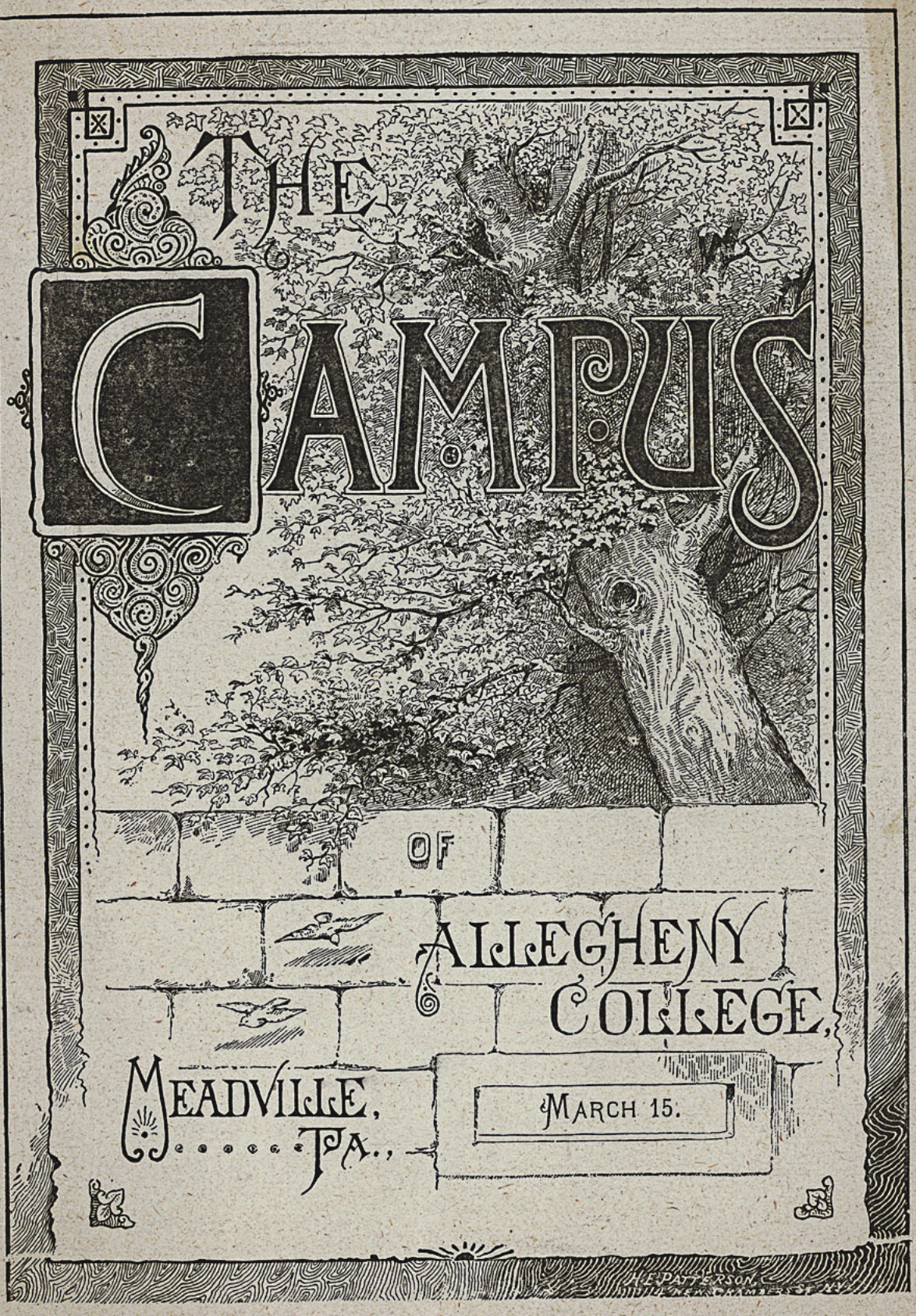
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## THE TRAVELLER AND HIS FRIENDS.

A gentleman, about to make
A trip at sea, was begged to take
Commissions for a dozen friends:
One wants a watch; another sends
For wine—"a very special cask;
And—if it's not too much to ask—
Some choice cigars; a box will do;
Or, while you're at it purchase two."

Another friend would like a pair
Of boots,—they're so much cheaper there."
A lady friend would have him buy
Some laces,—"if they're not too high;"
Another wants a box of gloves,—
"French kids are real loves."

Thus one wants this; another, that;
A book, a bonnet, or a hat;
Enough to make the moody man
(So high their "small commissions" ran
In tale and bulk) repent that he
Had ever thought to cross the sea!

Morever—be it here remarked,—
Before the gentleman embarked,
His friends, for fear he might forget
Their little errands, plainly set
Their wishes down in black and white;
A sensible proceeding—quite;
But as it happened, not a friend
(With one exception) thought to send
The ready money, and to say,
"See, here's the cash you'll have to pay."

The man embarks; sees Paris, Rome,
And othes cities; then comes home
Well pleased with much that met his eye;
But having somehow failed to buy
A single thing for any friend
Except the one who thought to send
The wherewithal. Well, need I say
That soon his neighbors came to pay
Their greetings at his safe return,
And charming health; and also learn
About their little errands,—what
For each the traveller had got?

