The season of the year when the ties of friendship are made stronger; when the children return from their wanderings, and all in person or in spirit are once more drawn around the hearth; when life is no longer a mere copying of the "rallying place of the affections;" that day of strongest and most heartfelt associations; that beautiful arrangement, that eternal festival, Christmas, again draws near.

Other seasons of the year are so full of the sources of other pleasures and other cares that for almost twelve months December is as far from our minds as sunshine and showers are from headlong and fantastic heaps of driven snow. Spring, summer and autumn make our minds objective and lead out our thoughts to dissipate them over the hedging life and "easing up the fragrant of spring;" the soft voluptuousness of summer—and the golden pump of autumn, which fill us with exquisite delights until we revel in the more ecstasy of sensations.

But in the heart of winter, when the landscape has been despoiled of its beauty; the stream is still and cold and frosty; the trees stand like giant barren monuments as if to mark the place wherein their leaves did fall; when men grow weary of the eternal sameness and hurry along with turned up collars and mitten hands, there is yet left one place to which men can turn and find a source of pleasure as lasting as the grace of Him who gave it. When the seasons has circumscribed our wanderings, our thoughts, more concentrated, turn upon themselves, we become subjective in our nature and turn for recreation in the moral source, the home. At Christmas we enter the chambers of the soul to live amid the friendly sympathies and the elevating charms of social life; to enjoy the pleasures from the wells of human kindness; to seek in the heart which calls to heart the pure element of domestic felicity.

Who is better prepared to appreciate the good cheer and kindly feeling; the emblems of peace and harmony which decorate the home and church, and the joys which fill us with fond associations and universal joy, than he who has just laid aside the anxieties and trials of college life to spend a few days at home? At such a time it is our duty to ourselves and to our friends to wide open the doors and fill the temples of the past to walk amid the recollections which stand like sculptured busts along the niches of the broken wall. To count them, to breathe life into their marble lips that they may strike the chords their fingers only can touch. And this is the time and season above all others for the student to seek amid the gloom of the dimest recesses for the hopes and fears, and the good and the bad, of a life, that he may formulate a moral standard which shall stand the test not only of his moral ideal, but of the moral ideal of all. He has his search pervaded, day by day, the same ground as his search for disappointment, blighted hopes may be there, and transgression may cast her somber shadow across the vision of memory clouding the present and the future; but if he will but be content to follow out the train of thought which reflections suggest he will be able to prove by his own experience that "the good become better, the bad become worse, each tends to fixedness of character and each separates on the basis of character." And knowing the cause and the tendency of his subjective malady he can apply the remediess and make the next Christmas day see him as full of self-satisfaction with his work and with himself as it will be of joy and gladness and good deeds to men.

Why is it not better for us to approach the holiday vacation more in the spirit of the old Puritans than we do? Why do we find little but thoughts of good times, jolly days, and careless excitement foretold by the plans and expressions of those who will soon depart? Let us at least find a few stray hours to think: to satisfy the spiritual as well as the physical nature, that we, like nature when deprived of the sun of summer, may have stored up the germs of new life which but awaits a favorable moment to offer its contribution to the happiness of mankind.

It is without hesitation that the Vidette-Reporter is ready and willing to take a stand in refutation of the charges made by some of our state papers, concerning the attitude of this Board toward the University. The proposition is submitted by some representatives of the press, that owing to the fact that the population of I. W. City has not increased to a great degree within the last few years, it goes to show that evil influences surround the present seat of our greatest institution of learning, and further that the citizens are not appreciative of its vast influences and advantages.

To those who are acquainted with the University and its surroundings, such charges as the above will have no weight whatever, but as it is possible that a wrong impression might be made upon some who are unacquainted with the real truth and actual condition, we offer a word. In the first place we would ask the ambitious carter: How long has such a law been known, that a town or city must necessarily depreciate in population because of a few unimportant institutions? And if this is an established rule, has it not a few exceptions? For any citizen of Iowa to make the statement that the people of this city are not appreciative of the influences of our institution, plainly demonstrates the fact that such person has never seen the city in view; plainly reveals the foundation for such an underserving statement. The author of such a charge is either suffering from ignorance or his mind has become so biased in favor of some particular locality or institution that prejudices alone causes such an outburst against our institution and its surroundings. The jealousies of our prosperity and advancement must have so controlled his mind that he is deprived of looking into the early history of our school, much less of consulting carefully the press of this city. With more propriety our author could have done. We of our highest institutions always maintain a proper attitude toward the citizens and do they fully appreciate the culture and refinement with which they are constantly surrounded.

