

Prof. Nicholson delivered a lecture before the State Pharmaceutical society in the chemical lecture room May 8. In spite of the rain and mud quite a good audience greeted the professor. His lecture discussed the histories of chemistry and pharmacy, and their mutual dependence. At the close of the lecture the chemical laboratory and accessory rooms were thrown open to the visitors, and many of them went away with their good opinions of the U. of N. considerably bettered.

A great philosopher once remarked that college life consisted only in a perpetual fight between the students and the faculty. He was right. When through geologic ages the water in the zoological lab. had been freed sufficiently of iron to be palatable the students began to use this water to assuage their thirst. The faculty perceiving this immediately swooped down on the faucet and turned the water off. The students must get up early in the morning to get ahead of the faculty.

The easy graceful way John Green has of firing spoony couples who are out too late, off the front steps is but one illustration of the advantages Mr. Green's four years' course in this institution has conferred upon him. At 11 o'clock he makes his last round. With the politeness and self-possession of a Chesterfield he approaches the luckless pair, and, laying his hand upon the young man's shoulder, remarks in a fatherly way: "Git off these hyar steps. None of yer blank back talk, now, I say git." It may be that such incidents are necessarily appended to the process of wooing, but it does seem to us that John, efficient and capable as he is in the "biler room," ought not to take it upon himself to lend to the course of true love so much more than its proverbial amount of roughness.

The bill providing for the establishment of the agricultural experiment station, provided for the special study of parasites upon plants and animals, and for the dissemination of such knowledge among the people. Mr. Lawrence Bruner, an old student at the U. of N., and entomologist to the United States government, has been appointed entomologist to the experiment station. As soon as his engagement with the government expires, in the fall, he intends to move to Lincoln, and begin work in earnest. He is an expert in all that pertains to preparing specimens, both of the perfect insects and larvae, being among the very few men in the United States capable of preparing larvae by the French method of blowing. Some fine cases have already been obtained, and he intends to fill them with specimens of insects in all states, arranged by series, together with prepared specimens of the leaves, fruits and plants, upon which they feed. When this collection is completed it will be one of the handsomest, as well as most scientifically instructive collections in the country. Mr. Bruner has in preparation as a report to the government a monograph of the Orthoptera of North America, and it is his intention to cut this down by a limitation of region, though not so much of species, and thus make it a monograph of the Orthoptera of Nebraska. Although he is located at the experiment station as an investigator and will have no duties as a professor, yet all the future students of entomology will be greatly benefited, not only by his collections, but also by numberless little points and hints which must crop out. The people of Nebraska may consider themselves fortunate that they have secured a man of Mr. Bruner's capability for this important line of work.

The executive committee of the Athletic association have decided to hold the Field Day exercises on the campus Sat-

urday, June 9. The following programme will be carried out as far as possible:

Hundred yard dash.
Putting the shot (16 lbs).
Long runs.
Standing long jump.
Running long jump.
High jumps.
Three legged race, 100 yards.
Tug of war, 600 lb. teams.
Wrestling, heavy weights.
Wrestling light weights.
Hurdle race, (200 yds.) ten hurdles.
Sack race.
Egg race.

All parties wishing to enter in any of the contest should give their names to some member of the executive committee by noon of June 8 if possible.

LITERARY NOTE.

Mr. Powell Karr, a graduate of the School of Mines, Columbia college, has in preparation a Manual of American Colleges, which proposes to give in classified form all the leading colleges, universities, technical and professional schools, their requirements for admission, courses of study, cost of tuition and living expenses, and in a word, a systematic resume of all the information needed by parents, guardians and students to enable them to decide intelligently what college or institution of learning it is best to attend. It is to be issued from the press of William T. Comstock, New York.

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