We can scarcely realize the wonder-ful growth the University has made within the last few years, until we reflect on the actual number of students. This rapid improvement is due to one cause, but is the natural outgrowth of our successful management. The people of the state no longer meditate as to what will be the outcome of a higher institution of learning. But in every section of our commonwealth we find the interest expressed by parents and daughters of Iowa should never go beyond their borders to seek a higher education than can be afforded by their own boasted State College. The eager minds are daily receiving a new stimulus. When we behold new additions to our facilities of a boarding kind and note the fast prospering prospects now presented, we feel safe in saying that one thousand or a larger number will be enrolled in the S. U. I. next year.

On Wednesday evening next the S. U. I. Choral Union will give a concert at the opera house. This organization is a new enterprise in the University, and should command the support of every student. At the last concert the Union was greeted by a small audience, but despite their discouragement they knew the programme they rendered was a most enjoyable one. Their reputation is now established and there is no doubt that on next Wednesday evening there will be a large audience present to hear the excellent program which has been arranged for that evening. This organization is one of our best enterprises, and it goes without saying that their efforts would receive the encouragement afforded by the presence of a large number of students. The Union has done well this year, and has tried to make themselves a fit representative of the University; now let the students do their part and be present at the opera house on Wednesday evening.

The contests are about over for this year, and the critics have had their say. One would naturally think that something new would be in order; but no, we are now listening to the conservators' defense of the contest. The general tenor of their complaint is that the current criticism of oratory tends to lower the culture in the estimation of the public by comparing college orators with a model, with the advantages in favor of the latter.

It must be admitted that there has been a great deal of barhism criticism, but almost without exception it has applied to plagiarists or those who are supposed to be such. The contemptible practice of stealing ideas is comparatively common, and in our opinion can not be too strongly discouraged. The denuncia-tion of plagiarists should not be mistak-en for wholesales censure of college orators.

The advanced position which S. U. I. has taken in oratorical circles by joining the Northwestern Association requires of us an eminently practicable amount of labor and excellence. More time must be spent upon the composition and in drill on production, therefore, it is well to begin early to think of appropriate subjects and to study them carefully. The choice of a subject is the most important step in the whole process. We believe that public senti-ment is drifting slowly but surely toward the practical oration. It is hereby to be desired that the personali-ties of Socrates, Luther and Cromwell, and their times may speedily be sup-planed by arguments on subjects more closely allied to the interests of to-day. Let no one reject a practical subject for fear of being defeated by a prejudiced judge.

The Uawl advocates the formation of a tri-collegiate league, consisting of S. U. I., Iowa College and Cornell, for the purpose of promoting foot ball and base ball contests. The plan is one that has been much thought of here and one which recom-mends itself as eminently practicable and beneficial, provided the faculties of Iowa College and Cornell can be induced to allow their teams to return games.

It is proposed to make some definite arrangement in regard to such a league at the State Field Day meeting, June 5th. In order to accomplish anything, however, it will be necessary for the representatives of the above named colleges to come here prepared to say definitely just how much time their faculties are willing to allow for absences.

The value of such a league to all con-cerned can not be overestimated. Events that can be looked forward to and prepared for are sure to be much more successful than those which come by mere chance and at irregular intervars.

Major Geo. W. Read has been pro-moted from second to first lieutenant, and will remain in the 5th regiment of United States Cavalry. This promotion is only a recognition of the superior merit of the man. Not only is Major Read a fine soldier; he is also a man of much original thought and literary abili-tity. This was shown by his prize-win-ning essay upon the systematic training of field troops. We cordially con-gratulate Major Read upon his recent promotion and general success, and the S. U. I. upon her good fortune in hav-ing such a well qualified soldier in com-mand of his military department. In addition to the practical discipline and knowledge which all members of our battalion derive from the drill and the lectures in tactics and military science, every one connected with the Univer-sity feels that he or she has a right to claim a share in the honors which Major Read has won for himself.

