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WE are glad to see such a large Freshman class. It tells plainly that the reputation of "Old Union" is firmly established, and that in spite of all embarrassments she is holding her own.

IT is a duty which students owe this paper to patronize those who advertise in it. They deserve, too, not only because they do advertise, but because they really offer unsurpassed inducements. Help those who help us.

THE want of an editorial room has long been felt by the different boards of editors of this paper. The work on a paper can hardly be done well without such a room, where the editors can meet and where all the material for the paper can be left. Thanks to the generosity of President Potter, the CONCORDIENSIS now possesses an editorial room.

THE CONCORDIENSIS, with the new year, becomes a University paper. The different departments of the University at Albany have now joined the college in its issue. Its form has been greatly changed — for the better, we think; and we shall endeavor to make as much improvement in the matter as has been made in the form.

WE are glad to be able to record a decided decrease of the practice of hazing here. Our local columns tell of the "Sophs" salting and putting the Freshmen on the table; but beyond this, there has been nothing in the treatment which the Freshmen have received at the hands of the Sophomores which deserves condemnation. Nor are we sure that the "Sophs" are to be condemned for salting and setting up the Fresh. Custom has almost made these things right; almost necessary. Yet we shall not be sorry when the custom dies out, as it is doing, little by little.

IT is good that at last there is some competition in the sale of college books here. For years there has been none, one dealer having almost a monopoly of the trade. The consequence was that about two prices were charged. There is a large profit to be made in the sale of text-books, legitimately; that is, when sold at the regular profit. But certainly it is not legitimate profit when a dealer, because he has little or no opposition in the trade, charges twenty or thirty per cent above the actual price. Schenectady and Union College, to-day, stand in need of a good new and second-hand bookstore where text-books would be sold at a reasonable profit. Such a store would succeed.

WE regret the removal of Prof. Webster from the chair of Natural History in this college. Union has by this action of the Board of Trustees lost one of the strongest men of her faculty. We cannot upbraid the Board of Trustees because of this action, for we recognize that they are to be supposed to have more knowledge of the affairs of this college than we have, and as eager a wish for her welfare. But we cannot help regretting an action that removed from the corps of our instructors one whom we always considered an

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excellent professor, a model man. Whether Prof. Webster's opposition to Dr. Potter was well or ill founded, it certainly never interfered with the work, to do which was his main business here. His removal is a thing to be regretted.

THE art of thinking on one's feet and at the same time expressing one's thoughts in good English is acquired only through long practice. The college possesses two excellent literary societies where such practice may readily be had. For the benefit of those who have lately come among us, and those of us who are still indifferent, we would say, that one could not have a better opportunity of becoming a good debater and extempore speaker than that which each of these societies holds out to him. Especially do we urge those who ever expect to speak in public, and also those who desire the use of a library to join either the Philomath. or Adelphic. The drill is as good as any received from the college course, and is certainly of more practical benefit. Let not this golden opportunity slip your grasp, but hold it with a vise-like grip. Join before the cold weather comes on; join before you forget all about this advice; in short, join at once.

THE Union College Athletic Association is a new society, the object of which, as indicated by the title, is the physical development of its members. The association is regularly organized and will be under the instruction of Prof. Cheplin. According to its provisions, any registered student of Union College may become a member by paying an entrance fee of one dollar and signing the constitution. The entrance fee, together with an assessment of fifty cents per term, will be used for purchasing necessary furniture. There will be provided for the use of members several pairs of Indian clubs, dumb-bells, boxing gloves, masks, foils, etc. The society will meet for instruction and exercise in the gymnasium on the evenings of Monday, Wednesday and Friday. President Potter has, we understand, promised to provide gas and necessary dressing-rooms. None but members will be allowed to attend the meetings. The association already numbers over 125, and no doubt many more will avail themselves of the exceptional advantages offered for obtaining instruction in that department of training college which students frequently neglect. The officers of the association are as follows: President, Allison, '84; Vice-President, Stanton, '85; Treasurer, Courtright, '86; Secretary, Burr, '87.

NOT long ago, in one of the Williams journals appeared an article condemning the treatment which the Williams nine received from us during their last visit in Schenectady. We are sorry that we have not had an earlier opportunity to question a few of the remarks contained in it; but "better late than never" is our motto. One of the grievances seems to lie in the fact that the nine were not met at the train and conducted by an escort to the hotel. Did they want an ovation at the depot, or were they afraid of getting lost in the intricate streets of Schenectady? We would now like to ask the author of that article if he can remember when the Union nine were ever met at the Williamstown depot? Certainly no such civility was shown them the last two times they played in Williamstown. Let the gentleman digest that old maxim concerning stones and glass houses. Another insult to their dignity was that "they were repeatedly hissed during the game by a crowd of Union students." That they were hooted at once or twice by a pack of small boys, who were silenced as soon as possible by the police, we do not deny; but the assertion that any Union students so forgot themselves, is false. The fact is the Williams nine were so blinded with chagrin at their defeat that they were unable to distinguish between a crowd of juvenile roughs and college students. At the close of the game the Union nine gave three cheers and their yell for their visitors, but the Williams nine never responded; on the contrary keeping a sulky silence they skulked off the grounds as if their defeat were a disgrace. We fail to see how in any way the Williams nine were badly treated. They may not have been paid all the attention due visitors, but of this we are assured, they received all the attention they deserved. The trouble is this: They were defeated, badly defeated, and instead of pocketing their defeat like men, they acted like a lot of school boys, and the result has been much unnecessary sympathy from their friends and an article in the college paper. At all events it is a poor way to explain a defeat, and all we have to say now is that when the Williams students show our nine a little more politeness then, and only then, can they expect better treatment at our hands.

When a freshman doesn't hear plainly the professor's question, he says, in a subdued tone, "Pardon me, professor, but I didn't understand your question." The sophomore says: "Will you please repeat your question?" The junior says: "What, sir?" and the senior says, "Humh."

THE CURE FOR LOVE.

IMPROMPTU.

"THE cure for love?" you ask me, ha!
And I reply instanter,
'Tis found in this: "Similia
Similibus curantur."

Love won and lost hath its own balm —
(Not time to half-forget it:
'Tis strange, but love's consuming flame
To quench, I would not wet it.)

Then take my homœpathic cure,
If you have loved in vain,
'Tis sugar-coated, yet 'tis sure:
"Take heart and — love again."

POSTSCRIPT.

And if you ask the warranty
Of my thus vaunted art,
No writ have I to show ye;
'Tis written in my heart.

Bishop, '85.

COLLEGE STUDENTS AS WAITERS.

ON the eastern side of the White Mountains, close by the base of Mt. Washington, may be seen one of the largest hotels in New Hampshire. Being situated in full view of the entire range, from its broad piazzas persons may be seen while ascending and descending the rugged side of Mt. Washington. Its favorable position attracts many guests, while it is especially popular among the *elite* of Boston and New York. One of the prominent features of this hotel, which, by the way, is called "The Glen House," is the waiters. These are students of limited means, who are in attendance at different educational institutions throughout the country. They make themselves agreeable to the guests, and for their attention are, in most instances, well rewarded. Thus they are enabled to pass a pleasant and at the same time profitable summer vacation.

The work leaves them much time to themselves, their routine being somewhat as follows: At 6:15 they are called, and generally rise at once. At 7 they are obliged to report in the dining-room, when the doors are opened for breakfast. Breakfast continues until 10 A. M.; but the time a waiter is on duty depends upon the party on whom he chances to wait.

The tables have a seating capacity of twelve, and there are two waiters at a table. Thus each one has a certain number on whom he must attend as long as their stay at the hotel may last. As soon as a waiter's party breakfasts, he must set up his table, and then he is free until 2 P. M.

The intervening time he may spend in recreation of any sort, or in study, as he may choose. On account of the many points of interest and beauty in the vicinity, tramping forms a healthy and entertaining way of spending spare time.

At 2 dinner commences, and until 3:30 the waiter is generally very busy. He is again free from 3:30 till 7, and again after 8:30. Thus the reader may see that the work is neither confining nor arduous.

For the first year, of course, the fees are not very great; but in the following years one will clear from $50 to $100 for his summer's work. Besides the pecuniary benefit, the work affords an excellent opportunity for the study of man; and a thorough knowledge of human character greatly assists a young man when he enters upon the business of life.

There are, of course, many ludicrous mistakes made by green waiters, but this must be expected. It is related that one waiter became so engaged in a discussion which was going on at the table in regard to the derivation of a Greek verb, that he became oblivious to his surroundings; and the head waiter was obliged to remind him that his attention was needed by some neglected individuals in another part of the table.

