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There are now eighty American students at the University of Berlin.

Prof. Cyrus Northrop of New Haven has accepted the presidency of the University of Minnesota.

John G. Whittier, who is a trustee of Brown University is in favor of making the college co-educational.

Joseph Cook will present Willard's portrait of Wendell Phillips to Harvard, of which the latter was a graduate.

The Chicago socialists declare that the Cincinnati riots resulted from "a premature explosion of the general discontent."

Harvard has 167 teachers, 1523 students and a library of 276,706 volumes. Our University would feel a little proud of such a library.

Chas. Reade, the novelist, though still engaged in writing, has returned to London after spending the winter in southern France, in very poor health, and is said to be rapidly sinking.

Sentimental nonsense:—A hair from the head of Henry Clay sold for thirty dollars in Baltimore recently. Soon the hair album will take the place of the autograph,—but it will be a little hard on bald heads.

At the request of his widow no attempt will be made to erect a monument to Wendell Phillips. Perhaps, she thinks that bronze and marble monuments are becoming too common, now-a-days, to have much significance.

Mr. Spurgeon, the famous London Baptist preacher, according to a recent writer, has nothing clerical in his appearance but looks for all the world like a village blacksmith with his "Sunday-go-to-meeting" clothes on.

"If you want knowledge, you must toil for it; if you want food you must work for it; and if pleasure you must toil for it. Toil is the law. Pleasure comes through toil and not by self indulgence and indolence. When one gets to love work life is a happy one."—*Ruskin*.

The Cambridge Memorial movement is progressing slowly but surely, and it will be but a short time when the statue of the most popular of American authors will grace the most ancient seat of American literature. Among the contributions from abroad is a considerable sum sent from Brazil, the largest contributor being the Emperor.

Mathew Arnold once called Beecher "a heated barbarian," but, when here, he went to hear the well known divine at the first opportunity. Beecher detained him after the sermon and returned good for evil by heartily thanking Arnold for all he had written, saying he had read it two or three times over.

That Englishmen have voluntarily placed a bust of Longfellow in that most sacred and most carefully guarded of British institutions, Westminster Abby, is the highest tribute they could have paid to the memory of our illustrious poet, and is a true indication of the high esteem in which his works are held by the English reader. At the unveiling ceremony addresses were made by Lord Granville and Longfellow's friend and brother poet, Lowell.

Over one hundred and sixty new doctors were turned out by the medical department of the university of the city of New York last week. When we take into consideration the fact that there are many such medical mills throughout the country turning out a large grist every year, it would seem that there will soon be as many doctors as patients. In such a case foul air, crowded tenement houses, poor sewerage etc. will be a blessing to the doctors, at least.

It is evident that we have not yet seen the last act in the interesting drama produced by the Lasker resolution at the German court. After treating some innocent resolutions of condolence as solemnly as if they were declarations of war, Bismark has quietly, but promptly snubbed Minister Sargeant at a reception. Beware Bismark! Already the Great American Hog has turned up his snout in your direction and grunted disapprovingly, and it would not be wise to further excite the wrath of the owners. The latest is that Sargeant has resigned, and refused to accept the position of Minister to Russia, which was tendered him. What next?

For centuries Switzerland, so snugly situated in the heart of the Alps, and surrounded by the more powerful of the European nations, has been a safe and somewhat convenient refuge for plotting anarchists and political exiles from all Europe, and the nest in which most of the fiendish plots, which have so long terrified all the crowned heads, were hatched. Since, however, Switzerland has consented to join the other European nations in their efforts to exterminate the anarchists, she will no longer be a safe refuge for them, and almost their only retreat will be America. We do not want among us any more of that class who are discontented under any form of government; we have too many already. It would be well for nations to modify their extradition laws so as to include political criminals also.