The citizens of Iowa City are friends to the University and put forth every effort to make the students feel at home while they are in the city. The people of our state fully realized the interest of this vicinity in their proud institution of learning, when they received a grant for the beautiful park, the site of the new Chemical Building. This was more vividly shown when they quickly responded to aid in the construction of the Y. M. C. A. building soon to become one of the greatest features of our institution. The churches open wide their doors to the students and gladly receive them among their number. The Bible seminars conducted by the several ministers of the different churches are composed chiefly of students. And many advantages equally as great could be mentioned which come directly from the hands of the citizen.
Advantages of Discontent.

About three weeks ago as I was hurrying gaily along through the hall toward the German recitation room, the following notice attracted my attention:


After reading this the lightness of spirit fled and I became sad and thoughtful. I looked again. "A Spring Day." If ever one wished for the soul of a poet I wished for it then, so that I might sing the praises of the green hills, the blooming flowers, the beautiful sunshine, and the tawking brooks. But I waited in vain. No amount of longing can change a grub into a butterfly.

As it is necessary for one to be interested in something in order to be able to write about it, it was useless for me to try to write about "College Athletics," for I care nothing whatever for base ball even if I were a boy. Now, I think the "Advantages of Discontent" is my last chance and I proceeded slowly to the recitation room, determined to write something on this subject. What else could I do?

How often we! Well meaning old ladies have said to me, "Child, be content with your lot; don't be always wishing for something more and better. Be thankful for what you have, it might be worse." Now I never could see the advantage of being gainful for a bad thing because it did not happen to be my own, and so, regardless of the advice of my elders, I continue to be dissatisfied with matters when I think that by doing so I can cause them to be improved.

To be discontented is as natural to breathe, and it is a good thing for mankind that such is the case, for what an ungrateful, ignorant, low lot of people there would be if not one ever cared to know the whys and wherefores of the many blessings that are coming to us as the years are passing.

What would we know of the laws of nature, if all people had been content to accept the superstitious explanations given by the Ancients, for the rising and setting of the sun, eclipses, appearance and disappearance of stars, and the thousand and one other things in nature that need to be investigated to be understood and enjoyed. What would we know of locomotives and steam ships if people had been content to be jolted around the country in stage coaches and to navigate the water in skiffs?

Note the difference between the countries of the North where all is discontent, where there is a constant striving to go onward and upward, where there is a continual digging after knowledge, and the countries of the South where perfect contentment prevails and the natives lie peaceably upon their backs watching for the bananas to drop, that they may catch them as they fall.

A far greater contrast, however, is that between the religion of people who worshiped blocks of wood and lived in constant terror of the curses of their so-called gods and the world of strangers, and the religious hall I call it—of today, when we can rest in the idea of eternal damnation and think of this life as but a beginning of a series of continuous retribution in which the principal work is to help each other to live better, better, nobler lives; a religion that is not dependent upon a world of fictitious human beings into people being good; but a religion that teaches people to be men and women, and in our higher conception of them, are good because it is right to be so.

Discontent propels the wheel that turns the world. It turns on education. It causes people to go beneath the surface of affairs and find that which is necessary for the development of the mind. It lies like a cut worm at the root of a tree, steadily eating away the stronghold of the abstract, the dogmatic, the unrefined, the commonplace. A man, it is true, is discontented if he has been properly trained, and slowly but surely accomplishing its work. The so-called plebeians are becoming "enlightened" and educated, and the awakening to the fact that they have been provided with mental faculties, and they have commenced to make use of them. They have begun to realize that all men are created equal, and that there is no justice in their working twelve hours a day and receiving a petty sum for their labor, while some indolent foolish dandy bols on his couch of velvet, sipping his wine and smoking a cigarette. Because a man has money, no matter how wicked, how immoral, how beastly like he is, because he has money, is no reason why he should trample under foot the rights of others.

