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DIXON DEFEATED.

THE VISITORS ARE SHUT OUT FOR SEVEN INNINGS.

The game with the Dixon College team at the park yesterday afternoon was a good exhibition of base ball.

Until the last part of the seventh inning the score stood two to nothing in our favor.

The Dixon pitcher was not as effective as was expected; every man but one on our team secured a hit from his delivery.

Hart played a steady game, and his pitching was effective just at the time the opponents had good prospects of scoring. In the sixth inning Dixon had three men on bases with one man out, but failed to get the hit necessary to bring in a score.

Yates played a good game behind the home plate, and O'Connor led in batting, making three hits.

Dixon came to bat first. Flesher hit safe into right field, and on an infield hit by Vaughn was thrown out at second. Murphy failed to capture Shour's grounder, and Vaughn went to second. The two were advanced a base on a sacrifice by McConnell. It now looked as if our visitors were going to score a run, but Guinn failed on the third strike and retired the side.

O'Connor started the batting for us with a home run, knocking the ball over first base into the weeds, where it took the right fielder some time to find it. Murphy fouled out. Lowry got to first on a wild throw by the pitcher. Sargent struck out. McNeil hit safe into right field, advancing Lowry to third. Yates struck out.

In the second inning a base on balls and three strike outs sent the visitors back into the field.

For us, Hart and Williams each drew safe hits, advancing the former to third base. While Williams was stealing his way to second, Hart started home, and was caught at the plate. O'Connor reached first on an error, and Williams goes to third, and on another error O'Connor gets to second and Williams scores. Murphy struck out. Score 2 to 0 in favor of S. U. I.

No more scores were made until the last half of the seventh, when Murphy and McNeil each made a hit, and both scored on two errors and a hit by Yates. This left the score 4 to 0 at the end of the seventh.

The eighth inning brought one run to each side, both being due largely to errors.

In the ninth, on one hit, a base on balls, two errors and a sacrifice hit, the visitors scored two runs. This ended the game with a score of 5 to 3 in favor of S. U. I.

Tabulated score:

DIXON.	R	H	P	O	A	E
Flesher, 3 b	0	2	2	0	1	
Vaughn, 1 b	1	2	6	0	1	
Shour, 1 f	1	0	2	0	1	
McConnell, c	0	0	9	0	0	
Guinn, r f	0	0	1	0	0	
Gookin, c f	1	2	2	0	1	
Lundy, 2 b	0	0	2	2	2	
McCormick, s s	0	1	0	1	0	
Humeston, p	0	0	0	9	2	
	3	7	24	12	8	

S. U. I.	R	H	P	O	A	E
O'Connor, 1 b	2	3	11	0	0	
Murphy, 3 b	1	2	0	4	1	
Lowry, c f	0	1	1	0	1	
Sargent, 2 b	0	0	1	0	1	
McNeil, 1 f	1	1	2	0	0	
Yates, c	0	1	9	0	0	
Hart, p	0	1	2	14	1	
Williams, s s	1	1	1	1	1	
Goodenough, r f	0	1	0	0	0	
	5	11	27	19	5	

Score by innings:

Dixon	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
S. U. I.	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	*-5

Earned runs—S. U. I., 1.

Home run—O'Connor.

Two base hits—O'Connor, Goodenough, Vaughn.

Struck out—By Hart, 9; by Humeston, 7.

Bases on balls—Off Hart, 4; off Humeston, 4.

Hit by pitched ball—Lundy.

Wild pitch—Hart 1.

Double play—Lundy to Vaughn.

Umpire—Choppick.

Time of game—Two hours.

Uniform Teachers Certificates.

For several years the state educational department and the county superintendents of Iowa have felt the need of some uniform method and requirement for the issuance of certificates to teach. Each county now has its own method and regulations. Last winter the sentiment in favor of uniformity in this matter took expression, and recently the state superintendent issued a circular to the county superintendents of Iowa containing regulations with reference to uniform examinations for teachers' certificates. These regulations are prescribed to take effect July 4, 1898. The adoption of these regulations makes the issuance of certificates in every county of the state the same as in every other county, and will tend to more nearly equal training of the teachers of the state. No longer will it be possible to say that the schools of one locality are good and those of another poor.