One of the "live topics" discussed in society not long since was "Opinions of the Faculty on Co-education." Of 22 Prof.s interviewed, 4 were absolutely adverse to co-education. Those favor- ing it gave as a chief reason the fact that men and women came in contact in almost every phase of life, and a lack of acquaintance and understand-ing of each other should begin as soon as possible and while the mind is developing. The girls lack the "willi-ness" prevalent at the typical boarding-school, and have a truer, more serious idea of life; while the young men are less "impaired" in manners and restrained from the traditional "wildness" of the exclusive institution. "Too much flirtting, too much instruction from lessons" was urged on the other side. One Prof. even asserted that if money expended for laboratories, etc., was invested in cooking-schools it would be better for the race. "This Prof.," said the speaker, " hasn't been married long!" This "live topic" has been productive of considerable "lively" curiosity.

We have the pleasure this week to announce that the University has been duly accepted as a member of the Northern Oratorio League. This is an organization comprising all the representative colleges and Universities as Michigan, Wisconsin, Northwestern, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and now the State University of Iowa. It has for its ob-ject an annual contest in oratory, and without doubt, is the most satisfactory association of its kind in existence. The University congratulates herself upon having attained that standard of excellence in its various departments, which is necessary in order to become a member of a league of colleges, so distinguished for their thoroughness, their capabilities and accomplishments. It is a fit recognition of the work that is now being carried on here in our class-rooms and laboratories, and assures us that our claim to be a first-class institution is not ungrounded.

Much of our success is due to the delegate who represented us at the recent meeting of the League. He went prepared to put us before the different colleges in a true light. That he succeeded in his effort is com-plementary to him, as well as to the Univer-sity.

The Catalogue of the S. U. I., for 1890-91 has just been issued.

It is a larger book than any of our former Catalogues. There are 150 pages. Many new features appear, among them a cut of the Chemical Laboratories and the Y. M. C. A. building, with plans for both. Among the University buildings twelve are described. The new Observa-tory is not noticed.

Much more extended syllabi of the courses, with the names of the instructors given, showing our increased facilities for instruction.

A new rule has been adopted whereby the degree of M. A. may be obtained without a residence of a year at the Univer-sity after regular graduation, but it has not been found possible to sustain a vigorous, oral and written ex-amination and present a thesis of 5000 words on some prescribed subject, giving evidence of especial investigation in the line of that subject.

Seventy-five names appear on the Fa-culty list.

A good index is an important im-provement in the work.

It has been suggested that the standard of requirements for admission to the University should be raised to the mark set by the Association of Collegiate Alumni, in order that students might enjoy the privileges of that associa-tion. In reply it may be stated that the work done in our University is suf-ficient, and more than sufficient, to admit us, if we make the single exception of the preparatory department.

The association requires a year of preparatory, and it also requires that preparation to be made outside of the University. It will be easily seen that so long as the high schools of the State maintain their present attitude toward the preparatory department, after entering the freshman class, of course this ar-rangement does not admit to the Asso-ciation.

It seems as though there were a great many more reasons why the Association should change its re-quirements to conform to the courses which the ideas of the ages make practi-cal than there are that western univer-sities should base their standing entirely on their requirements for entering the classical course.
News and Notes

I. C. A. has a freshman class of 189.
Texas University is to have a new Chemical Laboratory.

It is said that Bismarck studied thirteen hours a day while at college.

The present college "take of war," "We have lots of good athletes, but they want more practice."

Prof. Wilson, of Princeton, is writing a history of the United States from 1829 to the present day.

The battle of the University of Wisconsin is required to drill only the first four weeks of the spring term.

A contest in trap shooting is a feature of the field day exercises being held to-day at University of Wisconsin.

The Review of Reviews, with a circulation of 500,000, is edited by Dr. Albert Shaw, a graduate of Iowa College.

Bowdoin and Colby have founded a dual league, excluding States and Maine States.
The title is the Maine College League.

The contest edition of the Delphic is very near and credible in appearance; the half-tone portraits of the contestants are especially fine.

A movement is on foot to hold an intercollegiate regatta on Lake George this summer, to be open to all colleges except Harvard and Yale.

The Dakota State Athletic Association will have no meeting this year on account of the failure of crops and consequent shortage in student "futures."

The annual report of President Elliott, of Harvard, announces that hereafter the professors of that institution will receive $6,400 a year, and the assistant professors $3,000.

