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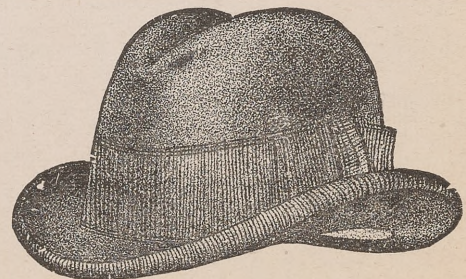
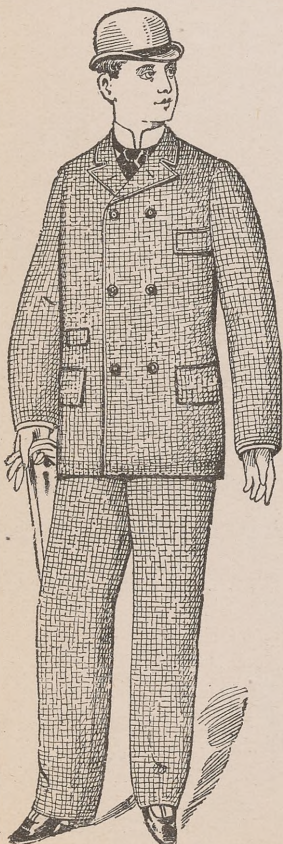
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## UNIVERSITY BULLETIN.

The second Assembly lecture this term will be given Wednesday, the twenty-third, by Professor Nathaniel E. Wilson of the Experiment Station.

The first meeting of the new Board of University Regents was held on Wednesday, the sixteenth instant. The Hon. W. E. F. Deal of Virginia City and the Hon. H. S. Starrett of Austin, the new members, and the Hon. H. L. Fish, President of the Board, were present.

It is quite probable that the next lecture in the University course will be given by Professor E. E. Barnard of the Lick Observatory, University of California.

The new catalogue, with announcements for the academic year, 1895-'96, will appear, it is expected, in February.

An invitation has been extended to the Rev. H. R. Haweis, the distinguished author and lecturer, who is now sojourning in San Francisco for his health, to deliver one of the lectures in the University course.

The last lecture in the President's course of lectures in "Practical Ethics" is postponed to Wednesday, January 30.

The bad weather has put a stop to regular cadet drill, but Lieutenant Hamilton occupies the drill hour by recitations and lectures on Military Science. The projected "Armory and Gymnasium" is a pressing need to the University.

All students who wish to take an examination on the lectures in "Practical Ethics" will report to the President on the 30th instant.

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## LITERARY.

STELLA LINSKOTT, '95.

### THE CHARACTER OF THE SPANISH PEOPLE.

It has been proved that locality, climate and seasons have a decided effect upon the mental development of the human organism; and since the mental capabilities and temperaments of a people have an important influence upon their character it would be well, before discussing the character of the Spanish people, to describe briefly the country in which they live.

Spain, situated in the south-western corner of Europe, is for the most part, a bold and rugged country. It consists chiefly of immense, undulating plains, which are barren and treeless as far as the eye can see. Standing alone on one of these plains a person is deeply impressed by the solitary and lonesome aspect presented to him, and is only too willing to return to the exciting scenes of life.

In the interior provinces one occasionally finds large tracts of cultivated land. These are quite a distance from the villages, which are located on steep hills, or near some rugged crag. The mountains, which may be seen from the hotel at Granada, present a noble, yet stern and solemn appearance. The beauty of the scenery is greatly enhanced by these majestic peaks which are so much in unison with the hardy nature of the Spanish.

It would be difficult to describe in detail the many types to be met with in Spain. For convenience in discussing their character we may separate the Spanish people into three classes. The very rich, the very poor, and a middle class which is neither rich nor poor.

The rich people spend their days in luxury and comfort. Theirs is a haughty, proud manner. They have no cares to bother them as they are

of that temperament where trouble "sits lightly on the brow." This class of people may be seen at any time walking idly along "the road of pleasure." Life to them is one long holiday.

The very poor people might by their manner, be easily mistaken for the richer class. There is however, a marked difference in their dress. One is attired in costly garments; the other in rags. But the poor wear their rags, as a king, his crown. They are a careless and lazy set.

