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NOTICE—All subscriptions should now be paid and collection will be commenced accordingly. Any one wishing to avoid the inconvenience of being "dunned", should notify the business manager before January 15.

Many of our exchanges bring reports of the splendid exercises held on Washington's birthday. We regret to say that in our university the birthday of the great American patriot could not be told apart from any other day. Our exercises were decidedly simple. They were limited to one song—America. To be sure, we sung it with a good will the same as they do elsewhere on this eventful day. Within fifteen minutes this great university paid tribute to the Father of our country. Of course, we are a very busy people. But would it not have been fitting to have had an address delivered by a scholarly orator on some theme appropriate for the occasion? The addresses delivered on that day are uniformly of the highest character. If we had laid aside our studies for an hour and listened to the stirring events of the past from the lips of those who know whereof they speak it would certainly have proven interesting, instructive and cective in arousing among the students, their interest in the r country and its history. We have been taught in the public schools to sing praises to George Washington. Our love for his name and deeds do not cease when we get in college. The zeal of patriotism still burns in our hearts. Let us in the future like other great universities, pay a fitting tribute to this eventful day and we will never regret it.

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The cloak room which has been set apart for the use of students, should be opened every day in the week. To close it Saturday is almost as bad as to close it on the regular days. There are many students who do work in the library and have recitations on Saturdays. Hence they should have their apparel put under safe keeping. Last Saturday we regret to say, a valuable overcoat was maliciously stolen from a student who is unable financially to replace it. Of course, this is nothing unusual. Similar thefts have been of frequent occurrence this year and of such character that they call for earnest and decisive action on part of the authorities in the way of suppressing them. If we have to put our cloaks, overcoats and the like under lock and key, le. the cloak room be opened whenever the students are on the grounds. What is a few dollars and cents compared with the nuisance that this petty thieving has become the past year. The amount of property that has been stolen this year is startling and we venture to say its actual cost would more than pay the expenses of two or three clerks. It is high time that the guilty parties be brought to justice and all the necessary steps taken to prevent this unhappy disregard of property.

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This is the time that men who are candidates for places on the baseball team, should be put under thorough and rigid training. The preliminary work materially adds to the success of the team and insures that the most deserving receive the places they merit. While we have limited accomodations, there is no excuse for anyone who hopes to become a member of the team, neglecting the gymnasium work necessary for effective playing. Nebraska has the best baseball material this year in her history, and if the boys stick to rigid training and preliminary work we will come out on top at the end of the season. The fine eastern trip that has been arranged should be a great inducement to bring the boys out, and we want those boys to come back victorious.

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The boys who are responsible for the anti-football resolutions passed by the Union boys' debating club, owe an apology to the student body of the university. They falsely represent in those resolutions that they express the sentiment of the students of this university. Besides being preposterous, this is the essence of egotism. How much indeed have these gentlemen given in support of athletics in this university. How much Mr. Meier, you and your followers? It is a very small amount. And how can you claim tha. you represent the sentiment of the student body? Is there not ground for offering an apology, here?

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THEY'RE AFTER YOU.

Beware you little wicked frats
They're after you.
They think you're all aristocrats,
They're after you.
The legislature's on to you
And it may hap before it's through,
'Twill pass that anti-frat bill too,
They're after you.

You'd better meet upon the sly,
They're after you.
Be careful no big cop is nigh
They're after you.
For soon it may become a sin,
For which you may be all run in,
And fined a lot of good hard tin,
They're after you.

I own the trick would be quite raw,
They're after you.
To make you barbs by force of law,
They're after you.
But still you've all been barbs before,
You all know how it was of yore
'Twon't hurt you, tho' 'twould be a bore,
They're after you. W. R. D.

COLLEGE NOTES.

The university of Rome has been closed on account of rioting among the students.

The total receipts of Yale's promenade were about $6,400 and the total expenses, $5,100.

The state university of Georgia has received an appropriation of $14,000 from the legislature.

Forty orations have been received for the preliminary oratorical contest at the university of Michigan.

A handsome gate at the entrance to Franklin field is to be erected by the students of the university of Pennsylvania.

The college Greek letter fraternities in the United States have a memebrship of 100,000, with about 650 active and 350 inactive chapters.

Casper Whitney suggests a change in the football rules in regard to the distances to be gained in four downs, making it ten yards instead of five.

Robert Louis Stevenson, Prof. Henry Drummond and Ian MacLaren were classmates at Edinburgh university, and it is said, no one of the three gained distinction as a student.

Luther C. Rood, of Harvard has established a new world record at heavy dumbbell lifting. The previous record was 201 pounds and five ounces. He raised the record to 211 pounds.

Lord Dartmouth has presented Dartmouth college with a set of volumes of the family papers. These papers throw much light on the feelings of Englishmen toward America during the revolution.

Cornell has abolished the degree of Ph. B., B. S. and B. L., and has coalesced the four general courses into one leading to the degree of A. B. All work in that course being elective during the entire four years.

The committee on intercollegiate debates has finally chosen the following question for the Harvard-Yale debate: "Resolved, That the United States should adopt definitely the single gold standard and should decline to enter a bimetallic league even if Great Britain, France and Germany should be willing to enter such a league."

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