This very thing is done every hour of the day, and each minute of every hour. The only condoning thought that we can have in entertaining the idea that the discontented masses may succeed in breaking amunder the iron-clad bands of social distinction, so that the unworthy may fall behind, leaving the worthy to go on triumphantly.

Women have received a great deal of benefit from being discontented. Though once she was the toy of man, slave of man, she is now neither, but is, or fast becoming, his equal in intellect, while she is far ahead of most men in every other respect. To be sure, women have not made any very great inventions, neither have they written any books equal to those of Milton or Shakespeare, but they have not had a chance yet. It has been comparatively few years since they were allowed to think. But now that they have learned to teach their girls to be in- dependent, to rely upon themselves, to think for themselves, we have a very different type of woman from that of a few years ago. At the present time, sensible parents do not send their girls to female seminaries to learn to read novels, play an aty girls to do something, and to twine embroidery about their delicate white fingers, but they teach them to do something useful, and send them to the very best educational schools where they come in contact with, and can study, all kinds of human nature, as well as books, and become sound, practical women, and that the kind that is needed in the world to-day.

Such are some of the advantages to be derived from being discontented. Many more of equally great importance I might mention, but these, it seems to me, are sufficient to prove that discontent is a great factor in the progress of the affairs of this world.

Some Holiday Faces.

Do you notice the faces of those you meet these days?

Yes? Well then of course you have marked the differences they show from their ordinary appearances. You have observed almost with wonder that solemn old Prof. growing each day a little less thoughtful. You have once even caught a faint glimmer of a brighter expression in his countenance almost bordering on a smile.

What do I suppose makes it? Give me a hard one. He is anticipating three weeks of solid loafing. Three weeks without having to talk to you for an hour every day.—without having to question you at and having them bounce back, red hot, like bullets from a stone wall, and pet him on all sides till he can't see to aim anymore.

Reason to smile, nicht wahr? Well rightly.

But does everybody seem good-natured?

Everybody? Oh no. You couldn't expect that of him. He really couldn't conceive of him relaxing those stern set lips and bows just because Christmas is coming. Why, how could a little matter of that kind affect him anyhow? He isn't looking forward to a holiday, he is living,呼吸ing, and taking his holiday from Santa Claus. He has one already. He has everything he wants. He owns the world, in fact, yes, that little sphere is his.

What he seems to be looking for Old Kris and the reindeer up there in the air when he passes me. Yes, but isn't he. He is only thinking about those other little planets he is going to own pretty soon.

What an attractive face that girl's! She certainly can't be the same one.

She is. But why never looked so pretty to me before.

She was never so pretty before and she wont be again 'till next Christmas. There are two reasons. First, she is happy because she is going home to see the folks and—all you know who else. This actually improves her looks. Second, you are happy because you are going home to see the folks and the people. This makes your eye less critical, your judgment more lenient. Two or three conditions make a pretty girl out of one of ordinary appearance every time. And the reason she wont be pretty to you again before next that done is that you want to see her when you and she are both in holiday spirits again before that time.

Yes, to be sure, there are some who don't appear to relish the prospect of three weeks absence from Iowa City. But they are exceptions and only prove the rule, as I think I can clearly say. What makes those other people feel pay over going? It's because they are going to see their best friends after a long separation from them. When they left them at the depot in September they didn't have to bite their lips to keep from writing. Well then, don't you see how it is with these folks? Their best friends are here. True, their brothers are at home, but some friends sticketh closer than brothers. Hence their positions are the reverse of yours. You wonder why their faces are so long now, whereas is so glad. The next time you see them yours will be the long face—longer even than their twoGoing.

