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Editorial.

○ FOR a re-organization of the Glee Club! The institution shows a marked improvement along most lines this year, but in some things we are woefully lacking. Won't some energetic person who is interested in this work, start the movement? We are sure the student body would support the project by subscription if necessary.

WE respect honest, thoughtful criticism. It is always beneficial; but the envious mud-slinger, who always has a grievance to be aired, is an evil, and by no means a necessary one.

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EXAMINATIONS for the West Point Cadetship have been announced. The University has at present representatives in both the Military and Naval Academies and another should be added to the list. The opportunity is rare and is well worth taking advantage of.

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“AS the twig is bent, so is the tree inclined.” The fact that many students look upon the studious side of college life with disfavor and go through their course with no deeply-fixed aims, hardly admits of discussion. Their life work cannot amount to much, but the student who denies himself a little pleasure now and then, loses nothing by it. Self-denial always strengthens one's character, and if we do not possess this power ourselves, we can hardly help admiring it in another. In future years the persevering, self-denying student will be the respected and useful member of the community.

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OUR attention has lately been called to that article of the Athletic Association Constitution relating to the supervision of athletic sports. Many of our students, and we include ourselves in the list, have formed the habit of referring to the chairman of the committee having in charge some special sport, as manager so-and-so. This, we believe, is in direct conflict with the spirit of the Constitution. Certainly the chairman superintends everything pertaining to the sport for the committee, but in that sense alone is he manager. The lower classes each have a representative on every committee and that representative has a voice in the management of affairs. We should endeavor to create a popular prejudice against the use of the term “man-

ager," as it does not express at all the ideas of the founders of the new association and is misleading in many ways.



WE understand that the Senior Class has petitioned the Faculty to dispense with the reading of theses during Commencement week. It is to be hoped that the petition will be granted. This antiquated custom is gradually

dying and the college world is to be congratulated on the fact. The graduate derives his benefit from writing the thesis, and if the Class of '99 have such a deep regard for their friends as to be unwilling to impose upon those friends the torture of listening to the results of such deep researches in the fields of science and literature, we think it is but fitting that the "powers that be" bow their heads in appreciation of such magnanimity.

❧ Literary. ❧

Fly-Fishing for Rainbow Trout.

TO my way of thinking, the rainbow trout is the best of the many fine kinds of fish which are caught in the Truckee river. When fresh from the stream its silvery sides gleam with soft iridescent purple tints which have given it its name. During the long summer days, the young rainbows dart to and fro in the green water, now chasing and devouring some unlucky water bug, now leaping into the air to catch a winged midget fluttering over the glassy surface. The older and wiser fish live in deep pools and meditate all day long in the cool shadows of boulders and submerged logs. They keep one eye open for business, however, and woe to any adventurous and giddy minnow which swims too near their snug retreats.

The evening, however, is the time when the rainbow trout is thoroughly happy and contented with life. When the sun goes down and the purple shadows gather over the water, thousands of little moths and midgets, black and brown, yellow and white, flutter out from their hiding places under bits of bark and leaves and come dancing over the water in a delirious evening revel. The trout splash forth from the stream gleaming with purple and silver. They arch their backs in beautiful curves, drop back

and dart away, each with a fine tender fly taken on the wing.

But alas, the fly is not always tender and not always real. With the hasty impetuosity of youth the younger trout leap at every moving thing, but too often seize firmly upon some such combination of silk and feathers and steel as the "brown hackle" or the "jungle cock." The large fish are not so easily fooled. The fisherman must select his flies with care and cast them lightly and daintily if he expects to lure any old and experienced trout from the clear depths.

When once hooked the rainbow trout does not submit tamely to his fate. If he is a large and heavy fish, his swift rushes and wild leaps strain every inch of the fisherman's tackle and test his skill to the utmost.

For several years past I have fished the Truckee every summer. Last year, owing to low water, the fishing was especially good; so, in order to make the most of it, I spent several days camping along the stream with Will D—

We left town late one Wednesday afternoon and walked to Laughton's Springs. Each carried a blanket and three or four days' provisions, together with a fly-rod and a small camera. We reached the Springs late in the evening; but dark as it was, we hastily put our rods to-

gether and waded out into the cold water.

