

Two professors and two students are among the most enthusiastic members of the Curling Club this year. None of them are poor players, either.

NATURAL SCIENCE.—Prof.: "Mr. C., how may the class Metazoa be divided?" Mr. C.: "It may be divided into several divisions." (Applause.)

At a meeting of the fourth year students held on the 7th inst., Mr. J. R. O'Reilly was elected Valedictorian of the Class. Although Mr. O'Reilly entered with the class of '81, he was obliged by ill-health in the early part of his course to fall behind a year, and as a consequence will graduate with '82. He will make an able valedictorian.

WHERE IS THE CONCURSUS?—The students in a certain boarding house have several times been annoyed by another student, who calls on the widow landlady and makes so much noise talking and fooling that study is next to impossible by students on the second flat; and, to add to his audacity, he on one of his visits brought a companion with him, because there is also in the same house a spinster. He must verily expect to be featherless in the spring or the court must attend to his case. On his latest visit it is said that he was helped on with his overcoat and was urged to call often.

DURING the cold spell the wily landlord shutteth up tight every damper and door of the coal stove in the hall and goeth to bed right early. And then it is that the philosophical student stealthily descendeth to the hall below, and openeth them all up, for he does not believe in being frozen.

In the morning the woman gets up and comes down as though a railway engine was trying to come up from the attic to warm herself and finds the fire dead out, and then begins a racket which to a person in bed seems stairs. This begins about half-past five and lasts till breakfast time, when the students make a bee line for College to get thawed out.

A LARGE party of students skated down the river to Gananoque on Saturday, 28th January. The ice being good the trip was much enjoyed. Some of the party received a wetting, without, however, any serious results. The return trip was made by rail.

A CERTAIN freshman, who hails from a rural district, was overheard the other day relating his experience since coming to College. He was talking to a chum, and with tender solicitude for his friend's welfare he was heard to remark in a stage whisper, "Come and board at _____'s. You have no idea how we're treated there. *It's like a tea-meeting every day.*"

❖EXCHANGES.❖

WE are rather tired of criticising our contemporaries. So last week we sent to our friend Nibs our "pile of exchanges," with a note that he was to read them and pass criticism on the cover of each. In the course of a few days the "pile" was returned liberally besmeared with comments. Thinking that our readers may care to hear the opinions of our very intellectual confere on these papers we set them forth. With his innate gallantry Nibs has evidently reviewed the ladies' papers first—and thinks that the four of these on our exchange list, the *Portfolio*, *Sunbeam*, *Lassell Leaves* and *Hellmuth World*, are very praiseworthy for the good taste and cleverness displayed in their management. He also thinks that if the literary articles in these papers are written by the pupils them-

selves, they are to be congratulated on their literary ability.

Viewed collectively he marks as distinctively "first-class" the *Harvard Crimson*, *Yale Record*, *Columbia Spectator*, *Lehigh Burr*, *Williams Atheneum*, *Trinity Tablet*, *Rutger's Targum*, *Student Life* and *Varsity*. (For our own part we think this list could be enlarged, but we are not at present giving our own opinion.) The *Scholastic* is marked "Probably of great benefit to the students of its own college, but appears to be too much the organ of the authorities." He says the editor of the *Presbyterian College Journal* makes a "mistake in trying to throw a halo of glory about those mentioned personally."

The *Niagara Index* is labelled, "The literary department of this paper I take to be better than the average run of such departments in college papers; the exchange column in places shows a fair amount of wit, but smacks too strongly of the 'smart boy.'" On the *Dalhousie Gazette* is written, "This paper, the *Argosy* and the *King's College Record*, appear to me to represent three creeds as depicted in the 'Creeds of the Bells.' The latter (the *Record*) I would prefer to read in a dim religious chapel to slow music."

Acta Victoriana is marked "too bumptious." The *Archangel* Nibs thinks should be framed, while on the *Oberlin Review* is the interrogation, "Did you get this out of a tract repository?"

❖COLLEGE WORLD.❖

HARVARD COLLEGE was named after John Harvard, who, in 1638, left to the college £779 and a library of over 300 books. Williams College was named after Colonel Ephraim Williams, a soldier of the old French war. Dartmouth College was named after Lord Dartmouth, who subscribed a large amount and was president of the first board of trustees. Brown University received its name from Hon. Nicholas Brown, who was a graduate, and endowed the college very largely. Columbian College was called King's College till the close of the war for independence, when it was named Columbia. Bowdoin, was named after Governor Bowdoin, of Maine. Yale College was named after Elihu Yale, who made liberal donations to it. Colby University was named after Mr. Colby, of Boston, who gave \$50,000 to the college in 1866. Dickinson College was named after Hon. John Dickinson. He made a very liberal donation to the college and was president of the board of trustees for a number of years. Cornell University was named after Ezra Cornell, its founder.—*Ex.*

YALE boasts of the oldest literary society in the United States, the date of the organization being 1768.

THE Oxford cap is now worn at Princeton, Williams, Amherst, Trinity, University of the City of New York, Brown University, University of Kansas, Columbia, and Pennsylvania College.—*Ex. W. and Y.*

IT is said there is a movement afoot among the Germans in the United States for the erection of a native university, on the model of that at Berlin. Milwaukee is mentioned as the proposed seat of such university.—*Ex.*

FOUR Egyptians have entered Illinois College this year, and four Choctaws, Roanoke.

THE *Yale News* advocates making editing a college paper equivalent to an optional study.