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It is with regret that we learn of the resignation of Miss Mable Tuttle as executive clerk. Her cordial and sympathetic manner won for her a place in the hearts of the students of the University. Miss Tuttle goes to a wider field and the best wishes of the Nebraskan and all the students go with her.

The \$25,000 bequeathed by Washington to the nation for the founding of a national University has now increased to nearly \$4,000,000, but the University has not materialized. It seems particularly fitting that there should be established at Washington a national University to utilize the great national libraries and museums.

Harvard University is going the new road. President Eliot, in his annual report, just rendered, recommends that the University confer degrees twice a year, in February, as well as in June. The primary object of such a step is to benefit candidates for secondary degrees; that they may receive their degrees as near as possible to the time of completing their work.

The death of Miss Frances E. Willard has caused sorrow in the hearts of half a million members of her great temperance organization. Miss Willard began her career as a teacher and the women's department of Northwestern University owes much of its present status to her efforts. She was not a believer in the supremacy of man and the lowliness of woman, and early exercised her powers as a speaker in the pulpit of the Methodist church. Some one has said: "Her incisive eloquence was suggestive of Wendell Phillips." The uplift she gave to the cause of higher education may be judged by her wonderful influence on the multitudes of her worshippers.

**OVERHEARD ON THE CAMPUS.**  
The stone step at the top of the flight leading to the main building and one of the pillars above it were conversing in a low tone and I stopped to listen: "This is rather Rainey weather we are having," said the step, by way of keeping up the conversation. "Yes," replied the pillar, "it has been a great many weeks since we have been "without rain." The step suffered a visible shock at this and a large chunk of mortar fell out from beneath it. "Aw, take a brace," said the pillar. "Well, no Moore of that," responded the other.

"Say, do you know what makes the prof's wheels look so funny when they ride them?" queried the step, who now began to take an interest in the conversation. "I suppose because the handle bar is too low," returned the other. "No, its because they are out of gear," chuckled the step, "even though they have ball bearings."

A University girl passing by changed the topic of discussion. "She has a melancholy look and her face is haggard," said the step, "what do you suppose is the cause of this?" "Disappointed in love, probably some one Cutler cold," was the Grimm reply of the pillar. "Lucky for her it's no worse than; now if she had flunked in exams she would have something to be troubled about." "Nobody flunks in exams now," said the pillar. "How's that?" "Why, the students work a neat little deal, you see they cram for the night before."

"By the way," said the step, "did it ever occur to you why there is a covering on the library floor?" "So the students' shoes will not make the Woodruff," said the pillar, who was confident that he had given the proper answer to the query. "No, its simpler than that," said the other, "it is

to avoid all Noyes in walking across the room."

The pillar felt that he was beaten, but he resolved to make one last attempt. "Did you ever see the skeleton of that queer looking animal in the museum?" said he. "To what animal do you refer?" said the other. "Oh, that one that stands in the corner as if it had the Ricketts. He must have been a Burleigh looking beast when alive." "Yes, I remember it now. It is the same one we were talking about the last time I saw you," and the step giggled to himself at his own witticism. "Now," said the pillar, "What do you suppose is the hard bony protuberance on the head of that skeleton?" "A Horn," said the step, with an air of triumph. "Guess again," said the pillar. "Well, maybe its a Strahorn which happened to grow there," replied the step with greater confidence. "Perhaps its a Wiggernhorn," piped the shrill voice of the iron railing, who had heretofore refrained from joining in the conversation with his elders. The pillar looked disappointed. "I didn't suppose they could guess it. Well that Little railing is a hard case," he muttered.

## COLLEGE NOTES.

Princeton's new library when completed will contain thirty miles of bookshelves.

William McKinley will be commencement orator at the Ohio Wesleyan University this year.

Daniel Webster was editor of the first college paper in this country, published at Dartmouth.

The United States is the only nation in the world that spends more money on education than on war equipment.

