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Iowa City, Iowa.

Drake University the other day received from Leipsic, Germany, two very fine surveying instruments that cost about three hundred dollars.

HORACE DAVIS, the new president of the California State University, is an enthusiastic advocate of the higher education of women. Hurrah for him.

A LARGE addition to the Ann Arbor library is now on the way from Leipsic. It is a German chemical periodical in 248 volumes, complete since the year 1835.

THE number of women attending co-educational colleges has doubled since 1874. About the same number of women are attending co-educational colleges that are attending separate colleges.

AINSWORTH R. SPOFFORD, the Librarian of Congress, who is noted for his wonderful memory, is nearly sixty-three years old. He is of slight physique, dark complexioned, with iron-gray whiskers. He has held his present position for almost a quarter of a century.

HORACE L. WOOD, of class '81, now one of the editors of the *Nebraska Daily Press*, of Nebraska City, brought out an Arbor Day edition of his paper. It is full of letters on the Day from prominent statesmen, governors, poets and philosophers. Horace is making things buzz out in that western country.

THE University of Iowa recently petitioned the legislature for an appropriation of \$20,000 to buy a base ball field for the students.—*Ex.*

We find the above in the *Aegis*. What "Ex." the *Aegis* quotes from we are sure we don't know. Several reports have been spread abroad about the University. This is a new one.

SUPR. SABIN returned from Iowa City yesterday, where he attended the meeting of the Board of Regents of the State University. He reports the University in a prosperous condition.—*Register*.

THE Inter-State Oratorical Contest will be held next Thursday evening, at Greencastle, Ind., the seat of DePauw University. Iowa will be represented by I. K. Wilson, of Iowa College, as orator, and by Mr. Mears, of Cornell College, and Mr. Arnold, of Parsons College, as delegates, the former being chairman of the delegation. Success to our man.

By the *Baldwin Index* it is stated that Rev. Dr. Patton, the newly elected president of Princeton, is a British subject, and that although he has lived in this country for twenty years, never has sought and does not intend to seek naturalization. He is said to have published over 1,000 magazines and press articles during his literary career.

THE trial of Billings for the murder of Kingsley at Waverly closed the other day, and the jury brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree. Argument was made for a new trial, but it was refused. Judge Ruddick yesterday sentenced Billings to the penitentiary at Anamosa for life. Kingsley, it will be remembered, graduated from the Law Department here with the class of '86, and was at the time of the murder prosecuting attorney for his county. He was a young man of excellent character, and popular suspicion was from the first strongly against Billings.

PROF. NUTTING will spend the summer in the Bahama Islands making natural history collections and studying, especially the marine forms of life there. He will leave here about the 15th of May and work in the employ of the University until vacation, after which his time is his own. The Bahama Islands are practically a new field for work and it is not impossible that something new may be brought to light. The University is fortunate in having instructors who are ever ready to grasp an opportunity to better perfect themselves in their work.

PERHAPS we are mistaken and there is no dishonor connected with referring to note and text books during examinations. Either we are mistaken or a goodly number, who would scorn to be called dishonorable, have succeeded in convincing themselves that, when pushed hard, this method is justifiable. At any rate, ever since our Freshmen days, this thing has been noticeable. We had seen it practiced in primary schools before, but hardly expected to find it in the State University. We found, however, that almost every class contained those who, seeming not to be ashamed

of the act, made no attempt to conceal it from any one but the Professor. And so it has gone on year after year, and we have come to regard it merely as a matter of fact. Yet the plan always seemed to us somewhat questionable as having a tendency to introduce an element of unfairness in determining one's rank in scholarship. Perhaps this objection might be overcome by a more general use of text and note books in examinations.

