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## BASE BALL.

SEASON OPENS NEXT WEEK—FIVE GAMES WITH CEDAR RAPIDS.

The base ball season will be opened in earnest next week by five games with the Cedar Rapids League team. A game will be played at the Athletic Park every afternoon from Monday till Friday.

The wisdom of this arrangement cannot be overestimated. Five games with such a nine as this year's Cedar Rapids, and coming as they do at the very opening of the season, will benefit us in every respect.

In the first place the steady work of a week will settle the boys down and set them to playing real ball, and will enable Captain O'Connor to pick the right men to "go against" the other college aggregations,—the games with the League teams being mere side-issues, in which probable victories may mean much, and possible defeats but little.

Then there is the financial side of the case, which must always be taken into consideration. Five games played on our own grounds ought to yield a goodly number of shekels, and as the visitors will remain here all week, the incidental expenses ought not be unreasonable.

Cedar Rapids has won the only game played by them this year, the one with the Page Fence Giants at Cedar Rapids, Thursday, by a score of 6 to 5. Four of the men who appeared in their game here last year, retain their old places on the team, viz., Fisher, 2 b; Hutchinson, 1 b; Cole, c f; and Hill, 3 b. The Republican (Cedar Rapids) comments in a very favorable manner on the work of the new pitcher Schuman, and says that, taken all in all, a grand specimen of the national game was presented.

As to our team, no man may be said to be sure of his place. The work in the games next week will be the determining factor as to their positions. The players from whom the team will be selected may be roughly classified as follows: Infields, Lowry, J., Sargent, Williams, Yates, and Good-enough; outfields, Lowry, P., McNeil, Remley, Murphy, Meggars, Johnson, Phillips, and Hurst. Hart, Hurst, and Murphy will each have a chance in the box. O'Connor, Phillips and Johnson will wear the mask. From the personnel making up of the list of candidates it would seem that we should be able to play ball with a vengeance this year.

The season of 1897, in which we played our first game with Knox on April 13, opened five days earlier than that of 1898. From the date of our Knox game down to the middle of May, we won six games, our victims being Cedar Rapids, Grinnell, Cornell, Ames, and Monmouth, losing but once, to the Dubuque Leaguers by a score of 6 to 1.

On May 15 was inaugurated, in our defeat by Nebraska, a series of losses, without a single victory to so much as relieve the monotony. Nebraska, Cornell, Chicago, Oak Park, Grinnell, each in turn gave us a drubbing and

a hard one at that. It remains to be seen whether we have the men this year to retrieve last year's disaster. Next week will tell the story. We are hoping for the best.

## Zetagathian.

A large audience assembled in South Hall, last evening, and an exceptionally good program was given.

After a very pleasing mandolin and guitar solo, the outgoing president, Mr. F. Hollingsworth, gave a very appropriate retiring speech and introduced the incoming president, Mr. Fred Holsteen, whose inaugural address showed his earnestness and capability of holding the position to which he has been elected.

The first number on the regular program was a declamation by H. L. Coad entitled "The Dream of Aldar-en." Nothing but favorable criticism is to be made of Mr. Coad's appearance.

The debate of the evening was upon the question: "Resolved, that a single Board for the control of public institutions of Iowa, except the three educational institutions, is preferable to the heretofore existing system."

The question was affirmed by Messrs. J. J. Sharpe and J. L. O'Connor; denied by M. K. Bassard and M. L. Person.

Mr. Sharpe made a very strong plea for the affirmative in both his first and closing speeches. Mr. Bassard's speech was extemporaneous but convincing, and to the point. Mr. O'Connor showed a great deal of preparation and presented a chart with effect. Mr. Person's appearance was exceptionally good. He also showed much preparation.

The debate was followed by a speech by Mark Williams on "Philosophy." It was of a humorous nature and did not fail to please.

Mr. Fred Williams then gave his oration "On the Suppression of Crime." He held the undivided attention of his hearers.

The declamation by R. L. Dunlap was fine in every respect, and made a fitting closing to one of Zetagathian's best programs.

The program was closed by a vocal solo.

## Requirements Raised at Ames.

Whether or not it was a wise act on the part of our Faculty to raise the standard of admission to our college has been debated and discussed times without number. That it puts us more on a level with other state institutions cannot be denied. The mathematical requirements now at the beginning of the Freshman year are what was previously required at the end of that year. The work along that line is not advanced any, but simply made more thorough. The shop work has been increased in the Engineering courses, which was made possible only by the new forge shop and foundry, and now our engineers will go out not only with a better practical knowledge of their subject, but a better mathematical knowledge of it.—I. S. C. Student.

Yale applies \$19,000 each year for the aid of needy students. It is given in the form of remission of tuitions.

