

The department of English is to have an additional instructor next year.

The proposition to take the Battalion to the Fair has not been given up.

Preparations are being made for the visit of the Inspector-general of the military department. He is expected about May 15.

The Battalion expects to go on a practice march some Saturday forenoon. It will be drilled in extended order, and a sham battle will be held.

On Arbor Day the pupils of the McCook High School planted a tree dedicated to Professor Bessey, who wrote a letter to be read at the time.

Professor Adams left Tuesday to examine schools at Edgar, Nelson and Hebron, with a view to accrediting them. He will lecture on James Russell Lowell.

After the election there was a general tossing down in the lower hall, and a general glorification by the successful faction. The whole fight was an interesting one, and apparently harmless—They are good for college spirit. They might come oftener. Everybody had a good time—most everybody.

A new overcoat has been adopted for the Battalion. It is the same as the West Point Cadet Overcoat, except being made of blue cloth instead of gray. The officers' blouses are to be hereafter the same as the new army regulation blouse. The contract for the overcoat has been awarded to the Pettibone Manufacturing Company.

In the *Chicago Tribune* of April 10, appeared a three-column article concerning Dr. Lloyd, biographical, and descriptive of her work here and elsewhere. Wood cuts of the Chemical Laboratory, giving several exterior and interior views, are presented. The article is very interesting and highly complimentary to the doctor. This recognition of long and faithful work is indeed pleasant to all the doctor's students and friends, who look forward with pleasure to her return in September, thoroughly rested from her too arduous labors of this year.

The Freshman class recently had its election of officers. Mr. F. C. Cooley and Miss Ena Ricketts were candidates for the presidency. Each had many ardent supporters, and considerable wire-pulling was indulged in. It was demonstrated, however, that a young man can never be an opponent of a young lady in politics and win, for who would vote for a young man however qualified, when there is an opportunity of voting for a bright, intelligent young woman? Mr. Cooley would have been elected had his opponent been other than a girl. As they always do, the women had their way and Miss Ricketts was elected. Mr. Libby was elected vice-president; Miss Bruner, secretary; Mr. Overstreet, treasurer.

Professor Caldwell went up to Greenwood Thursday, April 20, to examine the High School there with reference to placing it upon the accredited list. From there he went to Schuyler on similar business, expecting to deliver a lecture on "The Growth of the Idea of Nationality" there on Friday evening. At the supper table he mentioned the subject of his lecture to the superintendent, who had some doubts as to the "taking" quality of such a theme, whereupon the professor suggested "Taxation". This met with even less favor and he proposed, "J. Q. Adams and the Right of Petition", on which he might speak from notes he had with him. This was a trifle better, but apparently not entirely satisfactory. During the conversation, the professor spoke of his trip to Europe last summer, and the superintendent at once proposed, "A Summer in Scotland and England" as a popular and instructive theme for the evening. So the Prof. took about ten minutes to fix up a few notes and talked for two hours and a half to a big audience. Everybody was immensely pleased. Let the good work go on.

Junior—Did you hear about Miss Blank's affliction?

Freshman—No, what was it?

Junior—Why, her eyes were moulting.

Fresh.—Moulting? What is that?

Junior—Why, shedding tears.