Charges Against a Debater.

The U. of M. Daily published the following in regard to one of her debaters: "Professor Trueblood is in receipt of a letter from W. F. Gallagher, President of the University of Chicago Oratorical Association, charging D. F. Dillon with a false quotation from one of Lord Salisbury's letters relative to the Venezuela dispute, in the Michigan-Chicago debate. The letter charges that Mr. Dillon misquoted some of the diplomatic correspondence with the intent of deceiving the judges. It adds that it does not lay Chicago's defeat to that fact, but concedes Michigan's victory as fairly won. But the Oratorical Association is asked to consider the charges fairly and to censure the debater in question, to make an example of him so as to prevent the use of false documentary evidence in intercollegiate debates in the future. Mr. Dillon says he did not make the quotations in the words attributed to him by Chicago, but read the extracts verbatim from the official correspondence as published by the State Department."

THE STATE MEET.

A FEW NOTES ON THE RECENT MEET.

Owing to the bad condition of the track poor track records were made at the State Meet held at Des Moines last Saturday. The contests were pretty, however, and brain and brawn were both in evidence at every turn.

No prettier contests occurred than the long runs, won by Brown of S. U. I. Trailing along at the very rear of the bunch until the finish was at hand, Brown darted ahead in each event and won handily. In the mile run, at the last quarter was reached and passed, with Fellows, of Grinnell, forging ahead of the bunch still strong, and Brown still in the rear, many a wearer of the Old Gold's heart sank, while the grand stand was alive with frantically waving scarlet and black—Grinnell stock was booming. Fellows looked back with a derisive smile, but the smile faded. Brown was showing signs of life, and in a moment more had passed his elbow and was crossing the tape yards ahead.

Prall in the hundred was closely pushed by Spaulding. In the twenty, however, he showed them his heels, and scampered across the tape with several yards to spare. Both races were run on the turn of a third of a mile track, which accounts in a measure for the time.

In the fifties S. U. I. was unfortunate, and while Chase qualified in the preliminaries, he was unable to obtain a place in the finals. Meggars ran a good race, and with proper training another year, has a brilliant future as a sprinter.

No event excited greater interest than the mile walk, and great things were expected from both Williams and Ringier. Ringier's walk, however, proved to be a run, and after repeated warnings by the referee he was disqualified at the first quarter. Marsh did better, but the pace set by Williams was too hot, and after a plucky attempt to follow it, he fell, tripping Williams at the same time. This disqualified Marsh, and Bailey, who had been walking like a veteran, finished second after a magnificent spurt of a hundred yards or more.

Other track events excited little interest, the hurdles being won feebly by Spaulding of Grinnell.

The rain had no ill effects upon the field events, as is evidenced by the records made. Former State records were smashed into smithereens, and new ones set which are apt to puzzle Iowa athletes for many a year to come. Louis of S. U. I. raised his former record in the high jump to 5 ft. 8 in., while Hamilton of Grinnell surprised even himself by tying it. Not satisfied with this honor, Hamilton sent another record flying, and future aspirants must pass 23 ft. 4 in. before more State medals are issued for the broad jump.

Holland of Drake came in for his share of the honors, and set the hop, step and jump record at 48 ft. 4 in., beating all competitors, and the State record something over four feet. Hol-

land is an athlete of whom Drake may well be proud.

The hammer throw was won by Joe Meyers, of the Varsity, at 110 ft. 6 in., beating the State record by nine feet. This is somewhat less than was expected, as Meyers has several times hurled the hammer 120 feet and over.

The pole vault was a hard contest, and was finally won by Ross of Grinnell, Neal of S. U. I. being a close second.

