ANSWER TO A CRITIC.

"Let the best men have as many wires as possible. Let them have first choice. Let no child know his parent, no parent his child. Take ill-favored children to a secret place and let them perish in decent seclusion."  

"Marriage is the foundation of all moral society, the beginning and end of all cultures."  

It appears from the foregoing that Emerson expressed himself very unfortunately. There are many important things written of among men of thought that are not found in Plato.

Having met with Emerson's remark at least three times in the course of a few weeks in the educational columns of the University, I recently took the pains to prove its incorrectness by a striking example.

A young friend, in reviewing my remarks, expresses surprise that I should choose Goethe as the ideal of modern marriage (which I didn't, though), and, perhaps, thinks that he can parody the force of the argument, by charging Goethe with Platonic practices and me with hero-worship.

I think, however, that he misses the point. For me the question is not only this shape: Was Emerson right? Is Goethe's remark true? Are Plato's sentiments wrong? Is the idea found in Plato?

I might add that Emerson himself treats Goethe as a representative man, and that it was but natural for me to follow Emerson's example. Goethe is generally considered by eminent specialists as the greatest authority on modern ethical thought, and those who know him as he ought to be known, will understand that he strove hard to live up to his ideas.

It is, of course, far easier to enumerate his shortcomings than to recognize his moral excellence. A sign-painter might meet with the same difficulty in looking at a picture of Raphael.

But even taking the worst possible view of Goethe, it would not be so very bad to quote him on marriage. At the time he penned the lines quoted, he was actually and legally married. He knew what marriage is and means from personal experience. If an eminent man who has once been given to intemperate habits, should reform, experience the happiness of temperance, and express this experience in eloquent words, it would not, in my opinion, be hero-worship to quote these words to show what the modern ideas of temperance is. It was unnecessary to say all this, for all I wished to prove was self-evident from a comparison of the quotations. All this talk about Goethe having been well, or badly, or not at all married, is irrelevant. It turns the attention from the main and only point, viz., Is the idea expressed by Goethe to be found in Plato?

My critique carries me with having said that Plato's views were merely pretty dreams and poetic speculations. But he is mistaken. He should have quoted me verbatim. There is much in Plato that is simply true and well said. It may not be Plato's own, it may be only the accumulated wisdom of past ages—still it is there. But if any one were to affirm that there is no idea in modern books not found in Plato, I should have to point to my quotations, and repeat the argument. I might, perhaps, convince him that he confounds society, ethics, and poetic speculations, with "clear thought and definite conclusions."  

EMETAGATHIANS.

The literary exercises in the Zeta Hall Thursday evening were peculiarly interesting, consisting of a declamatory contest between the senior members of the society, Greek, Latin and German selections were admirably delivered, the large audience showing a full appreciation by long and frequent applause.

The declamations in our own vernacular evinced choice literary taste in their selection, while their delivery was a grand panorama of human passion, and starlit eloquence.

The first prize, a beautiful chromo, was awarded to Mr. Newcomb. It is a very choice animal painting from the late Italian masters, and, no doubt, will occupy a conspicuous position in the recipient's future parlor. The second prize, a tin horn, was, at first, awarded to Mr. Payne, but a mistake of one-tenth in the marking of the Judges being discovered, the prize was given to the Greek declamer, Mr. Hitchcock.

The music of the evening was especially fine, and the guests went away feeling that the usual monotony of literary exercises had been happily relieved.

The next issue of The Vidette Reporter will contain a full report of Commencement, a lot of concise statement of the work will not be issued until Thursday, after school closes, and all those who wish their papers sent home will drop us a card.

The season for picnics and parties is now at hand, and speedy advantage will have to be taken of it, as the year will expire without that usual round of gayeties. This fact seems to be duly appreciated, for a week ago last Friday evening the faculty were entertained at Prof. Currier's, and, on the last Monday evening, the members of the Senior Class. Other parties are reported, thus foreboding a busy time during the next two weeks.

