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A NOTICE appeared recently on the bulletin board—a notice derogatory to some of our instructors. We have hesitated whether we ought to speak of such a trivial and foolish matter, since the injured (?) parties have kept silence. However it is our province to try, at least, to correct any abuses and warn any delinquents that may come within our range of vision. We do not object to fair sport, a little wickedness is often acceptable to us, but malicious mischief is too much. We were rather amused at the Freshman who recently strewed the floor of one of the recitation rooms with parlor matches, and waited bubbling with expectation for the *denouement*. No one happened to tread in the right place, so the poor fellow was disappointed. We were not amused, however, by the notice on the board and would like the gentleman who composed it to restrain his Muse in future.

THE work on Northam Hall is being rapidly pushed, and it is to be hoped that at least the outer walls will be completed before the winter fairly sets in. There is one thing which would not only add much to the appearance of the building when completed, but also prove a very useful object to the college in general, and that is a large clock. We have long felt the need of some time-piece other than the clock in the dining hall by which to judge the hours for recitation, etc. It is almost impossible under the present arrangement to keep the proper time, as the clock in the dining hall is altered every few days, and one must either spoil his watch with continual changing of the hands, or trust to luck, so to speak, in order to reach chapel or recitations at the exact time.

SOME have suggested that the old custom of ringing a bell for morning and evening service and for recitations, be revived. The suggestion is not a bad one. Although to many of us, perhaps, the idea of being aroused from a peaceful slumber by the clanging of a loud bell is far from pleasant, still the bell would be a great benefit and prevent any mistakes being made as to the time of day. A large clock which strikes the different hours would certainly be the more desirable of the two, and we can think of no more useful way for an alumnus to show his loyalty to his *Alma Mater* than by presenting her with this long desired article.

NOW at last when the nights have become cool, and we have all settled down for the winter's work, some of us have doubtless looked longingly at the open fire places, and remembering some of the jolly times we had two or three years ago around the blazing fire, have wished that those bricks with which the executive committee so unfeelingly stopped up the flues last autumn, were in Halifax.

What is our surprise when we find that they now are gone, and the fire places are again *in statu quo*; are ready for use.

We cannot help a feeling of regret that even for one winter we should have been deprived of our wood fires, seemingly for no other reason than a useless experiment on an absurd theory about ventilation, and not a few of us will feel that the ridiculous mason's bills which we had to pay last year, when ever we attempted to "forcibly remove the brick," were decidedly unjust.

At any rate we are thankful that the farce is over, and that we are allowed to use what rightfully belongs to us.

WE have now been back at college nearly six weeks and nothing as yet has been said or done in regard to the college "germans." Perhaps this is a small matter for a college paper to treat about in its editorials, and yet, small as the matter is, it concerns a great deal of our enjoyment. At most American colleges society is regarded as a happiness to which only few students are admitted, but at Hartford, where the undergraduates and graduates of Trinity play an important part in the social circles, it is a matter of importance that our pleasant connection with society should be kept up. We venture to say, that at no college in this country is there so much social dissipation indulged in as at Trinity. Students are received at all of the best families, and to show their appreciation of this kindness, as much as for their own pleasure, are the "germans" given. Last year "germans" were given every two or three weeks during the winter, which were not only enjoyed by the students, but also served as a means of showing to Hartford people the appreciation the students had for their hospitality. The desire for dancing and for an occasional evening of social enjoyment, becomes the stronger as the weather grows colder, so that the time has at length arrived when all those who care for dancing, should bend their efforts in behalf of the success of college "germans." It is to be regretted that these pleasant affairs were made occasions of so much expense last year, but a new plan might be adopted and the matter easily remedied. We can do no better than quote the motto of the association:

"On with the dance, let joy be unconfined!"

Relaxation from study is occasionally a good thing and certainly no better way can be found for obtaining the needed enjoyment than in chasing the glowing hours away with flying feet.

THERE are several matters pertaining to our every-day life at college which should be remedied, and which it would be very easy to remedy with a little care and proper management, but among them there seems to be no more important subject which is worthy of our attention, than the present system of delivering the mail.

Since our removal from the old college buildings to the new ones, every year there has been more or less dissatisfaction in regard to the manner in which the morning and afternoon mail is distributed. Different plans have been tried, and finally a system has been adopted which, to say the least, is unsatisfactory. The utter carelessness with which letters are distributed cannot but attract the attention of any person seeing the mail delivered. The morning mail arrives about ten o'clock. A crowd of students gather about the college janitor, who delivers the letters to one of the students present, and the names of those possessing letters are then read. Often in the hurry and confusion the names are read in an indistinct manner, and some men find themselves the possessors of mail-matter which does not belong to them. Of course in the end the letters are delivered to their rightful owners, but a delay of a few hours often occasions a great deal of trouble in the case of important epistles.

Frequent complaints are made that newspapers do not reach their proper destination, or are delivered to their addresses after being kept a few days in the pockets of absent-minded students.

It is evident that some new system should be adopted, and a little more care exercised in the distribution of mail-matter.

AT present, tennis seems to be all the rage among the students; now that their four courts are in good working order, every one has an opportunity of playing. It is a wonder that this form of athletics was not adopted by the students before, it has so many advantages, especially for those who have little time to give to such things. It is always

easy to get three or four men together to play a game of tennis, while the base ball captains of the various class nines know how hard it is to get their teams together for practice; there are also many students who are not able to give the time, or who have not the strength required for the usual forms of athletics, yet they feel the need of some exercise. Among these, tennis exactly supplies the need.

