

HESPERIAN STUDENT
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA.

Almost Home.

I am almost home, said bright little May,
As she hurried along at close of day.
A very good time I have had at school,
I have learned A, B, C, and kept each rule;
But oh I've been thinking all the while,
Of little baby's kiss, and mama's smile;
And I am so glad that night has now come,
I am almost home; I am almost home.

I'm almost home; said the student; in June,
He sees his vacation coming so soon.
Ten months away; it seems a long time gone,
Since I have met all the loved ones at home.
But the time is passed; I will soon be there,
And away with all books, study, and care.
They all will be glad to see Johnny come;
Good-bye school-mates, teachers, I'm almost home.

I am almost home; says an aged saint,
As he counts his pulse that is now so faint.
I soon shall be where the weary rest,
I will find repose on my Saviour's breast;
Oh, so dear to me is my home on high;
It is only a step from earth to heaven;
Loved ones will greet me, my crown will be given.

Almost home; Blessed words! most sweet,
As we think of loved ones on earth to greet.
But are they not dearer to us at home,
Thinking of hearing their eternal home?
And yet may these words not come to us all?
We know not how soon death's message may call;
And life may be sweet, full of joy and love;
Let us never forget our home above.

Sanitary science is, after all, a very indefinite kind of knowledge. What we are warned to seek after and cherish one year, we are warned against the next; at least this is so with regard to many of its dicta. A few years since boat-rowing was a popular exercise both in this country and in England. Ministers of the gospel took to it in many parts of the country, and joined the corps of "muscular saints;" but now we have it from so high authority as the London *Lancet* that boat-racing, as practiced by the students of English and American colleges, is disadvantageous and sometimes fatal to health, and that such violent muscular exercise is productive of consumption and heart disease. Still the criticism probably appertains to the excessive and injudicious practice of this exercise.—*Northwestern Advocate*.

The following anecdote has outlived its early youth, but it still reads well; John Phoenix tells the story that he was one day leaving San Francisco by the steamer. Everybody else was taking leave of friends—but he did not know a soul in the crowd. Ashamed of his loneliness, as the boat sheered off he called out in a loud voice "Good by, Colonel!" and to his great delight every man on the wharf took off his hat and shouted, "Colonel, good by!"—*Northwestern*.

Always avoid the company in which you are willing to tell a course jest, because grossness is never humorous; profanity is never admirable; and if your manner and speech once begin to ravel out upon that edge, all their manliness and charm are in danger.—[E.]

It rather hit the nail on the head, when a lady, on being asked what she thought was the meaning of the words "The pestilence that walketh in darkness," answered that, in her opinion, it was bed-bugs.—[E.]

Locals.

The class of '76, at present, numbers 17. The *STUDENT* is for sale at H. J. Newton & Co's No 3 1/2 O street.

Many of the students have gone to their homes to spend the summer vacation.

Why is a professor like a locomotive? Because you have to look out for him when the bell rings.

Under the hands of the Janitor, Mr. McLean, the University campus presents quite an improved appearance.

Several of the professors take trips of pleasure through different parts of the Union, for recreation, this vacation.

The University repairs are being rapidly pushed to completion, and the chapel will be ready for occupancy next fall.

We have deferred issuing the *STUDENT* at the usual time in order to give an account of commencement exercises.

One of our Seniors has taken a tour through the East, the other gone on a farm preparatory to reading law in the fall.

President Steele of Lawrence University has been appointed one of the Commissioners from Wisconsin to the Vienna Exposition.

We are sorry to state, that the Faculty have caused the students great anxiety of mind by their nonattendance at prayers, but we are strong in the hope of reformation.

We are not given to extolling the character of our students, but when two years passes by without a scrape, except hiding the front door-knob, we think it worthy of note.

Intense excitement was created in a class the other day, by the professor stating that Prof. Eaton had made the astounding discovery, that this globe will not support life but twenty-six million years longer.

The Board of Regents, at their last session, appropriated \$600.00, for the purpose of providing an assistant, after the first of January, in the chemical department. Prof. Aughey is permitted to make the selection.

The little "Messenger," which was published in the *STUDENT* office, has gone "where the woodbine twineeth," (up the spout), and the press with it; hence we are obliged again to carry our forms to one of the city offices for print.

A young lady being called upon to read Latin found difficulty and failed to comply. Prof. asked why she could not?—She replied: "Do'no, it is very easy and simple." Prof. asked "How do you know?" "I heard that you read it to the class yesterday."

The following took place in the history class the other day: Prof B. "With what was Nebuchadnezzar struck?" Student E.—"after meditation, and thinking himself struck with the correct answer, frankly replied—"With the pleurisy." Prof. "That's sufficient."

