The Associations of the State University of Iowa Need and Expect to Have a Similar Building for Their Work to Cost $25,000.

Y. M. C. A. BUILDING, STATE UNIVERSITY, ANN ARBOR, MICH.

We present to the readers of the Vidette a cut of the beautiful Association Building now in process of erection at Ann Arbor, Michigan. This building, which the one proposed for our own University is designed for the use of both the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A.

As already indicated by the generous subscriptions of faculty and students they have faith in this project. It is no experiment and in asking for such "Home" we only ask for that which experience in other State Institutions has proven beyond question to be a good thing. This project must commend itself to every thinking man and woman.

No denominationalism can go into the University and direct the work that is needed. The University itself, being a State Institution, is unable to do such work. The city churches can exert, and always have exerted, a strong influence upon the University, but they alone cannot reach all classes. There is need of some voluntary, non-denominational, Christian, organized effort on the part of the students themselves. Such an organization already exists in the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations. In the past they have done a quiet yet practical work; but they have been seriously hampered because of the lack of a suitable home. Experience at other State institutions has proved that a building is needed, in order to prosecute the Association work successfully and to make it a power in the University.

The advantages of such a building are:

1. It will give the Association permanence. It creates a home feeling which knits the membership closely together. At present the Association has no home. One term it is in a class room. Another term we hear of its being located in a church. "Formerly a temporary expedient, now an institution of the University and of the city" happily phrases the transition from borrowed rooms to a permanent home.

2. Adaptation. Without a building it is absolutely impossible for the Association to do its work. Rooms are needed for different kinds of meetings, for committee purposes, for Bible classes, for the officers of the Association, etc. A gymnasium is needed and will be used by hundreds of students constantly. If placed in the Association building it should be under the direction of a competent Christian gymnastics instructor. In all probability the State will not furnish such a gymnasium—at least not for several years. Parlor and reception rooms are needed for the social purposes of the Association. One can see at a glance that at present the Association is compelled to neglect several of these most important lines of influence.

3. Publicity. There can be no advertisement equal to an imposing building known as the property and home of the Association. It stands as a pledge of Christian unity and gives the Christian work the prominence it deserves.

4. Popularity. Experience in other colleges, notably at Yale and Cornell, proves that the Association has increased in membership, power and favor manifold, after it has entered the building. So much for the value of a building to the Association. Any one can see that it would be a benefit to the University in all its departments. A $25,000 building set apart for the promotion of Christian work and God's truth among the students of the University will be the best possible answer to the charge that the State University of Iowa is an infidel institution.

Who Owns the United States?

Mr. Thomas G. Shearman the well-known student of economic subjects has an answer to this question in his "The University of Iowa," a very lucid exposition of theっぺー through which all the students' and professors' visions can be made visible. The University of Iowa, he shows, is a "business corporation" of which we are the stockholders, and which pays dividends in the form of education and training. The University of Iowa, he says, is a "corporation with a franchise, and with power to make contracts in the State's name." It is not a "public corporation," in the sense in which the term is sometimes used.

On the literary page of this issue will be found an article of much interest to our students from the pen of Mr. Ada North, the University librarian. The article shows how our library is classified, and more than this, it shows one how to find information; the article will be especially valuable to Freshmen and for this reason as much as any other, we requested her to write it. We desire to call the attention of our friends elsewhere to this article, for in so doing we believe we will confer a favor. If your library is not properly arranged, it should be attended to at once. A library without system is not half a library. Mrs. North arranged the library of Tabor College last summer, and the students and faculty are loud in their praise of her work.

The Vidette knows of no more competent person for such work.

The State Printer has just issued the report of the Regents to the Superin-
tendent of Public Instruction, of which we have spoken several times recently. There are many interesting facts and figures which we hope to review in the near future. Such a splendid report cannot fail to bring good results. There is no better managed institution in Iowa than the State University. How such a big affair can be conducted so well on such a small amount of money, is a question asked by all readers of the report.
THE VIDETTE-REPORTER.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT

The subject of classification is one that grows in importance with the growth of a library. A few thousand books may be easily managed without any system of class grouping other than a few large classes, providing the cataloguing is well done, but with the mounting up of a collection into the tens of thousands some definite method of arrangement becomes imperative.