The one great trouble, however, with the game is that it can only be played during a few months of the year, but can not this fault be remedied? We would suggest to the committee lately appointed by the tennis clubs for the purpose of looking after the interest of that form of athletics, the advisability of making a court in the gymnasium, so that the lovers of tennis may be able to play during the winter. The gymnasium is at present little used, as there are no base ball or boating teams in training, why should it not be put to some use? If the net poles were arranged so as to screw into plates set in the floor, they could at any time be removed and would in no way interfere with the regular use of the gymnasium. Two systems might be adopted for the use of the court, in order that it might not be monopolized by a few men. The four clubs now in college might use it in rotation, each having it for a day; or the system might be introduced which is used in the boat clubs where there are a large number of members and few boats. A slate might be kept in the reading room or gymnasium, on which the men could write the day and hour during which they wished to reserve the court, certain rules being arranged by the committee, limiting the length of time and number of times a week during which the same men could have the court.

We can not but believe that some such plan would be agreeable to the majority of the students, and we sincerely hope that the interest in the game will be kept up, and more tournaments like that which has taken place so lately could be played, for there seems to be nothing in college which so tends to bring the students together, and do away with that exclusiveness which is the curse of Trinity.

THE next number of the TABLET will be issued November 12th.

PHI BETA KAPPA.

A meeting of delegates from the several chapters of the Phi Beta Kappa was held on the 18th of October, at New York, in the Council Room of the University. Delegates from eighteen out of the twenty-one chapters were present. The Beta of Connecticut was represented by its Vice President, the Rev. Prof. Johnson. Receptions were tendered to the delegates by the Beta and the Gamma of New York. The interest that has been roused by this convention will probably infuse new life into the members of the Fraternity. It is believed that the Chapter at Trinity will revive some of the old customs. This Chapter now numbers more than at any time during the whole of its previous existence.

DELTA KAPPA EPSILON.

The thirty-fifth annual convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity was held with the Tau Chapter of Hamilton College at Utica, N. Y., on the 19th and 20th of October. Delegates were present from twenty-six chapters, among which were Eta, of Virginia, and Theta Zeta of California. Alpha Chi Chapter in Trinity College was represented by Messrs. S. D. Brewer and R. E. Burton. The business meetings, five in number, were held at the Masonic hall. Matters of great importance were there discussed and suitable resolutions were passed concerning the decease of Gen. A. E. Burnside and other alumni of the Fraternity.

The public exercises took place at the City Opera House on the evening of the 20th. Prayer was offered by the Rev. B. F. Willoughby, of Saguoit, N. Y. The opening address was made by Professor A. P. Kelsey, of Hamilton College, and after apologizing for the absence of Dr. J. H. Durston, who was to have delivered the oration, he introduced the Rev. John J. Lewis, of Madison University, as the orator of the evening. The poem entitled "Procrustes," was read by the Rev. Professor Willis J. Beecher, of Auburn, N. Y. At the close of the exercises, the delegates adjourned to Bagg's hotel, where, assisted by the alumni of central New York, they indulged in a banquet until a late hour, which was the closing feature of a successful convention. The next convention will be held in October, 1882, with the Upsilon Chapter at Brown University, Providence, R. I.

NORTHAM HALL.

Northam Hall has begun to assume definite proportions, and as many inquiries have been made regarding the interior arrangement of the structure, we give a short description of it as far as we have been able to pursue our investigations.

The designs are by Messrs. Kimball and Wisedell of New York, the same architects who drew the plans for the other buildings. The building will consist of three towers and a central portion. The entire height of the towers from the water table is 76 feet, and the height of the gables will be 84 feet, or 36 feet higher than those of Jarvis and Seabury Halls. There will be five stories, the respective heights of which, measuring from floor to floor, are as follows: First 11 ft. 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ in., second, 12 ft., 3 in., third and fourth, 11 feet each.

On the first floor are four suites of apartments, consisting each of a study and a bedroom,—the janitor's office, well to the kitchen and hall-way. The studies are in the corner towers and the bed rooms lead off from these towards the center of the building. To the right of the entrance, which is on the Eastern side, is the janitor's office. The hall way or corridor extends the whole length of the building, north and south, and at each end of this corridor is a spiral stairway which ascends to the fifth floor. The janitor's office and the well to the kitchen are merely temporary. When the contemplated dining hall and kitchen are built, these will be taken out and the gateway thrown open clear through the building. The entrance to the four studies or sitting rooms are on the right and left near the ends of the corridor.

The second, third and fourth floors are alike, and resemble the first with the exception that they contain an additional suite of rooms, which consists of a study and two bedrooms, occupying the central portion directly over the gateway. The entrance to these apartments is from the north stairway, there being no communication between this and the south end above the first floor. The inside partition in this suite, unlike any other in the whole range of buildings, is of wood.

The fifth, or upper floor, consists of a large lecture room similar to those in Seabury

Hall. At each end of this stairway and directly over the stairway, is a large skylight for lighting the stairways.

From the above description it will be seen that the Hall will contain nineteen dormitories, and will accommodate twenty-one students.

