Chess Games.
The three games of chess to be played by the home club with the Philadore Chess Club of the University of Minnesota are now well under way, if the plays are made back and forth promptly, the games may be concluded by the first of June or possibly even before that date. The status of the games at present is as follows:

Game No. 1.
S. U. L. U. of M.
K. P. to K. 4 K. P. to K. 4
Q. P. to Q. 4 P. takes 4
P. to Q. B. 3 P. takes P.
Q. Kt. takes P.

Game No. 2.
U. of M. S. U. L.
P. to K. 4 P. to K. P.
P. to K. B. 4 P. takes P.
K. Kt. to K. B. 3 K. Kt. to K. B. 4

Game No. 3.
U. of M. S. U. L.
P. to K. 4 P. to Q. 4
Q. P. to Q. P. takes P.

Joint Program.
The Hesperian and Zetagathian Societies will join forces this evening and present the following program at their hall:

Song ................. Het Quartette
Declamation ............. H. U. Dorcas
"Decay of Cities."
Recitation ............. Bessie G Parker
"Jimmy Brown's Steam Chair."

Song ................. Zet Quartette
Debate; Resolved, That private giving is detrimental to public welfare.
Aff ................. Inez Kelso
Neg ................. S K. Stevenson
Hertha Wilson
O H. L. Mason

Vocal Solo ............ J F. Swanson
Paper ................... Geo E. Shambaugh
"U. of I Girls."

Paper ................... Julia Crawford
"U. I Boys."

Song ................... Zet and Het Chorus.

Challenge Accepted.
At a joint meeting of the Zetagathian and Irving societies last night it was decided to accept the challenge of Iowa College for a joint debate, the debate to be held some time next fall and a committee to be appointed by the two parties to select a subject. The lateness of the season made it impossible to have the joint discussions this term. Every body is at present interested in athletics and it would be difficult to stir up enough enthusiasm for a joint discussion. The fall and winter term are the time for oratory and literary work. The Spring term belongs to athletes.

Plans for Extension Work.
A delegation from Davenport consisting of the Rev. Arthur M. Judy, pastor of the Unitarian church, Miss H. M. Allen of the school of Miss. K. A. Garth's semi­nary, and Capt. J. B. Young, conferred with the Collegiate Faculty yesterday afternoon in regard to a plan for Uni­versity Extension lectures in the fu­ture. For next year it was virtually agreed upon that two courses should be delivered in Davenport; the first, a course of lectures on American His­tory, and the second on scientific sub­jects. The principal work of the dele­gation was, however, to suggest that a systematic course of lectures for the next four years be prepared by the Fac­ulty for the benefit of such towns as Davenport, Des Moines, etc. The plan proposed is that five or six of these towns unite in making arrangements for this prospective course. The sub­jects which seem to meet in demand are History, Economics, Literature, and all branches of Science. The scheme was too complicated for the Faculty to act upon immediately, as it includes examinations and the grant­ing of certificates to those who have completed the course. It was looked upon with favor, however, and will be presented to the Board of Regents at their meeting in June.

Baconian Club.
Mr. Shimek delivered a paper on "The Loess Deposit" last evening which showed thought and careful research. Boes, or the yellow clay which is in abundance about Iowa City and along the river, is a deposit whose presence has been accounted for by three theo­ries: first, it may have been deposited at the bottom of large lakes; second, it may have been carried along by rivers in their course; third, it may have been borne through the air by the winds. The essayist inclined to the opinion that the formation "may be accounted for by each of these theories, which of the three it may be determined by the locality in which the loess is found."

Professor Veldon delivered a very in­teresting paper, showing the change which has taken place in this country of the names of Norwegians and Swedes coming here to life. The soft­ening of their unpronounceable names has sometimes led to ridiculous legal difficulties. One foreigner almost lost an estate because his real name had been almost forgotten, and another es­caped being drafted into the army by calling himself once again by his old­en­cy name.

The Societies.
At Zetagathian hall last night G. W. Lawrence, '96, delivered an oration on the "American City," showing the influence which the city is today in social and political affairs. The work of the city is to-day almost the law of the land. The city, fostering crime, is a dangerous element in soci­ety. At almost every city election we see the power of anarchy. Men are led to the voting precincts by bosses. The oration was original and practical.

