuscitated by the marriage of Matilda with the Emperor Henry V., and later the daughter of Henry II, Richard's sister, has formed a marriage alliance with Henry the Lion. But the latter prince was the leader of House of Welf over which the Hohenstaufen had just triumphed, and the English, the ally of the Welfs, had naturally fallen into disrepute with a Hohenstaufen Emperor, Henry the Sixth. The French considered Richard to be perfidious because he refused to pay homage to Philip, high suzerain of the realms which the English king held upon the continent. But this claim of feudal obedience was of so distant and uncertain a character that its mention was only a pretense to cloak the hatred and fear and interminable counter-plotting of the French monarch against the lord of those domains which he coveted for his own.

But although Richard was a bad man, a bad husband, a selfish ruler and a vicious man, he possessed some qualities which the men of his day preferred to the wicked wisdom of his father, and which made his tyranny less intolerable than that resulting from his brother's weakness; besides, his glory and his fame reached homes too humble to suffer from his exactions, and he and his army were far away. Fame has a thousand tongues, and the splendid deeds which gave him the epithet of the Lion Heart lost no part of their glamour and enchantment on their way from Palestine. His leading characteristics was love of war. He loved it—not for the glory that conquest might bring—but for the thing itself, for the joy of striving and the joy of victory. I shall not attempt an analysis of his character, it is all summed up in the vigorous words of Lingard: "with the praise of valour his panegyric is ended."

But the Third Crusade in which Richard is the central figure lends to his reign a lustre which not the most practi-

cal and conservative view of history can obscure. It was the most glorious of all those vast and significant movements, and though the Holy City was not delivered from the hand of the Infidel, its effect upon the political history of the east was momentous. It rendered possible the maintenance of the Christian kingdom of Palestine for another century; it afforded thus a bulwark against the advances of the Moslems towards the Byzantine monarchy; it preserved social and mercantile communication between Europe and the Levant, and, indirectly both Venice and Genoa owed their opportunity to the conquest of Cyprus by Richard, and to the other exploits of the armed and knightly pilgrims.

To explain the causes which led to the Third Crusade I will advert for a moment to the history of the kingdom of Jerusalem. Godfrey of Bouillon, king, though declining to wear a golden crown where the Saviour had worn a crown of thorns, reigned but one year—the last one of the eleventh century. Splendid knight, combining chivalry with piety, he enjoyed but for one brief year the sovereignty of the Holy City. But in this year the Assize of Jerusalem was issued which was simply the feudal organization of Palestine after the model of the western feudalism of that epoch. The kingdom of Jerusalem contained four fiefs—*i. e.* of Antioch, of Edessa, of Jerusalem and of Tripoli. The fief of Jerusalem contained in turn four great Baronies, viz., the county of Joppa and Ascalon; the principalities of Galilee and Hebron, and the lordships of Caesarea and Sidon, each of these baronies was in turn divided into inferior fiefs or lordships. In each of these lordships were high courts of justice presided over by the lord, and in each of the thirty-seven towns of the Holy Land, was established a court of Bourgeois, presided over by viscounts who were hereditary fief-holders and related by blood to the greater barons. Side by side with this elaborate system was the administration of the fortresses, which were in the hands of the great orders of the Templars and Hospitaliers. The templars had their origin in the voluntary organization of nine French knights, adding to their monastic vow of chastity, obedience and poverty, a fourth one binding them to the protection of pilgrims and the defense of the Holy Sepulchre. At the time of the First Crusade the monks of St. John rendered invaluable service to the crusading armies, and in 1121 they added military orders to those of the cloister. These two orders, with that of the Teutonic knights, became the valiant defenders of the Holy Land. Especially famous were the Knights Hospitaliers and youth were sent from all parts of Europe to be trained by them to the practice of religion and knightly virtues.

