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S. U. I. WINS THE MEET.

CORNELL ENTIRELY OUT-CLASSED—
SCORE 86 TO 10.

The Meet this afternoon showed that S. U. I. has excellent chances for winning the cup at the State Meet. In several of the events better records could have been made if necessary.

Cornell secured but two second places and six thirds, but nevertheless now is not the time to crow. The State Meet is close at hand, and there is where S. U. I. must concentrate all her efforts.

The work of several of the men was highly commendable. Prall won three firsts and one third, Brown three firsts, Louis two firsts and one second. Libby of Cornell is a good sprinter; Martin also does well in the jumps, but they had too great competition.

On the whole S. U. I. has a better track team than she has had for several years previous, and the whole University should turn out and give them the most ardent support in the coming meets.

Following are the events:

50 Yard Dash

S U I—Prall, Chase, Long, Meggers.
Cornell—Libby, Davenport, Mickey, Crary.

Prall, Chase, Libby, Davenport qualified in the preliminaries.

Prall won; Chase, second; Libby, third. Time 5 3-5 sec.

Running High Jump:

S U I—Louis, Freeman, Cogswell.
Cornell—Kepler, Martin.

Louis won, 5 ft. 6 in.; Freeman second, 5 ft. 5 in.; Cogswell third, 5 ft. 1 in.

In the last jump Louis cleared the pole about 4 inches. The Cornell men fell out under 5 ft.

440 Yard Run:

Brown won; Barber, second; Prall, third. Crary, the only Cornell man was fourth. Time, 54 sec.

100 Yard Dash:

S U I—Prall, Chase, Long, Meggers.
Cornell—Davenport, Libby, Crary, Mickey.

Prall, Chase, Libby, Davenport qualified in the preliminaries.

Prall won; Chase, second; Libby, third. Time 10 1-5 sec.

Hop, Step and Jump.

S U I—Louis, Thompson, Meggers.
Cornell—Rayner, Martin.

Louis won, 42 ft. 3 in.; Martin, second, 40 ft., 11 in.; Meggers, third, 40 ft., 6 in.

Hammer Throw:

Four entries. Blackmore won, 86 ft.; Bellman, (C) second, 82 ft., 8 in.; Blackmore, third, 73 ft., 7 in.; Neal, fourth.

Shot Put:

S U I—Myers, Chase, Burrier.
Cornell—Sweet, Bellman.

Chase won, 35 ft., 4 in.; Myers, second, 34 ft., 7 in.; Burrier, third, 30 ft., 11 in.

Two-thirds Mile Exhibition Handicap Walk:

Walker scratch, Bailey 15 sec., Brackett 35 sec., Humphrey 45 sec.
Bailey won first; Brackett, second; Walker, third.

Walker made best time, 5 min., 4 sec.

Running Broad Jump:

S U I—Louis, Meggers, Freeman.
Cornell—Rayner, Martin.

Meggers won, 19 ft., 5 in.; Louis, second, 19 ft., 4 in.; Martin, third, 18 ft., 6 in.

One-Half Mile Run:

S U I—Brown, Barber, Gray, Gothard.
Cornell—Wood.

Brown won; Barber, second; Wood, third. Time, 2:18 3-5 sec.

Exhibition 100 Yard Walk by F. A. Williams:

Two trials. First, 16 2-5 sec.; second, 16 4-5 sec. Sixteen seconds is the world's record.

There was a turn near the close of the stretch. Had it been on a straight track in good condition, he would probably have broken the record.

Pole Vault:

S U I—Hecht, Freeman, Shaver, Neal.
Cornell—Oates.

All our men cleared 7 ft., 11 in., and did not care to try for places. The best Oates could do was 7 ft., 9 in.

220 Yard Dash:

Four entries. Prall, first; Chase, second; Davenport of Cornell, third; Crary, of Cornell, fourth. Time, 23 2-5 sec.

Mile Run:

S U I—Brown, Gray, Gathard, Barber.
Cornell—Crary, Brush.

Brown, won; Barber, second; Brush, third. Time, 5 min. 16 4-5 sec.

OFFICIALS.

Referee—C. J. STILSON, Chicago, Ill.
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An athletic benefit will be given this evening at St. Brendan's Hall. A treat is anticipated. Everybody invited to attend. Admission, ten cents. H. W. Hanson is presiding officer.

Senior Notice.

Hereafter the class of '98 will hold business meetings every week at 4:30, Wednesday afternoon, at Close Hall.

The eastern universities are now having light regular foot ball practice. One can see why they reach such perfection in their game, and are so advanced over most Western universities, which only give their attention to a game during the fall term.

MICHIGAN'S ORATOR WINS.

F. W. WILLIAMS, OF IOWA, SECURES
FOURTH PLACE.

First.....Chas. Simons, Michigan
Second.....Geo. T. Nesmith, N. W.
Third.....Will L. Long, Oberlin
Fourth.....F. P. Williams, Iowa
Fifth.....E. F. Fox, Wisconsin
Sixth.....G. H. Norton, Chicago

The Northern Oratorical League Contest has once more been won by a Michigan man, in fact they have held this place for so many years that the Ann Arbor students seem to think they have an eternal cinch on this honor, and would brand any other successful orator as a tyrant, should he deprive them of the much coveted position. No one can deny them the right to be proud of their record in the Northern Oratorical League. Out of eight annual contests Michigan has won seven.