The matter of determining upon a certain number and order of classes and divisions which shall include all learning and literature is beset with many difficult problems, one of the chief arising from the relationship of certain branches. Take, for example, the topic—"mythology," it is closely allied with religion, history, art, and literature; or, look at "heredity," it is discussed in its relations to physical, mental, and social religion; and so the list of those subjects requiring classes and titles is a long one. It can be seen that considerable latitude must be allowed the catalogue and that a perfect agreement of views in his work cannot be obtained. The student, in fact, requires in any system of classes, and simplicity, a natural sequence of topics and the use of the fewest possible letters or figures in numbering. The plan adopted in this library after a careful comparison of the merits of various systems is that known as the Decimal Classification. It has been followed in many libraries and gives very general satisfaction. The following is a list of its nine great classes and the main divisions:

100, Philosophy; 110, Metaphysics; 120; 130, Mind and Body; 140; 150, Mental Faculties; 160, Logic; 170, Ethics; 180, Ancient Philosophies; 190, Modern Philosophies; 300, Theology; 310, Natural Theology; 320, Bible; 330, Doctrinal Theology; 340, Practical and Devotional; 350, Homiletics; 360, Introduction to Biblical and Ecclesiastical History; 200, Christian Sects; 210, Non-Christian Religions.

A Knight of the XIX. Century.

BY J. C. MONNET.

About four miles from one of our flourishing little cities, standing within the encircling ramparts of this capital town, surrounded by a superb bluff, a barbwire fence, a potato-patch, and the "Father of Waters," and vines cover its walls and, as you approach, a noble (which turns out to be a bunching of wine-glasses) makes your alert fancy hear the clash of arms and groans of the dying, as the storming of the castle proceeds. One window is just such as might have been used by Rebecca when, at Ivanhoe's request, the fair Jewess "books once again" upon the battle beneath. A spring supplies the water for the most, which is used for watering horses and cooling milk-crocks.

To this castle my S. U. F. friend, with whom I was visiting, and I, betook ourselves one evening about dusk; I experienced a peculiar feeling of mystery, for my friend had merely said, "Let's go out to Volks and drink some wine," leaving me in entire ignorance of the subject. Throughout the library the shelves are filled with a large number of volumes, which, under the sub-name of "Tableland," are annotated with an account of the library and with the location of the series of compilations. The user of the index will enable the student to use the Index to the best advantage.

A Further division and subdivision by means may be made by the change or addition of a single figure. A very full index serves as a key to the whole. The system has, like all others, its excellencies and its defects. It is defective in the illogical sequence of some of its great heads, Literature, for instance, should have followed Languages, while in the final class, History, which includes Biography and Travel, has not sufficient numbers assigned to it. The odd-numbering which constitutes the distinguishing feature of this system is a great aid to the memory and provides with the help of the index probably the most simple and flexible scheme yet devised. The first figure of any number shows to which of the nine great classes it belongs; thus, any volume whose class number begins with 1, from 100 to 199, belongs to Philosophy; with 2, from 200 to 250, to Religion, and so on.

In a properly arranged library these classes should follow each other on the shelves numerically. Whenever the expansion of this library shall compel a re-arrangement of the books they will be so arranged here.

The entire classification has been entered upon Sibley Lists forming a complete classified and classified and alphabetic list. This classified catalogue is necessary to the preservation of a record of the classes and is indispensable in bringing together all works dealing with any of the various kinds of literature. This does not, however, well adapted to general use as a dictionary catalogue—one in which authors and works are classified alphabetically. The best examples of this form may be found in the catalogues of the Boston Athenaeum and of the Brooklyn Library, copies of which are in our library. Our card catalogue is thus arranged and controlled, and includes records of all of the several volumes of essays, lectures and biographical sketches. It tells what works of an author are in the library and also what may be found upon any given topic. It does not yet point out in what part of the library a book may be found. The numerical numbers of the cards of the catalogue have been commenced and will be carried on as rapidly as possible.