The third or middle class are very ambitious, and work hard for a living. They are the worth of the Spanish nation.

The Spanish people as a whole are easily influenced. They believe strongly in the legendary superstitions, and relate them with as much earnestness as though every word they uttered was of vital importance. Their character is greatly affected by their station in life. But they have a few traits in common. Courtesy, kindness, pride, and hospitality being possessed by rich and poor.

K. R., NORMAL '95.

A well known literary man said to us the other day: "The schools don't teach concentration of thought." The spectacle of Trollope compelling himself to produce a given number of words each day, even when suffering sea sickness, occurred to us, with Grant writing his book under physical pain. These men have learned to master their minds. Well, we have been thinking about the gentleman's words, and we come to the conclusion that there is truth in them. Teachers allow their pupils to rely too much on note books and text books. There is not enough chance given to pupils to concentrate their thoughts, providing they have brain enough to evolve thoughts, and a subject that is now not already explained to death, to think about.—*Pacific Educational Journal*.



## MISCELLANY.

MABEL STANAWAY, '95.

### CHEERFULNESS.

**I**F there is one element in the human mind or heart that we should be devoutly thankful for, it is a cheerful, happy disposition. To carry the sunshine with us means a great deal. It is not merely a boon to you or to me personally, but to all with whom we associate. It reaches far beyond to-day's experience or labor, far into eternity. We may sow the seed to-day that we shall reap the harvest from on the shores of immortality. "God loveth a cheerful giver" does not necessarily imply the giver of money merely, but as truly applies to the willing, self-sacrificing spirit that fain would succor all in distress, mentally or physically. That would give ready sympathy, pour balm on aching hearts, lend a helping hand cheerfully, not grudgingly, but in a genial way that makes the one you rescue, perhaps, feel that there is really some one that forgets self gladly and would equally assist to make the rough places in life smooth.

To carry a cheerful face and speak brave, encouraging words often costs great effort. God knows and sees each one's trials, and is ever ready to brighten the way for each struggling one. It is possible for all to be cheerful, and the greater the effort, the greater the victory gained.

L. N.

### BEST THINGS.

- The best law—the golden rule.
- The best philosophy—a contented mind.
- The best statesmanship—self-government.
- The best theology—a pure and beneficent life.
- The best war—to war against one's weakness.
- The best medicine—cheerfulness and temperance.
- The best music—the laughter of an innocent child.

The best science—extracting sunshine from a cloudy way.

The best art—painting a smile upon the brow of childhood.

The best biography—the life which writes charity in the largest letters.

The best telegraphing—flashing a ray of sunshine into a gloomy heart.

The best engineering—building a bridge of faith over the river death.

The best diplomacy—effecting a treaty of peace with one's own conscience.

The best journalism—printing the true and beautiful, only, on memory's tablet.

The best navigation—steering clear of the lacerating rocks of personal contention.

The best mathematics—that which doubles the most joys and divides the most sorrows.—  
*Annals of Phrenology and Physiognomy.*

### CLASS SONG.

O, we are the sophomore class!  
And proper young people are we,  
Our books are in tight little straps,  
Our heart, they are chock full of glee.

Class suppers are horribly fast,  
Societies terribly slow,  
Cane rushes a thing of the past,  
We do not approve them, you know.

So call us no horrible names,  
Nor put off your stale jokes on us;  
A poet's not one of our claims,  
So pray do not raise a big fuss. B. '97

Work for some good, be it ever so slowly,  
Cherish some flower, be it ever so lowly,  
Labor! all labor is noble and holy;  
Let thy great deeds by thy prayer to thy God.




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# CAMPUS




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J. M. L. HENRY, '96.

The "Awkward Squad" has fourteen members at present.

Miss Annie Martin, A. B., '94, holds the ladies' tennis championship at Stanford University.

It is now definitely given out that the boys' entertainment will be given in Reno on February 23d.

President Stubbs' last lecture of his course of Ethics before General Assembly is postponed until January 30th.

Professor Miller of the University has been elected official Bacteriologist and Pathologist of the Nevada Medical Association.