The waiters who have been engaged in this work for more than one year, are able to perform this duty in a way creditable to a professional. Many smaller hotels have lately employed student waiters with good success; but the Glen House was the pioneer in this respect. The waiters at the Glen House have been highly favored this summer by the gift of $3,000 by W. H. Vanderbilt. This will undoubtedly induce many students to try their hand at waiting next summer. In the near future, we may expect to see student-waiters only at all the fashionable resorts; while proprietors will advertise: Dinner served in all the dead and living languages.

FRANK BAILEY, '85.

Chemistry.— Prof. — "Mr. ——, please hand me that ewer there." Student.— "Sir?" Prof.— "That ewer there?" Student.— "Yes, sir; I'm here." Prof.— (*Getting his bile riled*), "On the table!" Student.— "On the table?" Prof.— (*Very much riled*), "Don't you see that ewer on the table?" Student.— "I *ain't* on the table." Prof.— (*Ready to burst*), "Can you see that ewer full of GAS?" Student feels greatly insulted, and leaves the room to lay before the president his grievances.—*Ex.*

THE FRESHMAN'S LAMENT.

OH, why did I leave the scenes of my childhood,
Where happy and blithe I roamed at my will;
Where free to pursue the dictates of fancy,
I wandered thro' valley, o'er mountain and hill.

When filled to the brim with nature's communings,
The sweet songs of birds, and all of that ilk,
How entrancing the touch of the soft, downy pillow,
How delicious the repast of sweet bread and milk.

My mother's dear voice in mem'ry comes to me,
E'er ready to soothe each childish distress;
When weary and cross, in my cradle she'd rock me,
And at morn she would kindly assist me to dress.

But now I have none to gently watch o'er me;
My soul is a constant prey to remorse;
Thro' the day I indulge in sad cogitations,
Befriended by none save my kind, faithful horse.

At night when I wearied essay to court slumber,
Half-dressed I throw myself down on my bed;
Dire visions of "Sophs" my brain so bewilder,
That waking I really wish I were dead.

The only sound, as it were, that salutes me,
Be it noon-tide, evening, midnight, or morn;
Alike breaking in upon musing or slumber,
Is the cry of "O, Frosh!" or the musical horn.

So great is the change, I hardly can bear it,
Alone in my room I weep in my pain;
And could I but get some wings that would hold me,
I'd fly right away to my mamma again.

Roy.

A FARCE, IN ONE ACT.

[Scene, the "Lab."; dramatic personæ, Frosh, '87—Juniors and Sophs, behind the door.]

(Enter the President of the Frosh). PRES.—"The class will please come to order."

1ST FROSH.—"Mr. President, I make a motion that we proceed to the election of a class poet, and that all the fellows who desire to be the poet hand in their productions to a committee to be appointed from the members of the class by the President, and that this committee report at the next meeting who, in their opinion, shall be the class poet. (Great applause.)

FROSH B.—"I make an amendment to the motion to the effect that the committee be chosen from the faculty." (Fact.)

The amendment was carried amid great confusion on the part of the members, who were only brought to order by the following speech from the President:

"Gentlemen, you did me the honor to elect me President of the class of '87. I accepted the office, and will cheerfully perform its duties to the best of my ability. But one thing *must* be understood and that is, this noise and confusion must be stopped. You fellows come in here stamping your feet and smoking cigarettes and raising such a row that it would take the ears of the Omnipotent One to distinguish a motion. And furthermore, if this don't stop, I shall be compelled to resign my office."

A dead silence fell upon the assembly, which was only broken by this remonstrance from the rear of the house:

"Mr. President, you always recognize them fellows down front and won't pay any attention to us fellows back here. It isn't fair, and we are going to kick." (Great applause from the rear "members," and cries of "Oh, Frosh!" from the inside of the "Lab.")

FROSH B.—"Mr. President, I move we buy a football for the Sophs." Carried.

FROSH B.—"I move we talk about a cane rush."

At this a deadly pallor o'erspread the faces of the members, and poor Frosh B. was "hissed down," and the meeting was adjourned in great confusion.

(Exeunt omnes "Frosh.")

PRIZE ORATION.

THE SOUTH WHICH LOST.

THE civil war of '61 was a trial of strength between North and South, and the weaker fell. It was the inevitable culmination of a century's discord. The sound of political strife from Washington to Lincoln foretold a contest fiercer than that of words, as faint subterranean mutterings indicate volcanic forces and predict their violence. The eruption came, wrought its devastation and ceased. Years have cooled the lava streams. From the crater no longer come the glare and smoke which formerly blinded our vision. Believing that the war is truly over, and that here among us at the north there exists in regard to it a clearer judgment than once was possible, I ask your atttention to the people whose cause in that war lacks the persuasive argument of success.

Without at all reviving dead issues, I will take for my subject "The South which Lost." I care not for the cry that she was wrong. I demand the recognition of her devotion to that which she deemed her duty. Submission seemed a desertion of principles and surrender of rights.

We may easily recall the heroism by which the South proved the sincerity of her motives. We *must* admire her brave sons who were developed into noble commanders than whom none have ever been more

pure, or free from personal ambition. Even a veteran Europe watched and admired. But despite all this, history tells of no struggle more sad. It was a lost cause from the first. What availed the devotion of the South, the dauntless spirit of her soldiers and the patient self-denial of her daughters? As the golden light of this modern-chivalry flashes forth in song and story, the world may wonder and applaud. But the end is singularly tragic. Gettysburg is over and I see, slowly withdrawing across the Potomac, the bleeding fragments of an army which once gained a Chancellorsville and a Fredericksburg.

After this exterminative defeat there follow other armies to take the field, well equipped and full of courage. But courage alone cannot draw resources from an exhausted land; it cannot fill an empty treasury; men cannot live without food and clothing; battles can't be fought without powder and ball. Still there is resistance, almost against fate. The ragged regiments thinned by death are filled with boys and thinned again. Need, exposure, famine, death have made a skeleton of a once glorious form. Yet it moves and strikes with a superhuman energy. But the beginning of the end has come. A final concerted movement, a defeat, and Richmond is taken. A hurried retreat. A last convulsive throb of the wasted body. An Appomattox. The standards so long and nobly born are lowered. The South has fallen.

How differently came peace to North and South. To the one it meant exultation over victory, a national credit restored, a commerce revived. To the South peace brought despair. Invasion had found it a land of plenty; the cyclone passed and left it a land of ruin. Sheridan's raid and Sherman's march were traceable by devastated plantations, deserted villages and blackened heaps of once happy homes. Fields bore no harvests, the commerce was ruined, and in short the South was beggared. When our armies were returning, crowned with triumph, had we of the North no thought for the men who so bravely opposed us? The victory was ours. But what had she? Where were her hopes and the intrepid armies she had sent forth? Ask the swamps of the Virginia peninsula. Ask the Chicamauga—river of death. To her the white-winged peace came not with healing, but in mockery. She saw but an angel of death hovering above and casting his dark shadow over the land. Laurels she had in abundance, but entwined with cypress. Peace, too, but the peace that follows destruction—the stillness that comes at midnight over the battle-field. The fight is over and the ground strewn with mutilated dead, but none to bury them. Dying men are groaning, but there are none to relieve their agony.

Need we be astonished that the South thus stunned and prostrated has not 'ere this exhibited more signs of life and activity? If she held aloof from the Union it was but natural. Time alone could heal her wounds and restore her prosperity, and *time has done it.* The night of gloom is over; the dawn is coming. Yea, it *has* come. The dark sulphurous canopy is lifting and the light of a new day shines upon the South.

At last the eyes of an astonished world are turned to the evidences of her progress. She claims a place of equality in the nation, and it is granted to the spirit of her people whose swords have been turned to ploughshares and spears to pruning hooks.

What means the welcome to all travelers from the North? What means this yearly mingling of Blue and Grey about the resting place of the honored dead? Nay, more, look back a few months to the hour when the nation stood anxiously watching by the bedside of its wounded Chief. What meant the thrill of sorrow that shot from Maryland to Texas—the sympathizing pressure of a friendly land in that awful silence? Tell me, does it not all mean that the storm which lashed the ocean has spent its force and the calm has come?

Let us estimate her by what she has done, and is. Let us rightly judge the past and in every quality which made a formidable enemy, we will find the assurance of a valuable ally.

There is destined to be no confederacy, and the Bonny Blue Flag must yield to the Stars and Stripes. Yet the lofty principle with which she was actuated, i. e., consecration of self to duty, is not dead but lives; lives, as I believe, not in brooding and disappointed hopes, not in sullen opposition to the terms of peace; but lives in a contented people; lives in an earnest application to the present; lives in promoting the glory of that government which has her new allegiance.

