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HISTORY OF THE ADELPHI

History has been defined as a narration of the life of humanity. It is also the difficult task of the historian to point out those causes which have been most conducive to the amelioration of mankind.

The art of writing history has developed but slowly. Primitive man had no knowledge of writing, consequently historical events were handed down by tradition, and were thus frequently grossly misrepresented. The next step was the monumental inscription. This was far from accurate, but was still a great improvement on tradition. When inscriptions were once engraved on the monuments they usually remained unchanged. The study of this dark and mysterious background of history is now divided among Ethnology, Comparative Philology and Prehistoric Archæology.

It is my good fortune to be a pioneer in this special field of historical study. So far as I know, this is the first written history of the Adelphi. It was only a few weeks ago that I was lamenting my bad fortune in not having been born long ago so that I might have discovered the law of gravitation, invented the steam engine, or worked out other trifles of a similar nature. I am most decidedly of the opinion that I did not get a fair show with Newton and the rest of the fellows; but everything will be equalized in the end, if the good old say-

ing is true, that the first shall be last and the last the first.

When I was notified that I was expected to write a history of the Adelphi, I realized that the golden opportunity of immortalizing my name had come at last. I clearly perceived that this history must be no half-work. I should have to go back to prehistoric times, study tradition, cuneiform inscriptions, hieroglyphics, and all those sciences which help to shed the light of truth on the dark and gloomy past.

I have dwelt somewhat at large upon the different methods used in historical study, in order that your minds may be suitably prepared for some of the startling results obtained in my investigation; for even in this "fin de siècle age" people are sometimes taken by surprise.

It certainly ought not to astonish you that I have been unable to fix a definite date for the beginning of this great society. But, from a most careful and persistent study of cuneiform inscriptions and hieroglyphics, I succeeded in deciphering the number 188. Here a most difficult question arose. Of course any idiot would know that it was B. C., but was it 1880 or 18,800? By consulting other historians, I found that the oldest Egyptian dynasty is supposed to have reigned about 2,700 B. C. The whole question then resolved itself into the priority of the Egyptians or the Primitive Adelphians. You have, no doubt, read in history that the

proverb, "Can the Ethiopian change his skin," was well known during the reign of the oldest Egyptian dynasty. This shows that the process of evolution from black to white had come to a standstill. On the other hand, people on the earliest Adelpian monuments are represented with a very dark complexion thus showing an early stage of evolution. Now, you all know that the Adelpians of today are physically white. Another fact of no less importance is the shape of the heads engraved on the monuments. These heads are invariably square. The present members have what would be called round heads in the common vernacular, and spherical in scientific phraseology.

This is evidently a case of organic evolution, and admirably illustrates the great law of natural selection or the principle that an organism acquires those characteristics which are most favorable to it in the struggle for existence. All who have made a study of mathematics know that the greatest amount of surface is enclosed within a circle of given length. In the same manner, space greatest in extension is enclosed by a spherical surface of a given number of units. We thus see that the Adelpians of today have the greatest possible amount of brain-space for the size of their heads. This is an obvious advantage. The spacious cavity can easily hold all the facts of modern education and still have plenty of room to spare. I can at least testify to this fact in the case of the historian himself; but then he has an abnormally big head. You can also easily imagine how long an individual with a square head would now survive in the struggle for existence, I venture to say that all the corners of his head would be demolished in five minutes considering the amount of friction going on in the society at the present time. Not only is a round head beneficial to the individual, but also to society.

Man, with a square head, would have more surface exposed; the temperature would be lowered and more food would be required. This corresponds exactly to the broken window pane of the economist Bastiat. The extra money spent for food would necessitate a curtailment in the purchase of manufactured articles. Factories not being able to sell their products would have to close or to dismiss some of their laborers. These laborers would not be able to buy so many of the luxuries, comforts and necessities of life. Other factories would thus have to reduce their force. Their laborers would in turn not be able to buy so much and so on ad infinitum.