Chas. P. Brown, Mines, '93, late Assistant Chemist of the State Mining Laboratory, is to teach Professor Hillman's class in geometry.

H. S. Swan, Mines '93, passed through Reno on the 10th inst. en route to Minas Prietas, Mexico, where he goes to accept a position with the Creston & Colorado Mining Company of that city.

A. E. Saxton, Nevada's former representative at the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, is stationed at Fort Meade, S. D., while R. C. Bulmer, our representative at the U. S. Naval Academy, is stationed at Gibraltar.

The T. H. P. O. fittingly (?) ushered in the new year with the formation of a Lying Club on New Year's Eve. After the selection of a Chair, adoption of iron-clad constitution and by-laws, election of officers, etc., the President led off with the first unadulterated lie of the year. Many were the attempts to surpass him, but all proving futile the Club adjourned at a late hour to meet at the call of the President.

Dr. Leroy D. Brown, formerly President of the State University, has been elected Superintendent of the Schools of San Luis Obispo, California. Dr. Brown stands high as an educator, and is acquiring an enviable reputation in California.—*Journal.*

Owing to the increase in the membership of the boys' dormitory this term, the upper floor of the Mechanical Building has again been converted into living rooms, which a number of the older men occupy. This affords room for many more in Stewart Hall, which is rapidly filling up.

The young ladies will give a matinee performance of their entertainment on January 17th, in consideration of which the Public Schools of Reno will not be in session on that afternoon. The young ladies will produce the entertainment in Virginia City on January 18th and in Carson on January 19th.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Cutting has called a meeting of the Public School Principals of the State and Professors of the State University to meet in Carson City, Jan. 25-26th. The meeting is for the purpose of bringing the studies of the University and the Public Schools more in line with each other.

On January 7th Lieutenant Hamilton began his lectures to the Cadet Corps on military subjects. He will continue them until the weather and the condition of the ground permit drilling. Parts of the lectures consist of extracts from a book written by the Lieutenant some years ago. They are highly interesting, and from them the Juniors and Seniors of the Corps take notes; recitations are held each Tuesday and Friday. During drill period on said days the delinquents are put through the "setting up" exercises on the dry spots of the campus.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT.

F. H. SAXTON, '95.

THE one quality admired in man, above all others, is an unselfish nature. The feature of human natures that brings us farthest from our ideal of life on this earth is selfishness. Some people are so wrapped up in their own personal welfare that they soon become to regard themselves as supernatural and usurp the rights and powers of others to correspond with their imaginative superiority.

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THE President has recommended that in addition to the Regents, a visiting board be appointed by the Governor, consisting of one member from each county in the State. The duties of the Board will be to visit the institution and confer with the Regents, and also act in their respective counties on matters that would advance the usefulness of the school. The value of such a Board is at once apparent, and steps should be taken to effect its organization.

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CLASS distinction has never figured very prominently in the everyday doings of our students. It is perhaps better that we should disfavor class distinction to a great degree when our numbers are small, but yet we believe in some distinction. The Freshmen must be "educated," and the line might well be drawn between the yearlings and the upper classmen. Little class distinction need be encouraged among the three upper classes, but it is essential that Freshmen be made to know themselves and to loose the exaggerated idea of their abilities that characterizes them in the high school. Class distinction, so far as it is directed to the training of Freshmen, is good and will prove of infinite value to the "initiated" in after years.

THE Cadet Battalion will give its entertainment in Reno, February 17th. The boys are working diligently for its success, and unless we miss our guess, some of their specialities will "bring down the meat house."

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EDUCATION is not merely a product of past study and experience, but more than this it is a means of further study. To be educated one must have advanced to such a plane as to know there is yet a vast amount of knowledge to be gained, and generally the educated man keeps on with his seeking and becomes better educated. —*West Maryland College Monthly.*

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THE best method of determining the proficiency of students in the various branches pursued has for sometime been a question of dispute among educators. Fixed examinations seem to be growing into disfavor because of the cramming process that they encourage; the daily standing in the class room is the only criterion of proficiency in many Universities. This method has the advantage of stimulating better work in the class-room, as many students exert themselves only according to requirement; this system, however, precludes the demonstration of knowledge that may be acquired from the explanations of the Professor. A system basing the final decision upon the daily work and examinations given at intervals throughout the term without previous notice, seem to embody the advantages without the disadvantages of other systems.