H. M. Troy, '38, delivered an oral on the "New Socialism" being an address delivered by the late Hon. Henry W. Grady at Boston. It is an address which every student should read.

On the debate, "Would the Republi­can party be more likely to succeed in the coming contest under the leadership of an eastern than a western man." The affirmative, represented by M. T. Eubady, '92, and H. C. Ring, '93, held (1) that the important question is what men can control the doubtful states; (2) her eastern man being stronger with all classes can do this; (3) the policy of our western states is local and not national. The negative, C. A. Ald­rich, '32, and P. A. McMillan, main­tained (1) that the east wants high tar­iff, the west low tariff, and that the west should be sustained; this can be done only by a western man; (2) the west is the source of our nation’s strength and hence should be represent­ed. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative. A humorous declamation by Geo. Fracker, '92, and an excellent oration by L. Allen, '92, on "A Glance at our Nation" closed the exercises.

Bardeil vs. Pickwick.
Chancellor McClain last evening read to the members of the Law Literary, a review and criticism of the celebrated case of Bardell vs. Pickwick. He re­gards the introduction of this incident by Dickens as being chiefly for its humor, and not, as is frequently the case with that author, for the purpose of drawing attention to defects in legal procedure. That his audience was en­tertained was evidenced by the frequent waves of laughter which swept through it. To the ludicrous incidents of the cause as portrayed in "Pickwick Paps" were added sundry flashes of wit by the Chancellor which served to add fresh zest to the already delectable feast.

The treatment wittal was from a lawyer's standpoint, and many points were thrown out in passing, which will be none the less readily recalled because coming in the form of a literary treat.
The Vidette-Reporter

Home Field Day is to be held on the seventh of May, just two weeks from today. It would undoubtedly have been better to have fixed the date for this event at least one or two weeks later, but circumstances made such an arrangement impossible. The wet and disagreeable weather this week has rendered all outside practices impracticable. It is therefore all the more necessary that we should improve the time that is still left us. The field captains should endeavor to see to it that every person who has made an entry for Field Day gets down to earnest hard work during the time still intervening.

The first joint programme of the year to be given this evening in the South Hall, is a departure in the right direction. There should be more sympathy between the literary societies, for all are aiming at the same goal, and a comparison of the progress they are making cannot fail to be helpful. Occasional joint programmes and contests would lift each society out of the rut in which it is too apt to fall when it has no stimulus outside of its own membership. A member of one society cannot attend very many of the sessions of the other societies. Life is too short and too full of duties. But this occasional varying of the regular exercises, this enthusiasm which competition brings about, will make us all more wide awake.

The thought and opinion of American scholars on the subject of University Extension is not all favorable. Prof. Palmer, of Harvard University raises some objections to the movement which have not been made before. He shows that there are vital differences between England and America in the matter of education and its problems. England is a small aristocratic country with no democratic colleges open to the poor as ours are. He says that under the existing circumstances our professors cannot give their time to extension work and keep up the standard of the University. The plan tends, he says, to scattered and disconnected work; and while the teacher lets himself down from the highest level of scholarship to explain and simplify and popularize for those who have not the powers to appreciate science and learning in their unadulterated form, the learner is acquiring a mass of superficial knowledge which does not compensate the amount of scientific energy which it costs.

Fraternities at the Fair.

The Greek letter fraternities of the country expect to take part in the Chicago fair. The following circular letter will be of interest to college men:

"The fraternities, with a membership of 150,000 graduates from the leading colleges, including many of the most eminent men in all professions, contemplate spending nearly $20,000 in displaying their valuable historical collections and the varied products of their unique system. These organizations have taken part in no former exhibition, but assurances have been given that space will be afforded and some of the oldest and best known have already signified their intention to participate, probably in competition. As a result of the undergraduate rivalry there is no doubt that the exhibit will be a center of attraction for visiting collegians. It is possible that most of the fraternities will hold conventions in Chicago during the fair, and a proposition has been made that a Panhellenic council of all the organizations be held under the auspices of the World's Congress Auxiliary.

