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Homeopathic Commencement To-Night.

The Homeopathic Medical Department graduating exercises will take place at the opera house to-night. The S. U. I. band will furnish the music and Dr. J. G. Gilchrist will deliver the annual address on "Professional Obligations".

University Calendar.

Tuesday, March 8.

Philosophical Seminary in Philosophical Lecture Room, 7 p. m.

French Club, Close Hall, 7 p. m.

Tabard Meeting in English Literary Seminary Rooms, 7:30 p. m.

Irving Social in Society Halls, beginning at 8 p. m.

Graduating Exercises Homeopathic Medical Dep't, Opera House 8 p. m. Addressed by Dr. Gilchrist.

Wednesday, March 9.

Graduating Exercises Medical Department, Opera House, 8 p. m. Addressed by Hon. Henry Sabin.

Political Science Seminary in Prof. Wilson's Lecture Room, 7 p. m.

Thursday, March 10.

Dental Graduating Exercises at New Armory, 8 p. m. Address by Dr. J. J. R. Patrick.

Friday, March 11.

Zetagathian and Irving Literary Societies, 8 p. m.

Baconian Club, Physical Science Lecture Room, 7:30 p. m.

Saturday, March 12.

Erodelphian Society, North Hall, 8 p. m. Pedagogical Seminary, Close Hall, 10 a. m.

Sunday, March 13.

Y. M. C. A. Gospel meeting at Close Hall, 4 p. m.

Y. W. C. A. Gospel Meeting at Close Hall, 4 p. m.

Monday, March 14.

Prof. Calvin's last Lecture on World Making, Close Hall, 8 p. m.

For the Museum.

Mr. McClain, Hudson Bay post-keeper at Grand Rapids, North West Territory, writes Professor Nutting that he has two fine moose for our Museum. The moose will be here in June. They will form a very valuable addition and are worthy of special notice because of the fact that they are the first specimens of the kind to be placed in our museum.

Military Science.

Major Read states that the course of lectures on Military Science to the Seniors will close without written examination, but that the note books will be carefully inspected after the last lecture.

'94.

There will be a meeting of the class of '94 at Close Hall, Saturday, March 12, at 10 a. m. Editors for the Junior Annual will be elected. All members of the class should be present.

W. L. CONVERSE.

German Seminary Notice.

The next meeting of the German Seminary will be postponed until Wednesday, March 16, when Miss Gilfillan will read a paper on Goethe's Tasso, and all other members will be expected to make special reports.

CHARLES BUNDY WILSON.

Joint Discussion.

The first of a series of joint discussions between members of Irving Debating Club and the Zetatoricon was held Saturday at 10 o'clock in Irving Hall. The question was

Resolved, That the adoption of free coinage of silver would be for the best interest of the United States.

Irving supported the affirmative through Messrs. Sanford, '93, and Sabin, '93. The Zets argued in the negative through Messrs. Bailey, '93, and Stevenson, '93. The decision of the judge was in favor of the negative. Mason, '93, spoke on "Gladstone," and Butler, '93, on "The Affair With Chile." Mason made the better speech. Both debate and speeches were entirely extemporaneous. None of the speakers were informed of their subjects until called on by the presiding officer. This is a new plan in the societies which should be encouraged and continued. Professor Currier selected the subjects and acted as judge. Lovell, '95, presided.

The Thanks of the Y. M. C. A.

At a business meeting of the Y. M. C. A., the association extended a vote of thanks to the citizens of Iowa City, to the young peoples societies of the churches and to the Young Women's Christian Association, for their hospitality and assistance in entertaining the delegates of the late convention.

ALLEN T. SANFORD, Secy.

Baconian.

Baconian will listen to an address by Dr. J. G. Gilchrist, at its meeting next Friday evening; the subject for discussion is not yet announced.

The Physical Features of the Moon.

The class in astronomy under Professor Weld is doing some excellent work in the way of special reports. Each member has been working since the beginning of the term on a subject assigned. Papers between twenty and thirty minutes in length, embodying the result of thorough investigation into these subjects are now being read in the class at the rate of one or two a week. The following is a synopsis of the paper of Mr. Haddock on "The Physical Features of the Moon," read yesterday morning:

The most prominent features upon the lunar surface are the volcanic craters, varying in size from extreme minuteness to a diameter of seventy-four miles. Their great size is attributed to the comparatively small force exerted by gravity upon the moon and the great force exerted by the solidifying interior.

The formation of the larger rings, similar in appearance to the craters, but having diameters varying from eighty to three hundred miles, has not been satisfactorily explained, though many hypotheses have been offered.

There are comparatively few mountain ranges upon the moon's surface, and these exist in a part of the disc where there are very few craters. They were not caused by upheavals, but are of true volcanic origin, as are the craters.

The systems of radiating streaks centering in certain craters, of which Tycho is the most notable example, were probably formed by the expansion of the solidifying interior, producing systems of radiating cracks through which lava poured and spread on both sides to a distance of from one to ten miles.

The moon's surface is quite or nearly devoid of air and moisture and is in capable of supporting life. It undoubtedly assumed its final shape ages ago.

Dental Commencement.