"By Jove!" he said, "it makes me sad
For as at sea I sat one day
Arranging in a proper way
The papers you so kindly sent,
A gale arose, and off they went
Into the ocean; nor could I
Remember aught you bade me buy."

"But" grumbled one, "if that were so,
How comes it, sir, you chanced to know
What *this man's* errand was; for he
Has got what he desired, we see?"
"Faith! so he has,—beyond a doubt;
And this is how it came about;
*His* memorandum chanced to hold
A certain sum of solid gold;
And thus the paper by its weight
Escaped the other's windy fate."

[*Selected.*

## THE CRISIS IN COLLEGE LIFE.

L. D. WISHARD.

THE bell in the old steeple has rung in the new college year. The long deserted campus and college halls are alive with students. Entrance examinations are over, and the classes have been organized. Discarding the usual division of freshman, sophomore, junior and senior, we shall classify upon the basis of the old and the new. This division is easily effected, and half an hour of sharp reconnoitering will accomplish the work. The old student we recognize by the genial, off-hand air of easy familiarity with which he greets every object and every person. The new student is mainly conspicuous by his general bearing of wonderment and sublime speechlessness, somewhat similar to that of a man who has discovered a new planet. Let us fall in with one of

the "new men," and trace his movements for the first few days. In the older students we have no interest at present, and besides, for our purpose, they have been in college too long.

It is not with the student's literary experiences that we propose to deal. The faculty will take care of that. Let us look into his personal relations with his fellows, especially observing his reception into the religious life of the college. We are glad to find that the work which the church did for him in his home life is not lost sight of here. That work must needs be prosecuted upon a somewhat different basis. At home it was largely denominational. Here it is necessarily undenominational, although strictly evangelical. So many orthodox creeds are represented in the average college community that a society recognizing all, and bound by no single one, has been called into play. The Young Men's Christian Association is nowhere more precisely adapted to the needs of young men than to college students.

The college in which we are pursuing our investigations has, in common with nearly 200 other colleges, a vigorous Association. How does it work? What does it offer? Let us see in the case we have before us. He is in a state of mind peculiarly open to any personal influence which may be exerted. He is a stranger and is lonely. He desires companionship, and he will have it—good, bad or indifferent—anything but this unendurable loneliness! His selection of companionship doesn't depend so much upon himself as upon the character of the men with whom he is first thrown. What kind of men are they? We shall soon see, for he has not been in college three days, before he is sought out by a warm-hearted fellow, who gives him a hand-grasp which sends a tingle all through him, and contrives in a dozen ingenious ways to make himself agreeable, gain the stranger's confidence and friendship and unite to himself by a tie which will bind the two together for all coming time. He finds out whether the new comer is a Christian. He may or may not bluntly ask him; *but he finds out*. He invites him to attend the meeting "which the fellows hold to-morrow night;" tells him to "make himself at home there," "join the Young Men's Christian Association," "come out and show his colors," "let the fellows know where he stands." All this is said in a way which is the farthest removed from cant or formality. How does it strike the new man? "Attend the meeting? Of course he will. Join the Association? Certainly; he'll join anything." He is in college for the purpose of joining things. All this may seem somewhat off-hand, somewhat unsanctimonious, and so it is, but the older student accomplishes his purpose. The new comer is gained. The time for meeting arrives, and he is there and others are there. The kind of work which brought him has been done in every room in college, and nearly every new student is on hand. The meeting opens with a hymn. It is not a long one, or, if long, only a section of it is sung. It's one of the very hymns they sang in prayer meeting the week he left home, and if the page of the book is blurred for a minute, and the homesickness gives his heart a wrench, it is a sickness not unto death." It makes his heart very tender, and when the leader of the meeting reads something about Him who left His home and spent years among men, without a place to lay his head, his heart is drawn into closer sympathy with that of the Young Man of Nazareth than ever before, and when somebody leads in prayer, and asks the Lord for just the things he needs, and asks so earnestly that the Lord and everybody else can't help being convinced of his sincerity, our new student thinks he never enjoyed prayer so well in his life. Another hymn is sung, and then "the meeting is open for remarks," and the new students are particularly invited to take part. And they do take part; one after another, in quick succession. They don't make speeches; they don't occupy much time. They couldn't do that if they tried. They simply make a point and sit down. Will our student speak? He didn't expect to; he never had spoken in meeting in his life, but here the fellows talk in such a familiar, off-hand way, just like they talk about the college matters, that he can't help speaking. He doesn't say much, but he says it in a very few words: "Fellows, I haven't felt as much at home since I left home, and I just want to say that I'm in with you in this thing, and I want it understood that I'm on the Lord's side, and I want to join the Young Men's Christian Association, and be an active Christian." That speech didn't take a half minute, but upon it his whole college life hinged; and the fellow who had visited him in his room and invited him to the meeting was glad, for he had accomplished his purpose; and and the members of the Association were glad, for they had accomplished their purpose; and God was glad for He had accomplished His purpose; and the only disappointed person present was he, who, when he saw that young man accept Jesus Christ, and realized that he had eluded his grasp, had made up his mind that if he couldn't keep him an out and out sinner, to make him a fifth-rate Christian.