With these few remarks on the biological and economic value of brain-space, I shall now enumerate the results obtained from hieroglyphics, cuneiform inscription, and comparative philology. The name of the society, signifying "brotherly love," shows the kind and benevolent spirit in which this organization must have been founded. Furthermore the laws of sound change show that the name of the society is related to the Greek word adelphos. This proves most conclusively that the Greek language is related to the Adelpian dialect, from which Greek is in all probability derived.

Paradoxical as it may seem, it is still a fact that most of my conclusions regarding the condition of the society during those dark ages, are derived from two words. They are invariably found together on the monuments. In fact, these two words constitute by far the greater part of the monumental inscriptions. I would enlarge much more on the importance of these two words, did I not feel it would be cruel to keep you any longer in suspense. These are the remarkable words "failed" and "excused." They are always found together on the monuments; there is certainly no relic of antiquity that shows more strongly the spirit of brotherly

love and forgiveness that must have prevailed in the society. I regret to say that this friendly state of feeling is now fast approaching zero as a limit.

It is of interest to know that my theories agree with the earliest written records, thus forming a perfect whole. These records consist mainly of failures and excuses. The spirit of forgiveness was even carried so far that all members were excused—not only for all failures they had made through all past time, but also for all failures they might make through all future time. As I said before, this excellent spirit is a thing of the past. Today no matter if the student has been prying into the hidden recesses of science in the laboratory, or walking with his best girl on the railroad track, and vainly endeavoring to fathom the inexplicable mystery of human nature, his excuse is laid on the table. Next morning, bright and early, around comes the new treasurer of the Adelphi, the most merciless of collectors. Before he is through, the unfortunate culprit finds that walks on the railroad track and that the psychology of the better half of humanity belongs to the purely theoretical sciences that yield no return beyond the satisfaction gained from their cultivation.

It is a source of profound regret to me that time does not permit me to enter into details. My investigations have been greatly limited by lack of time and means. Nevertheless, it has been my constant endeavor to lay a broad foundation on which future generations may build. Consequently I have throughout my work, been guided by the most critical spirit of modern scientific investigation. I desire no reward in this world. My only hope is that posterity will be merciful in its criticism and will appreciate the colossal difficulties under which I have labored.

G. F. JONSSON.

THE SPRING

One of the places that have left a vivid picture of themselves upon my mind, is the old spring. As it is reflected upon the screen of my memory, it seems as if time and pity wipes away the years that separate me from those pleasant days spent by its side, and again I am playing upon its brink, and quenching my thirst with its cool water.

The spring creeps forth from beneath the roots of a giant cottonwood, situated near the foot of a steep bank over forty feet high. This tree raises its proud crown of foliage far above the brush-covered declivity, and serves as a landmark for hunters and wild-fruit pickers, who frequent the surrounding woods. All around the bank is covered with soft green moss, in whose cosy shelter the tender seed of the woodland flower has found a place to strike its tiny root. A score of feet from the spring flows a deep muddy stream, into whose cloudy waters the crystal surplus of the little fountain trickles, looking like a shaft of sunbeams trying to light up a dark alley.

An old barrel forms the casing of the spring. Many years has it received this rivulet of silver liquid, and poured it out to join its big brother below. The staves are old, and the rust of the hoops has dyed them a light gold color. The water is fresh, cool and delicious, and when the summer's burning sun has parched the lips of the drowsy herdsman, no place is more welcome to him than the old spring. At the bottom are little cone-shaped piles of sand, forced up by small jets of water from below. Every object can be seen distinctly through the clear water, whose surface is as smooth as a polished mirror.

The sun seldom gets a chance to peep into this sequestered nook, for to the south and east the bank raises its yellow back nearly perpendicular, while large trees act as a screen to the

west. Nevertheless the pansies have planted a numerous colony here; and company they do not lack. Sweet honey-suckles blossom around the gnarled roots of the cottonwood, while Jack-in-the-pulpit makes his home in this eternal shade, for, like a good pastor, he preaches where there is least light. Hare-bells and lilies of the valley fringe the bank with their beautiful blossoms; true emblems of purity as they are. Overhanging the stream below is a clump of red willows, where the thrush and the cat-bird love to build their cosy little homes. A few feet up the bank, to the right of the spring, a bass-wood tree has taken root growing almost perpendicular from the bank; bending its graceful branches downward, with its numberless soft, wide leaves spreading out like a huge green umbrella, it forms a natural arbor.