DEGREE OF B. S.

"Students in special cases," so the catalogue of the College informs us, "provided they complete the course prescribed for that purpose, receive the degree of Bachelor of Science." And the degree of "Bachelor of Science," the same well informed pamphlet goes on to say, "is conferred on those students who complete the regular course of study in all the departments, except the Greek, and also sustain a special examination in one of the following courses, viz: 1. Differential and Intergral Calculus and Zoology; 2. Chemistry and Natural History; 3. Astronomy and Mineralogy, and Geology. Any student completing the course prescribed for the degree of Bachelor of Arts may receive the further degree of Bachelor of Science upon passing an examination in one of the courses above mentioned, together with a special examination in such parts of the regular course as are connected with it."

This informatron which we take from the College Catalogue is very good what there is of it, but like the new street car line out Vernon street, it hardly goes far enough. And so, filled with the laudable intention to oblige our Freshman communicator, and at the same time to publish facts which might interest a great many of our readers, and induce them to step forward as candidates for the degree of B. S., we determined to inquire of the different professors just what work would be required and what examinations would be necessary for that purpose. We found that there were three courses laid down, only one of which it would be necessary to pursue.

The requirements would be somewhat as follows: In the first course, a pretty thorough examination in either Smith's or Johnson's Differential and Integral Calculus. Zoology—a special study in the cabinet of the various specimens illustrating the subject practi-

cally. Any considerable amount of practical work could hardly be demanded; but the dissection of some of the lower animals for example, would be required, and also a theoretical knowledge of the principles of Zoology.

In the second course. (a) Chemistry. The regular chemical course of Senior year must be attended in Junior year, and application for this privilege must be made at the beginning of Junior year. An examination in these studies will be required. In Senior year the candidate for B. S. must take a course in Analytical Chemistry. The theoretical instruction necessarily precedes the practical work in the laboratory. (b) Natural History in the same course would be somewhat the same as the Zoology. And a more thorough knowledge of the material in the cabinet together with the dissection of some of the lower animals.

In course three—(a) Astronomy—A general knowledge of Astronomy with particular attention given to astronomical instruments, Diurnal Motion, Time, Latitude, Parallax, Eclipses and Astronomical Problems.

(b) Mineralogy and Geology in the first, practical work in the determination of minerals by blow-pipe analysis, and in the second an examination in Dana's Text Book of Geology. This is about the substance of what we ascertained from the different professors. It will be seen that the three courses are pretty evenly divided. In the year 1856 the degree of B. S. was instituted; and in the following year several courses were specified. At first all the regular studies were required, with the exception of Latin and Greek. Now all are required except Greek. The present system of three courses, each one of which it was intended should bring the candidate before two different professors, came into practice a few years ago. We conclude with one more paragraph from the Catalogue. "Notice of intention to apply for this degree must be given in writing to the secretary of the Faculty at the beginning of Senior year."

If, however, a student wishes to take the course in Chemistry he must obviously apply at the beginning of Junior year.

The poem in the next column was found in the College vaults at a time when search was being made by the Faculty for concealed nitro-glycerine.—[EDS.]

THE ABBOT.

AN ANCIENT SPECIMEN OF ALLITERATIVE VERSIFICATION.

I'll preach a sermon, the abbot said,
Such as my monks not often hear;
With sacred food shall they all be fed,
Few, few such feasts to them appear.

His magic wand now the abbot waves,
Wending his way to the mystic stone;
The boldest spirits are but his slaves,
Sprites of all kinds his sceptre own.

Now tell me minions, how best I may—
Mark if they hearken to my word:
Full often deem I with some dismay
Down them in vain my speech is pour'd.

I have a plan by which 'twill be plain,
Prattled a voice like well-strung lyre;
If you this draught that I bring you drain,
Drinking, your words will turn to fire.

You then, beholding each monk's bare head,
Hence can discern what they have heard;
For if with flame-streams they have been fed,
Flashes will greet your ev'ry word.

The plan seemed good to the abbot grave,
Going within the chapel wall
He bids be called a grim conclave,
Charging that none shall shun the call.

And then he roars and he loudly rants,
Rending the air with mighty tones.
Anon he pauses and deeply pants,
Plaintively shrieks then sadly groans.

But do the friars imbibe the flame?
Feel they the abbot's words so stern?
From out their crav'ums no flashes came,
Clearly no fire does in them burn.

Louder his thunder the abbot throws,
Thoroughly fierce he now becomes.
But look! a breeze through the chapel blows;
Behold! the longed for flaming comes.

Lo! there a friar's close shaven face
Flares up like Jana's evening light!
As shoot the sinking stars through space,
So friar Samson's form takes flight.

The flame had sped in a course too straight,
Spreading through friar Samson first;
His mind with Greek and Hebrew great
Grasping too much, at last had burst.

So friar Samson no more was seen.
Soon the abbot his place resigned.
The monks were willing and glad I ween,
Wishing an abbot less unkind.

January, 1581.

A TRIALOGUE.

