

—The number of new students that have come in this term is very encouraging.

—Nearly all of the students have returned and the places of the missing are filled by strangers.

—The "Beautiful Snow" still lingers, cry some of the boys who have returned to school with their pockets full of "stamps."

—How is it about the students who remained in Lincoln, did they take dinner on Christmas day, or something else?

—Legislature, theatres, etc., which open out with the commencement of this term, are not the best things in the world to insure good lessons.

—We heard that one of the Junior class nearly caused the ruin of a barber in the city a few days ago. Cause: the student needed so much dye-stuff for his luxuriant moustache.

—Owing to the extreme inclemency of the weather, neither of the literary societies held any meetings the first Friday night of the term. The thermometer indicated 30 degrees below zero that night.

—As we propose to pay the postage on the STUDENT, we deem it nothing more than right that the students should be prompt in paying in advance, and soliciting their friends to subscribe for our paper.

—A number of the young ladies showed a good deal more pluck than quite a number of the gentlemen students, in coming to chapel on the morning of the 8th, when it was 18 degrees below zero and blowing furiously.

—The absence of some of the students at chapel may be attributed to the fact that the Legislature is in session, or with probably more correctness, that the Kendall Comedy Company are playing a two weeks' engagement in the city.

—A number of the students participated in a New Year's Ball at the residence of C. C. Moore, at Yankee Hill. And all enjoyed themselves, a number of the students who were not there would be much pleased if the social were repeated.

—We heard of a Soph who was beaten out of five cigars by a student in the selected course, at a game of "draw poker." The "regulars" should not allow this to occur again. We are told that this particular Soph will not let it happen again, but then he had a good hand, as he thought.

—With our January number the subscriptions of a number of students run out, and we hope that they will soon pay up again as we desire to keep every one on our books, and especially so since it will cost us more to publish it in the future. Remember the price is only one dollar per annum, and we pay the postage.

—SCENE BETWEEN A COUPLE OF OLD STUDENTS.—1st Student, (who has not been to chapel yet.) "I say, are there any new girls in chapel this term?" 2d Student, (who has been to chapel.) "Well, yes." 1st Student, (excitedly.) "How many? Are they pretty? Do you know any of them, and if so, who?" 2d Student, (going off with such a knowing look on his face.) "Well, there are lots of them, and I just think I know one or two, but I guess you won't very soon."

#### Rules of the Students' Gymnasium Club.

1. On Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, the gymnasium will be open from 3 to 5 o'clock P. M., and on Saturdays from 9 o'clock A. M., to 4

P. M.

2. The officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

3. The officers shall be elected the last of every school term, and shall hold their offices for one term.

4. Ten members shall constitute a quorum.

5. All persons belonging to the club shall be numbered.

6. Persons shall perform on the horizontal bar according to their number.

7. Members shall be held responsible for damage done by marking on the wall.

8. Those who join classes in the gymnasium are expected to be regular and prompt in attendance.

9. Persons not members of the University are not allowed to use the apparatus unless they have the permission of the person in charge of the gymnasium.

10. Two persons are not allowed to be on the horizontal bar at the same time.

11. There shall be no unnecessary scuffling or noise in the room.

12. No one is allowed to use others' private apparatus unless by permission of the owner.

13. No one is allowed to exercise on the horizontal bar unless he has on slippers.

14. Any injury done to the apparatus, when not conforming to the rules of the gymnasium, must be paid for by the offender or offenders.

15. No person or persons are allowed to use tobacco in the gymnasium.

16. Each member of the club, and beginning with the last number first, shall have charge of the gymnasium for one day and be responsible for good order, unless he is excused by the President for some reasonable cause.

#### THE SCISSORS AND PEN AT WORK AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

There are 92 ladies among the 1176 students at Ann Arbor.

No one is apt to steal locals from the *Public School Record*, because it never has any.

PROF.—What is amber?

SEX.—A kind of semi-apparent wood.—*Courier*.

Injun probabilities: "Mebbe snow next week, mebbe rain, mebbe some damn hot."—*Crescent*.

"The vilest sinner may return," wrote a pious Methodist girl to her lover, with whom she had parted in anger.—*Ex*.

Columbia College boasts that she has turned out eleven bishops. Pretty good for one school, let us hear from the *Owl*.

One of our "Juniors in Chemistry" says that shoe leather, chemically considered, is the ox-hide of beef.—*Archangel*.

PROF. IN GERMAN.—Conjugate mogen.

STUDENT.—Ich mugee, du mugee—

PROF.—That's enough, Muggin.—*Lehigh Journal*.

It was a Freshman who sought anxiously through the classical dictionary for a good account of Charles Dickens' life.—*Lawrence Collegian*.

One of our Freshmen says the battle of Philippi was so called because Philippi was killed there. That Fresh was flunked.—*Actra Columbia*.

Editing a paper is like carrying an umbrella on a windy day. Everybody thinks he could manage it better than the one who has hold of the handle.—*Ex*.

The difference between a Greek student and a hog. One grubs 'for roots—the other roots for grubs.—*Dennison Collegian*

"When I put my foot down, I'll have you to understand," says a Freshman, "that there's something there." On investigation, it was found to be a No. 11 shoe.—*Exchange*.

