

During the present month the people of Lincoln were furnished a rare treat in the way of a series of lectures delivered by Professor Collier in the Opera House, upon Light, Electricity, and The Air We Breathe. The lectures are worthy of the greatest commendation, the Professor proving his capability and efficiency in the able manner in which he treated his subjects. The people of Lincoln made use of the opportunity afforded, and greeted the professor upon each evening with a rousing house. The object of the Lectures being to raise means for purchasing apparatus for the use of the Laboratory.

The Students were made glad, upon Friday, February 16th, by the Chancellor declaring the day to be a holiday. It was a surprise to the students, for Charter Day has been only in name, never before being celebrated. We can remember when the students used to petition the Faculty for a holiday, but never was it granted. Consequently, little did the students care when Charter Day came. But after six long years from the time the charter, establishing our University, was granted, it comes to be observed as a day of rest and play. The day was celebrated in a manner, not soon to be forgotten, and making its coming anxiously awaited by the students. The Professors made remarks, giving the students words of encouragement and advice. Messrs. Field and Worley, in behalf of their societies, addressed the students in the eloquent manner for which they are noted. After an hour spent in these proceedings, adjournment was in order, and the University adjourned, *en masse*, until Monday.

OUR EXCHANGES.

Did you get stuck? What did you get? are some of the many questions propounded by that high-toned literary journal, the *Targum*. We would advise the *Targum* to brace up, and regain the standing in the college world which it so long pos-

essed. The editor shows by his articles that 'tis not for the want of brains that the paper has been allowed to decline, but merely for the want of energy.

The *Iowa Reporter* stands up for the students, and don't propose to see them slandered. Somebody intimated as much that the students of the University subscribed for the *Reporter*. That paper launches out and calls the author of the base charge a "liar." It seems that students are not so far gone as to subscribe for the pusillanimous sheet, and the *Reporter* wants all to know it.

The young man on the *Illini* exhausts all his strength, along with his vocabulary, in solving the question, "Why do we study?" We give it up, and should have thought that he would, before it had come to this.

The *Index* comes looking better than usual. From the number on our table, we were able to make out a line now and then. Oh, there is nothing like it—perseverance makes perfect.

The editor of the *Central Collegian* has got just enough self conceit to publish a long speech in his journal with which he bored the good people of Liberty, Mo., in the late collegiate contest, held at that place. If plenty of pluck and self conceit make an editor, he is a success.

We welcome the *College Echo* to our sanctum, which promises to be a most interesting visitor. It contains many spicy and well written articles. Gladly do we exchange.

—The January number of the *University Monthly* is at hand. It shows well for the Alabama University. We were much interested in reading several articles in the monthly.

—The *Central Key*, from Pella, Iowa, lies on our table. This paper is rather small, and has but recently been established. The second number shows well for the editors, and we cordially wish them the greatest success.