To the Students.

In this issue we publish a letter advocating the capitalization of the Vidette-Reporter. As is well known to the students, the Board of Managing Editors presented a plan to the Association last Tuesday in which the students, as an Association, were asked to transfer their powers, rights and privileges to the board; and this means nothing more than the selection of the editors by the board, and their responsibility for the financial condition of the paper. We cited the fact that the best papers of the college world are conducted upon this plan, and that by actual trial, it has proved capable of meeting the exigencies of collegiate journalism. Our correspondence proposes that the basis of the paper be a stock company; that the company have the power to hire and fire the staff of editors and that they receive a dividend proportioned from the net proceeds of the paper.

It is clear to those who have given the matter much study and who desire to act fairly with the editors, that such a scheme as our correspondent suggests is not only manifestly unjust, but is indeed open in a greater degree to the very charges made upon the plan proposed by the editors, viz., favoritism, cliquism and incompetency. It is unjust because it takes from the editors the small pittance which they honestly earn and gives it to stockholders who are not needed to keep the paper on a sound financial basis, and who in no way can contribute to its efficiency. This plan is open to favoritism in a greater degree than the first plan, for it provides no means, no standard, by which the stockholders are to make their choice of editors; the first plan would make the regularity and merit of contributions the basis of its efficiency, thus increasing contributions of good articles to the paper and making it more popular among the students, but above all, giving to each and every student an equal opportunity to become an editor. This plan is also open to the grave charge of presenting a most excellent chance for the propagation of cliques. Shares, say, will be sold at ten dollars each, and no man is allowed to have more than two shares. Is it not clear to every thinking person that in a year or so one clique, or a combination of cliques, could gain complete possession of the stock, or gain the control of it at least? The charge is so just that none can fail to see its application.

This plan is then open in no less a degree than that proposed by the editors. Who would pretend to say that any of the stockholders, who own not only nothing about the inside workings of the paper, the relative merits of the contributors and the essential fitness of a man for a special duty on the paper, would be more competent to make the choices than the editors, who have the experience acquired in publishing the paper and know precisely what kind of and how much talent is required to perform certain specified duties? No one with a knowledge of affairs could possibly make such a choice.

The plan proposed by our correspondent, we are forced to say, appeals not otherwise than as a stroke of political intrigue and savors very much of that desire which some people have to defeat a movement not of their own control.

This latter plan is one in whose complicated and red-tape meshes it is hoped by its originators to catch the innocent and the unknowing. As we have plainly shown, open to a much greater degree, to each and every charge urged against the plan by the editors, whose desire for great power and rude, unpardonable self-perpetuation has so grandly brought forward whose high calling it is to fight for principle and that inalienable right of suffrage. The editors of the Vidette-Reporter appeal most honestly and earnestly to those students who really are entitled to principle, who really are fighting for right as they see it, to study this question candidly. We desire our plan to succeed because we know it to be the best interests of the paper.

Declaratory Contest.

Among the students of the University there is an atmosphere more enthusiastic than the various contests of the athletic and social world. Such a contest was the declaratory contest held at the Opera House last evening. Some five weeks ago a preliminary was held, at which the eight best declaimers out of nineteen contesting were chosen to represent the classes of '92 and '93 at the final. But it was a noticeable fact that no members of the class of '92 were among the successful eight. All the contestants were well trained (7) and as they appeared upon the stage a large and attentive audience greeted them. The first speaker of the evening was Mr. H. S. Lay, who gave us a very interesting account of "A Visit to Mt. Pleasant." This selection was Mr. Lay's own production, arranged with Col. Ingersoll's famous Decoration Day oration. For this he deserves much credit. His impersonation of the different characters in the introduction was very good, yet when he entered upon Ingersoll's speech to the "Veterans" his voice became somewhat harsh and he failed to be easy and natural in his delivery. The peroration of Mr. Lay's selection being of dramatic form was rendered in a most effective manner.

Indeed there is no doubt but that he would have succeeded better had he chosen a production containing fewer variations of style.

