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## Death Comes at Last.

It has been with no little anxiety that the friends of Professor Wm. R. Perkins have waited for the messages that would give some news concerning his health. Each succeeding report contained nothing that was encouraging in the least, so that the message which came yesterday morning announcing his death, which occurred Sunday night, at his home in Erie, Pa., was nothing more than had been anticipated. Those who were at all acquainted with the intense suffering which the Professor was compelled to endure cannot help but feel that death was a welcome relief.

Professor Wm. R. Perkins was born in 1847, and graduated from Western Reserve College in 1868. He attended Bonn University and received his master's degree from Berlin University. In 1869 he became tutor and Assistant Professor in Western Reserve College, where he remained until 1879. From 1879 to 1885 he occupied the position of Assistant Professor of History in Cornell University. In 1887 he accepted the Professorship of History in the University of Iowa, which position he filled until last spring, at which time he was granted a leave of absence for one year in hopes that he might recover his failing health. As a professor he was highly praised by those who attended his lectures. His elaborate display of poetic language, together with his perfect knowledge of history, attracted a large number of students to his department each year. It was not only in the lecture room, however, that his true worth was to be found. As a wise and generous counselor his advice on any subject was freely given by the many who sought it. In 1892 there appeared from his pen a poem entitled "Eleusis," which immediately gave him a reputation as a poet of high rank. Besides this one poem he wrote a number of lesser poems which were published at the same time. There is something so prophetic about his own words that we cannot refrain from quoting them:

"Care hovered o'er my weary way;  
At night she poised above my bed,  
And 'round my bowed and aching head  
Went circling through the wearier day.  
No power could drive her in defeat;  
She drank my salt and flowing tears,  
And through the long expanse of years  
Drove Hope in dastardly retreat."

## Irving.

A small but enthusiastic audience greeted Irving last evening. The program was opened by an oration on the "Labor Question," by Mr. Johnson. The oration was well written and the thought was excellent.

"The Typical Negro Sermon," by R. H. Toll, was the next number on the program and was greatly enjoyed by the audience.

The debate of the evening was on the question, "Resolved, that only tax payers should vote." R. J. Smith opened the debate. He maintained that the foreign element and a por-

tion of our own people are non-tax payers; are poorly educated and poorly versed on our laws and the questions of the day.

Mr. Hubbard followed, making a strong opening for the negative. He argued that every citizen was subject to two general classes of law: First, pertaining to property, and second, to personal rights. If all citizens—rich or poor—could vote on questions pertaining to personal rights, regardless of property ownership, it would be a different question.

J. R. Frailey closed for the affirmative and did some of the best individual work of the evening.

Mr. Shorett said in closing the debate, that the slums from across the sea came not to be representatives of our country, but rather for the almighty dollars. The condition of the laboring man would be vastly worse than it is to-day.

The debate was decided in favor of the negative.

C. E. Wood gave a speech on the "Unemployed," which was particularly fine. He divided the unemployed into two general classes, viz: needy, and those employed because of misfortune. He stated that history has proven that charity is not a solution for this problem. The other remedy is to aid every man to help himself; but this is not altogether without its defects.

Impromptu speeches by Stempel and Petersberger were very interesting.

The program was concluded by a vocal solo by Miss Van Meter, which was especially appreciated by the audience.

## Zetagathian.

The attractions at the Society halls last Friday evening failed to persuade many visitors to face the raging snow storm. In Zet hall the programme was opened by the inaugural of the newly elected President, L. J. Rowell.

After Miss Van Meter had rendered a vocal solo, C. D. Walrod declaimed "Gamut Hall," a new selection and well delivered.

Harry Keefe gave an oration "What Time Brings Us." The oration was short but well written.

The question, "Strikes on the whole are a benefit to the laboring class," was well discussed on both sides.

W. H. Clark appeared first for the affirmative, and showed that while the immediate results of strikes have not always been satisfactory, yet their tendency has always been to better the condition of the working man.

Mr. Guthrie, for the negative, made the strongest speech of the evening. Public sympathy is not with the striker. If every strike had been successful the gain would not equal the loss caused to the laboring man by the strike.

F. E. Farwell closed the debate for the affirmative. Labor single handed against capital can do nothing. Legislation for the laborer has not been flattering, and the strike is the only weapon left for the laborer.