The Periodical Literature of the Library is made up of the invaluable aid of "Poole's Periodical Index" and its continuations. The original Index dates to 1867, and the quarterly installments brings the references down to the current numbers. A list of the periodicals included in the card catalogue is posted near the Loan Table and an acquaintance with this list and with the location of the series of compilations throughout the library will enable the student to use the Index to the best advantage.

No one desiring to acquaint himself with the resources of the library in reference work should neglect the great cyclopaedia, the "British," the "American," "McClure and Strong's Biblical Encyclopedia," and "Johns Hopkins" a question which a learner might spend hours in looking up elsewhere, may be readily found in these volumes, treated in a manner most clear, concise and authoritative. Very important also as an aid to study are the dictionaries of biography and literature. Among these are "Allibone's Dictionary of Authors," the "Dictionary of National Biography," edited by Leslie Stephen, and as yet incomplete—some idea of the proposed scope of which work may be got from the fact that the 25th volume has only reached the letter G. A recent addition is the "Dictionary of American Biography," published, which contains, including Americans, but names of others prominently connected with our history and national development. Many more volumes of reference might be cited, would space permit.

A determined effort to master these Keys to the library will be amply repaid by the independence in research and command of resources thereby gained. The large library brought through the very general access to the thousands of shelves must result in a greater familiarity with books, and a more skilled and rapid handling of their contents than would be possible under a more restricted rule. Proceeding on the principle that books are made to be read, and to be read by all who will, the library opens wide its doors, freely offers its treasures of knowledge, and becomes a great educative force, supplementing and reinforcing all others, and clearly illuminating the whole.

The melodious days have come.

When season is too long to eat,
And oysters are too hot. —Er.
Tremendous applause began before I had finished the chorus colors, for I had that I would attempt another verse, and thus injure my lungs. I shall never be able to explain why a knight over in the corner gloomily muttered during my song that "Hamlet's To be or not to be' indeed one serious question."

A Ritter then proposed that we initiate the four: squares, myself being one, into the sacred order of knighthood. The place selected for the ceremony was an alley between the arbor and the garden fence. The madehens and squares were placed at one end, the knights at the other, the stage magnified by a solemn silence, a stillful busyness, and then the master of revels asked, "Is that there is one Knappe who this night to become one Ritter?" With the bravery of John Maynard I responded "Aye, Aye!" "Let him to the altar brought be, the sacred rowe take. The knight with majestic tread, lead me, the pious mind, there, kneeling upon the sacred fish seat covered with a sacred towel, a sacred funze, with a sacred bunch of razweds in the end, upon my head, the smiling moon and maidens before me, and a battalion of mosquitos upon me, I vowed in the name of God, and in the name of God bless ye, the ladies, love freedom and country and fight like the pride of cultured Boston for "For the Bund der Ritter D e Eberhardsburg," according to the Marquis of Queensbury rules. The oldest man present, to whom the office of Most Noble, Most Knight Manufacturers had been given because of his venerable age, then struck me on the shoulders with an olive branch cut from a neighboring elm, and said "You are hereby knighted." As I arose with the beautiful helmet and plume waving above my head, the stage was lighted, and an imposing march was produced. The right hand of fellowship and the grip (I have had my right hand in a mustard positive ever since) were given me, and the ceremony was repeated with the other knaps. After a few toasts and songs, the band adjourned to meet next year at the same time and place. The lords retreated across the drawbridge to their castle, the serfs to their feasts, and the trimming had ended, as morris displays the archaistic images of a minions dream.

Only a few years longer can a typical German drinking carousal be seen in this country. Stringent laws, restricted immunities, and all the alienizing power of our civilization, will make such scenes rare. The German looks forward to them as does the small boy to the "Fourth." They are periods of evolution, relaxation, and recreation. A stranger, they are exceedingly interesting. There is no intoxication, but a hearty good-humoured pervades all, and the profusion is carried on with the most dignified gravity. The stranger is carried across the ocean to the banks of the Rhine, and sees another civilization with a vividness that no picture possesses. It is a good time to study national traits, and this ceremony is for a moment entirely abandoned.

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DELTA GAMMA.