If this be so shall prejudice still condemn her? Shall animosity still reject her? Answer, sympathy and fraternal affection! Answer, justice and magnanimity! Answer, true wisdom that searches the future! Noble South, rising superior to poverty, grief and bitterness! Your appeal is heard. Generous North, responsive to the call, now doubly deserving your prosperity. Happy Union of such a North and such a South!

FRANKLIN W. MCCLELLAN.

About 500 students attended the Martha's Vineyard Summer Institution during this season.

A WISH.

BE it mine to love, while life's young stream
Flows sparkling on 'neath Pleasure's smile;
While naught may come to break the dream,
The fairy-dream that cheats awhile.
O may this heart beat coldly never!
Be it mine to love, and love forever.

Be it mine to love, when snow flakes fall,
Youth' s golden harvest all among;
When failing ears half-hear the call,
To that far home for which they long.
True hearts what length of days can sever?
Be it mine to love, and love forever.

Be it mine to love, when naught of earth
And earthly things for me remains;
When I am gone, with what of worth
Will palliate my glowing stains.
Here and beyond the sable river,
Be it mine to love, and love forever.—*Bishop, '85.*

FIELD DAY.

THE publication of THE CONCORDIENSIS having been unavoidably delayed, we are enabled to give the results of the field day contests held the 19th inst., in our present issue, instead of waiting, as we had intended, until our next.

Half-mile race — F. S. Randall, '86, 2 m. 26 sec.
Throwing base ball — E. L. Fletcher, '86, 349 ft. 2 in.
Running hop, skip and jump—E. L. Fletcher, '86, 39 ft. 3 in.
100 yards dash — J. A. Heatly, '84, 11 sec.
1 mile walk — G. F. Allison, '84, 9 min. 39 3-4 sec.
Pole vault — T. Haslett, '86, 6 1-2 ft.
Running broad jump — E. L. Fletcher, '86, 17 ft. 6 1-2 in.
Egg race — eight eggs in a row, placed at equal intervals, 30 yards from starting point to the farthest egg. The contestant having to bring each egg singly to the starting point — E. G. Hays, '86, 1 m. 10 1-4 sec.
1 mile run — W. T. Foote, Jr., '85, 5 m. 57 3-4 sec.
220 yard dash — H. V. N. Philip, '84, 23 1-2 sec.
Running high jump — E. G. Hays, '86, 5 ft.
Throwing hammer — E. L. Fletcher, '86, 56 ft. 5 1-2 in.
Three-legged race — 50 yards — G. S. Dorwin, '86, and Z. Clark, '84, 9 1-4 sec.
Hurdle race — 100 yards, 10 hurdles — H. V. N. Philip, '84, 16 1-4 sec.
Consolation race — 50 yards — E. T. Perkins, Jr., '85, 12 1-4 sec.
Rope pull between '84 and '86 — Decided in favor of '84.
Referee — Prof. Cheplin.
Judges — C. N. Yates and E. E. Smith.
Time-keeper — T. Low Barhydt.
Starter — C. W. Vanderveer.

'87 has fifty members. Seventeen are taking the classical course, eighteen the scientific, and the remainder are eclectics or use the labratory. Several are from the South and one is an Indian.

SPORTS.

THE foot-ball is seen on the campus occasionally, but does not awaken as much interest here as in manyother places.

Base ball "opened up" with a game between '86 and '87, resulting in favor of the latter by a score of 14 to 10; consequently the '87 men are highly elated.

In consequence of the loss of several of our best players, the prospects of our "nine" for the ensuing year are not very flattering, although it is too early yet to decide as to the talent which the Freshman class may develop in this direction.

On account of the inclemency of the weather, the members of the Canoe club have not taken their canoes from the boat house since the opening of college. The club at present numbers eight, and expects before the coming boating season to have its number greatly augmented.

A year ago the CONCORDIENSIS bewailed the fact that while other colleges had their tennis courts, Union, so ready usually to serve the interests of her students in the matter of exercise and amusements, failed in this respect. Since then, however, this healthful and popular sport has had a decided boom, and bids fair to rival even base ball. Several secret societies have each their court; and when all are engaged in games at the same time, as they not infrequently are, the campus presents quite a lively appearance.

The much talked-of subject of field-day exercises now bids fair, under the auspices of the U. C. A. A., to receive the attention required to make it a reality. At a meeting held by the association, October 3, 1883, committees were appointed to make the necessary inquiries regarding the most suitable place for holding such exercises, to solicit subscriptions, receive entries for competition, decide upon the events to be contested, the medals or prizes to be awarded, etc. The committees were instructed to make their reports to the association as early as possible. We hope, in our next issue, to be able to chronicle the affair as a decided success.

The "gym" is looking rather dilapidated at present, and plainly evinces the lack of proper attention. Since the departure of "Vandy," its decline has been steady. No longer is heard the warning sound, "Look out for the shoes," as some unsophisticated "Frosh" innocently meanders over the horizontal or

parallel bars, leaving on their surfaces the imprints of the nails in his shoes.

In the absence of proper hooks, the gas-fixtures have been used for holding overcoats, etc., until several of them will require the attention of a plumber before they will be in a serviceable condition.

No excuse, however, appears for such wanton destruction as is shown in the cutting of one of the ropes of the trapeze.

The Indian clubs, too; where are they? Gone, doubtless, to find the dumb bells. Day after day we have gone to the "gym" desiring to exercise with the clubs, but could not find them. This is not right. If men desire to use common property, belonging in the "gym," let them use it in its proper place, giving others, who have an equal right, an equal chance also. We do not, for a minute, suppose that students remove college property for the purpose of making it their own, but taking it to their rooms to use for a short time, they forget or neglect to return it. There is another evil connected, as it seems, unnecessarily, with the "gym," which ought to be remedied. Occasional complaint is made that property is removed which never returns. Only last season several suits of clothing were stolen from the dressing room. The "gym" is intended for the use of those connected with the college, and for those only; and the sooner "townies" are made to understand this thoroughly the sooner, in our estimation, will the evil referred to cease. If a student desires to bring a friend into the gymnasium, it is, of course, perfectly right that he should do so. But the promiscuous visiting of the "gym" by boys from the city, who only await a favorable opportunity to carry away whatever they may be able to secure, should be immediately stopped.

FASTEST RECORDS.

Event.	*Nationality of winner.*	*Time.*
100 yards dash,	American,	9 1-4 sec.
150 yards dash,	American,	15 sec.
220 yards dash,	American,	22 1-2 sec.
One mile run,	English,	4 m. 16 1-5 sec.
Running long jump,	Irish,	23 feet 1 1-2 inch.
Running high jump,	Irish,	6 feet 3 3-4 inch.
Base ball throw,	American,	400 ft. 7 1-2 inch.
Foot ball kick,	Scotch,	187 feet 10 inch.
Pole vault,	English,	11 feet 4 1-2 inch.

A bald-headed man who has heard that the hairs of a man's head are numbered, wants to know if there is no place where he can obtain the back numbers.

FACULTY.

PROF. CHEPLIN, who takes Prof. Price's place in College was born in Maine. There he was educated and received his appointment to West Point, where he graduated second in his class. He remained about a year and a half in the service and then resigned. He went to Japan and was instructor in the Imperial College. After serving there a number of years he returned to the United States and became professor in an Agricultural College in Maine. From that place he came to Union. He is already popular among the students.

Prof. Webster, formerly of Union, but now of the Rochester University, will return from Europe some time during the month. From a letter we learn that on a certain day *he walked fourteen miles*. Either the miles are shorter there or he has greatly accelerated his pace.

Prof. Foster has spent most of his vacation out of town. He has been to the sea shore and was evidently benefitted by his trip, as he tells the boys that he feels as young as he did twenty years ago.

Rev. George Alexander, professor of logic and rhetoric, has received two calls to other churches, during the vacation. One to New York city, at a salary of $8,000, and another to Orange, N. J. He has re-refused them both.

Lieut. Hubbell, who is to have charge of military affairs in College, has not yet arrived from San Francisco. The freshmen fearfully await his coming.

Prof. Price will go to Philadelphia shortly, in order that he may escape the severe weather of the winter. His health has not improved much.

Prof. Whitehorne greets all the boys with a smile, and is as hale and hearty as ever.

Prof. Ashmore spent his vacation at the Adirondacks and at the sea shore.

Prof. Hollis spent a part of his vacation among the Adirondacks.

Major McMurray has been sent to Astoria.

