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Base Ball.

The Laws will play against the Collegiates at the ball park, this afternoon, game to be called at 3:00 p. m. sharp. The batteries will be, for the Collegiates, Lindsay and Larrabee, for the Laws, Zmunt and Gillette.

English History Seminary.

The last meeting of the English History Seminary for the year was held Thursday afternoon. A paper was read by Miss Kelso, '94, on the Parliamentary history of the reign of Elizabeth after which followed quite an interesting discussion in regard to the character of Elizabeth both as a woman and as a queen.

American History Seminary.

The American History Seminary met at 10 o'clock this morning. Two papers were presented. The first, by Margaret Gleason, '93, on "Our Relations with the Indians," treated especially of the Indian Reservations, and spoke in detail of granting land in severality, i. e., to the individuals of a tribe, rather than to the tribe as a whole. The second paper was given by Mr. Tillson, and was on the Territorial relations of the present Territories.

Oratorical Meeting.

A called meeting of the Oratorical Association was held in Zetagathian Hall at the close of the open sessions yesterday evening. Neither the president nor vice-president being present, Kopp, L. '94, was called to the chair, the object of the meeting was to consider a letter from the University of Chicago inquiring whether S. U. I. would pledge herself as in favor of taking in Chicago as a member of the Northern Oratorical League and admitting her orator to the contest to be held at Oberlin this year. After a good deal of discussion the Association came to the conclusion that it would be impolitic to pledge ourselves at this time, for in so doing we would prevent our delegate from acting according to their discretion at the annual convention of the League.

Erodolphian Program.

- Saturday, April 8th.
1. Music.
 2. Inaugural Address,.....Frances Rogers
 3. Declamation,.....Ethel Charlton
 4. Speech,.....Mary Barrett
 5. Debate—Resolved, That students in the Scientific course should not be compelled to take other than Scientific studies.
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| Affirmed by | Denied by |
| Mary McGuire. | Nell Bruce, |
| Mary Bollinger, | Thalia Cochran. |
6. Music.
 7. Select Reading,.....Jessamine Jones
 8. Original Story, Ch. 1, Grace Burge
 9. Music.

Baconian Club.

Professor Nutting read the paper before the club last evening on the subject of "Deep Sea Investigation." In giving a short history of deep sea investigation the speaker said that twenty-five years ago very little was known of the bottom of the sea and it was believed that no animals lived at a greater depth than three hundred fathoms on account of the enormous pressure which at a depth of one thousand fathoms amounts to one ton to the square inch. But when the Challenge was fitted out by the British government in 1872, dredgings were made to the depth of three thousand fathoms and it was found that animals did live at enormous depths; but in these deep sea forms the tissues were very loose and the whole organism is permeated with water so that the pressure is equalized.

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After the colloquium Professor Weld reported on the dredging outfit of the Bahama Expedition. Dr. Gilchrist gave a short report on sounding which was followed by Doctor Andrews on the same subject. The last speaker gave the method of finding the depth of a sounding by the pressure at the bottom; this is ascertained by means of a self-registering tube of mercury.

Next week the club will listen to a paper by Doctor Andrews on "The Development of Chemistry from Alchemy—an historical retrospect" and in two weeks one by Professor Weld on "The Moon."

Topographical Survey.

C. R. Keyes assistant state geologist is here from Des Moines to make arrangements for a topographical survey in Marion county. The survey will be made by the Senior, Junior, and four highest ranking Sophomore students of the Engineering Department under the direction of Professor Jameson. They will probably leave for Marion county on the 12th inst. and expect to complete the survey before the 1st of May.

Irving.

Bearsley, the outgoing president, presented the gavel to Neal, the president for the spring term. In well chosen, eloquent words Neal thanked the retiring president for the excellent condition in which he left the affairs of the society. He proposed plans for the spring term's work and expected hearty support in carrying them out. An oration by White, '94, on "Immortality" was well and eloquently handled. He used not many gestures or oratorical effects, but the oration was entertaining and instructive. Hutchinson, '95, made his first appearance before Irving with a declamation entitled, "Now." His appearance on the stage was easy and pleasing; his enunciation was excellent but a little too hurried. Following this was a debate on the question, "Resolved that military drill should be optional after the second year." Crum, '94, opened the discussion with very little life and less argument. This was not true of the three following debaters: Hendricks, '94, negative, Sanford, '93, affirmative, and Bearsley, '93, negative. Each of them spoke as though their whole interest was in convincing the judges. Many new ideas on this old question were developed. The debate was decided in the negative. Sabin, '93, made a witty and instructive speech on the subject "The Usual speech." He asked the questions—On what should the "usual speech" be made, and how should it be handled? He answered them briefly and satisfactorily. Reynolds, '94, closed the programme with a declamation, "The Pilot's Story." As an elocutionary effort this was beyond doubt the best thing on the programme.

Zetagathian.

The first program of the Spring term was presented to a very good audience. After a vocal solo by Mr. F. E. Swanson, E. C. Stover was announced as president for the spring term, who upon accepting the gavel from the outgoing president P. D. Van Oosterhout, thanked the society very appropriately for the honor.

D. A. W. McMillen, '93, then gave an oration on "Breaks and Blunders" The production contained some valuable suggestions and was delivered in an effective manner. Kaye, '95, declaimed "The Burial of Moses." Although the selection is known by everyone, yet it is always appreciated when given as well a Mr. Kaye did yesterday evening.