President Harper of Chicago University in his recent quarterly address made the following surprising statement: "Of the five deaths in the University during the five years, three have been caused by starvation."

Robert Fitzsimmons, the pugilist, recently visited the gymnasium at Ann Arbor and gave an exhibition of boxing. He was entertained at dinner by one of the fraternities. The moral standard at Michigan is evidently being raised.

The University of Missouri receives \$23,000 from the estate of the late John C. Conley under the operation of a law recently passed by the legislature which provides that if a man dies leaving no father, mother or direct lineal descendant, a certain per cent of his estate, excluding any amount left for charitable or religious purposes, must go to the State University.

More than \$5,000,000 has been pledged to the University of California, to be expended on buildings. The purpose of the givers is to obtain a plan to which all the buildings that may be needed by the university in its future growth shall conform. In this way it is thought that the greatest harmony of surroundings and beauty may be obtained. The architect for the work is to be selected by competition.

The students of the University of Pennsylvania are at present having a fight over the question as to whether the Freshmen shall be allowed to have a class pipe. The matter was referred to a committee which suggests a tug of war to decide the question. If the Freshmen lose in the contest, they will forfeit all right to a class pipe, but if they win, they can have their pipes and in addition, have a large pipe two feet long to be presented on class day to the best athlete in the class.

## SUCCESS OF COLLEGE MEN.

The position which college men occupy after the graduation, and the number of them included among those known as the successful citizens of our country, may be shown by statistics compiled after an examination of Appleton's Cyclopedie of American Biography, which are given below:

	College Men.	Not College Men.	Per Cent of College Men.
Clergy	1605	1139	.58
Soldier	58	1700	.03
Lawyer	841	837	.50
Statesman	434	876	.33
Business	177	944	.17
Navy	15	500	.03
Author	411	707	.37
Physician	427	485	.46
Artist	66	564	.10
Educator	629	387	.61
Scientist	323	189	.63
Journalist	66	217	.30
Inventor	19	147	.11
Actor	4	103	.04
Explorer Pioneer	9	240	.03%

Philanthropist ..... 29 151 .16  
Public Man ..... 145 620 .19

Total ..... 5279 6056 .35

From these statistics it will be seen that of 15,085 men named, 5,279 are college men, slightly more than one-third. The number of graduates of American colleges from the beginning until the present time does not exceed two hundred thousand. Of these, five thousand have done such work as to deserve lasting remembrance. One man, therefore, in every forty graduating from college has been successful, while taking as a basis the enormous number of men who have lived in this country since the beginning, we derive the statement that only one in every ten thousand, not college graduates, has attained a like measure of success. According to this the proportion is in favor of the college man, two hundred and fifty times.—Wisconsin Cardinal.

## A LIBRARY LECTURE.

At a meeting of the Library board held last Monday it was decided to have more quiet in the library. Accordingly Librarian Epes was instructed to make an appeal to the students. On the following morning the occupants of the library were somewhat surprised to receive a spirited talk from Mr. Epes. He spoke in a very low tone but for once the drop of a pin could have been heard in any part of the reading room. The librarian's ability as a speech maker has never before been brought into public notice, but on this occasion he proved himself quite equal to the demand.

He said there were a few in the library who were preventing the others from working. Ten or fifteen persons were spoiling the work of 200. He hinted rather broadly that some one had already been suspended from the use of the library and that such a thing might happen again if those found disobeying orders did not cease from their favorite amusement.

The lecture evidently struck home to the majority of those present, judging from guilty looks and subdued behavior, which was noticeable at the conclusion of the talk. It is needless to say that order in the library has been much better ever since.

## PALLADIAN-DELIAN DEBATE.

The joint debate between the Palladian boys' debating club and the Delian boys' debating club was held Saturday evening. The question in debate was: "Resolved, That the English cabinet system of government would be better for the United States than the American congressional system." President Warner of the Delians presided. The Palladian speakers, who had the affirmative side of the question, were Smoyer, Wright and Wessel. The Delian debaters were Davis, Woodruff and Hight.

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