Younger sister.—"Miss Jones told us to-day, in school, that young people who read Byron lose all their freshness. Have we a copy in the house, Mary?"

Mary.—"Yes, Clara; why?"

Clara.—"I want to read some to Tom before he goes back to college."—*Chaff.*

LOCALS.

WELCOME '87.

Here we are again with THE CONCORDIENSIS.

Perkins, '86, has left college.

W. G. Shaible, '86, has re-entered college.

Get out your overcoats, and get in your coal.

Look at THE CONCORDIENSIS and see what you think of it.

The freshman class is described as a "bully good class."

'86 has three new members — H. W. Veeder, E. G. Hayes, T. Haslett.

Prof. Price has been obliged to stop teaching on account of ill-health.

Will somebody inform the inquiring Fresh why they call Anable "Tute?"

The "Evening Star" describes the revel of the Sophs in the gymnasium as "all hell let loose."

Judging from the number of "bolts," the county fair must have been well attended by students.

Rev. Wm. E. Griffis is filling the chair in Metaphysics, formerly occupied by Prof. Webster.

The Freshmen beat the Sophomores in a game of base-ball on the campus by a score of 14 to 10.

The sophomores commenced their analytics this term with Prof. Cheplin, the successor to Prof. Price.

Wemple, '86, is teaching school in Scotia. Mr. Wemple came over and made us a short call last week.

The following men have left Union and entered Williams: A. Halsey, '85; A. W. Wheeler, '86; E. J. Wheeler, '85.

The junior engineers are delving into Bartlett's Mechanics under Prof. Cheplin. Hitherto it has been taken as second term's work.

Much of the success of the last prize speaking was due to the efforts of Prof. Goewey of the Albany High School, who trained the competitors.

Perkins, '85, has just returned. During vacation he held a responsible position in connection with the Louisville Exhibition. "Perk" is genial as ever.

At a meeting of the Faculty it was decided that any further demonstration on the part of the Sophomores would be considered a matter for discipline.

The sophomores have been well feasted on fruits this term, and almost every night witnesses one of their revels at the expense of some "poor Freshman."

Soph.— Freshman, where are those peaches which you promised to bring? Fresh.— "Couldn't get any good ones. Pa went all over the city to look for them."

Addison, '83, at present in attendance at Harvard, was here lately on a short vacation. In addition to his theological studies, he is pursuing some in the university course. We wish him success.

The freshmen must be men of business; they have held two class meetings since the beginning of the term. At their first meeting the following officers were elected: President, G. L. Flanders; Vice-President, W. P. Brown; Secretary, J. E. Kelly; Treasurer, G. E. Wentworth; B. B. Director, H. S. Escourt.

A movement is on foot among the juniors to have a house of representatives in connection with the senior senate. A committee has been appointed to wait on Prof. Staley and report concerning the matter.

Student.—Why does n't the moonlight stream over the water as it did when we were farther up the river?"

Maiden.— Because we are nearer the moon now and the light comes down perpendicularly.

The canoe club formed last year is now in a flourishing condition. Every day the boats are in use, and the members agree that more pleasure and profit can be obtained from this department of college athletics than from any other.

"Did Foote go out sailing in his canoe?" "He did." "Did the wind capsize him?" "It did." "Did he get wet?" "He did." "Did he climb on the boat with his coat tails floating grandly out behind, and paddle to shore?" "He did." "He did."

A petition to the president and faculty is being circulated throughout the college. The petition asks for the discontinuance of chapel on Saturday morning, and is signed by nearly all, if not all, of the students. We hope it will be well considered, and obtain its desired result.

During the vacation several of the members took their boats with them, and have returned with nothing but praises for the way in which they were carried through storm and flood, whirlpool and rapids. One took a cruise about New York harbor; another haunted the waters of Lake Champlain; another took a trip up the Erie canal, and returned by the Mohawk river.

A few nights since a company of Sophs marched down street to the music of the tin-horn, and made a

raid on the freshmen. After collecting several of them, they again marched back to the college and "set them up" in the "gym." At the conclusion of the ceremony Freshie was given a bottle of milk and put to bed, after which he was left to dream of the joys of college life.

After much electioneering and manœuvering the sophomores have succeeded in electing their class officers. They have in each case elected men who, we believe, will do their duty faithfully. Hereafter, however, we hope there will be less wrangling for class offices. The officers for this year are: F. W. Skinner, president; G. H. Case, vice-president; W. P. Landon, secretary; L. T. Felthousen, treasurer; E. S. C. Harris, B. B. director.

The Adelphic Literary society elected a new corps of officers on the 6th inst., as follows: President, J. W. Higson, '84; vice-president, C. A. Cockroft, '84; secretary, E. S. C. Harris, '86; treasurer, J. S. Bishop, '84; engrossing clerk, S. F. Leo, '84; advocate, Dow Beekman, '84; librarian, H. G. Porcher, '84. On the same day the Philomathians elected officers as follows: President, R. R. Benedict, '84; vice-president, J. J. Kemp, '84; treasurer, J. B. Duffie, '85; secretary, T. H. Foote, '86; librarian, W. T. Foote, '85.

The salting of freshmen is a time-honored custom, and in every college salt is considered to be the one thing necessary for freshness. The sophomores have shown no inclination to let this custom decline; and if salt has not lost its savor, the freshmen were thoroughly salted. The sophomores met them face to face while coming out of chapel, and for a time the Freshies were bewildered. Then they came boldly forth and were greeted by a shower of salt, which burst forth from every side and whitened the ground on all sides. When their ammunition was exhausted the Sophs departed, leaving the freshmen to brush off the salt as best they could.

The appearance of a hand-organ about the colleges is an unusual occurrence; and when one does make its appearance it is the signal for some fun. A few days ago some bad Sophs sighted one of these instruments about the colleges, and for a few nickels induced its manipulator to strike up a tune at the door of Freshie's recitation room. When he had played a few notes the professor came out and informed him that his services were not required. He was finally directed to Prof. Ashmore's room. The professor saw him coming and gave him seven cents, and requested him not to interfere with his work. The musician assented and started off, but the Sophs were not to be foiled so easily, and started to bring him back. In a few minutes the professor was astonished to hear the music of the hand-organ in the rear of the building. The professor quickly picked up his hat and in an instant had jumped from the window to the ground below, much to the amusement of the shouting Sophs. The professor waved his fist before the vagabond's nose, and from all appearances gave him to understand that the way to safety lay in a speedy retreat. This he did and the professor returned to his room in his usual mood.

WHAT THE CONCORDIENSIS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

HOW you like the paper?

What the freshmen did with their half barrel of salt?

Where the Indian clubs and dumb-bells are that belong to the "gym?"

Who will be the University pitcher?

What became of the exhibition the Canoe club were to give?

Why so many seniors take French?

Where the reading-room is?

If there will be a college fair?

How much Prof. A—— gave the organ grinder?

Who is the college dude?

What punishment the student deserves who will not subscribe for five copies of this paper?

Who received the Potter prize for the neatest room?

COLLEGE NEWS.

THE corner stone of the new "gym," at Amherst, was laid October 13th.

The Freshman class at Dartmouth numbers 99; at Williams, 86; at Lehigh University, 105; at Amherst, only 64.

Professor Painter, of Roanoke College, Virginia, joins Francis Adams, Jr., in the crusade against Greek and Latin.

Sanscrit, taught by Mr. Smythe, is among the Senior electives at Williams College this year, and is taken by one student.

There were ninety-five applicants for admission to the class of '87 at Columbia. Sixty-five of these were from New York city. Thirteen were admitted without condition.

The following is the circulation of the leading American college papers: The Dartmouth, 1,030; Tuftonian, 1,000; Yale Courant, 850; Yale News, 650; Lam-

poon, 700; Harvard Advocate, 450; Athenæum, 600; Princetonian, 725; Amherst Student, 625.

Oberlin College has established a chair of Political Economy and International Law, and has called to fill it Mr. James Monroe, formerly United States minister to Brazil.

The *Athenæum* says: "The success of the performances of the 'Ajax,' at Cambridge, have been so great that the 'Birds' of Aristophanes will be produced in next October term."

The post-graduate department of Yale College will embrace this year a course of study on railroads and their growth, shipping and international trade, stocks, and the effects of speculation on the money market.

BETA THETA PI.