The work on "College Journalism," which Mr. McClure, President of College Press Association, is preparing, will be published in a short time. It contains a complete history of journalism in each institution of the West, and can be secured for ten cents a copy. All deserving copies can receive their names with the editors of The Vidette-Reporter. The work will doubtless be of great interest, as it may be traced the course of events in every institution represented in its pages.

The new University catalogue is out. It is a very neat pamphlet of one hundred pages, giving a full and complete statement of the workings of all the departments, and, while, very systematically arranged. Whole number attending the Collegiate Department,
GIUSEPPE GARIBALDI

Italy is in mourning. Garibaldi is dead. Was he a great man? History will answer. Yes. To fully appreciate his character and understand his work, we must be conversant with the history of his country for the past hundred years. But few people are well acquainted with modern Italian history, for it has not yet been correctly written. In thinking of Italy, we are apt to think of her as she was in the Middle Ages when the incursions of the Northern barbarians had destroyed forever the rotten government of Rome and established on the ruins of the old civilization numberless petty and despotic governments over a people rendered ignorant and unpatriotic by centuries of oppression. But the actual picture is very different; modern Italy has a glorious history. Few European countries have surpassed her in the race for improvement; and among the world's nations she now enjoys her present stable and free government, none labored with a more untiring ardor or a more disinterested patriotism than Garibaldi. His whole life was a crusade against that which sought to hold Italy in the bondage of despotism, a crusade however great, could change his purpose. Whether wandering an exile in South America, toiling as a common candlemaker in New York, or hunted like a wild beast through the Pyrenees, carrying his dying wife in his arms, he saw only one object in life, and that was the liberation of Italy.

Giuseppe Garibaldi was born at Nice, July 4th, 1807. He was the son of a tenant farmer. His circumstances prevented him from enjoying the advantages of a public school. He was self-taught. His mind was trained by his own efforts and the lessons he drew from the books he was able to purchase. He became a sailor in a merchant vessel. His adventurous spirit led him to join a ship's crew on a Mediterranean vessel. Of the numerous adventures and dangers through which he passed as a sailor we have not space to speak, but such a life was well calculated to inspire in the young sailor that love of country which never afterward forsook him.

In 1835 he met Mazzini, and became deeply interested in the various secret societies which were then on foot among the Italian liberals for the overthrow of the Austrian power in Italy. The next year he compromised himself in the premature and unsuccessful outbreak at Genoa, and being condemned to death, escaped from the city disguised as a peasant, and again took to a sea-going life. At Rio Janeiro, Garibaldi met Rosetti, another exile, with whom he engaged for some time in a commercial enterprise. But when the Province of Rio Grande declared its independence of Brazil, Garibaldi hastened to offer his aid to the struggling Province. It was accepted, and thus began a long military career in the South, in which Garibaldi's sword was always drawn for the oppressed, and which raised him to the front rank as a military leader. Foreseeing the struggle that would come to Italy, he, formed, with great labor, a legion of Italian exiles, in order that he might be ready, when the time should come, to strike a blow for his country; and when at last that time came, and Charles Albert took the field as the liberator of Italy, Garibaldi hastily embarked for Europe, and on the plains of Lombardy offered his sword to the Sardinian king, who, fourteen years before, had condemned him to death.