This is the way scores and hundred of college boys are received and helped in their college life by the Young Men's Christian Association. This is the way the the cause of Christ is being promoted among a class of men who are going to do more for Christ or against Him than any other class of men living.—*The Watchman.*



## GENERAL GORDON.

BYRON tells us that Cervantes "smiled Spain's chivalry away." History will record how the hero of Khartoum tried to restore its spirit to England and the world. In him we behold, despite the prosaic age in which he lived, all that greatness of soul, all that heroism of courage, which give to olden knighthood its glory and charm. It is refreshing, in these days of calculation, of selfishness, of cautious ambition, to find a soldier who thus esteems his calling as far above the views of a mercenary government, who keeps his sword unstained by treachery, his hands undefiled by corrupting gold. The grave of Gordon is yet too green for history to pronounce her final dictum; the sands of Africa's desert are too disturbed by the hurrying feet of war, to allow a calm survey of the causes and circumstances which lured to death the bravest general in the English service. It is known that, although a soldier, he at first went among the nomads of the desert as an arbiter and peacemaker, at the invitation of the Egyptian Government. He penetrated into the Soudan, bearing the extraordinary commission to bring order out of chaos; Gordon is dead, and chaos still reigns. Yet his labors as Governor-General of the Soudan were not without some fruit, for he broke the backbone of the slave trade, and kept thousands of his nomadic subjects from the horrors of famine. These two items in behalf of humanity are now lost sight of, owing to the bloodier columns of reckoning which recent events have cast up against the government through whose negligence General Gordon was left to perish.

Indignation is aroused at the thought of England's indifference towards a soldier whose military virtues, from the storming of Sebastopol to the fall of Khartoum, had been so instrumental in reflecting honor on her flag. Gordon was a man of whom the English Government was unworthy. He never received from the authorities recognition commensurate with his services. His love of honor, his keen sense of justice, his religious fear of an avenging Providence, who chastises nations as well as individuals, disturbed the cabinets of England. They preferred to see him draw his sword in behalf of some foreign power, which would honor the man for his success, and reward the nation which claimed him through the accident of birth. His career during the Taeping rebellion, although he fought for the legitimate dynasty of China, and not for the advancement of British interests, caused the flag of England to be respected beyond that of any other European nation. His measures for securing and holding control over the myriads of Celestials who followed him to victory, may be questioned in the strict light of morality; his success, unprecedented in modern times, except, perhaps, in the case of the first Napoleon, did incalculable service towards inspiring the inhabitants of the Flowery Kingdom with a wholesome fear of European power.

The romantic elements in Gordon's career have awakened a sympathy which, like all feelings of a kindred nature, are apt to hide blemishes inseparable from human frailty. Brave to rashness, when only a subaltern engineer before Sebastopol, he moved about the rifle-pits as though he was walking on some English common. As leader of his Chinese troops, he went in front of his men, braving storms of bullets, with no other weapon than his little cane, which to his superstitious followers soon became a talisman of safety and success. Indeed, if we are to judge from his own words, Gordon was a sort of fatalist, who believed he bore a charmed life; his ægis was framed by Providence, and shielded him from all the weapons of his enemies. He embarked upon his earlier expeditions with a buoyancy which could have its origin in no other source than a firm conviction of ultimate personal safety. Presentiments of impending danger sometimes assailed him, and made him sick at heart; but yet he struggled on as only a good soldier can do, who realizes that honor is more than death, that the ten commandments of a soldier's life are summed up in that one word—duty. When Gordon undertook his last campaign, at the instance of the British Government, he left England with direful forebodings. He went away quietly and sadly; to some of his intimate friends he expressed his firm belief that he would never again behold his native land. He is said to have distributed among them mementos, which the fulfillment of his predictions has since endowed with historic interest.

What right England had to interfere in matters connected with Egyptian rule in the Soudan, has not been satisfactorily explained. What right, therefore, had Gordon to carry the English flag across the deserts of Africa, in hostile menace to the untamed followers of El Mahdi? By what just warrant did English gunboats plow the waters of the Nile, and English batteries mow down native tribes at Korti and Abuklea? History proper will continue to ask these questions, and interested governments will strive in vain to answer them. To-day, grief is wide spread throughout the English nation; indignation is rising beyond the level of endurance. The vacillating policy of a cabinet that sent a brave man on a perilous mission, and then abandoned him to his fate, is fast maddening the English populace. The cable, with Lord Wolseley at one end and Gladstone at the other, is laden with disaster. It was, indeed, against the original policy of the prime minister that British interference in the affairs of the Soudanese took place. The stubbornness of Gordon in holding Khartoum may have exasperated the Arabs, and accelerated his own death. The storm of indignation against Gladstone may, therefore, be unjust. Wolseley was despatched with a relief party. He preferred a nine months' journey up the Nile to one of nine days across the desert; he halted to await a supply of jam and marmalade, while a fellow general was straining his eyes in the vain search for comming reinforcements. The deepest interest was aroused in the result of Wolesley's expedition. Nations that hate England for her aggressive policy, felt kindly towards the noble Englishman who was keeping the varlets of the desert at bay. Wishes for his final rescue were many and fervent, but they were all destined to disappointment by the news that Khartoum had fallen through treachery, that Gordon, the brave, the chivalrous, had been left to perish almost within sight of Wolesley's cannon.