Happy days were those spent in that little palace of green, and if the old spring could talk, it would tell of laughing children playing hide-and-seek or tag; of maidens gathering the flowers that, like themselves, were fresh and fair, weaving them into wreaths wherewith to crown themselves, or perchance the lucky boy, who helped to gather them; of lovers sitting happy beneath the spreading bass-wood, uttering words in accents sweet and low. Thus for many years the spring has been a source of pleasure and happiness to those who have wandered by its side; and, at times, when life seems full of trouble and burdens grow heavy, my heart still yearns for an hour's rest within hearing of its gentle voice.

C. B. R. '01.

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OBITUARY

For the first time in the history of the University, faculty, students and alumni have been called upon to mourn the death of a member of the faculty. Professor Ludovic Estes died at his home in Grand Forks at fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock Friday morning, March 11, after a brief illness of less than a week. On Friday, March 4, he conducted his classes at the Uni-



PROFESSOR ESTES.

versity as usual, but, on returning home in the evening, was taken ill with what proved to be pleural-pneumonia with complications, which resulted in his death. Memorial services were held in the Presbyterian church on Friday afternoon, the church being crowded with students or former students. The services were conducted by Prof. Wordworth, President W. Merrifield and Prof. Brannon. Mrs. Estes and

son Alden and Mrs. H. E. Davis, accompanied the remains to Newcastle, Ind., Mrs. Estes' former home, where the interment took place.

Ludovic Estes, son of Lewis and Huldah H. Estes, was born in Richmond, Ind., March 4, 1849. He was prepared for college at Earlham academy, now Earlham college, of which his father was the first president, taking his bachelor's degree a few years later at Haverford college, Pa., the leading institution of the Society of Friends, in whose faith Mr. Estes was reared.

He taught mathematics and Latin at Haverford for three years as full professor, being obliged to give up his position at the end of that time on account of a severe accident that disabled him for months. He afterwards resided at Pittsburg, Pa., for three years, being employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad company. On account of failing health he was obliged to return to Indiana. Subsequently, while still an invalid, he taught for seven years in a large Quaker academy at Spiceland, Ind. On leaving Spiceland, he studied for two years in Michigan university, Ann Arbor, for the degree of Ph. D., in his doctorate examination being the one candidate who answered all the questions. He had prepared himself for the master's examination while confined to the hospital with a serious illness.

On receiving his doctor's degree, he was appointed to an instructorship in Michigan university.

Mr. Estes was married in 1882 to Belle Chambers of Newcastle, Ind. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Estes, of whom one, Lewis Elden, survives, the others, a son and a daughter, dying in childhood.

In the summer of 1888 Mr. Estes accepted the offer of the professorship of mathematics and physics in the University of North Dakota, and entered upon his duties in the following

September. At the end of the present academic year Prof. Estes would have completed his tenth year of continuous service with the University.

All those who have come under his instruction at the University will bear cheerful testimony to Professor Estes' rare qualities as an instructor. His mind was pre-eminently a mathematical one. Never a wordy instructor, he possessed in a most unusual degree the faculty of presenting the essential points of a subject in such a way that they were readily grasped by all. He never appeared before his class without the most careful preparation, and he never wasted time or energy by mere verbiage or random teaching. Never sparing himself he was equally exacting from his class. He never enjoyed the reputation of being an easy instructor, and it was considered perhaps the most difficult feat in the University to run successfully the gauntlet of his searching examinations. The resolution presented elsewhere bears testimony to his sterling qualities as a man and as a friend. Perhaps the man is fairly estimated by a sentence employed by President Merrifield in announcing Professor Estes' death to the student body.

"I have never known anyone, man or woman, who possessed a higher sense of duty with a more unswerving loyalty to the right, as he saw the right."

