

ATHLETICS.

Undoubtedly, all the old students will inquire what has become of the boating crew. We regretfully announce that the Burlington Beach company could not live up to their contract.

Early in the spring the Beach men approached the Athletic Association and asked what we could do in regard to furnishing a boating crew. The matter was brought up at a meeting of the Association, and delegates were appointed to confer with the company, with full power to act in the interest of the University. The result of the conference was an agreement that the University should furnish the material for two boating crews, and that the company should place two shells on the lake, giving the students the exclusive control of the shells and the use of the lake gratis. The company was, however, unable to complete the arrangements for the purchase of the shells, so no crews were formed. In the spring the company wishes to make new arrangements with the Athletic Association. If their terms are more liberal than they were last spring, we will probably accept them.

The football team has secured the services of Mr. Crawford, as coach for the season, and hopes then to improve its former record by beating any team west of Chicago that may challenge it.

Heretofore we have always had amateur coaches, men who had a general theoretic knowledge of foot ball, but who lacked tact, discipline and organization. We have now become thoroughly disgusted with the Cheap John plan, and have hired a man to take charge of the team at a cost of five hundred dollars, who is capable of managing any team in the country. Mr. Crawford played for a number of years on the Yale team where he distinguished himself for his coolness and pluck. As a coacher, he has been most successful. Last year, after Baker had been so badly defeated by Kansas, with a score of eighteen to nothing, Mr. Crawford began coaching the Baker team. When Baker

played again, the result was that Kansas was gloriously defeated. We consider ourselves very lucky in securing such a coach, but we must not lose sight of the fact that it requires good money to get good material, and five hundred dollars is a sum not easily raised. If every student will do a little, the sum can be raised without bringing poverty upon anyone, and a good foot ball team will do more to spread the name and fame of the University than anything else can do.

The following is the list of games that our team will play this year:

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| Lincoln vs. Doane | at Lincoln | Oct. 20 |
| " " Baker | " " | " 28 |
| " " Denver | at Denver | Nov. 4 |
| " " Missouri | at Kan. City | " 11 |
| " " Kan. Uni. | at Lincoln | " 18 |
| " " Iowa | at Omaha | " 25 |

WASTE BASKET WAIFS.

During the ensuing year, the HESPERIAN means to be as strictly local as possible. It goes on the principle that a little thing near home is of more moment than a great thing abroad. We are sorry for the German Emperor, we are glad that Mr. Wallace has written a new book, and we are interested in the president's baby, but for this year they must be content with the attention of other papers. We would like to attend to them all, but it takes too much time and type. We should enjoy defending the policy of Charles I, if he had any, but it is more practical to defend the martyrdom of athletic "flunkers." We should really like to condemn in some six pages of pearl the much enduring Universal Spider, but it is more urgent that we condemn certain existing schemes that are nearer to us by some few leagues and centuries. We should delight to rise on the wings of song and chant the burden of Tyre, but it is more politic and imperative that we chant to clashing cymbals the BURDEN OF KANSAS.

If you see a student with a wide brimmed hat on his head, and a sash about his waist, and a face glowing with information, shun