

ON Thursday last the Sophomores of the University of Pennsylvania had a cremation of their old text books on the College grounds, because of a threat that the medical students would disturb the exercises for an affront given at their commencement last summer, they were accompanied by a large body of police. When the orgies began two hundred medical students appeared, and attempting to break the rope surrounding the cremationists were set upon by the officers of the law who, however, were soon overpowered, and several severely injured. Eight of the offenders have been arrested and are held on a charge of riot.

PROFESSOR LOUDEN had a severe fall on King street yesterday.

OUR illuminated Canadian friend, *The 'Varsity*, has changed its face. The new title page is a great improvement on the old. The young woman, however still looks very demure,—quite different from the spirited expression of the girls here, especially that put on when one makes a remark opposing co-education, or derogatory thereto. Minerva, this time, like Christopho Colombo, is "on a bust," but nevertheless looks happy. The contents of the paper please us more and more.—*Illini*.

A VERY interesting present has been made to the College by the donor of the quiver of mountain Wolf. The notorious rebel chief, Black Cattle, who took a prominent part in the American Indian war, stole away a white lady, now living in St. Louis, and concealed her in a cave. He was afterwards captured and quartered by a detachment of volunteers of the United States War Service, some of whom passing by a few months later on, made themselves possessors of the scalp. This top-knot is now one of the *innumerable* specimens in the Museum.

PROFESSOR, to new student seeking advice—"Are you strong and healthy?" N. S., "Yes, sir." Professor, "Do you come from a long-lived family?" N. S., "Yes, sir." Professor, "Then, sir, I should advise you to take the classical course."—*Vidette*.—Applies here both in regard to Classics and Natural Sciences *vide* curriculum.

THE Residence is almost empty, most of the starvilings having gone home to fatten up for the labours of Easter term, and no longer do its walls resound to the unanimous plaint and soul-endangering vituperations which are passed upon the delicious viands and elegant pielets. For some time before their departure, the undergraduates could have been seen toasting the delicious crumpet far into the small hours of the morning, and in that way subsidizing their famished frames, which could ill exist on hare soup and what-is-it? pudding, with blind faith sauce.

VARSITY MEN.—I learn that Mr. W. J. LOUDON, B.A., gold medalist in mathematics, instead of going to John Hopkins' University, went to England, and has got himself a position in the Greenwich Observatory, and expects to go out in the spring to the Observatory at Calcutta.

MR. J. E. LEES, B.A., is in town. He has taken unto himself a wife, and is partner in a law firm at Brantford.

MR. W. F. FREEMAN, late of the third year Natural Science course is taking medicine at Trinity.

MR. G. ACHESON, B.A., gold medalist in Natural Sciences last May is in Galt. He is slowly recovering from the effects of fever.

MR. E. J. BRISTOL, of the second year, is studying law in the office of Reeve & Morden, Napanee, but intends pursuing his honor course in classics next year.

MR. H. T. BROCK, of the third year, is studying law concomitantly with his arts course in office of O'Sullivan & Perdue of this city.

In the last issue we were so pressed for time that the following errors in "Misconceived Ideas of Evolution" were overlooked. For "an answer commonly urged against it," read "an answer to some of the objections commonly urged against it."

§ 4. For "are essential" read "so essential."

§ 5. For "an such thing" read "any such thing,"

For "generally changing" read "gradually changing."

§ 6. For "because holes cannot be picked, etc.," read "because holes can be picked, etc."

§ 7. For "the sooner they try" read "the sooner we try."

For "menistic" read "monistic."

