The Athletic Union-to-day owes less than at any time in its history. By the close of the Winter term the old foot ball debt had been reduced to $26,659, which is the lowest figure at which it still stands. The amount still owing on the note is $5,700 and besides these old debts, there still remain due the old bills made since the opening of the last fall term, amounting to $196.

A condensed statement of the receipts and expenditures since December 19th is as follows:

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Balance on hand $200.

Of the latter amount $30 has been set aside to apply to the cock's salary. The balance will probably be applied to work on the new field this winter.

Punting Cox.
The cup offered by Mr. R. E. Morgan, for the foot ball kicking competition, has not yet been awarded, nor offered to the display window at the M. and H. Shoe House on Clinton Street. The cup, which is about a foot in height, graceful in form, is of quadruple silver, lined with gold. On the side opposite to the handle is the figure of the Goddess with arms outstretched in the act of extending the laurel wreath to the victor. The cup will be a hand orne memento which all interested may be able to view it.

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The University is continually multiplying its courses, increasing its facilities, and adding to its buildings. This year two of the professional departments are increasing the length of their courses, and raising the standard of the school. The Medical department will have no commencement owing to the transition from a three year to a four year course. The Dental school celebrates the change from a six month to a nine month course. So there will be no Winter term commencements hereafter. Several "Dents" will be graduated in March, as usual, but they are students who entered before the present rule took effect. The regular Senior class of that department will graduate June 5th.

This is a great step in increasing the efficiency of the courses, and the consequent influence and reputation of the University. The day is probably not far distant when the Law course will require three years. There is always more or less objection to such changes, yet each time a course is enlarged the standard of the University is raised that much, and all loyal citizens of the Hawkeye state take pride in watching the advancement of the State University.

It's the Athletic Union again. Her coffers are empty. A new season is just opening. A base ball team must be maintained. Track team too. There are yet a few unsold bills pathetically demanding liquidation. Some more ought to be paid as that note. The fence and the diamond and the track at the Park must be repaired. Money is needed to pay running expenses. How is it to be raised? The merchants of Iowa City last fall contributed several hundred dollars. They now feel that the students should try their hands.

Now how shall we do it? A proposition to levy a 30 cent tax on the members of the Union was voted down at the February meeting. Shall we vote such a tax at the meeting next Wednesday evening? There are approximately 300 members. A 30 cent tax would net $30. Or shall we try each subscription? There are 120 students, and 50 cents each from half of them would make $50. Are there other plans to suggest for raising money—not promissory? Or shall we at the opening of what augurs to be a brilliant season, reluctantly confess that we can not meet our competitors because we have not the money with which to support our team? Shall we wait for the Faculty to again demand payment of a part of our debt when we can participate in any more athletic events? In short, shall we shut up shop, or shall we raise some money?

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The evening South Hall was the scene of a pleasant social gathering, the occasion being a reception of the Zeta Chapter of the Eta Sigma Gamma Sorority. Among other novel modes of entertainment may be mentioned impromptu theatricals and musical performances. Such a combination has never before been attempted before the appreciative audience. Those, with other gaieties, passed the night quickly away until the empty punch bowl and the sounds of heavy footsteps in the stairway made known the time for adjournment was at hand.

Another Lecture.

An unusual feature of the lectures on Anthropology, by Professor McFie, that arrangements have been made for an extra lecture, to be given next Thursday evening, at the Armory. This lecture, which will comprise a general summary of the ground covered in the afternoon course, will be illustrated by specially prepared views with life apparatus. An admission of 10 cents will be charged at the door for the purpose of providing for the necessary expenses.

Arrangements for Iowa Debate.

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