In connection with the death of Prof. Estes the following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the faculty of the University:

We, the faculty of the University of North Dakota, hereby unite in an expression of our sense of grief and great loss in the sudden calling away of our beloved friend and fellow worker Professor Ludovic Estes. For ten years he has been a devoted and enthusiastic member of our body. He has given to our University

the best years of his life. He has been an earnest, faithful teacher, a high minded gentleman, a true friend and a good man. He has always stood for the best things, has always given the best and always expected the best from his pupils. His presence has been an inspiration, and his influence most helpful and ennobling. Only a week ago he was with us, actively occupied in his regular duties, today we mourn his loss. To his wife and child, upon whom the blow has come with crushing swiftness, we extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy. Words are hollow, but in true sympathy there may be some comfort. Such we, individually and as a body, would give them.

Webster Merrifield, President H. B. Woodworth, George S. Thomas, John Macnie, Hannah E. Davis, E. J. Babcock, Vernon P. Squires, G. St. John Perrott, May H. Cravath, Joseph Kennedy, Frank H. Albright, M. A. Brannon.

Suitable resolutions were also adopted by the student body and by the members of Prof. Estes' classes. The students and faculty sent beautiful flowers as a token of their appreciation of the deceased.

DEATH OF MRS. H. E. DAVIS

While recording the death of Prof. Estes, little did we think that in a few days we should be called upon to announce the passing away of another of our beloved instructors. But so it has happened. On Thursday morning, March 24, our popular preceptress, Mrs. Hannah E. Davis, died after a very brief illness. She took a slight cold on Monday preceding, but attended to her classes and work as usual on Tuesday, though her cold had become quite severe. In the evening pneumonia developed, and its progress was rapid in spite of all that medical skill could do. She became uncon-

scious Wednesday night, and the next morning she breathed her last.

Hannah E. Brown was born in 1841 at Richmond, Ind., of Quaker parents, and received her early education in Earlham College, a Quaker institution. Before graduating she was married to Clarkson Davis, and, during his lifetime, she was engaged in teaching in Spiceland academy, one of the foremost of Indiana's sec-



MRS. H. E. DAVIS.

ondary schools, of which her husband was principal. After the death of Mr. Davis she went to Europe, and lived for two years in Naples, Italy. She also traveled extensively in this country, having visited Florida and California, in each of which states she lived for some time. She entered the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor some years ago, and spent two years in the study of English literature. In September,

1892, she was called to the University of North Dakota to become preceptress of the ladies' dormitory, and to teach English and drawing in the preparatory department.

Mrs. Davis was very popular with the students and professors and with the citizens generally, and the loss of her presence among us will be deeply felt. She was a thoroughly capable instructor, and a very conscientious and earnest worker. Her often expressed wish that she might die in the full harness of labor was fulfilled.

The funeral services were held at the University in the afternoon of the day of her death. After the singing of "Rock of Ages" by the choir, Prof. Woodworth read some appropriate passages of scripture and then spoke very tenderly of the noble character of the departed, and of the thoughts which such a sudden call should suggest. He said that Mrs. Davis was essentially a woman of culture—of culture of mind, and culture of soul. Her life was rich in good deeds and noble thoughts, and she always gave the best in her to all with whom she came in contact.

After prayer the choir sang "Jesus Lover of my Soul," and then President Merrifield spoke of Mrs. Davis' life before coming to the University, and also of her faithfulness and rare ability as instructor and preceptress. He emphasized her conscientiousness and sincerity, her hatred of shams, her great generosity, her keen sympathy for all who were in affliction, and her noble womanliness. The choir then sang the parting hymn, "God be with you till we meet again." The floral offerings from the faculty, students and friends were very beautiful. The remains were sent to Spiceland, Ind., for interment.

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## IMMUNITY

The last few years have seen the dawn of a new era in medicine. The science of bacteriology has advanced with gigantic strides. The number of known infectious diseases is increasing year by year. The organisms capable of producing them, are called pathogenic or infective, and the process by which these diseases are produced is known as infection. From the constantly increasing number of diseases known to be due to pathogenic bacteria, the medical profession is beginning to realize that the right way to combat disease, is to prevent the multiplication, in the tissues, of these bacteria or to prepare the system for resisting the poisonous products given off by these organisms. In other words to make the system immune.

Immunity is of various kinds. Some infectious diseases prevail among animals of the same species only. Thus leprosy and typhoid fever are diseases of man, while man has an immunity against many diseases common among the lower animals.