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"I cannot praise a fugitive and cloistered virtue, unexercised and unbreathed, that never sallies out and sees her adversary, but slinks out of the race, where that immortal garland is to be run for not without dust and heat."



## Reciprocities. Bits of Fun

W. J. FLOOD, '95.

LULU BLUM, '95.

—John D. Rockefeller gave the University of Chicago a New Year's gift of \$175,000.

“What is college spirit?”—  
 She blushing drew near—  
 “I know that students like it,  
 Now is it wine or beer?” —*Lafa.*

—Why do I educate myself? For three reasons: First, for present enjoyment; second, that I may be more useful to my fellowman; third, that I may know as much as possible to the end of this life so as to have a good start for eternity.  
 —*Thielensian.*

Just a little verselet  
 On a story old,  
 Keeps that story verdant,  
 Every time it's told.  
 —*U. of M. Wrinkle.*

—As a result of the college Y. M. C. A. movement, over twenty thousand students are reported to have become Christians in America during the sixteen years of its existence; three thousand have entered the ministry, and over six thousand have gone into foreign mission work.—*Ex.*

—A meeting preliminary to the formation of an intercollegiate gymnastic association was held in New York City recently. The new league will be similar to the Intercollegiate Track Athletic Association and will hold championship contests annually. It is proposed to include in the association Yale, Harvard, Princeton, University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, Dartmouth, Amherst, Williams, Swarthmore, Haverford and the University of Virginia.—*Ex.*

An up to date kiss for a young lady is to lay the left cheeks together and kiss out in vacancy.

He—Are you going to vote the straight ticket, dear?

His Wife—The straight ticket? Do you mean to say that any are cut on the bias?—*Ex.*

Professor H—Gracious, Miss H., how high you have tuned your violin.

Miss H.—Oh, that's all right. I'm trying to boom-de-A.

Election Clerk—Are you a Democrat or a Republican?

Lady Voter—Oh! this is so sudden. Give me time to think.—*Ex.*

Oh! lady in the bloomers,  
 How glad you ought to be,  
 To think they will never  
 Bag at the knee. —*L.*

X.—Say, don't you know Jenkins' baby cured him of drinking?

Y.—The baby? How?

X.—Why, every time Jenkins went home tipsy he thought he saw twins.

He said when he saw the football high  
 Suspended from a peg,

“It must have been a tough old hen  
 That laid that leather egg.” —*Ex.*

A.—I always thought Jolineau to be an airy and happy bachelor, but to-day I changed my mind. I am sure he's married.

B.—Why?

A.—Because he had three buttons off his coat.  
 —*B. I.*

## Athletic and Society Notes.

O. T. WILLIAMS, '96.

What has become of the U. of N. Glee Club?

A social hop was much enjoyed by the students on the evening of January 5th.

It is expected that the football teams will resume work as soon as the weather permits.

The Freshmen held a business meeting January 9th.

At a meeting of the Sophomores recently a committee was appointed to recommend a new class yell.

The University Orchestra, under the able leadership of Professor Hillman, is attaining great proficiency.

This year the Varsity baseball nine will be better than ever before. Several men are practicing pitching, and it is difficult to determine which one will be the successful aspirant to the pitcher's box.

In addition to the benefits derived by one who enjoys the privileges by assuming the duties incumbent upon himself as a member of a literary society, there are other advantages which he cannot obtain in a society of mixed students. The discussion of technical subjects belongs properly to the specialist. Let those who purpose following a particular line of work assemble and have a round-the-table talk upon a single feature of the subject. Chemistry, mining, milling, engineering, etc. would be agreeable to some. Those who contemplate entering law and medical colleges would be more interested with logic, constitutional history, literature, physiology, etc. Economic and social questions offer an excellent field for debating clubs. There is room in the institution for several clubs of this sort. It is right to stand by the Adelphi, but in so doing do not become imbued with the fallacious idea that every effort in support of other societies will contribute to the death blow of the only existing one.

Speeches by the newly-installed officers constituted the literary portion of the Adelphi program on the 11th inst. Six students were admitted to membership.

