

BIXBY'S RETREAT.

AN OPEN LETTER FROM BIX.

To the Student Body, Individually and at Large:

DEAR BODY:—If you should happen to see a youth, slender, sickly, wearing ague-colored shoes, irritated hosiery and rainbow tinted trousers, do not rashly conjecture that Lincoln, minus his bull-pup and corn-cob, has come again.

He hasn't.

It is simply the College Idiot, your titled gentleman of leisure, basking in the vernal sunshine. Just notice that low, receding forehead, those bulging eyes, that morbid, insinuating smile.

Lincoln has come and gone as a thief in the dark, stilly night. Selah.

Gaze about you, dear body, and behold the men who aspire to be even as he was.

A certain Freshman, on sunny afternoons, arrays himself in gorgeous Knickerbockers, paid for by a doting father who wears overalls. Then the deah young man goes to the library and puzzles over McClure's.

Another fellow wears three pairs of heavy, woolen golf socks in order to transform a pair of spindle shanks into plump, well-rounded calves.

This is all vanity, damfoolishness, and vexation of Profs.

Dear Body, none but the College Idiot can be Ed. Henry's parallel.

So Long, Bix.

P. B. Weaver spent a week at home in Falls City.

Sam B. Sloan spent a pleasant Easter at Logan, Iowa.

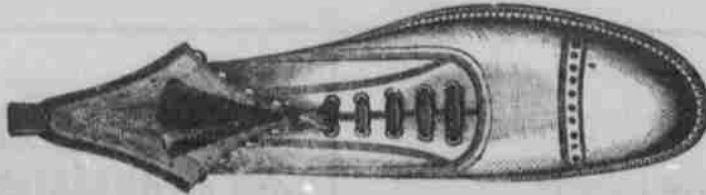
Students will do well to remember that Westerfield is still in business at his old stand 117 N. 13th street.

A banquet of the Alumni of the University residing in Chicago was held last week. Chancellor MacLean was present and responded to the toast "My dear boys and girls at the front." Ex-chaucellor Canfield responded to the toast "When I rode in a caboose." The event was a very enjoyable one.

The contest which will be held tonight at Omaha, will no doubt, be an interesting one. Secretary Benedict has been working hard to get up a good party from the University. He expects to secure a party of about twenty-five. The delegates to the state convention are J. A. Maguire, F. L. Rain, R. L. Waterman, E. F. Warner, and F. E. Edgerton. All earnestly hope that our representative will secure first place. Already nearly all of the states in the League have chosen their representatives for the inter-state contest which will be held here May 4. Iowa will be represented by a man from Simpson college. We understand that the students of that college expect to charter a car and attend the contest in a body. Nebraska must make this oratorical meet a success whether she is represented or not. Her honor and that of Lincoln is at stake.

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