

Our registrar called on Will Carlton when he was in the city. She was one of the instructors at Hillsdale when he was a prep. at that school.

The French club held its fortnightly meeting at the home of Professor Allen, on the evening of the 20th. Professor Wightman presided, and papers were read by Miss Louise Pound and Messrs Guilmette, Edmiston on the life and works of Lamartine. Mr. Hardy and others read selections from the same author. The entire discussion and conversation was carried on in the French language.

Professor Bessey issued the following proclamation to his students on Arbor day:

This is Arbor day.
Go plant a tree or
Go where trees grow and
In the shadow of the woods,
Gather botanical specimens.

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Report comes to these headquarters that a certain couple make Professor Barber's lectures on Roman archaeology a source of pleasure as well as of information. It is said that they sit in the most remote corner of the room and while the audience is, of course, paying the closest attention to the magic lantern pictures they engage in a quiet, but very enjoyable game of love in the dark. Breck is now on the war-path searching for "His Royal Freshness" with a loaded shotgun.

The fifth annual arbor day convocation of the sem. bot. was held in the botanical lecture room on the afternoon of the 22nd. The following was the program: "Observations of Ferns Collected in Mexico," J. G. Smith; "A Sketch of the History of Botany," Roscoe Pound; "The Internal Temperature of Plants," A. F. Woods; "Reports on Recent Botanical Literature," Roscoe Pound; "Personal Recollections of Sereno Watson," Professor Bessey.

The April meeting of the board of regents was held during the second week of this month. As this was the meeting at which the finances of the university were considered, it was the most important meeting of the year. The regents spent four days in careful deliberation. Even then the final action on some things had to be postponed until the June meeting. Owing to the marvelous growth of the university they found it impossible to meet every demand with the limited funds now available.

The campus was decorated on Arbor day by the planting of several trees. Professor Fling's class planted a tree to the memory of Grote. The following program, which gave the untutored freshman the opportunity of soaring into the realms of oratorical bliss, was rendered before the tree was planted. "Grote as a scholar," Mr. Starnson; "Grote as a man of affairs," Mr. Haughton; "Grote as an historian," Mr. Frank Woods; selections from Grote's history, showing the judgments which he formed upon men and events, were read by Messrs. Lyons, Forbes, W. W. Woods, and Nusz. After the program the class planted the tree in a manner which clearly demonstrated that they had given up all hopes of city life. One noticeable feature of the performance was that during the entire program several urchins were standing near busily engaged in matching pennies. We leave it to our readers to decide as to the cause of this. In addition to this, Professor Taylor's class in horticulture planted several trees. Although their work was not attended by so many ceremonies, we are of the opinion that it was more effective in its results. Four trees were planted according to the latest improved methods prescribed by the horticultural department, in front of the chemical laboratory.

Politics promise to be warm at the university during the presidential campaign. The various political parties are already organizing for work. On the evening of the 16th the republicans perfected their organization and elected the following officers: President, Geo. L. Sheldon; vice-president, E. C. Strode; secretary, C. F. Stroman; treasurer, E. M. Pollard; historian, R. E. Johnson; sergeant-at-arms, Frank Woods. They also elected the following delegates to represent them at the convention of the national collegiate association to be held at Ann Arbor on the 17th of this month: Geo. L. Sheldon, E. C. Strode, C. F. Stroman, E. M. Pollard, and R. E. Johnson. The democrats have also followed the example of their worthy predecessors and have organized a club with the following officers: President, J. B. McDonald; vice president, W. F. Wolfe; secretary, C. M. Skiles; treasurer, A. E. Guilmette; historian, W. M. Johnston; sergeant-at-arms, N. S. Richards. Farmers alliance men have also organized a club.

On the evening of the 23rd the university debating club met to perfect its organization. A constitution was adopted and the following officers elected: President, Geo. L. Sheldon; vice-president, C. M. Skiles; secretary, Paul Pizey; treasurer, T. E. Wing; historian, Miss Field; sergeant at arms, Miss Green and Mr. Flippin. We hope to see the students take hold of this and make it successful. Heretofore the small and poorly attended debating clubs have offered but few advantages to their members. This one will be much larger and will be under the leadership of the upper classmen. Hence we see no reason why it may not prosper and be exceedingly beneficial to those who participate in its debates.

Mr. Geo. A. Coleman, who has been doing special work in the zoological department, received a commission from the department of Agriculture at Washington on the 18th and left on the same evening to join a collecting party in the South. He is to collect birds for the government and at the same time he will make some valuable collections for the university.

An interesting lecture, at which volatilized metals were shown through a spectrum, was delivered by Professor Brace before the scientific club on the afternoon of the 23rd.

Chancellor Canfield left week before last to visit the principal cities of the east. He intends to be back by the fifth of next month.

The many friends of Mr. Martin, '95, mourn with him in the loss of his father who was killed in a railroad accident in West Lincoln.

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Mr. Lehmer has left school for the balance of this year. He has gone out on a surveying expedition.

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