

## LAW NOTES.

About a dozen Seniors met recently to take the bar examination; but upon conferring together they concluded that a diploma from the University would be more creditable than "pass" by the bar committee.

Mr. Watson telegraphed that it would be impossible for him to fulfill his appointment this week.

The Seniors are struggling, with no very brilliant results, over executory devices, and other equally puzzling and useless estates in land.

The Cadet Band is a very praiseworthy organization; but it has a way, all its own, of playing right in front of the lecture room windows, as a result of which demurrers, music and land titles get very much mixed up.

In looking up statistics in regard to Law School matters Mr. Williams has found that there are about sixty-five students now enrolled, thirteen of whom are graduates of colleges and universities, and that seven states are represented.

One of our Seniors appeared on behalf of the city in an amusing case in the police court a few days ago, in which it was sought to punish a man for selling a chicken that was too old for boarding house purposes. Of course such a state of facts could not be proved, and the offender was discharged.

## ATHLETIC NOTES.

We are pleased to note an increasing interest in base ball at the University. Several games have been arranged. We expect to see some good ball played here this year. Turn out boys and take a hand in the practice. The manager is looking for new material. You may be the man he's looking for.

Field day will soon be here. To those who are athletically inclined, we would say that this is about the time of the year when the winners begin to train. Make this year's record better than those of the past. Come out ye athletes. Start early and train as if you meant business. Don't let one organization carry off all the honors this year. Each society and fraternity should be represented in as many events as possible.

What has become of that inter-state athletic meet of which we heard so much some time ago. If suitable financial inducement is offered, the University of Nebraska will send her quota of athletes.

The board of directors of the Athletic association should cast about for some means of paying its debts. A little exertion is all that is needed to raise the money. There are numerous alumni in the city who would be glad to assist the association. Doubtless Mr. Crawford and two or three students would gladly exchange their claims for cash.

Why not defeat the boys from Doane in the tennis tournament this year. All we need is practice. We have enough players and good grounds. Give us a surprise this year, boys, and see how we like it.

The University nine went to Crete one day last week. Fisher, Mathews, Searson, Graham, Talmadge, W. M. Johnston, Weaver, J. H. Johnston and McMullan were the players. It was a lively game. The question is who won?

## LITERARY.

H. Marion Crawford is one of the few American authors of any note who can properly be called romanticists. We say American advisedly, for Mr. Crawford is neither a native of this country nor has he spent enough of his life here to properly entitle him to the name of an American writer. He has chosen American subjects for but very few of his stories, and not for his best, by any means. In fact he has rather slighted America. He has not shown a due appreciation of the fact that this country is rich in material for the novelist. Perhaps it is from the very fact that he is a romanticist that he has chosen to lay his scenes in the old world, for to be sure we have no ivy-covered castles nor baronets, and our traditions do not go back very far. Or perhaps it is because of his education abroad that he is so fond of dealing with foreign characters and places. His intimate knowledge of the life of a large part of the civilized world has enabled him to touch on certain phases of existence in many countries. We are sometimes tempted to think that he has sacrificed reality and accuracy of detail to dramatic effect, but the effect is usually so good that we are little disposed to quar-

rel with the probability. We are so interested in the hero or heroine that we forget all our little modern ideas of realism for the time and thoroughly enjoy the story. His style is smooth, even polished, and shows the effect of a careful and liberal education. He often goes to extremes and displays a knowledge unnecessarily erudite, but the greater marvel is that he has been able in the course of an ordinary lifetime to see and absorb so much that most men scarcely take time to read about. His experience of German student and provincial life furnished him the material for "Greifenstein," his long residence in Italy enabled him to write a series of stories of Italian life, his experiences in India prompted "Mr. Isaacs," his first novel, and his extensive travels have given him the inspiration for many other works. He has yet to write a thoroughly good American story.

## LOCAL.

Miss Bassett joined Union society on last Friday evening.

Prof. Ward will address the Palladian society on Friday evening.

All write-ups for the Annual must be in by Monday next at six o'clock.

Phi Delta Theta will entertain next Wednesday evening, at Lansing hall.

Prof. Bates was a successful participant in the Hare and Hound chase held last Saturday.

Sigma Chi, Beta Theta Pi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon will occupy the boxes at the Glee Club concert.

C. M. Skiles, '92, spent Monday in the city for the purpose of attending the contest in the evening.

C. Beach, of Washington, formerly of the class of '89, was a guest of his old classmate, Tom Allen, last week.

The Palladians have arranged for three boxes at the Glee Club concert in the Lansing on Monday evening.

The young ladies of Kappa Kappa Gamma will give a musicale at the home of Miss Whedon on the evening of the 31st.

The V. W. C. A. has organized a chorus which practices once a week. As many young ladies as possible should give it their aid.

Are we going to have a vacation or are we not? Charter Day recess was pleasant, but it was not enough to last for four months.

A special police force should be employed to restrain the hilarious "Preps" from destroying furniture in chapel during the noon hour.

Prof. Bruner and A. C. Pancost had a very pleasant duck hunt on the Platte, near Ashland, last Saturday. They fail to report material results.

The judges are now at work determining the winners in the prize-story and poem contest. The result will be announced as soon as possible.

On last Friday evening, all the Literary societies passed resolutions unanimously endorsing Fisher as candidate for float delegate to the Inter-state convention.

A move has already been made to provide for the June program of the literary societies, and on Friday evening a joint-committee will be appointed to complete the arrangements.

A "V. M. C. A. Wedding" recently took place at the parlors of the Misses Eckles and McCrosky, Miss Tremain officiating, after which the wedding party took supper at the Welden.

On Wednesday evening, March 28, Judge Lambertson of Lincoln will address the Political Science Club in chapel on the subject, "The Practical Workings of the Treasury Department as I Know Them."

Perhaps one of the best general debates ever held in the history of the society was indulged in by the Palladians last Friday evening. It was a truly educational affair as both men and women participated with equal glee and freedom.

A girl's debating club is a new thing in this institution, and it promises to be a good thing. Too many of the girls devote their time to their regular studies and give no attention to the questions of the day. This club will be a means by which all the important questions may be discussed.

Notwithstanding the severe dust last Saturday evening, the first year classes in American history attended almost to a man the reception tendered by Prof. and Mrs. Caldwell at their home on Twenty-fourth street. A characteristic good time is reported by all present.

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