What historical grounds have we for saying that Cleopatra had no pocket to put her handkerchief in? Sufficient, in that she put her viper into her bosom.—*Magenta*.

Recently one of the students was found under a tree, asleep to her very finger tips. Upon drawing near her, we discovered that she had been reading the *Harvard Advocate*.—*Vassar Miscellany*.

"Westward the course of Empire takes its way."

We have a firm belief that the best college training in the world is given on the Atlantic, and the best common school teaching done on the Pacific coast of the United States of North America.—*National Teacher's Monthly*.

The following advertisement appeared in the *Packer Quarterly*, and we hope they have their want supplied.

"WANTED.—A pure Maltese kitten, double-pawed preferred. Address, stating terms, E. D. F., editor's chair, editorial sanctum, Packer Institute Brooklyn.

The *Niagara Index* supposes that the *Georgetown College Journal* has been tainted with an odor that may have been wafted from Boss Sheppard's domain; both are religious journals, and yet, the former in speaking of their new play-hall say it is "Damp fine."

The Sophomores were given "Delusion" as a subject for essays, lately, and one of them took into the class and boldly read some choice extracts from the *Sunday Times*, prefacing with the words: "The delusion which I shall speak of particularly is Bunko!"—*Volante*.

A failure in recitation is called a "slump" at Harvard, a "smash" at Wesleyan, a "stump" at Princeton, and a "flunk" at Hamilton. A perfect recitation receives the title of "take" at Williams, "sail" at Bowdoin, "squirt" at Harvard, "tear" at Princeton, "blood" at Hamilton.—*College Miscellany*.

Trigonometry class: PROF.—Well, sir, have you written out those formulas?

PUPIL.—No, sir, couldn't you see I have a sore foot, and the tangent thereof, divided by the cosine of the angle of my digital computators, left a negative quantity, which this blank sheet shows. Could n't write; stands to reason I could n't!—*Niagara Index*.

SOPH, (to theatrical chum).—I say, George, here's a chance for you to immortalize yourself at "Boston."

CHEM.—How so?

SOPH.—Why they're going to bring out the "Prodigal Son," and they want somebody to take the part of the fatted calf.—*Harvard Advocate*.

PROF.—What is phosphate?

STUDENT.—Don't know.

PROF.—What's the matter? Have you been sleeping since yesterday?

STUDENT.—Yes Sir.

Prof, owing to his admiration for the truth, could not say anything; was amazed.—*Irving Union*.

A Junior, in sending home an itemized account of expenses to *pater familias*, had inserted among other things, "Ponies, \$10.00;" to which the old gent responds, "I hardly think you needed a pony, but

seeing they are so cheap, you might bring home a span, as they would be mighty handy to do chores with."—*University Reporter*.

All our outgoing exchanges will hereafter be stamped according to the new law, and, as a matter of course, we will expect the ones we receive to be prepaid.

The above is clipped from a state exchange and for fear that they are very much worried over the matter, we give them the information we received at a post office a few days ago. The clerks say that newspapers could not go through the mail unless the postage was prepaid.

It is estimated that 1,900,000,000 bricks have been consumed in the sidewalks in this town. There are consequently none left for the inhabitants to get in their *hats* and hence the proverbial steadiness of the students.—*Targum*.

Drunken men always think that they are the most sober men in town, and that may be the case at Rutgers, and yet the *Targum* seems to think differently.

Two Freshmen played a scurvy joke on their German rector. Imposing on the old man's inability to read, they had him sign the following:

"IOWA CITY, Oct. 1, 1874.

Received of Mr. —, \$6.00, payment in full for rent of two rooms for two months; and in addition do hereby acknowledge myself an old *skeezicks*, and deserving of having been booted at least twice during aforesaid time. HANS —."

A Junior in Oberlin College asked excitedly, the other day, "If a man should go to Italy and be born there, would he be a better musician?"—*College Argus*. We think he would, sure's he's born.—*Chronicle*. We should rather think how it could.—*Madisonensis*. We think it does.—*Trinity Tablet*. His second childhood would undoubtedly make him more proficient in the rendition of nursery melodies.—*Targum*. If he was born again, he might turn out a prima donna.

We have two clippings from the *High School*, and presume that because they have no elephant that there is no need for them to study nights.

"The elephant of the HESPERIAN STUDENT addresses our exchange, 'The High School.' He ought to study nights."

Does not the writer of the above quotation evince a remarkable familiarity with grammar?

Through a typographical error, a word was mis-spelled in our last issue, and in consequence we have been denounced as an ignoramus by something less than seven hundred of those sharp critics who may be found anywhere from the second grade up to the High School.—*High School*.

"I take what I think is the BEST AUTHORITY, Worcester's Large Dictionary."—*Hon. Charles Sumner*.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Gentlemen: The report having been made that Webster's English Dictionary is adopted as the standard by national officers, to the exclusion of Worcester's I take occasion to say that so far as the Library of Congress is concerned, Webster has never been followed in orthography in printing its catalogues, reports, or any other documents. On the contrary, whatever proofs from the Congressional Printing Office embody the innovations upon English orthography as established by the usage of all great writers, which Webster introduced, they are invariably returned with corrections restoring the established spelling. Very respectfully,  
A. R. SPOFFORD, Lib. of Congress.