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KNOX DEFEATED.

AN EXCITING GAME RESULTS 2-0 FOR IOWA.—SARGENT AND LOWRY IOWA'S GIANTS.

Yesterday's base ball game opened the college season most propitiously for Iowa. The game was one which afforded much pleasure to the spectators, and the grandstand was much in evidence at all stages. From Walker's first fly to Murphy in the first inning, to Switzer's grounder triumphantly captured by Lowry, in the last inning, the game was close, clean, and with few errors. The entire absence of disputes with the umpire was an excellent feature of the afternoon. The visitors confined their hits principally to the infield, placing many balls in Sargent's territory, much to their sorrow. The seventh inning found Yates on third and Sargent on second, when Captain Lowry came to bat. Lowry carved out a three-bagger into left field, bringing in our two scores.

Knox went first to bat. Walker, Rebscher, and J. Switzer went out in one, two, three order. With S. U. I. at bat Story and J. D. Lowry fanned, Sargent went to first on balls, and stole second, and Williams went out on a fly to Switzer.

Gannes opened the second inning, going out at first. Hal Reynolds, after a splendid run, captured a foul by R. Switzer, which was about to come down on a buggy. Dodge went to first on an error by Reynolds, stole second, and made third on Yates' wild throw over second. Stevenson out from Sargent to Lowry. Murphy, for Iowa, struck out. W. D. Lowry made a safe hit. Reynolds and Yates go out on in-field hits.

Third inning. Porter made safe hit over second, and trying to steal second was put out by Sargent on a fine throw by Yates. Lucas fouled out. Walker made a safe hit and Rebscher flew out to Story, who caught the ball after a long chase. Iowa's half was opened by Moss, who was put out. Story made first on an error, and stole second with an exhibition slide. Sargent drew a base on balls. Lowry made a safe hit, advancing each of the men one base, but Story ran past third and was caught. Williams went out on a pop-up.

In the fourth inning neither side reached the initial sack.

Fifth inning. Dodge made a hard drive to Williams, who failed to get the ball to first in time to put out the runner. Sargent made two excellent plays to first on Porter and Lucas. Knox retired with Stevenson on first. S. U. I.'s first batter, Yates, went out to J. Switzer, who made a most difficult catch. Moss went to first on balls, Story advanced him to second on a safe hit. Sargent and Lowry went out.

Sixth inning. Knox failed to make first. Williams, for S. U. I., reached first on an error, and stole second. The side was retired without further advance.

Seventh inning. Knox did nothing in her half. Iowa starts out to make scores. An error by Gannes let Yates make two bases. A sacrifice hit by Moss advanced Yates to third. Story flew out to J. Switzer. Sargent went to first on balls and walked down

to second. Captain Lowry made a long drive to left field, which brought in the two scores of the game, and netted three bases for himself. Williams struck out.

In the eighth inning no player reached the first base safely. Porter and Dodge distinguished themselves by fine put-out catches.

Knox rallied in the ninth inning. Walker and Rebscher both made safe hits. J. Switzer struck out. On Gannes' in-field hit, Rebscher was put out at second, but Walker reached the third bag. Capt. Switzer then stepped to bat: He hit an easy grounder to Lowry, who covered it quickly. "Runner out" cried the umpire, and the game ended:

Tabulated score:

KNOX.	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Walker, rf	4	0	2	0	0	0
Rebscher, 2b. . . .	4	0	1	1	2	0
J. Switzer, ss	4	0	0	2	2	1
Gannes, 1b.	4	0	0	8	0	2
R. Switzer, 3b	4	0	0	2	0	0
Dodge, cf.	2	0	0	1	0	0
Stevenson, lf.	3	0	0	1	0	0
Porter, c.	3	0	1	7	2	0
Lucas, p	3	0	0	2	9	0

Totals.	31	0	4	24	15	3
S. U. I.	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Story, lf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Sargent, 2b.	1	1	0	3	8	0
J. D. Lowry, 1b	4	0	2	11	0	0
Williams, ss.	4	0	0	1	1	1
Murphy, cf.	4	0	0	2	0	0
W. D. Lowry, rf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Reynolds, 3b	4	0	0	2	1	1
Yates, c	3	1	0	5	1	0
Moss, p	2	0	0	1	5	0

