

A. L. White has recovered from his illness and returned to his work.

Herbert Marsland is 3 9-16 inches shorter than he used to be. He was reclined upon.

Prof. Sweezy, of the Chair of Sciences in Doane College, visited the University last week.

Prof. Caldwell was so unwell for several days that he was forced to excuse his classes. We are glad to see that he has recovered.

The weather is ripe for foot-ball and if the enterprise and athletic spirit is not defunct in our boys we ought to have such an article of vertu.

When Mr Anderson arose to speak in chapel about twenty-five students got up and walked out, thereby saying that they didn't like the idea of chapel orations.

F. A. Stuff, E. E. Green and H. B. Duncanson were our delegates to the Y. M. C. A. convention at Nebraska City. They report a very pleasant and profitable time and a growing interest in the work.

It is rumored that the Senior class will have a social gathering somewhere soon but none of them will tell us anything about it. It is generally understood that they will not wear any hats or overcoats on that occasion.

One of the Seniors was so imprudent as to keep a young lady (next door) out on the porch talking till she caught cold and was sick for a week. Now the young lady's mother calls her in and sends our Senior home.

Societatis Classicæ tertius conventus pridie Idus Novembris hora secunda post meridiem in conclavi No. 13 habebitur.

CHAS. E. BENNETT, Præses.

ROY CODDING, Scriba.

President Gates, of Iowa College, the *alma mater* of Chancellor Manatt, was present in chapel last week and spoke a few earnest words against the idea that young men have not time for an education but must rush into business.

Work has commenced on one of our new buildings. It is hardly likely that the contractors can keep up the high pressure of three teams at once. The mounds of earth thrown up will be used during the next few years for a Prep coasting slide.

The plan of dividing the University battalion into three companies works well. The companies are of a convenient size and each cadet can get more special attention. The triangular competition next June will also be more interesting than the regular straight pull between "A" and "B".

About twenty-five of our students, including a number of co-eds, took advantage of the free excursion to the Milford lot sale last Thursday. The botanical students carried long tin boxes for ornamental purposes solely. Their time was spent in the Milford gondolas and some surprising seamanship was developed.

As usual upon the mystic eve the spirit of mischief broke loose among some of our ordinarily meek and lowly students. Nothing very serious was done, as very strict watch was kept by janitors and steward. Many of the trees on our campus were nicely decorated with bolts of wall paper. A very limp looking imitation of a corpse hung on a tree. A few signs were placed in very inappropriate places, and one door was blockaded with beams. We can appreciate a good joke, which hurts no one, as well as anyone, but must say nothing very brilliant was performed on this occasion. Much miscellaneous "bumming" was indulged in, and many yawns in class the next day told the tale for the guilty ones.

Our scientific club has undertaken the investigation of Volapuek.

Ernest Newton, a student of former years was lately seen in the halls.

The state convention of the college Young Women's Christian Association meets at Crete on the 18th inst.

Fifteen petitions were circulated last Thursday regarding chapel orations. Everybody signed after being asked ten times.

Chas. A. Pierce, '83, now a prosperous banker of Bennett, has become the proprietor of a pair of twins. Education counts.

Among the visitors of the University in the past week were Prof. R. A. Harper and Pres. Gregory of Gates College, Neligh.

Miss Mansell, a former missionary at Lucknow, India, gave a short talk in chapel one day recently upon the state of education in that country.

Dr. Billings' lecture on Physiology, delivered before the Scientific Club last Saturday was one of the best lectures ever given in this institution.

Miss Della Stratton, '87, has been visiting friends in Lincoln for a few days, and Miss Dunbar has been carrying the apron covered strap in the Ashland school-room.

The Senior class now offers the following prizes, open to the world: For best oration of 800 words, any subject; 16 mo. book, gilt edge, on "How to Stand In", by All Ye Fair. For second best do.; a parquet ticket to lecture on "How to work the Profs.", by Ye Bearded.

The excavations for the new buildings on the campus spoil the drill and parade grounds, and we fear that even after the buildings are constructed and the ground leveled off there will not be room for a parade ground. How would it do to clear the scrub trees off the north-west corner of the campus for that purpose?

Mr. Lobingier delivered the third oration of the term in chapel on the 28th inst. It was entirely unexpected on his part, as he had received no notice that he should speak then, in fact, Prof. Hunt made an appointment with him to hear his oration for criticism on Saturday the 29th, postponing the chapel delivery until the next Tuesday. Prof. Hunt was away and this postponement was not known to Prof. Sherman, so the oration was called for. Mr. Lobingier had no opportunity to explain satisfactorily so he delivered his oration, and many of the students having asked him before chapel whether that was his morning or not, participated with Mr. Lobingier in the surprise. The matter, however, of some of the students in the rear starting to leave chapel, was, for the most part we believe, the result of a misunderstanding. Our reason for believing this we may state: Many of those who started out told us that they did not hear the oration announced, as there was much noise and they were sitting in the rear, and when the Chancellor nodded for Mr. Lobingier they took it as his usual nod of dismissal. We are strengthened in this belief by the fact that not a few of those who started out have favored chapel oratory from the first, or at least have used their influence against any such demonstrations. It may be in order right here to say a word on our policy as local editor. We hold it the duty of a local editor to publish the *facts*, using all precaution to present them without any coloring of personal sentiments. Acknowledging human weakness, we propose to follow that principle to the best of our ability.