The second speaker was Mr. George Beasley, who rendered in a very pleasing way the selection "Two Men and a Nation," by W. C. P. Breckenridge. His appearance was easy and his enunciation quite fluent. His voice was clear but weak. In fact his whole delivery, though perfectly affable, lacked physical power. However his repose of manner was most excellent and he was a close candidate for the honors. Mr. Beasley then introduced and gave us a very fine selection entitled "The Discourager of Talent," written by Stockton. It consisted of two styles, both comedy and tragedy, and was spoken by Mr. Kaye, such a pleasant and entertaining way that he held the close attention of the entire audience. His gestures were easy and timely, but he frequently laid too much stress on special words. His enunciation was very clear. Following this Miss Grace Partridge and Mr. Simon played a very charming piano duet. They were loudly encored and their response fully justified our expectations.

After the music, Mr. W. H. Cochran, who received second honors, stepped upon the stage and delivered a very comic and interesting selection entitled "Ben and Jolly," by Mamie Thompson. He represented the two characters in an excellent manner. His gestures and style were in perfect accord with the spirit of the production. Besides this he entered into the selection with such zeal that he gained the entire sympathy of the audience.

Mr. D. A. W. McMillan then spoke "The Modern Cain," written by E. Edwards. He has a good voice, but he did not give the inflections that were necessary for a more perfect rendition of the selection. His gestures were timely but not steady. Indeed he seemed to be greatly embarrassed before an audience, and this is one thing that S. U. I. speakers and declaimers should remember.

The next speaker was Mr. Harry Blunt, who gave us the fine selection from John Loffland, entitled, "The secret of Mind." Mr. W. R. Kaye was home on the stage and his enunciation was clear and distinct, yet he was unable to be heard in some parts of the house, and his manner was slightly strained. His voice is much more better suited to the orator than the declaimer. A very good selection has been rendered by Mr. Will Talbot in his usual and charming style. The audience was enraptured, and when he ended he was unanimously encored, to which he responded excellently.

The "P dulity of Educated Men," by Geo. W. Curtis, was the subject of Mr. R. C. Butcher's selection. He was not on the more enterprising and the declaimer of the evening, but he wanted force. His voice was clear and his gestures were smooth and gliding.

The last speaker on the program was Mr. Ward Bannister, who delivered in a more effective and more satisfactory manner the excellent selection, "Robert Emmet's Vindication." As was expected, he proved to be the winner of first honors (and a prize of $10), and to this decision of the judges the audience for once unanimously assented. Mr. Ban- nister's voice was clear and well modulated. The enunciation was the most perfect of the evening, and he possessed a patagon in delivery which was especially suited to his selection. In judging he entered into the spirit of his subject with that real and energy which is indicative of the true orator.

The Contest.

The annual Sophomore-Junior contest in declamation took place last evening at the Opera House. Although the contest was called Sophomore-Junior contest, no Juniors entered, and the following Sophomores appeared as contestants: R. S. Lay, Geo. Beasley, W. W. Kayes, W. H. Cochran, D. A. W. McMillan, Harry Blunt, R. C. Butler, L. W. Bannister. We present two critiques of the contest in this issue, written by radidly different persons whose respective judgments it may be interesting to note. The first prize, $15.00, was awarded to L. W. Bannister, the second, $10.00, to W. H. Cochran. Music was furnished by Miss Partridge, Mr. Simon, Mr. Talbot and the S. T. C. Orchestra. The invocation was pronounced by Rev. Barrett. The judges were Prof. Currier, Mrs. R. C. Morse, Hon. Milton Banner, LL. D., Judge O. Robinson. Mrs. P. K. Partridge presided. The markings are as follows: Speakers.