Will soon hooked a nice trout. While he was playing it I walked down stream to a long riffle where swift water danced along in little waves, over which I soon had a "professor" and a "royal coachman" bobbing and tossing. Suddenly a trout darted into the air and seized the "professor." At the same instant a larger one snapped up the "coachman." Then for the fun. The two fish spun round and round in a circle, each pulling against the other and making the water fairly boil. The pace was too swift to last, and I soon tumbled both fish into my landing net and thence into my basket.

This was good fun, but there was more coming. Another cast over the same riffle woke up one of those royal old purple-sided fellows who are fooled by an artificial fly not oftener than once a year. This rascal bit once too often, for as he grabbed the fly, a light jerk of my wrist drove the hook deep into the hard muscles in his upper jaw.

The fish dashed away down stream for fifty feet, leaped high in the air, then shot frantically up stream against the strong current. The water ran so swiftly and the strain of my rod was so severe that after a gallant fight the trout came at last to my landing net.

A few more casts with no more fish ended the evening's sport, and I returned to camp wet, tired and happy. Will was there with two good fish, but neither of them equalled my two-pound beauty.

That night we had a pan of fried trout such as no city epicure ever tates. A man must work hard and earn his appetite if he is to derive the fullest pleasure from any kind of food. Trout, moreover, are never again so good as they are when cooked just after they are caught.

Next morning when the eastern sky was growing faintly grey, we rolled out from our blankets, made a pot of coffee and some flap-jacks and were soon at it again. Wading in the cold water made our teeth chatter and the chilly morning breeze did much to cool our ardor.

We soon forgot the cold, for the trout were

rising freely and the sport was fast and furious. When Will had landed ten small ones and I eight, we thought it was about time to stop, but of course I had to take one more cast.

I chose an especially fine place behind a boulder, on each side of which the water was running like a mill-race. Behind the boulder a green glassy triangle of quiet water extended several feet.

Using a long cast with careful precision, I dropped my flies close behind the stone. For an instant they floated lightly on the surface. Then from the depths there shot forth into the grey morning light a superb trout which looked to be two feet long. A sharp jerk of the wrist hooked him securely. Then the reel began to shriek and the line went whizzing down stream at a terrific rate. The reel whizzed and whirred until the line was nearly exhausted. Would he never stop! I did not wait to see, but ran some distance down stream, splashing and stumbling and barking my shins on submerged boulders.

In a quiet pool at the head of a long reach of swift water the fish stopped, thus enabling me to reach the bank and take up a little line. This slight advantage was soon lost, for my noble trout raced frantically down the long reach of swift water while I ran along the bank nearly fifty yards behind.

At last the trout reached a deep, quiet pool where he rested and sulked. I did not give him much time to breathe, but pulled as hard as I dared with my little six-ounce rod, and finally brought the obstinate rascal to the surface. Then, to my great surprise, I saw that I had hooked a deep-bellied, thick-backed, nineteen-inch trout squarely in the middle of one side. This had left all his motions free, thus enabling him to put up a hurricane fight.

The trouble was about over now, for the water was so quiet and the strain of the rod so severe that I soon brought my beautiful rainbow safely to the net. It was a three-pound fish, the best which either of us caught in several days of hearty, exciting sport.

I. WALTON.

*Omar Khayyam
and His Rubaiyat.*

AKIM OMAR was born at Naishapur in Khorosan, in the latter years of the eleventh century.

Of his early life little is known further than that he was a pupil of the Imam Mowaffak of Naishapur, to whom a Persian biographer refers as "One of the greatest of the wise men of Khorosan," and under whose direction the poet pursued his studies, together with two other youths of his own age—Nizam ul Mulk and Hasan Ben Sabbah, both of whom became his fast friends.

Before these three parted it was mutually agreed upon that should any one of them attain to fortune, he should retain no pre-eminence for himself, but should share it equally with the others.