YESTERDAY being Arbor Day, it is to be presumed that thousands more trees are to-day growing on the school grounds of Iowa than on day before yesterday. These trees are not a creation. They are no addition to the wood growth of the country. They have simply been transplanted, taken from the forest, where they were obscure and over-shadowed by the larger trees, and planted where they will have plenty of room to flourish, where their beauty will be seen, and where they will add beauty to their surroundings. Many school premises should to-day have a different appearance from that they had last week. Next year, when the trees have grown and spread their branches a little, they should have a better appearance still. No little white school house ought to stand all by itself on a bare and bleak site with nothing inviting about it. The idea of planting trees on school property is one of the nicest little fancies conceived lately by modern educational spirit and life. It is a step in the aesthetic direction, the healthy aesthetic direction. If the Day were to be devoted merely to the planting of trees, it would hardly become a very permanent institution, for soon, if there were proper observance, enough trees would be planted. But the day is set apart, also, for the cleaning up of school-house yards and otherwise improving their appearance. The latter can always be done from year to year, even for a thousand years, hence the Day can very appropriately become a permanent thing.

THE Students Temperance Alliance has furnished evidence against twenty of Iowa City's saloons. A large proportion of these are situated in accordance with Dr. Fellow's "imaginative" saloon map. There are several places which he has marked as saloons, which the Alliance has good reason to believe are such, but against which they have as yet obtained no conclusive evidence. There are quite a number of saloons out side of the range of Dr. Fellow's map. Perhaps at no time before have the temperance people had as good an opportunity to exterminate the saloons here as now. They have as their ally a powerful organization among the students whose object should be their object. If they will earnestly come to the task and work

with these students, if there is any justice in the courts, success can but crown their efforts. The students in taking hold of this work have a great advantage. They are not business men, and have no business to be injured. They are not, as a rule, citizens of Iowa City, and are in no way dependant upon popular favor. The saloon power is unable to injure them save by direct personal violence, and there is no probability that it will be attempted. The Alliance is not ashamed of the work already done but recognize that work as incomplete. They know that twenty saloons by no means represent the whole number in Iowa City; and as long as they know this they will not be content to remain idle.

The evidence has been placed in the hands of a competent attorney, and the cases have been set for next week. At last, it is hoped that an effective war has been commenced against the saloon interest in the "Athens of Iowa."

SOME of our exchanges, we observe, are urging the students of their respective colleges not to be so absorbed by regular college work, as to neglect to do a considerable amount of newspaper reading. This advice is certainly well put if it is needed, and in many schools very likely it is. The present is of most vital interest to us. Events occurring just now are, many of them, important, and will constitute interesting and profitable history a few years hence. We should not fail to keep pace with them and study them inasmuch as, for the reason that they are taking place before our very eyes, we shall never have as good an opportunity to do so again. We have never thought that the students of this University needed any lecturing on this point. They are, as they ought to be, great friends of the daily papers. Many of them are regular subscribers to Chicago dailies, and we scarcely ever enter the reading room without seeing a number of students at the desks where the latest papers are kept on file, not papers a week old, but fresh papers. We believe the students as a rule are quite able to discuss living issues intelligently. In our literary societies are debated many old questions, but one who notices the whole list of questions debated by the societies in a year, as they are published in the program week by week, cannot fail to mark the proportion pertaining to what is actually going on and being talked about in the political, social and literary world. What is really important in the newspapers should be read by the college student and made a part of his study as it should that of every intelligent man. College studies certainly ought not to be neglected. They do not need to be in order that the newspaper may not be. There is time enough for both.

## LITERARY DEPARTMENT

## CORNELIA.

BY AN ERODELPHIAN.

'Tis well that the lips of ancient and venerable women  
 Are unsealed by the spell of Cassandra, beloved  
 of Apollo.  
 These times need to learn that the duty and  
 pleasure of woman  
 Should be found at the hearth with her children  
 gathered about her.  
 Better it was in the old days to be the mother of  
 Gracchi,  
 Than to be loud in the forum or bold in the  
 marts of trade.  
 Priestesses served at the altars, but an augur  
 was never a woman,  
 And never a Roman matron wore the imperial  
 purple.  
 Yet skilled in the arts of the household, and glad  
 in our love for our children,  
 We care not for the fame of the poets nor the  
 triumphs and glories of battle.  
 Sometimes we are stern to our children; but  
 these by our sternness developed,  
 Are heroes at last, are beloved by the people.  
 Do you wonder I prized my jewels dearer by far  
 than the rubies,  
 For who has a right to be prouder than I, the  
 mother of heroes?

## SAPPHO.

BY NORA BARNARD.