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In the Library.
Total strangers, you and I.
Yet we have shared a somewhat somber mood.
And counsel, as you knew not.
The boys twitter in your golden hair.
I've wondered if you were witty.
As your charming face to meet.
And you, the windows of a soul.
What words of mine might beauty could exist.
A soul with quickened heed.
What words might somewhat deeply be sought.
Where many a foot, in supplicating gait.
Would tell his words with reverential sight.
A maiden, you pass me by.
Yet as a creature struck with time's advance.
A beautiful true as his vision might descend.
I sought from my many books.
Inconsonant, admiring looks.
Pensive, grim and old.
And many a tale my memory might unfold.
But still mine eye to beauty both incites,
For beauty in a woman is divine.
Yet to divinity that thing.
That chases the senses with its hollow ring.
And skims up with the mockery inaudible.
Whence have I stranded, on the shore of time.
All you are pretty, quite distinctly fair.
Calling adorers, like the serpents in your hair.
A maiden, I pass you by.
Yet as the ending of a master chase.
Striking the shamblering our own.
Much change the sense of an unweary dream.
And pricks the heart to a faltering theme.
Your heart is too soft to take half ony.
Stories like an echo on my waking thought.
Ah, lie or joy as an echo still.
That calls us softly to your parent hill.
And when I lessen answer, "I am here."
Mock from ironic still softly — "Here."
—O. P. Tintel.

News and Notes.
A three years course has been instituted by Pres. Seth Low, of Columbia.
The students of Carroll will hereafter enjoy a Thanksgiving vacation of five days.
The authorities at Cornell have reduced the tuition to one hundred dollars, the old figure.
The students of the University of Michigan presented a minstrel show this week for the benefit of the baseball team.
The U. M. is to publish a monthly magazine, the Inlander, which will rank with the monthlies published by Harvard and Yale.
A bill to grant license to law students on presentation of a diploma from the University has passed both houses of the Texas legislature.
At Phillips Academy, Exeter, N. H., the seniors have chosen a negro as class representative. He is one of the editors of the magazine.
The University of Texas is well provided for. It has an endowment of over $300,000 acres of land, besides a half million dollars in bonds.

Through the efforts of a "literary" type of student this committee informs us that "there was an infernal meeting of the Board of Regents."
The Faculty of the Texas University has divided the school year into three terms. Herefore the year has been seven months but has days of vacation.

The Legislature of West Virginia has made an appropriation for erecting a new building for the scientific school of the State University. It will contain the laboratories of physics, chemistry and natural history.

Evolutionists will be interested to know that the average waist measurement of 1,100 Welsey girls is 24 inches. Will some one please tell us just what relation this bears to the length of arm of the coming man.

The VIDETTE-REPORTER advocates a change to Monday as the weekly holiday instead of Saturday. They will surely find the change a good one, at least we have found it better to have Monday as our holiday—Philo Bollman.

A statement that should be received with extreme caution by students, especially since it effects the welfare of so many of our best men, is whispered among the wirepullers to the effect that at last the vernal period has transpired.

Mr. Charles K. Landis has presented to the University of Pennsylvania a tract of five acres of ground near Sea City, N. J. He proposes to erect a marine aquarium there, which will be under the direct charge of the University biological department.

Any public benefactor who wishes to immortalize his name may do so by sending $100,000 to the Western College at Toledo, Ohio. This institution advertises that any person who contributes that amount in cash or satisfactory securities the name of the college will be changed to that of the donor.

In the Monthly Bulletin, the official publication of the Iowa State Board of Health, is to be found an article on Trichina, with special reference to the recent cases of poisoning at the College of the City of the Street of Garve. The actions of Trichina are described and people are cautioned not to eat raw meat, especially pork.

The undergraduates at Amherst have recently incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts the Amherst College Musical Association, the object being to obtain active sympathy from the alumni, which, it is hoped, will result some time in the establishment of a professorship of music in the college.

An interesting lawsuit occurred last week at Amherst. It was a breach of promise case, the plaintiff being a fair Smith College student and the defendant, another senior, junior. The plaintiff was awarded one dollar damages by the jury. The trial was conducted for the benefit of the baseball association.

The University of Wisconsin has been presented with $50,000 by the Legislature, which in addition to the regular appropriation. The total income from the regular appropriation will be $20,000, which will be expended in building a gymnasium, and a new law school building, in making needed repairs, and in addition to the equipment of all departments.

Girls attending college at Columbia, Mo., pay, under a mutual agreement, a fine of 25 cents each time they have gentleman escorts to whom they are not engaged.

Champaign College has had another squabbling concerning their military department. All the guns of their army were hidden away in a safe house with a view to destroying drill.

College editors are deriving much consolation from the little item going the rounds of the press to the effect that Oliver Wendell Holmes commended his literary career as an editor of a college journal. Thanks Heaven, there is something left to which we may cling for a time.