THE forty-fourth annual convention of this society was held at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Aug. 28, 29, 30 and 31st. The convention was opened with a salutatory address by the Hon. J. R. Knox, the founder of the fraternity. In the evening a reception and hop was tendered to the delegates in the Congress Hall ball room. Among the business before the convention were applications for charters from two New England colleges and from one in New York, Ohio, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama and Colorado. Only one charter was granted, viz., to the "Torch and Crown" society of Amherst College. Letters of regret were received from ex-Vice-President Colfax, Gen. Durbin Ward, Judges Carpenter, Wells and Peck, Presidents Reed of the University of California, and McIlwaine of Hampden-Sidney College, Hon. B. Gratz Brown, Hon. Daniel Voorhees, Hon Wm. Springer, Governors Porter, of Indiana, and Crittenden, of Missouri, and many others.

On Wednesday evening, the public literary exercises took place. They were opened by the singing of the Latin ode "*Gemma nostra.*" Rev C. N. Simms, D.D. LL. D., President of the Syracuse University, delivered the oration, entitled "The March of Manhood to the Inheritance of its Rights." J. Lindsey Gordon of the University of Virginia was the poet. Thursday evening the annual banquet was held, and on the following day the delegates, their ladies and friends visited Lake George.

The delegates from New Chapter Union College were J. R. Van Ness, F. D. Hall and A. B. Bishop.

The next convention will be held at Cleveland with the Beta chapter, Western Reserve University, Aug., 1884.

PERSONALS.

[Communications concerning any of the alumni will be gladly received and inserted in these columns.]

'20. George Curtis is seriously ill at his home. He and Dr. Hickok are the sole survivors of this distinguished class.

'24. Prof. Stephen Alexander died at Princeton, N. J., June 25th, 1883, two days before the last commencement of Union College. He was born and brought up in Schenectady, his family residing in State street, on the site now occupied by De Forest's furniture rooms. After graduating he became Professor of Mathematics in the celebrated Polytechnic Institute established at Chatenango by Rev. Dr. Andrew Yates, who had been Professor of Languages and afterwards of Logic and Metaphysics in Union College. Subsequently he was called to the Professorship of Astronomy in Princeton College. After the death of Prof. Dod he took, in addition, the chair of Mathematics, and after the acceptance by his brother-in-law, Prof. Joseph Henry, of the Secretaryship of the Smithsonian Institution, at Washington, D. C., he for some years occupied the chair of Natural Philosophy. Amid all these changes, however, astronomy continued to be the subject chiefly absorbing his attention. His observatory was a building located in the rear of his house, constructed of rough boards, and having a breadth, height and length of about five, six and seven feet respectively. In this edifice was placed a barrel filled with ashes and serving as a column for the support of a portable transit instrument, which, with a ship chronometer, a small telescope and a sextant, completed his equipment for astronomical observation. With these meagre appliances, however, not only did his tireless energy enable him to maintain a place in the front rank of American astronomers, but his investigations, especially in physical astronomy, often attracted the attention of the astronomers of Europe. The little observatory of earlier days at Princeton is now replaced by the new Halsted Observatory, which was built under Prof. Alexander's supervision. Prof. Alexander was no "undevout" astronomer, but a man of most fervent and unobtrusive piety. Profoundly accomplished in general, as well as in scientific, scholarship, and possessing a most genial disposition, he could not, and did not, fail to secure the admiration and the love of all who were favored with his acquaintance.

'51. Rev. I. Frey, pastor of a Lutheran church at Reading, Pa., visited the college a few days ago.

'63. Rev. Dr. Henry C. Potter, of Grace church, New York, was recently elected an assistant Bishop. His election will involve his resignation as rector of Grace church and his future elevation to the Bishopric. He received from Union the degree of M. A. in '63, and D.D. in '65.

'63. Thomas H. Fearey has sailed for Europe. He intends to be absent about two years.

'64. C. F. Lewis is connected with the Treasury Dept. at Washington, having charge of the stamp vault of the Internal Revenue bureau.

'64. B. S. Lewis is practicing law in Naseca, Minn.

'67. Rev. R. Ennis has resigned his pastorate in Albany and accepted one in Dakota.

'77. Rev. A. V. V. Raymond recently declined a call from the First Reformed church of Albany.

'80. F. Rogers is practicing law at Westerley, R. I., and D. Muhlfelder at Albany.

'81. H. Neagle graduated an L.L.B. at the Law School of the Columbian University last spring, and will take the post graduate this fall. He is at present in the Treasury Department, Washington.

'82. F. D. Van Wagenen is in the real estate business at Fulton, N. Y.

'82. L. A. Coffeen *fills* the chair of Science at the Ogdensburgh Academy.

'82. C. Temple paid a recent visit to the college. He will graduate from the Theological Seminary next year.

'82. J. R. Fairgrieve is principal of an academy at Schaghticoke, N. Y.

'83. Geo. Sherwood is at Portland, Oregon, on the N. P. R. R.

'83. E. H. Adriance has a school at E. Springfield N. Y.

'83. J. R. Harding is teaching at Kingston, N. C.

'83. McCauley is engineering on the Reading, Pa., road.

'83. De Puy is home at Bath, and at last accounts was not in good health.

'83. Gilbert is in business in Lockport, N. Y.

'83. Wood is reading law at Washington, D. C.

'83. McElwain is at home in Cohoes, N. Y.

'83. McClellan is in the brass works in Schenectady.

'83. Lansing is on the Hyde Park, Ill., *Herald.*

'83. Addison has joined the class of '84 at Harvard.

'84. Parmenter has left college.

'84. Rooker sailed for Rome in September to study for the priesthood.

'85. Addison is at St. John's, Annapolis.

'85. Wands has left college and is farming in Albany county.

'85. Brann is at Princeton.

'85. Franklin has rejoined his class.

'85. Guion has left college.

'85. McCauley has left college.

'85. Moulton intends to come back next year.

'85. Perkins has returned to college.

'85. Smith has left college and will probably enter Cornell.

'85. Wheeler is at Williams.

'86. Gallien has left college.

'86. Judson is the first man of '86 to enter the matrimonial state.

'86. Perkins has left college.

'86. Shaible has rejoined his class.

'86. Shick has entered the class of '86 at La Fayette College.

'86. Wemple is teaching school at Scotia.

Prof. Swithim C. Shortlidge, one of the successful instructors of the country, has a flourishing academy at Media, Pa.

TENNIS.

IF ever a racket you're needing,
Or are longing to have a good time;
Just leave off all thinking and reading,
And purchase a bucket of lime.

Now mark off a court with precision,
Buy net and a racket and balls;
Then I leave you to make the decision,
That you've sport for the springs and the falls.

And then if you're wanting a player,
In order to make up a set;
Why tell me, and then I'll be there
To play on your side of the net.

POLLY W., *in Spectator.*

Albany Law School.

THE CONCORDIENSIS.

JUDGING from the unanimity of sentiment expressed at the adoption of THE CONCORDIENSIS by the students of the Law school, it will be well supported by them, both as regards literary work and subscriptions.

The columns of the paper are open to contributions from the pens of any of the students, subject only to the discretion of the editors; and it is hoped all will avail themselves of its privileges, and help to make it bright, newsy and interesting.

The subscription price is reasonable for a paper of this general class, and it is expected that every student will give it the benefit of his support in this direction.

The larger the subscription, the better the paper.

It is the intention of the editors to make each number of the paper better than the preceding one, until Union University shall boast that to her belongs the honor of publishing the best paper of this kind.

Great effort will be made to have literary work of the highest character in the columns of the paper, and to make it a grand success in every respect.

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ORGANIZATION OF THE LAW CLUBS.

Four of the law clubs have been organized with the following officers:

Smith Debating Club.—President, G. E. Garland; vice-president, J. L. Weeks; secretary, J. W. Paddoc; treasurer, E. A. Gifford.

Kent Club.—President, A. W. Ray; vice-president, W. H. Foster; secretary, D. J. O'Sullivan; treasurer, L. T. Mudge.

Sickles Moot Court Club.—Prof. H. E. Sickles, chief justice; W. Scott, W. H. Tripp, G. E. Moore, C. Rutheford, W. S. Hulslander, supreme court justices; E. B. Simonds, county judge; L. T. Mudge, county treasurer; C. H. Tipling, county clerk; W. F. McNamara, district attorney; S. M. Boyton, crier; E. T. Durand, N. S. Embody, justices; H. D. Borden, sheriff; J. S. Sitterly, C. F. Aston, constables.

Eureka Moot Court Club.—President, F. W. Ballard; vice-president, R. H. McMann; secretary, D. H. Sullivan; financial secretary, J. B. Moffett.

SICKLES MOOT COURT CLUB.

ON Thursday evening, October 4th, in the court of sessions, County Judge Simonds presiding, the case of the People v. Foster was taken up.

Foster was indicted for an assault, with a deadly weapon, with intent to kill one Ashton on the 28th of September last.