Am I again permitted, after ages of wandering  
 in Hades,  
 Once more to breathe the soft air and behold the  
 bright realm of Helios?  
 Or has the goddess I worship, lofty, enthroned  
 Aphrodite,  
 Granted to sorrowing Sappho, surcease in the  
 fields Elysian?  
 Ah, no! this is not beautiful Lesbos, engirt by  
 the blue Aegean,  
 Crested with stately temples, white in their  
 groves of flex,  
 Heavy with fruiting vines, all flushed and fragrant  
 with roses.  
 And yet, these young faces about me touch the  
 quivering harp-strings of mem'ry.  
 Is it those Gangyla, Anagora, Eunice, or sweet-  
 voiced Erinna?  
 Anactoria, best loved of my pupils, do I again  
 behold thee?  
 No! this is not the garden of Sappho, where  
 reclined on the marble benches,  
 Bright gems in an uncouth setting, my pupils  
 listened in reverence  
 As I taught the high art of the poet, or led the  
 hymn full-sounding  
 In praise of the queen of love, the sea-born  
 Aphrodite.  
 Music and laughter and love in the sweet rose-  
 garden of Lesbos.  
 Laurels were mine, as unfading as e'er wreathed  
 the brow of Homer.  
 Named in the Grecian cities tenth of thy Muses,  
 Apollo,  
 Was the cup of my life so sweet that it madder-  
 ed me in the drinking,  
 Or lacking the love of Phaon seemed tasteless  
 to lips that were burning,  
 That I flung it away that day on thy love-healing  
 cliff, Lencadia?  
 Bitterly sweet, Oh! Eros, are the rankling  
 wounds of thy arrows.  
 Kindly cruel, Oh! cliff, were thy sea-washed  
 stones to Sappho.

## AT RAPID CITY: A SKETCH.

BY MISS ZOE WILLIAMS.

"Another city!" sighed Maud, as the languid train pulled into Rapid City. "Positively, I have counted seven cities in the last ninety miles. There's Bacon City, Hall City, Horizon City, New City, Desert City, and now Rapid City. I wonder if this one has three or four hundred inhabitants."

"Don't be sarcastic, Maud," said I, "give the poor little villages time, and they will grow into their names. This city has three thousand inhabitants, if you wish to know."

Rapid City has nothing of a metropolitan appearance from the railway station. The town itself is placed on a high hill, a mile away from the depot in the valley. It is a beautiful town, old enough to have out-grown the crude and barren appearance of so many Nebraska "cities." This is the village celebrated in Mr. Howe's "Story of a Country Town," which made such a sensation several years ago. The town is proud of Mr. Howe's reputation as the rising Western novelist, prouder, perhaps, than Mr. Howe has reason to be of the town.

Rapid city is peopled with a motley crowd, as most Western cities are, but here the contrasts and varieties of people are peculiarly startling and distinct. Phlegmatic Pennsylvanians, and fiery Kentuckians, languid Missourians, and enterprising New Englanders, slow-going capitalistic New Yorkers, and Kansas boomers, Germans, Portuguese, French, Africans, and Indians, are to be found here in their original types. There is a very little mingling and blending of the unlike elements.

"You have always preached to me," said Maud, the other day, "of the advantages of a society where every person stands out in his true character, and where there is no disguise of one's real self. Here you've found your ideal community! Every one knows everyone else 'not wisely, but too well.' I don't believe in it. I prefer veiled prophets to prophets unveiled."

We have taken up our abode with a self-possessed, executive, New England woman, a Mrs. Bancroft, whose husband claims to be connected with the great historian. That alone must preserve him from becoming an entire non-entity, and, as it is, he is scarcely ever visible. Our Kentucky neighbor intimates that Mr. Bancroft's appearances are reserved for the billiard-halls and saloons with which the town is favored to a remarkable degree.

Our Kentucky neighbor, by the way, is a delightful companion, and a most interesting study to us Northerners. She is intensely Southern; a devoted adherent of the Lost Cause; and, theoretically, has the bitterest hatred for the "Yanks" who poisoned her brother in prison, and who "shot down two hundred of Kentucky's finest young men, because, forsooth, Kentucky preferred to remain neutral."

Mrs. Grierson is young, pretty, and charminly irrational—just such a Southern woman as we have all our lives idealized.