Our correspondent in the Chicago Tribune, abounds present in account of our University as any of the accounts which appear of the different institutions. If we continue we will gain a reputation equal to that of Ann Arbor or Evanston, or one deserving of the advantages which our University affords.

The College Palladium wisely says that "one of the chief hindrances to a cripple our western colleges and tend to lower their standard of efficiency, is the deplorable habit of being in school a few months and then to fall again and out." It might be said that this habit, often necessary, to be sure, is more damaging to the student than his college. A course ought to be continued to be of the greatest benefit.

College papers are now overworking with the annual spring design of good advice to the athletes. Now all this is very well and we simply wish to call attention to the fact that when the editor of a college paper announces that "success should brave up and a man and do so because as an observer of the facts he is certain that such admonition is necessary.

The Glee Club of the Wisconsin University has had a very successful tour. Alumni and old students everywhere united to entertain them "right royally."

Such facts as these ought to make a man very careful what kind of an impression he leaves upon his associates in college. If you are favorably known in college you will always have friends wherever you go.

The Rev. Herman Halsey, William, 1811, who died last week in his home in East Wilson, Niagara County, N. Y., was probably the oldest graduate of any college at the time of his death. Three generations of Williams men were represented in the Halsey family. His son Prof. Charles S. Halsey, principal of the Union College at Schenectady, N. Y., was a classmate of James A. Garfield in the class of '36. His grandson, Albert L. Halsey, was a classmate of Harry and James R. Garfield in the class of '85.

A Reply.

EDITORS VIDETTE: — In answer to the accusations of a pen of "righteousness" in the last number, we venture to feel that he must again resort to the quill.

The articles by A. K. G. referred to were mostly in the form of quotations from two orations, which the Colleges, "at the request of Mr. Gravens," whose character is above reproach," prints.

One of the articles, the College says, was a quotation and duly acknowledged by Mr. Gravens. Seven lines only out of the thirty quoted were acknowledgment, and that acknowledged in conclusion with the example of the model. A little mathematical calculation will disclose the amount of truth in their statement. The other they say is "similar" only "in thought and style." The fact is that they were identical in thought and style remarkably "similar" in their wording. What the Colleges seems to call "similarly" is what Webster's International calls "plagiarism." A man need not steal a book to be a plagiarist, but if he steals ideas or expressions from the writings of another, without due acknowledgment, he is a plagiarist. The College does not take a view. It has published both orations, and say one with a spool of brains can see that he has taken the other.

The Collegiate intimates that A. K. G. is a disappointed voter. This is not true, for he has never striven for political fame either at home or abroad.

If the case in question, however, is not plagiarism, look him out, for he is known of several fine orations and as much for the simplicity of a copying pen. A. K. G.

There seems to be no clear idea as to what the Junior Annual, soon to be issued, will contain, but will be of interest to one not at present a student at the University. Possibly a brief outline of the book would give some idea to those who take the book from the other.

The method newly granted will work out all of our troubles. The theatre of the blackboard is the South, and the theatre of the former and present faculty of the South is the North. It would be impossible to mention in a brief article of this character the immense amount of work involved in the Annual, is seventy-five cents, anyone desiring copies will please remit the sum required.

The Annual will be sold at May 20.
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Students' Christian Association.

 Prayer meeting every Tuesday noon in Central building. All are cordially invited.

Lee, Welch & Co.'s Bookstore. Business will soon be open.

Several new students this term.

Athletic interests are booming.

Miss McLaren is in the city to-day.

Remember the German play next week.

Broken is making microscopic tests of cement.

Some students are wise while others are sidewise.

The "Annual" will be out (of date) in three weeks.

Judge Orton, of Princeton, Mo., was a caller yesterday.

Cannon is re-locating some of the J. C. R. & N. lines.

Examinations have commenced in Professor Perkins' classes.

Carl Vogt has entered the mercantile business in Des Moines.

Examination in International Law will be held next Wednesday.

Goo is superintendent of the construction of the new city sewers.

Mr. Blist is the newly appointed clerk of the Junior Moot Court.

Bertha Horak is spending a few weeks with friends at Belle Plaine.

The Freshman who is now suffering from the "ammonia" is not a chemist.

