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For the benefit of those who do not know, we will state that anything and everything intended for publication in the Vidette must be sent to the Editor-in-Chief, or placed in the box prepared for that purpose. If this is remembered much trouble will be saved.

The Davenport Deseretan published Prof. Andersen's review of "Eluokis" in a late number, and forgot to give the proper credit to the Vidette-Reporter. Gentlemen, this will never do. Prof. Andersen wrote the review especially for the Vidette-Reporter, and you should have given us the proper credit.

Fordsyce vs. Faculty.

Collegiate circles are greatly agitated over a recent event which promises to be not only of interest but of considerable importance. In brief it is this: A Mr. Fordeyce applied for admittance to the University, and such admittance was denied him upon the ground of inter-collegiate courtesy, as Fordsyce was expelled from Iowa Wesleyan University last year. Fordeyce immediately applied to Judge Fairall for a writ of mandamus, compelling the Faculty to admit him to enjoy the privileges of the State in the University. Judge Fairall will bear the argument upon the case this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Fordeyce is, as we understand, capable of meeting all the requirements of the Faculty for admittance to the University, failing in this one particular only, of having an honorable discharge from the Iowa Wesleyan University.

Whether the Faculty have the power to so deny admittance to an applicant to the University, a State institution, is now to be decided. Fordeyce was expelled from Iowa Wesleyan University because he owned up to having tried, though unsuccessfully, to take the can from its nib and fire a volley. He offered to pay any damages and apologize for the act, but the Faculty of the college would allow him to remain only upon condition that he pay for a night-watch to guard the cannon during the remainder of the year, and name his accomplices. This the boy, very bravely and nobly, we cannot help but think, refused to do, and expulsion was the consequence. The Vidette will refrain, in the main, from commenting upon the case till further developments. But we do desire to say, however, that if inter-collegiate courtesy consists in the University's refusing admittance to an applicant who has been expelled from another college without having the privilege of going back to the origin of the trouble and ascertaining why the student was expelled, such courtesy is pernicious, and destructive to liberties preserved to us by the State, and should be relegated to oblivion as soon as possible. Our Faculty are not blamable for their action, desiring only to govern themselves in accordance with what is very indefinitively known as "inter-collegiate courtesy" and having the best interest of everybody at heart.

Spoils.


Cornell Era, (N. Y.)

Upper Iowa University has eighty-two new students all told.

The American Humane Education Society offers a prize of $250 for the best essay advocating vivisection and the same amount for the best essay opposing it.

The new Professor of Greek in Hastings College, Nebraska, is Miss Jane Graydon, a girl of only twenty-four. She not only knows Greek, but is an accomplished tennis-player and is expert in other out-of-door games. [Ex.]

The King of Greece is the best tennis player among the royalties of Europe. [Ex.]

The cane rush at Cornell (N. Y.) began at ten in the evening and lasted until after midnight. There was a close contest but the Freshmen seem to have the advantage. Several persons were injured.

The municipal League of New York City has accepted as a platform the following hard sense principles:

1. Municipal government is business, not politics.
2. Municipal elections should be divorced from State and national politics.
3. Municipal officers should be chosen solely for business ability and personal integrity.
4. Municipal officers should be independent of political parties, halls, bosses and factions.
5. The care of city property, the management of city franchises, the collection and expenditure of city revenues, the development of systems of rapid transit, and the imperial and vigorous enforcement of labor legislation and of measures for the improvement of the homes of the industrial classes, can safely be intrusted only to officers chosen under the operation of these principles.

What do the reading citizens of the "Allabab" think of these principles? Iowa City will be governed on this basis one of these days; just so soon, in fact, as the people of the city prefer the goods of the community and the prosperity, good order, and good books of the town, above petty parsimony, and ward politics.

Gift To The University.

SIOUX CITY, IOWA, Oct. 16.--Special Telegraph.--D. H. Talbot, a wealthy collector of natural history specimens and a well-known intercollegiate man, has presented to the Iowa State University his scientific library and his collection of specimens. The value of the donation is $75,000.

To Voters.

Election day is a little more than two weeks off. The Vidette-Reporter desires at this early day to call attention to the fact and earnestly to advise all men who are voters to go home and vote if you can possibly afford it. Especially we urge upon the man who has for this year the right of suffrage, the importance of making good use of this first opportunity. If you have the privilege to vote this first time, you will regret it as long as you live. It is as a matter of patriotism and devotion to principles which you believe to be right, rather than of practical politics and partisanship that we appeal to you here. Be an adherent of what party you may, vote for whatever candidates you will, it is a matter of the highest importance to the nation that the men who are acquiring a college education should interest themselves in public affairs and cast their ballots at every election.