After the impaneling of an "intelligent" jury, the case was opened by District Attorney McNamara, in behalf of the people.

Messrs. Ashton, Ray, Sloan and Smith, witnesses for the prosecution, gave testimony of the same general import, which tended to establish the guilt of the prisoner.

Counselor Tripp opened the case for the defence, calling as witnesses Messrs. Foster, Garland, Sullivan and Weeks, whose testimony favored the prisoner as strongly as that of the prosecution tended to prove his guilt, but the district attorney succeeded in impeaching the character of two of the witnesses for the defence.

In closing, Counselor Tripp made an eloquent appeal to the jury, soaring from the pathetic to the sublime, but that "intelligent" jury was asleep.

The district attorney succeeded in awakening the jury,— indeed, it was thought the effect would have been the same had the jury been dead. His appeal in behalf of justice was one of the achievements of a lifetime, and it was with difficulty that Judge Simonds suppressed the thunders of applause.

The judge then charged the jury concerning their duty and the law governing their action, after which they retired to the jury-room. After a short recess the jury was reported as having agreed. Foreman Steck, standing in his place, reported, as the verdict of the jury, "not guilty," when every other man on the jury hollored "I dissent," and the judge sent them back to the jury-room.

In a few minutes the jury again reported with a verdict of "guilty," when juryman Davidson "dissented," and they were again remanded to the jury-room, where they rode the dissenter on a rail until he was fully convinced that the prisoner was guilty.

Counselor Tripp then "dissented," on the grounds that the jury was improperly impaneled,— but half of them were sworn, one was intoxicated, one was bribed; that they were not put in custody of the proper officer, and that they were allowed to communicate with outsiders.

Judge Simonds granted a stay of proceedings, pending an appeal.

The court then adjourned until October 11th.

IN MOOT COURT.

Several cases have been argued in Moot court, Justice Smith presiding, but perhaps the most interesting one, so far, was that argued on October 5th.

The case was opened by Mr. Ashton, of counsel for plaintiff, in a manner highly creditable to that young man. Mr. Ashton was followed by Mr. Fisher, of counsel for defence, whose pointed sarcasm and brilliant oratory took the house by storm. Mr. F. referred to Prof. Smith as "the man on whom has fallen the mantle of Chancellor Kent, and the greatest expounder of the common law since the days of Blackstone." During the tremenduous applause which followed this master-stroke, the justice, by means of the gavel, called the house to order, at the same time making some comments upon the disorder, when Counselor F., not understanding the remarks, asserted that he was there to defend the interests of his client, which he intended to do. And he did.

Mr. Fisher was followed by his colleague, Mr. Garland, who, though not so forcible a speaker as his predecessor, gave a very lucid and concise exposition of his side of the case and the law governing it.

The last speaker, Mr. Davidson, of counsel for plaintiff, made a very clear and able argument supporting his side of the case, after which it was submitted to the opinionist and court, both of whom decided in favor of plaintiff. The case was well argued and very interesting throughout.

CLASS STATISTICS.

There are 52 (fifty-two) men in the class.

Average age, twenty-three.

The oldest man is thirty-eight, and the youngest nineteen.

Sixteen colleges are represented in the class.

The following societies have representatives in the class: Sigma Phi, Delta Phi, Scull and Bones, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Pi Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Dela Upsilon.

There are twenty college men in the class.

There is a variety of nationalities among our number, but it is thought the Irish element predominates.

No dudes.

BRIEFS.

GREETING!

How do you like our appearance?

There are six married men in the class, three heads of families, one widower, and forty-six in the field.

On Wednesday, October 3rd, Judge Learned began his course of lectures on the subject of Equity Jurisprudence.

The Law School opened September 4th; the Medical College, September 11th; Union College, September 19th, and the School of Pharmacy, October 1st.

About a dozen of the students went to New York on Saturday to spend the Sabbath. The three temperance men of the party succumbed to the Croton water.

The local drug trade is immense; in other words, a couple of our friends are "straining every nerve" to make the "desert blossom as the rose;" that is, they are trying to coax a little hair on the upper lip.

Prof. S——. "Mr. P——, can you tell me what is the earliest record we have of the making of a will?" Mr. P——. "Well—a—I think it is way back in Genesis somewhere." Prof. S——. "Yes, a text-book, by the way, which I would recommend to your careful perusal."

On Tuesday, October 2d, a class meeting was held in the library, at which it was resolved to support THE CONCORDIENSIS, and elect two editors, who should represent the Law school upon the editorial corps. Upon ballot, Messrs. B. C. Sloan and F. E. Smith were declared elected as such editors.

Prof. Smith closed a very interesting and instructive course of lectures on "Personal Property," on the 16th of September. On the following morning he began on the subject of "Contracts." The professor has already won a warm place in the hearts of the students, and we cannot wonder that the members of each class are sorry when they have heard the professor's final lecture.

A few evenings since a number of "the boys" were engaged in a general conversation, when one of the party remarked that he could not understand why people should call lawyers a sickly set of men; another of the party, who will undoubtedly be successful in the profession, said he thought the saying true, because lawyers were either lieing on one side or the other, and were uneasy all the time.

Prof. Sickles closed his course of lectures on "Sources of the Municipal Law," on September 15th. On the following evening a Moot Court club was organized and named in honor of the professor, after which the members of the club tendered him a serenade. Mr. McNamara, in behalf of the class, in a few well-chosen and apt remarks, informed the professor of the occasion of the serenade, and tendered him the thanks of the class for his very valuable instruction and evident interest in the welfare of the class. Prof. Sickles responded, thanking the club for the honor conferred upon him, and again assured them of his interest in them, and his desire to assist them in attaining a knowledge of the law.

Albany Medical College.

[A number of THE CONCORDIENSIS will be issued every month, containing matter from the Albany Medical College, until after the Commencement. Price, 80 cts. to medical subscribers. All subscriptions must be paid to S. E. Armstrong, 47 Eagle Street, Albany.]

THE editors of the medical department of this paper have no excuses to offer the public for appearing on the scene of medico-literary action; they believe the interests which they represent, together with the fact that their fellow students have asked them to act in this capacity, to be sufficient reason for their appearing. The object, as we understand it, that those most interested in this new enterprise have in view, is the rounding out and bringing nearer to completion what long since had been begun, viz: the amalgamation of the several departments of the University into one well organized whole, thereby promoting the interests of all concerned. Of course for encouragement and support we must look to the College faculty, the alumni and the students; we have every needed aid from the faculty so far as it is at present concerned and it only remains for the alumni and students to manifest a proper interest in a way which is apparent to every one. In return for this the editors will use their humble talents, sparing no time or trouble to bring about success. We have the promise from members of the various classes, of some original matter for our next and succeeding issues. We believe we have students in our College sufficiently talented to make these articles both pleasing and instructive to those who would be interested in a paper of this kind. All the space will be accorded us for which we may see fit to ask, at commencement time, and it will be our endeavor to publish all the items of interest which may present themselves, including the essay and valedictory address.

WE are filled with sad reflections in contemplating the sudden and awful death of our once beloved professor, Dr. Jacob S. Mosher. Only a few short months since, we left him in the full enjoyment of his vital powers; he gave us that hearty shake of the hand and that kindly invitation to "call again when convenient, Mr. ——" which every student of the Albany Medical College was wont to experience when he had called on his learned teacher and was about to take his leave. But, more than this, he would oftentimes on his way from the lecture room, it would seem from sheer love for the boys, tarry and chat with them. His vast store-house of knowledge was always open on call and the burdens of many students have been materially lifted, their hearts made gayer and their college life more endurable by information gained by simply asking Dr. Mosher a few questions. As a lecturer he was not rapid but concise; by him every subject was made clear that he touched upon and his slowness of delivery was really a virtue as it gave time for taking notes, and he did not hesitate, when proper occasion presented, to crack a joke or tell a story. Besides occupying the chairs of Pathology, Practice, Clinical Medicine and Hygiene in the Albany Medical College, and being President of the College of Pharmacy, Dr. Mosher had held positions of trust and honor in the state:

"But what were these to us or him?"

They were naught to us when contrasted with his overflowing kindness, his unostentatious and gentlemanly deportment. It was naught to him; he wore his honors as gracefully and with as little pretension as a modest bride wears her marriage robes.