In time Nizam became vizur to the Sultan, Alp Aislan, and Omar and Hasan sought him out, Hasan to claim a share of his fortune in accordance with their parting vow; Omar merely to beg for permission to "live in the shadow of the vizur's fortune, where he might spread the advantages of science and pray for his friend's long life and prosperity."

It was here that Omar Khayyam—Omar, the tent maker—studied astronomy and wrote the quatrains, or rubaiyat, which have come down through seven centuries to rest in the casket of classic verse among its purest jewels, and voicing a philosophy that is modern in its depth and farsightedness.

Two excellent translations of the Persian's work now exist in English: that of Edward Fitzgerald, which is said to quite reflect the letter and the spirit of Omar's verse; and that of Richard le Gallienne, a later and in many ways a meritorious literary production.

Through all of Khayyam's work runs a strong undercurrent of melancholy; a sadness underlying even the passages most outwardly gay, and forever recurring in his Rubaiyat as the cry of a soul groping in the darkness of the future, seeking vainly for a glimpse of the after-life and finding always the lessons of the present

and nothing more. He sings:

Then to the rolling Heaven itself I cried,
Asking, "What Lamp had Destiny to guide
Her Little Children stumbling in the Dark?"
And "A blind Understanding!" Heaven replied.

Then to the lip of this poor earthen Urn
I leaned, the Secret of my Life to learn:
And lip to lip it murmured—"While you live,
Drink! for once dead, you never shall return"

—Hamlet's philosophy but not his pessimism. Khayyam sings the doctrine of "eat, drink and be merry, for to-morrow you die" and symbolizes the pleasures of life in the wine cup:

Ah fill the cup: what boasts it to repeat
How time is slipping underneath our feet:
Unborn To-morrow and dead yesterday,
Why fret about them if To-day be sweet?

But the poet could not contentedly live up to the sentiment of his verse—his soul was fretful under the yoke of destiny and his Wine Cup was not the key to the door of his happiness when he sang:

Yet Ah! that Spring should vanish with the Rose!
That Youth's sweet-scented manuscript should close!
The Nightingale that in the branches sang,
Ah, whence and whither flown again, who knows?

Would but the Desert of the Fountain yield
One glimpse—if dimly, yet indeed revealed
To which the fainting traveler might spring
As springs the trampled herbage of the field.

Oh Love! could you and I with him conspire
To grasp this sorry scheme of things entire,
Would we not shatter it to bits—and then
Remould it nearer to the heart's desire!

Khayyam died A. D. 1123 and was buried as he wished it—"where the north wind might scatter roses over his tomb"—a sacred spot to every lover of the beautiful in thought.

E. D. B.

At Heidelberg University, Germany, students taking laboratory courses in chemistry or physics are required by the university officers to take out an accident-insurance policy, covering possible accidents that may occur during the exercise.

❧ Society. ❧

The Student Conference of Y. M. C. A. ONE of the unique features of the Inter-Collegiate Association movement is the Summer conference for training men to become workers in their respective colleges in the Young Men's Christian Association.

Four of such conferences are held each year in as many parts of the country: in the East, at Northfield, Massachusetts; in the South, at Asheville, North Carolina; in the Middle West, at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; and on the Pacific Coast, at Pacific Grove, California. The effect of these gatherings upon the college association work has been very marked. Many colleges, in which the Association had little or no standing, have been transformed by the influence of a few men of the institution who have received training and inspiration from the Association Summer-school.

The student conference is primarily a gathering under special leaders, of men prominent in Association work in the different colleges and universities, for study and conference in regard to the religious work in their respective colleges and for mutual helpfulness and inspiration! The purpose of the gathering is three-fold: to deepen the spiritual lives of men; to train them to become leaders in the work of their own institutions; to present the claims upon college men of distinctively religious callings. Courses are given in methods of Association work, normal bible-study, study of missions and practical sociology. Platform addresses are given daily by men of intellectual and spiritual power. The mornings are devoted to the department conferences and study-classes. The afternoons are given over exclusively to recreation; boating, bathing, bicycling, tennis, baseball and field sports are indulged in according to the taste of the individual. At twilight are held what are known as "decision meetings," at which the various christian callings are pre-

sented by strong speakers, and men are brought face to face with great opportunities for making their lives useful to the world. The evenings close with delegation meetings of the men from the several colleges, when the lessons of the day are reviewed and prayerfully applied to the home work.

