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Wisconsin-Illinois Debate.

The following item on the coming Wisconsin-Illinois debate, which we clip from the University of Wisconsin Cardinal, may be of interest to our readers:

"On April 14th, the annual intercollegiate debate between Wisconsin and Illinois is to take place in Madison. It is a noteworthy fact that this will be the first intercollegiate debate which Wisconsin has ever fought out on home ground, and this should make the events one of special interest.

"The question of the debate is on the McCleary banking bill, recently introduced into the House of Representatives, and reads as follows: 'Resolved, that the best interests of the country would be promoted by the adoption of the McCleary banking bill.'

"Although action on the McCleary banking bill has been indefinitely postponed by the House, this in no way affects the question, as the principal question involved is still engaging the attention of the leading financiers, and concerns the question whether national banks shall have power to issue circulating notes secured alone by bank assets. The question is a broad one, and involves practically the whole history of banking and of the fiscal operations of the United States treasury from the beginning.

"Wisconsin will be represented by J. E. Davies, Charles Allen, and Otto Bosshard; while Illinois has chosen as her representatives J. W. Fisher, '00, F. E. Newton, '01, and Bruce Campbell, '00, with Neal Reardon as alternate."

Homoeopathic Medical Department.

Maxwell, '01, who was called home by the illness of his mother, has returned, and his friends are pleased to know of her improvement.

Miss Sara L. Graves has been called to Waverly to attend a patient for Dr. Graening.

The term's work is gradually drawing to a close, and examinations are rapidly approaching.

It is understood that the graduates this year must meet the State Board in Des Moines. Why should not the Board meet here?

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Johnson County Homeopathic Medical Society last Wednesday evening: President, Dr. J. G. Gilchrist; Vice-President, Dr. Leora Johnson; Secretary, Dr. Clara Hazard. At the close of the meeting Dr. Gilchrist invited the society and visitors to partake of refreshments in the dining room of the hospital. The annual report of the secretary showed that since September 20th, 1898, there had been 18 regular meetings, of which one was wholly devoted to voluntary reports, and one a memorial for Dr. Dickinson, who was Dean at the time of his death. Many valuable and interesting papers were read before the Society by the members and Faculty of the University. Among the latter were Professors Veblen, Sims, Patrick, and Nutting, Judge Wade, and

also Mr. Hohenschub. The Society has proved itself a factor in our department work, as is proved by the interest shown by the students and the large attendance each week.

The program of the Hahnemannian Society, last evening, was opened by instrumental music by Messrs. Rule, Cameron, and Morton. The selection was well-rendered, and merited the plause it received.

The recitation by Miss Dunham was given in her usual pleasing manner.

Miss Howe's "Talk on Nixomyctes" was well received, and Miss Moore's recitation was very well given.

The Hahnemannian paper, given by Mr. Little, was well written, and was witty and thoroughly appreciated from beginning to end, while Mr. Metzinger, in his "Soliloquy," proved himself a Hamlet.

The closing number was a musical selection, and was freely applauded.

Communication.

EDITOR VIDETTE-REPORTER:

"Rev." W. N. Coffey, an ecclesiastical student in Drake University, has furnished the scandal for the State dailies for the past week "Rev." Coffey was a student in the oratorical and ecclesiastical departments of Drake University, and made the greater part of his school expenses by filling a pulpit in a small church. He appears to have been a great favorite with the fair sex; at any rate, when his crime was made public, it was learned that he had three affianced brides. That he might add to his attractions, and account for his abundance of money, the "Reverend" had often remarked about the large farm he owned, and had even made visits to look after his interests therein. "Time will tell" was verified, however, when the truth was made public. Coffey lived with a widow who had kindly made a pleasant home for him since his arrival in Des Moines. To repay this kindness he stole from her \$600 in gold. Wednesday Judge Bishop sentenced him to three and one-half years in the "school for criminals" at Fort Madison. The fair sex of Drake University and his flock showed their affection and sympathy for him by lining his cell with roses.

To one who has sat in the house of God, and listened to Chancellor Craig denounce the State University as the place where "the professors do not hesitate to scoff at religion, even while in the class room, and where young men must fall," while on the other hand he extolled the many merits of Drake University, one of the greatest of which was the "fine moral temper that was so prevalent," the above is, to say the least, astounding.

In my opinion, he who steals a poor woman's money is one of the worst of criminals, but he who, crouching beneath the sacred robe of Christianity, deliberately robs his best friend, is a disgrace to the human race. And it is indeed to me a great surprise to see such expressions of sympathy extended from that institution to a man who is so deserving of the censure of the better element of society. D.

There are at present 40,628 University students in the United States.

Zetagathian.