One afternoon, Mrs. Grierson, Mrs. Bancroft and we were enjoying our customary chat and fancy work, while Dixie Lee Grierson, aged three, and Albert Sydney Johnson Grierson, aged six, just outside the window, were discussing marbles with our colored washer-woman's eldest hopeful.

Suddenly the gate clicked, and in walked our neighbor from across the street. Mrs. Yutzy is a Kansan, a

woman blessed with a seeing eye and a hearing ear. In large addition she is possessed of a talking mouth, which renders a daily newspaper a thing of no consequence as a tell tale to her acquaintances. She has powers of continuance and personaliiy in speech, which would make her fortune as a stump orator.

"I seen you folks havin' a good time gabbin'," she began, "an', thinks I to myself, I'll jine 'em. So here I be. Hev' you heerd o' the folks which was lightnin' struck las' night in the storm? No?" Here I pause to remark that our replies were much like the recorded responses of Mr. Caudle during his curtain lectures.

"Yes, they was—le's see—three 'as I counted. You knowed ole Shell, Miss Bancroft. Em. Shells father? Well, he was struck when he was carryin' corn to the hogs. Kilt him dead. Then there was Yutzy's sister-in-law's second cousin over to Liscomb. An' Doc Willis, you surely heerd 'o him? No?"

Well he was settin' on the Prisyterian church steps, when the lightnin' struck the steeple. He was full, as usual, an' when it struck him he jumps up an' says, 'Who's throwing bricks at me?' an' throwed back. O, no! didn't hurt him none.

They do say you kaint kill a drunk man. At that rate Doc'll never die, kase he's allus as drunk's a fish. But it only takes two or three swallers to make him drunk. Why law me! Doc Marvin kin drink a quart o' the stronges' brandy right down 'thout winkin'. Does it ev'ry day, an' it don't seem to hev no effect. Yuntzy's brother-in-law's sister's oldest boy clarks in the drug store an' he's seen him. But when they drinks it straight like that, they allus gits the delirium tremors.

"Now Doc Willis never hez them. He stays silly drunk the whole time, an' its sech a pity, kase they say he's the bes' doctor in town. Ketch me hirin' a drunk doctor fur all that. They say he ust to be sech a nice young man afore his girl jilted him. What! never heard that yarn yit, Miss Bancroft?" Mrs. Bancroft had certainly not provoked this question by her attention. She did not believe in gossip, and she was enduring Mrs. Yutzy's flood of information with the frigidity of a block of her native granite.

Mrs. Grierson was amiably listening and crocheting. Maud looked like Oliver Twist, anxious for more, while I, I confess, was profoundly interested, not so much in the narration as in the narrator. What vivacity and facility of speech! And how did she manage to take breath?

"Well, you see, Doc was a Northerner, come from Injeanny, I've heerd say. He was the good-lookingest young feller in town, an' his gurl was the good-lookingest gurl in town. Name was Annie something, I disremember what, but he allus hollers it out when he's shoutin' drunk.

"When the war broke out, he 'listed went away just the day afore they was to be married.

"Well, Doc was chums with another feller who was sweet on this Annie. This feller got a bay'net wound 'at sent him

home. Doc sent letters an' all kin's of good words to Annie, kase the Johnnies was purty thick then, an' no tellin' if he'd ever git home.

"So this other feller brung the letters an' what not to Annie, all right, but then what'd he do but go to sparkin her hisself. An' when the poor Doc got home wounded, he found 'em married. He'd never spicioned a word of it, kase that deceitful Annie hed kep' writin' sweet to him the whole time. They do say he went crazy for a while. Then he took to drink. Such a pity for his mother an his sister Beck—that big fat girl 'at allus wears black. If they's a thing in the world I'm glad for it's kase Yutzy don't git drunk."

"What a pitiful story," said Maud. "And how mean of the girl! I don't blame the Doctor much."

"O, it's a very romantic story," replied Mr. Grierson. "And young girls always dote on romance. For my part, I despise a man who is such a coward. Very likely he just makes that an excuse for drinking. Ever since Adam, men have tried to throw the blame for their misdeeds on us poor week women. O, I've no patience with it. Perhaps if the girl had married him, he'd have turned out a wretched drunkard."