"JOHN BROWN."

Charles Simons gave an oration of excellent thought and composition. His delivery was forcible and impressive, his appearance on the stage was highly commendable, and in fact he so completely captured the audience that the decision of the judges for the oration "John Brown," gave universal satisfaction. Concerning the influence of the martyr, Mr. Simons spoke the following in closing:

"It joined its voice to the sound of the woodman's ax, to the clang of anvils in the armories and the ring of hammers in the gunshops. It recruited armies. It blazed from the hot throats of the Union cannon. It stormed Vicksburg, it hovered over the field of Gettysburg, it swept up Lookout Mountain and over Missionary Ridge, and went with Sherman to the sea, and when at Appomattox it had fulfilled its mission and taken its flight heavenward, the lowering clouds and oppression parted, and forth in the radiant glory burst the clear sun of emancipation."

The contest was held in the First M. E. Church at Evanston, Ill. An immense audience was present. Each speaker was enthusiastically cheered by the partisans of his college.

Ferdinand W. Peck, of Chicago, gave \$100 to the winner and \$50 to the one securing second.

"ANTONIO MACEO."

The Northwestern representative George T. Nesmith, was the first speaker. His subject, "Antonio Maceo," struck a patriotic chord, making him the recipient of frequent applause. Just before Mr. Nesmith went on the stage, S. L. Tatum, of Michigan, told him his speech was a plagiarism. This accusation probably had some effect in worrying the speaker, and the Northwestern men claim that on this account Mr. Nesmith was not at his best. After the contest Tatum renewed his charge, claiming he had imitated Wendell Phillips. When the plagiarized passage was submitted, the charge was laughed at, and the accused ridiculed. It was unanimously decided that Nesmith was not guilty.

"UNDER THE THRONE OF THE CZARS."

Will L. Long, of Oberlin, spoke second, and held the close attention of the audience to his discourse on

Russian politics. He advocated the release of the Russians from the present form of government, and giving them more individual liberty.

Mr. Long was awarded third place, but in the minds of a great number, Iowa's representative would have been placed here.

"THE SUPPRESSION OF CRIME."

Our representative, Fred P. Williams, spoke fifth. His oration was given a good rank on thought and composition, and the sentiments therein expressed were cheered by his auditors. Mr. Williams gave a very impressive tone to his speech, and his delivery was much better than in the home contest. The past few weeks training had made a great improvement in his appearance. S. U. I. may well feel proud of her representation.

"PUBLIC OPINION."

E. F. Fox, of Wisconsin, spoke third, receiving fifth place on his oration "Public Opinion." He had no difficulty in holding this rank, for Chicago, as formerly, did not send a star to the contest, although Mr. Norton, with his oration "The Scholar and Social Reform," was the prize orator of Chicago University, yet there were just five prize holders ahead of him in the N. O. L.

Michigan's orator spoke last. J. L. Tatum, of Michigan, and President of the League, was the presiding officer.

The judges were:
Thought and Composition—John J. Ingalls of Kansas, Chancellor McLain of the University of Nebraska, and Professor George P. Baker, of Harvard.

Delivery—Judge William Woods of Indianapolis, Edgar Brown, of Indianapolis, and Judge Thomas of Crawfordsville, Ind.

At the business meeting Friday afternoon, the following officers for the coming year were chosen:

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An application for admission of the University of Minnesota to the League was presented by Samuel Savil Paquin. The application was received quite favorably, but action was deferred for three weeks, to give the representatives time to consult their associations.

To Grinnell and Return for \$2.00.

If fifty persons will go to the Dual Meet at Grinnell a rate of \$2.00 can be had. There certainly will be no trouble in getting that number. In order that we may know just who and how many wish to go, the following persons are appointed as a committee to canvass the students: Miss Marjorie Gilchrist, Geo. Fletcher, Will Hoffman, J. J. Louis.

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The New Catalogue.

The Catalogue of '97-'98 is printed and ready for distribution. Though similar in outward appearance to the Catalogue of last year, on opening it many changes may be noticed, and signs of progress and advancement are everywhere manifest.

In many of the departments no great changes have been made, either in the number of courses offered or in the separate courses themselves. The usual work is offered by the departments of Greek and Latin, German, and French. However, in the modern language departments a new feature is to be noted. In the future, to persons completing the required courses and showing sufficient proficiency in these branches, teachers' certificates will be granted under conditions laid down by the Faculty. As a certain percentage of the Collegiate students are preparing for the profession of teaching, this innovation will be highly satisfactory to all such.

In the department of History a new course will be given—a History of the Jews. This was originally a part of the Bible study work, conducted by the Y. M. C. A., but by its value as shown by the number of students who pursued it last Fall term, this course is now added to the curriculum of the University. A course covering European history from 1494 to 1789, will also be given if a sufficient number desire it.