Not the least important feature of the conference is the inspiration that comes from personal contact with the leaders and prominent men who are in attendance. The platform addresses are given by the strongest men of the country, intellectually and spiritually. Prominent Christian men, such as Dr. Cuyler of New York, Dr. Henry Van Dyke, President Dwight of Yale, President Finley of Knox College, Professor Bosworth of Oberlin and Chancellor McDowell of University of Colorado, bring strong and ringing messages to the coming leaders. It was at student conferences that Rev. F. B. Meyer of London and the beloved Professor Drummond first became acquainted with American audiences.

The coming conference at Pacific Grove in May promises to be as strong and helpful as any of the preceding meetings. Several men of national reputation as well as the most prominent workers of the coast will be in attendance. The Association conferences and study classes will be in charge of able leaders. The platform meetings will be inspiring. Above all, the gathering of leading students from all the colleges of the coast, men engaged in the same work, with similar difficulties and like opportunities, will be a feature helpful and stimulating to all who have the good fortune to attend.

Such is the student conference; an opportunity to meet prominent men and influential students; addresses touching the deep things of a man's nature; inspiring study under enthusiastic leaders—who would not wish to attend such a gathering? The importance of sending a strong representation from the University at this time

cannot be overestimated. The Association has grown wonderfully in the last year and new leaders are required if the work is to be carried forward. The demands upon the Association for the coming year will be greatly increased. It is necessary, therefore, that more of the men have the special training of the conference to fit them to bear the new responsibilities and to realize the supreme importance of the work.

The Crescent Club, a society formed among the lower classes, held its first literary meeting in the Gymnasium on Saturday evening, March 13. The following program was much appreciated by those present:

Song (America)	Society
Opening remarks	Mr. Maxson
Select reading	Miss Scott
Essay	Mr. Brandon
Mandolin solo	Miss A. Henry
Poem	Miss Schell
Instrumental solo	Miss Hill
Paper	Miss M. Henry
Critics report	Mr. Powers

We cannot speak too favorably of this youthful society and its aims, but we learn that several who were among the most enthusiastic supporters of the organization at first, failed to put in an appearance at the first literary meeting. Stick to it, fellows. This is an opportunity to aid in the literary upbuilding of the University.

The second meeting of the same society took place in the Gym. on the evening of March 24. The following program was well rendered:

Address	Mr. Graham
Recitation	Miss Smith
Music	Crescent Orchestra
Debate—Resolved, That Washington did more for our Country than Lincoln.	
Affirmative	Mr. Bailey, Mr. Grant
Negative	Mr. McVicar, Miss Strösnider
Piano solo	Miss Shier
Essay	Mr. McElroy
Vocal solo	Miss Purviance

May the Crescent Club live long and prosper.

The last regular meeting of the Philomathean was held Friday evening, March 31. Following was the program:

Art in Photography	J. B. Jones
Vocal solo	Miss Worland
James Whitcomb Riley	G. R. Richard
Address	Dr. Stubbs

PART II.

Seymour Case takes the chair.

Music	Miss Williams
Current Events	Mr. Lamb
Rudyard Kipling	Miss Howe
Vocal solo	Miss Jameson

The management of the Dramatic Club have sent for plays and expect to have things in running order soon.

❧ Campus. ❧

Is to-day your day?

"She's a college girl off on a vacation alright."

H. C. Cutting '91 was on the Campus on the 23d.

The frogs have begun serenading for the season of '99.

Mr. M. Hann of Quincy, Cal., visited the University on the 24th.

R. A. Trimble, ex-'99, was on the Campus on the 27th.

Miss Fern Gedney returned from San Francisco on the 19th.

Mr. Ed Williams of Austin visited the University on the 19th.

Mr. Frank Kingsley of Smith Valley was on the Campus on the 26th.

The students in practical mechanics have completed a dynamo.

