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### EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE promised hydrant does not seem to materialize and those students who are compelled to stay in the building for the greater part of the day are under the necessity of going down town for a drink, drinking luke-warm water, or going without. Some arrangement ought to be made immediately by which students could be supplied, without so much trouble, with this necessity.

ABOUT the most pleasant of news which has circulated among us for some time is the success of the regents and Gov. Thayer in procuring the prolongation of the term for which our Lieutenant has been detailed to this University. Lieut. Dudley has served his second term here, and in that second term has built up his department so well, and has won the esteem of so many students that all felt saddened at the prospect of losing him just as the armory, for which he labored so hard, was finished. By the terms of the letter recently received, the Lieutenant stays

with us till September, 1888, not long enough, perhaps, to enjoy the full fruits of his labors, yet we, and we hope he is also, are pleased that his term has been lengthened even that long.

THE question was recently asked, "How many trees to the square foot on our campus?" We could not answer it, but realized that there were a great many trees upon it. Has it become so that Arbor Day should bring around with it the planting of numerous trees without reference to the actual need of them? It seemed that every space of ground which would allow of a tree space of two feet would be filled with a young tree. It is a fact that if all the trees grow which are now planted upon our campus, there will either be stunted trees or a good deal of grubbing to be done.

THE editorials of the *New Republic* and the clipped article in the *State Journal* concerning the action of certain University professors and the student voters in regard to the recent city election, has excited no little merriment among those who understand the real facts in the case. It is true that a meeting of the student voters was called, but not by any professor or through the instigation of any professor. It is true, also, that two professors spoke at that meeting, but only as stating opinions, and it is a mistake to say that one of them declared Mr. Sawyer was a prohibitionist in principle, to catch the prohibition vote. He did state, however, that Mr. Sawyer was a temperance man and advocated temperance principles, and he plainly stated that Mr. Sawyer would not, under all probability, attempt to carry out prohibition principles. Furthermore, there was no pledging done on either the part of the professors or on the part of the students, and the result of that meeting was the adoption of a resolution favoring the election of Mr. Sawyer, leaving the rest of the ticket untouched. This is not considered by the students, nor can it be so considered by any, as interference, or an attempt to whip the students into line for any party favorites, on the part of the professors.

THE latest movement of the faculty in insisting upon the proper use of the halls has certainly many things which recommend its wisdom to all thinking students. They have been misused and that, shame-