Although under favorable circumstances, this feudal organization might have been sufficient to form at least a strong nucleus of resistance, to be supplemented and strengthened by the constant procession of armed pilgrims (for there was a never ending pilgrimage to the East) yet it fell by its own impotence into

swift and incurable decay. The feudal principle was not strong enough to hold it together. The families of the great fiefs were branches of great European houses who, having found a splendid inheritance for themselves, looked forward to the establishment of their several powers as independent sovereignties, free from all dependence upon the King of Jerusalem. Here then in the midst of the infidels, where every precaution should have been taken to protect the Holy City and to strengthen the new throne, we find the inevitable tendency of the feudal system—*i. e.* the tendency to split off from the center and form new and independent sovereignties. This tendency, harmful enough in any kingdom, at least disintegrating, was in this case absolutely suicidal. Jerusalem became a secondary consideration; religion lost its power, the infidel his terrors, and personal and family aggrandizement became the ruling passion of the barons of Palestine. The succession to the throne naturally gave rise to serious complications, and anarchy and rebellion slowly but surely did their work. The only sound element in the country was the military orders. These were constantly strengthened against the climatic and enervating influences of Syria by new accessions of fresh and vigorous soldiers from Europe. Could their system have been adopted Palestine might have long stood against the Infidel.

A kingdom thus divided against itself might have fallen long before it did, but it owes its existence to the divisions existing between the Saracens in Egypt and the Turks in Mesopotamia. So long as these were kept asunder the kingdom maintained itself, but as soon as Saladin had conquered the Fatimite Caliph of Egypt, and the attack could be made from the north and the south upon the Holy City, the end was near. The crusade of Richard then was an attempt to restore and maintain the existence of a state which was overborne by its own decay; the attempt was made in perfect good faith and with enthusiasm and enormous resources, but it was destined to failure.

The terrible news of the loss of the Holy Cross and of the capture of the King and the murder of the Templars were brought to Europe in letters from the chiefs of the Templars and Hospitaliers in 1187. Pope Urban III. died of grief at the receipt of the tidings, and in November, Richard, as yet only Count of Poitou, received the cross from the hands of the Archbishop of Tours. In January Henry II and Philip were reconciled and took the cross, and in March of the same year Frederic Barbarossa held his great council at Mentz for the like purpose, and appointed the March of 1187 as the time of departure. Meanwhile Henry of England died, and Richard hastened to that kingdom to be crowned with a pomp and splendor which long served as a model for future coronations. But the festivals of the Court could not long detain him, and having exacted from archbishop and bishop, from high and from low, from church and from monastery immense sums of money for his crusade, and having sold

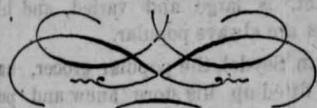
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benefices in the church and places in state to the highest bidder, having indeed swept England bare of gold, he sailed away to Normandy to follow like expedients for filling his coffers.

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Prof. Booth was in the city this week.  
Overcoats Overcoats at The Golden Eagle.  
Over thirty of the boys expect to go to Tipton.  
Constant Gillis is Saturdaying and Sundaying in the city.  
We retail goods at wholesale prices at The Golden Eagle  
A Brother of Miss Eva Elliot is in the city for a few days.  
Lischer went home to register, and will go home to vote.  
A number of the students are going home to vote next week.  
D. W. Evans, class of '86, was in the city a few days this week.  
Why isn't a corporal good enough for a "supe" in battallion drill.  
The misses Peery are entertaining their uncle from California.  
C. D. Jamieson, the new Professor of Civil Engineering, is now here.  
Prof. Shimek presented the Museum with a specimen of Coopers Hawk.  
See the large line of Prince Albert suits just received at the Golden Eagle.  
Bayard Elliot brought in a grey squirrel which is now in the Museum.  
The Executive Committee of the Board of Regents met here Wednesday.  
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Go to the Opera House to-night for a first-class shave and hair-cut.

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Frank and Charlie Cotton are railroad-ing it at Carbondale, Colo., and doing well.

Miss Minnie Howe presented the Museum with a fine specimen of trap-door spider.

See Pratt & Strub for umbrellas, gossamers, handkerchiefs and hosiery. Prices low.

Miss Lulu Miller, of Davenport, will spend a few days with Miss Hannah Hoering.

J. H. Trundy at Millett's dye works blocks and repairs hats. Silk hats a specialty.

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J. W. Hallock is teaching at Salida, Colo. Capt. Pryce ran across him out there the other day.

The "Medics" are losing their prestige. None of them were good enough to get "run in" on Hallowe'en.

