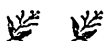


Plays that stimulate, nay worse, gratify a prurient curiosity—all for a dime—are out in swarms. Plays that deal in the main with honest characters and decent incidents, that do not represent the sexual problem as the one centre of human interest are hard to find; yet parents and friends proud of their college lambkin in a legitimate desire to amuse and please him during the holidays will look largely toward the theatre. Why is it some boys come back from holidays with a wolfish instinct for savagery? Simply listen to his own descriptions of his matinees, his evenings, of the company he picks up during these idle weeks. These are the pitfalls awaiting the holiday student like the scarcely perceptible air-hole which swallows down the unwary skater.



### A Brilliant Achievement.

The annual distribution of prizes for the term 1901-02, has just taken place at the Gregorian University, Rome. This University, it may safely be said, is the most important ecclesiastical University in the world. The total number of students on the registers last term was over eleven hundred, and included representatives of almost every nationality in the Old and New Worlds, among both secular and regular clergy. This large number and the diversity of nation and Order attach a particular importance to the examination and concursus results, and are a cause of a no small emulation among the candidates for university Degrees and Honours. For several years past, the Oblate Order has been 'facile princeps' among the Roman Colleges on the Gregorian roll of honour. Last year the Oblates beat all previous records by obtaining 32 prizes (17 Firsts and 15 Seconds), 35 accessits and 43 honourable mentions, the next in order of merit being the Spanish College with 15 prizes and the Belgians with eleven. This year their success has been phenomenal. Almost every candidate presented for Degrees has been admitted, viz: 4 Doctors, 7 Licentiates and 6 Bachelors in Divinity; 7 Doctors, 7 Licentiates and 7 Bachelors