

**The May Races.**

MAY 24th.—First race was between our dignified Senior and "Short Metre" Prep. Distance, seventy yards; three to enter, two to start. Senior was first on the grounds; he was in good condition, but had not received the careful grooming that he deserved. After repeated calls for the "S. M." Prep, his groom, a Sophomore, led him out. His condition was superb; he had been finely groomed, his mouth carefully sponged, and all caution taken to ensure success. On the race being called by the judges, the contestants started off beautifully, encouraged by the whip of their respective keepers. For about thirty yards they ran neck to neck, but by this time "S. M." Prep's superior training began to manifest itself and he came out half a length ahead, amid the cheers of the assembled multitude. That Senior has lost faith in the practical value of a University education.

The next was a mile race, free to all who have never beaten a Senior. One Junior and one Sophomore started. There was considerable disposition to jockey manifested, but the judges promptly suppressed it. They got a beautiful start and were nearly even, until the fourth quarter the Sophomore broke and his driver could not get him down to business again. The race was awarded to the Junior. Fifty cents changed hands. The next race comes off next week. The Faculty respectfully invited to be present.

This will be the programme of the Commencement exercises this year:

Saturday evening, June 5.—Anniversary of the Union Society.

Sunday evening, June 6.—Baccalaureate Address by the Chancellor.

Monday evening, June 7.—Anniversary of the Palladian Society.

Tuesday evening, June 8.—University Address by Chancellor Hammond.

Wednesday, 9 a. m.—Delivery of orations of the graduating class, and conferring of diplomas.

Wednesday evening.—Reception to the graduates at the Chancellor's.

All public exercises will be held at the Opera House.

It is touching to witness the anxious solicitude of the Preps for their Principal. The other day one of these kind-hearted youths saw a small thunder cloud arising from the southeast. They had just been listening to a lecture on the "Benefits of Lightning-rods." Seeing the Principal's horse and buggy endangered, he heroically resolved to save them. By calling in the assistance of his friends, they were enabled to wind an old lightning rod in and around every wheel of the buggy. Through this means the vehicle was providentially preserved. At least we thought we heard sacred words uttered when the owner got ready to start home.

**Personalia.**

Clem Chase spent a few days at his home in Omaha recently.

Mr. C. E. Stratton paid a flying visit to the University a few days ago.

Mr. F. B. Hall has started for the mountains to regain his health.

Miss Kate Jones has gone with her parents to her new California home.

Mr. B. C. Arnold is rusticated this summer at his home in Brownville.

Miss Della Stratton has gone to Ashland for a few day's visit to her parents.

Mr. Laurence Fossler has resigned his German professorship, and gone to teaching skule.

Prof. Collier has been very low for the past few weeks. He has the sympathies of every student of the University

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