A new department known as "Government and Administration," is added under the professorship of Dr. Shambaugh. In this department a consecutive and logical course in Politics covering three years' work will be offered, besides other courses in Constitutional and International Law.

In the professional departments the

changes made are chiefly in the line of better organization of the work.

There is one particular, however, in which the Catalogue of '97-'98 will stand as marking a landmark in the history of S. U. I. When the Faculty decided to make arrangements whereby the degree Ph. D. may be granted by the University of Iowa, a step in advance was taken. This year's catalogue explains the nature of this step, and the conditions under which this degree will be granted. Other conditions of future growth and power as shown by the catalogue will be brought about when the \$55,000 Library fund is expended and the new building is completed. Then the University of Iowa will begin an era of prosperity and advancement which will eclipse anything hitherto known in her entire history.

Hammond Law Senate.

The program of the Hammond Law Senate was opened last Friday evening with a vocal solo by Senator Keota Williams, entitled "My Dream of You."

Senator Green's oration on "Caesar," which followed, was a carefully thought out production, and was well delivered.

"What inducements are there to cause a young man of ability to choose the profession of law as a life work?" was the text of a finely analyzed extemporaneous speech by Senator McBeth.

Senator Munger's essay on the "Spirit of Our Nation," was read by Senator Hering. The essay faithfully portrayed the motives of the American people in the present crisis, and found a ready echo in the heart of every true patriot.

The debate of the evening was upon the question: "Resolved, that the present system of caucus nomination should be abandoned."

The "caucus" was vigorously attacked by Senators Myers and Work, and ably defended by Senators O'Connor and P. J. Hanley.

The measure was voted down by a large majority.

The closing number was a vocal duet by Senators A. B. Williams and Ainsworth, entitled "Till We Meet Again." The musicians were heartily encored and responded with another pleasing selection.

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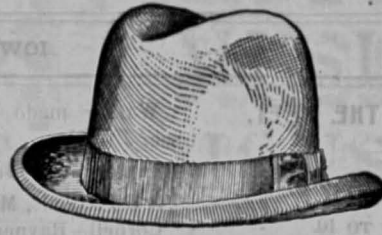
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Miss Monte Porter recently enjoyed a visit from her friend Miss Griffin, of Albia.

Roy A. Miles Collins, ex-'99, of Eldora, is visiting friends at the University to-day.

The University Alumni Association will hold a reunion Wednesday evening, May 11.

C. E. Mather and R. L. McCord were initiated into the Phi Delta Psi fraternity Wednesday night.

Messrs. Giese, Blume, Stull and Dickenson attended the Cornell-Iowa College debate at Mt. Vernon last night.

Senior diplomas will be filled out with names, as they appear in this year's catalogue, unless changes are reported to the Dean.

In the Congregational church the pastor will speak Sunday evening on the theme: "The Nation Tested, or What the War is Revealing to Us."

At a meeting of the Faculty this morning it was decided to permit Hal Reynolds to play on the base ball team. He will be in the game with Missouri Monday, and will probably play third base.

CALL ON BLOOM & MAYER FOR CLOTHING AND HATS.

The Phi Delta Phis are making extensive preparations for the reception of Justice Brewer, who will deliver the Law Commencement address here June 8th.

The Zetagathian and Philomathian societies played a game of base ball this morning, resulting in a victory for the Philos. Lack of space prevents publication of the score.

Oswald Veblen and F. H. Blume have been chosen by the Faculty as Commencement speakers to take the places of J. K. Frailey and M. W. Williams, who have enlisted at Des Moines.

In the inter-collegiate debate between Cornell and Grinnell, held last evening at Mt. Vernon, the Cornell representatives secured the unanimous decision. Jester of Cornell, and Gardner of Grinnell, made especially strong speeches.

The Republican, of Thursday, remarks: "The society of Colonial Dames of America, recently in convention at Washington, D. C., took measures to join in the relief work, which will come in handy in the present encounter with Spain, should the war assume serious proportions. Resolutions were passed calling on the societies of the various states for assistance. Mrs. Charles A. Schaeffer, of Iowa City, who was the delegate from the Iowa society of the national council, came home charged with a mission of enlisting the interest of the Iowa dames, and to that end now asks that the local members in each community to make an effort to raise a fund for the relief work which will be in connection with the hospital ships of the United States forces."

The music loving people of Iowa City are looking forward with much pleasure to the Farland recital to be given at Close Hall next Tuesday evening, under the management of Messrs Kelly and Jayne. Mr. Farland is not merely a great banjo player, in the ordinary sense, but a truly great artist who has shown that the only American instrument (the banjo) is an instrument of which America may well be proud.

Debaters for Next Year.

The Irvings and Zets elected their contest debaters last evening. There will be two inter-society debates which will determine the representation on the Minnesota debate and the Wisconsin or Northwestern debate. It is not yet definitely determined with what school the second debate will be held. The Irvings chose Loomis, Curtis, Burt, Horak, Chamberlin and Dickinson.

The Zets:—Giese, Secrest, Lorenz, Ogden and Weldy; the sixth man will be chosen later.

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