A crowd of betas go to Cedar Rapids this evening to see the "Crystal Slipper." A large excursion is going to Cedar Rapids this evening to attend "Crystal Slipper."

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Rev. G. F. Reinhart to Annie C. Bailey.

The Geodji class are making expeditions to the various quarries in the vicinity today.

M. M. Parsons and wife have moved to our city and have secured rooms at 829 N. Iowa street.

The Lincoln club invites the students to its meetings, on Dubuque street, every Monday evening.

Miss Anna Moore, of Rock Island, has been visiting with her cousin, Miss Soph. Moore, for several days.

Chancellor McClain's "Synopses of Elementary and Personal Law" will be issued sometime next week.

Miss Louisa Mott was called home Friday by a telegram announcing the serious illness of her father.

Prof. - If a man agreed to take property at a certain time what ought he to do? - Student - Do as he agreed.

Goe. F. Reinhart, class of '86, graduates April 26th from the Morgan Park Theological Seminary, Chicago.

The Phi Psi gave a pleasant party Monday evening in honor of Carrie Dorr, who has been visiting here.

The College has no Senior class this year. The enrollment including the preparatory department is about 135.

She Senior class think of planting a tree on class day, but it will not be placed where it will interfere with drill.

Chancellor McClain and Prof. Wasshouer favored the Law Literary Society with fine talks, on Friday evening, the 16th.

Christian Van Zant, better known as "Old St. Louis," writes that he is engaged with a mining firm in Denver, Colorado.

Our enrollment this year has reached the fine figures 906. This is an increase of 156 over the enrollment of last year.

The law library contains over 500 volumes, and a very nearly complete set of the English Reports to date will soon be added.

The band is greatly improving. The music last evening was a credit. What's the matter with a contest between bands field day?

M. M. Parsons has been secured to devote two-thirds of his time to the work of the Y. M. C. in this city until the first of September.

The four harbor seals that were captured last summer by the S. U. L. exploring expedition to the Bay of Fundy, are now mounted and ready to be placed on the artificial rockwork that will soon be arranged in a special case.

The contest audience numbered 476. The dress circle and parquet were well filled and there was quite a sprinkling in the gallery.

The large audience which greeted the declamators last night attests the importance which the college attaches to declamatory work.

The left handed league is receiving recognition on all sides. The latest is the placing of left handed chairs in Professor Calvin's lecture room.

A Browning Seminary has been organized by Professor Anderson. Meetings are held Wednesday evenings for the study of Browning's works.

The play next Thursday evening may justly be called a S. U. L. enterprise, secured for S. U. I. interests, and should be attended by every S. U. student.

Frank Tarnisa tried a case before a Justice while at home, and came out victorious. This is good for a "starter." Representatives of the S. U. I. have a knack of getting there anyway.

Arrangements are being made to join the special fund of John Horak, commencing construction of the gymnasium apparatus, lockers and bathrooms. It is to be equipped and ready by the first of September.

Some of the laws that were out sky-larking Tuesday evening are posted. Jiminy called them and then like the conventional specters, they silently frittered away. But, did you say anyone with a bandaged arm?

The Law Department now enrolls 135 students. The largest number ever before enrolled was in '92, when 138 were registered under a one year course.

The Junior class is exceptionally large, numbering 160.

Prof. Nutting has just mounted two fine black bears which were donated by Mr. Talbot, of Sioux City, in addition to the huge collection presented last fall. The skeleton of one bear in process of mounting.

J. C. Ewell, of the Law class of '72, after graduating practiced law in Waterloo, this state, and then removed to Pueblo, Co., where he has held the office of prosecuting attorney and is now appointed district judge.

An Iowa College student visited S. U. I. last week and expressed much surprise at our prosperity. He said he had always thought we were a "back number" institution but he entirely lost that idea before the visit was ended.

The members of the American Society have joined the English History Seminary for this term. The subject discussed at the last meeting was the Constitutional and Domestic History of the first eight years of the reign of James I. Papers were read by David and Charland.

Professor Schaffner was out of town Friday attending a Round Table meeting at Cedar Rapids. The meeting began Thursday and closes to-day. About twenty-five high school teachers and county superintendents were present, and all expressed a warm feeling toward S. U. I. A resolution was presented requesting that the requirements for admission should not be lowered.

