

COLLEGE CURRENCY.

Yale's faculty numbers 140. Harvard has 189 different courses of study.

Rudol Albrechts, the largest university in Europe has 285 professors and 5000 students.

Columbia College library gives light meals to students who are too busy to leave their work.

The richest university in the world is said to be that of Leyden, in Holland; it has real estate to the value of \$6,000,000.

Oxford University is the largest in the world; it embraces twenty-one colleges and five halls. It has an annual income of \$6,000,000.

John Hopkins publishes seven magazines: one devoted to mathematics one to chemistry, one to philology, one to biology, one to historical and political sciences, and three of local interest.

The Stanford University, of California, has ordered from Clark & Sons, of Cambridge, Mass., a lens for their new telescope, which is to be forty inches in diameter. This will be six inches wider than the famous Lick telescope, making it the largest lens in the world.

College journalism originated at Dartmouth in 1800, with Daniel Webster as one of the editors. After a space of nine years the "Literary Cabinet" was established at Yale, followed shortly afterwards by the "Florid" at Union, and "Harvard Lyceum" at Harvard.—*Ex.*

It seems hardly necessary to repeat the arguments which last year induced a majority of the students to adopt the cap and gown. Those who have adopted the gown have found in it everything to make it a desirable college custom. To students who spend their afternoons in athletic exercises, it is a most convenient garment in which to appear at the college lectures and the meetings of the literary societies. It is certainly the most graceful garment in which one can appear upon the platform of the Alumni Hall, and its economy cannot be disputed. It distinguishes the students from the visitors, a distinction necessary in the Alumni Hall; and it is altogether a useful and beautiful garment.—*The Haverfordian.*

One of the most interesting features of college life at Amherst is the development of the college senate. This is a body of college students composed of four seniors, three juniors, two sophomores and one freshman, elected by their respective classes, whose president is the president of the college, and who decides upon all matters that pertain to order or college decorum. Their decision is not valid without the approval of the president; but with his approval it is binding upon the entire college. Gradually the president and faculty have found increasing advantages to give power to this institution. The members chosen by the classes have thus far been remarkably well selected, and their decisions are accepted by the college with singular acquiescence. Any expression of opinion on the part of the senate is sure to carry with it the opinion of the college, and this attempt at self-government has been manifestly attended by an increasing self-respect and manly self-restraint on the part of the students. The good order which prevails at Amherst, the freedom from disturbances of classes and contests of student and faculty are largely due to the college senate.—*N. Y. Mail and Express.*

SOCIETIES.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Debating Society has been re-organized and gives promise of retaining its place among the foremost associations of the College. The following gentlemen have been chosen as the committee to select subjects:—

Mr. D. R. McDonald, '89.
D. A. Campbell, '90.
M. F. Fitzpatrick, '91.
J. P. Collins, '92.

Rev. Father Nolin is director of the Society.

ST. THOMAS' ACADEMY.

On Tuesday, the 20th inst., John P. Donovan presented to the Academy a summarized criticism of a Review article by Ingersoll. Although brief in his references, the essayist took up, one by one, the errors contained in the article and very effectually refuted them. At the next meeting a logical and literary analysis of Shakespeare's "Hamlet" will be read by C. J. Kennedy.