The debate was on the question Resolved, "That the Hawaiian Islands would be advantageous to the U. S. as a military post." It was affirmed by Harry Pratt, '95, Kinmonth, '95,

and denied by Farwell, '96, and Rigg, '95. The question was well chosen, as it is of special interest at this time While Mr. Pratt and Mr. Kinmonth were perfectly well acquainted with the subject yet they did not put life enough into their delivery to make it as effective as it should be. We have heard these gentlemen make much better debates. Mr. Farwell and Mr. Rigg argued the negative of the question in a very strong manner. The judges gave their decision in the negative. After a well rendered declamation entitled, "The Rivers" by Bishop, '96, W. T. Chantland '92, gave a speech on the "Parliament of Religions." Chantland never failed to present a good speech when he was an active Zet. and he sustained his reputation last evening.

The programme closed with an instrumental solo by Miss Horne.

Laws 8, Collegiates 6.

The base ball season was opened at the ball park Thursday afternoon with a game between the Laws and Collegiates. The weather was very unfavorable, so that it was not deemed wise to allow Zmunt and Lindsay to do the pitching as was advertised, and Blair and Hurst accordingly acted as twirlers for their respective sides. About 150 people were in attendance. There was nothing especially brilliant in the playing on either side worthy of mention. The men thus early in the season have had very little opportunity to practice on the diamond, and in consequence the batting on the whole was rather weak. Captain Blair should give his men some thorough practice at the bat during the next two weeks. The men who did the best work with the stick were Chantland, Tuttle, and Converse, each of whom placed a three bagger to their credit. Zmunt also batted well. Blair and Zmunt did some good base running but the work of all the men is open to vast improvement in this respect. Both the catchers proved rather weak in throwing to bases, and in most cases when they attempted to cut a runner off at second the ball found its way into the hands of almost any body but the second baseman. Everything taken into consideration, however, the game was played as well as could have been expected under the circumstances. The score by innings is as follows:

Collegiates	1	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0
Laws	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	2	*

The students in Constitutional Law should not fail to read the article on "Federal Protection against State Power" by Chancellor McClain in the Harvard Law Review for March 1893. The article is an able and clear exposition of the construction of the constitutional amendments by the Superior Court of the United States.

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We wish to call the attention of those who have the matter in hand to the fact that the standard magazines, which very properly, constitute the larger part of the current literature read by the students, are not placed on the shelves in the reading room of the general library until they have been on sale at the bookstores for several days and hence not until they are so old as to have lost much of their interest to those students who would keep abreast of the times. What the cause of this delay is we do not attempt to say, but whatever be the cause it should be removed at once and all frequenters of the library should have access to them as they arrive from the publishers.

The interest shown in History in the past few years has been very marked. In each term this year about a hundred and fifty students have been enrolled in the department, more than double the number who took this study five years ago, an increase much more than proportional to the total enrollment. This is of course largely due to the character of the instruction which we are fortunate enough to receive, and to the new and interesting methods of study which have been lately introduced, but it shows also, in considerable degree, a difference in the student himself. That is to say, our type of student is coming nearer to the true type of the University student. He is an embryo statesman, or it may be, reformer. He lays a strong foundation of history, takes up the weighty questions of Economics or of Practical Ethics, both of which departments show much larger classes. This student is becoming a thinker, in this time of burning social problems. It may be that he will not solve these problems, but he certainly will help on the one who does. He will not be a passive force, wherever he may be.

College Notes.

Syracuse University has received \$10,000 to found a lectureship on missions.

Ex-President Harrison, it is said, was offered the Presidency of Indiana University, but declined.

A joint debate between the Universities of Michigan and Wisconsin was held at Ann Arbor on Friday evening March 31.

One of the base-sliding machines invented by Mr. Stagg while he was at Yale has been placed in the gymnasium of Chicago University.

The books, drawings, manuscripts and herbarium of Bayard Taylor were presented to the public library of West Chester Park, Pennsylvania last week.

The students in the mechanical laboratory of the University of Michigan have made a full set of machines which will be exhibited at the World's Fair.

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Omen Bishop, '96, went home this morning for a week's visit.

Nan Sheperd, '88, visited the European History class Thursday.

The Seniors of Minnesota University will wear caps and gowns at Commencement time.

The missionary committee of the Y. M. C. A. is raising subscriptions for a missionary library for the use of the Association.

O. H. L. Mason, '93, delivered an oration at Cedar Falls yesterday evening at the open program of the literary societies.

Miss Stimmel will send ten of her water color pictures to Davenport, to be on exhibition all of next week before the Renaissance club of Davenport.

C. H. Cole, principal at Ackley, Iowa, visited the University on Thursday. He was looking for teachers for the Ackley school for the ensuing year.

Henry Vollmer, L. '84, who has been practicing law in Davenport since his graduation was elected Mayor of that city at the recent city election on April 4th.

At a meeting of the Senior Law class held Tuesday afternoon it was decided to wear caps and gowns on Commencement day. Later on the measure was reconsidered and the motion lost.

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Professor Andrews is again able to meet his classes.

The Laws give to-night their first programme for this term.

W. R. Young M '93 has hung out his shingle in Marengo, Iowa.

P. A. McMillen was called home Thursday by the death of a relative.

The class in English History completed the reign of Charles II this week.

The joint Hesperian - Erodelpian program is to be given Saturday evening, April 15th.

Picked men from the Gymnasium classes will give an exhibition at Close Hall this evening under the Supervision of Physical Director Kallenberg.

Professor Nutting left this morning for Chicago and Baltimore where he will complete arrangements for the Bahama Expedition. He will see to fitting up the vessel when she is turned over to him and all will be in readiness when the party joins him in Baltimore, May 2d.

At the business session of the Law Literary society held last Saturday evening the following officers were elected for the spring term:

- President—Boyer, '94.
- Vice-President—Garber, '94.
- Secretary—Kellog, '94.
- Division Leaders—Van Allen, '94 and Zmunt '94.
- Sergeants-at-arms—Judge, '94, and Huston, '94.

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