"WELL," says the world, "what can you two college graduates show for yourselves?" They stand before him, the Grind and the Loafer. They stand forth to render an account of their four years' doings. "First you," says the world to the confident toiler. "What can you do, and how have you spent your time in college?" Then the Grind begins as follows: "From the moment I entered I have never been absent from a chapel or a recitation. Day after day I have staid within while the sun shone brightly; night after night I have spurned the thought of theatre and of ball." "Well," says the world, "and what did you study?" "O!" answers the Grind, "Herodotus and Tacitus, Hebrew and Psychology, Chemical Physics and the higher mathematics of Astronomy." The world holds up his hands in holy horror. "But what are your present aspirations; what position will you deign to hold?" he exclaims. "On with the march of learning!" cries the Grind, and his hectic flush and excited air are truly pitiable. "I would scale some new, unheard-of heights; I would probe Infinity, and still continue on my grand career." "Tush! the man's mad," thinks the world. "I'll hold my verdict till I hear the other one." "Speak out now, Loafer. Be a little more respectful in your attitude (you've a blamed fine figure, all the same; such health and spirits, such color, such an honest mouth. Heavens! it takes me all by storm; I feel a sort of tugging at my old worn out heart.) What have you to say for yourself?" "To tell the truth," begins the Loafer, "I do not care much for your good opinion. I'm a bad lot, that I know. Perhaps you'd better let me go." "Not so," murmurs the world to himself. ("I long to take this noble fellow by the hand, to press him to me and to make him my pride and my delight.") "Now tell me what you've learned in college?" A blush comes over the fine face of the Loafer. "I fear I studied little; I knew enough to get me through, no more. I hated Psychology, but liked Political Economy." But were you not the greatest speaker in your class, did you not lead the glee club, and were you not class-president?" "Pooh! but that was nothing,"

says the Loafer. "Ah! and you were captain of the Nine. I have read about you in the college paper. Often have I heard of how the game was nearly lost when you stepped forward to the bat and saved it. Cheer after cheer arose as the ball went cleaving through the upper air. Your influence was felt thus wide in each direction. As, high in air the ball rose from your bat, so, far on every side your actions left their mark. Your merry laugh has lightened a heart two hundred feet away. Not every act has been cheered by the multitude, but many brave deeds have penetrated through the atmosphere around you. I make you my favorite. I will give you wealth and honor, and, above all, my true and trusting love." And here the world embraces the astonished Loafer.

"Well," says the Grind, "and what's your verdict as to me?" "My verdict as to you is this: you've labored hard and you deserve much praise. I have a little school in Boresville, and you shall take the charge of it. You can then indulge your lofty aspirations and probe Infinity to your heart's content." "Thank you," said the Grind, and the poor fellow really meant it. Our Trialogue is over. The world has adjudged the career to the Grind and to the Loafer. In ending, we may say that the Grind has passed his narrow life within the confines of a narrow village, Boresville. He is virtuous and negatively happy. The dear old Loafer continues the process of batting into the world around him his influence for good. Seldom has he missed his opportunities, and the scientific curves of enemies have been met calmly and successfully. And when at last he is put out forever, we will venture to say his score will be as clean as that of any non-professional we know

SUSPENDED.

"Ah! come in and sit here by me,
Watch the embers as they die;
Let us talk as oft we used to,
In the merry days gone by.

"Where's your hand? Oh! here I have it,
Now I feel that old, old ring;
You have worn it since I've known you,
Worn it as a sacred thing.

"Well, perhaps you've heard my story,
How to-morrow I must go—
Leave this dear old place forever—
All because of this slight row.

"'Twas the fault of one professor ;
How I'd like to have him here,
Where I full and plain could tell him,
How he's ruined my career !

"He's a 'duffer' don't you think so ?
Answer ! you don't say a word !
What's the matter, are you dreaming ?
Or perhaps you have not heard ?

"He's a 'duffer,' don't you think so ?
Are you dumb you crazy coon !
Why not speak ! I'll know the reason !
I will make you answer soon !

"Now I'll turn the gas up quickly !
Gracious Heavens ! is it true ?
Could I dream you'd come here to me !
Why Professor ! is it you !

"What ! you say I'm not suspended ?
Eh ! I need not go away ?
Well, you've brought me gay old tidings !
Yes. Good night, since you won't stay !

COLLEGE AND CAMPUS.

JUNIOR LATIN.

The Juniors have taken up Plautus this time instead of Juvenal during Trinity term.

FIELD MEETING.

The field meeting has been postponed from the 22d to the 29th inst. A full report of the several events and their results will be given in our next issue.

BISHOP BROWNELL'S STATUE.

The work on the foundation for Bishop Brownell's statue is now nearly completed, and the statue will be moved from its present site very soon. The cost of removal will be about eight hundred dollars.

ZOOLOGY.

Dr. Bolton makes the study of Zoology a very interesting one for the Freshmen. They have already done considerable work in the way of dissecting various specimens which have been procured through the enterprise of the members of the class and their entertaining instructor.

SURVEYING.

Professor Hart has been giving the Sophomores an opportunity for exercising their

theoretical knowledge by practical application in the way of surveying. A large number of the class turned out on Saturday last, and computed the distance of the various objects of interest within sight of the College campus.

THE CERBERUS CLUB.

A new organization has been formed in College, which rejoices in the euphonious title of "The Cerberus Club." Stated meetings are held at short intervals and the proceedings are kept strictly secret ; it is rumored, however, that large quantities of intoxicating beverages are consumed during the secret sessions. The members are chosen irrespective of class, color or former condition of servitude.

FRESHMAN BASE BALL.