The program in South Hall, last evening, was opened by a declamation entitled "Jackson," by M. Mahaffie, which was delivered in a very pleasing manner.

M. E. Weldy followed with a speech in which he discussed the life and works of Kipling. The subject was handled very attractively.

Miss Close next favored the audience with a choice vocal solo, responding also to a hearty encore.

The debate was on the question: "Resolved, that the government should own and operate the telegraph system.

W. B. Brush opened the debate. He spoke fluently and showed good preparation.

M. L. Kephart, speaking for the negative, presented some very telling arguments.

W. C. Saunders gave a great number of figures potent in the affirmative argument.

R. G. Lynch, closing for the negative, made a creditable appearance.

"An Unwavering Aim" was the title of a commendable oration by H. A. McCaffrey. The thought of this production was especially good.

C. J. Eller closed the program with a declamation, "The Eloquence of O'Connell," which was well received.

The debate was decided two for the affirmative.

I. S. A. A. Tournament.

The Spring tournament of the Iowa State Athletic Association will be held early in the Spring. The officers of the Association are already making ready for the meet which, it is expected, will be a notable one in inter-scholastic athletics.

The High Schools of Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, Sioux City, Tipton, Keokuk, Muscatine, and Grinnell, are members of the Association, and are expected to send strong teams to represent them.

Fred S. Berry, now a Freshman in the University, is President of the amalgamated High Schools, and Rufus H. Choate, of Iowa City, is Secretary.

Anthropology.

The opening lecture of the series on Anthropology, to be delivered by W. J. McGee, ethnologist in charge of the Bureau of American Ethnology, will be given at the Opera House, next Tuesday, at 4:30 p. m.

Following is an outline of the lecture, which will be given upon the subject of "The Place of Anthropology Among the Sciences":

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to-day or Monday, from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Tickets will also be sold at the door to the general public.

Pharmacy Department.

Most of the '99 class have finished their work in the Chemical laboratory, and finals are coming in quite regular now.

The class sat for a picture this week at Luscombe's.

Miss Zada M. Cooper, Ph.G., assistant in the pharmaceutical laboratory, entertained the Senior class on Thursday evening at 336 S. Clinton street. The evening was very enjoyably spent in playing games, and a musical program was given by Miss Cooper and her brother, J. C. Refreshments then followed. The company returned to their respective homes, and all expressed themselves as having spent the most pleasant evening of the year.

The class will meet Dr. Coase twice a week from this on; a regular meeting on Thursdays, and an extra meeting Wednesday evenings.

Sophomore Cotillion.

The Sophomore class had an enthusiastic meeting yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, and unanimously voted to have a Sophomore Cotillion. The date of the event will be soon after Easter, and if the enthusiasm and spirit which the class of '01 have manifested in other affairs, are turned to this, there is no doubt but that the Cotillion given by the class will be one of the most successful and brilliant events of the social year. The class have determined that this shall be the case, and when the "Pride of S. U. I." determines a thing, who shall say it nay?

The committee appointed by the President is as follows: Robert E. Bannister, Chairman; Donald McClain, R. A. Cook, L. A. Birk, E. W. Russell.

Attention! Co. I.

On Monday evening, Feb. 4th, Adjutant-General Byers will muster in Company I. at the City Hall. All members who have enlisted are requested to be present at 7:30 p. m., sharp, to be sworn in. By order of

JOHN R. GARDNER,
EDWIN E. HOBBY.

The debate between Columbia and the University of Chicago will be held April 14, at Chicago.

The newly elected officers for the State Oratorical Association are: W. H. Reed, of Parsons College, President; J. G. Swan, of Grinnell, Vice-President; Miss Margaret Ketchum, of Coe College, Secretary and Treasurer.

That the interest taken in athletics among the University students has greatly increased during the past year, at the University of Nebraska, is shown by the following figures: From Sept. 1891 to Sept. 1894, 360 students applied for physical examination; from Sept. 1894 to Sept. 1897, 313 took the examination; from Sept. 1897 to Sept. 1898, one year, 243; and from Sept. 1898 to January 1, 1899, 251. Of the latter number, 165 ordered the anthropometric charts.

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The Bending of the Twig.

And now the classes in the Academy are "scrapping" too. But we shan't weep crackadile tears over it anyway, whatever the Ames Student may tell us to do. So there now! We don't care a bit, either, if the boys do save up some of their energy till next year. And it may be worthy of remark that next year's Sophomore class will not, in all probability, have a walk-away, either.

Clean the Walks.