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A fine horse show will be here soon. Don't fail to see it as it is the best thing of the kind in the country.

Drew Musser and Howard Gates accompanied Powell Johnson to his home at Muscatine last Thursday.

Students in need of Shoes can save from 25 cts. to \$1.00 per pair by buying from Furbish on the corner.

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The Chair of History contributes an interesting article on Richard I. of England this week. See literary page.

The S. U. I. foot-ball team have invitations to play at Clinton, Des Moines, and Davenport. It is very doubtful whether any of them will be accepted.

J. W. Konvalinke, of Mason City, sent to the Museum a fine specimen of ring-billed gull and buffle headed duck.

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Prof. David Evans spent a few days of the three weeks' vacation which he is enjoying, with friends and relatives in Iowa City.

Morris Evans has gone home to cast a vote for Williamsburg in the contest between that place and Marengo for the county seat.

The foot-ball team will try their skill at Tipton to-day. We hope the result of last Saturday will be repeated, and believe it will.

C. B. Miller, '86 sends us a copy of the Kansas City *Daily Telegraph* with his compliments. We presume he is at work on that paper.

The large number of strangers visiting the Museum certify its increasing popularity. It will be open to the public in a few weeks.

The Zets took a new departure last night and elected a critic. He reports in the business meeting following the open session.

Mrs. Johnson and daughter, Daisy, came over from Springdale last Thursday to visit Miss Lillian. Mrs. Johnson will remain over Sunday.

Some of the boys use as an argument to go to Tipton, that they can lay over a couple of hours at Elmira. It can't be a very arduous task to "paint" the town.

C. V. Manatt, LL. B. '86, remits in good season, and writes: "Am going it alone. Sent my pard to Neb. Politics thickening. Am stumping for Democracy."

The home oratorical contest at Ames has resulted in the success of Sherman Yates of Cedar Co. Subject—The field of Ice. Mr. Yates is a Junior we understand.

The city team succeeded in getting another goal at foot-ball last Thursday. When the city and University play it is necessary to allow an afternoon for a goal.

Mrs. Prof. Parker and her daughter, Mrs. Campbell, have been in Chicago this week attending a women's missionary meeting. They are expected home this evening.

The removal of the gate posts on the north side of the campus, very much improves the appearance. If they would remove the barbed wire fence we might begin to look civilized.

The Cornell fish-horn ceased its melodious notes with one despairing sigh, last Saturday. We would recommend them to spend their force on a foot-ball, instead of wind instruments; they need no training in that direction.

D. D. Donnan having sold the *Clayton County Journal*, is now devoting his time solely to the publication of the *Farmer and Breeder*, a four column, sixteen page monthly. The paper is now being published in this city and its editor is making a success of it.

The glass for the Museum was furnished by contract, but when it arrived some time ago, was condemned as inferior to contract. As soon as the glass arrives the cases can be completed, and for beauty and attractiveness can hardly be surpassed.

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Professor in Logic.—"What inference may be drawn from the sentence, 'Only the brave deserve the fair'?"

Enthusiastic fair one.—"May we not infer that, *All* of the fair deserve the brave?"

Old friends have received cards announcing the marriage of Lieut. David Price. Mr. Price left the S. U. I. at the close of his sophomore year, in 1872, for West Point. He completed the course there and has since held the position of Lieutenant in the standing army. An effort was made to procure his services here at one time but he was then ineligible.

W. H. Bremner had a rather serious accident last Saturday afternoon while playing foot-ball back of the S. U. I. He evidently was unacquainted with the "bucking act," and was thrown very forcibly upon his arm, breaking it near the elbow. It is now doing as well as could be expected. The rougher part of foot-ball is sometimes carried unnecessarily too far, and should be discouraged by the players.

Prof. Parker goes to Sheffield, Ill., next Thursday to deliver a lecture in the evening before the students of the school of which Geo. L. Leslie has charge. Saturday evening the Professor delivers the same lecture at Neponset, Ill., upon the invitation of F. S. Aby. Title of lecture will be "The Ancient World as seen under the Spade," referring, of course, to remains and ruins discovered by excavation. As we all know, Prof. Parker can make this subject interesting.

