

flora and fauna of Heligoland, the collection being made while the doctor was visiting this strange island.

A larger and even more important collection consists of the skull and bones of mammals, reptiles, birds, and fishes, collected and prepared by the professor while pursuing his studies in England, Germany, France, and Italy. One young lion's skull is particularly good, and many of the others being cut so as to illustrate anatomical peculiarities are especial useful to the student and general public.

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Mr. S. Beeman, a student in the Lincoln high school, who has made similar contributions before, has just given to the Museum a set of carefully collected cabinet specimens of crystals, rocks and ores, which he recently secured in the coal and iron mines of Ohio and Pennsylvania.

THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Owing to inclemency of the weather the tennis tournament which began the first of November has not yet been brought to a close. But the object of the tournament has been accomplished, in so far as it has created an interest in this most important branch of athletics. The interest was shown by the entrance of thirty-two contestants into the lists. Very few games were won by default although many of the preliminaries were somewhat one-sided. The closing games of the tournament were witnessed by numerous spectators. The interest displayed in these games was due in a large degree to the efforts of Mr. Westerman and some of the professors who took such an active part. The object of the tournament was not so much to select a champion as it was to arouse enthusiasm in the game. There is no reason why the University should not be able to cope with other colleges of the state in tennis as well as foot-ball. The tournament has shown the presence of good material which only needs development. Prof. Ward is in the lead, being the only one at present in

the finals, but will probably be met by Moody. It is expected that the tournament, which is to take place next spring, will display more skill and produce more excitement than the game ever did before in the history of this institution.

Tennis is essentially a college game and more adapted to the average student than the rougher game of foot-ball. It requires more skill than any other college game which appeals to students in general. The student cannot spend an afternoon in athletic exercises yet he may devote an hour to a game of tennis. It has all the attraction of a game and at the same time gives him the much needed exercise.

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