The University of Pennsylvania holds the championship in football in Pennsylvania; Harvard, of Massachusetts, in archery; New Jersey, of New York; University of Virginia, of the South.

Northwestern University has decided on the establishment of fifty-one new scholarships corresponding with the senatorial districts in Illinois, the senator from each district to have the right of nominating to the scholarship.

The president of Amherst has requested each student to hand in a Remained account of his expenses for the last college year. The object is to find the average cost of a course. Statements are entirely confidential and not compulsory.

At Girard College in Philadelphia, there are now 1,582 pupils who are clothed and educated from the income of the Girard estate, half a million dollars being expended annually for this purpose.

There will enter the class of '94 at Princeton next fall, a gentleman 53 years of age. During the civil war he was in his sophomore year, and then volunteered. He intends to return and complete his course.

Daniel P. Baldwin, of Logansport, Ind., has offered a prize of $100 to the student of any college who will prepare the best essay on the subject, "The Merits and Defects of the McKinley Tariff Act of 1890," before April 15th, 1892.

The buildings of the new Stanford University are rapidly approaching completion. They are situated at Palo Alto, on an estate of $600 acres, reaching from the valley of the bay of San Francisco to the foothills of the coast range.

Prof. J. W. Jenks, Ph. D., of the University of Indiana, has been appointed professorship in political science at the new Stanford University in California, to accept a similar chair at Cornell. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and of a German University.

A scientific expedition to Labrador will set out from Bowdoin College next June. Facts will be sought regarding abundance and habits of migratory birds, etc. The trip will be in a 100-ton schooner and will occupy three months.

In place of the usual field day, Oberlin is talking of having a Grecian Olypiad. A herald will call the games, a brass band will imitate the Grecian chorus, javelin throwing will be one of the great features, and the victors will be crowned with maple leaves.

A professor's strike is in progress in Buchanan. The members of the philosophical faculty have refused to lecture because the Minister of Education has appointed to a professorship of Romanian history a young man who has never had any special investigation of the subject.

One of the candidates for the Harvard crew was drowned while rowing alone in a shell. It is thought that the shell struck a sunken log and capsized before the oarsman could free his feet from the straps on the toeboards. The unfortunate young man is said to have been an excellent swimmer and a very good oarsman.

Ignatius Donnelly has met Prof. Freeman at the People's Auditorium in the Saintly City, and seems to have been swallowed up by the whirling Prof. Some express an opinion that the Donnelly cipher is a joke which the learned sage of Monticello has perpetrated upon the literary world. But the fact remains that Donnelly has spent years in the study of the so-called joke. It is said that he, like his predecessor, has come to the conclusion that the prevalent idea that a college man has settled his account with his alma mater when he pays his last term bill and his diploma fee is meeting a simultaneous attack all along the line, and he some time or the other will have to return and complete his course.

A matter of no college man pays more than an insignificant fraction of the actual cost of a college education. The balance has been made up from the income of the gifts of others or of State bounty, and from the self-sacrifice and devotion of underpaid professors. The great educational plant, the buildings, library, museums, apparatus, gymnasium, lectureships, etc., the matriculant finds in full operation, and he at once enters upon their enjoyment. He comes under the personal influence of a well-organized body of learned and experienced instructors, whose enthusiasm and sacrifice breathe an incalculable value of facilities accumulated for perhaps a century.

For all this he pays, unless he is a so-called scholarship man, perhaps $10 a year. He pays his commencement fee and walks off the campus with his diploma with the serene conviction that the business transaction involved in his getting an education is forever closed. He has secured so much education for so much money.

S. U. I. vs. Cornell.

We were all there. Stewart, with his silk hat, Korte with his umbrella, all of the boys and girls with their fog horns, and Bremner with his bat team. This last named article was what we wanted to see put in use, and when we two came we were accommodated.

Mr. A. G. Smith called time, and the game began with Lindsay and Smeltzer at the point for us, Bolton and McMaster for Cornell, while the rest of us stood our thumbs curled up in this first inning. We thought them out and we then took out the cork and handed it to Marks, who curled out four hits feature. In his playing, however, it is worth while to do nothing but careful of his splendid, and the treat thus far has been unimportant.