Total	30	2	4	27	16	2
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Score by innings:
Knox. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0
S. U. I. 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 *-2

Three base hit—J. D. Lowry.
Stolen bases—Dodge, Story, Sargent, Williams.
Bases on balls—Off Lucas, 4.
Struck out—By Lucas, 7; by Moss, 4.
Passed balls—Porter.
Wild throws—Dodge, Gannes, Yates.
Left on bases—Knox, 5; S. U. I., 8.
Time of game—1 hour, 15 minutes.
Umpires—Stewart, Coldren.

SOPHOMORE DEBATE.

ANNUAL CLASS CONTEST BETWEEN THE ZETS AND IRVINGS.

The annual inter-class debate between the Sophomores of Irving Institute and the Zetagathian Society will occur in the Society Halls, next Tuesday evening, April 25th. Admission to the contest is free, and a cordial invitation to hear the debate is extended to all, on behalf of the debaters and the literary societies.

The question at issue is a live one, and its discussion will prove both profitable and interesting. The bone of contention is, "Resolved, that the two Legal Tenders, the United States Notes and the Treasury Notes of 1890 shall be redeemed and cancelled."

This will be affirmed for Irving Institute by Messrs. Frank F. Hanson, H. B. Noland, and F. S. Merriau. The Zetagathian Society, denying, presents as her representatives Messrs. James E. Gow, W. C. Frank, and Jas. H. Burrus.

UNIVERSITY'S HISTORY.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA BY J. L. PICKARD, EIGHTH PRESIDENT.

The VIDETTE-REPORTER is in receipt of the April issue of the Annals of Iowa, containing a "Historical Sketch of the State University of Iowa, with Ten Portraits and Their Illustrations," from the pen of Dr. J. L. Pickard, Eighth President of the University. The article is quite extensive, occupying over 66 octavo pages.

In an introduction, the writer takes up the rise of the public school system, with side-lights on education in England and Holland.

The act authorizing the establishment of the State University of Iowa was approved February 25th, 1847. It was located at Iowa City. By Section 10 of the act, the University is made a non-sectarian institution.

The income of the University is derived from five sources:

1. University Lands, most of which were sold in 1845 by the trustees of the University, under circumstances which gave rise to considerable scandal, about one-third of the appraised value of the land being realized at the sale.
2. Saline Lands, being some twelve salt springs, with surrounding lands.
3. Private Gifts. These are comprised in 680 acres which was contributed toward the erection of a chapel.
4. State Appropriations.
5. Tuition, the annual average of which for the last five years is \$53,000.

The Productive Fund arising from the first three sources amounts to \$233,000.

Next follows a description of the buildings and grounds belonging to the University.

The account that follows of the organization and departments of the University is the most interesting portion of the article. The history of the different departments is clearly shown, and the sketches of the terms of the office of the nine presidents that have been at the head of the University, is a most valuable feature.

From the spirit of the writer, it would seem that James Black, the fifth president, left the deepest impress of all the presidents, upon the University. Of his years of service, from 1868 to 1870, Dr. Pickard says: "He was affable and attached himself to the student body by his remarkable memory of names and residences after a single introduction, and by remarkable ability as an impromptu speaker." Of President Schaeffer, he says in a footnote: "At the summit of his greatest efficiency, from which he could look forward to the enjoyment of rich fruitage after strenuous labor, he is called to put off the harness."

The accounts of the University libraries, museums, and illustrative collections, is also a valuable portion of the book, and one which strangers will very readily appreciate.

In the account of the educational opportunities offered by the University, in the way of student societies and enterprises, the writer betrays some lack of definite information.

The lists of all the officers and instructors who have been connected with the

University since its foundation, will prove of the greatest historical and reminiscent value.