G. A. R. Doane, a former U. N. student, was on the Campus on the 25th.

The first 110 pages of the Artemisia were sent to the publisher on the 18th.

At a recent class meeting the Seniors decided to give a farce on Class Day.

Mrs. T. P. Brown had so far recovered her health on the 18th as to return to her home in Verdi.

Mrs. Wallace Bailey of White, Eureka county, visited her daughter and son at the 'Varsity on the 25th.

Miss Edwards delivered a lecture on athletics as it concerns the fair sex, before the Century Club on the 18th.

Miss Mattie Parker '99, Miss Ivan Sessions, W. F. Berry '00, D. W. Hayes '00 and E. D. Boyle '99 have been on the sick list.

At a Faculty meeting on the 20th it was decided that there is to be no encampment this year. "Never mind, that'll be alright some day.

Last week G. A. Fletcher '02 was struck in the eye by a paper wad so that the eye was blind for one day. The injury was not very serious, however, and he has about regained the use of the eye.

Rev. Thomas P. Boyd of Berkeley delivered a lecture before General Assembly on the 17th entitled "Black the Heels of Your Shoes." The Assembly was also favored by a selection from the Cadet Band.

The Training School has been enjoying a vacation during the past week.

E. D. Boyle '99 spent last Saturday and Sunday at his home in Gold Hill.

Mrs. L. S. Case *nee* Merrill, a former Normal student, was on the Campus on the 27th.

'Tis said on good authority that two of our Seniors will be married some time in June.

J. M. Gregory '99 departed on the 23d for San Francisco, there to enjoy a week of gay city life.

L. R. Merrill, ex-'01, came up from San Francisco on the 22d to put in a week drawing for the Artemisia.

T. J. Lawrence '99 and W. H. Brule '00 spent the 18th in Wadsworth on business connected with the Artemisia.

Battalion drill will perhaps engage most of the attention of the Cadet Corps during the remainder of the year.

Pres. McLean of the University of Nebraska and Prof. C. M. Gayley of the University of California are on the Commencement program.

Room 6 in Morrill Hall is being fitted up for a society room. The University has long been in need of such a room, and we trust it will revive a literary interest.

Mr. Edward B. Payne of Berkeley, who has been lecturing in this city on Walt Whitman, addressed the Assembly on the 24th. To make the program more enjoyable, Mr. L. R. Merrill, accompanied by Miss Enid Williams, favored us with several vocal solos.

College World.

During the presidency of Dr. Dwight of Yale, he has given to the University more than \$100,000, or twice the amount of his salary.

The Classical Department of Beloit College is planning to give a greek play in April or May. The play chosen is the Antigone of Sophocles.

Columbia issues eighteen university publications.

Senator Hanna of Ohio recently gave \$2,000 toward the establishment of Ohio's share in the National University.

The oldest college publication in America is the *Yale Literary Magazine*. It was published in 1835. The *Yale Banner* (annual), published in 1841, is almost as old.

The sixth annual May Festival at Ann Arbor occurs May 11, 12 and 13. The Sembrich concert and Campanari, the celebrated baritone from New York, are the great attractions of the occasion.

At the Chicago University a student does not answer for "cuts" until the end of the year, when, if it be found that he has more than thirty, he has to take an extra course for the next year.

When Brown University opened last year, but one student elected to study Spanish, and he was induced to substitute some other language. After the explosion of the Maine, when the spring term began, four students presented themselves to the professor of Spanish, and the study was resumed. This fall, after the war, the professor found his room crowded with young men who wanted to study the language and literature of our late adversaries.

According to the *Intercollegian* (New York), Holland has five universities, of which four are government institutions and one free. She also has one technological college of very high rank. In these six institutions there are almost four thousand students, and over two hundred professors. The universities at Leyden, Utrecht, Groningen, and Amsterdam have long ranked with the most renowned universities of the world. The strength of Dutch students lies in their absolute thoroughness, in their cosmopolitan outlook, in their great independence, in their intense patriotism, and in their honesty of character.

The University of Pennsylvania is to have a "live" house for biological work, the first of its kind in this country.