*Kurj, in Niagara Index.*

## MODERN IMPROVEMENT IN LYING.

The Nineteenth Century has reduced lying to a fine art. Formerly it was largely associated with ignorance, now it intermixes with advancements in knowledge. This is exemplified in the difference between ancient and modern fiction. The Arabian Nights contained no lies which the ignorance of the ancient East could not equal in its accepted beliefs. Some of the works of Jules Verne cannot be termed by the comparatively milder word, exagerations; they are barefaced lies. Yet the very semblance of scientific researches of archæologists, and from the exhumed treasures of Pompeii, Egypt and Palestine gains interest sufficient to make its readers swallow its remaining falsehoods.

The old fable of the race between falsehood and truth is now turned into a reality. The telegraph whispers a lie along its wires; the printing press tries in vain to overtake it with its correction in the newspapers. Modern invention is too fast for good, old-fashioned trust. Therefore lying has come to be recognized as one of the adjuncts of civilization. It is the dynamite now used in political warfare. In old times, one party demolished another by the gunpowder of political meetings and campaign enthusiasm. In the improvement of political strategy, one party nowadays simply watches its opportunity, and throws a hand grenade charged with a dynamite lie into the opposite ranks, and expects to annihilate its candidate as the Russian Nihilists did the Czar. The business world also presents many examples of this improvement. Like the modern counterfeiter it discards the old slow process of making new plates; it simply raises the denomination of genuine ones. Thus as the counterfeiter "raises" the $100 note to a $500, so the speculator "raises" Chicago wheat of a lower grade, by simply substituting for its proper mark the figure 1. Presto! change 1., the buyer buys Chicago Wheat No. 1, and the speculator is marked up among the rich men of the city.

But in this age of wonders nothing seems impossible, and we now have an invention which actually succeeds in "mixing the oil" of truth "with the water" of falsehood. Indeed this invention may be said to have received the acknowledgements of a patent, and we hear of "watered stock" and "watered milk." Some have asserted that it is an infringement on an idea of a person by the name of Satan. They claim he once exhibited an invention of this kind to two persons named Adam and Eve. That he told them that if they would eat a certain kind of fruit it would open their eyes, etc. But we have no account of this person, Satan, pretending to substitute anything for the fruit. With what gratification must he, as an inventor in this line, look at the advance of the age which actually induces manhood to think that chalk and water is milk, and that butter made from the fat of a cow is the same as that made from its milk. It is true that some—old fogies to be sure—do not appreciate the progress of the age in this art of lying. They point to the fact that a certain book which they claim to be from God, states positiveley that "all liars shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone." But such forget that "the advanced thought of the age" has pretty well annihilated the idea of a hell, indeed, we may add of a heaven. Besides, this very art of lying has succeeded in building a sort of East River Bridge over what was formerly consided "an impassable gulf."

Still it may be well for the multitudes in the broad road which leads to that bridge, to take the precaution which the Czar did on his late tour, namely, to examine whether there is not some dynamite concealed under it, for if we remember aright, that same old-fashioned book, the Bible, does tell of some who had their bridge of hope blown up by a sort of celestial dynamite, which is labelled "the wrath of God."
—*Selected.*

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There is no saying more frequently upon the lips men than this: "Order is heaven's first law," and yet it is invariably wrested from its original meaning. It is a sweet morsel under the tongues of people who wish to exercise authority, and who use the word "order" here in contradistinction to disorder, confusion. The line is from Pope's "Essay on Man," epistle iv. verse 49, and the words, together with the context, are as follows:

"Order is heaven's first law, and this confessed,
Some are and must be greater than the rest;
More rich, more wise"——

The real meaning of the word "order" in the above connection is that of rank, place, relative situation.

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WE will serve our readers with a dish of "selected" for a literary diet, this issue. If you are dissatisfied, put your objections in writing that we may publish them.

THE preachers have been the special objects of attack for the exclusion of college work by other duties, until they have come to be regarded as "flunk;" with a sort of common consent, how justly we leave it with you to judge; but there is another class of students, that is by no means perfect,—the amusement seekers. Dime museums, skating rinks, cheap theatres, etc., are their excuses for frequent failure in recitation. Which is the nobler to allow a sense of duty, even though it be mistaken, to interfere with your college work, or to neglect it for amusement sake?

"THERE are more things in heaven and earth than are dreamed of in the philosophy" of those students who judge entirely by appearance, or by a short acquaintance. To be sure you can learn some people thoroughly in a short time; but in judging others it will be well to do it mathematically,—sum up their whole college course by adding together their work in the class-room, their literary work, their social life and complete it with a just estimate of their character. When you have done this, and only then, can you safely express an opinion of another, or trust much to his friendship.

THIS is just the time of year when the usual number of articles on fraternity politics should appear; the usual wire-pulling denunciations and the lament about neglected merit and unrewarded faithfulness make themselves heard. This year has largely proved an exception in Allegheny College, but some of our exchanges contain pointed remarks on the fraternity question. Do not think that your candidate has all the ability, be charitable, and admit a possibility of brains in his opponent; and, also, allow people to exercise their own private judgment and preferences, even if they do not accord perfectly with yours.