The Tenth Annual Commencement of the Dental Department of S. U. I. will be held Thursday night, March 10th, in the Armory on College street. The following is the order of exercises:

Music, - - - University Band
Invocation, - - - Rev. S. N. Watson
Music, - - - T. K. Quartet
Annual Address, - - - Dr. J. J. R. Patrick
Music, - - - T. K. Quartet

Announcement of Graduates.
Conferring Degrees, - By the President
Music, - - - University Band

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The Medical and Dental Commencements will be held this week, beginning this evening. Students should make it a point to attend the exercises. The addresses will be good and the lessons conveyed will apply not only to the graduating classes, but to all students of the University. There is a great field for learning outside of the text-book. Theories are good but practical ideas are better. Able speakers teach us that which can not be found in even the best of text books. Unite the knowledge gained from the text-book, with the knowledge secured from coming in contact with men in the every day affairs of life. If there is any ground for the charge that college students are not practical, it is found in the fact that they confine themselves too closely to the text-book and do not stop to look into life as it actually is. We admire a good lecturer. Why? Because he sets us thinking in a line we have never known of before. The same is true with a good sound practical address, such as we hear at commencement, and the student who fails to hear these addresses, is neglecting a very important part of his education.

Professor Patrick has introduced a new plan in the way of examinations. The class in "Memory" is required to study the work gone over during the term and to be ready for an examination at any time without any warning. It is an excellent method, because the student is given plenty of time for reviewing his work, not cramming, but thoroughly reviewing; and thus he will master it far better than if it were left, as is usually the case, until the last week of the term. It is only by review and reiteration that a subject can be mastered. This plan adopted by Professor Patrick will enable the student to get more out of his term's work than ever before and he will also be able to pass a better examination. The subject will be a part of himself, it will not be "crammed."

A Missionary Meeting.

A missionary meeting was held in Close Hall Sunday afternoon by the two Christian Associations of the University. M. H. Lyon, '92, spoke on the work in foreign fields. Figures were presented showing the great progress made in foreign lands. There is yet, however, a great demand for laborers in heathen countries. If we get to that point where our Master wants us to come we can use our influence for Christ, whether it be at home or abroad.

"The History of the Students' Volunteer Movement" was presented by Fred Brasted, '93. In 1886 a few students met at Mt. Vernon for Bible Study. An interest was aroused for missionary work. On the 24th of July, the same year, the meeting was addressed by speakers representing ten different nationalities. Each speaker appealed to the Christian church for help in this land. A volunteer association was formed, men were appointed to visit the different colleges to spread the measure, and to day there are 6002 volunteers for foreign missionary work representing 350 institutions in America and Canada.

The meeting closed with some very interesting remarks by the leader, showing the need of more workers in foreign lands, and the responsibility devolving upon all professing Christians. As Christ went forth into the work to spread his love and gospel so should his disciples also do.

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Local and Personal.

I. E. Munger, '92, is on the sick list. Reverend Mr. Elser conducts chapel services this week.

A pair of steel-bowed spectacles has been found and left in the library.

The *Hawkeye*, class '93, is now on sale at the book stores and at Fink's Bazaar.

Professor Patrick will deliver a lecture in Burlington during the spring vacation.

M. Roberta Holmes, '91, is at home again, the school term at Nashau having been completed.

Mrs. Cook and Miss Cook together with Mrs. Currier, visited several of the classes yesterday.

Mrs. Currier holds an informal reception this afternoon, in honor of her guests from Sioux City, Mrs. and Miss Cook.

Col. George W. Bain, who was to have lectured at Close Hall last night, was unable to fill his engagement on account of sickness.

Prof. McBride's first lecture in the University Extension course at Des Moines will be given next Friday evening in the Central Presbyterian church of that city.

Meeting of the Regents.

The Board of Regents will meet in the Secretary's office to-day, at 1 o'clock. Business connected with the professional commencements of this week will be transacted.

Compulsory Education.

At the Seminary in Pedagogy Saturday morning a very interesting discussion was held on the subject of Compulsory Education. The speakers on the affirmative were F. G. Pierce, '92, Florence Brown, '92, May Gaymon, '92, and D. T. Sollenbarger, '92. The negative was represented by F. A. Stowe, '92, W. A. Ferren, '92, Helen Harney, '90, Julia Rogers, '92, and Frank Nelson, '92.

The principal points presented in support of Compulsory Education were: 1. That government has a certain supervision over education. 2. It is the duty of the State to elevate the masses as much as possible. 3. The State is responsible for the welfare of its citizens. 4. It is only by compulsory legislation that a certain class of children can be reached.

The negative held that: 1. If the school houses were made more attractive parents would take a greater interest in education and there would be no need of any law on the subject. 2. The law is a dead letter; cannot be enforced. 3. Interest the people; let the State make more liberal provisions for education. 4. Self-government cannot be taught when children are forced to a certain thing contrary to their wishes.

A good interest was manifested and the members of the seminary heartily endorse this plan. Several members of the seminary have already completed their final theses on which considerable original research has been done.

The Sixtieth Annual Report of the Trustees of the Perkins Institution and Mass. School for the Blind is one of the new documents at the library.

The *Cornellian* this month gives zinc etchings of President Kirkpatrick, of the State Oratorical Association, and of the Cornell orator, Mr. T. F. M. Huntington, who took third place at the State contest.

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