Lindsay struck out three men in succession in the 3d inning. Kelly hit a line drive to Cook, who threw to Marks and Brown, who made a fine assist.

Two base hit—Parks.

Three base play—Cook to Marks to Chantland.

NOTES ON THE GAME.

S. U. I. bad two errors charged against them.

The second base play of Zollinger is also worthy of notice.

Chantland accepted 16 dances and Marks four without an error.

Watch for the next game. Cornell plays Grimmel to-day at Toledo.

During the game, Oleson and Goodfellow ran together and spiked one another accidentally.

The ball team is playing well, so turn out and give them good support.

The Cornell boys are a nice set of fellows, and will win some games, too, if you see they don't.

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A beautiful double play was the result of a grounder to Cook, who threw to Marks and Parks.

Mills got the only fly that was caught in the outfield, and Parks got the only hit over a single—a pretty two base.

Cook was out, and Rann played a good game. Rann took his place in the 4th inning, and Boott, getting to first. His one-handed catch in the 5th well deserved applause.

The real features of the game were Marks' batting, Smeltzer's catch of the ball, and the beautiful double play at the back stop, Lindsay's pitching and fielding.

His record shows eight strike outs, four assists, and only seven base runners passed the bases.

Boott also pitched a good game.

Cook's running was a special feature. In his playing, however, it appeared as though he was just a third out in going for several grounders. Why, the beautiful double play was that which bounded past on his side of the bag. Jig is one of the best infielders in the college, yet it seems at times that he plays just a little "grand stand," and we do not doubt in the least that his popularity might be materially increased if some of his "audience game" were left out.

We taught Mt. Vernon a little trick in the 5th inning. Converse and Parks stood on 1st and 2d base; a signal was given, and pronto change! both were advanced a base. Mt. Vernon was surprised, but retaliated a few moments later. With men on 2d and 3d base, Bolton hit to Lindsay, who threw to Smeltzer, to catch the man coming from 2d base, but alas! it was only the catcher exercising himself on a little sprint from third to home. All bases were

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to and on a similar plan to the Inter-
State Oratorical Association, except
that the largest and most representa-
tive school of each state was to consti-
tute the membership of the Associa-
tion. Accordingly, on the 6th of June,
1890, there met in Ann Arbor delegates
from the Universities of Michigan and
Wisconsin. A constitution and by-laws
were adopted and the Association was
to be known as "The Northern Orato-
rical League." The number of colleges
and universities to be admitted was to
be limited to seven. The first annual
meeting was to be held in Ann Arbor,
May 1st, 1891.

In view of the fact that we had re-
serted a series of reports, which we might
possibly obtain admittance to this
League as Iowa's largest and most rep-
resentative school, a meeting of the
Home Oratorical Association was
called by President Kelly for April 35th.
At this meeting it was decided to
choose a delegate to go to Ann Ar-
bor May Ist, and if possible, secure the
admission of the University into this
Northern League, which constitutes the
largest and best colleges west of the
Alleghanies. Mr. J. J. Crossley was
chosen as delegate, and in attending
at the convention on May Ist, he
secured, after some political competi-
tion with other colleges desiring to
enter, the admission of the University in
this League by an almost unanimous
vote. The coming academic year
will now be composed of Michigan Uni-
versity, Wisconsin University, North-
western University, Oberlin College,
and S. U. I. By passing the University
of Indiana, will enter an orator next
year, and the University of Minnesota is
also expected to become a member.
The only question now for S. U. I. to
decide is, shall we enter the League?
We have been admitted. Now shall we
enter and compete and associate with
such schools as Ann Arbor, Ober-
lin and Northwestern University, and
perhaps Cornell, N. Y., or shall we re-
main in the old State Association,
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only eight are permitted to deliver their
orations? In the Northern League S.
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State, being $180 for first honors, and
$50 for second honors. Then, too, by
our association with these large schools
we shall be in contact with more ad-
vanced ideas. We shall be in the com-
pany of colleges that have a very much
higher standard than those with whom
we now associate. I do not mean to
speak scornfully of other Iowa colleges,
but let S. U. I. take the public view,
begin so justly to deserve among the
greater colleges and universities of the
northwest. We have been offered an
excellent opportunity, and may we not
pass it by. The League will then be
composed of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois,
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Then let us become a member of the
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evolve the standard of the Uni-
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Programme
Of the S. U. I. Choral Union Concert,
Wednesday, May 27th 1891.

