

The local orators are preparing to make a strong fight in the local oratorical contest which will be held in chapel February 4.

Owing to the dead-lock in the senate, and consequent failure to organize, the Cadet batallion and band did not assist in the Crouse demonstration, as ordered.

At a recent meeting of the Freshmen class, the following officers were elected: President, A. E. Yont; vice-president, Miss Wheeler; secretary, Miss Carr; treasurer, A. P. Libby.

The Saturday morning lectures before the christian associations will be resumed again this week, Saturday in room 17. The subject is, "Preparation of the World for Christ."

Mr. John L. Marshall, Jr., has presented the museum with a fine set of old coins, also a rare collection of "shin-plasters" of different denominations. These are on exhibition in the south wall case.

A party of twenty-five or thirty young ladies from the Seward high school visited the University Thursday. Larson's alluring, entrancing and omnipresent smile continually hovered near them.

The officers of the State Historical society for 1893 are: President, J. Sterling Morton; first vice president, Judge S. B. Pound; second vice president, Gov. Lorenzo Crouse; secretary, Prof. Caldwell; treasurer, C. H. Gere.

Hereafter the sessions of the Nebraska Fruit Growers Association and of the State Historical society will be held on the same days. The fruit growers will occupy the day sessions and the historical society the night sessions.

The set of orthopterous insects which the Leland Stanford, Jr. University requested Prof. Bruner to furnish that institution, has been prepared for shipment. The collection is well mounted and will be a credit to this able professor.

Prof. Fling is conducting a teacher's class in general history. About forty of the city teachers are enrolled. Work similar to that carried by the Freshmen class in the University will be taken up. The class will meet every Saturday evening at 7:30.

Prof. Barber's second son had a very narrow escape from death by gas suffocation last Sabbath morning. Only the quick discovery of the accident by the professor and the providential nearness of a physician prevented a fatal termination.

There is a rumor that Mr. Lehmer will teach one division of the second year math., and thus allow Prof. Hodgman to relieve Prof. Hitchcock of one of his four Freshmen divisions. Mr. Lehmer made a success of tutoring in math. last fall.

A novel class in Grecian History is being conducted by Prof. Fling, the members being made up of penitentiary convicts. The class meets every Sunday, and takes a keen delight in the

study. Many of the class are remarkably intelligent.

It is not right that Prof. Hitchcock should be compelled to work to the full limit (twenty hours) required of any instructor, especially at his time of life. Were not the professor an unusually well-preserved man he would break down under the nervous strain.

George Hitchcock, son of Prof. Hitchcock, has severed his connection with the State Agricultural College of Washington and accepted a position in a sectarian college in South Colorado. Prof. Hitchcock is a very successful teacher of physics and chemistry.

Prof. Fling recently delivered to the convicts at the penitentiary a lecture on Mirabeau. The moral phase of the question, explaining the secret of Mirabeau's failure when he was needed, was especially dwelt upon. The lecture was well received by the listeners.

So far, about thirty of the legislators have gone through the University buildings and in every instance have declared themselves well pleased with the work being done in the different departments. We hope that every member of the legislature will make it a point to visit the University and see for himself just what we are doing.

The Association of Nebraska Fruit Growers met in Nebraska hall January 10th and 11th. The sessions were very interesting. Among those taking active part were Professors Taylor, Bruner, Bessey, Ingersoll and Woods. The exhibit of fruit was not as large as usual.

The fame of the University's summer school is being noised abroad. Dr. Henderson who is at the head of the University extension department of the Chicago University, has written for full particulars and for future plans. The information will be published in a University publication.

We are informed that Miss Barton intends resigning her instructorship in the Art Department of the University and will accept a similar position in the South Dakota Agricultural College. Miss Barton is a successful and earnest worker in her chosen profession, and her many students here will indeed regret to have her go.

The *Nebraskan's* ruthless murderer of meters,
Whose sickly "verse" grows lately doubtfully refined,
Did not think, it seems, the cuts in our last story
Exactly suited to what we would call his mind.
Much we hate replies in kind, but self-indulgence
Can cut no figure in the journalistic web;
And we ask you—in the name of all that's drivelling
What about those "jokes" and "stories" in the Neb.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Local Oratorical association was held in the chapel last Saturday morning. After the regular business had been disposed of the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Rufus Bentley; vice president, T. Wing; secretary and