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### The Week's Convocations.

The following is the program for convocation hour for the ensuing week. Dean Ward leads religious exercises:

Thursday—Music.

Friday—Football Mass Meeting.

Much surprise and interest has been shown over the articles which appeared in "Physical Culture" under date of September and October, and written by John C. Coryel. They are certainly strikingly fine articles.

The athletic board is very grateful to the cadets for their services in moving the bleachers last night. The bleachers on the south of the grandstand were moved to the east side of the gridiron to make room for the improvements which are to be made on the west side.

Mr. Loveland recently received a letter asking at what temperature it was too cold to snow. In this connection it may be said that the popular impression that it can't snow at very low temperature is erroneous. The truth is that it is not likely to snow, not that it cannot snow. At low temperatures—below 5 or 10 degrees—the moisture forms particles of ice.

Cornell is now following the lead of other eastern colleges and will play baseball with a professional team. The policy of this institution previous to this year has been to play with college teams only. A southern trip is scheduled for the season and they will play the Philadelphia Athletics. Nebraska has been playing with professional teams for several seasons and will be interested to know what other institutions are doing along the same line.

The students of Michigan Agricultural College are having a disagreement with the faculty and have called a strike. Some time ago the sophomores and freshmen had a cane rush.

This was opposed by the faculty and since then they have suspended and expelled members of those classes. The result has been to call the remaining students together and the declaration that no more classes would be attended until the action by the faculty should be reconsidered. They insist that this body has not picked the leaders in the offense, but are discriminating against certain students who were not the most actively engaged in the rush and some only passive participants. The college is now at a standstill awaiting a final decision.

The advanced chorus has been growing slightly this year. There are more male voices than usual. The training offered by this work is of the utmost value to the students of the university. Book learning is made much more pleasant by an education in the finer arts.

The university is fortunate in having one of the best leaders in the west at the head of this chorus training work. A special effort has been made this fall to enlist more people in the choruses, with some good effect. The work requires one hour a week and is very pleasant. At present the "Messiah" is being studied with the mid-year concert in view. The larger the chorus is the better the chorus, and the larger the number in the chorus the more delightful the singing.

A mass meeting will be held Friday in Convocation hall for the purpose of arousing effective enthusiasm for Saturday's football game with the Haskell Indians. The rooting so far this year has given signs of improvement from game to game, but there is a decided deficiency in volume, due to the fact that few bring megaphones with them to the game. Let everyone interested in bringing rooting up to a high standard be present at the game Saturday, armed with megaphones, colors and plenty of wind. Come early and allow the leaders to group you so that the rooting may be forcible from every point of view. Don't yell in chapel and then go to Saturday's game with closed lips, but let your enthusiasm upon the ground be the climax to all that you have done in rooting so far. Don't forget that a megaphone is highly necessary.

### College World News.

Harvard's total registration this year is 4,166.

Harvard's Freshman football squad numbers 145.

Michigan University has 15,000 living alumni, Harvard, 11,006 and Yale 11,436.

The faculty of Northwestern permit students to produce but one play a year.

The seating capacity for the Yale-Harvard game at New Haven is to be 35,000.

The United States has today 629 universities and colleges and 43 schools of technology.

The Seniors at Brown who have not paid their assessments, can not vote at class elections.

Columbia university begins its 140th academic year with over 5,000 students and nearly 500 teachers.

The Princeton Theological seminary has received a bequest of \$1,000,000 from Mrs. Mary J. Winthrop of New York. No conditions were attached as to how it should be used.

The Cornell Alumni Association is making a canvas to raise \$40,000 for the purchase of a new athletic field.

The Carlisle Indian eleven is not altogether Indian. Their center is an Eskimo by the name of Shouchuck, and he holds down his position well.

Stanford's new gymnasium, which is to be built at a cost of \$500,000, promises to be one of the best equipped athletic houses in the country. It will require two years for its completion.

Yale has founded a foreign missionary society and sent J. L. Thurston, '98, and his wife to China. The movement is receiving the hearty support of the Yale alumni and faculty.

"During eleven months, ending June 1, 1902, 668 libraries in the United States received gifts of money amounting to \$9,977,793.54. Of this sum \$7,521,050.63 was for new buildings. Andrew Carnegie made 203 gifts, aggregating \$5,556,000, besides giving \$491,500 to Canada, and other sums to Newfoundland, Cuba and Great Britain."

### New Old Courtesy.

According to a Paris correspondent, Frenchmen have started a league the object of which is to revive an old custom, that of man showing their respect to women by kissing their hands. It has much to commend it, the Boston Herald thinks, but fears that as soon as the graceful, delicate hand kissing begins the cranks will discover a new microbe in it that no amount of manicuring will render innocuous.

Some policemen are tender hearted. Occasionally one gives a ragged tramp a rap.

### CHINESE AND HIS PEN.

Little Anecdote that Shows Deftness of the Oriental.

A certain newspaper man, who was induced to "try" a stylographic pen, got it out of order by reckless treatment, and took it to a pen-shop for repair. The man there soon showed him that there was nothing serious the matter with it, the only trouble being that he had neglected to do some little thing in using it. Then he began to take the pen apart for the newspaper man's instruction, so that he might see how very simple a thing it is.

"Simple!" cried the indignant owner of the instrument, "it is as complicated as a Chinese puzzle! I don't wonder that I can't make it 'go' when I want it to!"

The penman laughed. "You remind me," he said, "that there is a Chinese in this town who used a stylographic regularly. He came here to buy one several months ago, and when I showed it to him he began to take it all apart. I hurriedly stopped him, supposing that he would do it an injury, but he at once put down the value of the pen, saying that it was his, and then continued his dissection of it. I give you my word that he handled that pen more deftly than the man who made it, and in five minutes he had it put together again, so that it worked better than it did at first. Those fellows beat the world at understanding little details. Now, an Irishman or an American—I beg your pardon—could never have done that; and, remember, it was the first pen of the kind the Chinese ever saw."—Philadelphia Record.

### Leafless Trees.

There are forests of leafless trees in some parts of Australia. They respire, so to speak, through a little stem, apparently answering the purpose of a leaf. The tree is known as "the leafless acacia."

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