

Professor Taylor was elected secretary of the State Horticultural Society.

Miss Ono Imhoff was not able to attend school last week on account of sickness.

A good many of the students are dissatisfied with the present restrictions upon the library.

A French historical seminar was organized, January 23, under the direction of Professor Fling.

Through the kindness of the V. W. C. A. girls Mrs. Canfield was the recipient of a handsome bouquet.

We greatly regret to hear of the severe illness of Mrs. Canfield. Latest reports state she is some better.

Helvie and Kenyon will measure a few hundred students as a basis of comparison between red and white races.

Professor Nicholson is now receiving many calls from different parts of the state to deliver addresses concerning bee sugar.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Marlay is added to the "grippy" list. We hope he will soon be able to resume his studies.

Professor Nicholson, together with W. H. Baird from the Worcester polytechnic school, is investigating quite extensively the effects of frost upon sugar beets.

Messrs Helvie and Kenyon measured over seven hundred Indians at Lawrence and Genoa. Copies of the results will be made for the department of psychology.

The number of books in the botanical department has increased so rapidly that it has been necessary to put in new shelves which will hold about 500 books.

Conveniences for blacking shoes have been put in the basement of the armory. All who wish to have their shoes shined according to the latest improved methods will hereafter apply to Quartermaster-sergeant Gund.

The department of psychology has already received considerable apparatus this year, and will soon receive more. The beginning of '92-'93 will find this department well enough equipped to furnish instructive experimental work during the whole year.

A five horse power engine and a boiler have just been put into the chemical laboratory building. It is expected that this engine will run a dynamo which will operate the fan in the attic, furnish twenty-three lights throughout the laboratory, and furnish the electricity for use in the different laboratories.

Not long ago some careless student left the water turned on in the physics laboratory. This was discovered just in time to prevent an accident which would have cost the university a good many dollars. The water had made its way through the geological laboratory and in a few minutes would have soaked through into Professor Bessey's herbarium.

Professor Fling in connection with the night school has undertaken a work that should have the hearty co-operation of all those who can assist. His object is to give an opportunity for intellectual and moral advancement to young boys of our city who are busily engaged elsewhere during the day. Many boys have already been taken from the bad influence of the street and surrounded by the healthy atmosphere of the school room. Many of these boys are found to be intelligent and ready to learn instead of street arabs as they are commonly supposed to be. Misses Stockton and Chapell have charge of the class and hope to make useful and worthy young men out of many of these ragged urchins. There is in the spirit of this enterprise the power of many Sunday sermons,

The junior annual is progressing finely. The work has all been planned and assigned. The regents, faculty, and junior, and senior classes will have photographs. Each literary society and fraternity will have an appropriate motto of the finest work of the engraver. The history of each class with the record of every member will also be given. All the athletic societies, debating clubs, and eating clubs will be given a place. A very important feature will be a full list of the alumni with their past and present records. It will be a complete *resumé* and *exposé* of the history, organizations, and progress of the university; equal to any college annual published. Incidentally we remind you of the fact that your subscriptions will be gladly accepted either by T. E. Wing or J. J. Sayer at THE HESPERIAN office.

The offer of the Studio Le Grande to make a group picture of the entire attendance here this year and present the same to the university, as well as use copies at the state fair and at the Columbian exposition is worthy of consideration. No charge is to be made for this, though the expense to the studio cannot fall short of three hundred dollars. Of course, the proprietors hope that with satisfactory negatives cabinet size of all the students, their trade will be sufficiently increased to warrant them in this expenditure; but as to this they take their chances. They simply offer to take free a good cabinet negative of each student, that shall be well finished and entirely satisfactory to the sitter; they to have the use of it in the group, and the student to have pictures from it if he wishes at the usual student rate. But the studio wishes to have every student as a sitter, or the group will be incomplete.

Dr. Kingsley is at Freiberg, Germany, studying in Weismann's laboratory. In comparing the American laboratories with the laboratory of the famous zoologist, the doctor is quite emphatic in his statement that many of the former are equal to, if not better than, the latter. "The laboratories of the University of Nebraska are" he writes "in some respects ahead of those in Freiberg." The doctor tells an amusing story about the professor of botany in Zurich. The professor's name is Dodel. He married a Miss Port, thenceforth he called himself Dodel-Port. But there were domestic difficulties which caused a separation. The students now called him Dodel-Export. The quarrel was made up and then he was Dodel-Import. Finally came the divorce which left him plain Dodel once more. As soon as the doctor finishes up his work in Freiberg, he will visit the principal laboratories in Germany and England and will return to America sometime in the spring.

Rev. William Kirkers of Baltimore has accepted the invitation sent him to deliver the Baccalaureate address next June. Although Mr. Kirkers was born in England, he has spent twenty years in this country, and is now regarded as one of the most eminent preachers in the pulpit of the entire country. He is a member of the University of London, was graduated a bachelor of law in 1850, taking honors in jurisprudence and receiving the degree of master of arts in 1871. Although Mr. Kirkers has gained a great reputation as a minister, preaching is not the only line of work in which he has become eminent. He has just resigned the rectorship of St. Michael and All Angels church in Baltimore, to give his entire time to a literary work entitled "Orthodoxy, Scripture, and Reason," and a volume of essays and sermons. He has long been a contributor to the leading periodicals of this country and England. He was the editor of the *American Literary Churchman*, during the entire period of its existence. The university has every reason to congratulate itself upon its good fortune in securing such a man as Mr. Kirkers for the Baccalaureate.