SINCE club-boarding has come to play so important a part in our college life, it may be worthy of a little more attention. There is at present no uniform system in the different clubs, but each commissary collects all he can, and runs his chances of getting all that is due the club. The system in vogue at Drew commends itself, and should be adopted by all the clubs. A deposit of ten dollars is required to gain admission, and this is kept to secure the members until all that is due is paid. The amount for each month must be paid within three days after it is announced, or membership is forfeited. We are not aware that there is at present any dissatisfaction at any of the clubs, but as every one knows, there is room for very serious difficulty if some should desire to take advantage of the laxity of the present system. Dishonesty would not be one half as frequent, if all business were conducted in a systematic manner, it is where looseness exists, that dishonesty follows. Some students have an unfortunate habit of forgetting, or ignoring small obligations, but if they are compelled to respect them, it may be the means of forming habits that will lead to business success hereafter.



THE proposition to incorporate the Y. M. C. A. of the college into that of the city does not receive much favor among the students, so it will be dropped. The fear is that the individuality of the college association will be lost if it becomes merely a branch; besides, the proposed consolidation will make the expense greater, while the gymnasium and other advantages are so far away that little time can be found to make use of them. The college committees for mission work have been reorganized, and several new names have been handed to the secretary for presentation at the next meeting. The meeting certainly created greater interest in Christian work.

WHILE the work of the present term has been going on so quietly some much needed repairs are in progress in the college. Dr. Hamnett is making a catalogue of the library. This will be almost invaluable and when it is finished the students should contribute enough to get it published, if that is not already provided for. Prof. Montgomery's work in the museum has already been mentioned. But this work has made more evident the need of a new building. Some valuable specimens are thrust away in corners entirely out of sight, while the books in the library are overflowing the space assigned them. The laboratory is in an unhealthy location and should be removed to better rooms. What we need is a fire-proof building for the library and museum. Suggestions are easy to make, we know, but in this case, action is possible, if the proper persons take hold of it. We may yet see such a building adorn the place where old "Culver" stood.

THERE should be a high sense of honor among students, even more than among other conditions of men, and yet how often we see it violated. Once in a while one of those oily tongued, deceitful beings, who are permitted to live for some unknown purpose, sneak into the college world and occupy themselves with deceiving other people. They are generally found out sooner or later and rated at their true value, but they can cause a great deal of honest indignation, and some trouble by the time they are known. Just one act of deceit ought to lower a person more in the estimation of his fellow students, than any amount of moroseness, thoughtlessness, or even stupidity. It is a pity that the usual flourishing of the hatchet about the twenty-second of February has been abandoned, for it might possibly have some effect to hold up one honest character before the public gaze, it would at least be a change. It isn't necessary in these days to live to be a hundred years old before you find that there are at least a dozen dishonest men in the world, and there are times in the Greek class, when it looks as if there were not a dozen honest ones.

THE latest in regard to the discussion of the elective system is from President Barnard, of Columbia. He says that he does not consider the argument that young men are incapable of choosing studies when they are uncertain of a choice of profession, as a good one. A man with a taste for science may find it difficult to decide between half a dozen scientific professions, but he will have no doubt in regard to his preference for scientific studies over linguistic or philosophical. In his letter to the Regents of the University of New York, he says, "The first business of education is to find out what the individual is fit for; the next is to make the most of him in that for which he is fit, and according to this true theory of a subject which plausible speculation has done much to obscure, a special system of training adapted to the idiosyncrasies of the individual, is just as distinctly indicated for the latter years of a liberal educational culture, as a general one, equally enforced on all, is for the earliest." This expresses his belief as he has practically applied it in Columbia, that most conservative of colleges. The most prominent objection to the free choice of studies for a whole course, is that it is attempting to make our colleges like German Universities, without the preparation that those institutions require, and without which their value would be greatly lessened.

# THE COLLEGE WORLD.

*It is well to think well:*
*It is divine to act well.*
—HORACE MANN.

## *NOTES.*

James G. Blaine, Jr., expects to enter the Yale class of '89.

The base-ball season opens up April 11, on which date the Princeton nine plays the Brooklyn professional club.

"The glory of young men is their strength," is the motto of the trainer in athletics, who receives from one to three thousand dollars a year remuneration.

Michigan University is in luck. C. H. Buhl, of Detroit, has added 5,000 volumes to its law library, and the legislature is about to vote an appropriation for a new gymnasium.—*Ex.*

Randolph Rogers, the sculptor, who passed his boyhood in Ann Arbor, Mich., but who has lived for many years in Rome, will leave by his will his entire art collection to Michigan University.—*Ex.*

Harvard Annex and Vassar are having fortunes contrary to one another, the former, probably, at the expense of the latter. The annex has increased in attendance nearly 50 per cent. since it started six years ago, while Vassar has fallen off 100 students since 1874. —*Amherst Student.*

Centennial Commencement of Washington and Lee University: The Centennial of our first graduating class will be celebrated next June. The various committees that have the affair in charge are working hard, and are determined to make the coming commencement the grandest in the history of the University. —*Southern Collegian.*

Harvard's base-ball management has decided to offer three prizes this spring for excellence in batting. The first prize will be a $25 bat, and will be given to the member of the first nine who shall make the best batting average for the year. The second prize will be a $15 cup, to be given to the member of the first nine making the best batting average in championship games. The third prize will be a $10 cup, to be awarded to the member of the second team making the best batting average during the year.—*The Dartmouth.*

## *EXCHANGES.*

Heartily welcome, the *Southern Collegian* to a place on our table. It is neat and attractive in appearance, racy in style,—being neither staid nor frivolous, a happy mesne in college journalism—and, in fact, about our ideal of a model college monthly.