A memorial gate costing \$5,000 is erected at Columbia University in honor of her men who served in the late war.

The legislature of South Carolina has passed a statute declaring that Greek letter fraternities shall no more exist in schools receiving aid from the State.

Statistics concerning students attending the University of Kansas, recently made public, give the following results: Out of 879 enrolled, 362 are self-supporting, 100 partially so, and 415 supported by others.

If the plan under consideration to consolidate Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology succeeds, it will make one of the largest universities in the world, with a grand total of about 6,000 students.

The Columbian University, Washington, has established, in connection with its well-known law school, a department known as the School of Comparative Jurisprudence and Diplomacy. The design of the school is to afford a training in the higher and broader subjects of jurisprudence, and the history, science and practice of diplomacy.

A plan of continuous session has been adopted by the University of West Virginia. The year is to be divided into four quarters, of twelve weeks each. At the close of each quarter there is to be one week's vacation. At the same university, an annual prize of \$100 is to be awarded the young lady student adjudged the best in a declamatory contest. A movement is also on foot for the erection of a woman's hall. It seems that the "gentler sex" of that institution are properly cared for, and it is not surprising, when we are told that the number has doubled over that of the previous year.

The Frances E. Willard public school now being built is architecturally the finest in Chicago. It will cost over \$80,000.

Monmouth College has adopted the group system of study, and classes as they have heretofore existed will be unknown at that institution. The student is offered his choice of eight different groups, upon completion of any one of which he will be graduated with the usual degree. The new movement on the part of Monmouth officials is thought to mean much toward the advancement of the college.

In 1901 Yale will celebrate her bicentennial. Among the appropriate plans under consideration for the celebration is that of erecting on the campus a statue of Nathan Hale, to be unveiled at the time of the bicentennial. Nathan Hale was a Connecticut boy and a Yale graduate of the Class of 1769. It seems strange that his statue has not adorned the Yale district in New Haven before this, for, beyond doubt, his sort of patriotism is extraordinarily fit to be brought to the attention of the youth.

A prize of \$100 has been established by a University of Pennsylvania graduate, to be awarded annually to any member of the football, baseball, or track team, or crew attaining the highest scholarship.

A professor of Princeton University has been fifteen years at work collecting mementoes, relics, autographs, pamphlets and scrap books from old alumni. The collection is to be systematically arranged in a set of scrap books and will be a complete history of undergraduate life at old Nassau through all the years of its existence.

At Ann Arbor the proportion of students who are members of fraternities is 24 per cent; at Cornell, 33 per cent; Lehigh, 42 per cent; University of Virginia, 48 per cent; John Hopkins, 46 per cent; Union, 64 per cent; Stevens' Institute of Technology, 30 per cent; Wisconsin, 22 per cent; University of Pennsylvania, 41 per cent; Kenyon, 50 per cent; Chicago, 24 per cent; Wesleyan, 70 per cent; California, 14 per cent; Amherst, 80 per cent; Minnesota, 23 per cent.

Exchange.

COMMENTS.

We must commend the board of editors on the *Comet* for the excellent little paper they are getting out monthly. It is not our custom to criticize High School papers, besides it would be doing injustice to the youngsters. However, we must consider that the *Comet* is published by the Reno High School, every member of which has a vital interest in the State University. Some day in the years to come these same boys and girls will be editing the STUDENT RECORD, which will come to us while we are striving to solve the stern problems of life.

As the Exchange man takes up the *Hendrix College Mirror* a smile of satisfaction flits across his face. Before even opening this king of college magazines, he knows it will be filled from cover to cover with high grade literary matter and totally free from the trashy rot which is doing much to bring college journalism into disrepute. Many ambitious young editors endeavor to get out large and attractive papers without giving any consideration whatever to the matter they publish therein. By so doing they imagine the periodicals under their supervision will gain

more or less notoriety on account of increased size.

This is a fatal policy and cannot be too strongly condemned. A single paragraph of original thought is worth more than a volume of colloquialism and platitudes. Millet's paintings did

not have to be as large as the side of a barn in order to be admired by the whole artistic world, and neither is it imperative that a college paper should contain a hundred pages in order to be first-class.