From his years of service in the president's chair, and the deep interest which he has continued to manifest in University affairs, Dr. Pickard is peculiarly fitted to write of the progress and history of the University of Iowa. The present sketch is written in a fine manner, considering the statistical figures with which the writer had to deal. It has been deemed of such merit by the Board of Regents that that body has ordered a considerable edition printed in pamphlet form for distribution. It will give the stranger into whose hands it may fall, a most excellent idea of the University past and present.

PHILOMATHIANS DECLAIM.

OTTO BRACKETT WINS THE MEDAL.

The Philomathian Society held their annual declamatory contest at St. Brendan's Hall, Thursday evening. The speakers were greeted by a fairly large and exceedingly appreciative audience.

C. W. Humphrey, president of the society, presided. The music was furnished by the Iowa City High School guitar and Mandolin Club.

As a whole the contest was hardly up to the standard of University contests.

Most of the declaimers were well prepared, and showed good taste in the choice of the declamations, most of which were well adapted to the declaimers.

Mr. Edson, the first speaker, in true amateur style, forgets his piece, et exit.

The first declamation, "The Buffalo Stampede," by E. J. Louis, was well delivered. The speaker had good control of his voice, which he adopted very well to the piece.

T. E. Martin followed with "Buzzard's Peak." He immediately gained the attention of the audience by his fine voice, but the piece being too hard, he was unable to adapt himself to the various phases, and thus detracted from his general appearance.

C. W. Soesbe declaimed "The Chariot Race." He immediately entered into the spirit and excitement of the rather difficult selection, and easily carried his audience up to the climax, "the last round," which was especially fine. His enunciation at places was poor, but he easily won the place awarded by the judges.

Otto Brackett won first place with "Roderick Lee." The fluctuations of his voice were especially good, but the gestures, although perhaps the best of the evening, were rather stiff and ungraceful.

The literary part of the program was closed with a declamation "Dick's Story," by H. A. Angus. This was the best number on the program, from the audience's point of view, although not of the kind to be awarded high marks by the judges. He, however, carried off second honors. His brogue and delivery were good and tended to elevate the audience's opinion of the program.

The youngest college president in America is Dr. F. P. Graves, of the State University of Washington. He was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1869.

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Nebraska—May 19th.

Manager McDonald received word Thursday that Nebraska had signed the contract with Iowa for the track meet with Iowa this spring. The meet will be held in Iowa City, at the Fair Grounds, on Friday afternoon, May 19. The obtaining of the meet gives the finishing touches to a schedule of games undoubtedly the best ever presented our track teams by a manager. That meet will be hotly contested goes without saying. Nebraska, as shown in our last issue, has a team this year which she feels is twice as strong as in previous years. Our own team certainly promises to be one of the strongest in our history. The laurels and experience gained in the meet the previous week with Minnesota will aid them on to victory against Nebraska, our old-time Thanksgiving friend.

To obtain such a meet as the one with Nebraska takes money. Money is not obtained from wind nor extracted from "rubbers." It is the merry click of the silver at the gate that makes athletic meets possible. Our manager has provided a meet that is first-class. Will he be upheld by the students? Do we want athletic contests with Nebraska and Minnesota Universities, or with Wilton College and the South Amana Business College? Four hundred paid admissions at the Fair Grounds on the 19th of next May, will answer the question.

On True Combativeness.

As was noted in our last issue, the Freshman-Sophomore field meet, which was to have been held at Athletic Park, April 29th, has been declared off. Considerable interest is manifested in locating the blame for such an unfortunate event. As near as can be determined, it lies with several elements in the Freshman class, who insisted that Manager Butler should make several unreasonable demands. The Sophomores, desirous of having a meet at some sacrifice

even, granted that Brown and Bailey should not compete, as being old prize-winners apt to repeat the operation. The Freshmen then demanded that bicycle races be included in the events. Bicycle races are not included in the customary schedule for Freshman-Sophomore meets at this University, nor can they be run on Athletic Park, where the meet was to have been held. Moreover, the Sophomores have had no men training for this undreamed of event, and would be manifestly unable to enter men at this late date. The Sophomores, therefore, very properly refused to grant this further concession.

