

to a bashful speaker, to most of them it is very annoying. A guard will be placed on duty at the next meeting, with instructions to seize the first culprit found meddling with the gas metre, shoot him through the head, cut his throat and then throw him from the cupola. A special tax has been levied to defray the funeral expenses.

This stereotyped way of putting things is getting monotonous; why not vary it? How would something like this do?—"A beautiful and accomplished baby arrived at Tom Smith's this morning. It has a host of friends in the city who will be delighted to go and look at it at the earliest opportunity:" and put the other thus;—"Hank Jones came into our office this morning carrying a box of cigars and looking as if he owned all North America. It's his wife's sister and she weighs 140."

A CARD.

"Ye Local" takes this opportunity of informing the Public, that he has not been fighting, and, moreover, does not believe that the exercise of the "Manly art" is justifiable in any case, except, of course, upon contributors of original poetry. If it is anybody's business that our eye is blacked and how it came so, we will state that the coloring was done in the practise of a new and vigorous athletic game, just introduced. Instruction will be given on reasonable terms, at our grounds on S S., between 13th and 14th. Now please harass our friends no more with inquiries a how tue difficulty originated, the present state of feeling between the parties, &c.

PERSONALIA.

Will Garber is quite sick with some kind of throat disease.

Miss Minnie Coddling has been sick for several days, but has now about recovered.

A. Russel Keim, '81, who has been absent from the University on account of sickness, is with us again.

S. W. Miles, '79, who was absent last term, is back and coming down the home stretch.

C. N. Little, '79, who was out last term is on hand doing his last term's work in the University.

Mr. Silvernail, having finished his contract for repairing the Normal School building, has returned.

I. L. Burch has left school. He could not obtain an excuse from military drill and rather than to submit to compulsory drill, and buy a suit for which he had no use, he quietly packed up and left. Mr. Burch was one of the best students we had, and his departure was a serious loss to the University. The moral suggests itself.

SCIENTIFIC SCINTILLATIONS.

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ.

GRIM PROF.;
CHARMING MISS;
YOUNG BOTANIST;

LOCUM: Room of Natural Sciences.

Grim Prof., "Mr. Q., what is a biennial plant?" Mr. Q., (quickly,) "One that sprouts twice a year, sir."

Charming Miss, "The Sweet Williams are ornamental, too, are they not?"

Grim Prof., (relaxing with a beaming smile,) "Yes, and the Sweet Marys, too!"

Grim Prof., "And what are the ends of stamens?"

Young Botanist, (with a theological turn of mind,) "Anthems, sir!"

Grim Prof., "All animals have four limbs"

Charming Miss, "Don't ange's have wings and arms both?"

Grim Prof. (*a la Whistler*), "No, that is a monstrosity of art."

C. M. relaxes.

[To be continued.]