Mrs. Yutzy nodded her head. "That's edzackly so! There Doc is now way up on t'other side of the street." Maud and I made a rush for the window, where she stood.

"An' there's the littlest Dorrin'ton young un right in front of him. Throwin' up her hat an' ketchin' it! Wouldn't I thrash Evie if I seen her at that, an' she ain't never ten yit. 'Vyou been to call on Miss Dorrin'ton yit, Miss Grierson?"

"No, I haven't yet, but I intend to call soon. They are said to be very nice people, and I think strangers should be made to feel at home."

"Well, nice or no nice, they're awful stuck up. Why my Evie says—Land of gracious! I b'lieve Jim Bemis' dray hosses are runnin' away again!"

We all hurried out on the verandah. Down the street came the runaway team—powerful Norman horses drawing a heavy express wagon.

We breathed a sigh of relief when we saw the broken hitching strap. Then no one had been hurt.

Suddenly at a cry from Mrs. Grierson we turned our eyes to the crossing into the lane for which the horses were making. There Jessie Dorrington was sauntering along oblivious of everything around.

We shouted, but almost before the shout the great plunging brutes were trampling her under their feet. In less time than I could tell it, we were all there. Doctor Willis had been before us. In a dazed, half-sobered way, he gently lifted the child.

"Let me walk!" she screamed, "I can walk!" "Let her down, Doc," said Mrs. Yutzy, in a choked voice, "mebbe she ain't hurt much."

But Jessie was badly hurt. The crowd collected and she was tenderly carried home. Everything was done to revive

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 dead, to the faces of the living. Maud  
 was softly crying in Mrs. Grierson's  
 arms. Mrs. Bancroft's icy reserve melt-  
 ed in the tears that ran down her cheeks  
 in sympathy with the stricken mother.  
 For once Mrs. Yutz's tongue was  
 stilled. And at the feet of the child stood  
 Doctor Willis, sober; awed and quicken-  
 ed into something like his lost manhood  
 by the presence whose touch makes the  
 whole world kin—the presence of Death.

**Learning a Language.**

A correspondent of *Science*, who signs  
 himself simply "W." gives the following  
 answer to the question, "Whether there  
 is any practical method of learning to  
 read a language without the use of a dic-  
 tionary?"

"The present writer has learned to  
 read readily two languages without the  
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 of the language, not its grammar, is the  
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 with some easy author, and follow its  
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 a dozen or more books, one may then  
 venture on some simple author, dispens-  
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 so far as possible, and learning the  
 meanings of the new words, as they ap-  
 pear, from the context. After having  
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 study of the grammar, and will then be  
 surprised to find that conjugations and  
 declensions are no longer a task. After  
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 is very useful; but he certainly can never  
 get a thorough and exact knowledge of  
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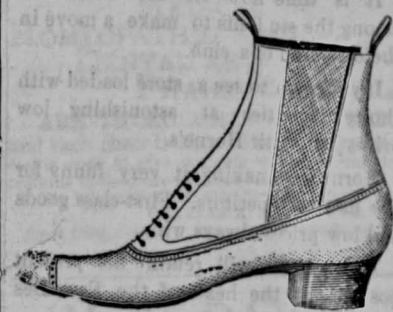
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Really, we had an April shower.  
Clarkson is at Des Moines for a day or two.  
That new soda fountain of Whetstone's is a dandy.  
Cliff Musser is in Muscatine to-day, visiting at home.  
E. H. Sabin was in the city for a short visit Wednesday.  
The Erodolphians will entertain the public at their hall to-night.  
Base-ball stock holds its own at par with fair demands for shares.  
Judges for the Junior-Sophomore Oratorical Contest, must be chosen next week.  
Tactics are laid by—mostly in the corners of forgetfulness. May they rest in peace.  
Mrs. Gleason, of Audobon, has spent the past week with her daughter, Miss Myrtie.  
Dress-parade will be on Wednesday next week, if weather admits, instead of Friday.  
O. D. Wheeler, at Council Bluffs, can't rest without the V.-R. Wants it sent on first train.  
Orion C. Scott, an old S. U. I. student, edits an educational column in the *Oskaloosa Globe*.  
Go to Cash & Hunt's meat market, opposite Opera House, for choice meats of all kinds.  
Florence Musser went to Newton to attend the High School declamatory contest held last night.  
Yesterday was Arbor Day. We know of one tree that was planted under the umbrella of the night; and when it was planted, the moon rose up to see it—and smiled.