The chief attraction of the Literary Societies of last evening was The Irving Declamatory Contest. The contestants were C. H. Burton, Carl Snyder, E. L. Stover, Jacob Closs, E. E. Derr, and Chas. E. Picket, members of the Society

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who have been successful in the prelim- inary contests. D. P. Johnson had the necessary qualifications but was pre- vented by physical inability. While it was not to be expected that, after so long a time, the speakers would reach the same standard of excellence as in the Preliminary Contests yet each en- tered into the spirit of his selection and helped to make the program very inter- esting. The judges Prof. M. B. Ander- son, Misses Day and Hutchinson gave to Jacob Cloz, successful contestant of '83 the first place, to Charles Pickett second place and to E. E. Dorr third place. The music was excellent and the audi- ence appreciative.

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D. Powell Johnson met with a serious accident last Tuesday afternoon. While out riding his horse became unmanage- ble and threw him. After the wheels of a buggy had passed over him he was picked up in an unconscious condition and carried into Dr. Clapp's office. His parents arrived as soon as possible and as soon as he became able he was taken home. Mr. Johnson's injuries, though serious are perhaps not dangerous. A lady by the name of Mrs. Engelhart was also quite seriously bruised by the horse running against her.

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The game was commenced at 2:10 P. M. The first goal was rather hotly contested. On account of the different rules played there the Cornellians appeared at first to have the advantage, and nearly succeed- ed in getting a goal, but the better disci- pline of the S. U. I. team was soon made apparent.

After a contest of an hour, the S. U. I. won the first goal, the two succeeding goals being made by the S. U. I. boys in less than 30 minutes.

The most notable feature of the game was the perfect harmony and understand- ing which prevailed between the two teams during the entire contest. These teams would undoubtedly carry away the championship, for sweetness of dis- position.

The game was finished at 4 P. M. The majority of the boys took the train for Iowa City, a few remaining until later. Although the usual cordial reception at B. Hall was dispensed with, we hear later, through misunderstanding. Every one was well satisfied with his Cornell visit, and wishes to perpetuate the friendly feeling between the two col- leges.

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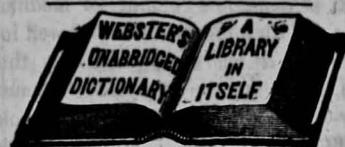
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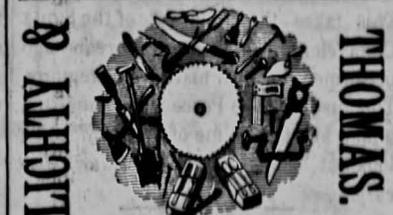
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## LAW DEPARTMENT.

J. H. RANDALL, Editor.

The following is a communication from Henry Vollmer, '87, who is in the office of W. O. Schmidt, of Davenport:

The recollection of the tireless perseverance with which the "lawless ones" at the S. U. I. toil at the vexed problems of the law and strive to unravel its many twisted knots,—the undaunted pluck with which they try to pick their way through the "pathless wilderness of precedent," known as the Common Law, leads me to present to them a legal nut (I hope it is not a chestnut) upon which they may exercise their intellectual molars.

It is the question, very simple it would seem at first blush, who are the heirs of a man, who died in this State some time ago, and left a very considerable estate for the contention of his heirs and the emolument of their lawyers.

The parties involved are Croesus Veryrich—main ancestor.

By his first wife, deceased, the following children: Evangeline and Anaximander. By second wife, deceased: Zo-roaster, Xenophon and Pericles. By third wife, still living: Geo. Washington.

After the decease of Croesus V., the main ancestor, he left surviving him the above named children and his third wife.

The whole estate is now to go through the grinding process of the legal mill and the question is to whom and in what proportions is the finished product (*i. e.* what remains after the lawyers are paid?) to be distributed.

To whom and in what proportion does the share of the deceased Xenophon in the estate of his father descend?

In this connection, decide if you will, whether under our present code children of the half blood inherit equally with those of the whole, a question to which Iowa's Supreme Court gravely saith "quaere."

