

—Prof.—“Why is it that in summer the days are so much longer than in winter?”

Apt pupil—“Simply enough, sir. The sun is naturally peripathetic; in summer perspiration oils his limbs and he slides through nicely, making the days long; but in winter he has to thaw his way through, and consequently the whole question may be reduced to a comparative analysis of the rotary or migratory powers of heat and cold.”

Prof. wonders if he ever heard that solution before.—*Ex.*

—A certain Professor habitually called upon the class in alphabetical order. One of the Professors, surprised at the uniform excellence of the recitations in this department, suggested that he should sometimes begin the recitations with the other end of the class, and then note the result. The suggestion was adopted; and accordingly the next time the class met, the following announcement was made: “Gentlemen, I have usually called for recitations in alphabetical order. It has been suggested that I sometimes reverse the order, and therefore you will take notice that after to-day I shall begin with the *other end of the class.*—*Ex.*”

—A private letter from one of the professors at an eastern college contains the following information of interest:

“You ask me what about the Freshmen of this year? They are indeed a most satisfactory lot—rarely have I seen finer. In average scholarship they may perhaps fall a little below the average of previous years,—say, from 70 to 75 per cent. under it,—but the class averages two and one-eighth inches chest measure, and at least one inch around the arm more than any of its predecessors. No wonder that our President’s heart is filled with pride. The Chair of Divinity will not be established this year, as the money will be needed for a new boat house.”—*Ex.*

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