A few days later, Charles Albert was defeated by the Austrian and compelled to sign an armistice; but Garibaldi and his followers refused to lay down their arms, and, after many adventures, succeeded in crossing the Po and entering the Papal States. Here Pins IX., a traitor to his country, instead of receiving them as friends of Italy, sent an army to crush them. But the Papal army was defeated, the Pope fled from Rome, and Garibaldi entered the Holy City at the head of his victorious legions. A provisional government was formed under the triumvate Garibaldi, Saffi, and Armellini. After defending the city for several months against the combined attacks of the French, and Neapolitan armies, the little army of Garibaldi was defeated, and he was again compelled to fly from Italy with a price upon his head. Arriving in New York in 1850, he took up his residence on Staten Island, and engaged in the manufacture of candles. In 1859 he again visited Italy, and became a member of the Sardinian Parliament. In thus accepting the Constitutional Monarchy of Charles Albert in place of a Republican form of government, he showed the wisest statesmanship of his life, for such a government was the only one that could bring unity and prosperity to Italy. On the breaking out of war with Austria, he was given the command of a corps, with which he did gallant service; but being dissatisfied with the peace of Villarreaux which brought the war to an unsatisfactory end, he retired to the Island of Caprera.

In 1860, Garibaldi was master of the island, and thus the first great blow of a war was struck that was to culminate in an Italian Parliament that should delare Italy free and united under Victor Emmanuel as constitutional king.

We have attempted to give a brief outline of Garibaldi's career. Imperfect though it is, we trust it is sufficient to show the principle which must and "Hero of Italy." It was his life-long devotion to the accomplishment of a single object. As a statesman, he was not a success. Compared to Cavour in this respect, Garibaldi can lay no claim to greatness. Had he been at the head of Italian affairs, he would not have succeeded as well as he did. He was brave, impetuous, and patriotic. These are the qualities which make the warrior and the popular hero. Italy was in need of such a man, who, by his brilliant deeds and romantic life, should rouse the patriotism of her people. But behind all this there was need of a man of a different mould,—a man who could control and harmonize conflicting factions, and direct the whole to a single goal; a man who could utilize a victory to the fullest extent, and who accomplished a battle by diplomacy. Such a man Italy happily found in Count Cavour. Garibaldi and Cavour are names that Italians will long remember, but the one will be remembered as the warrior, the other as the statesman.

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IRVINGS.
Thursday evening the literary societies held their last regular session for the year. Good audiences were present in both halls, but the Zets, having offered the most tempting programme, naturally bore off the palm. The University Band, at the request of the Irivings, played several pieces in front of the south building; thus contributing largely toward assembling an audience for each society.

The following was the programme of Irving Institute:

Exhibitions — W. T. Shepherd, Deletion — Harry Allin, Debate — Rich Burdick, That there should be a congress of nations. Affirmative, Black and Zettew, Negative, Forsey and Vesia.

Delegation — Donnan, Valedictory — W. II. Montague.

Mr. Shepherd's subject was Poe; not as promising a theme, perhaps, as might have been selected, but he came to which he thought had evidently been bestowed. The gentleman's delivery was good, showing a very marked improvement upon his last appearance on the floor.

Mr. Allin's declamation, "Kit Carson's Ride," was well rendered.

It seemed to us, however, that he felt himself somewhat hampered by the predominance in his selection of narrative over action.

The debate was, on the whole, not a brilliant success. The gentlemen concerned seemed to rely rather upon the inspiration of the moment, than careful preparation. The consequence was that a great variety of topics were discussed which it is difficult to conceive could have been suggested by the question for debate.

Mr. Donnan appeared with the second declaration of the programme entitled "Goggin's Charge." What was good in all respects, and exceptionally so in point of articulation.

Mr. R. W. Montague was valet de chambre of the evening. His subject, "Erasmus," had evidently been carefully studied. Had his delivery been more animated, a much better impression would have been produced. As it was he failed to do justice to his production.

The conclusion of the literary exercises, the "Irving Chorus" treated the audience to something musical; we don't know just what it should be termed. Perhaps we had better call it a medley. At any rate the Chorus was the recipient of an enthusiastic encore, to which it gracefully responded.

Smith & Mullin lead the van in ceiling decorations.

THE HISTORY OF JOHNSON COUNTY.