## The Forum.

The program given at Forum Hall last night was one of usual interest. Owing to the special programs of the other societies there was a noticeable lack of the customary attendance of visitors.

Miss Rigby's reading—one of the characteristic experiences of Josiah Allen's wife—was in her usual happy conception of the author's idea, which was heartily enjoyed by all present.

W. A. Smith next followed with the "Anvil Song," which was thoroughly appreciated, and called forth a hearty encore.

The debate lacked none of the accustomed interest. The question of woman's right to the franchise, although an old one, was proven capable of many new and salient considerations upon either side. Although lost to the cause of woman, their interests therein were ably supported by Blackburn and Lynch, which should have bespoken for them a more successful issue, were it not that they contested the question with such formidable combatants as Bruce and Watt.

Mr. Maxwell then, in almost forensic panegyric, lauded "The Women of the Future." Such commendable words of tribute to conservative womanhood could not fail of meeting a responsive chord in the sympathies of any thoughtful audience.

Mr. Piersol next being called upon extemporaneously, spoke with much feeling of the uplifting of humanity in our seething populous centers, and and thereby bestowed becoming honor upon noble ones who devote their lives to this mission. He thought it one of the strange anomalies that those professedly out of all this degradation and misery should have ever been the chief villains, maligners and detractors of those who would uplift them.

Mr. Youker then closed the program with a characteristic recitation, "The Frenchman and the Flea Powder."

## Notice.

The Irving Institute hereby challenges the Zetagathian Literary Society to a game of base ball to be played at the Athletic Park sometime within the near future. Proceeds to go to the Athletic Union.

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## Hesperian Freshman Program.

The following is the cast of characters of the Hesperian Freshman special program to-night:

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Tildo Toots..... Florence Johnson  
Penelope Bob..... Libbie Howard  
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Mrs. Mifkins..... Bartie Dennis  
Specimens of Mrs. Mifkin's Art....  
..... Annie Gow, Jennie Slavata  
Reporter..... Albert Speers  
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## Irving.

Irving presented one of its customarily felicitous programs last evening. Each man gave evidence of careful preparation.

The argument of Mr. Holbrook was exceptionally good, and this was by far the best appearance yet made by him.

The program follows:

Vocal Solo..... W. A. Smith  
Declamation..... A. B. Phillips  
"Two Sunsets."

Oration..... J. M. Brockway  
"The Victory of the Anglo-Saxon."

Debate: "Resolved, that national party lines should be disregarded in the choice of the councils and administrative officials of American cities."  
Affirmative, Thos. Kingland and C. E. Holbrook. Negative, T. W. Kemmerrer and F. C. Neal.

Speech..... J. S. Nelson  
"Famous Beggars."

Declamation..... Geo. W. Egan  
"The Best of All."

Mandolin and Guitar Duet.....  
..... Messrs. Unrath and Nicking

## Athletics at Cornell.

The last issue of the Cornellian said of their athletic team trainer: "Our trainer, Mr. C. J. Stilson, of Chicago, arrived last week, and has succeeded in getting the training well under way. The track has been put in good condition, and the prospects, at the end of the first week's training, for a good home field meet are very bright. One part of the gymnasium has been fitted up to be used in connection with the track work, and one has only to make a visit there to see the interest that is being taken in athletics. Mr. Stilson is thoroughly acquainted with his business, and will have all the men in the best of condition for the home meet. Some of the men who began training the last part of the winter term have been laid off until further notice. Right here is where a trainer is needed, for without his instructions the men would not know when and how much to train. At the present writing about twenty men are doing conscientious work."

The base ball teams of Princeton and Yale have started on an extended southern trip.

Michigan will have a veteran team this season, having lost none of last year's aggregation.

Plans are being made for the erection of the buildings at Puget Sound University. As President McKinley is expected to be there during the Bose Carnival, it is hoped that he will lay the corner stone of one of the buildings.

The University of Nebraska chose the nine men who will compose her debaters with Kansas, Missouri and Colorado, at two preliminaries last week.

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Inspired by the balmy air of an extremely fine April morning, and by other facts of a more or less satisfactory character, we are in an optimistic mood to-day, and venture to record the prediction that at least three state records will go down at the State Meet next month.

### Iowa at the State Meet.

As matters stand at present we have every promise and indication of turning out a good track team this year. Numerous candidates are working hard and doing all in their power to win laurels for Iowa at the coming field meets. Our contestants who are to enter these, are rapidly perfecting themselves and tightening Iowa's grasp upon victory.

However, more than this even, is demanded to make such victory a reality. Behind our team must be the actual and enthusiastic support of loyal S. U. I. men and women. If we want to win the State Field Meet at Des Moines, we must not only send our team there, but a large and enthusiastic student delegation as well. To have a lusty and vigorous backing of whole-souled and patriotic "rooters" is one of the greatest secrets of success in college athletics. Our rivals, with whom we will compete at Des Moines, long ago learned this truth, and we can rest assured that the teams from Grinnell, Drake and the State Normal will be supported by hundreds of the students of these institutions.