Her excellency, the landlady, has been perfectly lovely this week. She has put two—two, mind—clean towels on our rack without any solicitation on our part whatever. And that isn't all. What should you say to me that you may have done without some. Don't scare it. It's a fact. Open the stove door and see for yourself. All gone, those old saucers. Couldn't have taken her less than fifteen minutes, if she only had one shovelf and one bucket to work with. These are instances enough. You won't deny my right to the conclusion that Christmas did it! Nothing accidental about these facts. They always accompany Christmas and come but once a year.

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Why Not? (Published by request.)

The custom of throwing open college libraries in the east is one which has been too much the subject of criticism to require considerable attention. In reading an article on this subject a short time ago the thought came to me, why should not the library of the State University also be thrown open to the students on Sunday. Replying directly to the question we would say, because from a long established custom which has been carried on probably without so much as a question of whether or not it would be time to give students free intercourse to the books which lie there, on the Sabbath day; because it has not without any consideration been taken for granted as a violation of the Sabbath day. But would it be?

Would it be any worse to go into the library, take down some choice book, go to some favorite retired nook and there peruse its contents with profit and pleasure, than to take another book from the shelf of the library, and there read? Sunday reading is practiced by the best people of the land and certainly it is not to be condemned. It may be said that Sunday opening is unnecessary for the reason that permission is granted to students to take from the library two books which they may return at the expiration of two weeks. So it is; but how many students are there who do not continually extend the limitations of those rules upon their course of reading.

The library is not open at night and many students find it impossible to get in the library, so in studying a question or in purusing a course of reading, more than two books are absolutely necessary, and so if our day time is occupied they find their course impeded and hindered by the present library rules.

But what is of far more importance is the fact that the students are so eagerly scanned by great numbers of students, who are anxious to keep posted on current topics, are not permitted to be taken from the magazine. That the magazines draw nearly as many readers to the library as all the other books is well known. On Sunday the magazine reading would be greatly augmented and we believe the opportunity would be properly appreciated by the students.

Thus also would the question of a free access to the book room be settled. Friday afternoon and Saturday morning are just sufficient, but with the addition of three or five hours Sunday afternoon we believe all would be satisfied. If these few extra hours would be ample upon the librarian, plenty of assistants who would be capable with a little practice, could be found for a small remuneration who would be glad of availing themselves of the opportunity.

If one will ever acquire the habit of reading he will acquire it during his college course. Surely all means ought to be employed by the Faculty in encouraging the habit of reading. As it stands we believe the present encouragement is rather meager than otherwise. Open the book room three hours Sunday afternoon and an innovation will arise that will quite approve the wisdom of such a step.

English History Seminary.
The permanence of the seminaries as a means of a more critical study has been assured by the success attending them during the past term. Every student, who has been a member of any one of the several seminaries, now in operation in the University, must feel that the special knowledge in a subject or line of subjects thus gained is of more benefit and satisfaction to him than that gained only through the medium of daily class recitations. By the latter method he gains a little information on a great variety of subjects, and a knowledge of nothing. He is led forward.

In an endeavor to grasp everything he loses that special interest in our subject, which might lead him to investigate it more closely. A college course, at best, is only a skeleton, a framework, which the student must build into perfection by his individual effort. This is essentially an age of specialization. Men and women are demanded who have a thorough knowledge of some one branch or profession instead of a smattering of all. The sum of human knowledge is too vast to be mastered by a single mind. It is only by the subdivision of this fact would lead to better results in higher education. The seminar is then to be welcomed in University study, as correcting this tendency to generalization in the student and encouraging special investigation. In the seminar the student is brought into closer relations with his instructor and is brought in personal contact with the author or subject considered, and finds a true meaning and purpose to his studies which he had never dreamed of before. He does not stop here. Finding a rich treasure in this subject he seeks them in other directions and the result is that the students leave college with a mind that will not rest content with a mere superficial idea of men and things. The course pursued in the seminar of English History is especially worthy of mention as bringing before the minds of students a subject, the right knowledge of which is so essential to the right conception of our own political institutions. I mean the development of the Constitution of England, the formation of which our own government is founded. During this term the growth of the English Constitution has been traced from the primitive committees of the Anglo-Saxons in the Fatherland, gradually growing in complexity down to the development of the Norman of a monarchical government, the complex mechanical of the feudal system, the work will be continued in the same line during the remainder of the year. The mode of the study is the same as that in other seminaries, papers are prepared and read by the individual members, followed by a discussion or additional remarks by the professor.

