

College Societies.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

This is a rather critical time with the Historical Society, and it seemed at one time as though the Society would be broken up. The requirement of the College Council that all By-Laws should obtain their approval before being presented to the Society met with strong opposition by a number of the members, especially from the Government side of the house. At the meeting of January 13th, Mr. Sharpe introduced a bill to admit into the membership of the Society Graduates and Undergraduates of other Universities which was vigorously opposed and finally ruled out of the Society through a technicality. The Government resigned and the order from the Council coming in just at this time threw matters in a bad state. A number of the members withdrew from the Society, but a new Executive Council was finally formed as follows: T. F. Holgate, Financial Secretary and President of the Council; J. R. Street, Chairman of Committees, and H. W. Kennedy, Corresponding Secretary. But one entertainment has been given since the vacation. Preparations are being made for a successful exhibition on the evening of Charter Day.

PHILOMATHIAN SOCIETY.

An interesting meeting of this Society was held on Friday evening, February 2nd. A number of readings and recitations were given in good style. These were followed by a debate on the subject, "Resolved, that the Physician has a more honorable profession than the Lawyer." The affirmative was led by W. D. Ferguson, supported by Messrs. Clark, Dyer and Curlett. The negative was led by C. H. Coon supported by C. N. Mallory. The judges after briefly reviewing the arguments gave their decision in favor of the negative. The debate is always the most interesting part of the Society's entertainment as it brings forth much original wit and sarcasm. The Society numbers upwards of fifty this term, and is in a prosperous condition.

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The Young Men's Christian Association is at present one of the most vigorous societies in connection with the College. Since the beginning of the term the meetings for prayer and the reading of Scripture have been well attended and characterized by life and earnestness. These meetings have been a great help to students fresh from christian homes and not accustomed to the temptations of College life. An influence is thrown about them for good and all possible efforts made to keep them from paths of iniquity. There is a good feeling in the Society this term, and its influence is being felt among all the students. Already some have expressed a desire to lead a purer life. The day of prayer for young men was observed by a public meeting in the College Chapel.

NOTES.

Charter-day is upon us again.

Some of the ladies criticised our last number very severely. "Not much sense in it" they say. We would like to please them very much. Which shall we do, open a fashions column or an etiquette department?

Richard often gets "over the bridge" of late.

The Senior Sophisters are beginning to look care-worn and anxious. They even read during prayers. We sometimes wonder that they don't take their books to meals with them. No doubt they are having much harder work than any previous fourth year class.

Tot says that that poetry was a libel, for Darius has larger feet than he has.

Services are held regularly in University Church on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. Rev. Mr. Clark preached on February 4th to a large audience.

Wanted—A set of teeth for the mouth of a river.

W. D., give us the recipe for that moustache. We would like to get one just like it.

We will look that we may see it,
Though it be but a downy hair,
We will linger to caress it,
Yet we know there is little there.

Civil Polity Class. Professor—"As a rule articles which have the most value in use have the least value in exchange. Can you give an example?"

Soph.—"Boarding house beef."

Our pastor, Rev. T. W. McVety, gave us a call one evening last week. Come again.

Boys, don't forget to trade with the merchants who advertise in the ASTRUM. They will do better by you than any one else.

Class in Bain. Prof.—"Can you give the divisions of the mind." Student—"Simplicity—" Cheers in gallery.

It is rumored that our lady Junior Freshman expects to take the Prof-iciency in June. There are good prospects of it at present.

The *C. C. Advocate* gave us a flattering notice in last week's issue. We fear that it was more than we deserve but feel encouraged.