Senior Vacation.

The Faculty yesterday granted the Senior Collegiates a vacation of one week to commence June 3rd.

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Local and Personal.

Hankey, L. '93, has been appointed Drum Major.

Base Hall at the ball park this afternoon, 3 o'clock.

C. S. Aldrich, '85, is enjoying a visit from his brother, Oscar.

P. A. Sjowe, '92, is doing reporting work on the Daily Citizen.

Miss Stella Price, '93, will teach next year in the Le Mars Schools.

Hattie Sherman began another term of school at Solon last Monday.

All students are cordially invited to the Gospel meetings at Close Hall tomorrow afternoon.

Jessie Speer, '94, who has been ill, is gaining rapidly and will soon be able to attend classes.

Professor Wambaugh has published a collection of select cases on Evidence, for the use of the Junior Laws.

The S. U. F. band gave some excellent music on the streets Thursday and Friday to advertise the Kirmess.

The Senior class of the Iowa City Academy has invited Dr. Thomas, of Chicago, to deliver the Commencement address.

C. C. Stover, '93, was last Wednesday elected to the Captaincy of Company J, 2d regiment, formerly Co. C, 3d regiment, of the I. N. G.

Miss Sophia Moore, '95, E. H. Kahle, '96, and C. D. Reimers, '94, went to Rock Island yesterday afternoon to attend a reception given at the home of the latter last evening.

Papers were read in the American History Seminary last Thursday afternoon by W. H. Walker, '92, on "Fisheries" and by Bertha M. Wilson, '92, on "The Behring Sea Controversy."

Young men will be glad to know that a series of four special addresses has been arranged to be given at Close Hall on Sunday afternoon. Dr. E. N. Barrett gives the first in the series tomorrow at 4 p.m. All young men cordially invited.

Mrs. Von Schroeder of Maquoketa, who as Miss Imogen Mitchell, a member of '83, was well-known in the University, spent last week with friends in the city visiting several classes at the University. Mrs. Von Schroeder was an Erodarchian and a charter member of Beta Zeta chapter of the Kappa Kappa Gamma fraternity.

Notice.

An important Senior meeting will be held at Close Hall Monday, April 25, at 7 p.m. The Class Day Committee will report, and final arrangements will be made for Commencement.

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The Book Shelf.

THE BEGINNINGS OF NEW ENGLAND
Or the Puritan Thoroacy in its Relation to Civil and Religious Liberty, by John Fiske, Boston and New York, Houghton, Mifflin & Co., $2.00.

The modern idea of historical writing is embodied in no other one man of our day so thoroughly as in Professor John Fiske. In forming historical judgments a great deal depends upon our perspective. The historians of the old school (and the race is perhaps not yet quite extinct) had no perspective at all. They chronicled fact and here and there commented on a fact or a period, but they did not conceive of history as a unit. The modern historian gives as much, indeed more, attention to the discovery of the causes of the recorded fact, however far back he may have to trace them, as the historian of an earlier day gave to brilliant and vivid description. A change in the drift of historical occurrences is not accidental; it is a result; and the explanation may lie in the events immediately preceding the change or they may lie in ancient history.

The happenings in the Puritan world of the seventeenth century give the clue that enables us to understand the strong and weak spots in the civil and religious life and government of the present. It is in this spirit that the founding of the New England colonies and their first years of history waking are treated in this book.

TOM BROWN'S SCHOOL DAYS AT HAGHBY, by Thomas Hughes; Houghton, Mifflin & Co., $1. This famous book has for the thirty-five years that have elapsed since its first publication held a place at the top of literature for boys. But the readers of Tom Brown have never been limited to boys. "Old boys" and men, girls, and all people who read to be entertained have read and probably always will read the story of Tom Brown's school days at Rugby. It is fascinating, but not morbidly so. It is good, honest, straightforward in its morals but it is not a goody-goody sermon. Tom Brown is the typical Englishman in the formative period of life and so is at once a character study from nature and a favorite hero.

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