The *North Western* of March 6th appears in a new and handsome cover. This is an immense improvement over the merchant tailor advertisement that formerly decorated its title page.

The *College Transcript*, on its regular fortnightly visit, is greeted cordially by our "Ex. Ed." We are not disposed to be critical, but would suggest that if it were printed upon better paper, and bound in a heavier cover, it would appear decidedly more attractive. However, its departments are well supported, and we consider it a valuable exchange.

The *Tech* just to hand. We have barely "looked it through," but, even from a superficial perusal, we have no hesitancy in ranking it among the first of college journals. We clip from it a short poem, which will appear in another column.

As this will be our last issue this term, wish to acknowledge the receipt of exchanges which have not received notices in this and previous issues: *University Quarterly; Blair Hall Literary Magazine; Nashville Journal of Medicine and Surgery; Baldwin Index; Ariel; Otterbein Record; Thielensian; Pennsylvania Western; Journal of Mycology; Hobart Herald; Holcad*, and *Academica*. Among these are journals of special merit and highly appreciated as exchanges, but space forbids further mention for the present.

## *GLEANINGS.*

A PRINTER'S TYPE OF BEAUTY.

Blonde Young Lady (apparently fishing for a compliment,—What type of beauty do you admire the most, Mr. Standinggalley?

Mr. Standinggalley (member of Typographical Union)—Nonpareil cast on a minion body and set double-leaded.



Fragment of a dialogue: "Would you believe it? It is now six months that that idea has been traveling through my brain."

"The poor thing! It must be very lonesome there."

Full many a maid has toyed with kerosene
And sailed to glory in a gorgeous glare;
Full many a man has poked at glycerine,
And flew promiscus through the desert air.
—*Ex.*

'85.

Eighteen hundred and eighty-five—
Inspiring and eventful year!
Grand hopes predominating fear
Bold hearts serene, while spirits strive.
Together let us, graduates,
Yield nothing to those gone before,
Fulfilling, as in days of yore,
Intact, our parts to self and mates.
Viewing as ours each other's good,
Entwine strong bonds of brotherhood.
—*Ex.*

PARVUM IN MULTO.

One by one he turns them over,
Scowls at this one, smiles at that;
This one marks across the cover,
Throws that to the office cat;
Here he clips a commendation,
There he writes a grim blue "set;"
Marks here a slanderous allegation,
There steals all he can get,
Through what wide realms his fancy ranges,
That man who edits the exchanges.
—*Cornell Era.*

ONLY.

Only a smile, and a bow as we met,
A waltz at the party that day;
Only a call to express my regret,
Her fan I had carried away.

Only a call, and another one still,
A welcome whenever I came;
Only a drive, or a stroll on the hill,—
The story is ever the same.

Only a word—what it was you can guess;
I purchased a ring the next day;
Only a bride, in a white satin dress,
Of presents a brilliant array.

Only a tour, on the Continent made,
A return to our friends waiting here;
Only a bill,—will it ever be paid?
And—hush baby; hush, that's a dear!
—H. C. S. in *Tech.*

# FRATERNITY NOTES.

Among the new initiates of the Yale chapter of D. K. E. are forty-eight Juniors.

The late Henry R. Thomson, professor of chemistry in Wabash College, was a Phi Delta Theta.

The Rt. Rev. William E. McLaren, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Chicago, is a Phi Gamma Delta.

Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta and Delta Tau Delta compose the winning combination in the Indiana State Oratorical Association this year.

Rev. Gilbert De La Matyr, ex-member of Congress from Indiana, is an honorary member of the De Pauw chapter of Phi Gamma Delta.

Delta Tau Delta represented Iowa in the Inter-State Oratorical Contests of 1882, 1883, and 1884, and will represent the State again in 1885.

The Columbian chapter of Phi Kappa Psi offered to entertain seventy-five of the fraternity who might attend the inauguration of President Cleveland.

A. C. Greenlee, who won the Ohio State orational contest is a Phi Delta Theta. The same fraternity also boasts a member of the cabinet, W. F. Vilas, of Wisconsin.

The officers of the Inter-State Oratorical Association, which holds its next contest at Columbus, Ohio, May 7th, 1885, are: President, John H. Wiggam, Sigma Chi, of Hanover College; Vice-President, Charles V. Pleukharp, Beta Theta Pi, of the Ohio State University; Secretary and Treasurer, Charles H. Pomeroy, Delta Tau Delta, of the University of Iowa.

