

and are to be sent in to the Librarian by the 20th of March. The consignments are expected to arrive early in May.

VANDALISM IN THE READING ROOM.

A grievance, ever a grievance! And who so well makes known just grievances as you? Let me tell you a story from real life. I read the *Mail*. It was 10 a. m. and the room was not crowded. I was trying to get a look at the paper, but dare not jostle with a *man* (man, did I say?)—he who sits in a high place—who was there before me. I waited; I heard a pin scratch. It was tickling the face of the *Mail*! I looked again; there was an ugly hole in the sheet. He left; my eyes followed him. He is seated before a comic journal. He leaves. Again some more holes and some jokes gone! My story ends. Look at the papers and see if there are not many wilfully mangled and amputated columns. Now, if this petty Vandalism is to continue and increase in the Reading Room, what will we have to read? The rest of the day must be spent in gazing at yawning holes, and truly the sale of the comic papers will be a joke!—WHITE CAP.

GLEE CLUB.

The annual elections of the Glee Club were held at the meeting last night. A report of the results will appear in our next issue.

TEMPERANCE LEAGUE.

A public meeting under the auspices of the Temperance League will be held in the Y. M. C. A. hall on Friday, the 15th of March, at 4 o'clock p.m. Rev. A. M. Phillips, M.A., B.D., and Dr. Clark, the manager of the asylum, have consented to deliver addresses.

FOURTH YEAR PHOTOGRAPH.

The Fourth Year men, with their customary retiring habits, are somewhat diffident about sitting for their photos. Mr. Bruce, (King St., north side), is anxious to meet those on whom he has not yet operated. Promptness on the part of the members of the Class will save the Committee much trouble. The latter therefore requests that all who are to figure in the picture will conquer their natural modesty, and interview the photographer as soon as possible.

RESIDENCE.

The last few weeks have seen many Freshmen brave "Ye Dreadful Mufti," and install themselves as Residenters. Such courage is worthy of a better fate.

GENERAL COLLEGE NOTES.

Cornell is to have a \$200,000 library.

England has only one college paper edited by undergraduates, namely, the *Review*, published at Oxford.

The first three college gymnasiums in the United States were built in 1859, at Harvard, Yale and Princeton.

Princeton has a student seventy-two years of age. He is studying divinity, and will graduate next June.—*Exc.*

The Vanderbilts have purchased 1000 acres of land in North Carolina, for the purpose of establishing an Industrial School.

At Amherst, applause in class room is manifested by

snapping the fingers; at Cornell, by tapping pencils on arm rests.

Students at Harvard have the choice of 189 courses of study. Students at the University of Michigan have the choice of 242.

The Board of Trustees of Cornell University have appropriated \$80,000 from the permanent funds to the erection of a chemical laboratory.

Columbia is discussing the wisdom of abolishing its academical departments, and confining its instruction wholly to graduate departments of study.

Lake Forest University has purchased the late Professor August Reifferscheid's library of 4000 volumes, which includes many rare works of great value.

During the last ten years the number of colleges and universities has remained the same, while the number of students has increased from 11,161 to 32,316.

An examination in gymnastics is now required of Johns Hopkins undergraduates before a degree will be given. Vaulting, jumping, and simple exercises on the parallel bar and ladder are required.

Columbia has lengthened its course to six years, the first three of which constitute an undergraduate course, while the latter three are the university course. No electives are permitted in the lower course.

A "House of Commons" is to be started by the students of Wesleyan, which will be conducted after the plan of the English House. Similar organizations have been successfully started at Princeton and at Johns Hopkins.

College journalism originated at Dartmouth in 1800, with Daniel Webster as one of the editors. In 1809, the *Literary Cabinet* was started at Yale, followed shortly after by the *Floriad*, at Union, and the *Harvard Lyceum*, at Harvard.

The exchange editor of the *Niagara Index* is the same mud-slinger as in days of yore. His desperate attempts to say and do something startling draw forth a pitying sigh from his fellow editors. We hope, however, that he will improve with age and experience. — *Illini*.

In the eastern colleges the cost of an education has been steadily and largely increasing in the last five or ten years. This is probably due, not so much to the increased cost of tuition as to the extravagancies and luxuries of the present day, many of which now seem to be indispensable.

A very important movement is on foot in the East to raise the standard of admission to colleges. Fourteen New England colleges are already represented on a Commission for Admission examinations, the object of which is, at present, to make uniform the requirements in English Literature and Modern Languages.

We call the attention of our readers to the following clipping from a bright and sensible exchange:—

"Every year the students of Dalhousie have a 'General Meeting' at which the *Gazette* Editors are appointed. Most of the undergraduates seem to think that when this duty has been performed their responsibility in the *Gazette* is at an end; then they assume the attitude of critics. Friends, criticize if you will, but we want contributions from every student. To arouse any who may be indifferent in the matter we quote the following from the *Cornell Era*: 'No one can deny that a college is, to a large extent, judged by its college press, and this press will have a standard of excellence commensurate with the support it receives. Every class of students, therefore, that forms an integral part of the University, that is benefitted by its good name, owes a support to the press.'"—*Dalhousie Gazette*.