Go to the Opera House to-night for a first-class shave and hair-cut.  
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Horne's is making it very funny for the new competitors. First-class goods and low prices always win.  
Amos Hiatt will retain his present position at the head of the East Des Moines schools another year.  
We see in the *Denison Review* C. F. Kuehne's name signed to a request for a meeting to form a Republican club.  
Many a one paused to listen to the dulcet strains of a violin and harp that flowed from the Delta hall last night.  
Prof. L. F. Parker, instead of Dr. Barrett, as was first announced, will preach at the Presbyterian church to-morrow.  
The special sale of handkerchiefs and parasols attracted hundreds of ladies to Horne's Saturday. The sale will continue this week.  
The Hahneman Medical Association of this State will hold its nineteenth annual session in this city the latter part of next month.  
The investigating committee have postponed the day of their meeting one week, and will be here on the 15th of May instead of 8th.  
Everybody wants to see the Irvings accept the challenge offered them by the Zets. This is so because everybody wants to see some fun.  
Hon. W. B. Allison has presented the library with volumes 16, 17 and 18 of the *Congressional Record*, which makes our set complete to June 1887.  
See the "Public Notice" elsewhere. If any one wishes to growl at the University, let him go up and show his teete to the Committee on the 15th of May.  
E. C. Nichols went down home Thursday evening. He wanted to attend a fat-cattle sale yesterday. We have not learned the amount of his investment.  
Miss Myrtle Butler, a former student and member of class '87, is visiting friends in the city. Miss Butler has just finished her work at the capitol as committee clerk.  
Katie French was called hence last Saturday on account of a sister's illness. The freshman class loses one of its brightest young ladies, as Miss French does not expect to return.  
—It is all right enough to buy your jewelry at a jewelry store. Books at a book store. Drugs at a drug store and crockery at a china store. But if you want a good razor, jack knife, pistol, or anything usually kept in a first class hardware store, call on Lichty & Thomas. They make a specialty of that class of goods.

"Jake" Bloom's polka-dot coat caused him to get a free ride on the shoulders of the boys last evening after drill. They carried him around to Billy Miller's, but couldn't get him to set 'em up.  
A thing that would add very much to the appearance of the University would be a tasty and varied coat of paint applied to the central building, dome, eaves, columns, door and windows.  
Mr. E. Frank Brown, instead of locating at Sterling, Colo., has settled down at Kearney, Neb. He reports it a booming city of 10,000 inhabitants, and sends his regards to the University crowd.  
"Have you written your commencement oration?" "What are you going to write about?" are burning questions among us now, and usually they are answered by "no," and "haven't decided yet."  
On our literary page will be found several sketches, all of which were presented in our ladies' societies recently, that of Miss Williams before the Hesperian, and the other two before the Erodolphian.  
On account of dryness and cool nights, the trees have not developed their bloom as rapidly as the eager botanists might desire; but the favorable change in the weather now indicates work and plenty of it.  
Mr. Lee Mahin, of the *Muscatine Journal*, was in the city Monday looking about the University. The result of his observations appeared in his paper shortly afterward and was a very decent looking result.  
The most conspicuous physical feature about the Regents just now is the long, black, Indian-like hair of Mr. Swalm. Taken all together they have several exceedingly curious mental features of which we will not speak.  
The work carried on this term by the seniors of the scientific department consists of special work in botany and the various mosses, by Misses Hudson and Slotterbee, and a thesis, micro-photography, by D. Powell Johnson.  
Speaking of fresh questions for society discussion, the Erodolphians have one for this evening. They will attempt in their peculiar way to settle the question as to whether the savage races are happier than the civilized.  
Mr. T. W. Townsend has re-arranged the display of pictures in his window and the effect is very attractive and pleasing. The pictures are all new ones and show the fine kind of work now being done in that popular gallery.  
The scheme of having a city base-ball team having been struck out, gone foul, or in short "busted," the University boys will endeavor to furnish a club. For its maintenance some city subscriptions have been obtained besides those received from the S. U. I. boys. Officers have been elected, and almost enough financial backing has been promised to insure a first-class team. There is good timber in the S. U. I. for a team, and it will be brought out.