The history of this county, the preparation of which was commenced some two months ago, and the canvass for its sale more recently, is progressing satisfactorily to those having the work in charge. Besides containing a full and complete record of the matters and facts pertaining to the early settlement and growth of the county from its organization to the present year, it will give ample attention to the settlements of other nationalities — the Germans, Bohemians, Irish, Welsh, and those whose industry and thrift have so largely contributed to its development and wealth. It will be a faithful record of the hardships, trials, and heroism of early settlers and all who came after, and have made Johnson one of the grandest counties in the State in material prosperity. The time is ripe for such a work, and should be completed before the few pioneers yet remaining pass away. It will be a standard work of about one thousand pages, which will perpetuate the history of the county to the children of today, and to generations to follow.

The work will also contain a fine portrait of Gov. Robert Lucas, the first Governor of the Territory; of Governor and ex-Secretary of the Interior Kirkwood, and many other prominent citizens and early settlers of the county, together with views of public buildings and business establishments. Every business, profession and interest will have its place in the work, from the first settlement of the county to the present.

The work will be faithfully and impartially prepared, and the lapse of time will increase its value, and every citizen will regret it, if he fails to secure a copy of the edition printed which will cover all the subscriptions taken. The standard observed in its preparation will be above the bias which business interests, political, religious and personal conflicts too frequently engender, as the result of local prejudices and petty jealousies. We ask that the work receive a generous patronage.

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LOCALS.
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Miss Minna Wright, June 17th!
Marriages—all in high life.
Arthur Challans is in the city.
Get ready for the final spread.
Hoover is married ditto, Miss Davis.
Orations! have you committed yours?
Calvin Forney is digging into Senior history.
No tickets issued this year for Commencement.
Collation in chapel Wednesday, June 21st, 2 P.M.
Dr. T. E. Record, from West Branch, is in the city.
Mr. Charles Clark spent last Sunday in Des Moines.
It is an excellent time just now to pay one's subscription.
G. S. Trowbridge expects to remain at Ackley next year.
The Seniors had a picture, and there is a rumor of a picnic.
2 soups (1 thought) Geo. E. Whitmore.
2 hours (1 heat) Miss Swain.
Gallery for Miss Wright only 35 cents; general admission, 50 cents.
Seniors have elected C. H. Brown Secretary of Class for three years.
Mr. Frank Leonard has just appeared in a new spring costume.
Why?
The High School Commencement last evening proved very interesting.
C. H. Dayton went to Des Moines last part of last week on business.
J. T. Armstrong and wife left Thursday, for their home in Glenwood.

Go and hear Miss Minna Wright in her Dramatic Readings, next Saturday night.
The Commencement speakers have drawn lots for position on the programme.
Oh, yes! look out for the steamboat. Everybody goes to the picnic up the river.
They went; they stole a gun; they hooked cartridges; they shot; they got the cream.
C. H. Brown is in prophetic trance. Senior destinies will be set forth on class day.
Miss Jeff Hutchinson left to-day for Muscatine. She will remain during the tournament.
The nuptials of Mr. Ira J. Alder were celebrated on last Thursday ditto Miss Julia Battles.
The Senior class is sending out some very handsome invitations for commencement exercises.
Eldon Moran has just received a new type-writer, which he will use in connection with his school of short-hand.
Miss Jessie Smith has returned from St. Louis, where she has been taking a course of instruction in music.
W. H. Martin has gone home, and Chas. Haller thinks it is very doubtful about his remaining to Commencement.
Prof. Parker has been attending the meeting of the State Association of the Congregational Church at Ottumwa.
Oliver P. Myers, Esq., has assumed the editorial management of the Iowa State Democrat, published at Newton, Iowa.
Arthur Gosborn and Stewart Goodrell are moved to repentance, and are coming to confess about those bogus Junior programmes.
C. C. Clark is home for his summer vacation, we learn he will return to Fairfield for another year. Such a recommendation counts.
The Shakespeare Reading, by Miss Wright, promises to be one of the best entertainments of the course. Tickets now on sale at Allins.
Somebody ask Kid why he had his hand under that girl's chin when the class had the picture taken. Terrible! Oh, my, don't tell anybody!
Mr. E. L. Thorpe, at one time a student of the University, now located as M. E. Minister at Nashua, conducted Chapel exercises yesterday morning.