In this connection further, try to reconcile the cases of Moore vs. Weaver, 68 Ia. 11; and Lash vs. Lash, 57 Ia. 88, and see whether you can agree with the rather muscular construction given to the former decision by the court in the latter. The statute in question is Sec. 2427, which runs as follows, to-wit:—"If both parents be dead, the portion which would have fallen to their share by the above rule (*i. e.* that one-half of the estate goes to the father and one-half to the mother of an intestate, leaving neither wife nor issue), shall be disposed of in the same manner as if they had outlived the intestate and died in the possession and ownership of the portion thus falling to their share," etc.

Now, in Moore vs. Weaver the court expressly cite the dower statute, Sec. 2440, and indulge in the following discussion:—"It is urged that the husband of the plaintiff, Alvira Moore, was at no time possessed of an estate in the property in question and that, therefore, she cannot under Sec. 2440, take any interest therein. The answer is that under Sec. 2457 the property is to be disposed of in

the same manner, as if the plaintiff's husband had been possessed therein."

But in Lash vs. Lash it is solemnly adjudicated that "the survivorship of the parents is a fiction" devised for the purpose of facilitating the descent of property and that "neither is to be supposed as taking from the other, because in fact neither has anything which the other can take."

And in criticism of Moore vs. Weaver the astonishing information is given us that in that case the step-mother of the intestate did not take as *dowress* of her husband, but as *distributee of the estate of her step-child.*

Will some kind friend inform a suffering public and a perplexed profession what the rule is in Iowa on this question? Does anybody know what the Supreme Court means? Does the Supreme Court itself know what it means?

I propound these queries to the young legal luminaries, who read these columns, hoping that some of them may be induced to make a more thorough examination of the authorities on this subject, than I have as yet been able to make and determine for themselves the answers that should be given.

This case will undoubtedly find its way into the Supreme Court of our State, as the interests involved are large, and the parties to it, who sail under rather peculiar *non-de-plumes* in this little squib are as much at variance, in their opinions of the rule, as our revered Supreme Court seems to be in its opinions. Yours, Very Respectfully,

HENRY VOLLMER, JR.

DAVENPORT, IOWA.

A Justice of the Peace who resides something less than fifty miles from San Jose, and who also holds the honorable and honest office of notary public, transacted a couple of little jobs in his notarial capacity the other day which entitles him to special mention. The first was to take the acknowledgment of his wife to the signature to a deed. He certified under his official seal that he examined her "separate and apart from her husband," etc. This was pretty good, but the following day he eclipsed the record by officially certifying an acknowledgment of his own signature to a mortgage. This takes the shine off of the Santa Clara clergyman who some years ago performed his own marriage ceremony. The Justice of the Peace who committed a man for "the crime of insanity" must look out for his laurels.—*San Jose Mercury.*

## BALANCE OF TRADE OF THE U. S.

A great many who base their doctrines of revenue upon the writings of the political economist endeavor to convince us that the balance of trade has little to do with the prosperity of our country. For answer to this look into the history of our country and find that the change in our balance of trade which was effected ten or twelve years ago, and has since continued, has caused a change of ownership in the great mass of U. S. bonds, has caused a cessation in the payment of interest to foreign countries, has swollen the contents of our savings

banks and added hundreds of millions to the circulating medium of the U. S., has reduced interest to the lowest point ever known in this country both for governments and individuals, has raised the public credit to the foremost rank amongst the nations of the world, and has so magnified the capital of the country that borrowers have ceased to seek lenders and lenders are seeking everywhere, in beneficent enterprises, investment of their wealth.

It may be said that this cannot be so because it is inconsistent with a system of taxation which is injustice and robbery, because it is not a logical deduction from a logical proposition, but it is so, and theories must retire when they come into contact with facts. The U. S. brings in fifty millions of money each year from the rest of the world in payment of the favorable balance of our trade. It will in twenty years have a thousand millions more to use in the interest of production. If money is not wealth it is an enormously powerful instrument in the production of true wealth. Nations seek to acquire it for the same reasons that individuals do, and both find it to their advantage to possess it, and it will be many years before theories will convince the statesmen of this country to pass measures to break this favorable balance.