Again individuals of the same species may possess different degrees of susceptibility. As a rule old animals are less susceptible than younger ones. Thus in man, young people are especially susceptible to tubercular infection, while after the age of forty, the dangers from this disease are very much diminished.

In addition to this we have race immunity. Thus the negro is nearly immune from yellow fever, while the white races, especially those of Northern Europe, are very susceptible to it. There is no doubt that race immunity is largely acquired by heredity. It is found that if an entirely new disease is introduced among a people its ravages are very fatal. This is seen in the case of leprosy among the inhabitants of the

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Sandwich Islands. Thus the tendency of constant exposure is to create a race immunity.

To what, then, is this difference due? It is evident that the conditions prevailing in the system of an immune animal, are unfavorable to the development of that special pathogenic bacterium or that there are certain products given off by the system which have the power of neutralizing the toxic products formed by the bacteria.

Hence the question that naturally presents itself, is the production of artificial immunity in animals not naturally immune. Evidently the best way to accomplish this is by imitating the conditions that produce natural immunity, but for this purpose we must gain a much more complete knowledge of the reactions without the animal body, than we have at present.

Many theories of immunity have been advanced, such as the exhaustion theory, the retention theory, the theory of Phagocytosis, and the theory that the tissue cells form certain substances which neutralize the toxic products of the pathogenic micro-organisms. The last theory is the one now most widely accepted, but how the toxic products, in the first place, bring about the formation of antitoxine is not clear. But another solution suggests itself. When the toxic products come in contact with the tissue cells, there is a chemical reaction. We know that protoplasm possesses, within certain limits, the property of modifying itself. Hence it is possible that weak toxic products would alter the protoplasm to a small degree, but not sufficiently to cause the death of the cells. Now, suppose that a stronger dose of the same kind of toxine is introduced. The cell protoplasm would not be altered very much by this toxine, since it has been exposed to the same kind of poison before. The reaction may not have been complete on the addition of the first portion of

the toxine. In that case there would be farther change, but this change has come on so gradually that life is not destroyed. We know that if a piece of zinc is completely dissolved in hydrochloric acid, a further addition of the acid will have no effect upon the zinc chloride. So it is likely that the more is added of the same kind of poison the less will be the response, provided the toxine is added gradually. It is necessary to bear in mind the extreme complexity both of the bacterial toxins and the protoplasm. The change in the protoplasm may consist in a slight rearrangement of the atoms in the molecule. It is thus very probable that protoplasm has no definite chemical formula.

From the above view it is easy to understand why an animal may be immune to one kind of disease and not to another. We saw that the hydrochloric acid would have no affinity for the zinc chloride, but sulphuric acid would convert it into zinc sulphate. In the same manner the tissue cells of an animal which has been made immune to a certain kind of poison, for instance, diphtheria toxine, would have no affinity for that kind of poison, while the same animal might easily succumb to cholera. A poison is a substance which has the peculiar property of so altering the protoplasm that death or derangement follows, and this it can do, only in virtue of the affinity it has for the cell protoplasm. When this affinity is satisfied the poison ceases to have any effect.

The chemistry of the bacterial toxins is still in its infancy. It is an exceedingly difficult branch of chemistry, but it is only through knowledge of these fundamental principles that we can hope to cope successfully with such diseases as tuberculosis. The task may be a difficult one, but there is certainly no line of investigation that is more fascinating or more beneficial to man.

G. F. J.



## Athletics

Spring weather is later in coming than was promised some time ago, and actual athletic work has not yet begun. We hoped to have an early start and to have everything well begun by this time, but in this we were disappointed. Spring athletics have, however, taken definite shape; and, when we can begin, we will start with all the more eagerness. At a recent meeting of the Athletic Association, Jos. Flanagan was re-elected captain of the baseball team and Prof. Squires was elected manager. This insures a strong team, for Flanagan can build around him a strong one with the men of last year's team and the new material to choose from. He is a practical leader in baseball and will pitch a game for the U. that it will be hard to beat. The weather has not permitted any practice yet; but, when the time comes, there will be plenty of candidates for the team.