Miss Mary Craven is in town visiting her bronc. She will remain during commencement, and afterwards spend a short time at her home in Indiana.

President J. L. Pickard, of our State University, is contributing a series of able articles on "Lawlessness" to the Present Age—Iowa Normal Monthly.
The graduating class was unusually large, the orations, for the most part, good, and the entire showing a credit to the school supervision and instruction.

Prof. Booth, of Chicago, is here training the eloquent oratory powers of the aspiring Senior. Whether the Senior improves under the Professor's instruction or not, he certainly ought to.

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The prospects are that the alumni will turn out in force this year. Among those who are expected, we mention James Dougherty, Wilson Reed, James A. Kerr, Homer Seerley and J. H. Conley.

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The Commencement exercises of the Academy will be held next Wednesday evening, June 14th, at the Opera House. The following speakers will represent their class on that occasion:

J. H. Dickey, Subalternant, "The Destiny of Fames."


Miss Mary Lindor, "Our Poets."

T. G. Record, "Conquists."

J. D. Hobson, "True Victory."

Miss Emma J. Brookway, Valedictorian, "The Nobility of Labor."

The programme will be completed the first of the week. All are invited to attend.

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Mr. Popejoy's father was visiting him here this week.

The class have decided on having a group picture taken.

Rev. Thorpe, of Class '79, located at Nashua, Iowa, called on us Friday.

Judge W. E. Miller, editor of "Miller's Annotated Code," was in the city this week.

Vice-President A. A. Smith filled the chair with considerable dignity Thursday afternoon.

Robert Pritchard was visiting at Marengo last Saturday and Sunday, and reports a pleasant time.

Prof. McClain is a very attentive student during the hour of Mr. Rogers' lectures on Constitutional Law.

Quite a number of ladies have visited the class this week. How nice the boys behave when the ladies are around.

How to meet the Board of Examiners to the best of advantage is what is interesting the average member of the class.

Mr. Filkins, of Eagle Grove, Class '81, was in the city Sunday and Monday, and our informant says on important business—to see his girl.

Mr. Ed Finch, of the Des Moines Leader, paid the class a pleasant visit Friday. His father is one of the prominent lawyers of Des Moines.

If J. L. Kennedy fails to appear on commencement there will be but eight orators, Mr. Harris having declined the honor shortly after being appointed.

Some of the bad boys of the class filled the call-bell full of paper Monday, so that when the Chancellor rapped for order no gentle sound came forth.

Mr. Rogers' lectures on Constitutional Law are very interesting, and the members of the class are loud in their praises of that gentleman as a lecturer.

We room with one of the commencement orators, which partly explains for the deficiency in our columns this week. We can't endure everything and write local incidents too.

The lectures had such a soothing effect on one of the class Wednesday that he went to sleep. He certainly agreed with all the Professor said, judging from the way he nodded his head.

Mr. J. L. Kennedy is afraid he will be unable to appear on commencement, on account of a sore throat which has been troubling him for a few weeks past. This will be quite a disappointment to all the boys, as they are all anxious for J. L. to appear.

Last Tuesday evening, upon the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, the members of the Robinson Club Court took tea and spent the evening with them. All present unite in prating one of the most pleasant evenings, socially, which they have spent in the city. After playing croquet and practicing with the bow and arrow until it became too dark for out-door exercises, the company returned to the house, where Miss Robinson kindly favored the company with a reading, which was enjoyed by all. The evening spent with Mr. Robinson, as well as his efforts in behalf of the club bearing his name, will be remembered by its members as one of the most pleasant reminiscences of the Law Class of '82.

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