CLIPPINGS.

THE FROGS.

Hark! From out the shallow streamlets
Comes the evening chorus strong;
And from every watery hollow
Antichoirs send back the song.

Mellow bars and piping tenor
Blend in every new refrain,
Could the notes of other voices
Break the night with fitter strain?

Oh, that gush of notes spontaneous
Rings with poetry sublime;
Challenges the inspiration
Of the warblers in their time.

Shout, ye lusty-throated Levites;
Curs't is he who you contems;
For his heart is not responsive
To the swell of nature's hymns.

—*Knight Dunlap, in Occident.*

How dear to our hearts is the cash on subscrip-
tion,
When the generous subscriber presents it to
view;
But the man who won't pay we refrain from
description,
For, perhaps, gentle reader, that man might be
you. *Adrian World, Adrian, Mich.*

I popped the question to Marie,
Like any other beau,
She blushed and smiled and answered "Oui"
For she is French, you know:
"My dear," I answered, bending low,
(I feared my cake had turned to dough)
"Whom do you mean by *we*?"
"O, U and I," said she. —*McGill Outlook.*

Only a college widow;
Only a Freshman small;
Only a month of heart ache;
Just a month, that is all.

Only a Sophomore laddie,
Only a sweet young miss;
Only a walk in the gloaming;
Only a stolen kiss.

Only a dashing Junior;
Only a sweet "prom" girl;
Only a low word spoken
After the gay waltz's whirl.

Only a stately Senior;
Only a photograph
Into a blazing fire
Thrown with a cynical laugh.
—*Madisonier.*

I took my books the other day
And studied in the Quad, alone;
But no professor passed that way,
I wasn't called on the next day,
That work was never known.

Upon the road beside the brook,
One little hour we two beguiled,
I never looked into a book,
But I met each Prof. whose work I took
And when I flunked he smiled.
—*The Sequoia.*

War and love have various spheres,
War sheds blood and love sheds tears,
War has spears and love has darts,
War breaks heads and love breaks hearts.
—*Polytechnian..*

❧ Spectator. ❧

HERE are many ways in which the Faculty as a body differs from the man of Galilee. True, to the youthful and impressionable Freshman mind this august assemblage will approximate the Divine Master, but this delusion vanishes as the years roll by. For one thing it is not "The same yesterday, to-day and forever." It forgets occasionally its decisions of the past (given at the time with the customary confidence in its ability to do no wrong) and goes directly back on the principles on which it formerly acted.

Once upon a time not so many years ago a committee waited upon the Faculty, begging permission to paint the lines of a tennis court on the Gymn. floor. The honorable body would not hear to such a thing, and intimated that

preservation of the immaculacy of the Gym. floor was to them a sacred duty which they would discharge always.

But alas for the fleeting memory of man as he is found on the faculty! The basket-ball field is drawn upon the Gym. floor in the very paint which our pedagogues refused to countenance a few short months ago.

Another thing that usually affects the student like a swift kick in the solar plexis is the habit certain instructors have of using their positions as a shield behind which they can rest secure from the rebukes which they deserve while they exercise their sarcasm at the expense of the defenseless student.

Of course these are not every-day occurrences, but that they should occur at all is enough and a plenty to provoke criticism.

❧ Joshes. ❧

THE co-ed is a member of that branch of the so-called "fair" sex which is found at co-educational institutions. Any attempts to classify it have so far baffled the scientists, but it can invariably be recognized whenever seen. It is probably the only creature in existence which has the magnificent audacity to congregate in a herd and walk six abreast down a narrow sidewalk on a muddy day and not break company front when an unfortunate male student with his shoes shined comes along.

It can be distinguished from the great mass of its sex by the look of rare condescension it gives the obliging green hand who holds the back door of Morrill Hall open while seven dozen of its numbers pass through in their usual deliberate and stately manner, leaving the gallant one in doubt as to who is the recipient of the favor. It can occupy the Gymnasium twelve hours a day if permitted, without blushing, and requires constant watching to prevent its giving the Gym. floor a dose of asphalt to facilitate its basket ball practices.