The captain of the Freshman Base Ball Nine sent a challenge to the Wesleyan Freshmen last week. The challenge however was not accepted, suitable reasons for the non-acceptance being given, and our Freshmen are much disappointed. It is expected that a game of foot ball will be arranged between the two classes before long. It is a good omen to see our younger undergraduates enthusiastic in athletics, and we wish them every success.

DISCUSSIONS IN POLITICAL ECONOMY.

President Pyncheon has acceded to the wishes of the Senior class in regard to the plan of holding discussions on the subjects which come up, from time to time, in Political Economy. These discussions will take place about once a month, and are to be under the direction of Professor Johnson, in the department of English. The first of the series is to be held shortly. The subject is "Free Trade and the Protective Tariff," a hackneyed subject indeed, but one on which all should have decided opinions.

CHANGE IN THE CHEMISTRY COURSE.

The Seniors will finish Chemical Physics next week and will immediately enter upon the study of Chemistry proper. Owing to the continued disinclination for copying lectures, and in order to defeat the hectograph plan of last year, a regular text book will be taken up by the class, occasionally supplemented by explanatory and experimental lectures. It is doubtful whether this course will not entail more work than the original one.

LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The first regular Lawn Tennis tournament took place on Thursday Friday and Saturday of last week. Four clubs were represented, and great interest was manifested by the general body of students, there being a large attendance at the grounds at each of the days. The single contests were decided by the best six out of eleven games, and the doubles by best two out of three sets. The ground on which the several matches were played is an admirable one, and was in a remarkably good condition at the time of the tournament. Mr. J. R. Strong came off victorious in the singles, and Messrs. Strong and Young in the doubles. The score was as follows:

SINGLES.

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|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1. Bohlen, 6; | Johnson, 4. |
| 2. Magill, 6; | Huntington, '83, 1. |
| 3. Brainerd, 6; | Appleton, '82, 1. |
| 4. Strong, 6; | Hotchkiss, 1. |
| 5. Sedgwick, 6; | Kurtz, 3. |
| 6. Brainerd, 6; | Magill, 1. |
| 7. Strong, 6; | Bohlen, 2. |
| 8. Strong, 6; | Brainerd, 1. |

DOUBLES.

1. Strong and Young, 2 sers.
Burgwin and Johnson, 0 sets.
2. Huntington, '83 and Brainerd, 2 sets.
Webb and Andrews, 0 sets.
3. Strong and Young, 2 sets.
Webb and Andrews, 0 sets.
4. Burgwin and Johnson, 2 sets.
Webb and Andrews, 0 sets.
5. Kurtz and Brainerd, 2 sets.
Burgwin and Johnson, 0 sets.
6. Strong and Young, 2 sets.
Kurtz and Brainerd, 0 sets.

From the general playing it is evident that we have some good material for lawn tennis players at Trinity. The best playing was done during the single contests. Mr. Strong's playing was remarkably fine. Messrs. Bohlen and Johnson also distinguished themselves.

The tournament was a grand success and it is to be hoped that it will not be the last one we shall have the pleasure of witnessing.

CHANGE IN THE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAMME.

At a meeting of the Senior class held during the past week a petition was drawn up, addressed to the Faculty, asking that the number of speakers at Commencement be reduced to three, exclusive of the valedictorian and salutatorian. This petition, if granted, will materially shorten the programme, and

as the speakers are to be chosen by competition, the exercises usually so dull will be rendered very interesting by insuring the delivery of better orations than could otherwise be expected. This plan is the unanimous wish of the class and it is to be hoped that the Faculty will accede to their desires.

DIRECTORY.

THE following is a directory of Jarvis and Seabury Halls. The inmates of the other Halls have not yet been classified.

JARVIS HALL.

FIRST SECTION.

- 1 P. W. Shipman.
- 2 { C. E. Hotchkiss,
E. S. Beach,
J. F. Olmsted.
- 3 { G. H. Hills,
H. D. Crocker.
- 4 { H. C. Appleton,
S. T. Miller.
- 5 E. S. VanZile.
- 6 { E. F. Henderson,
C. A. Appleton.

SECOND SECTION.

- 7 { G. D. Howell,
M. L. Cowl.
- 8 { J. R. Strong,
F. Roosevelt.
- 9 W. C. Sheldon, Jr.
- 10 { R. V. Barto,
G. F. Humphrey.
- 11 { R. Thorn,
S. N. Giesy.
- 12 { A. M. Young,
D. M. Bohlen.

THIRD SECTION.

- 13 { S. N. Watson,
C. M. Kurtz.
- 14 { S. D. Brewer,
R. E. Barton.
- 15 R. T. Reineman.
- 16 { F. W. Richardson,
J. M. Brainerd.
- 17 { S. B. P. Trowbridge,
G. P. Ingersoll.
- 18 A. B. Linsley.

FOURTH SECTION.

- 19 Vacant.
- 20 { B. M. Carter,
C. H. Carter,
J. R. Carter.
- 21 { Prof.
L. W. Richardson.
- 22 Prof. S. Hart.
- 23 Vacant.
- 24 Vacant.
- 25 { F. F. Russell,
F. D. Buckley,
E. L. Sanford.
- 26 T. B. Chapman.

FIFTH SECTION.