Vandalism.

It is not often that the honor and justice of the University, of which no one has higher appreciation than the Vidette-Reporter, is given a severe shock by any of the students. It is not often, we repeat, that this paper is called upon to chronicle theft or vandalism in our midst. We enjoy a reputation for honesty and integrity, second to no institution in the State. The write therefore precedes these remarks with an apology to his readers, but does not hesitate to say—we intend to strike from the shoulder. We would we could have been unpunished, must against the sneaking practice of pilfering books from the Library. It is a custom, so despicable, so contemptible, so foreign to the dignity and excellence of character that ever S. U. I. student should have, that it is not without humiliation that we are persuaded to mention this matter. Very frequently does our Librarian notice the theft of books of reference, books of value which cannot be replaced; whither they go is unknown to her. It is against this burning shame that we cry and it is our sinners wish that the culprits may be brought to justice and the pernicious practice stopped.

Let the Latin dictionary, recently stolen, be returned at once or heroic steps will be taken. We mean business and are confident we have the "amenity" of all good students as well as faculty, librarian and all.

Star Fishes.

The star fishes collected in the Bay of Fundy by Prof. Calvin and Prof. Nutter, has been examined by a few privileged persons. The collection came through in splendid shape, not a single specimen being materially damaged. As soon spread out on the examining tables these star fishes present a striking display of strange forms and beautiful colors. A very large series of the interesting genus Solaster comprising the "Sun Stars" is particularly noticeable. Some of these are a foot or more in diameter and have from seven to twelve rays. They are remarkable for their vivid colors: orange red, yellow, purple and green, with intermediate shades being found.

Of the common species of Asterias, a splendid series, varying from an inch to giants of sixteen inches in diameter, is displayed. Hertfordo naturalists have rarely succeeded in preserving these large star fish in good shape, but, thanks to the preserving efforts of Mrs. Calvin and Mrs. Nutter, who accompanied the expedition, a large oxtail meal barrel of superbly preserved specimens with symmetry and coloring uninterrupted, has safely reached its destination in the Museum.

This is by far the largest and best collection of star fish ever taken from the Bay of Fundy, as there is none more successfully preserved collection of these forms in the world.

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BY JOE WILLIAMS.

"And God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him."

"And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground."

(Continued from last week.)

But the realist can make no such object. He is not a credulous believer in the inspiration of an artist. And surely, Nature is as natural as she has been or will be, and every child, in this cultured age, is carefully taught to express his thoughts clearly in writing, to draw, and to model in clay. What more is needful? Indeed, I think no well-informed realist is inconsistent enough to demand more time.

The advanced leaders already may be enjoying the beautiful visions of such mature artists as Cheapspear and Dante being entirely obscured by geniuses of the Whitman type; already they may be foreswearing the total eclipse of a planet and the death of a great poet, by the host of astrologers who have come so near to 'Nature's heart' as to accept the newspaper's valuable assistance in the technique of composition— the photographers; these bards may even now be starting at the sorrowful consequences of the sculptured Venus and Madonnas of the Renaissance as they lingeringly yield their long-held pedestals to honorable gentlemen, who have, as Mark Twain vividly expressed it, "gone on a bust."

The leaders in the van of realism may see all these things in the near future, but there is one agreeable picture that even the rank and file of the realistic army may gloat over. They see Balzac, Tolstoi and Zola under the glowing sun of popular approval, while the ghosts of Scott, Dickens and Thackeray stand wringing their hands in the shade. Far be it from me to suggest the impious thought that they are wringing their hands because they perceive that caricature and caricature alone has saved the day. "Would they not then be wringing their noses?"

I confess that I am unable to see how realistic poets, painters and sculptors can attain the high position foreseen by the prophets, and overshadowed by the triumphs of the fictionists.

It is difficult to conceive of an artist of one of these classes, who shall live as an artist without imagination or idealization. It seems to me that an artist's existence under such circumstances would be analogous to that of maniacs, all their letters too has a very "sun." Would they not then be wringing their noses?"