It will cut a student body meeting whenever its gets a chance and then kick at the action of the meeting. It will go into seventy-two difficult and dangerous fits if it sees a dog fight on the grounds of "prevention of cruelty to animals," but has no compunctions about keeping a man who has been indiscreet enough to ask it to go to a dance with him, in the cottage parlor until forty-five minutes after the grand march has begun, while it adjusts the lampblack on its eyebrows and gets its switch on properly.

It will step on your pet corn at a dance and then look offended and camp on the front steps of a recitation building and make you walk around the back way without the least outward show of sympathy for you. But, like the meanest of the Lord's creatures, it has its uses. Without it Hamlin would undoubtedly never attend classes. Howe would be compelled to remain in the morally purient atmosphere of Lincoln Hall. Jones would have no one to admire him, and Richard nothing to become unpopular with.

And so it is. "With all her faults we love her still."

Athletics.

Basket- Ball.

FOR the first time in the history of our institution a manifest interest is being displayed in basket-ball. Our young ladies are playing a splendid game, putting up good team work and showing great improvement from day to day.

In the games which are to take place on the 8th and 10th of April against Berkeley and Stanford, we are confident that Nevada will win. The evening practices, as we have noted, show marked improvement and the finer qualities of playing on the part of many are being brought to the front.

The following is the team which will represent Nevada:

C.—Miss Frances Kerby.

Forwards—Misses Worland, Ward, Strosnider and Sparks.

Guards—Miss Stella Linscott and Miss Ethel Peckham.

The Berkeley team are desirous of playing with nine players to the side, and for this reason the side centers are to be chosen from the subs; namely, Misses Parish, Montrose and Hill.

Coach Edwards deserves the very highest word of praise for the able manner in which she has brought the team up to its present standing. She should, and does, hold the esteem and gratitude of every student of our institution, not alone on account of her ability, but also from that of her interest so displayed that she has devoted the last two weeks without pay or compensation. Miss Edwards came to us highly recommended, and as she leaves our midst, Nevada will sign her name in big letters to the list of recommendations of this worthy lady.

On March 20th the banner which was offered as a trophy to the winning class of the baseball tournament, was presented to the Class of '01, that class having shown itself the champion of the series.

Track.

CONSIDERABLE interest is being manifested in track events, owing to the fact that there is to be a field day with Berkeley on some date in May. The inclemency of the weather has made it rather disagreeable to get down to solid training, but we hope to see a good showing in the future. We have a number of men who show considerable ability in their respective events, and we believe that with proper coaching and training we could put a team on the track that would do us credit. However, we hope to achieve the best results under the conditions. Richards, Moorman and Stubbs are working diligently at the hurdles; Ward, Richards, Brandon and McCloud are practicing the "Hundred."

We look for great things from Moorman in the 220, and we believe that "Paul" will some day reach the 22 second mark.

Ward and Kornmayer are working at the "broad" pole vault and high jump.

Our Executive Committee has been corresponding with the colleges of the East in regard to obtaining a football coach for next season. From what we have learned, no definite conclusion has yet been arrived at, but we hope the arrangements will be successfully carried out.

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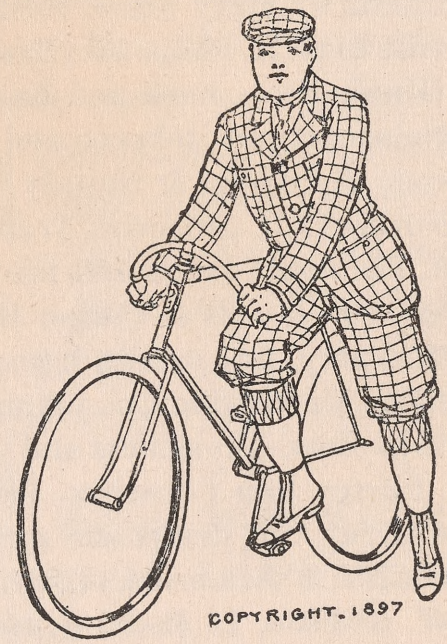
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