- 27 { W. S. Short,
J. S. Fillmore.
- 28 { G. Green, Jr.,
H. L. Golden.
- 29 W. R. Sedgwick.
- 30 { W. W. Webb,
H. W. Thompson.
- 31 { C. Z. Gould,
H. Hoff.
- 32 { N. W. McIvor,
F. D. Lobdell.

SIXTH SECTION.

- 33 { S. M. Holden,
N. F. Dauchy.
- 34 { H. R. Neely,
A. D. Neely.
- 35 { W. H. Boardman,
A. Codman.
- 36 F. W. Owen.
- 37 F. C. Gowen.
- 38 { W. S. Barrows,
S. Mitchell.

SEVENTH SECTION.

- 39 Vacant.
- 40 Reading Room.
- 41 Vacant.
- 42 Vacant.
- 43 C. W. Coit.
- 44 A. H. Wright.

SEABURY HALL.

MIDDLE SECTION.

- 12 { Dr. H. C. Bolton's
Office.
- 13 President's Office.
- 14 Prof. I. T. Beckwith.
- 15 Prof. G. O. Holbrooke.
- 16 { E. L. Purdy,
W. H. Hitchcock.
- 17 { C. L. Coleman,
J. E. Brown,
E. L. Dockray,
G. E. Magill.
- 18 { J. C. McCracken,
A. P. Burgwin.
- 19 { C. Carpenter,
E. N. Childs, Jr.

ITALIAN CLASS.

It is encouraging to note that Professor Richardson's kind offer of instruction in Italian, has been accepted by many. All four Classes are represented, and meet on a common footing. Dante's Divine Comedy is now being studied and the class is much interested in its work. Professor Richardson has also signified his willingness to meet the class some evenings during the winter for the purpose of reading such essays as may bear upon Dante and his great creation.

PO PAI PAIG.

This mysterious order for some mysterious reason has deferred its ceremonies of initiation until the weather is growing icier every day. The "Po Pai Paig" is a grand institution, and we would not have it fall away. To be sure the initiations are a little too severe at times. An unexpected leap into a cold pool, or a headlong descent down some unforeseen embankment, may often injure a man. However, the "Po Pai Paig" is an exponent of the devil-may-care principle among us, and deserves the support, while its new members will certainly receive the sympathy, of our community.

COMMUNICATIONS.

[Communications upon current topics are invited for this column. It is expected that they shall be written in a courteous tone. The writers full name, as well as his *nom de plume*, must accompany the article. The editors do not necessarily approve the opinions expressed.]

TRINITY COLLEGE, Oct. 25, 1881.

To the Editors of the Tablet:

The new structure, which is being added to the college buildings, and which is rapidly approaching an imposing height, will, I suppose, sooner or later, be opened with appropriate ceremonies, and a name will be formally given it. Now, the question is, what will this name be? At present, we speak of it as "Northam Hall;" but have we any authority for doing so? While, therefore, the matter is as yet undecided, I would suggest the propriety of calling the new building, not "Northam Hall," but "Northam Tower." It is the gift of Colonel Northam, and, very properly, should bear his name. But why should it be called a *hall*? It seems to me that the building is plainly a

tower. It will be very lofty, and its area will be comparatively small. We read of Gay's Tower, Mervyn's Tower, Mortimer's Tower, and many others;—might we not also have Northam Tower? W.

DOINGS AT OTHER COLLEGES.

BROWN.

In the Sophomore-Freshman foot ball match the Sophomores won easily. In the base ball match the Sophomores won by a score of 37 to 7.

Two Freshmen will probably be on the nine next year. It is said they are both good general players.

COLUMBIA.

In accordance with the agreement between the two classes, the Sophomores and Freshmen held their cane rush on the New York Athletic Club grounds, at Mott Haven, on Thursday, Oct. 6th; as two Freshmen and Sophs held the cane when time was called, the rush was decided as a draw. The hardest workers for '84 were Jenkins, Taber and Henry, while for '85, Mapes, Morgan and Shaw did the most effective fighting.

The Columbia Cricket Eleven defeated the Princeton Eleven, Saturday, Oct. 8th, by a score of 184 to 65. Poole, '85, did some very effective bowling.

HARVARD.

The Harvard Athletic Association has started a new thing in its "limit" races from which Wendell, Goodwin and others are barred. All those who have records better than the limit can not enter.

It is said that very few of last year's crew intend to row next year. This is a great pity, if true, as the prospect of success seemed good, after the race of last July.

Harvard is exultant over the way in which Wendell won the 100 yards and 220 yards runs; his times were $10\frac{1}{4}$ and $24\frac{1}{2}$ seconds respectively.

In the foot-ball match of Harvard vs. Ottawa, the score was seven goals and two touch-downs, to one goal, in favor of Harvard.

The Freshman Class numbers 210.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The department of general chemistry is to have \$500 worth of new apparatus.

It has been decided by the literary faculty that, if a person enters the University as a candidate for any particular degree, he must be a candidate for that degree until he gets it. If he wishes to change his course he must be dismissed from the University, make new application for admission, and pass a new set of examinations before he can be a candidate for a new degree.

At the Athletic Association meeting last Wednesday evening, a committee of three was appointed to pick out a Rugby team to play Harvard, Yale and Princeton; a committee of two to interview all the members of the Faculty to see about leave of absence for the team; and a committee of members from all departments to solicit subscriptions.