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One of the most important powers of a physician is that of observation. To the man whose faculties are well trained, the greater his powers of perception the greater his ability. The keen eyed surgeon allowed no symptoms, however insignificant it may seem, to escape his notice. The position a patient assumes when sitting often determines or aids a diagnosis of vesicle calculus and the slight difference in pitch of sound may distinguished a tumor from an aneurism. A slight irregularity in gait has led to investigation which discovered hip-disease and only last Friday we were impressed by the slight symptoms that marked the difference between an ovarian tumor and an enlarged spleen. The difference between the master and the novice lies largely in their relative ability to observe the little things. To see that which is apparent to all gives but little honor, but we marvel at the wonderful skill of the master mind, whose diagnosis seems inspired, when it really depends on a just application of the little things that others fail to find. Every point must be noticed, for of what avail is all our knowledge if we can't gain the data upon which to apply it. A good anatomist, to be a good surgeon must see; a good memory can make the one, but to gain the fame of the other, it must be supplemented by the powers of perception which form the basis of reason.

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The Medics are distinguishing themselves in still more varied ways. Being disciples of Aesculap, did not prevent their gaining laurels in debate and having already established a reputation as vocalists, they now appear as poets and composers. We give the song, rendered last evening in the Zet hall by Messrs. Pressnell, Haughey, Hurd and Beck:

"Just to make a Change in Business all Around."

Now we're going to sing a song,  
And we wont detain you long,  
It's about the Laws and Medics in this town.

Laws and Cads are in cahoot,  
To trample Medics under foot,  
But we've made a change in business all around.

Chorus:

Yes, we've met them in debate,  
And you all well know their fate,  
Tho' the Laws felt sure, the Medics would go down;  
But our boys they bolted thro',  
And they scored a point or two,  
Just to make a change in business all around.

Laws and Med's one night did go,  
To society you know,  
To hear the honors of callings to be found  
And the question, rather large,  
Was handled well by those in charge,  
And a change was made in business all around.

Cho.

For the Laws knew they were beat,  
And acknowledged the defeat,  
When they challenged a rehearsal of the ground;

Tho' Medics, speeches never make,  
A back seat they will not take,  
And they made a change in business all around.

Cho.

Now the Laws would not succumb,  
So to a Cad, they quickly run,  
Another wrestle with the Medics they were bound;

And a time was quickly set.  
Our boys loaded up you bet,  
Just to make a change in business all around.

Cho.

How the Laws they did contend,  
Without them this world would end,  
Grover Cleveland and their country would go down.

But by their argument so loose,  
Man was prov'n to be a goose,  
So the judges changed the business all around.

Cho.

At the ending of the fray,  
When then the smoke had cleared away,

T'was decided that our boys had held their ground.

And the Laws said t'was a shame,  
To get beat at their own game,  
But we made a change in business all around.

Cho.

Now friend Laws when you're on the street,

If a Medic you should meet,  
Just shake hands and let good will and peace abound;

For in this wide world of woe,  
They need both of us, you know,  
Unless they make a change in business all around.

Cho.

Dr. Hunt, class '87 was in town yesterday, just as jolly as ever. He reports a rushing business.

Poor Billy Greene is dejected and downcast in spirit; one of his most valued treasurers is no more and he looks in vain for the eager face of his beloved one, now cold in death. The fact is his dog died—of too much physiology. Where can he get another? Can no one help him out?

Monday evening was celebrated as usual by numerous distinguished Medics who, although the night was chilly, were not anxious to accept the hospitalities of the city here. And when two or three of their friend laws were gobbled, they were seen to scatter somewhat like rats.

Do the Medics know they have an older sister who looks upon their frolics with the sedate protective air of a sage? We have repeatedly been assured of the fact; and state it though it blast the fond hopes of some of the ladies men.

If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples, they will crumble into dust; but if we look upon immortal minds; if we imbue them with principles, with the just fear of God and love of our fellow-men, we engrave on those tablets something which will brighten to all eternity.—Webster.

One story intellects, two-story intellects, three-story intellects with skylights. All fact-collectors who have no aim beyond their facts, are one-story men. Two-story men compare, reason, generalize, using the labors of the fact-collectors, as well as their own. Three-story men idealize, imagine, predict; their best illumination comes from above through the skylight.—Holmes.

Scene at a college town; Student (to servant at the door)—Miss Brown? Servant—She's engaged. Student I know it. I'm what she's engaged to.

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