THE next meeting of the Debating Society will be held on the 7th of January of the coming year. The Essayists are, Mr. H. H. Dewart, and Mr. A. McMurchy; the Readers, Mr. A. W. Wright, and Mr. W. H. Mickle. The Debate: "Resolved, that the people of the United States would be better governed if the Presidency were made tenable for life. It has been decided to hold a *Conversazione* some time in February. *Conversazione* Committee:—The General Committee of the Debating Society with the following: T. G. Blackstock B.A., D. McColl B.A., G. Davis B.A., J. W. Elliott B.A., J. Macdougall B.A., W. Cook B.A., T. C. Milligan, W. Laidlaw, W. H. Blake, R. Haddow, C. Campbell, H. M. Field, L. I. Smith, T. C. Boville, E. Wigle, E. W. Hagarty. These have been divided up into Committees on Finance, Music, Decorations, Printing, Science, Dressing-room, Invitations, Light and Heat, Seating Hall.

BOOKS ADDED TO THE LIBRARY.

Hagen—"N. American Astacidae."

Hinrich—"Catalogue of German Books, 1875-80."

Lorruz—"Catalogue of French Books, 1876-79."

Poems—Memorials by Cousins (George Wilson and M. Russell). Victoria University (Owen's Coll.), Calendar, 1880-1.

Catullus ed. Ellis, Tozer—"Geography of Greece."

Geddes—"Homeric Problem."

Seeley—"Lectures and Essays."

Hibbert Lectures, 1879—"Renouf's Religion of Egypt."

Hibbert Lectures, 1880—"Renau's Influence of Rome on Christianity."

Laveleye—"Primitive Property," tr. Marriott.

Lloyd—"Age of Pericles" (2 vols.), and "History of Sicily," with notes on Pindar's Sicilian Odes.

Sargent and Dallin—"Materials for Latin Prose."

Zeller—"Socrates and Socratic Schools," "Stoics, Epicureans, and Sceptics," "Plato and the Older Academy" (Transl.)

A DIALOGUE OF MODERN TIMES.

"All our delight is in culture and intellect, sense and refinement."—THE WALL-FLOWERS.

"Oh! who put my *Helianthi Annu*, my lovely sunflowers, on the breakfast-table?" said Paideia—a tall, dark, very graceful girl—as she entered the dining-room one bright September morning.

"I did," replied her cousin Eusebeia, "I do admire them so much."

"But do you not think that they suit the library better, dear? That massive ebony plate with its quaintly inlaid gold figures matches the heavy, sombre look of the study exactly; and I thought the large, solemn-looking flowers and leaves, that seem to be ever occupied with that "*contemplationem rerum cognitio-nemque*," that Cicero speaks of, * looked divine on a Liddell and Scott within reach of an arm chair."

"I like contrasts and dark shades," remarked Eusebeia, whose pet subject was ecclesiastical colours.

"So do I, generally," replied her cousin, "but not on a day like this, when the atmosphere is so translucent that the pseudo-prudish sky seems to think that she ought to request the warm breezes to hide her with the filmiest of cloudy veils. Besides, I think it is too early in the day to admire anything grand or impressive. Bain says † that the Enkephalon is most active some hours after breakfast."

"Yes. How would you like to see me come down to breakfast in swallow-tails, Seby?" asked her brother Apaideusia. "Why a bunch of common sweet-peas would look better than those things."

EUSEBEIA.—"Chacun a son gout."

PAIDEIA.—"Of course. *De gustibus*, etc. What a funny thing taste is, is it not? How do you think one could acquire perfect taste?"

"By a life of asceticism," said Eusebeia. (Apaideusia took up the *Times*). "One who has no sordid ambitions, who never gratifies a low passion, who performs no act but for some high and holy purpose, he alone has perfect taste."

"I cannot help agreeing—at all events partially—with Burke," * * said Paideia, "in thinking that knowledge is an element of good taste. My idea is that perfect taste is dependent on refinement."

"But what is refinement?" asked Eusebeia.

"Refinement is the outcome of culture, which in turn is the consequence of education," said her cousin.

"But do you not think that religion helps to form one's taste?"

"Education includes religion, morality, as I prefer to call it," said Paideia, looking very wise. Religion is only an organic progeny of morality, unable to differentiate by any system of natural selection. It is like the *ἡ τὸν Οἶτης ἀπομον λειώμιν* sacred but unproductive. As Dr. Arnold says, †† "The gift of faith does not imply the gift of