Saturday evening, November 9th, any one walking down west Davenport street would have paused, for muffled tread and hushed breath, for the house without was wrapped in deep darkness, but within fire was brightly burning at the altar of Delta Gamma, and about the rooms the wax candles diffused a pleasant light. It was the joyous occasion when Miss Myrtle Lloyd, of the Senior Law class, and Miss Mamie Rosenow, of the Collegiate Freshman class, were initiated into the mystic circle of Delta Gamma.

The chapter feels justly proud of its new members. Delta Gamma thinks to become famous for lady lawyers through Miss Lloyd, and the renowned Miss Sier, of Milwaukee, who lately appeared in the Wisconsin Supreme Court. After an enthusiastic introduction to the goat, little tables were brought in, and the Delta Gamma sisters indulged in an oyster supper, which was especially enjoyed after the evening's "fun and frolic."

CHALLENGE.

In the last issue of the Vidette, some Sophomore makes the assertion that since the players of the S. E. U. have adopted Rugby rules, the Sophomore class having practiced them could get no other class team to meet them on the ball park, and therefore they claimed the championship of the class teams. Now to give them the claim which they make so unknowingly, and to relieve their minds of the constant strain of wanting a game, they are hereby challenged to play a game of foot ball, at any time and place, and under such rules as they may desire. A. G. SMITH.

Capt., Junior Team.

"Hans, the Boatman."

Charles Arnold, in his great English and Australian success, "Hans, the Boatman," will be seen at the Opera House, next Thursday, Nov. 21.

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Médical Department


Chaffin thinks there would be more shows if "I will let you do that just the way it strikes you." You will get enough when your turn comes, Mr.

Very good food is said to produce hicchous in adults.

How many would "Several or more" be? Who can tell?

Besey, you had better practice before sneezing in public.

"Boys require very little water." What do you drink, Bones? We would like to have one of the Profs explain the composition of a "Brass piece of iron." Do not al cross-legged any more. It is not only ungrateful, but may produce aneurism.

Some of the boys still do the hash act during lectures. There will be a day of final reconking. Be boys.

The Junior class has a poetical genius. We hope to be able to publish some of his productions soon.

Some of the boys have a new way of studying Anatomy. They claim the specimens which are passed around the class.

The Dents seem to have a surplus of lead on hand at present from the way some of them throw shot about the amphitheatre.

Boys, you had Beede behave yourselves or the editors will get hold of the Hull lot of you, and hit you a Belt.

Wertz the matter with us?

Boys it is a shame for visitors at the Academy to look upon his statements as being skin to low comedy.

Dental Department

C. BAILEY, Bache, J. A. ROBERTS, JUNIOR.

Dr. W. H. Dwight went to Parkersburg on Thursday, to look after his business. He will return next Monday.

Speaking of Continuous gum, Crow and Bridge work, it is remarkable with what unanimity all the antequated folks (who are unable to perform such operations) condemn them.

H. E. Hawthorne suffered several days with swelling of his cheek, which seemed to banish the skill of the physical class, but was finally relieved by Professor Hunt, who gave egress to the forming acesse.

No one but a Junior can tell how late the dark days in the laboratory have been, without Professor Beene. It is hoped that his health may soon permit him to be with us again.

Dr. W. H. Baird, from Burlington, has given us very a entertaining and instructive clinic in continuous gum work. Dr. Baird is not only an excellent operator, but a thorough gentleman as well.

Juniors who presume to place almanac statistics on anaesthesia, against statements of actual experience by such men as Professor Hunt, Professor Patrick and Professor Baird, are making a serious mistake.

F. Van Winter, came all the way from Washingtonton Territory to finish his dental education with us. He was with us last year, and by his genial manner made many warm friends who are glad to see him among us again.

Prof. Patrick, who has no superior, and very few equals in his specialty, (orthodontia) arrived on Monday last and will deliver a course of lectures to the seniors. We wonder if the Prof. will favor us with his fish story.

In instituting a comparison between the increase in attendance in our dental department and the increase in other dental colleges of the country, we find that the S. U. L. is in the lead by a very large percentage, and we who are interested in the welfare of our college, naturally feel proud of it.

Bill Nye finally succeeded in enchanting the blonde Medico who has been swapping smiles with him at a distance, but when the result became known among the male sex of her class, the once fortunate sitter was soon wending his way to the pit. Bill did not soon at his accustomed place, and though he was not blushing; his face glowed with a supernatural warmth which was brought about by the exertions of gymnastics.

