The department held well pleased with the results of the most pleasant features of our Commencement.

Intercollegiate Debate

The conference on intercollegiate debating was held in New Haven last week. Harvard, Yale and Princeton represented the debate. The debate for intercollegiate debates of 1896-97 will be at the Harvard Princeton debate at first speech and 16 minutes for debate at Cambridge, March 26, and the Yale Princeton debate at New Haven.

In the future the question for the debate shall be proposed seven weeks before the date, upon which the debate is to occur, and the university choosing the sides shall announce, in the decision five weeks before the same date. The list of judges shall contain not less than five names and must be proposed at least six weeks before the debate, and the university to whom the list shall return shall unite within the same period to which it objects stricken out. No man shall act as judge at any intercollegiate debate who is a graduate of either of the universities participating in the debate.

Owing to several misunderstandings that have occurred in the past it was voted to instruct the judges to give their judgment upon the merits of the discussion alone, regardless of the relative strengths of the two sides of the question. Each of the six speakers shall have fifteen minutes for their speech and 16 minutes for debate. These arrangements were agreed upon unanimously by the members of the conference.

There were two other points upon which, after long discussion, the debate was unable to agree. It was the opinion of the Harvard and Princeton representatives that assistance from members of the faculty engaged outside the university should be limited to the giving of information, while the Yale delegates did not believe that criticism of practice debates by members of the faculty was any more objectionable. The delegates agreed, however, that there was a possibility of abuse in abuse of criticism that should be guarded against.

It was the opinion of the Yale and Princeton representatives that no man should be allowed to take part in an intercollegiate debate who is pursuing any other than a regular graduate course as candidate for a bachelor's degree in art, science or philosophy, or who has received a degree from any other college. The Harvard delegates held that the debates should be open to all members of the universities—Harvard Crimson.

Anniversary of Literary Societies.

The annual graduation exercises of the literary societies was held last night at the Opera House. Professor Wauchope acted as general presiding officer, and introduced the presiding officer of each organization in turn. Charles McElvain presided for the Zetacathians and was first introduced. He introduced Mr. Jefferson Sayers, who delivered the Zetacathian oration entitled "The Problem of the N. O. L. Contest. This gentleman, a new member, was awarded first place in thought and composition in the contest last winter. His oration last night in that respect was fully equal to his effort last winter. The delivery, while good, was not so good as the oration deserved.

After the presentation of diplomas J. G. McAlvain responded in a short, and characteristic address. Dr. Wauchope next introduced Miss Susan Deshong, who introduced Miss Louise Dibosche, the Euphodalian orator. The subject of the oration was "The Supplement of the Complement of Reason." It would not be strictly in accordance with truth to say the composition was oratorical, but that the thought was expressed clearly and with due delivery. The delivery was good and altogether this speech was probably one of the best. Miss Rutner referred on behalf of the Zetacathians.

As a whole the contest was a very enjoyable one and creditable to the department it represented.
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Fact and Rumor.
Frank Neff, ex-96, is a visitor.

W. T. Chantland, C. W. L. ‘94, of Ft. Dodge, is
renewing old time joys of the University.

Charles C. Clark; of the firm of
Seely & Clark, of Burlington, is
a commencement visitor.

W. H. Clark, 1896, has been chosen
for the position of science teacher in
the Webster City High school.

Jake Hens, L. W., is shaking hands
with his many friends. He is enjoy-
ing a good practice in Council Bluffs.

Frank C. Neff is in the city
for the commencement.

Charles C. Clark.

We are glad to notice the marriage
of George Samuel Coon, C’90, H.
M. 91, and Miss Louise Bracksmith,

Miss Florence Zerwelk, ex-97, is
visiting with Mary Olson. Her many
friends are pleased to learn that she
expects to re-enter the University
next year.

The competitive prize drill, yester-
day, resulted in the first place being
awarded Company B. This company
will be given the new equipments
next year.

The Kansas City Board of the
museum, has finished mounting one of
Frank Russell’s specimens of the
musk ox, and the specimen is fairly
mounted, and shows the work of an
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The reception to be tendered to Harry E. Blunt, to-night, at Close Hall, from 8 to 10, promises to be a most enjoyable affair. Come out and give Mr. Blunt God speed as he leaves St. Louis.

The Senior class play, "Caprice," will be given at the Opera House Monday night, is the great feature of the play which Miss Maddern, Fiske made famous. A strong cast has been secured and a pleasing program may be expected.

The game of ball yesterday afternoon between a made up nine of University players and Rush Medical College, was won by the doctors by a score of 6 to 0. Rush Medical has a strong team, having defeated Western and Cornell in games this week. Associated Press dispatches this morning report that the State Agricultural College Athletic Association has been suspended from the Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Association. The charges were brought against that association, appropriating state association funds, and violating the constitution in taking the meet to Marshalltown.

North American Review.
The North American Review for June opens with a most suggestive and practical paper by Mr. Andrew Carnegie, entitled, "The Ship of State Adrift," in which he points out the dilemma since 1896 of the United States in national wealth and commercial prosperity, and in plain, logical, and convicting statements, shows why such a state of things exists.

Dr. Joseph H. Storer, U. S. Commissioner of Immigration at Ellis Island, contributes a thoughtful article on "Immigration from Italy." Dr. Storer discusses the immense forces employed to prevent danger from immigration, and from his store of actual and practical experience derives what he considers the final solution of the "immigration problem."

"Policy and Power of the A. P. A.," is graphically outlined by W. J. H. Traeyno, the President of this well known Association. No organization in the history of the American Republic. Mr. Traeyno declares, has ever had so spontaneous a birth, so remarkable a career, or so radical an effect upon American policy.

The necessity for a court of criminal appeals in the United States is, in the opinion of the Hon. J. C. Parker, Judge of the U. S. District Court for the Western District of Arkansas, of the most urgent character, his reasons being clearly and forcibly presented under the title of "How to Arrest the Increase of Homicides in America."

A special timeliness attaches itself to this discussion, with the death of Harlan Fiske Stone in the number. The chances of bimetallism in Europe and America are freely considered by this distinguished member of the Russian House of Deputies, and the adverbial leader of the bimetallists in the German Silver Convention of 1894.

The Hon. Harris Taylor, United States Minister to Spain, furnishes an elaborate review of "England's Colonial Debts." The varied forms of government exercised by Great Britain toward her dependencies, and the distinguishing features of each, are treated by Mr. Taylor in a most attractive style.

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