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Sioux City Banquet.

The State University Alumni Association of Sioux City is composed of about 75 members. The law department is perhaps better represented than any of the other departments of the University. There are, of course, some Medics and Dents and a few Collegiates. Professors Nutting and McClain represented the Faculty at the second annual banquet given by the association last week. Professor Nutting responded to the toast "As others see us," and Professor McClain to the "Laws and the Lawyers." Quite a number of toasts were given by others present and all showed loyalty to the University.

Professor Nutting also had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Talbot, the generous donor to S. U. I. Mr. Talbot is devoting himself exclusively to the natural sciences. He has an experimental farm on which he is working out an experimental problem of great interest to science, namely, that of the crossing between different species. He is at present working with buffalo, sheep, domestic cattle, bears and other animals. He is enthusiastic in his experiments and is spending a great deal of money in the work. Mr. Talbot has accomplished some things that would be deemed impossible even by first-class naturalists in the country.

Mr. Talbot also has a group of seven skins of elk in a good state of preservation. In addition he has skins of buffalo, species of South Africa buffalo, a fine male zebra and skeletons of mountain lions and others. He has a large number of birds, many of which have come from Mexico and Texas. Mr. Talbot makes large expenditures every year for the purpose of making collections, and these he gives to our museum. His excellent library, containing valuable books on natural history will come to S. U. I. after his death.

Ninety-Five and Base Ball.

At a meeting of the Freshmen held yesterday afternoon steps were taken towards the organization of a class base ball nine. A committee appointed to solicit subscriptions from the members of the class for the support of the nine has already obtained about \$20. The Freshmen have the right idea in this matter and other classes would do well to emulate their example. Success can be obtained only by honest, hard work, and perfection comes only after long, continued practice. Let the classes organize their nines now so that when the season opens they may be ready to enter the field immediately.

Pharmaceutical Chemistry.

The following is the schedule of work in Chemistry for the Pharmacy Department for the remainder of this term:

SENIORS.

Monday, 2 to 3—Volumetric Analysis (Lecture.)

Tuesday, 2 to 3—Organic Chemistry (Lecture.)

Tuesday, 3 to 5:30—Volumetric Analysis (Laboratory.)

Wednesday, 2 to 4:30—Volumetric Analysis (Laboratory.)

Thursday 2 to 4:30—Volumetric Analysis (Laboratory.)

Friday, 2 to 3—Organic Chemistry (Lecture.)

Friday, 3 to 4—Volumetric Analysis (Lecture.)

JUNIORS.

Monday, 9 to 10—Stoichiometry, Section 1.

Monday, 10:10 to 11—Stoichiometry, Section 2.

Monday—Section 1, Laboratory from 10 to 12.

Monday—Section 2, Laboratory from 9:10 to 10 and from 11 to 12.

Tuesday, 9:10 to 10—Lecture.

Wednesday, 8:40 to 12:10—Laboratory.

Thursday, 9:10 to 10—Lecture.

Friday, 8:40 to 12:10—Laboratory.

Facts About the Baconian Club.

From the constitution and summary of proceedings of the Baconian Club published by the club, we get the following interesting facts: The club was organized in 1885. The following are the charter members; Professors Leonard, Philbrick, Calvin, McBride, Gilchrist, Andrews and Veblen. Professor Leonard was the first president. Three hundred and eighty-seven papers have been presented to the club. The club is in a flourishing condition, its membership is constantly increasing, and great interest is manifest at every meeting.

Oratorical Contestants.

Oratorical contestants will meet at Zet Hall this (Thursday) afternoon at 3:15 o'clock sharp for selection of judges. Every person intending to enter an oration should be present promptly at the hour named.

The board of trustees of the University of Illinois show their appreciation of the students' publication, the *Illini*, by appropriating \$400 for its support.

College Notes.

Ann Arbor's enrollment is 2,614.

Ann Arbor's new gymnasium is to cost \$65,000.

The Paris University contains over 9,000 students.

South Dakota has 1764 schools with a school population of 45,439.

Cornell University will send out a minstrel show this winter.

Yale and Princeton are to play two chess games simultaneously by mail.

The city of Omaha will invest half a million dollars in school buildings this year.

Sir Edwin Arnold has been engaged to write a poem for the opening of the world's Fair.

Mrs. Leland Stanford has placed a Bible in every student's room, at Palo Alta University.

The library of the Chicago University has been purchased in Berlin, and contains 280,000 dissertations in all languages.

The latest educational statistics show that there are 361,276 teachers and 12,563,894 children in the public schools in America.

The Danish students of Chicago are raising a fund for the purpose of erecting a monument to Hans Christian Anderson, in Lincoln Park.

Wm. Reynolds, of Johnson Co., was the first State Superintendent of Iowa. He was appointed by the territorial governor in 1841, and served one year.

England has over 150,000 children at work in the factories who have never been inside of a school house, and perhaps never will know what education is.

The University of Texas has received a library of 30,000 volumes, on subjects in regard to China, valued at \$150,000, from Tank Kee, a Chinese lecturer.

Professor Joseph Le Conte, of the chair of Geology in the University of California, will spend the winter and summer in Europe. He returns in September.

In the joint debate between Yale and Harvard, at Cambridge, Jan. 14, Harvard was victorious. The subject was "Resolved, That a young man casting his first ballot in 1892 should cast it for the Democratic party." Yale had the affirmative and Harvard the negative. Another debate will be held March 25th, and the subject will be, "Resolved, That a college education unfits a man for business."