Mrs. Mary Emery, Principal of the Normal School, read an interesting paper in General Assembly on the 9th inst. The lecture was for the third year Normal Class especially, but was highly appreciated by others as well.

Captain J. M. L. Henry of the T. H. P. O. football team has notified the following men to appear for practice Wednesday afternoon, January 23d: Cahlan, C. R.; Egan, R. T.; Powers, I. E.; Saxton, R. G.; D. J. Park, R. E.; Brette, L. G.; Woodbury, Q. B.; Kanay, F. B.; Henry, R. H. B.; Bliss, L. H. B.; J. J. Sullivan, L. T.; Bulmer and D. W. Park, substitutes. We are assured that this team will do some very good playing as soon as the condition of the grounds permit. As all the men of the T. H. P. O. team reside on the grounds, they have an advantage over those of other teams for systematic training. Captain Henry will have a training table for his men provided at the dining hall.

Two elevens have been organized among the Varsity boys who live in town, and from these two will be selected the men for a team to play the T. H. P. O. boys February 22d. We give the names and positions as at present determined:

Wright, W. W.	C. R.	Linscott
Dundson, J.	R. G.	Brandon, W. L.
Evans	L. G.	Higgins
Thompson, J.	R. T.	Durkee, S. C.
Aitken	L. T.	Sunderland, J.
Wright, Jas.	R. E.	Dundson, N.
Trimble	L. E.	Osborn
Finlayson	Q. B.	Clemons
Roeder	R. H. B.	Loder
Sunderland, R.	L. H. B.	Maxson
Stoddard, C.	F. B.	

S. C. Durkee will be Captain of the down-towners, and it is a foregone conclusion that his will be a team of more than ordinary ability.

## CONTRIBUTIONS

### FIVE MINUTES WITH A PATENT.

**A**N application for a patent consists of five parts, a first fee of fifteen dollars, a petition, specification, oath and drawings, when the invention admits of illustration. It is commonly supposed that there is a model in the Patent Office of every patent issued. A model is required only when the invention cannot be clearly understood from the description and drawings.

The specification is a written description of the invention and must conclude with specific and distinct claims of the parts which the applicant considers to be his invention or discovery. The claims is the portion which appears in the *Official Gazette*. In the oath the inventor must state that he is the first and original inventor of the thing claimed; that he does not believe that it was ever before known or used; that it has not been patented to himself or others, and not on sale or in public use in this country for more than two years prior to his application. The drawing is required to be on paper the thickness of three-ply Bristol board, the sheets measuring ten inches by 15 inches.

The examining corps is divided into thirty-four divisions, with an average of about six examiners in each. Inventions are classified according to the various arts and are distributed among the several divisions. In each division the classes are divided and subdivided whenever any feature of structure, use or material insures a sufficient and distinct line of division.

Applications must first go to the assignment division, where, if there are no formal objections, they receive their serial numbers and are assigned to the proper examiners. As a rule, applications are examined in the regular order of filing, but under certain conditions later applications are entitled to precedence. The first step in the examination is to get a thorough understanding of

the alleged invention as set forth in the specification and drawings. A search is then made through the various classes in which it might occur. The search is made in the drawings of patents, referring to the specification only on obscure points. When a reference is found that will meet the claims, a letter is written to the applicant designating the rejected claims and the date, number, class and patentee of the invention upon which the rejection is based. The applicant may then at any time within two years amend the claims in such a way as will, in his opinion, avoid the references cited. The amended claims are re-examined, and if allowable the case is passed to issue. If not, they are again rejected. The applicant may amend as often as new reasons or references for rejection are cited. When the same claim has been twice rejected for the same reasons it may be finally rejected subject to appeal to higher tribunals. After a case has been passed by the examiner, the issue division notifies the applicant of its allowance, and if the final fee of \$20 is paid within six months the patent is granted. If not, the patent is forfeited, subject to renewal within two years. The term of a letters patent is seventeen years unless the invention has been previously patented abroad by the same inventor, when it will expire with the foreign patent, but in no case will it exceed seventeen years. A design patent is granted for three and one-half, seven or fourteen years. A patent can be extended only by an Act of Congress. About fifty-five per cent. of the applications become patents.