PART I.
1. Piano Duett—"Shalt Music and
   Penciles"—Rhabstein.
   Misses Chase and Moon.
2. Tenor—"Be Thou Faithful"—St.
   Pauli—Mendelssohn.
   Mr. C. T. Barnes.
3. Violin solo—"Valse Brindisi"—
   D. Powell Johnson—R. Laird.
   Mr. Soperman—"Forbidden Music"—
   Mrs. Ida Mae Baldridge—"Gaudelons.
5. Piano—"Kamerenson Overture"—
   Miss Alice R. Chase—Rhabstein.

PART II.
1. Introduction—Piano—Miss Moon.
   Chorus—"Stabat Mater, dolorem"—
   Tenor Obbligato—M. S. Barnes.
   Ana "Cujus Animam"—Mr. Barnes.
   Duett—Mrs. Baldridge, Miss Chase.
   "Quis Est Huic Homo."—M. S. Artist.
   Aria "Pro Pecatibus"—M. Kovalinika.
   Chorus, "Elai Mater," Bass obbligato,
   M. Kovalinika.
   Quartette, "Sancta Mater, Istand Agna,"—
   Mrs. Baldridge, Miss Chase, Mr. Bar-
   nes and Mr. Hohenesch.
   Aria—"Faci et Purtem," Miss Chase.
   Aria and chorus—"In Annam."—
   Mrs. Baldridge.
   Quartelette, "Quando Corpus"—
   Mrs. Baldridge, Miss Chase, Mr. Bar-
   nes and Mr. Kovalinika.
   Chorus and Quartette, "Amen."—
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Thursday, May 7th was a red-letter day for Iowa college journalism. In convention assembled at the Central Christian Church, of Des Moines, some fifteen college papers of the state, composing the state Inter-collegiate Press Association, discussed questions of vital interest and cemented the ties that suspiciously appeared into at Indianapolis.

At three o'clock President H. O. Green, of the Toledo Collegian, called the Association to order and presented the object of the meeting in a few well-chosen remarks. He then introduced Mr. E. M. Chilton, business manager of the Delphic, who spoke of the "Business Management of College Papers." He said that a manager should study in his field carefully. Alumni support should receive student trade—advertisers should receive student trade—the business management of our papers is changing too often—advise of three or more early in their college course who could spend from two to three years in that line called for general re- 

What should constitute the literary articles of a college paper was the sub- 

The new paper announced was that of Stanslam, of the Vidette-Reporter. He claimed an especial distinction for college newspaper men because of the high estimation in which the paper is held. Increased distinction brings increased responsibility. The age is progressing and newspaper men must be progressive also. The question was as to the best and most reliable method of exchanging college news and in facilitating this exchange, four reformatory steps must be taken, viz., general education of student body to newspaper work; special education of exchange editors for their peculiar work; frequent correspondences between college editors of various papers; the establishment of a central exchange bureau. The last step was made possible by Mr. Graves, of the Collegian, who led in a brief discussion. Mr. Hutton, of the Iowa Wesleyan, thereupon read a paper upon the "Inventions of a College Paper." Variety should be the law—we need it as much in intellectual food as in any other kind. The six general departments—alumni, local, editorial, political, ex- change, and general, were each considered. There being no further discussion, and the program being at an end, President Green declared the Associa- tion adjourned. Immediately after, a business meeting was called, the execu- tive committee for the ensuing year was elected in the following order: Vidette-Reporter, Cosmo, Penn Chronicle. It was unanimously de- clared the sense of the Association that the editor-in-chief and the business manager be of the regular faculty and not students. The movement was made to have the various papers be excused from some of their literary work. It is to be hoped sincerely that our faculties will learn of this to act accordingly. The thanks of the University, Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Text Books at Lee & Ries', THE LARGEST STOCK AND LOWEST PRICES. PIONEER BOOKSTORE, 117 WASHINGTON STREET.

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