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At the same meeting of the Athletic Association, Ed Fitzmaurice was elected captain of the track team. He has represented the U. in the sprints and hurdles ever since he has been at the U. and he is a tireless worker in athletics. He has had a great deal of experience and will be able to bring the track team to its best. The association ordered hurdles, shot, and the other necessities of the track team's practice material so that the candidates for honors on the team will have all the opportunities of practice, and will be able to make creditable showings for themselves. Captain Fitzmaurice expects to have several candidates for the various events and he should not be disappointed. Every student ought to consider it an honor, worth striving hard for, to represent his college in any line

whatever, and while not every candidate can be successful, his work will bring its own reward in the shape of more lasting benefit than simple honor. It is time to decide what event you will enter.

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The resurrection of the tennis association is expected this spring. The association has three good courts already laid out and supplied with nets and back-nets, and they should not be unused any longer. Few who become interested in tennis do not become ardent devotees, and besides being an interesting game, it is an admirable exercise. An intercollegiate tennis tournament has been suggested to take place at Grand Forks in connection with the Field Day exercises and, if enough interest is developed, an annual tournament might soon be an established custom, and new college champions would be the inevitable result. We have a reverend senior who would keenly delight in bringing the college tennis championship farther west.

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EXCEPTING the government publications, no additions have been made to the library for several years on account of the lack of available funds. It was therefore with a certain degree of pleasure that we lately received a few new books. Among them are three of the most popular of recent novels, viz.: "Su Vadis," "The Choir Invisible," and "The Story of Ab." These stories are well worth reading by every lover of good literature.

THE spring term has come at last; that term looked forward to with so much pleasure by students. We have not yet received the usual amount of spring poetry, but we hope that the human race has not undergone such a radical change that the fancies of young men are directed toward other thoughts than those of which Tennyson speaks. Spring is the time when all feel young, when the air is balmy and soul-inspiring, and when students are loth to study. Many of the students have not returned, as they expect to teach. With all our thoughts of pleasure, let us not forget that the work of this term is as important as that of any other, and let us try to make it one of profit as well as of enjoyment. THE STUDENT extends April greetings to all its readers.

BY the death of Mrs. Davis THE STUDENT loses one of its truest friends. Ever since she came to the University, Mrs. Davis has taken great interest in the College paper, and has contributed to it many excellent articles, both in prose and poetry. Whenever she was asked to assist in any way, she never failed to comply, though often overworked by other duties. About five years ago Mrs. Davis drew the design which is still seen upon the cover of THE STUDENT, and we take pride in saying that none of our exchanges have as attractive covers as ours. In all probability this design will remain as long as the paper is published, and as long as the University shall exist. THE STUDENT editors mourn the loss of one of their best friends, but they are glad that Mrs. Davis was a woman of such remarkable talent and high culture that her deeds will live after her and tell plainly the story of her interest in all good works, better than many eulogies could do.



THE ways in which people form their opinions are diverse. Every man grows up under the influence of certain localized customs and ideas; and it is very natural that in the plastic period of youth he should place implicit confidence in the beliefs of his parents and early teachers. But, as the horizon of his experience widens, he soon discovers that the opinions into which he has been born are accepted only by a limited number. Now, if timid and spiritless, he will most likely cling to the opinions of those about him; if self-willed and defiant, he will tend to run counter to current ideas. In the one case we have the timid conservative; in the other, the presumptuous radical. Both classes are the victims of intellectual cowardice. The one is afraid of being called an innovator, the other of being known as a slavish adherent to old traditions. Both tendencies are hostile to freedom of thought. There is a small but growing class among us, however, who are afflicted neither with intellectual passivity nor with unsparing iconoclasm, whose only desire it is to search for truth. They are determined to think freely, in spite of all minor considerations to the contrary. This unselfish striving after truth for its own sake is an auspicious sign of the times. With this latter class of men it is the peculiar province of our colleges and universities to furnish the world.

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Exchanges

Chicago University is the only large educational institution in the United States that has no college colors.—*Ex.*

The March number of *The Industrial Collegian*, A. C., South Dakota, edited by the Freshman class, is a good one. It contains many articles worthy of perusal; the history of the Freshman class being especially good.

