

left their names in many places, and have modified or changed many of the tribal names. For instance, the real name of the Hurons was Wyandots, but the early French colonists gave their later appellation on account of the manner in which they dressed their hair, resembling the *hure* or wild boar. In the same way the Spaniards left their impress on all their territory in New Mexico, Central America and South America, and in some instances they have imposed purely Spanish names. It was while Magellan was in St. Julian's bay, that the name Patagonia first came into use. He saw enormous prints made in the sand by the natives feet and he consequently gave them the name Patagones, that is "big feet."

The Indians themselves have been given to imposing nick names upon adjoining tribes. The name Sioux was given to the Dakotas because they were such fierce "enemies." Seminoles is a word signifying "wanderers," Esquimaux was a term of reproach meaning "raw fish eaters," Adirondacks means "eaters of bark." Thus many others could be traced from a like origin.

Another process, by which many of the tribal names have been obtained is to derive them from some locality near which the tribes resided. The lakes derive their names from the tribes themselves, as in the case of Huron, Erie, etc. But it is the case generally that a greater number of tribes have had their names from the bodies of water than the converse for instance the Winnebagos, Athabascans and the like. In the same way the rivers, hills and mountains have derived their names from and given them to Indian tribes. Also the points of the compass have supplied names, as the Abenakis of Maine were the "Eastlanders," the Shawnees the "Southlanders" and some others.

There is yet another way of naming the tribes in which each tribe was a unit and had a name generally of an animal. Thus the Iroquois was divided into eight families the most prominent of which were the Anowara, or turtle tribe, the Ochguari or bear tribe and the Oquacho or wolf.

Perhaps as important a method of naming any is the descriptive process. The various customs and peculiarities of the Indians have also fastened appellations upon many tribes. The Oregones of South America are the "big ears," the Guaycura the "the runners," etc.

The explanation of the origin of a nation's name is often a mere record of its pride. What a mass of absurd ideas is suggested when we read in history of foxes, tortoises and beavers, and yet what can be more simple when we understand the legends and history connected with these names?

STRAY PICK-UPS.

"Bad boys!"

"We hate the boys!"

"We love the boys!"

"Where is my dog?"

"Ed., you stole my dog."

Mr. D. D. Reavis has abandoned school for the remainder of the year.

C. S. Polk called upon his numerous friends for a day or two last week.

C. S. Lobingier attended the funeral of a turkey at home on Thanksgiving.

This paper got behind the times in religious matters until a Y. M. C. A. boy changed the time table and official roster of that association last week. It reads correctly now.

Miss Linn's mother can bake nice cake.

Gerwig sampled Nance county turkey at Anderson's expense.

C. E. Tingley made quite a spec the other day on a gold (?) pen—for the other fellow.

Ed R. Mockett, court reporter at Fremont, came in to eat turkey at his father's mansion.

Mr. Stephens demonstrated the fact that between 1 B. C. and 1 A. D. there was a year which was 0.

Mr. Beecher's father took sick and called him home; he is in school again, his father having recovered.

Mr. E. E. Huling is the victim of misfortune. Ill health has caused him to leave school, but it is hoped that he can soon return.

Miss Talbot went home on account of her father's sickness and while there took sick herself, but she is well and returned to school now.

It is rumored that the HESPERIAN office will be swept and cleaned next Christmas vacation. Too bad. Can't it be put off till next summer?

The Music Department has issued a circular describing the opportunities and advantages which the University can offer to those who wish to study the art.

Mr. A. A. Reed was compelled to leave school and return to his home in Beatrice last week on account of sickness, but he has recovered and is again in school.

The freezing has put a stop to the street paving, but if all the contracted paving had been put down this fall the spring thaw could be depended on to furnish plenty of mud in this burg.

Our handsome exchange editor was heard during the Crete convention to sigh, "The world is all dark, my light is gone." We understand the light referred to staid at Crete till Tuesday. How lonely for Wag.

A. A. Reed thought he had recovered sufficiently to continue his studies, but found he was too weak. He went home again last Wednesday, but hopes to recover sufficiently to make up his work and be in school next term.

One bright morning that Junior "with red all over his face" was improving every moment by studying history on his way to the University, when he stepped into the P street cut. The plowing, grading and scraping that he did with his nose were not on the contract, so the city allowed him nothing for his services.

The Y. W. C. A. convention at Crete, November 18 to 20, was well enjoyed by all who attended. The associations of Hastings, Nebraska City, Doane college, State Normal of Peru and State University were all represented, the latter by sixteen delegates. In the absence of Miss Nettie Dunn, international secretary, Miss Dinsmore, of Hastings, presided at all the sessions. A very enjoyable reception was given the delegates by the Doane Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. at the close of the first meeting of the convention. Much interest was shown in home and foreign missions, heightened by the admirable address of Mrs. Hardy, of Beatrice. There were pledged by the different associations \$150.00 for the prosecution of state and national work. Miss Barrett read a paper on the "Benefit of Committees" and how it may be increased. The consecration meeting, led by Miss Aughey, was declared by all to be the best meeting of the convention. The inspiration of the convention will be felt here, doubtless, throughout the year. The influence of sixteen young ladies united is bound to be felt. They were missed while at Crete.