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## ORATORICAL INERTIA.

CONDITIONS AT NORTHWESTERN THAT SEEM FAMILIAR.

We copy the following editorial from a late issue of The Northwesters because we believe the lessons thereof may be laid to heart at our own University:

"The orations of the candidates for the preliminary oratorical league contest have been handed in to the judges. There were eight orations, a very insignificant number considering the object and the prizes offered. The college halls are filled with men who are lamenting because they have not had the time to write, and who are recording promises for the future, which will fail as usual for lack of dorsal vertebrae. Such vapid longings will never win victories for Northwestern. 'Yesterday is a memory, to-morrow is a dream, to-day exists.' If you intend to write an oration for the league contest next year, do not wait until the Christmas recess, nor until the summer vacation. Begin at once. Begin to-day. Do not wait for a vision; select some manly subject at once, and begin to-morrow to employ your leisure time in reading upon your subject at convenient libraries. And as you read, write. There is no impression without expression. And as you write, show the result to your friends, and by kindly criticism, build up an oration that will have the thought and culture that time alone can give. If there are ten men in college that will hand orations thus treated in to the committee a year from now, Northwestern will never tremble again for second place in the Northern Oratorical League."

## Communication.

EDITOR VIDETTE-REPORTER:

For some time a matter has been weighing heavily on my heart. I have an idea, and in order to give it the widest possible circulation, I wish to give it to the world through the columns of your invaluable paper. Words are immortal, and some persons doubtless hope to gain immortality by putting words together. Books ought to be immortal, too, and for this reason, probably, many persons have felt called upon to give their several views regarding the present status and management of the library of S. U. I am one of those persons, and as I said before, deem it of value to make known my opinion.

Many times as a guest and well behaved visitor have I visited the library. Every time but once I have found individuals seated in chairs in the alcoves, thus blocking all ingress or egress, and utterly disturbing my peace of mind and dampening my thirst for knowledge. A few times these aforementioned persons have seen fit to move and secure a place of study more in accord with the principles of equity, but alas! all too seldom has this spirit been shown. Of course the annoyance caused is by the lack of attention to the convenience of others. No offense is intended, but nevertheless an unpardonable one is

committed. I hope this communication will be given the attention its merit demands, and that this short article will be sufficient to secure a redress of grievances. F. M. B.

## Dr. Knipe's New Office.

Dr. A. A. Knipe is moving into the suite of rooms over the Werts photographic gallery, on Clinton street, formerly occupied by Dr. Murphy. This will locate Dr. Knipe within convenient reach of his patients. As is well known, the Doctor is a graduate of the Medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, has practiced in Chicago, and is now building up a good practice in this city, where he is permanently located.

## GRAND CONCERT.

BY THE FRANK HOWARD COMPANY.

Lovers of fine vocal and instrumental music will be pleased to learn that Manager Coldren, of the Opera House, has secured for them a rare treat in the shape of a visit to this city of the celebrated Frank Howard Grand Concert Company. The company is now on a tour of the western states, and has everywhere met with the greatest appreciation.

Mr. Frank Howard, the leading light of the company, has long been known as one of America's most popular singers and song writers.

One song especially of his many popular melodies, "Only a Pansy Blossom," has met with the greatest appreciation in America and Europe. His other compositions, among which "Only a Blue Bell," "When the Robbins Nest Again," are household favorites, are being sung by many of the best companies in the east, and always to great applause. It is a matter of peculiar pleasure, therefore, that the people of Iowa City will be given an opportunity of listening to them as sung by the author and composer. His sweet voice and charming manner never fail to delight and place his hearers.

The company supporting Mr. Howard are all artists in their line, and the whole concert is said, by competent critics, to be the peer of any given by the Pasquali's or any other popular troupe.

## The Library.

Under the efficient management of Mrs. Ridgeway, and her assistants, the General Library is fast being restored. At present there are about 22,500 volumes at the disposal of the students, and additions are being made continually.

Some of the most important works lately received are a set of "The Early English Text Society," consisting of 185 volumes, including Edition of Samuel Johnson, and a splendid collection of Dodsley's Old English plays in 15 volumes.