We notice in our latest exchanges that the approach of spring is stirring up interest in athletics. The coming season promises to be a lively one in athletic sports.

One of our exchanges has discovered that baseball owes its origin to a woman; "Rebecca carried a pitcher to the well and caught Isaac."

January is a very unfavorable month for holding examinations. The professors are advised not to risk examinations in this month. The other months unfavorable for holding examinations are, April, June, August, December, February, March, May, July, September, October and November.—*Ex.*

The lady students of Michigan University have petitioned the faculty to prohibit cigarette smoking by the students of the other sex.

Eliza Ann Grier, a full-blood negress has recently obtained a diploma from a woman's medical college in Philadelphia. She has applied for a license to practice in Atlanta.

One of our exchanges published a unique poem sometime ago; it is worth repeating, especially at this time of year:

"Break, Break, Break,
Cram! Cram! Cram!
Are the only words I see,
And I would that my pen could answer
The questions they ask of me!
Oh! well for the studious boy,
That he worked while we did play!
Oh! well for him who studied
The lessons from day to day!
And the moments they go on,
And all the room is still,
And O! for the touch of forbidden books!
But—the bell peals loud and shrill.
D! D! D!
On those exams I see,
But 'he answers to those questions,
Will never come back to me."

Local Items

THE FRESHMAN'S REVENGE.

The senior preps are very wise
 And fish ng for a pun,
 They say of Freshmen passing by,
 Ah! there goes a nothing won ('ot).
 We must as upper class-mates teach
 That oaks from acorns grow,
 And this for their encouragement,
 For they are nothing too ('02)—*Ex.*

Miss Margaret Cravath was given charge of the class in Trigonometry about the last of the winter term.

Friday evening, March 4, a large number of the students walked out to the Junction to see the Laplanders and their reindeer on their way to Klondike.

Miss Peterson has left us to teach near Devils Lake.

Miss Ward is teaching near Inkster.

Miss Clara Brown left the U. for her home the 29th of February.

Mr. Staub rode home on his wheel Saturday, March 5, and returned Monday, March 7.

Saturday evening, March 5, The Adelphi Society gave its annual open meeting. A large crowd was out from town, and a splendid program was rendered. The last number on the program was a play entitled "Monsieur" (a farce).

A LIST OF CHARACTERS.

Polly Philamore	Monsieur's Ward
Marcia Bisbee.	
Adrienne Marsh	Polly's Friend
Margaret Cravath.	
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May Baptie.	
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John Selby.	
Tom Seelers	Adrienne's "Very Own"
Fred Duggan.	
Monsieur de Mervilleau	Polly's Guardian
J. E. Davis.	

Miss Fanny Robinson visited the U. one or two days about the middle of February.

Mr. Lanthorne, principal of the Thompson schools, visited the U. Saturday, March 15, and took dinner with the Faculty.

Miss Julia Newton stayed out for reception Saturday, March 12, and spent the night with Miss Boyes,

A number of University students attended the Teachers' Examination on Friday and Saturday, March 11 and 12.

Miss Louise Bosard spent a few days at the U. about the 12th of March.

The memorable Ides of March were celebrated by the young ladies in the parlor. Cæsar was there in full toga. Mark Anthony delivered the oration, and the choir composed of Americanized Romans, sang the following anthem composed specially for the occasion:

Cæsar great in war and fame!
 Cæsar! great doth sound thy name,
 Now we're glad thou art gone
 And can't write no more.
 For had a long life been thy lot,
 Many a book, without a doubt,
 Would have graced our dusty shelves,
 And perplexed us sore.
 Many of thy works we've got,
 Thankful all for those we've not,
 We the Ides do celebrate,
 Cæsar! rest in peace!

Miss Grace Bates attended the open meeting of Per Gradus, March 19, and stayed over night with Miss Erva Montgomery.

Prof. Squires preached in the parlor Sunday evening, March 20.

Examinations began Tuesday morning, March 22, and continued through Thursday afternoon.

Miss Minnie Wright attended the open meeting of Adelphi, and stayed over night with Miss Anna Peterson.