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In his message to the General Assembly Governor Boies writes:

"The schools that are aided by the state should be put upon a permanent basis. Their revenues should be made reasonably certain. They should not be required to beg from year to year for the means of subsistence. It is, in my judgment, the plain duty of this Legislature to provide for the annual levy of a special tax, the proceeds to be devoted to the maintenance of the State University, Agricultural College and Normal School, in such proportion as is just to each; and this being done, those in charge of each of these institutions should understand that they must conduct the same upon a plan to bring its expenditures within its revenues."

Since the amount available for general appropriations is only about \$554,000, it is earnestly to be hoped that the Legislature will seriously consider the governor's recommendation of a special tax levy.

Beyond the great uncertainty in which the University stands, under the present method of providing for its support, and the inconvenience which its officers necessarily undergo in pressing their case before the Legislature, the levying of a special tax and provision for a permanent endowment is of vital importance because of the scarcity of the state's general fund this year. An immense extra appropriation must be made this winter for Iowa's display at the World's Fair, which will require at least half the available amount of money. It is very plain that no appreciable fraction of the \$317,000 asked for by the Regents can be looked for except through the movement for a special tax levy. In fact there seems to be no alternative. It will be interesting in this connection to note that several of the State Universities derive certain incomes from a special tax. The State of Nebraska levies a three-eighths mill tax for the benefit of the

University, which yields between \$60,000 and \$70,000 a year. Wisconsin aids her State University by a direct tax of one-eighth mill in addition to large general appropriations. The University of Michigan receives a small part of its immense income from a tax of one-twentieth mill. The State of Indiana lays aside each year one-twentieth mill on each dollar, toward a permanent endowment fund, which will continue until 1896, when the fund will amount to nearly three-quarters of a million dollars. It will be seen then that in levying a tax for the support of the University Iowa will do only what other states have already done. It is the generously supported university that forges to the front, because nothing can be had without money in these times. Give a State University plenty of money and in a very short time it will be famous. Statistics show that students will increase in number in about the same ratio that funds are enlarged. Iowa can afford first class support to her University, and we believe the twenty-fourth General Assembly will realize this fact in looking at the matter from a point of view broadly economical.

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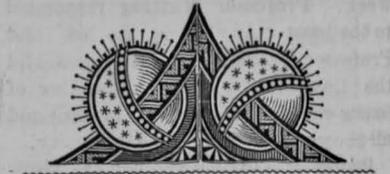
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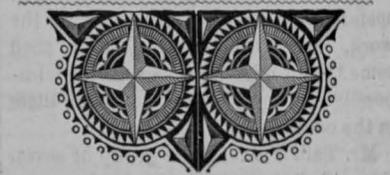


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The Zets and Irvings will give their regular programs to-morrow evening.

President Schaeffer left Wednesday morning for Des Moines, to be gone for a few days.

L. Marks, L. '92, has been elected captain of the base ball team for the coming season.

All persons who play on the Ocarina will meet at Zet hall, Friday, 22 January, 4 p. m. Bring instruments.

J. C. Monnet, '92, left yesterday morning for Des Moines to accept a position in connection with the legislature.

All those interested in the organization of an Ocarina club are requested to meet in the south hall Friday at 4 p. m.

Dr. W. H. DeFord, of Anamosa, has been elected to the chair of Dental Pathology in place of Professor Black, of Chicago, resigned.

The class in Tacitus is making an interesting a profitable study in Roman Antiquities, spoken of by Tacitus and earlier Latin writers.

A. E. Myrick, '92, has demonstrated in the Histological Laboratory, the organ of Corti—the ending of the Auditory nerve. It is an excellent demonstration and the first successful one in the S. U. I. Laboratory.

Frank Russell, '92, has made a life-size portrait of Dr. J. L. Pickard which is to be hung in the Close Hall auditorium. Mr. Russell has on many occasions demonstrated his skill as an artist and his ability in this line is receiving marked attention by those who are able to pass judgment upon a piece of artistic work.

The Philosophical Seminary, at its meeting last Tuesday, continued the discussion of the design argument. H. S. Hollingsworth, '92, presented the leading paper, an excellent summary of the Duke of Argyll's Reign of Law. Other reports were given by A. E. Myrick, '92, and F. W. Myers, '92. Next week the subject discussed will be "Monasticism."

Professor McClain delivered at Muscatine, on the 9th inst, a lecture on "The Growth of Nationalism," one of a course before the Ladies' Art Club of that city by three of our professors. Professor Currier addresses them next Saturday evening on the subject, "Trade and Traffic in the First Century," and Professor Patrick will deliver a lecture on Saturday, Jan. 30, on "Organized Charities."

Those who witnessed the feats of mind-reading at the Opera House last evening have no doubts as to the merits of the performance. It was certainly an extraordinary event. Through the medium of the body, the thought of

one mind was transferred to another. The mind which saw and knew and was in the light, was positive; Mr. Johnstone neither saw nor knew and when blindfolded and in darkness, was the negative. Like a photograph, the positive made an impression upon the sensitive negative. Concentration of mind was all that was required of the positive. Mr. Johnstone proved to the skeptical that mind-reading is a fact.

All members of the VIDETTE-REPORTER Association (students in the Collegiate Department who are subscribers) are urged to remember the special election to be held this afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock for the choice of one managing and one associate editor to fill vacancies.

A recent law in Russia prohibits more than seventy students to gather at any one theatre.

Be sure to see "An Unequal Match" to night and to-morrow night at the Opera House. Admission—Reserved seats, 50 cents; gallery, 35 cents. The following is the cast:

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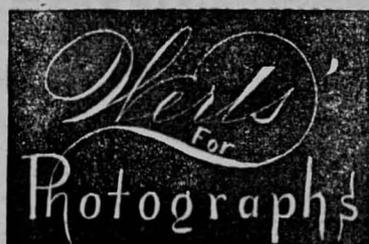
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