Our society meeting on Tuesday evening, was well attended and those present heard the pleasure of listening to three real good essays, by Drs. Barker, Qub and Cohenian. The discussions were also entertaining. The manner in which Prof. Hunt sat down on some of us who are inclined to jump up and discuss subjects of which we know very little, may have been amusing to some, but to those of us to whom his remarks were evidently addressed failed to look upon his statements as being skin to low comedy.

Academy Columns.

DYKE C. RISEM, Editor.

Yes, Thanksgiving comes on Thursday this year.

A number of our girls took part in the Athen点滴s Carnival.

Miss Jeanne Oshian is to resume her studies in the Academy next term.

Miss Annie M. Waldron, an old student of the Academy has resumed her studies.

The Zeta and Phi5 have their regular program every Friday afternoon at three o'clock.

Miss Ida Greger has been sick the past week, but hopes to return to her studies Monday.

Dr. Barrett will deliver a lecture before the Academy students about the tenth of December.

There will be an interesting Alumni programme in the Athen点滴 Hall, Friday evening, Dec. 6.

Why don't the elocution class have some recitals? We want to know how well we are progressing.

The Athen点滴s hold their meetings every Friday evening at eight o'clock, sharp. Every one is cordially invited to attend.

The Zetapolitans are to discuss the question: "Russled." That if the modern mode of celebrating Halloween is wrong for "Uarth Ann" it is wrong for whom.

Thomas Jefferson." In the near future "Chau" is to give the Athen点滴s a review of Bellamy's "Looking Backward." Members of all the societies are invited to be present and join in the discussion which will follow.

President Schaeffer gave a very interesting lecture to the Academy students on Friday morning. The process in the manufacture of iron from the ore was explained in a manner clear to all. The students expressed their apprehension by hearty applause at the close of the address.

Law Department

F. R. MILLAR, Senior, S. F. SAWYER, Junior.

Varumia: Whose hair was that found on your shoulder, Friday morning?

H. R. Cook's mother spent a couple of days this week with him taking in the sights about the city.

The Juniors have been deprived of their review quiz in courts on account of the sickness of Prof. Gilman.

We understand that Wright wants Bones to give him an office for faithful services during the late campaign.

The Seniors have been favored with an unusually large number of lady visitors at recitations during the past week.

Mr. Cha5. Fogg, of Stewart, a former student in the Law department, S. U. L. visited the institution Wednesday, favoring the boys with a speech. Mr. Fogg was, in '87, candidate for the supreme bench on the Democratic ticket.

Wills left for Mt. Hope, Wis., Friday, to resume charge of his school. On Thursday evening all of our law friends tendered him an informal reception, and at a late hour it looked as though Wills would stay over till Saturday. But he wasn't seen last night, nor the day mentioned.

First Young Lady: "Why, do you know I hardly know any Laws at all." Second Y. L.: "Why, yes you do; there's Mr. X. and Mr. L. and Mr. Bonson." First Y. L.: "Oh, yes; Mr. Bonson. But then I never think of him as a Law." Second Y. L.: "How do you think of him?" First Y. L.: "Oh, as a Freshman or something."

The Law Literary has prepared a special programme for Friday evening, Nov. 29th. Mr. Humin's vocal quartette and strung band will furnish the music. The eloquence of our dark complexioned orator and the logical minds of our lady members will add much interest to the entertainment. The friends of the department are cordially invited to be present.

A statute of the Nebraska Legislature provides: "It shall be unlawful for any person to fire or discharge any pistol, revolver, shotgun, rifle, or any firearm, whatsoever, on any public road or highway, in any county in the State of Nebraska, or within sixty yards of such public road or highway, except to destroy some wild, ferocious, or dangerous beast, or officer in the discharge of his duty." The statute legislature had evidently heard of metropolitan police in Eng. A metropolitan police officer who would come within the purview of that statute would be such a rare bird that it would warrant his best friend to kill him. Undoubtedly some of those legislators are Regents of the S. U. L. and had the interest of the museum of that institution at heart when the statute in question was framed.

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