

and Seniors, Juniors, and Sophs. was decided the 14th inst. at the appointed hour. The parties met on the ground, and Messers Walbridge, Davis and Odell were appointed judges. Both sides played exceedingly well, but the Fresh. either from superiority of numbers, or skill, came out victorious. Want of space prevents us from giving a fuller account and mentioning some who showed themselves worthy of great praise.

THE Nebraska State Teachers' Association will hold its next session the last week of this month. These meetings are expected to be very interesting and instructive. Lectures by prominent men of the State will be given on subjects pertaining to school matters, and the different methods of teaching will be discussed. All students, and especially those who are expecting to teach, will do well to avail themselves of this opportunity of hearing this interchange of thought between experienced persons.

THE students of the University have long felt the desire of possessing and having free access to a gymnasium. The continual application and close confinement to which they are obliged to accustom themselves is a sufficient demand for providing them with an institution of this kind. Drilling is good exercise, but there is wanting that freedom of actions which characterizes the gymnasium. Discipline is required to make it a success, which spoils the effect of the exercise. Every University worthy of that name possesses a gymnasium, and indeed among the larger ones it is an important element to the success of the institution.

THERE was an appreciative audience present in the University chapel to hear Lieut. Dudley's lecture on "Ancient and Modern Implements of Warfare." The exercises were opened by a peice from the University orchestra under the leadership of Prof. Emerson. Mr. Sturdevant then introduced the Lieutenant, who showed the rapid advancement in military science,

and especially in the last few years. He said that the power and stability of a nation is estimated by the advancement in its discipline. The whole lecture evinced careful preparation and a thorough knowledge of the subject. The orchestra favored us with another peice of music and the audience retired, except a few who remained for a while to participate in social amusement.

THE CONTRABANDISTA.—Lincoln's *dé-jou* Opera House was filled with an appreciative audience, Tuesday evening 5th inst., to hear one of Sullivan's charming operettas as given by Omaha amateurs, under the direction of Miss Lucretia Rogers, assisted by a Lincoln chorus. "The Contrabandista" presents several difficult passages, the smooth rendition of which, won many plaudits from Lincoln's critics. Miss Rogers, in the leading character of "Rita," treated us to some lovely solos. Miss Caddie Campell, as the Robber Queen, sang a clear alto, and was both beautiful and vivacious, but lacked that *abandon* which the character calls for. Of the gentlemen, Mr. Northrup's high tenor notes were perfectly natural and easy. Mesres. Reed and Wilkins sang excellently. Mr. Saunders as "Mr. Griggs," a Hinglishman, was immense. The chorus showed careful training both in singing and acting. All the costumes were handsome and expensive, and in dancing the *Bolero* produced a very brilliant effect. In the last scene, our bold Cadets formed a martial background as the "soldiers of the Spanish Guards." Miss Rogers deserves the greatest praise; for almost the entire management of the opera fell on her, and she showed herself capable of the task. Omaha talent will always be welcome here.

LAST Friday eve, the University chapel was crowded with an intelligent audience to hear the literary contest between the two literary societies, the Union and Palladian. Hons. T. M. Marquette, S. B. Pound and C. H. Gere were appointed