The members of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, resident in New York City, to the number of fifty, had their alumni dinner at Clark's, in New York City, on February 7th. The following toasts were responded to: "The Fraternity in the Counsels of the State;" "Feast or Famine;" "The Law;" "The World, the Flesh and the Devil;" "The Fraternity in New York;" "The Fraternity in the Western States."

We clip the following queries from the Kappa Kappa Gamma *Golden Key:* "Is the Beta Theta Pi becoming an Eastern fraternity?" "Is not the *Phi Gamma Delta* more generally praised than ever before?" Would it not be supreme bliss to be great, and have a Delta Kappa Epsilon biograper?" "Are not Delta Tau Deltas better informed than other Greeks?"

The fifteenth anniversary of the founding of Kappa Alpha Theta was celebrated by the Alpha chapter of DePauw University at the residence of Thomas Bayne, Esq, Greencastle, Indiana, January 27th, 1885. Despite the heavy snow storm about forty couples were present, and after spending two or three hours most enjoyably in a social way, including the singing of many of the beautiful songs of Kappa Alpha Theata, the company repaired in carriages to the "Model" restaurant, where an elegant banquet had been prepared. The following toasts were then proposed and responded to: "Address of Welcome," "The Toast of the Guests," "The Black and Gold," "Our Sympathizers," "The Kappa Alpha Theta Supporters," "Theta's Future." Kappa Alpha Theta was founded at DePauw University January 27th, 1870, by four young ladies, then students in the University. From this small beginning she now points to a new chapter for each of the fifteen years of her existence.

## *GREEK LETTER FRATERNITIES.*

BADGES–COLORS.—The distinctive badges or pins of the fraternities are of three kinds. First, a shield or plate of gold, displaying upon it the fraternity name, together with symbols of general or peculiar significance. This kind of a badge is worn as a pin, as a pendant from the watch chain, or as a watch key. Secondly, a monogram of letters composing the name; these pins are by far the handsomest of all, and are almost always jewelled. Thirdly, some symbol representing the name of the society or some of its degrees, as a skull, a harp, a key.

In addition to the badges, which are worn as pins and attached to the vest or necktie, many of the fraternities have chosen distinctive colors. As the fraternity chapters are generally known by letters, the members of each chapter frequently wear their chapter letter or letters as a guard pin, and attach it to the badge proper by a tiny chain. When the college colors are worn in connection with the badge, and no fraternity colors are used, the college, chapter and fraternity of an individual can thus be told by a glance.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE SYSTEM.

The first American society bearing a Greek-Letter name was founded at the college of William and Mary, in 1776, and was called Phi Beta Kappa. It was secret in its nature, and tradition has brought down several accounts of its origin. One states that it came from Europe, another that it was founded by Thomas Jefferson, a third that it sprang from a Freemason's lodge. Whatever may have been the manner of its beginning, the cause was undoubtedly the common friendship and interdependence of its founders. It was purely literary in its character, its meetings were held monthly or semi-monthly, and only seniors were eligible to membership.

The chapter or lodge was termed the "Alpha," and the first exoteric branch was established at Yale College; from there it spread to other colleges. It will be seen that the causes for its foundation were friendship and the promotion of a common object. These causes and a spirit of opposition or imitation, will satisfactorily account for the foundation of every fraternity now existing. Phi Beta Kappa remained alone until 1821, when a senior society was founded at Yale, and called Chi Delta Theta. Between the establishment of Phi Beta Kappa and that of Chi Delta Theta, a class of societies differing from either had arisen. These were mostly of a literary character, and bore names such as Hermersian, Philalethean, Erosophian, Linonian, Adelphi, Philotecenian, etc. Some of them were secret and some were not. Their exercises consisted in debates, the reading and discussion of papers on literary subjects, and the like. Encouraged as they were by the faculty, the students joined them as a matter of course, but there was little actual interest taken in their proceedings, except at the literary contests, or when elections were about to take place. These societies, though excellent in affording forensic training and practice in oratory, did not satisfy the want, which resulted in the formation of the secret fraternities shortly after.

*(To be continued.)*



## LOCAL.

Spring vacation in two weeks.

This is the last issue of the CAMPUS for this Term.

Who voted for Fox and ate oysters for Mitchell?

WANTED—To know where the book agents are this year.

Ask Canfield and Hamilton how the twins are prospering.

Ye senior seeketh his oration and calleth on dad for the price thereof.

Wouldn't it be a good idea for some one to keep a record of faculty attendance at chapel?

Haybarger pulled down his vest thirty-three times, by actual count, while delivering his oration at the contest.

Thanks are due D. L. Thoburn for his able management of this department during the late absence of the editor.

A new text book has been introduced in the scientific department, entitled, "Outlines of Qualitative Analysis for Beginners."

The members of the art criticism class has been reading essays on noted works of art, artists, etc., during the past week—a notably good one was that by Mr. Haybarger on *Hercules*.

The seniors have appointed a committee to arrange for their commencement invitations and the general preliminaries of Class Day. They express a united determination to "do it up brown."

The B–etter V–isit S–aegertown fraternity had a banquet in Huling's Hall the other evening. If any one asks you what the program was, tell them you don't know. "Flowers born to blush unseen," etc.