C. E. Merriam closed the debate. This was Mr. Merriam's first appearance as a Zetagathian, but he certainly showed that he was not lacking

literary training. The debate was decided in favor of the negative.

"The Ambition of the Statesman" was delivered by H. W. Hanson, in his usual eloquent manner.

The last number on the program was an oration by P. L. Kaye, "Progress Among the Negro."

## A Comparison.

The Minneapolis *Sunday Tribune* contained a cut of the library building just completed on the campus of the University of Minnesota, with a description of the building. This picture shows us the building is a noble structure, and the description which accompanies it shows that the artist indulged in no exaggeration when he made the drawing for the plate. One paragraph from the description is sufficient to show that the State of Minnesota built with an eye to the future.

"The library is built of Ohio sandstone, which at a distance has much the appearance of marble. The front of the building represents the old Grecian Parthenon, and the entire structure is of Ionic architecture. Eight columns five feet in diameter and twenty-five feet high, support an overhanging pediment and give a massive appearance to the front. Under this a row of chiseled figures crosses the front, representing literature, history, painting, architecture, etc."

Then follows a description of ample halls, wide staircases, marble floors, substantial furnishings. The entire structure is fire proof and is provided with every convenience.

Here there is good sense and wise economy displayed. Minnesota builds with the future in view. The men who voted the \$155,000 to pay for this building were broad enough to know that the State of Minnesota is yet in its childhood. They expected that the next census would find the population of the Northwest greatly increased; they believed that their university would grow as the state grew, and when it was proposed to build a building for the use of her state institutions, they said let us not build a structure that will only be sufficient for to-day; but let us build one that future generations shall use comfortably, and using it shall say: The men who planned this structure appreciate the possibilities of their state's future.

We turn from the contemplation of this completed work at Minneapolis and think about the cheap structures just completed at Iowa City with humiliation. The new buildings there are scarcely adequate for the needs of the present. There is no beauty about them that they should be desired. There is not even an air of substantialness. Cheapness is the one all prevailing characteristic.

There is no excuse for such a policy. Some one suggests "economy." But that will not answer. Is it economy to buy trousers that are too short or a coat that is too small—simply because the cost is less? A prudent mother purchasing clothes for a growing child usually buys garments a trifle large, saying as she makes the purchase: The child will grow to them before they are worn out. A great state

ought to have sense enough to build its public buildings on the same plan.

Iowa is to-day one of the greatest states in the Union, but she has not much more than begun to develop her resources. The next quarter of a century will witness a tremendous growth. As Iowa grows her University will grow. Twelve hundred students now crowd the narrow, dingy and ill-ventilated recitation rooms. In a few years two thousand will be on the rolls. Of what use will these cheap, meanly constructed buildings be then? None. They are to-day monuments of short sightedness. It is hard to understand the real reason for Iowa's continued stupidity in this matter. Every other western state is putting her to shame.—*Cedar Rapids Republican.*

## The Banquet at Algona.

Algona, Iowa, is the home of a number of loyal alumni and friends of the University. On last Thursday evening a banquet was given in that city by graduates and former students of the University. About sixty-five persons were present, including President Schaeffer and the Algona Board of Education. Twenty-five of those present were either graduates or ex-students of the University.

Among those present were Quarton, L. '82; C. B. Hutchins; J. W. Hinchon; J. T. Chrischillis, '84; C. B. Matson, '86; Jessamine Jones, '93; M. J. Keneflek; J. W. Kinney, M. '94; J. H. McConlogue; Harl Myers, '93; E. B. Butler, '81; Cornelia Ingham, ex-'95. The most enjoyable feature of the evening were the toasts, which were responded to in the following order: Harvey Ingham acted as toastmaster. "Our Alma Mater," Jessamine Jones "The Law Department," . . . . . Geo. R. Cloud "The Medical Department," . . . . . J. W. Kinney "The Undergraduates," . . . . . M. J. Keneflek "The Progress and Present Condition of the University," . . . . . President Schaeffer "The Alumni," . . . . . J. H. McConlogue "The Freshman Banquet," . . . . . Harl Myers "How to Preserve Johnson County Apples," . . . . . E. B. Butler "Should Students Celebrate Halloween," . . . . . J. T. Chrischillis "How I Became a 'Ladies' Man," . . . . . B. F. Reed "Cook and His Bee Tree," . . . . . C. B. Hutchins "Can Doctors be Fooled?" . . . . . J. W. Hinchon "Law Election," . . . . . Judge Quarton

The programme was interspersed with three songs written by Jessamine Jones, whose ability along that line had manifested itself while she was a student in the University.