In a few days several committees of the Board of Regents will meet and confer with the Faculty of the Medical, Homoeopathic Medical and Dental departments, in regard to the establishment of a chair of Pathology and to provide for more work in Histology.

Through the courtesy of Prof. Francis P. Noyes, the New York Historical Society, and the "Report on Observations Made by the Washington University Eclipse Party on the Total Eclipse of the Sun January 1, 1888," the report contains a number of fine photographs and drawings.

Prof. Jamieson has received from E. W. Crellin, '90, as superintendent of improvement of the capitol grounds, specifications calling for 70,000 square feet of Portland cement tiles, and from Caz, '90, city engineer of Clinton, specifications for $800,000 worth of bridge pavements.

Missouris share of the refunded direct tax, amounting to $72,000, has been turned over to the State University. That is a good example for our legislation to follow. There is a balance which is unappropriated, simply recommended to be let us have it.

Quite a number of the new Law students have become members of the literary society. This is an indication that the society is in the approach of spring, but will be permanent. By the way why not petition the Board of Regents for a society hall and have the approach of spring, but will be permitted. The way by way why not petition the Board of Regents for a society hall and have the approach of spring, but will be permitted.

The members of the Senior Class who will speak at Commencement, as announced by the faculty, are as follows: Murdock Bannister, of Ottumwa; Frank A. Hastings, of Iowa City; Robert Holmes, of Iowa City; H. Frank Hall, of Dubuque; Arthur G. Smith, of Wayne; Zoe Williams, of West Liberty.

The Idler is disgusted with the new game of Tiddledy winks. He declares that a person who will sit down and play that game in the presence of a lady, and does not possess the necessary amount of brain matter on which insanity could flourish, is a worthy specimen.

Evidently the Idler doesn't know how to enjoy good company.

Professor Calvin received a cablegram at eleven o'clock, Friday morning, stating that the steamer "Western Land," on which Professor McBride and party sailed from New York, had run aground on the "Oceanic," off the coast of Maine. The party was put ashore and the steamer "Oceanic" came to the rescue with a crew of twenty-two men and the party was brought to port.

The Ger-
THE GERMAN THEATRE.

Through the untiring efforts of Prof. Wilson, the Berthold Kraus German Theatre Company has been secured to give a performance at the Opera House next Thursday evening. The play is entitled "Our Doctor" and is to be given for the benefit of the S. U. I. German Library Fund, which fact in itself should assure a large house and the attendance of every student. The cast of characters is strong, including Carl Grube, from the Court Theatre in Leipzig; Paul Zimmerman, from the City Theatre in Leipzig; Hans Wengefeld, of the Court Theatre in Altenburg, with Myia von Back and Elvera Schorluck from the same place and Jerry Ferrery from the City Theatre Fest. It is the duty of every student to attend. The price of seats is low—five to thirty-five cents. Tickets on sale at the book stores; seats may be reserved Wednesday at Winke's.

AGENTS WANTED.

For "Footprints of the World's History," by John Clark Ridpath, L. L. D., and Win. S. Bryan. Just issued. This is one of the few subscription books that possess all the popular selling qualities necessary to insure an immense sale. It is large in size, cheap in price, finely illustrated, popular subject and popular authors. Reports from agents indicate that it will be one of the very best selling books that can be offered this year. We have exclusive sale in five states, W. E. Condit & Co., Des Moines, Iowa, or call on our general agent, M. N. Lewis, 425 S. Clinton street, Iowa City, until April 23.

NOTICE.

The VIDEPE-REPORTER is hereby called to meet in the Chapel, Thursday April 23, by order H. E. KELLY, President.

At the meeting of the Athletic Association, held last Wednesday, several important changes were made in the constitution. The Executive Committee is now composed of the president, secretary and treasurer, and its powers are increased. The organization takes control of the base ball and foot ball, and will in all probability rent the ball park for the spring term for athletic purposes. At this meeting W. H. Bremmer was elected manager of the base ball team, and be, with Stetler and Chantrall, will appoint the team and have control of base ball for the coming season.