It is time for S. U. I. to wake up to the fact that our success in this meet, no matter how good our team is, depends largely upon our also having a proper student backing at Des Moines. The winning or losing of the State Meet this year is of vital importance to us; its influence for good or bad will be felt in our athletics for years to come. This spring our track team

history has reached a crisis, and on the rightful solution of this crisis depends our future track team welfare and prosperity. We HAVE to win the Meet at Des Moines this spring.

The team itself is doing all it can do in this direction. What we need now to make that victory sure is five hundred students, full of Hawkeye yells and other vociferous missiles, at the Des Moines Meet. All the other schools in the State are making arrangements to attend in a body. What is Iowa going to do about it?

That question must be answered for himself or herself by every student in S. U. I. A committee to canvass the University in this regard, has been appointed by the President of the Athletic Union, and will go to work immediately. If a reasonable number of students are willing to cheer the Old Gold to victory at Des Moines, it is probable that a round trip rate of less than two dollars can be made. What the sentiment of the student body is, will soon be ascertained by the committee. At a rate as low as this, and with a holiday in the University, we ought to send eight hundred "rooters" to Des Moines. Meanwhile, let every student who can possibly accompany the team on its trip, resolve to do so, for it brings victory that much nearer to S. U. I.

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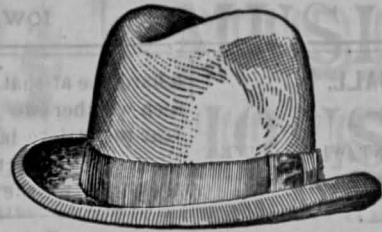
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Ferson, '00, spent Sunday at his home at Frendale, Iowa.  
W. F. Main to-day contributed \$10 toward paying off the athletic debt.  
Judge Seeds will address the young men at Close Hall, Sunday, at 4 p. m.  
St. Katherine's guild gave its first post-Lenten party and dance last night.  
Professor Carter gave an elocutionary recital at Coralville, Thursday evening.  
The "war company" at Ames has enlisted one hundred and thirty-five students.  
Roach, '99, and Mason and Bowman, '00, were initiated into Tabard Thursday evening.  
Don't fail to hear the Hesperian special program to-night.  
Base ball Monday.  
Dr. Geo. L. Wood, D. '98, was married to Miss Wynne O'Laughlin, at Geneseo, Ill., April 6.  
Owing to Judge Ney's enforced absence, Judge Seeds met his class in Trial and Judgment Friday.  
Will and Sam Morrison left Thursday evening on a trip to New York City, Niagara Falls, and other points of interest in the east.  
The lecture by Professor Macbride to the class in Public Finance, Friday morning, on "Forests" was greatly enjoyed by the class.

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Dr. M. A. Bullock will speak Sunday evening in the Congregational Church on "The Call of Patriotism; the Duty of the Hour." All students are cordially invited to attend.

Baseball, S. U. I. vs. Cedar Rapids Leaguers. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Season tickets, 75c., on sale at Hohenschuh & Wieneke's, and Bloom & Mafer's.

The scholarship offered by Professor Edwards, of the Iowa City Conservatory of Music, has been awarded to Miss Katharine Bailey, of 509 E. Jefferson street, this city. Miss Bailey has a voice of great promise.

The candidates for the Wisconsin base ball teams have been required to sign a pledge stating that they thereby promise to discontinue the use of intoxicants and stimulants of all kinds, tobacco in particular. Coffee, tea, cake, etc., are included.

Miss Herron, who so successfully conducted the dancing school during the fall and winter terms, left for her home in Chicago last Wednesday. The assemblies conducted by Miss Herron were very popular among the student body. All will be glad to know that she intends to return to Iowa City again next fall.

The city editor of the Daily Republican, who is always upholding S. U. I. for its purity in athletics, and who also endeavors to establish this fact with his correspondents abroad, is in receipt of the following as part of a reply from Casper Whitney, athletic editor of Harper's Weekly. "What you tell me coincides with some of my own investigations, and I believe that Iowa is among those universities of the West which believe in wholesome sports."

The April number of the Iowa Historical record has just appeared, and opens with a biographical sketch of the late Mrs. T. S. Parvin, from the pen of Mrs. Ellen M. Rich, including a fine portrait of the lady who was so well known here. Ruth I. Preston, of Davenport, tells of the Indian scare of '64. Dr. B. F. Shambaugh has a chapter of documentary material relating to the history of Iowa. Numerous other interesting articles are to be found in this number.

**Yesterday's Ball Games.**

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