Immediately after the banquet, which closed at 12 o'clock, a local alumni association was formed. We learn from President Schaeffer that the banquet was in every respect a very enjoyable affair.

Wrenn, the tennis expert, and also quarter-back on Harvard's foot ball team, will probably play second base on Harvard's base ball team.

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In our Saturday's issue was a short account of a Sketch Club which has been organized among the students. This is certainly a very energetic move on the part of those students, and with such talented artists as Messrs. Furbish and Blakely, and Miss Clara Ashley, as members, we predict that it will be a successful organization. There are two things requisite for such an organization, and those are active and energetic leaders who understand the nature of the work thoroughly, and members who have taken up the work to derive all the possible benefit out of it. We believe that this organization has both of these requirements, and there appears to be no reason why it will not result beneficially to its members. We would urge all who have any inclinations along that line to give it their talent, and those who are not particularly interested in such work can assist it by giving it encouragement in every possible manner.

If there is one thing more than another that helps to give our institution a good name throughout the State it is the numerous banquets that have been held in the various cities of late, and the local alumni associations that have been formed. The time is coming rapidly when every town of any size in the State will contain a number of University graduates. We find now in most of our large towns a number of University men occupying high positions in some profession, at the head of newspapers, or in the services of the State. These are the men who in future years are going to make the University an institution which the people of the State may be proud of. They have experienced the inconveniences which the Faculty and students are constantly obliged to endure, owing to lack of money to better their condi-

tion, and they know where and how money can be applied most effectively. It is only by their united efforts that our University is going to be made an institution that will rival any state institution in the west. We are glad to see so many local alumni associations being formed in this State; this means a concentration of power which will certainly prove effective. There are scores of alumni of the University scattered throughout the State who are as loyal to their alma mater as they were while students, but who have become so absorbed in the duties of life that the welfare of the University has escaped from their attention. Such men as these may become the University's most ardent supporters if the matter is brought to their attention. It seems that this can be done in no better way than by the formation of local alumni association. We hope those students who leave the University hereafter will see that alumni associations are formed in the towns where they locate. No matter if the number of members is few, the influence will be felt, and it is influence which the University needs.

**College Notes.**

One of the literary societies at Iowa College rejoices in the name of the Colocagathian.

J. R. Richards, '96, has been elected captain of the Madison foot ball team for next year. Richards has played full back two years for the Varsity.

The souvenirs for the U. of P. eleven will be large gold rings with a foot ball engraved on them. The substitutes will receive similar rings of silver.

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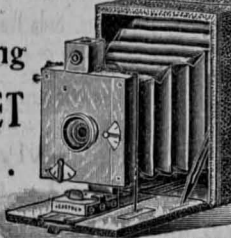
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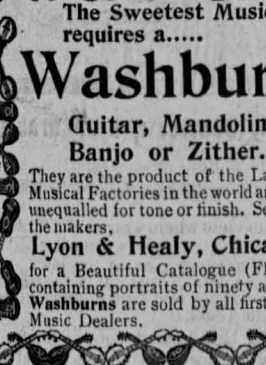
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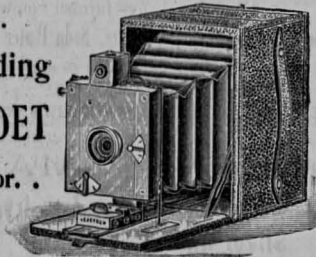
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**Fact and Rumor.**  
Harry Gray, C. '89, spent Sunday at  
home.  
Eva Glass is unable to attend reci-  
tations this week.  
Charles Brown, H. M. '96, is the  
happy father of twins.  
The Delta Tau Deltas initiated Mc-  
Vay, L. '96, of Sioux City.  
Maud Butler missed recitations the  
last of this week on account of sick-  
ness.  
The Delta Tau Deltas will give a  
party next Friday evening in their  
halls.  
The Sigma Nu's initiated Swisher  
and Hobby, both of '98, last Saturday  
night.  
Miss Zulema Kostomlat-ky enter-  
tained a small whist party Saturday  
evening.

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Judge Ryan, of Newton, visited the Law class Monday.