A MEMBER.

The Present Status of the Evolutionary Controversies.

Anything that bears authoritatively on the question of Evolution is eagerly sought by the thinking world. Many years ago people were unfriendly to the announcement of certain investigators that evolution furnished a satisfactory explanation of the origin of all the higher forms of life inhabiting the globe. Since then the thought of the educated world has been divided on the question with the sentiments of the godparents if expressed in its extended sense, in spite of the fact that the connecting link is admitted.

Recently the microscopists have added their might to the controversy, and their testimony comes with the most decided support. Yet not a word has been said on the subject. The microscopists say that "micro-organisms have their history and morphological characteristics just as definitely as the higher organisms," and that "micro-organisms retain their individuality of species and do not change into each other."

If these statements are true (and the experience of the microscopists thus far confirm them) they are wholly in harmony with the theory of evolution. When a biologist owns a pure culture of one species he invariably obtains a growth of that species. Then the announcement of Sacred Writ as to the kinds bringing forth after their kind applies equally well to the micro-organisms and the higher forms of animal life.

The above appears in The Toledo University Review of Saturday. The writer is entirely unfamiliar with both the theory of evolution and with the commonest facts concerning the development of higher forms of life as well as with the work of the Bacteriologist. In the first place a pure culture means no more to the microscopist than a paper of cabbage seed, and that alone, does to the farmer. When cabbage seed is sown the farmer expects and as a matter of fact does obtain only cabbage, but the cabbage of our gardens to-day is so different from the uncultivated plant that one would not suspect it of belonging to the same species. All this change has been brought about within a few years, comparatively, and is the result of changing the conditions of the species and of changing. Equally great changes can be produced upon the common mould in a few days by the proper cultivation of its spores.

Trouser order at the Athens.

Members and officers of the Athletic Association extend their thanks for the fine turn out at the football game. The winning of the game was due to the hard work of the players and to the moral support given by the fans. The team played well and had a good chance of winning. The game was well attended and there was a good deal of excitement in the stands.


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HARL MYERS, Sec.

The Century Magazine is now so well known that to tell of its past success seems almost an old story. The N. Y. Tribune has said that it and its companion, St. Nicholas for Young Folks, issued by the same house, "are read by every one person in thirty of the country's population," and that the contents of both are sent beyond the seas. It is an interesting fact that a few years ago it was found that seven thousand copies were sold in Scotland—a quite a respectable edition in itself. The question in England is no longer "Who reads an American book?" but "Who does not see the American magazines?"

A few years ago The Century about doubled its circulation with the famous War Papers, by General Grant and others, adding many more readers later with the Lincoln History and Kennan's thrilling articles on the Suez Canal system. One feature of 1881 is to be "The Golden Days of California," describing that remarkable movement to the gold fields in '49, in a series of richly illustrated articles written by survivors, including the narratives of men who went to California by the different routes, accounts of the gold discoveries, life in the mines, the work of the Reformats, the experience of the chairman of the committee, etc.; General Fremont's last writing was done for this series. In November appears the publication of the "First Emigrant Train to California."—crossing the Rockies in '41, by General Hidwell, pioneer of emigrants. Thousands of American families who had some relative or friend among "the Argonauts of '49" will be interested in these papers.

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It is also announced that The Century has purchased the right to print, before its appearance in France or any other country, extracts from advance sheets of the famous Taine, Balzac, Mme. de Staël, which have been secretly preserved for half a century—to be first given to the world through the pages of an American magazine. The whole of that personal history of Taine—largest of historians and diplomats. The November Century begins the volume, and new subscribers should commence with that issue. The subscription price ($4.00) may be remitted directly to the publishers, The Century Co., 33 East 17th St., New York, or single copies may be purchased of any newspaper. The publishers offer to send a free sample copy—a recent back number—to any one desiring it.