BEFORE nine o'clock, A. M., on Friday, September 14th, a goodly number of students were assembled in the amphitheatre somewhat anxiously awaiting the appearance in the arena of our new lecturer, Dr. Henry Hun. We had not long to remain in suspense for, promptly on the hour, the gentleman presented himself, and with but few introductory remarks, at once began the consideration of his most difficult subject, that of "Diseases of the Nervous System." In order that we may better comprehend what is to follow, the doctor has been giving us the anatomy of the cerebro-spinal nervous system, and that with great care, illustrating his subject with numerous specimens, plates and drawings, most of which he himself has collected at the expense of considerable time and money. As a didactic lecturer, we can say he gives complete satisfaction to the students. His clinics at St. Peter's Hospital are conducted on a thoroughly practical and scientific basis. Dr. Hun is a graduate of the Sheffield Scientific School, the medical department of Harvard University, and has also spent several years abroad. During his stay in Europe he evidently looked into educational matters, as Wm. Wood & Co. have lately published "A Guide to American Medical Students in Europe, by Henry Hun, M. D."

CONSIDERABLE dissatisfaction is shown with the appointment made by the President of the Senior Class, on account, as is supposed, of an understanding between some of the members appointed on such

committee, and at present it is thought by many that the power of appointments hereafter should be taken somewhat out of the President's hands on this account. CORRES.

We think if such is the case, the matter will be one of interest to the class, and should be sifted to the bottom, and the class be made the appointing power of their executive committee, and thereby not be implicated in any dishonest scheme, when their money and interests are so much at stake.—ED.

THE editors of the Medical department of THE CONCORDIENSIS will gladly receive any communications from members of the college, but will not hold themselves responsible for the same. The signature of all correspondents must accompany all papers, but will not necessarily be published.

FRIDAY, the 28th of September, Albany received a distinguished visitor in the person of Dr. Landolt, of Paris, who arrived in the morning from Niagara Falls. That same forenoon he performed the operation of muscular advancement, of which he is practically the originator, in the office of Dr. C. M. Culver, in the presence of Drs. Van Derveer, Ward, Snow, Bendell and Munson. In the afternoon, he was introduced at the college to the medical students by Dr. Ward. That evening a complimentary supper was given him at the Windsor by the gentlemen who were present at the operation of the forenoon, and Professors Perkins, Tucker, Townsend and Hun. Saturday morning, upon Dr. Van Derveer's invitation, Dr. Landolt attended the surgical clinic at the hospital and addressed the students. Saturday evening he dined with Dr. Ward, Drs. Morrow, Perkins and Culver being guests, and later in the evening left for Boston. Dr. Landolt is consulting oculist at the *Nationale des Jeunes Aveugles*, at Paris, and was formerly adjunct director of the laboratory of opthalmology, in the Sarboune; was for a long time connected with the *Ecole Pratique;* is an officer of the Legion of Honor; has written opthalmological monographs, which have been translated into the English, German, Italian and Dutch languages. In connection with Dr. Wecker, he is now engaged in writing a complete treatise on opthalmology. The second volume of it is written entirely by Dr. Landolt, and a part of it has just appeared in French. Dr. C. M. Culver is at present engaged in translating a modification of this second volume, which treats only of the refraction of the eye, for publication in this country. Dr. C., for a long time prior to the 1st of March, 1883, held the position of assistant at Dr. Landolt's clinic in Paris, and it is for that fact that he has been selected as translator of Dr. Landolt's greatest and most recent work. This clinic is held at No. 12 Rue St. Andrè des Arts; and students of opthalmology will feel repaid for any time spent there, by witnessing the fine practical work done in that department.

THURSDAY, the 4th, through the kindness of Dr. Swinburne's staff, Prof. Bigelow exhibited to the students Mr. Louis Londenki, a native of Poland, who, on the 15th of February, 1877, in company with six other men, while passing through the mountains of Roumania, was attacked by a band of robbers, who overpowered them and cut their throats from ear to ear. Finding some signs of life in Mr. Londenki, they hung him to a tree. He remained in this condition for forty-eight hours, fortunately being able to breathe, as his trachea was cut, until cut down by mountaineers and finally resuscitated. He was sent to Vienna, and it was found on examination that his trachea was severed, his larynx destroyed, and his æsophagus cut and highly inflamed, and it was not until he had passed two years under the care of a Dr. Shraeder that he was able to take nourishment by way of the mouth. At the end of another two years he was able to speak, the hole in the trachea being closed by finger. But his larynx had contracted in the meantime to the size of a straw, and if the hole in the trachea should be closed permanently he would not be able to breathe. So it was increased laterally by the placing every night of dilators in it, and at present it is large as a ten year old boy's, and Mr. Londenki hopes that at the end of another year that it will be of the same size as the one the robbers cut. The students were shown the vocal cords and the bifurcation of the trachea, and a collection was taken up and presented to Mr. Londenki, who will remain for the present at No. 78 Franklin street, this city.

LOCALS.

DURING the past vacation, some very fine improvements have been made in and about the college, the most noticeable of which are the repainting without, and demolition of the old dissecting room as such and the construction of a new one on the fourth floor, thus transfering this work from a place underneath the amphitheatre to one "high and dry above everything." Appropriate and convenient vivisecting rooms have

been fitted up for the professor of physiology. We hope that this good work may go on, even to the reseating of the amphitheatre with good, comfortable chairs.

The laboratory classes in chemistry (Prof. Tucker), and histology (Prof. Hailes), are well attended. The professor last named says he never had a larger and more enthusiastic lot of boys in his work-shop. The great question is, "Can't you look with both eyes open?" The answer is, a great variety of squints in the attempt to fill the bill.

At the '86 class meeting of the 4th, when some one moved that "we adjourn and rush them out," an '85 man immediately made for the door, saying to a classmate, "Can they do it?" "Of course they can, if they wish," was the reply. As they didn't wish, the '85 man stayed, but thereafter kept quiet.

The death of Prof. Mosher necessitated a change in the faculty. Professors Van Derveer and Ward are filling the chair of theory, practice and clinical medical medicine so far as didactic lectures are concerned, and Prof. Bigelow attends to the medical clinic.

Inquirer: Did the chairman of the executive committee enter into any agreement, or was he promised such chairmanship by the president in return for a former favor? *'84.*

Prof. Townsend's Saturday quiz is very popular among the boys. Why cannot we have more of the same sort from some of the other professors?

We miss the genial face of Edward F. Walsh, '85, this term; understand he is attending the College of Physicians and Surgeons, at New York city.

The members of '86 number forty-eight (48), forty-six of whom are from New York, two (2) from Massachusetts.

There are one hundred and twenty-seven (127) matriculants to date at the present session.

Curator: What is the pleura?" *Young Aspirant:* "The lining membrane of the stomach."

Why did H—ll ——y show the white feather at Prof. H—'s first quiz?

ALUMNI NOTES.

Drs. G. S. Olin, '76, and Carter, '79, were at the college on the 11th.

Of the class of '83, Drs. Fisk, Schutter and Skillicorn have settled in Albany.

Dr. Charles F. Wicker and wife, of Saranac Lake, this state, visited the college on the 9th of this month.

Dr. De Zouche was the guest of Prof. Hailes during the third week of September. He is located at Gloversville.

Dr. J. Leslie Smith, '83, received the appointment of assistant house physician at the Albany hospital, but, after serving five months, his health failed him. Having regained his former vigor, he will continue his medical studies in foreign parts (Vienna). He sails about the 17th of the present month.

Dr. C. B. Tefft, '64, recently paid his Alma Mater a visit. He thinks his class should have a reunion during next commencement. What kind of an 'ennial celebration will it be? We leave it to our coadjutors at Schenectady, who are undoubtedly learned in all the habior and Greek languages.

CLASS NEWS.

THE following are the officers of the senior class: President, Mr. John V. Hennessey; Vice-President, Mr. Pierson C. Curtis; Secretary, Mr. Edgar Zeh; Treasurer, Mr. Luman B. Rulison; Valedictorian, Mr. Robert Babcock; Essayist, Mr. William B. Melick; Marshal, Mr. Clinton W. Kellogg; Orator, Mr. Walter F. Robinson; Historian, Mr. Michael D. Stevenson; Poet, Mr. Winfield S. Hubbard.

The juniors held their meeting for the election of class officers, October 1st. The result was as follows: President, Mr. C. R. Knapp; Vice-president, Mr. E. A. Moody; Secretary, Mr. E. Larkins, resigned; Treasurer, Mr. E. A. Miller; Historian, Mr. G. T. Warford; Marshal, Mr. M. McHarg. Adjournment followed, and the chief officers invited the boys down to Keeler's, much to the filling of stomachs and depleting of pocket-books.