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Captain Charles King, who recently visited this city, for the Cosmopolitan Magazine, has prepared for that monthly an illustrated article entitled “The Cities of the Modern East,” which will prove interesting reading not only to the citizens of these two cities, but also to a great many art and literary men who have not sent out the country with whom have astonished the marvels of growth of the two. His article will appear in the October issue, which will also contain the second part of a story by William Gordon, the nom de plume of one of New York’s famous society women, a story which has attracted wide attention throughout the east, the writer bidding fair to make a reputation far in advance of America Reaves, or any of the American stars appearing upon the literary horizon within the past two or three years.

The October Century opens with a frontispiece, the only work of its kind in the world. The last installment of the autobiography accompanies the familiar face, an installment which the author confesses that it is a hard importation for the public, perhaps because it contains, at considerable detail, his own final reflections upon the art he has acquired and the environment in which he is. It is doubtful whether such subtle and at the same time practical suggestions can be found else where from a source so authoritative. Professor Darwin, of Cambridge, England, a worthy son of a great father, contributes an article of that countryman’s method is best portayed by his language of one of his pupils, at the anniversary of his policy, when he addressed him saying: “You loved the different tastes of your sense and develop according to their inclinations. You followed after guide, and check them; without aspiring their originality.”

his is one of the most interesting as it is one of the most practical of the fields open to the student. It is from the regular class, in the professor becomes a member of the student’s society and privilleges of the pupil, and in each student is expected to fill the place of an author. Each member is assigned a different topic which may, or may not, pertain to the regular class work. A great deal of information is sought before the members, which is why they would be loth, owing to the time required for this class work. It is not necessary that a subject should be thoroughly studied, but that the widses acquired should have a systematic arrangement for presentation.

Noticeable in this month’s St. Nich- olas is the article “Through a Detective Camera,” written by Mr. Black, the well-known amateur, and illustrated with characteristic bits of childish life; the street scenes are as perfect in amber; the hokey-pokey ice-cream man is a pure picture complete, and his Italian baby is a history of a dog-treaden trove in miniature. Freder- ick Vibes, the famous English war correspondent, tells of his narrow escape from asphyxia, because of a Homers, and Miss America stand alone on the line of growth. Queen and Crescent Route in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana are hundreds of thousands of acres of the forests, Parks and Mineral Waters located in the country, which can yet be purchased at a figure for below their actual value, and at a price that will ensure quick and beautiful returns, whether bought for one or more purposes.

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Mr. Moore, of Tippton, is attending the Unitarian Conference. He is the father of Miss Moore, of the Sophomore class.

H. S. Hollingsworth was showing the sights of the city to his parents last Tuesday. They spent the day with him.

Prof. Jeameson's engine is at last connected with the boiler and ready for steam. A trial Friday afternoon proved it entirely satisfactory.

Miss Helen Orton, of '93, has been compelled to give up her work at Ann Arbor on account of trouble with her eyes. She is at home at present.

B. Bearder, E. K. Porter, John Crum, Irving Cowperthwaite and Curt. T. Day have worn the Jette badge since Monday night last.

Miss Kate Barber was sent by the Y. W. C. A. as a delegate to their state convention, held at Grinnell. She left Tuesday morning and returned Friday.

Dr. Myers, who is conducting meetings at the Christian Chapel, says the Y. U. I. Students are the manifest appearing company he had ever seen to equip a body of students.

The boys who were low enough to attempt to deter the Vidette business manager from going to the Freshman banquet ought to be scolded. That is too much.

A donation of five cents apiece was made last week by the students to defray the expenses of the unlucky occurrence which took place in front of the St. James on Freshman banquet day.

The S. U. I. Choral Union will hold its first meeting Monday evening in one of the halls at 8 o'clock. Sharp.

Music has been procured and we will begin work immediately.

By ORDER COMMITTEE.

The fellow who said that the course in English History and Literature is the hardest credits earned in the University, is about right. If the amount of work necessary were a criminal, it should count as six credits.

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M. T. Endaly writes for the Vidette from Bacony, Indian Territory. He is teaching mathematics in the Indian University and searching for health during old moments. He seems to be much pleased with the intelligence of the Indian, and especially compliments the red skins upon their oratorical ability, believing that S. U. I. would not be ashamed to own many of them.

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Miss Harriet Monet, B.S. L. Hay, Mrs. H. C. Swanson, Miss Shaffer, Soph Moore, L. M. McGown.

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Rowing Club.

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