The members of the Adelpian Literary extend their thanks to the Misses, Carrie Sessions, Mary Sessions, Mollie Baird, Ada Harbut, and Sarah Funke, who have so kindly favored them with choice music at different times this term, thus adding greatly to the interest and pleasure of their meetings.

F. A. Burdick, a student of the University, received a telegram, the 27th of this month, informing him of his father's death and requesting his presence at home, in accordance with which he departed for Republican city the next morning. Mr. Burdick has the sympathies of the students in his sad bereavement.

In glancing over our new Catalogue we find, that while mention is made of the Palladian and Adelpian societies, there is none whatever of the Pierian. We do not know the reason of this, but presume it can be satisfactorily explained. The ladies indignantly assert, that they will publish a Catalogue of their own.

Friday evening, the 27th, the high school of this city gave an exhibition which was conducted in a manner creditable to the young ladies and gentleman who participated, although the articles composed by the pupils contained more love and slang, both of which might be tolerated in a drama, than was appropriate for an exhibition of such a character.

We have had a dramatist in our University for sometime and of this we have been proud, but when said dramatist takes upon himself the entertainment of an audience with a dramatic (!) performance, to the annoyance of a literary society which is, at the same time, conducting a literary entertainment—"It's carryin' things too far," and shows the rough in his character rather than the gentleman.

A sophomore, who, probably, has been courting the muses, handed us the following lines, which he declares are founded on fact:

I saw Josie
Kissing Rosie,
Over the Doctor's gate.
Now Josie take care,
And Rosie beware,
When you kiss o'er the gate.

The following officers have been elected by the Palladian society for the coming fall term:

President, A. W. Field.
Vice President, C. H. Hohmann.
Rec. Secretary, G. E. Dovey.
Cor. Secretary, H. A. Walker.
Treasurer, W. A. McAllister.
Critic, F. W. Street.
Usher, J. C. Miller.
Chorister, J. F. Hobbs.

At a special meeting of the Adelpian society, Wednesday June the 18th, the following officers were elected for the fall term of the next college year:

President, F. P. Hurd.
Vice President, L. Kuhlman.
Rec. Secretary, C. M. Cropsey.
Cor. Secretary, F. A. Burdick.
Treasurer, L. R. Eckhart.
Critic, W. M. Stevenson.
Chorister, C. W. Roads.
Marshal, G. E. Howard.

Our first senior class has departed from the fostering care of its Alma Mater to make its mark, the length of which remains to be seen, in the world. The class is about eleven feet one inch in height, and weighs nearly two hundred and sixty pounds.

The smaller member of the class is dark complexioned and wears small side whiskers; is a lover of fun and full of laughter. The other has black hair and chin whiskers; is somewhat more dignified, but has withal a pleasing address. Both intend to read law. Their course through life will be watched with interest by the many friends they leave behind them.

College Items.

A recent way of parsing love. "It governs boys and agrees with girls."—[Ex.]

What is the difference between a student and a day laborer? One works for love, the other for hire.—[Ex.]

An abbey in Ireland exhibits two skulls of Shakespeare: one of him when he was a little boy, and the other when he was a man.—[Ex.]

One of our Freshman lately, in giving the divisions of an oration, called the last "Perforation." "That is right," said the professor, "if you intend your oration to be a bore."—[Ex.]

The University of Zurich has one hundred and ten lady students the present semester, nearly three fourths of whom study medicine, only one law, the rest general science and literature.—[Ex.]

A '74er who eats tobacco, was somewhat relieved, when his lady friend told him that the Scriptures licensed him in it. He asked her to repeat the passage, and she said: "Let him that is filthy be filthy still." He is no longer filthy.—[Ex.]

Fresh. "Can I go to New York, sir?" Prof. "Why?" Fresh. "I want to see my mother." Prof. "That's very natural." Fresh. "My mother wants to see me too." Prof. "Is that so? Well that's very natural also." Fresh. "May I go?" Prof. "No."—[Ex.]

The Washington and Lee University seems to be in luck. It has received from Kentucky \$23,000 for the endowment of a chair of history and political economy. Missouri has subscribed nearly \$50,000 for a chair of applied chemistry; Louisiana, \$27,000 for the chair of modern languages; and Texas, \$25,000 for one of applied mathematics. Each professorship bears the name of the state endowing it. Last year the university received nearly \$100,000 in bequests and donations.—[Ex.]

One of our latin students, who is somewhat of a wit, and quite a sport, was recently in attendance at a social gathering; and while there, being invited by his "dulcinea" to partake of the student's luxury—"Ice-cream,"—with becoming dignity he got off the following: "I have often, while laboring under the hallucination, produced by severe questioning of a professor at recitation, declined a noun; but dearest, never to never, have I been able under any circumstances to decline Ice-cream."—[Ex.]

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