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MOCK TRIAL TONIGHT

BREACH OF PROMISE IS THE CHARGE

Both the Plaintiff and Defendant Well Represented with Attorneys and the Famous Case will be well Tried

"One hundred thousand dollars as a balm for her wounded feelings," is the tune that Mrs. Jane Simpkins, through her attorneys, has been singing into the ear of youthful Albert Winslow. 'Tis a medic's tale and all in the mock trial which the Middle-tonian society will conduct in the general lecture room of the hall of liberal arts this evening.

The case on trial is one where in a widow, Mrs. Jane Simpkins, by name, sues Albert Winslow, a youth of some twenty summers, for one hundred thousand cold dollars for the breach of a promise to marry her on the 25th of last December. The youthful defendant has at times been subject to epileptic fits and he denies having popped the fatal question to the widow whereby she now claims \$100,000 as a just contribution and balm for her wounded feelings. Mental incapacity in some form will therefore probably be the defense interposed by the attorneys for the youth.

A jury of twelve good men were selected by the attorneys this afternoon and before them will the testimony and the heavy artillery of the attorneys be fired this evening. Attorneys G. A. Birss and Ed. C. Arthur of the Hammond Law Senate will have charge of the plaintiffs case and will argue the widow's right to the coveted shekels while attorneys C. H. Mather and Henry Negus will probably set up the mental incapacity of their client endeavoring to retain possession of the coin for him.

Forum vs Hammond

The second annual debate between the forum and Hammond Law forensic societies will occur in the general lecture room of the hall of liberal arts on the evening of March 7. The question under discussion will be resolved, that history has shown the wisdom of the passage of the Fifteenth Amendment to the constitution. Messrs Stevenson, Grinstead and Clegg will uphold the affirmative of this proposition and represent the Hammond Law society, while Messrs Kenderdine, Kelso and Van Ness will deny for the Forum society. The debaters from the two societies have been hard at work on the question for the past three months and the debate should be the best ever given by the law societies.

Bertram G. Nelson who so ably represented Chicago in the northern oratorical league contest here last year has won the local contest in that institution again this year.

The Illinois legislature has passed a law against hazing.

SIX ORATORS CHOSEN

THREE ZETS, TWO PHILOS AND ONE IRVING

Six Men are Chosen to Deliver Orations for the Fifty Dollar Prize

Fred Albert, "Camille Desmoulins."

W. H. Anderson, "The Missionary Explorer."

E. K. Brown, "The March of the Constitution."

H. E. Hadley, "America's Moral Heritage."

F. E. Harris, "The Hero of the Confederacy."

I. L. Reed, "Citizens, Soldiers."

These men, with the orations above named, have been selected by Judges R. C. Barrett, Johnson Brigham and Lafayette Young from among the list of twelve to speak at the local oratorical contest. Twelve orations in all were submitted to the judges on thought and composition and of the six who will contest at the local contest, three, Messrs. Anderson, Brown and Hadley, are members of Zetagathian society; two of the fortunate six, Messrs. Albert and Harris, are from Philomathia, while Mr. Reed will speak under the colors of Irving Institute.

If we are to judge from the constitution of the oratorical association the local contest will be held at the opera house probably on Friday, March 14, four weeks from the date of submitting the orations to the judges on thought and composition.

The six speakers will meet tomorrow or the next day to decide upon the three judges who are to decide upon the relative merits of the spoken orations.

The winner of this contest will receive the honor of being allowed to represent the university at the Northern Oratorical League contest, his expenses both ways and a purse of fifty dollars.

Professor H. E. Gordon will train the men for the local contest during the few weeks remaining on delivery alone. The final contest at which the one of these six who receivest the highest general average in both delivery and thought and composition, will represent the University of Iowa will be held in Chicago this year about the 10th of May.

Harry W. Hanson who is well known here as an orator and debater is ill at Waterloo with appendicitis.

Chicago's three debaters, who represented the University in the university in the Minnesota debate each received a prize of \$50 and a scholarship for one year.

The University of Wisconsin has planned a course of study in journalism, which will be included in the regular college curriculum.

The University of Wisconsin cleared \$10,000 from the football season of 1901. Five thousand dollars was received from the Chicago game alone.

HAND BALL CONTEST

Championship in Doubles now Rests Between but two Teams

Some sixty sets of games of doubles in hand ball have now been played or defaulted and there remain undefeated only two teams. These teams are composed of Messrs. Burton and Dye and Ball and Stover. A set of three games will decide the championship between these two teams and also decide which team is to take possession of the bronze medal offered by the association to the successful pair. This date for the final contest has not yet been determined upon but it will probably be next Thursday afternoon. Another medal has been offered to the champion in singles and the series of games for the medal will begin one week from next Monday.

From a Grinnell Point of View

Scarlet and Black is exceedingly sorry that Iowa and Grinnell are not to meet in a dual track contest this spring. But still more do we regret the way in which this result has been brought about. We are unwilling to believe that the students at the university will approve of the attitude which Manager McCutcheon has taken. The reason assigned for the breaking of the compact is that Captain Anderson is opposed to scheduling two dual meets, but there is some reason for believing that this reason does not cover the whole ground. Six dual meets between the two schools have been held, without interruption, until last year when, for not very clearly defined reasons, Iowa refused to schedule the annual contest. Again this year she has refused a meet. Scarlet and Black believes that future dual meets should depend on Iowa's taking the initiative.—Scarlet and Black.

