

\*\*\*Madam Fry possesses a pure, clear, mezzo-soprano voice, has an impressive stage appearance as well, and was especially fine in her numbers. She is also master of the B♭ cornet, and won deserved applause, to the encore, in Arban's "Favoriti," with variations. Her daughters, Eugenie, Lulu and Alta, have inherited her musical talent to a great degree, and met with a reception amounting almost to an ovation. Almost every piece was encoed and the evening was crowned with such success as rarely falls to the lot of any artists who visit us.

The announcement of the second concert filled the house to overflowing. The programme was an admirable one.—*Omaha Daily Bee.*

We are informed that at the second appearance of the talented company at the Boyd Opera House, in Omaha, there were over 1700 persons present. On Friday evening December 18th they will appear at the Methodist church in this city. As the examinations will then be over, and the admission is low, the students should generally attend.

#### EXCHANGE BRIC-A-BRAC.

The *S. W. P. U. Journal* has an article in it which calls Ingersol hard names. This is not good.

The students of the University of Pacific are agitating the question of substituting Monday for Saturday as a weekly holiday.

By the death of Vanderbilt the college that bears his name falls heir to \$200,000. Pity Nebraska University couldn't have somebody's name tacked to it, for a short time at least.

*The Campus* has a grave article on "Cider" which should never disgrace the pages of a college paper. Temperance lectures belong in temperance papers.

*The Lincolnian* denies vehemently that the students had anything to do with painting the college red. This is kept in stock by every college paper, and it is interesting to see the different editions of it.

The girls of the *Callanan Courant* get off quite a philosophical opinion on the war in the east. In view of inevitable woman's suffrage it is encouraging to see some feminine interest in political questions.

A college graduate thus describes his course: "I took my first on a clear hit with a crib; reached second on the influence of my father; stole third on a lucky bunching of my cletives; and came home because the Faculty got rattled at my fine playing.—*Yale News.*

*College Chips* for Nov. 30th contains nothing but some editorials, a piece on "Self Culture," another on "Mental Courage," a Latin poem, locals, personals and clippings. If it only had all that it lacks it would be the finest specimen of a college paper that comes to our table.

It is quite the fashion of our exchanges now to start out with "What we would like to know," etc. It is real nice but there is a suspicious unanimity about the matter that makes us think all the rest are following in the wake of some one who happened to have some enterprise.

Sixty-three of the students of Wesleyan University, Ohio were severely reprimanded for attending a performance of "Richard III". The faculty of the college, it is inferred, labor under the impression that "Richard III" is a spectacular drama, with a ballet of thirty-three young ladies of assorted ages and no skirts.—*Norristown Herald.*

*The Epoch* from the University of the Pacific, lies on our table. The matter is well distributed under the various departments, but the literary department is not so well sustained as it should be; we refer to quality not to quantity.

The *Advance* from Hillsdale, Mich. gives the following gymnasium statistics. One hundred and sixty-five students, of whom thirty-five are ladies, have pledged themselves for an average of \$4.84 per head. Other pledges from trustees and citizens raise the amount to a total of \$2254.50. The total cost of building and furnishing is \$2450.

The *Rockford Seminary Magazine* in the October number favors the introduction of temperance as a study in our public schools. Other articles are "The Medici Chapel" and "The Summer Rambles of a Quartette." The editorial department is rather slim and too much space in "Home Happenings" is given to funny(?) things.

*The Argonaut* is quite enthusiastic over Cannon Farrar who lectured at Ann Arbor on Dante. It says "At no point in his remarks did the speaker rise to the pitch of enthusiasm, but there is a sturdy English manhood and a refinement of sensibility about Cannon Farrar, which makes it very easy for us to see why and how he has endeared himself to every English heart, no matter of what denomination."

One of our exchanges gives a scientific explanation of the new revision terms, "Sheol," "Hades" and "Hell." We are happy to know that when we go to Sheol we do not go to hell, nor, as the latter [Gehena] does not come till the final judgement, are we in any immediate danger. Seriously these things are not pertinent to a college paper, especially when the chief idea seems to be that the doctrine of eternal punishment is not destroyed.

Dr. Deems says: "Kissing is a purely American habit." Let us remember this, dear brethren, and ever liberally patronize home industry.—*Sibyl.* The italics are our own. The thing is ostensibly clipped but circumstantial evidence is too strong. It is evidently gotten up by the girls. Boys never were known to have such a penchant for kissing, (argument number one); then the injunction is to "brethren;" if it were by the boys it would be to "sisters." (argument conclusive.)

We see by a late paper that they are having a high old time at our sister university over in Wisconsin. They've an army officer who puts the regular army requirements on the students. They must appear regularly with blacked boots, white collars and black neckties, etc., etc. Owing to the extreme aerial frigidity the growing dissatisfaction culminated lately and about twenty Sophs. absented themselves from drill and in consequence were promptly fired by the President. There is much excitement and it seems to be probable that the result will be a modification of the over strict regulations.

A writer in the *Weekly Courier* says as follows: "It is time that students have a room set apart for a study and vacant hour room. As it is now there is not a single convenient place to study, offered to students while inside the building; nor is there any place where they can even stay with comfort. Sometimes I go into the library, but if the librarian sees my lips move, an immediately shown the door." Much the same complaint might be made here but we have the advantage in the way of a mannered librarian. Imagine Polk showing a refractory co-ed to the door. By the way, the *Courier* appears to be prospering. It devotes several columns to a social department in the last issue.