Several hundred volumes on travel, embracing many rare and out of print works, have been received.

There has also been quite an accession to the modern German literature.

## JUNIOR SOCIABLE.

THE CLASS OF 1900 ENTERTAINS.

The Junior class gave their first sociable of the year in the Society halls, last evening. About sixty-five members of the "century class" were present. The fore part of the evening was pleasantly spent in chatting and playing cards. Mr. Egan, chairman, then called the class to order, and a short program of toasts, speeches and declamations was presented.

Mr. F. C. McCutchen spoke upon "The Class of 1900, its past, future and present." The speaker, in a grand eloquent manner, spoke upon the marvelous deeds of the class in their Freshman and Sophomore year, and promised a complete overthrow of all existing conditions as soon as '00 should enter the world.

Miss Minnie Balle then talked about the "Junior Boys." The speaker, in an inimitable manner, told of much of the humor and pathos in the life of the boy of '00. His record on the gridiron and in the class room; his ability to skip classes and present plausible excuses, was thoroughly discussed.

Mr. A. P. Speers then told a very pathetic story of "A Cow, a Bee, and a Boy." According to the speaker the boy is going yet.

M. M. Moulton then talked upon the "Social Element of '00." The speaker pleasantly referred to the sociables as landmarks in the history of the class, and his only regret was that the Juniors do not have a greater number of such landmarks.

Feo. Fletcher then spoke briefly upon "The Junior Girl." Her past achievements were thoroughly investigated and not found wanting. The speaker made a few suggestions relative to the matrimonial bureau in the Junior, class, and closed his toast with a touching illusion to the "Big Four" who stood on the "suspension" bridge at midnight.

Light refreshments were then served, after which the class experimented with the electrical appliances of the South building.

During the rest of the evening the class witnessed a cake walk of unusual merit, and pronounced the victors amid "rounds and rounds" of applause.

All present pronounced the function a success, and were unanimous in the hope that more sociables might grace the history of '00.

## Medical Department.

Dr. Dean was unable to meet his class Saturday morning.

The Medic basket ball team was victorious over the Laws by a score of 20-11.

Surgical clinic was so large Thursday that there was not enough time, and an extra clinic was held on Friday morning. Medical clinics were also exceptionally large, Friday afternoon.

Belsheim, '01, has been having a severe tussle with the grippe, and recently suffered a relapse, but is again able to sit up.

Wells, '02, submitted to an operation for appendicitis, Thursday, and

at last report was getting along nicely.

Mrs. Sheldon on Saturday evening tendered a reception to the married Medics and their wives, and a few others. All report an enjoyable time.

O. F. Adams, formerly of the class of '00, but who, on account of sickness on his return from soldier life, was unable to enter school with his class, has been visiting old friends during the past few days. He expects to enter next year.

Many of the Freshmen are learning how to prepare their own Histological specimens preparatory to section making.

A few short weeks and the final examinations commence.

## Communication.

EDITOR VIDETTE-REPORTER:

Why is it that no one seems to consider it his duty to see that the snow is cleaned from the walks in the campus and the steps to the various buildings, after a storm?

It may be very amusing to the on-lookers to watch the pedestrians floundering around in the snow, and, when the snow has turned to ice, as at present, to see them slip down: it is certainly highly interesting to the luckless individuals themselves, but it is a rather peculiar state of affairs when the steps to the Central building are allowed to retain their full burden of snow, except as tramped down by the students, and nearly all the other steps, as well as the sidewalks, are covered with ice, the result of not being cleared off, at even this late stage, after the recent storm.

We would like to rise to inquire for what purpose are the numerous janitors and ease-takers employed, if not for duties of this kind?

## Hesperian.

The program at Hesperia last Saturday evening began at 6:30, owing to the concert given at Close Hall at 8.

The opening number was a speech by Miss Joy, and her subject was "Ruth Ashmore." The subject was well handled.

In place of the regular debate, a triangular discussion took place on the question: "In what profession is a woman best repaid for her time, labor and ability?"