The one dirt court in condition for playing kept busy throughout the week. Those who are playing have begun to earn and will do regular work from now until Field Day. Great improvement has been made by our tennis players over the game they put up last June and the S. U. I. Tennis representatives will enter field day this year under far different conditions from what they did last. Last year Cornell won the doubles and Grinnell the singles. While our players are comparatively young, yet we feel confident of their success in the coming contest. They are doing good work already have their training under good way.

The following are duly appointed Field Day Committee: they will please join in Prof. Loss' room at 3 p. m. Tuesday: Croxley, chairman; Myers, Secretary; Pierce, treasurer; Parks, Fuller, Brown, Chantrall, Sollenbarger, Harvey, Sanford.

Yesterday the Senior class held a meeting. It was attended by nearly every member of the class. The Seniors this year are taking an exceedingly unusual interest and though, matters being kept secret, rumors reach our ears of something startling in the way of a new feature for Class Day.

The Phi Delta Theta west ball club has organized, and would like to play a game, or a series of games, with any club of the other chapter, or with that of any Collegiate Literary Society.

PIERCE, Manager.

The regular Y. M. C. A. Annual meeting is to be held to-morrow, Sunday, April 19th, at 4 p. m., at the Christian Chapel, will be conducted by the Assistant General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. W. M. Parsons, all young men are cordially invited to be present.

NOTICE.

The members of the football team of the past year will meet at noon, Tuesday, April 21st, for election of captain for coming school year.

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Sternuous efforts are being made by certain persons to (1) alter the form of the board, (2) secure for the board its financial support, and (3) to provide some method of obtaining more satisfactory and systematic work from the editors. It has been proposed to give the present Board of Editors entire control of the paper, and to have the selection of future editors depend upon the number of contributions handed in to the paper by the aspirant for journalistic honors, the present Board deciding who the lucky individual may be. This plan, however, was open to the objection that the control of the paper would soon fall into the hands of a clique which, by the favoritism of its members upon the Board, would cause and 31. Board of Editors and a Board of Directors, and a Board of Stockholders. The plans were open to the charge that the National Association, and of all its rights, title, and interest in the paper, by a share vote of the majority. Do not let us in our anxiety for reform leap from the frying-pan of politics and freedom into the fire of independent cliqueism.

There is a plan, however, upon which the most successful college papers are run, and which is believed by many could be advantageously applied to the VIDETTE. In order to change the form of the paper $300 will be required. A plan which would meet the case in the many is to form a stock company for this purpose, and to transfer to it the interest of the present Association. It is proposed to start this company with a capital of $300, with shares of $10 each, which shares are to be sold to members of the Collegiate Department, no person being allowed to buy more than two (2) shares. The subscription book is to be opened at a certain fixed time, so that all who care to subscribe will have an equal opportunity to do so. The stockholders will then proceed to select a Board of Directors and a Board of Stockholders. To the latter it is proposed to give 50 per cent of the net profits, and to divide the balance between the Board and the stockholders. By this means it is hoped that the paper will not be run by the editors to the extent of $300 to do this, and in order to do it they must furnish the best editorial ability possible for their money. They will have more money to devote to business principles, regardless of clique, society or fraternity. There are quite a number of unrecognized loyal supporters of the VIDETTE who believe that the present interesting page of notes from other papers should by all means be encouraged, and that effort should be made to exchange with more prominent eastern college papers; that the board page should be enlarged not alone by relying on the "box," which is a very good thing, but by the reporter-like attendance of the editors upon the different proceedings of the students, and the meetings of the different associations, with the object of giving their readers more of the business and less of the views of the editors; that the work of different seminaries and collegiate chaps could be more carefully noted; and that editors should control the diet courts. The number of students, as well as any similarly constituted could ever do. The thing to be attained now is to improve upon it. This paper is a product of the methods, but it may be done by having men at the head who would be obliged to work in the manner in which they care for any other part of their property. Talk is poor currency with which to buy a paper, but when $30 is at stake you will soon find who have the interests of the college paper at heart, and who are willing to make it pre-eminent best of its kind in the state, or lose their hard cash in the attempt.

GEO. W. STICKLEY.

On the Campus.