YALE.

Yale's new athletic grounds are to have all the latest improvements. Already \$1,000 has been subscribed towards them.

Yale's Freshmen have already gotten a foot-ball team.

In the recent athletic sports the Freshmen did very well. Brooks, '85, won the 100 yd. dash, 220 yd. run, and tied with two others in the high jump.

It now seems sure that a good eleven will be sent by, '85, to meet Harvard.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mount Holyoke Seminary has an entering class of 115, Smith college one of 100 members.

By the will of the widow of the late ex-President Fillmore, the University of Rochester receives a bequest of \$20,000.

The Senior class of Williams College have elected E. G. Benedict, of Brooklyn, poet.

Senator Smith, of Lee, Mass., has given \$2,000, and Wellington and DeWitt S. Smith \$1,000 for the Garfield Professorship at Williams College.

Foot ball does not prosper at Amherst.

Drs. Agnew, Hamilton, Barnes and Woodward, four of the six physicians who attended President Garfield, are all graduates of the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania.

Tennis is flourishing at Princeton, there being between twenty and thirty-five tennis courts on the campus.—*Acta*.

The Blake field, at Amherst, has been sold and a new one bought, in which they will hold their Fall Sports.

PERSONALS.

[It is particularly desired that the Alumni furnish us with all items of interest that may come to their knowledge, concerning every one who has been connected with the College.]

WILLIAMS, '35. Bishop Williams is to deliver the Bedell Lectures at the Gambier Theological School next month.

INGERSOLL, '39. The Hon. C. M. Ingersoll delivered an address commemorative of the late Hon. Thomas H. Seymour, at the unveiling of his monument at Cedar Hill Cemetery on Thursday last.

JOHNSON, '59. The Rev. Prof. Johnson made an address on Indian missions at the recent delegate meeting of the board of missions in New Haven. The Rev. G. W. Douglas, '71, made an address on the home missions to colored people.

JOHNSON. Professor Johnson of Trinity, and the Rev. Mr. J. J. McCook, of St. John's Church East Hartford, are to speak at the seventh annual Episcopal Church Congress, to be held this week in Providence. Professor H. C. Bolton, of Trinity College, will open this year's season of the Bridgeport Scientific Society with a paper on "The Glaciers," illustrated with stereoscopic views.

BROCKLESBY, '65. John Henry Brocklesby has been re-elected acting school visitor of the town of Hartford.

KENNEDY, '68. Frank Kennedy, '68 has returned from Red Sulphur and the Virginia Springs much benefited in health, and is now at his home in Hagerstown, Md.

POTTS, '68. The Rev. F. H. Potts has accepted the appointment of Tutor of Classical Languages and History in Griswold College, Davenport, Iowa.

DOUGLAS, '71. The address of the Rev. G. W. Douglass has been changed to 16 Fifth Avenue, New York.

CARPENTER, '73. The Reverend S. B. Carpenter expects to spend the winter in Florida. His present address is Sanford, Florida.

WHALEY, '74. The Rev. P. H. Whaley, officiated last Sunday in St. Thomas' church in this city.

CROSBY, '80. W. Crosby is studying law in La Crosse, Wis.

ELMER, '81. W. Timothy Elmer is now instructor in Greek, at St. Stephen's College, Annandale, and not in Latin as was announced in the last TABLET.

WRIGHT, '83, has been very ill.

PURDY, '84, has been confined to his bed for some weeks. He is now much better, and has been spending the past week in New York City.

EXCHANGES.

For some reason or other the exchanges this week are as a whole far less interesting than they have been for some time. Generally it has proved rather more agreeable than otherwise to glance through the college press—observing the vast difference in the general appearance and the reading matter of the various papers; picking up new ideas as we go along, and gathering here and there some bright gem of profound thought or poetic fancy with which to point a moral, or adorn the tail end of the TABLET. And yet this time, whether the fault lay objectively in the papers, or subjectively in ourselves, the fact remains that we are about as much interested in the exchanges as a Vassar Junior would be in those famous volumes known as Patent Office Reports. This gloomy view may be the sad result of our own morbid fancy—or it may be merely the bad affects of a lunch on apple sauce of which the principal ingredient is molasses. Nevertheless we do think that something must have occurred to cast a gloom over the college press, and turn to ashes the bright glow which commonly pervades it. One exception, however, should be made of the *Madisonensis*. Its editorials are well written, clear, vigorous and sensible. In regard to the differences between the undergraduates and the college authorities it speaks plainly and forcibly in behalf of the students whom it represents and whose interests it advocates. If *Madisonensis* exposes in any way, as some affirm that it does, the weak points of the University, it certainly does so in a manner admirably calculated to have them strengthened. Freedom of speech is the right of every American citizen whether he is in college or out of it, and a due respect for opinions expressed in the college paper would do much toward making college government what it should be. The college journal is, indeed, as a distinguished professor recently said of the paper of his college, "The outstanding member of the faculty."

What has become of the *Roanoke Collegian*? The *Collegian* is a paper in which we have been very much interested and we sincerely hope that nothing will prevent its coming regularly and frequently to our Post Office box. It has been so earnest and persevering,

that we should be sorry to see it give way under the load which it had undertaken so bravely and so willingly to carry.

The *Acta* is bright and entertaining though to a less degree, we think, than usual. The oftener the *Acta* comes the better we are pleased.