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The Juniors will hold most court sessions next term. Many of the boys have already skipped. Surely holiday vacation must be attractive.

Chancellor McClain completed his lectures on code pleading Wednesday morning.

J. J. Wheeler was a welcome caller Wednesday morning during Chancellor McClain’s lecture.

An extra meeting of the society is spoken of to consider matters relating to the Junior Annual.

E. H. Hurst, principal of schools at Standing Rock, Iowa, was a welcome caller on Wednesday.

The Juniors are becoming accustomed to being removed from the Senior lecture room “vi et arma.”

The Library presents a lonely apperance these days. The approaching examinations may have something to do with this.

Why don’t the Laws help “ye editors” to secure items for THE VIDETTE? When your friends come to see you give them their names.

The evolution question was discussed in an interesting manner at Literary society Friday evening, the doctrine being upheld by Menas, Evans, Kats and Mickleter and opposed by Fisher, Drew and Baker.

A lively time was experienced during the election of officers on Friday night. The officers elected were: Simon Fisher, President; Edith Prostey, Vice President; W. C. Ingham, Secretary; Wm. Drew and E. F. Baker, division leaders, and H. J. Baird, baird-at-arms.

Hon. G. S. Robinson, Judge of the Supreme Court, who now makes his home in this city, has consented to the earliest presentation of the Regents and Faculty, to deliver a course of lectures at the opening of the winter term, covering about two weeks.—Prose.

Still another of last years class has come to the conclusion that living alone and practicing law is not good policy, hence Mr. Geo. Holbert, on last Tuesday, was united in marriage to Miss Anna Harvat, one of Iowa City’s most charming young ladies. Mr. Holbert enjoys a lucrative law practice at Keokuk, Iowa. The best wishes of the Senior class go with the bride and groom to their new home.

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Medical Department.

By Our All-Round Editor.

The Ostrichel Contest approaches, shall we have another insect, or two, to which only tends the birds in their classes till the last day. This variation, of course, is largely dependent upon the subject of milk. But it is not barely possible that the particularities of the professors are betrayed also! It is a curious coincidence at least that there is a hint of the same in the roasting of their students and seen sometime in their examinations in that the students have little else to do but study their particular branches, are the ones to whose examinations the candidates for credits go with knotted brows, open books and an expression of anxiety or despair. While “He is very fair.” “Quite easy, wasn’t it?” “Isn’t he one of the neatest Prof’s you ever had?” etc., are the remarks which we hear dropped by those coming out of examinations by that other class of professors, who seem to realize that “quantity, not quality,” is the proper motto; and are not anxious to cram more into a student’s head than he can assimilate. They are convinced, they won’t deceive, and their examinations are to be passed as a matter of course.

How many expect to remain in the city during vacation to work? No doubt a number of ambitious workers will do so. Can you afford to do it?

It is strange that the student who has worked hard for fourteen weeks, who has become thin and sallow, can’t hold up, and feels tired, will not consent to do himself half the justice that he does his studies. How many times have you complained of there being too long a time for exercise; their fourth study keeps them so busy. We wonder if it isn’t true that in the long run you will conclude that you didn’t have time for, but that fourth study. It is too bad that the V. M. C. Gymnastic can’t be finished at the end of the quarter, so that some of the worn-out expressions might disappear the sooner.

It is doubtful if the Faculties have ever adopted a measure which is of more importance than that which allows the Collegiate students, taking law or medicine, to make three credits in either of these departments, the same to count in the Collegiate course also. First, and most important, it unifies the University by joining to get the different courses and making one dependent on and conclusive to the termination of the other. Secondly, it allows the students with a professional training in view to make the four years’ work in one year less time, and thus4I6ously such as to complete the Collegiate course instead of dropping out at the end of theSophomore or Junior year as many have done before. It relieves the student who looks toward law or medicine of the necessity of taking more work than he can do well, in order to save time and make him more and education come out even. And last, but not least, it shows that the Faculties are alive to the fact that the University is for the students, not for the University.

The examinations are over, and a universal expression of relief, and more particular air of satisfaction of most of the students indicates that more pain is passing away forever.

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