

The Scientific club has been revived and will take up the task of providing lectures upon subjects of general interest related to the sciences. It is the expectation of the directors to procure two regular lecturers each term, and to secure such special lectures as may from time to time be available. The object of the organization is to draw the different scientific departments into more intimate relations and foster an interest in general scientific education. The lectures will be delivered in the chapel and will be free to all residents of the city as well as students. Dr. L. E. Hicks has been secured for the first lecture to be delivered Saturday evening, March 7. The subject of the discourse will be "Uncle Sam's Farm." The affairs of the club are under the control of a board of directors, each director having charge of matters pertaining to his department. All scientific departments are represented.

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To physicists it is a well known fact that the medium of sound is full of vibrations, which, if it were sufficiently acute of itself, or if it were assisted in some way, the ear would give to the mind as words and sentences. By a simple contrivance, no matter what, the local editor was recently enabled to gather the following bit from the air three weeks after it was uttered: For the Palladian contest two young gentlemen, whose names are—nevermind—asked a couple of young ladies, not co eds, for their company. The girls accepted; but when the mammas heard of it they sent the boys word to call the night before the contest, as they wished to see what they looked like. We were not able to learn who the girls were, or whether the mammas were pleased with the appearance of the gentlemen.

A metal plate made of different metals to imitate a mosaic; a Daimio wash bowl; a robe of a Chinese dancing girl; screens in which the Japanese national flower, the Chrysanthemum, appeared often; a Kakimono, a long narrow piece of silk upon which most of Japanese elaborate painting is done; lacquered ware; and an exhibition of the works of the leading artists of Japan, Hokusai, Hiroshige, and Korin were the attractions at the recent exhibition of the Hoyden art club. The object of the exhibition was to awaken interest in Japanese art preparatory to an intended lecture upon the subject by Professor Morse, of Howard, who has the largest collection in the world.

Professor Fossler, at the request of the editor of the *Northwestern Journal of Education*, will soon begin the publication of a series of translations of such stories as Anderson's in *Bilderbuch ohne Bilder*. The stories are intended for the use of teachers in developing in young pupils a taste for literature and for language. To this end Professor Fossler will print with each translation such suggestions and notes as will best aid the teacher and the pupils.

Saturday, the 21st, a few of the boys visited the penitentiary. The penitentiary, while not a very pleasant place, seems attractive to men, good and bad. The bad man stops and is often made worse; the good man comes away, and is usually better for the visit.

Dr. Kingsley spoke before the Congregational club Wednesday evening, the 25th. He was followed by Dr. Riggs. Dr. Riggs' parents lived among the Santee Indians when he was born. The last twenty years of his life has been spent among them.

Mr. Mc Nitt went home the 24th for a visit of a week. He has a good business offer that will take him to Idaho. If he concludes to accept it he may not return. His column this week is at the mercy of the exchange and local departments.

The editors of the *American Agriculturist*, in recognition of the good work Professor Bessey is doing for scientific agriculture, request him to send them his photograph for the purpose of having it engraved and published.

Into Professor Caldwell's home, from which a sister had been taken so recently, death came again, Friday, the 29th, and called the mother. The funeral services were held the 22nd, in the Church of Christ.

Hearsay: the Palladian girls scratched the slate for their annual girls' program. Presumably, the "so far shalt thou go," operated as soon as they scratched the slate, and they let the boys come after them.

Professor Howard's article on the "The State University in America" appears in the *Atlantic Monthly* for March; in the *Northwestern Journal of Education*, (Lincoln) and in the *Nation*.

If he is the better part, or the better artist, whose merit is in his power of invention, surely if the analogy is good, the local editors are superior to any editor on THE HESPERIAN force.

If we are rightly informed, Messrs. Rockhold, McCrosky, Pancost, Eagleson, and N. M. Graham, with ladies, helped the representatives and senators eat the oysters.

February 20 is the date from which Mr. McNitt will date his career as a lawyer. The sophomore class wishes him success beyond measure.

One of the Greek letter societies, at the Lincoln hotel, Saturday night, the 21st, blew out—not the gas—their pocket books.

Mr. Hildreth's sister has been to see him. She found him keeping good company and working hard.

Miss Treat spent February 14-15 at her home in Weeping Water.

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