The editorials of the *Courant* are able as they always are; but the two sketches, "The Sad Experience of Mr. Ainslee" and "The Siren of Silver Lake," seem somewhat below the average of the sketches usually found in that well edited paper.

We have been made the happy possessor of a home Magazine which is brought into existence once a month down in York, Penna. The cover is tastily ornamented with a beautiful wood cut revealing the charming features of Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham and another one disclosing the manly face of Dr. C. A. Benson, of Baltimore, together with a description of certain well-known specifics which will rescue from the grave or snatch from eternity at the low rate of 25 cents a box. Large packages \$1.00. A Sunday School paper has evidently been crossed with a last year's almanac, and an enemy, no doubt, in the fiendish malignity of his burning rage has sent us the result as the most perfect torture that his diabolical ingenuity could concoct. We are still at the mercy of Mrs. Pinkham, Dr. Benson and the Home Magazine—will somebody please call them off.

A charming publication entitled "Our Magazine" has come to us lately from across the water. It emanates from the North London Collegiate School for Girls. Although we have not space at present to review it, we would like our English friend to know that it is very welcome to us and that we wish it every success in its career.

PARTICLES.

A Hartford School boy being told to name some part of his body and tell all he knew about it, answered "Bowels, which are five in number, a e i o u and sometimes w and y."

The Tennis Tournament although something new at Trinity was a decided success.

A Freshman of small calibre may yet be a great bore. This is not intended as a reflection on the class, although we should be glad if some beneficial results might flow from the remark.

A western paper says "Col. Richards was shot three times, once in the arm, once in the side and once in the drinking saloon adjacent." This is nearly as bad as the cavalry officer who was shot in the horse.

Scene in English Literature: Prof. (to Junior, who doesn't know who wrote the Brut of Layamon.) "Who wrote Milton's Paradise Lost?" Junior—eagerly—"Milton." Prof. "Well, then, who wrote the Layamon of Brut?" Junior—catching on to the idea: "Brut!" Junior is called before the curtain, amid bursts of applause, and the play proceeds.

Bob. "Jump in, Jim, take a dive."

Jim. "I'm afraid."

Bob. "Guess you like a kind of canary bird bath."

The Philosopher of the Cliff assumes a new role as a horny-fisted son of toil. Whether discussing Kant and the Law of Redintegration, or shoveling dirt into a ditch, he is the always the same noisy, boisterous, elegant looking individual that he ever was. (adv.)

How does this from Bowen, hit the dining hall? "One executive head and a very able one is an essential prerequisite of success in any large undertaking. Committees of management are proverbially negligent or meddlesome, inharmonious and unsuccessful."

Where are the famous "Artful Dodgers," and the still more notorious "Bottle Divers?" Does any one know—can any one tell? Let us have another grand contest on the diamond, between these once glorious organizations.

Mr. W. Walter Webb, of '82, has recently presented to the Cabinet a fine trilobite; a so-called "petrified olive," from Mt. Carmel, Palestine, which is, however, a *cidaris glandifera*, a species of echinoid; also sundry small fossils. Mr. Webb has given the Chemical Department two cells of Maynooth's battery, in which the exterior cells are of iron; also some chloride of gold, and some of this precious metal in a thin state, in fact too thin.

NOTES AND CLIPPINGS.

Miss Brownstone says if she has a dog she wants one of those great Sarah Bernhardt dogs that dig those dear old monks out of the snow in Switzerland.—*Ex.*

It is the same old story. One Freshman was anxiously looking around for some one to pledge him Phi Beta Kappa, while another is heard to ask: "How many recesses does school have every day?"—*Dartmouth.*

"Four years at Harvard; or, Reminiscences of an Idler," will be soon published.—

"Never leave what you have undertaken until you can reach your arms around it and clinch your hands on the other side," says a recently published book for young men. Most excellent advice; but what if she screams.—*Echo.*

There is one thing worse than the beats that the Cornell crew got in England, and that is the excuse they gave for it.—*Plainfield Bulletin.*

To the Freshmen we give a word of advice. Do not be in too much of a hurry to elect class officers. Do not elect a man president of your class because he is six feet tall and has an incipient moustache. Do not elect a man vice-president because he is a "ba-ad man." Do not elect a man secretary because he is conditioned in Rhetoric. And, above all, do not elect a man treasurer because he has an alligator skin pocket-book and his brother is a cashier in a bank.—*Acta.*

As our Joe seated himself at the piano, he tipped over a vase that stood upon it. "Playing a knocked urn?" asked one of the company. "No," said Joe, "that is only a jar gone."—*Ex.*

A \$10.00 BIBLE PRIZE.

The publishers of *Rutledge's Monthly*, in the prize puzzle department of their Monthly for November, offer the following easy way for some one to make \$10.00:

"To the person telling us how many times the word Abraham is used in the New Testament Scriptures (not the New Revision) by Nov. 10th, 1881, we will give \$10.00 in gold as a prize. The money will be forwarded to the winner November 15th, 1881. Those who try for the prize must send 20 cents with their answer, for which they will receive the December number of the *Monthly*, an excellent Magazine of 32 pages, in which will be published the name and address of the winner of the prize, with the correct answer thereto. Address, RUTLEDGE PUBLISHING COMPANY, Easton, Pa."