On the whole the meet was a decided success, all contestants showing remarkable strength and admirable training. Had the track been fast, many track records would undoubtedly have gone with those of the field events.

Although S. U. I. lost the day, she may well feel proud of her representatives, feeling that they have met foes well worthy of their steel. Grinnell pluck and nerve won them the cup, and the Varsity does not begrudge them the honor. While Grinnell has an unlimited supply of pluck, S. U. I. is famous for her hopefulness, and meets are to be held in the future.

Individual honors were even between Brown of S. U. I. and Holland of Drake, each winning twelve points.

Hesperian.

A large audience assembled Saturday evening to listen to Hesperia's last program.

Miss Slavata opened the program with a well rendered violin solo, which received a hearty encore.

May Shuck entered well into the spirit of "Knee Deep in June."

Florence Ady gave "Uncle Mose" in a very pleasing manner.

Then followed the debate: "Resolved, that as to the acquisition of foreign territory, the United States should depart from her traditional policy of isolation."

Affirmed by Georgia Adams and Libbie Howard. Denied by Nancy Paris and Mary Safley. The girls did well, it being one of the best debates of the year. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative.

Katherine Way gave a very interesting speech on "The Feast of the Roses."

Lillian Ehret gave the recitation, "St. Peter at the Gate."

Anna Roberts closed the program with the quaint and pretty "Ballad of Quintin Massy."

After the program a "spread" was given in honor of the Senior members of the society. The girls had a jolly, good time, and won the eternal approbation of "Jimmy" for non-indulgence in dancing.

Delinquent Subscribers.

There are still a few out of town subscribers who have not paid for their paper. We do not believe we are too exacting when we request that all who cannot pay this week, send us a postal stating when they can pay.

Some of his many friends have been receiving postal cards from Leslie Switzer, who is at present in Jacksonville, Fla. He says the weather is very hot, but the soldiers are consoling themselves by eating all the oranges and pineapples in sight.

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which will contain a full account of
the exercises and festivities. It will
be a double edition, and will make a
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Why We Lost the Meet.

Our failure to capture the cup at Des
Moines could undoubtedly be attrib-
uted to numerous minor causes, such
as misfortune, or poor judgement on
the part of some of the participants
in one or two of the events, but upon
comparing the scale of points, it will
be readily seen that we were sadly de-
ficient in seconds and thirds.

We won more firsts by one than
Grinnell, but in seconds we secured
but three, while our rival possesses
ten. There were five events in which
Grinnell won two places, while the
mile walk is the only one where two of
S. U. I.'s men secured honors.

There were six events in which we
did not secure a point, while Grinnell
was shut out from only three.

The idea is quite prevalent here
that if one is not the best man in a
certain event, there is not much use
in training, and besides he receives
very little encouragement who is not
the acknowledged winner.

We believe that to our inability to
win second and third places, more
than to all other causes, is due our de-
feat at Des Moines.

S. U. I. never has placed the proper
appreciation upon men who are not
stars in the events, and it is quite evi-
dent that until we do show the proper

encouragement to such men, S. U. I.
must experience other results like
that of Saturday.

Let us profit by our defeat, and next
year have athletes who strive for sec-
ond and third honors.

The Honor System and Examinations.

Throughout the year ye editors
have been gathering information from
the various schools that have the
honor system, to ascertain, if possible,
whether or not it was a success. There
seems to be little objection to the
theory of the scheme, and where the
students are interested enough to en-
force the rule, it has been very success-
ful. The great difficulty is in getting
the student body to take hold of the
subject, and where the rule is enforc-
ed spasmodically it is worse than no
system.

Many of the eastern schools would
not give up the plan, and probably in
the majority of colleges that have in-
troduced it, the scheme works at
least fairly well; but we find a few
dismal failures, and hence it is doub-
tful about its success at S. U. I. We
believe that no one will deny that
something ought to be done. The
amount of "ponying" now done is a
disgrace to a State University. From
what we are able to learn, we believe
it is no worse than in our sister
schools, but it is certainly detrimen-
tal to any institution to countenance
such a deplorable habit.