Work has been resumed upon the new observatory, and Professor Weld has had it completed and equipped within a few weeks. The companies have been drilled thrice a week since the opening of the term. The plan is to have on the company drum; on Wednesday, battalion drill; on Friday, company drill and parade. The first dress parade of the spring was to have been two weeks ago. It rained then, and it was hoped that the weather would permit it yesterday. But there was rain again and no dress parade.

The happy time of spring comes on.

The campus grows greener every day, almost every hour. The dear old maples, so tall and strong and symmetrical, are budding. The campus has been thoroughly raked, and sticks and stones are not to be found upon it. The snow has probably been cleared on the bush and dead leaves which have shielded old 70's from the cold of winter, and again we will have the lovely shade trees piped from our beauties in Iowa. The trees have indeed been tendered special care by the Board of Directors. The Boswell, which was cut down last summer, is expected to show wonderful growth. The Unknown, which was expected to show wonderful growth, is expected to show wonderful growth. The Unknown, which was expected to show wonderful growth, is expected to show wonderful growth.

On Tuesday the evergreen at the right and opposite the middle of the central walk was sorrowfully dug from its place and transplanted to regions unknown. This was the hope of the evergreen to influence the unfavorable regard of Limestone Hill by its interference with the press parade. Last fall the originators of the dirt courts refused to turn them over to the Athletic Association owing to a differ- ence in opinion as to how they should be regulated. So an independent tennis association was formed. It is now generally understood that the Athletic Association desires, and it should be so,—to have the Tennis Association united with them, so that all the athletics will be under one head. Yesterday the tennis people held a meeting and passed some resolutions, the pur- pose of which is that they are willing to pass under the control of the Athletic Association, provided it ratifies their present constitution, which simply provides that they will control the diet courts. The two courts by all means should be united. Harmony now is the most essential thing to successful field day. Moreover grass courts and the dirt courts ought to be united to form one large tennis association. The right of the courts is going to be tramposed upon. Why not have a rossing old meeting and mend matters.

The Declamatory Contest.

Eight Sophomores contested for declamatory honors at the Opera House last night, and the last was first, which was in accordance with the general verdict. With the exception of Haste- nister, and perhaps Butler, all seemed to start out too far up in the scale of their power, thus leaving too little re- serve for the parts which needed es- pecial emphasis. The parts of Lay's "medley" were not made distinct enough; tone and manner overtrained and some- what strong, which remark might also apply to McMillan and Beardsley. Cochrane and Hamburger each had deliver- ed a paragraph, and the Quinlan, and Butler had the best voices, but Hamburger was peculiarly suited to the piece. He was the only one who had anything like personal magnetism. At times he held the audience perfect- ly. Kaye had the misfortune of having a long piece, and McMillan was a very poor one. McMillan failed to get on rapport with his audience, which, with the too strong start, which was not aus- tere, gave him last place. Kaye's long piece was much longer by his very slow and deliberate delivery Cochrane shared good reception of his parts and his power of variation, but once or twice it was not as strong as he got "then and lastly" as a badly broken, and as they did it, the sales. Beardsley had a pleasing voice, but his ges- tures were evenly mixed, good and bad, and his movements on the stage were of the line. It must be noted that the last place was awarded to the only speakers who did not require of their audience the imagina- tion of a change of characters; they were Beardsley and Butler throughout. Hamburger's style was noticeable, also a head tone at times missed. There seemed to be complete unanim- ity in allowing him a well deserved first place. Beardsley and Kaye got to second place, the opinions were various. Several speak- ers might have won it, and no greater injustice be done to any of the others.

Bill Nye and A. P. Burbank.

For several weeks the above well known names have been in the air. It is now an assured fact that Iowa City and the surrounding neighborhood is to have an opportunity of hearing these famous humorists. The tour of Nye and Burbank through the west during this month is considered a signal event and will attract great public attention. Another, A. P. Burbank, likewise in appropriate evening dress, alternated with each other in appearing before an audience at Foster's last night. It was a big audience too, which nearly filled the theatre. Nye is still Bill Nye and just as exuberantly funny as ever. Burbank was no disappointment. There is nothing stale about the entertain- ment. It was a perfect evening of laughing and went away happy.

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