Prof. Magowan reports the Academy drawing class, under Mr. C. A. Lichty, as doing very excellent work. The class is composed of about thirty young men and women, many of whom are preparing for the University. Good for Lichty.  
Signs of spring are observable in the Faculty now. The Professor of Modern Languages and the Professor of History both bloomed out in brand-new spring suits Thursday morning. This fact is not at all remarkable, but still interesting.  
We had a nice rain yesterday; a balmy evening; promenading; discussing lofty themes; a stone crossing; we see a nice large stone (apparently), and firmly set our pedal extremity—into a mud puddle. Such are the delusions and realities, etc.  
There were very unmistakable signs of Arbor Day on the campus yesterday, "Jimmy," in the place of a dead tree that had been taken out the day before and made a great hole, planted a fine maple sapling and christened it Grover Cleveland whose ardent disciple "Jimmy" is.  
Wm. McClure, whose visit we mentioned last week, remained until Wednesday. He will spend a week or ten days visiting at different points, and then go west and try ranch life for the sake of recuperating physically. Our very best wishes will go right along with him out west.  
Our competitors claim they come from the small town 25 miles north of us, and come with an unlimited amount of gall and sand. It certainly takes an unlimited amount of those two ingredients to sell old shop worn goods to Iowa City people who have been used to getting such fine goods at Horne's so cheap.  
The Regents were in session here Wednesday. The following members were present: Gov. Larrabee, Richardson, Burrell, Bulis, Wright, Mathews, Swalm, McConnell and Dunning. They went through with some business of minor importance and did something in preparation for the investigating committee.  
Monnet has obtained a position as principal of the Lettsville schools and will consequently not be back next year. We understand that Lettsville is a nice quiet little place and the position is quite a desirable one. The school is fortunate in obtaining one of the best students for its principal which the State University can afford.  
Rev. J. Mad Williams, pastor of the Christian Church here, and an alumnus of the University, has accepted the invitation to deliver the commencement address at Drake University. Mr. W. enjoys a wide spread reputation as a scholar of superior attainments, and will prove himself fully equal to the occasion which he has consented to honor.  
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Four five-minute speeches! Such was the number promised on our literary society bulletins yesterday morning. We do not remember ever before having seen two regular literary programs without a single oration. What has become of our orators? A five-minute speech will do for an emergency, but it is by no means equivalent to a carefully prepared oration.

Mr. C. H. Maxson, of the Sophomore class, has been selected by our Y. M. C. A. to act as their agent and financial manager during the summer vacation, and many of the S. U. I. alumni may expect a call from him. Mr. M. is fully competent to do the required work, and his heart is in sympathy with the interests of the Association. May success attend him.

The Engineering boys are toughening themselves for the hard work they expect to engage in. They are not content merely to spend the afternoons of Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays in the field, but induce the Professor by their clamorings to let them work Saturdays also. So now any Saturday morning about 8 o'clock, a noble band of Engineers, armed with the various instruments of their profession, and each carrying his dinner in a paper, may be seen endeavoring to find their way out of town.

The first dress parade of the season is always an important event in the Spring term. Indeed the Spring term is scarcely considered as inaugurated until this performance has taken place. The rain and showers shortly after noon yesterday made the prospects for a dress parade rather gloomy, but when the time came the sky was clear and everything went off according to program. This is the first airing the boys have had since November, and they did well. The steps of the central building and the walks near by were thronged with spectators.

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**THE REGENTS.**

These are some of the things that were done by them Wednesday: It was provided that an examination fee of ten dollars be paid by all law student who enter for the second year only of the law course with a view to graduating in one year.

The county representative scholarship was abolished except as to the students now attending on county recommendation. The collegiate fees hereafter to be the same as heretofore, \$25 per year. The first term \$10, second term \$10, and third term to all who have attended two terms is \$5, but for one or two terms only, per year the fee is \$10 per term.

After the year 1890 the fee for the degree of Master of Arts is fixed at \$10.

With reference to the investigating committee, the following passed:

*Resolved*, That a committee of three of this Board be appointed to attend the investigation of the State University and represent the interests of the institution in such a way as to bring out the fullest possible investigation of all matters that may be presented.