L., B. S.

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## From the Heights.

VAGUE rumor that the co-eds have rejected a proposal to inaugurate student government in their study hall has reached the Heights. And while the writer does not visit this department very often, yet a little speculation about it may not be out of place.

Doubtless no one objects to this method of government, on the ground that there is no need of discipline. A gathering of one or two hundred persons, all of whom are so mindful of the rights of their fellows that no system of government is necessary, is something the writer does not believe he has had the pleasure of seeing or hearing of.

But since people do not always regard the rights of others, and since some students often make noise when they ought not, who is going to enforce the necessary order and quiet? This becomes a very serious question to the student who must prepare a lesson in the study hall, and if he has received a rather severe handling in the class room because of a recitation illy prepared, it is accompanied with a feeling of personal injury. Then who is going to preserve order?

If a student were to report annoying disturbances he would immediately be dubbed "tattler" and given a general "cut." Better live in a bedlam or not live at all than be an outcast; so most students feel. This kills all individual action, but there is yet a means of maintaining order. Organized society has learned that the individual must give up many of his rights for the benefit of all. And likewise it will be seen that while any student can go out into the hills, away from everyone, and talk and scream to his heart's content, when he is in the study hall others demand silence. And there are but two means to keep silence.

One is for the University to place a preceptress in the study hall, and the other is for the young ladies to organize and keep order themselves.

At the reign of a preceptress the young ladies would look with horror. They would say that

they were not in a kindergarten; that they had left their nurses long since and were now able to think and act for themselves. In all of which they would be quite right. Indeed, it seems to me, the advent of such a person would be a sad reflection on the character of our University.

The second method they say may do in very large bodies of students, but here, where one knows everybody, it will be a signal failure, because any one does not wish to report any thing on a friend. But friendship should increase the obligation of one to respect the rights of another. I want all my friends to know that they cannot annoy me and benefit either of us.

But I say organize, draw up a constitution and rules, and appoint a committee to enforce them. Everyone is reasonable at times; all must see the necessity of order, and when they appoint persons to keep order they will expect that all rules will be enforced, even on themselves. To require order of the students when they appoint you to do so becomes a duty, and even offenders will respect you the more for doing it.

Besides, the committee will not be habitually reporting for misbehavior. When students know there is some authority over them they are much more particular about what they do than they otherwise would be. And the more prompt and decisive the committee are in acting the less they will find for them to do.

Order can be had as easily as disorder, and while some young ladies may find it a great hardship to keep still, when once they have adapted themselves to the new conditions they will wonder how they ever got along any other way.

In this article only a few hints have been given, and I can only say to those interested that, if instead of listening to those who have much to say on everything and think but little on anything, they will do a little thinking for themselves they will find much in student government to commend itself.

**UNIVERSITY GYMNASIUM FUND.**

Following is a statement of the first and second entertainments for the benefit of the University Gymnasium Fund:

First entertainment, December 4th. Lecture by Dr. Stubbs.

Admission by single tickets.....	\$34 50
Admission by season tickets, approximated.....	67 41
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Total.....	\$101 91
Expenses.....	24 00
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Balance.....	\$77 91

Second entertainment, December 15th, by the Young Ladies' Cadet Corps:

Admission by single tickets.....	\$165 25
Admission by season tickets.....	67 41
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Total.....	\$232 66
Expense.....	68 35
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Balance.....	\$164 31

Most of the expenses can be recovered by the sale of the articles purchased for this entertainment, thus increasing the amount cleared.

\*Total amount in fund, \$511 90.

"Some women remind us of hens."

"How so?"

"They never find anything to-day where they laid it yesterday."

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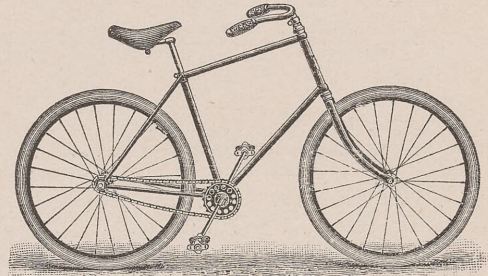
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