On account of his interest in the French educational system, President Harper of the University of Chicago has been decorated by President Loubet with the French Order of the Legion of Honor.

The University of Michigan's annual income is now \$670,000. This is an increase over last year of \$12,000, and is due to an increase in the assessed valuation of property throughout the state of Michigan.

California's State flower is the golden poppy, and one of the professors at Stanford University has published a book devoted exclusively to the flower and its legendary history.

California was recently defeated by Leland Stanford university in the annual debate between those two institutions. This is the third time in the last eight years.

The following from the Student Life of Pomona College will be relished by our students:

MUSICAL SOCIETY

SIXTY VOICES NOW TRAINING

Rare Musical Program to be Rendered by University Musical Talent Some Time in May

The University Oratorio Society, which was organized some six weeks ago, is now an enthusiastic and flourishing musical aggregation of about sixty voices. The purpose of the organization is to give one really musical musicale during the year and give it here at Iowa City. Dr. Gilchrist is at present directing the society and he reports a good number of both male and female voices. They are now hard at work on St. Paul by Mendelssohn, preparatory to an oratorio at the opera house some time in May. Special soloists are to be imported for the occasion and the event will undoubtedly be the rarest musical treat that has been rendered here in years.

This is in fact the first time that anything of this nature has ever been attempted here, but the fact that we have no glee club will make the efforts of this society doubly welcome.

Teachers' Meeting

The Eighth annual session of the Southeastern Iowa Teachers' association will be held at Washington, Iowa, on April 3, 4, and 5. During these meetings Dr. George E. Vincent, of Chicago University will deliver an address on "The Psychology of Crowds and Mobs." On Saturday, President G. E. MacLean will give the principal address of the day.

In a recently completed list, from the most accurate figures obtainable, the colleges in order of size are as follows: Harvard, 6,740; Columbia, 4,392; University of Michigan, 3,813; University of Chicago, 3,774; University of Minnesota, 3,423; University of California, 3,216; Cornell, 3,004; Yale, 2,584; Pennsylvania, 2,573.—University Chicago Weekly.

An exchange gives a list of the seven richest colleges in America, with their endowments, as follows: Girard, \$15,250,000; Leland Stanford Jr., \$13,500,000; Harvard, \$10,000,000; Columbia, \$9,500,000; Cornell, \$8,000,000; Chicago, \$6,500,000; Yale, \$4,000,000.

Gin a body meet a body in the library,
Not the time to talk an hour,
And ought not to be.
Ilka lassie has her laddie,
Nane say they hae we,
Had we one, we wouldn't meet him
In the library!

The Lacrosse team of the University of Pennsylvania has received an invitation to make a tour of Canada next June and play the leading college teams of Canada. It is not probable that the invitation will be accepted.

Williams College has received a gift of \$90,000 for the department of economics.

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"The university does not stand so high among universities as the stock yards do among stock yards. Let the Prince see the most distinctive things we have."

The above sentiment, which is embodied in the closing paragraph of an editorial in yesterday's Chicago Tribune, under the caption, "University vs. Stock Yards" would seem that there is some merit in the contention that the smaller city, the city of homes rather than a center of a great commerce, has the advantage as the home for an institution of learning.

To be sure, being one of these same smaller cities we are laboring under the awful misfortune of being without the prospect of a visit from the Prince. But we somehow feel that if he were to come to Iowa City we might be able to unfold before the royal gaze scenes more to his liking than a pig pen. Now we don't wish to be understood as sneering at the pig pen. It is a very worthy and necessary institution, the home of a worthy and a necessary animal. But we submit that the pig pen was not primarily designed for exhibition purposes. In fact, for Prince Henry's

sake it is the stock yards rather than the university to which he should be taken if he shall desire to go there.

Out at Nebraska they have come to a point where it is a matter of degrees of defeat and an enthusiast writing, for the Daily Nebraskan demands better attendance at the debates, on the ground that the defeats of last year in debate were no more severe or overwhelming than the defeats on the gridiron. The students rallied to the support of football, he reasons, hence with a debating team no more disastrously deluged, so should they rally with equal zeal. Well, that is a good theory perhaps, but we fear for the success of it in actual practice.

It may be fortunate that there is truth in the statement made by Dean Gregory in his speech at the Commercial Club banquet Tuesday night. He said that in the four lines of production in which Iowa leads all other states, the production of corn, live stock, statesmen and education, Iowa City can hope to become the one great center of but one, education.

When Senator Tillman lectured here some time since he promised us that we should hear from him again,—and we did.

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The Columbia University faculty has refused to allow Lewis, the old Boston pitcher, to coach the university baseball team next spring, as they believe it would be out of keeping with the dignity of his position as instructor of elocution in the university.

A Princeton alumni association has been founded in Germany.

Coming Events.

February 27th. Middletonian Mock Trial.
February 28th. Dramatic Recital.
April 11. Junior Prom.

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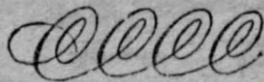
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The Wisconsin senior law class has adopted linen dusters and straw hats instead of the time-honored cap and gown.

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