L. M. Freeman, '97, spent Saturday and Sunday at his home in Independence.

The Freshmen will hold a class sociable in the Society halls next Thursday evening.

Final examination for the Seniors in Pathology takes place two weeks from Thursday.

Dr. Richardson, H. M. '93, of Cedar Rapids, has been visiting friends in the city the past week.

C. C. Michener, State College Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., spent Monday in the city with friends.

The Hahnemannian Literary Society has rented a piano and placed it in the lecture room during its meetings.

D. Arthur Fletcher, H. M. '95, left Friday for Sioux City, being called there by the serious illness of his sister.

Wm F. Hunt, H. M. '96, left on a business trip to Clinton and Chicago, last Thursday. He will be gone about two weeks.

J. C. Monnet, a graduate of the Law department, has become a member of the firm of Young & Monnet, Bathgate, N. Dak.

Rev. Perkins, the Unitarian minister, entertained very pleasantly a number of students at his home on Burlington street, Saturday evening.

No one should fail to hear the great orator, Russell H. Conwell, to-night, at the Opera House. It is an opportunity that you will regret if you miss it.

The Latin Seminary met Monday afternoon. The papers were by Jessie Remley, on the "Forum," and Ethel Charlton on "Mistaken Ideas Concerning the Catacombs."

News comes to this city announcing the death of Mr. J. I. Gilbert, of Duluth, Minn. Mr. Gilbert was a graduate of the Collegiate and Law departments. He was a son-in-law of Mayor Lewis, of this city.

The January number of the Johnson County Teacher, published by County Superintendent S. K. Stevenson, is out. It shows that Mr. Stevenson is doing efficient work along this line as well as others.

Dr. Munhall will speak at Close Hall this week on the following topics: Tuesday, Jan. 20, "Assurance;" Wednesday, 30th, "The Witness of the Spirit;" Thursday, 31st, "Our Calling;" Friday, Feb. 1st, "Sanctification." These addresses of Dr. Munhall are well worth attending. No student should miss them.

Herman Larsen, M. D., who was a Medical student here from 1891 to 1893, died at his home in Decorah, Jan. 21. Dr. Larsen was the son of Rev. Laur Larsen, President of Luther College. Last spring he graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, in Chicago, and being then threatened with consumption he went to Norse, Bosque Co., Texas, where he had been some years ago, and where he seemed to improve. He began the practice of medicine and in the fall married a Miss Blakely. But being attacked with malarial fever, his lung trouble was aggravated, and it soon became evident that his days were numbered. His wife accompanied him home to his father's, where he lingered about a month.

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**For a Kirkwood Memorial**

We clip the following article from the Cedar Rapids of January 28:

"On the 30th day of this month a committee will meet in Des Moines to discuss ways and means for the erection of a purpose monument to the late Gov. Kirkwood. The erection of a wood Memorial building upon the campus of the State University committee consists of the well known gentlemen: Judge G. Wright, Gov. Frank D. Cook, editor of the Iowa Republican, Hon. Peter A. Dey, J. Robinson, Judge Whiting, G. Berryhill, Judge L. G. Hon. Sam Clark. Many gentlemen were life long the great war governor. They are representative citizens names give character to them. They believe that the people ought to erect some memorial great statesman who did make Iowa's history glorious time. They believe that would do Samuel J. Kirkwood that did not serve some purpose. Therefore in all probability, ask the Iowa to contribute to a building for purposes. They will do so for supreme reasons: First, to satisfy, more than any other institution, needs such a building was the home of Gov. Kirkwood to it he left his little fortune died, showing that the gift was very near and dear to appeal ought not to fall. We do not believe it will. Certainly there will be no to the propriety of a memorial Kirkwood, paid for by subscription. He was a man ple. They loved honored him as statesman has not ed, before or since in Iowa gument in favor of the memorial per se, would be in place. To those who know some University and its need equally unnecessary that should enter a plea in its we might as well face the fact that for some reason University has not been dealt with. Iowa people ought more about their chief in learning. Down at Iowa is gathered together in the the University as earnest men as can be found anywhere are the peers of any similar the west. They have a the institution which seemed could not understand. Many have refused largely incentives, preferring to stand by they love. They are doing and noble work, but they at a great disadvantage. A ple of this great, rich state visit the narrow, ill-ventilated in which these men and ents are compelled to would end the narrow path has withheld all but a month for years. Iowa is behind