Miss Jennie Barlow visited Miss McClintock, Saturday, March 12.

Mrs. Boyes returned from her visit in Canada, March 17, and her daughter Lillian has returned to the city.

Miss Curtis attended the open meeting of Adelphi, and visited Miss Carpenter.

Misses Maggie Winslow and Barbara Williams, visited Miss May Williams Saturday, March 12.

Mrs. Davis accompanied Mrs. L. Estes to Newcastle, Ind. Mrs. Davis left the U. Saturday, March 12, and returned the following Wednesday.

Miss Sophia Koppang does not return to the U. this term.

Samuel Hocking surprised his friends by appearing in their midst Saturday, March 19.

Miss Maud Cooper came down for the open meeting of Per Gradus Saturday March 19, and stayed till Tuesday, March 22.

Peter Johnson left us about the last of February. He is now teaching near Milton.

Mr. Gunnlaugson left and went home the 22d of February. We are sorry to see our bright students leave us thus.

We have this on good authority: "Try to do what the young ladies do not do, and have a little sense about you boys."

Wm. Stephenson left school about the last of February for his home in Pembina county.

The boys went to the parlor
To have a little dance,
As they had long been doing
At every lucky chance,
But Doctor came and saw them,
Yes, saw them, one and all,
They'll trip the light fantastic toe
No more in Ladies' Hall.

The open meeting of Per Gradus was held March 19, and an interesting program was rendered. The last on the program was a play entitled "Turn Him Out." The cast of characters was as follows:

Julia	Miss P. Drew.	(Moses' wife)
Susan	Miss P. Johnson.	(Maid of all Work)
Nicodemus Nobbs	R. Muir.	(Windmill Peddler)
Elgantine Roseleaf	Mr. A. L. McDonald	
McIntosh Moke	S. G. Skulason	
Porters }	J. J. Flanagan	
	Thos. Devaney	

Peter Johnson is teaching near Milton.

Mr. Gilbert visited his home in Emerado, March 19 and 20.

Geo. Dixon, of Auburn, was obliged to return home on account of illness.

Earl A. Nelson spent a few days at the U. recently.

Home rule is very strictly enforced in the Preparatory building to the sorrow of some rioters, for an ice-cold bath is not very tempting.

Miss Cora Stuart has left the U., and is teaching school near Inkster.

A large number of students took the county examinations in the city, March 11 and 12.

Although a great many of the boys are learning to waltz, some are, evidently, sorry they knew how.

Lewis Colbourn has accepted a position as book-keeper with Nash Bros. in the city.

Wm. Calder, who has been teaching for some time, returned to the U. about the first of the month.

Miss Grace Bride left Sunday, March 6, for Glasston, Pembina county, where she has accepted a position as teacher.

Several of the privates have been in command of squads of late. No doubt they are looking forward for promotions.

There are now forty-three boys rooming in the college building.

In order to save time and trouble next term, the registration slips are to be filled out and left with the registrar this term.

Normal Items

MAY BAPTIE

A large number of Normal students have secured schools, and will teach after the spring vacation. Misses Emma Weiss, Bessie Douglas, Alice Ward and Jean Foster, four of next year's Normals, have decided to teach in the spring, and have secured schools.

Miss Lizzie Monroe will not return in the spring on account of home duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Dagg are still at the University, but Miss Nina Dagg is recovering from her severe illness and hopes soon to be taken to her home.

Among the other students who will teach after Easter are Susie E. Murchie, Annie Wade, Ellen Scherden, Miss Williams and Charlie Knutson.

Miss Cora Stuart left two weeks ago to teach a school near Inkster.

Miss Mina Stuart, who attended during the early winter, but was called home, will also join the ranks of the teachers.

Miss Slocum left several weeks ago to accept a position in a school. She is an excellent primary teacher, and has had considerable experience.

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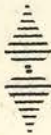
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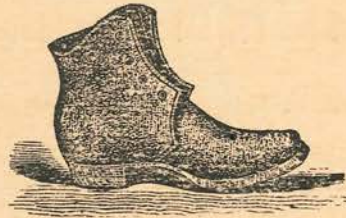
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