

Bixby's Retreat.

Happy New Year!

"I will fight it out on this line if it takes all summer." Grant.

"I am not now and never have been afraid of a frat." Miss Bullock.

KANSAS ANTICIPATION.

[Communicated.]

Im bound to be an orator,
And cause an agitation;
And set the world afire, or have
A similar conflagration
I'll be renowned for my big words,
My large syllabification;
And take the crowds by storm because
I've a fine articulation,
With gestures wild I'll saw the air,
And part the winds asunder;
I'll make all people weep, or swear
As I belch forth my thunder,
If I but have a chance to work
My clear enunciation,
I'll out-do all the English Profs,
And captivate the Nation.

[Caution—Familiarize your self with a gas meter before you send in your next brilliance.]

An open letter to the state legislature.
Dear Sir:—I have just learned that you are in session, and as you are the doctor, please listen. I wish to catalog some of the needs of our school house. Now J. F. Boomer has been obliged to wear that same smile for over three years; Pinkerton's patronizing pose is played; Clement's whistle is still with us; Dr. Clark's drill suit is frayed at the edges; the steps to the chapel stage are worn to splinters; the bottoms have dropped out of several of Dr. Wolfe's pet schemes; Prof. Hansen's customary greeting is cold and lifeless; and unless relief comes soon Miss Jones' patience will be exhausted. Kindly grant the budget as asked for with an added touch of generosity in "Our Department" and immortalize yourselves in the eyes of your constituents and 'me.'

Oh I always loved the school ma'ams,
For they bring us joy each year;—
But I have to say in candor
I prefer our own girls here.

'T WAS NEVER THUS.

The reading-room is crowded now
While I to chapel hie.

The chapel seats are empty and
I heave an inward sigh
To think of forms that yet survive
Long after spirits die.

CHURN DICTUM.

At the dairyman's exhibit,
(Where our soldiers swiped the cheese)
There was said a quaint decision—
You may hear it if you please,
For those wise and august judges
There this brief decision utter:
"Know ye, friends, a William-goat is
Our only honest butter."

Prize stories and poems for '98 Sombrero must be handed in by Jan. 15.

A. S. Harding addressed the teacher's association at Union, Nebr., this week. J. W. Searson was to have given the address but, owing to lack of time, was unable to fill the appointment.

Friday night the Delians will devote half their time to Inaugural exercises and the rest to a miscellaneous program. There will be some special music numbers.

University Gym. Shoes 72c a pair during our $\frac{1}{4}$ off sale.

Foot Form Store, 1213 O St.

Comfort to California.

Every Thursday evening, a tourist sleeping car for Salt Lake City, San Francisco and Los Angeles leaves Omaha and Lincoln via the Burlington Route.

It is carpeted; upholstered in rattan; has spring seats and backs and is provided with curtains, bedding, towels, soap, etc. An experienced excursion conductor and a uniformed Pullman porter accompany it through to the Pacific coast.

While neither as expensively finished nor as fine to look at as a palace sleeper, it is just as good to ride in. Second-class tickets are honored and the price of a berth, wide enough and big enough for two, is only \$5.

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