Committee appointed as follows: A. Matthews, T. S. Wright, D. N. Richardson.

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It appears that politics have entered our school in this wise: Students of all departments of the S. U. I. met in the central building at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, for the purpose of organizing a Young Men's Republican Club. The Constitution as received from the State Republican League was adopted.

The following officers were elected: E. W. Bartlett, President. V. T. Price and J. H. Lloyd, Vice Presidents.

E. L. Stover, Secretary. Executive Committee, E. W. Bartlett, E. L. Stover, J. W. Bollinger, J. H. Gates and C. G. Sanders.

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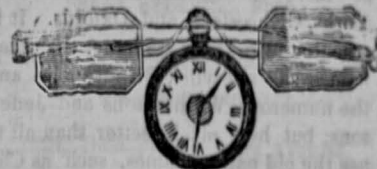
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In the California *Golden Era*, Mr. Fvacustes A. Phipson makes sundry suggestion, among which are these:

"To write 'mama' with three m's because that is the way a certain Latin word is written, is a vulgar pedantry, as if the childish word were any more than mere prattle. 'Wrath' is rightly spoken to rhyme with 'path,' and 'shop,' a place where work is done, should not be used for a mere 'store' where things are sold. 'Car' is an excellent word to use for railway or tramway vehicles, and to call them 'coaches,' as the Anglomaniacs do, is a great mistake, for even in England the word is seldom so used, but confined to its proper meaning, as 'stage-coach.' On the other hand, for Americans to call this latter a 'stage,' is wrong, and also 'buscuit,' for 'hot roll,' while the real biscuits are designated by the slang term, 'crackers.' 'Shunt' is a better word than 'switch,' the latter signifying the mere act of moving the 'switch' or bar; and 'lift' than elevator,' since it is used to lift both up and down. It is certainly absurd to use the Spanish word *burro*, when the English language possesses both 'donkey' and 'ass' to describe that animal; and the ambiguously spelt 'canyon' or *canon*, when we have so many words, such as 'valley,' 'dale,' 'gorge,' 'vale,' 'gully,' 'gulch,' 'ravine,' which give the meaning; as also to say 'homely,' which really means 'homelike,' 'domesticated,' 'simple,' for 'ugly.' To call a young lady 'homely' should rather be a compliment than otherwise. And young women ought to be so denominated, and not 'girls,' and young men 'boys.' Two or three o'clock at night should not be called 'morning,' any more than nine or ten o'clock be spoken of as 'evening.' Morning begins with dawn. And why should it be 'tony' to call dinner 'lunch,' and supper 'dinner?' One of the worst effects of Anglomania is the calling of so many American places by English names. There are a hundred or more Richmonds, and scores of Yorks, Gloucesters, and Oxfords. It is true that even these are better than such names as Jonesville, Minneapolis, and the numerous Washingtons and Jeffersons; but how much better than all to use the old native names, such as Chicago, Ontario, Susquehanna, Iowa and Yosemite! Lastly, if, as appears likely, America adopts the metric system of weights and measures, let us at least correctly transliterate the Greek words composing their names. 'Kilogram' and 'hectogram' are gross barbarisms for *chiliogram* and *hecatogram*. And the motto of California should not be 'Eureka,' but *Heureka*, the former spelling being as bad as 'olocaust' for *holocaust*, or 'ekatomb' for *hecatomb*. Its first syllable has no connection with the *eu* of 'eulogy,' 'euphony,' and so forth."

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All persons having any complaints against the general management of the University, by its Regents or otherwise, against the moral character of the institution itself, against the influences and moral atmosphere by which it is surrounded, against the character of the State buildings and improvements, against the conduct of any of the Professors of the institution, against the action of the Board of Regents, in entering into an alleged contract to discharge a part of the Professors in consideration of any appropriation, against the general efficiency of the University, or any other matter whatsoever relating to the said University, its officers or Professors, are hereby respectfully notified and requested to appear before said committee, at the time and place herein named, with such evidence as they may desire to present bearing upon the subjects above referred to.

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### The Dead Moon.

Prof. Samuel P. Langley, in his *New Astronomy*, thus moralizes:

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