Tampus Canards.

"Got there?" "Yes."

"How much?" "Three dollars a day."

Lieutenant Dudley is now in active charge of the military department.

In a short time the University hopes to boast of two artillery battalions

In the second prep. history class Barnes, General History has been substituted for Swinton's.

The junior class in English Literature has been spending a dreary period among the Old Dramatist.

Our old friend John Silvernail, now mail-carrier at the legislature, is quite a frequent visitor at the society meetings. Always glad to see him.

Although the STUDENT has explained all such things the people of Lincoln still insist on being scandalized when a grave in Wyuka is found empty.

Bills appropriating the money on hand for the library and new buildings are already before the legislature with emergency clauses to hasten matters.

If we may be allowed to use the expression, the military department is booming; the number registered for drill is nearly twice as many as ever before.

The lengthening of the Christmas holidays led to good results; never before was there such promptness among the students at the commencement of a term.

A German club made up of students, professors and citizens is enjoying itself in a quiet way in the reading of the German classics without attempting translation.

One of the boys in stating his reasons for taking a certain step said "a good samaritan came along and picked me up" and as is usually the case the good samaritan seems to enjoy it better than the object of his charity.

Prof.—The term "Barbarian" means all uncivilized people.

Stud .- I don't believe it.

Prof.—(looking rather blank for a moment.) Oh! not in college politics, not at all.

We are tickled to welcome back Eugene Wheelock. He has registered special which proves that it is well to raise a mustache if you want to make folks believe you are of age.

Another improvement is about to be made in the military department. In a few days the cadets will be fitted out with new guns. Two cannon will also be furnished for their amusement.

It is reported that during vacation while one of the boys was out on a stroll with his morter-board, a hunter seeing him became frightened and shot at him, but the distance between them prevented any serious result.

The House journal of the first session of the fortyeighth Congress has two thousand three hundred pages and is the fattest looking book in the library. It would make delightful reading for some Sunday afternoon.

Four alumni in the state legislature one of whem is speaker of the House is a better political showing than the U. of N. has ever made before. The Chancellor enthused upon the subject for some time the other morning and really it seems a proper cause of enthusiasm.

A class for the study of Shakespeare has been organized under Professor Sherman. There none but juniors and seniors in it. They have four different texts of the play in hand and look wise when they speak about it.

The University campus is adorned with a road that would have compared favorably with the old overland stage route that passed through Lincoln. It takes a straigt shoot from the east entrance to the south-west entrance; this black streak will present a handsome contrast when the grass comes up alongside.

The officers of the Hesperian Association for the ensuing semester were amicably elected on the 24th inst. president and managing editor Charles S. Allen; Associates A. G. Warner, C. G. McMillan, Will O. Jones and S. D. Killen; vice-president, C. S. Polk; treasurer, Elton Fulmer; secretary E. C. Wiggenhorn.

The annual Oratorical Contest of the Palladian Literary society for the Chase and Wheeler prize, is announced for Saturday evening, January 17. The entertainment is to be held in the chapel, and to be free. The society offers a second prize which they have also made annual. The contestants are Miss Mary Campbell, Messrs. H. P. Barrett, C. S. Lobengier, E. D. Howe, J. H. Barrett and Will S. Perrin.

The Philodicean literary society has a new bulletin board. It is a hard-wood, broad-shouldered affair that has crowded out the old Y. M. C. A. announcements and now looks down with a porcelain smile from between the College and Union boards. It is certainly a great improvement on the baby-coffin affairs that the old societies accepted at the hands of the faculty and are still using.

The second "Chase and Wheeler contest in Oratory," in the Palladian society came off as announced, Saturday evening January 17. The Chase and Wheeler, or first prize, was awarded to C. S. Lobingier, the Palladian, or second prize to W. S. Perrin. The society as well as all contestants acquitted themselves worthy of the Palladian and its previous reputation of the oldest literary society of the Nebraska State University.

The number of applicants for admission this term is indeed small, but we see no portent of evil times in the fact as some would augur. The management of the University is gradually becoming better known over our state and while the general depression in money matters certainly enters into it the fact that the fail term is properly the time for enterance, is the real cause of this scarceness of applicants. Our institution is certainly in a better way, and as remarked, the next one or two years, at most is to determine its character and place among the many Universities of the land.

The social on the first Friday evening of this term was the only thing of the kind that the literary societies have indulged in since the present three-cornered arrangement was made. The unfortunate Easterday brothers allowed themselves to be enticed into singing for one of the societies. They were unfortunate in thinking that they had so many friends, for they were straightway seized upon and dragged from one hall to another sand encored and made to sing under various pretexts till it is remarkable that any of the four had a wind pipe left when they at last escaped. Beveral of our alumni were present at the social and "all went inerry as a social should."