Miss Burge advocated the teacher's profession, Miss Whitmore the medical, and Miss Stober the domestic. The discussions were interesting and instructive, and were listened to with marked attention.

Miss Codner read an interesting paper on "Cyrano de Bergerac."

Miss Pearson gave a declamation, "Learning Not To," which was very pleasing.

The program was closed with a piano solo by Miss Anderson.

## Baconian.

Dr. Seashore will speak on "Visual Perception of Interrupted Linear Distances."

## Notice.

The Hawkeye Board of the class of 1901 will meet at Close Hall, Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock sharp. Business of importance. By order of Editor-in-Chief.

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### Congratulations.

We are pleased to observe, upon reference to yesterday's State Press, that the editors of that paper have acted on the advice recently given by the VIDETTE-REPORTER, and now publish full detailed accounts of the "athletic exhibitions" which take place in our midst.

### That Communication.

In another part of this issue we publish a communication which is noticeable for several reasons. It is a fixed policy of the VIDETTE-REPORTER to admit freely any article contributed by its readers which is of general interest. By this it must not be assumed that the ideas thus expressed necessarily represent the policy of the paper. However we believe the grievance complained of by the contributor is one that needs correction. Its prevalence has been increasing of late, much to the annoyance of the student body. The library is for all. It should be as easy of access as is possible, and any hindrance, however slight it may be, is exceedingly objectionable. There is ample space afforded for all who wish to study in the library outside of the narrow passages between the book stalls. These passages were made to allow easy and ready access to books not to afford a quiet and sequestered nook for dreamy monologues and social dialogues. We believe last years rule covering this matter should be revived and enforced, knowing full well that when its justice is understood it will be self-enforceable.

### Champions of Iowa.

It is a matter of peculiar solicitation to the people of Iowa City that their basket ball team has at last defeated the Cedar Rapids basket ball team, and thus gained the coveted title of "Champions of Iowa." For

six long years have the "Maroons" remained impregnable to the assaults of ambitious throwers of the basket ball. The Y. M. C. A. of Iowa City has almost every year during that period put forth a contesting team. It is the victorious culmination of these athletic efforts that gives occasion for rejoicing, both to the players and to the members of the local Y. M. C. A. in general.

The never give up spirit of our boys is shown by the issue of the game after the score at the end of the first half stood 6 to 2 against them. The Cedar Rapids papers compliment the Iowa City boys highly on their gentlemanly conduct, both while in the game and while in the city. The Cedar Rapids team is also deserving of high praise for its gentlemanly playing and honest acknowledgement of fair defeat.

### The McGee Lectures.

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The opening lecture will be delivered Tuesday, March 7th, at 4:30 p. m., and one lecture will be given each day thereafter (except Sunday) at the same hour. A. N. CURRIER, Acting-President.

During the second term this year at Harvard, a course in military and naval science will be given by Lieutenant Smith of the U. S. Navy.

At Yale there are forty-one women students registered against thirty-seven for last year.

The third annual inter-collegiate debate between North Carolina and Georgia will be held at Athens, Ga., on March 17, '99. The subject for debate is the question of the election of United States Senators by popular vote.

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**Punting Contest Cup.**

For the purpose of encouraging foot ball "kickers," Mr. Morgan, of the firm of Morgan & Humphrey, has decided to offer a trophy cup, valued at \$25.00 as a prize for a punting contest. The trophy will be held for one year by the man making the best average record in punting, place-kicking, and drop-kicking. The contest, which will be held sometime between now and June, will be open to all students in the University. The date and conditions of the contest will be announced later. The cup, which will arrive in a few days, will be placed on exhibition in the window of Morgan & Humphrey's shoe store, on Clinton street.

The offering of this prize, by Mr. Morgan, is an evidence of both enterprise and liberality on the part of the donors, which should be remembered by all friends of athletics in the University. The proposed contest should develop a sharp competition for honors, and every foot ball player in the University should, and probably will, enter the lists. The practice resulting from the contest will be of untold value to the foot ball teams of next year.

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