It is to be regretted that the class that has in past times proved so combative should thus waste its energies in demands for concessions, instead of beating the Sophomores in a fair and manly way in the field meet. Former classes made records as Freshmen that we are loath to see disregarded.

New Members in Phi Beta Kappa.

At a meeting of the local chapter held Thursday, the following members of the Senior class were elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa. Election is based upon high scholarship in the literary courses. The names are given in alphabetical order:

- Bertha M. Blum,
- Maurice L. Curtis,
- Charles R. Garrett,
- Ellen C. Green,
- H. Claude Horack,
- Libbie Howaad,
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FACT AND RUMOR.

Professor Shimek went to Minneapolis Thursday.

The Iowa-Minnesota debate will occur Friday, May 5th.

The Tau Deltas gave a dance to their co-ed friends last night.

The weather permitting, the Knox team plays Grinnell to-day.

Miss Codner, C. '99, went home yesterday, to make a short visit.

Polygon was entertained by Miss Sterling Wednesday evening.

Watch for the Zet-Irving base ball game, benefit of Athletic Union.

Mrs. Neff, M. '00, is succeeding well in her practice at West Liberty.

C. B. Ball, principal of Cogan schools, is here visiting Mr. Eaton, C. '99.

Miss Kathryn Way's mother and sister are visiting her for a few days.

Sigma Nu gave a dance yesterday evening in their halls on Iowa Avenue.

The Philomathian society have petitioned to become members of the Debating League.

Professor Calvin's geology class are enjoying a band wagon expedition to the State Quarries.

Messrs. Thompson, '00, and Ralph Otto, '00, joined Phi Delta Phi, the Law fraternity, Thursday night.

P. C. Myers, C. '98, has been elected to the position of Science teacher of the Iowa City High School for next year.

D. E. Graham, M. '02, left Wednesday for his home in DeWitt, Iowa, having safely recovered from a severe surgical operation, which detained him in the University hospital for four weeks.

LATEST STYLE HATS AND FURNISHING GOODS AT BLOOM & MAYERS.

Miss Orpha Newbold, who has been studying piano and harmony with Professor Zeno Nagel, has returned to her home near Wichita, Kansas.

The new Constitution of the Oratorical Association is out. They were neatly printed by the Republican office.

Professor Macbride gave a very interesting illustrative lecture on "The Tree" to his Botany classes, last night.

The total number of officers of instruction, including university curators, preachers and library officers, proctors and others at Harvard this year, is 466.

An alarm of fire at ten o'clock Friday morning drew students and citizens in considerable numbers to the old Marquardt place on North Capital street, now occupied by E. R. Brock. The houses in the block were so close together that it was feared that the fire might spread. The brick barn in which the fire was located fortunately kept the flames from gaining great headway before the firemen arrived.

Zetagathian.

Zet program was opened by A. P. Speers with a declamation entitled "Experience." The speech although short, showed Mr. Speers' ability as a declaimer.

B. J. Lambert gave a fairly good speech on the subject "Liquid Air." The subject was very ably handled, and was exceedingly instructive, although at times somewhat technical.

The debate was on the question: "Resolved, that the speaker of the house has too much power."

The affirmative of the question was opened by Mr. Saunders, in a very able speech, showing very clearly the arbitrary power now possessed by the speaker.

E. E. Rall opened for the negative in his usual rough, nervous manner. He tried to show that the speaker's powers were no greater than necessary.

The argument was continued by Bartlett, who very dexterously turned the arguments of the previous speaker to his own side. He showed the speaker's great and controlling power as appointer of committee.

The negative was closed by J. O. Johnson, who showed that the speaker was not an absolute ruler, and maintained that his powers were no greater than necessary, as they have only been granted as they were seen to be necessary. His rebuttal was good and telling.

I. T. Hawk's oration, "The Hero of Carthage," although not heard for the first time, was appreciated by the audience.

J. H. Fitz closed the literary part of the program with a very well rendered declamation.

The program was closed with a vocal solo by Fred Darby.

The debate was decided in favor of the affirmative.

Cornell has granted the privilege of wearing the "C" to twenty men this year.

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