There is probably more or less
cheating in every examination, for we
occasionally hear a student—no, we
mean one who attends the Univer-
sity—boast of how he fooled the most
vigilant professors. Morally, it is
wrong, but it is not the function of a
college paper to publish sermons. The
point which appeals to every one is
the injustice done to the student who
tries to pass an honest paper. The
entire Faculty, and we believe the
majority of the students, would do all
that they could to introduce the honor
system or any other plan that would
eliminate the prevailing habit of
"ponying."

The girl's declamatory contest will
occur next Thursday evening. Fri-
day evening the regular graduating
exercises of the various societies will
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FACT AND RUMOR.
Chas. Dakin, '96, is in town.
Base ball Saturday, S. U. I. vs. Ames.
The Kappas picnicked up the river yesterday.
Clyde Cobb has returned for Commencement.
Dickinson, L. '99, went to Mt. Vernon yesterday.
John Beardsley, '98, is back for Commencement.
The Dixon team is playing at Cornell College to-day.
Miss Hattie Plum returned to her home this morning.
The Dutcher Club held a picnic up the river last evening.
The Senior girls were entertained Monday by the Pi Phis.
Harold and Ralph Downing spent Sunday and Monday at home.
Armstrong, formerly of the class of '00, is visiting University friends.
L. T. Thompson, L. '99, is to speak at Fayette during Commencement.
The league game with Grinnell is to be played Tuesday of next week.
The Y. W. C. A. will give a reception to the Seniors next Thursday.
Misses Larrabee and Nannie Crowe, of Clermont, are visiting Helen Larrabee.
The extemporaneous debate for the President's prize comes off Saturday evening. The contestants are to meet the evening before at 7:30, to hear the announcement.

Theo. Anderson has received the position of Law Librarian for next year.

Miss Marion Morton has been elected to a position in the High School at Britt, Iowa.

Miss Humphrey has been offered a position for next year in the Des Moines High School.

Miss Monta Porter, C. '00, who has been home for a week returned Monday for examinations.

Simonton, '00, who has been absent from school this term, has returned to participate in examinations.

The league ball game with Ames comes off next Saturday afternoon. This will be the last game upon the home grounds.

Our Scoop.

On every hand the editors of the VIDETTE-REPORTER have been complimented for the full report of the State Field Meet and the Grinnell-S. U. I. ball game that appeared in Saturday's issue. One of the Board was at Des Moines and telegraphed the result of the events as fast as they were decided, hence the complete report that we were able to give.

It was a noticeable fact that our worthy contemporary had no account of the field meet—much less a detailed report—nor was the score of the ball game given; although an incorrect line-up was printed.

We sympathise with our friends, and hope that their newly acquired knowledge of the postal laws will henceforth prevent them from such a complete shut out of even the bare result of such an important event as the State Field Meet.

Zetagathian.

The program in South Hall Friday evening was very interesting and entertaining. The unusual feature was the fact that a few extemporaneous speeches took the place on the program commonly filled by the debate.

Miss Dow opened the program with a very beautiful vocal solo.

The president then called upon Mr. Veblen for a speech on "McKinley's Second Call for Volunteers," to which the gentleman responded with credit.

"Edmund J. Burke" was the title of an oration by E. G. Copeland. This was an excellent production, and Mr. Copeland made a very pleasing appearance.

H. E. Coad next declaimed "The Unknown Speaker." The selection was very opportune, and the delivery in this case could scarcely have been improved.

C. O. Giese next favored the audience with a speech concerning debating. His remarks were very interesting, and regret was felt when his time was up.

The subject of an oration by G. A. Lynch, was "Henry Clay." The production was clothed in splendid language, and the thought and delivery were equally commendable.

Judge Seeds next responded to the call for a speech. He entertained the audience in a very pleasing way, his appearance making a very creditable closing to the literary part of the program.

The last number was a piano solo by Professor Eduards, which was well received.

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