

but that *The 'Varsity* is alone of this susceptible nature, and that it has the vilest of names is, I have at last discovered, not the case. A number of Russian students expelled from the National University in 1865, published at Heidelberg a Nihilistic journal, entitled, "A tout venant je crache." Spitting plays a great part in Muscovite superstition. They spit as a mark of astonishment, and they spit as a sign of annoyance. Of course *The 'Varsity* doesn't spit because Oxonians don't, but in choosing between slang words and expectoration, it inclines to the former.

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 'SLIGHTLY MIXED.'—Lady (to gentleman acquaintance): "Have you received a letter from George lately?"
 Gentleman: "Well, what do you call lately?"
 Lady (after much thought): "Well, since the last one?"
 G. (smiling): "No, not since the last one."
 L.: "Well, you know what I mean." (Then slowly, after great deliberation): "Have you received one since the one before last?"
 G. (decidedly): "No, I certainly have not."

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 A GIRL in Vassar College claims that Phtholognyrrh should be pronounced Turner, and gives this little table to explain her theory: First, Phth (as in phthisis) is T; second, olo (as in colonel) is U; third, gn (as in gnat) is N; fourth, yrrh (as in myrrh) is ER.

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 TINY little letters,
 On a little card,
 Help the jolly student
 Answer questions hard. *Ex.*

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 HE was terribly clumsy, and his room-mate was a pattern of patience, but while overhauling the mantelpiece for a package of cigarettes he dropped a bunch of matches into the milk jug and knocked a cup containing a linseed poultice on the floor—it was decided that in future they should live apart.

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 THOSE who have not yet sent in their subscriptions will please forward them to the Treasurer.

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 At the spring examinations last year, in answer to the question "What is Chemistry?" a freshman wrote, "Chemistry is that which raises civilization above barbarism."

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 SOME aggrieved law student calls out against the injustice of examiners in awarding scholarships to men who have taken more than the minimum time for preparation. The idea in creating these prizes was undoubtedly to excite competition among the candidates, and a closer attention to mastering the details of law. Without such an object in view scholarships are better out of existence. Two or three additional years of preparation, instead of months, as complained of, would have the effect of producing a more widely spread efficiency among the profession than at present exists. Why then, because lack of time prohibits the competition, or an equal footing, of a few, should a cramp be put upon the function of these scholarships.

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 THE Irish University Bill provides that the honors and degrees of the new Irish University shall be open to women as well as men.

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 ONE hundred and seventy colleges in the United States admit both sexes as students.

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 EARLY to ryes and late to bed,
 Makes a man's nose a cardinal red. *Ex.*

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 THE use of tobacco is denied the unfortunate students of the University of Notre Dame with the exception of the members of the senior class, to whom this privilege is extended, as also it is to anyone obtaining a written request from their parents to that effect.

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 "W—N— was brought into court, charged with being of unsound mind." This, says one of our newspapers of March 3rd, is a serious charge indeed! Professor Calderwood in his lecture in this city last September, on the "Relation of Mind and Brain," adverted to the strange custom of dragging lunatics before a police court, and charging them with "being of unsound mind." As well summon a cow before a legal tribunal and accuse her of trespass. It may be said that answer is given, not by the victim but by his friends. This involves

a double fallacy; either the friends have to answer to the accusation of lunacy, or the victim is accused and punished without a fair defence. The physician, not the magistrate, is the proper judge in the beginning of such a case.

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 THE recently organized classes in gymnastics, under Professor Andrews, are well attended.

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 Question for the Honor classic men of the Fourth Year: Who was Apollo's wife?

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 When night time had come and no stars were a-blinking,
 Full of wrathful emotion was William Lincoln;
 Mathematically he, near the round college tower,
 Tried the mechanical advantage of weight over Power.
 Then he hammered the wall (accustomed to paste,
 The granitic formations of Muskokian waste),
 A pet fancy seized him—he pummelled and spilled him,
 A graduate form! Joe, he might have killed him.

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 THE reasoning of childhood is sometimes very poetical. On a cloudy night little Jack looked out of the window and exclaimed, "Hullo, God has blown all the stars out."

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 THE decision of the Dominion Association with regard to the disputed game between the Shamrocks and Torontos has been given in favor of the latter by a vote of thirteen to two.

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 It has been decided to have a Company photograph taken this year, instead of holding the customary annual dinner.

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 At a land league meeting in Ireland the other day an impassioned speaker was thus declaiming: "Our Creator gave the land to man as his own. He gave it first to Adam—" "Arrah, be aisy about Adam," interrupted a voice from the crowd: "Adam was evicted without compensashin."

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 SPOT says he has never read Paley on Tology, and would like some one who has a copy of the work to lend it to him for a day.

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 As the Boers are about the best marksmen in the world, never pulling a trigger until they are sure of their victim; and as, according to a high military authority, the honor of England is at present protected by an army of boys, it might be as well perhaps to suspend operations in the Transvaal until we have taught "the young ideas how to shoot."

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 'VARSITY MEN.—There is a little statement going the rounds of the college press to the effect that a man and his wife are both members of the Freshmen class at Wesleyan University, as though that was a remarkable fact, or a freak of nature. Now, much as we are adverse to boasting, we feel it our solemn duty to remark that the University of Minnesota contains not only a man and his wife, but a married man without his wife, and two widows. We trust the papers referred to will give us our just dues. *Ariel.*

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 THE class in political economy at the Johns Hopkins University are engaged in studying the report for 1880 of the secretary of the treasury.

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 A FAIRLY attended meeting of the Harvard Union was held last evening [February 25th] in Sever. The vice-president reported from the executive committee that, as Sever was previously engaged, the next two meetings would be held in Boylston. After the 1st of April the meetings will be held in Sever. He reported also that the committee were in favor of having, if possible, a lecture on Oxford, but, owing to the number of other lectures, thought it would not be advisable to have it until after the 1st of April. The debate on the question of the advisability of co-education was then proceeded with. . . . A vote was then taken on the merits of the arguments. Twenty sustained the affirmative and eight the negative. The secret ballot on the merits of the question was, fifteen for the affirmative and thirty-one for the negative. . . . *Harvard Echo.*

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 MR. J. A. PATULLO, of the Fourth Year, has been laid up with inflammation and congestion of the lungs for the past six weeks.

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 At the last meeting of the Senate Mr. T. C. Milligan was presented with a gold, and Mr. E. P. Davis with a silver medal, both the gifts of His Excellency the Governor-General. These medals were awarded for general proficiency in the Third and Second Years. *On*