In a communication published in our last issue, the sentiment of the students was well expressed in regard to the snow and ice on the walks and steps about the campus. There is apparently no necessity for the unshovelled walks. There are four janitors employed about the Medical, Dental, Science, and old Central Buildings, and there is no excuse for not having the steps cleaned after a snow. Many more people use the central walk, but the ice remains until it melts, much to the annoyance—to say the least—of the students.

University Lectures.

The opportunity of listening to such a fine course of lectures as those to be given during the next two weeks by Dr. McGee, the celebrated Smithsonian authority, is a privileged one indeed. Lectures upon such a subject as anthropology, the science of man, will prove interesting to every student in the University, and to many of the people in the city. From the outline as published, we glean that the lectures will be of especial benefit to students of politics, natural science, religion, and social science.

We have before expressed the hope that attendance upon the lectures will be sufficient to encourage further University lectures. Such courses have

been extensive and popular in the East, and we feel sure that they will receive a hearty welcome here.

L. W. Dutcher has joined The Republican's business staff again. He will fill the post of advertising solicitor in the office. Mr. Dutcher, prior to, and during his course in the Law department, and previous to his term of patriotic service as an officer in the 50th Iowa, was connected with the business department of this paper, as his many friends in the mercantile world will recall. He is a "hustling," energetic young man, and his efforts will doubtless result in mutual good to his patrons and his employer's.—Republican.

One of the features of the Yale bicentennial celebration in the fall of 1901 will be the production of a Greek play.

It has been proposed to change the degree given by the Harvard Law School from Bachelor of Laws to Doctor of Jurisprudence.

Dr. W. G. Anderson, of the Yale gymnasium, will sail for Europe soon, to make a study there of gymnastic systems and institutions.

The University of Nebraska is in ecstasies of joy over the last legislative appropriation. The bill granting it provides for a tax of one mill, which tax will make a net yearly income of \$168,000.

The sixth annual debate between Cornell and Pennsylvania, held recently, resulted in a victory for the latter. Of the six debates thus far held, Cornell has won three and Pennsylvania three.

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The Senior Laws will have an examination in Equity next Tuesday.

E. H. Millen, L. '99, has returned from his home, where he visited a week.

Messrs. Coy, '02, Logan, M. '01, and Speers, M. '01, are visiting in Cedar Rapids.

The Pi Phis entertain the Kappa and Delta Gammas at the Kirkwood this afternoon.

Miss Eddy entertained a few friends last evening in honor of her friend, Miss Brown, from Marengo.

Irving institute postponed their regular program for last evening on account of the insufficient light.

R. A. Cook, C. '01, who has been confined to his room on account of illness, is again able to attend his classes.

Professor Wilcox presented each member of his English History class with a syllabus of his lecture on the "Protestant Revolution."

The Kappa Gammas entertained their alumnae members and Kappa mothers Friday afternoon.

The Philomathian Society elected the following officers for the Spring term: Pres., C. W. Humphrey; Vice-Pres., E. J. Louis; Rec. Sec., J. F. Kirby; Treas., H. A. Mueller; Cor. Sec., Jay Smith.

Word was received by President McReynolds from the University of Michigan, stating that it would be impossible for them to debate with us, this or next year. They will debate with Northwestern, Pennsylvania and Chicago.

Ex-President J. L. Pickard will lecture Sunday morning on "The Authority of the Scriptures" in the Congregational Church, and Rev. M. A. Bullock will lecture in the evening on "The Inspiration of the Scriptures." All students are cordially invited.

The following officers were elected by the Y. W. C. A. for the remainder of the ensuing year: President, Margaret Sailey; Vice-President, Kathryn Way; Corresponding Secretary, Dorothy Schulz; Recording Secretary, Gail Sweeney; Treasurer, Lillian Chantry.

At the meeting of the Whitney society, last Monday evening, Professor Van Steenderen gave a review of Daudet's Tarascon Series. Voluntary reports were given by Mr. Farnsworth on Marcon's French Review exercises, and by Miss Call on Sihler's Method for the Greek verb.

S. McReynolds, President of the Oratorical Association, recently received a letter from ex-Superintendent Sabin, announcing a plan of holding an oratorical contest at the Chautauqua in July. Mr. Sabin writes to invite the University to send a representative to the contest.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Alumni Association of the Homeopathic Medical department will be held in the department building, Tuesday afternoon, March 28. A memorial program will be given in honor of the late Dr. Dickinson. A banquet will be given in the evening.

Quite a number of S. U. I. students attended the opera given by the De Wolf Hopper Company at Cedar Rapids last evening, among whom were Misses Currier, Clapp and Hughes; Messrs. Boardman, Kindall, Cummins, Baldwin, McCoy, Loomis, Eaton, Jackson, Thompson, Reynolds, Tanner McChesney, and Wheeler.

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