Previous to October 2d, the class of '86 had held no class meetings; but on that date, immediately after Prof. Bigelow's clinic, it met in the amphitheatre, was called to order, and Mr. J. H. Reilly appointed chairman, and Mr. Furnell secretary *pro tem.* The objects of the meeting were "organization and election of officers." Appearances, however, were much against such events happening. But in course of time, a committee of five was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Blessing, Brown, Hogan, Clyne and Cutter, which withdrew; and on its return, reported a "Constitution aud By-Laws;" and organization was effected by the class unanimously adopting the committee's report. But another chaotic scene ensued, and the meeting adjourned *sine die.*

October 4th, the class again met, with Mr. Brierly in the chair, and Mr. Furnell acting as secretary. The prospect was that this meeting would be of the same nature as the previous one. A number of '84 and '85 men, on the upper floor of the amphitheatre, endeavored to the best of their abilities to promote the good cause of disorder. However, great actions, although they move slowly, do move, and the following officers were elected: President, Mr. Alfred H. Browne, of Cohoes; Vice-President, Mr. S. Louis Lloyd, of Utica; Secretary, Mr. D. Livingston Kathan, of Ballston; Treasurer, Mr. H. M. Lincoln, of Greenfield Centre; Historian, Mr. William H. Lemrow, of Troy. As the office of Grand Marshal was not on the list, which is in the Constitution, it was unanimously voted that such an office be created, and that Mr. Joseph Baynes, by filling the same, become the ornament of the class. Mr. Baynes immediately consented to be said ornament. The representative of the class for the board of editors of THE CONCORDIENSIS was then elected, and the meeting adjourned to Keeler's, where his oysters were sampled to the satisfaction of all. After leaving Keeler's, the class returned, singing college songs; and before dispersing, a number of the professors were serenaded.

Albany College of Pharmacy.

AT a meeting of the Board of Governors of Union University, held June 21st, 1881, a department of pharmacy in the university, to be known as the "Albany College of Pharmacy," was created. It was incorporated conformably to the laws of the State of New York, August 27th, 1881. The gentlemen to whom the honor may be given of founding the college are the late Dr. Jacob S. Mosher, Willis G. Tucker, M. D., and Gustavus Michaelis, Ph. G. The original board of trustees were: Joseph W. Russell, president; Louis Sautter, vice-president; Luther H. Tucker, treasurer; Eliphalet N. Potter, Jacob S. Mosher, M. D., Charles Newman, Archibald McClure, Alfred B. Huested, Edward P. Waterbury, Addison A. Keyes and Willis G. Tucker, M. D. The original faculty was: Jacob S. Mosher, M. D., Prof. of Botany and Materia-Medica; Willis G. Tucker, M. D., Prof. of Chemistry; and Gustavus Michaelis, Prof. of Pharmacy. The first year opened with twenty-one students—three seniors and eighteen juniors. The graduating exercises of the class of '82 were held on the evening of February 28th, 1882, in the amphitheatre of the Albany Medical College. There were present Rev. Eliphalet N. Potter, president of the university; Prof. David Murry, LL.D.; the members of the board of trustees, Professors Mosher, Tucker and Michaelis; Rev. Irving Magee, D.D., and others. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Magee, after which President Potter delivered the charge to the graduating class and presented them with diplomas, and conferring the degree of Graduate of Pharmacy (Ph. G.) upon Albert R. Griffith, Oil City, Pa.; Gustav Kreutzer, New York city; John S. Phillips, Fonda, N. Y. The address to the graduates was then delivered by Dr. Murry, and at its conclusion Dr. Potter awarded two prizes—one of twenty-five dollars to Mr. Albert R. Griffith for the best thesis presented, and another of a like sum to Mr. Gustav Kreutzer for the best final examination. The exercises were brought to a close by the pronouncing of the benediction by President Potter. The second year of the college opened with a senior class of ten and a junior class of twenty. Nothing of importance transpired during this term. The second annual commencement exercises were held in Alumni Hall, Pres. Potter presiding. The address to the graduates was delivered by Dr. Alfred B. Huested, president of the New York State Pharmaceutical Association, and a trustee of the college, and the prizes were conferred by Joseph W. Russell, Esq., president of the board. Louis Sautter, Jr., delivered the valedictory address. The following gentlemen were awarded the several prizes: Louis Sautter, Jr., for the best examination in pharmacy; Theodore J. Lewi, for the best thesis presented; and Frank Richardson, for the best junior examination. After the exercises, the graduating class, members of the board of trustees and faculty adjourned to the Delavan House, where they enjoyed a sumptuous banquet. During the summer the college lost one of its best professors, in the death of Dr. Mosher. At a meeting of the board of trustees, held Sept. 12th, '83, Dr. A. B. Huested was elected to fill the vacancy in the faculty caused by Dr. Mosher's death, and Dr. John M. Biglow his successor on the board of trustees. A board of examiners, consisting of Louis Sautter, A. McClure and Charles H. Gaus, have been appointed, whose duties it shall be to examine the seniors after having passed their examinations before the different professors. It will be seen the college has increased annually in membership, and now enters upon its third year with every prospect of success in the future.

THE third annual course of lectures of the Albany College of Pharmacy opened on Monday evening, October 1st. The introductory address was delivered by Gustavus Michaelis, Ph. G., professor of pharmacy. It was both interesting and instructive. Short addresses were also made by Prof. Waterbury of the State Normal School, Dr. A. B. Husted, and Rev. Dr. Dean of All Saints Cathedral. About forty students have registered, an increase of ten over last year.

PERSONALS.

Benjamin, '83, spent a few days in town last week.

Boucher, '83, has purchased the store lately occupied by Paul Weidman, 277 Clinton Avenue.

Roth, '83, has accepted a position as prescription clerk in Buffalo, N. Y.

The Senior class elections will take place on Friday evening, October 19th.

Miss Alice M. Woodward, '84, is attending the Philadelphia Medical College.

Hattie, '84, is at his home in Wyoming, Pa. He will return to college at the opening of the fall term.

Leonard Wheeler and Louis Sautter, Jr., of '83, have been appointed Quizmasters for the senior class. Wheeler will quiz in Pharmacy and Sautter in Materia Medica.

On the 14th day of August last the Albany College of Pharmacy lost one of its best friends in the death of Dr. Jacob S. Mosher, one of the founders of this College. Dr. Mosher was our professor in Materia Medica and a member of the board of trustees. Beloved by all of us, we will long mourn his death as the loss of a good instructor and kind friend.

EXCHANGE.

ONCE more the Exchange department solicits your perusal. Most all of our friends are back, and we buckle down to the labor of criticising them, with the hope that our efforts will be productive of some good. Among the first to arrive and repose upon our table was the journal bearing upon its cover the motto "Westward the course of Empire takes its way." It is, of course, the *Berkeleyan*, from the land of sand-lotters. We notice particularly that it contains very little news concerning sister colleges. This, however, may result from the isolation of its university from them.

That excellent journal, the *Argo*, from Williamstown, is on hand and maintains, in our opinion, its old reputation of being among the foremost of college journals.

Its neighbor, the Amherst *Student*, is also here, and its editorials and locals are exceedingly well handled. But we notice one defect; it is this, the literary is very scarce. We do not think a college journal should run all to literary, still that department should at least receive as much attention as any other. But we must go no further on this subject, for now the Lehigh *Burr* raises itself out of the pile and asks our congratulations upon its tasty dress, which we at once gladly bestow. The *Burr* possesses a foreign correspondent who has sent them for this issue an interesting and well-written article on Brussels, with a little continental news thrown in. It also contains a good editorial, considering its limited space, on "The College Fetish."

We now take up the *University Magazine* and see at a glance that at least three-fourths of its pages are devoted to sporting matters. It endeavors to explain the defeat of the University crew at Lake George by proclaiming the Cornell crew a lot of "blacksmiths," who were only good for rough water. But then that is only human nature. One confident little boy runs a race with another little boy and is badly beaten. What does he do? He immediately discovers that his successful rival has wings or "seven league boots." "No wonder he won the race." "All is vanity"—let us proceed.

The *Princetonian* has found a curiosity in the shape of a Freshman's journal dated 1793. We advise our Fresh to buy up some copies and investigate this interesting document.

The *Syracusan* is with us once again and bears within its pages an etching of a portion of the canal as it meanders through the green pastures of the Salt city. It is indeed a magnificent work of art, and we advise our esteemed contemporary to send it down to the next art exhibition at New York. This paper is only interesting inasmuch as it is the organ of a co-educational establishment. It abounds in sly allusions to flirtations—what Junior So-and-so said to Miss So-and-so, and not infrequently records marriages between students.

There—we have done enough this time for the Exchange. "For further particulars consult our next issue."