Prof. Tingley has shown great kindness to the art criticism class in bringing books from his private library to the recitation room and allowing the class free access to them. In few colleges do students get so much genuine cooperation from the faculty as at Allegheny.

Prof. Tingley, on entering his recitation room last Tuesday, discovered the floor on fire; caused by coals dropping from the stove. A little snow stopped what might have been a serious conflagration; but it should be a lesson to those who thoughtlessly fill a stove to overflowing with coal, thinking it will "burn down."

Dr. Hamnett deserves much credit for his untiring efforts to improve the library. His latest act is to arrange our fine and complete collection of public documents in the room heretofore used for the Prescott cabinet. New shelving has been placed in position, and the books occupy three sides of the room. A very convenient system of indexing and cataloguing is used, which enables the most inexperienced "prep" to find any desired work with ease.

The election for Commencement representatives in three societies have resulted as follows:

Ossoli—Miss Clara Snyder.

Athenian—A. L. Williams.

Allegheny—A. J. Mitchell.

The last was the result of a short but lively campaign in which members of Philo and Athenian all engaged, and in which diplomacy, prevarication and sweetness were so mingled that some poor voters were almost too much bewildered to know which way to vote. The elections in Ossoli and Athenian were unanimous.

The Centenary Oration Contest of the Philo society was held in the chapel Tuesday evening, March 10. The following was the program:

Labor—J. D. Croasmun.

The Indian—W. M. Everett.

Old England's Yeomany—W. P. Murray.

A Retrospect of our Country—L. E. Haybarger.

My Evil Genius—F. C. Adams.

Some excellent music livened up the program, and a decidedly original production closed the performance. Mr. Murray's oration secured the prize. The attendance was very good, the contest creditable to the society.

The evening sun had just sunk behind the Western hills and already his rosy tints had faded from the overhanging cloud. The sleet was falling in soothing cadence against the

windows of Hulings Hall, while the sighing wind was sobbing a requiem over the ante-diluvian remains that had formed the evening repast.

In the parlor was gathered a little band whose sad and plaintive features had a far away look, which betokened hope deferred; and the massive walls of the hall shook as the gentle maidens tapped the floor impatiently with their dainty feet, and the noble boys ground their teeth in impotent rage.

Do you ask the cause of this commotion, O gentle maiden?

Know then that these men and maidens were waiting to hie themselves away on a romantic sleighride. Time passed away in breathless silence, and at last a messenger was despatched to hasten the lingering knight.

Minutes wore away and haggard faces looked at each other in mute inquiry, while the silence was only broken by the patter of the rain drops. Suddenly there was a stir! The door burst open!! The messenger had come!! and at last they would know the worst.

With trembling limbs he tottered to a chair and while despair was written in every feature, he summoned all his strength and gasped, "B—d—y is combing his hair!"

[Extract from the latest work of the college novelist. Now in Press—under the coal bucket. Published by special clemency on part of CAMPUS.—ED.]

### OUTING.

Among the attractions which the April number will present will be the first instalment of a novel by Julian Hawthorne, called "Love—or a Name," to run through six numbers; the beginning of a brilliant story, in three parts, called "The Flag of the Seven Upright Ones," by Gottfried Keller, the great Swiss novelist; a discussion of the question of the preservation of the Adirondack forests, by a large group of eminent writers and public men; the first part of a picturesque account of an adventurous trip "Across America on a Bicycle," from San Francisco to Boston, by Thomas Stevens; and the beginning of "A Modern Tramp," an illustrated serial in six parts, by E. C. Gardner, author of "Homes and how to make them;" "The House that Jill Built," etc. There will also be several entertaining descriptive articles, two admirable short stories, two notable poems and several important practical papers.

### *PERSONAL.*

D. L. Terwilliger, '85, has returned to college again after a short visit home.

C. M. Miller madea flying trip to Cleveland last week and reports a pleasant time.

Julia B. McGrew, '85, expects to rejoin her class at the beginning of the spring term.

C. H. Quick, '88, made the college a short visit last week. Charles will be with us again next term.

H. W. Smith, '87, who has been teaching school near Conneaut Lake, will be back again next term.

Miss Rice, '88, has been kept from classes for some days by sickness. She expects to go home to recuperate.

Trevy, '89, is having serious trouble with his eyes. He has not been able to read for some time and has been obliged to leave college.

Prof. Tingley has been asked to take charge of a summer school of science at the college this year and has consented, provided satisfactory arrangements are made.

Hurst, '99, says that the rumor that he will enter the lecture field next summer is without foundation as pressing domestic duties will demand his attention at home.

Rev. W. G. Williams spent Sunday, March 8th, in Meadville. He is on his way south for the benefit of his health. The best wishes of many friends here go with him.

Bell, '85, has resigned from Philo-Franklin Society. It is rumored that he couldn't stand the late hours and demoralizing influences of that crowd and that he will now apply to Ossoli for membership.

We are informed that Prof. Montgomery and Prof. W. W. Thoburn, '81, now of Bloomington, Ill, expect to spend the summer camping on the shores of Conneaut Lake and studying the natural history of that section.




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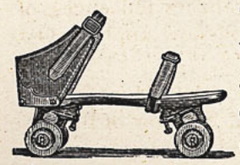
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