

base-ball fields and a rifle range. The college authorities bear half the expense of the grounds.—*Ex.*

At Illinois College those students who reach a certain standard in daily recitations are excused from examinations. The plan is giving general satisfaction.

THE Sophomores protest against the folly of reading Latin and Greek authors whose works have never been deemed worthy of a published translation.—*Hobart Herald.*

MR. JOHN S. SLATER, of Connecticut, has given \$1,000,000 for the education of the coloured people of the South.

PROF. GREEN, the first coloured graduate at Harvard, is talked of as President of Howard College, Washington, D.C.

PROF. W. D. WHITNEY, of Harvard, has received from Emperor William the position in Order of Merit made vacant by the death of Thomas Carlyle.

COLUMBIA College is to have a new library building in the near future. It is to be 120 feet long, 106 feet wide, and 101 feet high. It will be built at the cost of \$250,000.

A NEW dormitory is to be built at Williams College next vacation, costing in the neighbourhood of \$100,000. The new edifice takes its rise from the generosity of ex-Governor Morgan.—*Ex.*

WALKER Hall, finest of the Amherst College buildings, was burned March 29. Insurance on hall and contents, \$72,000. The Shepard cabinet of minerals alone was valued at \$80,000.—*Ex.*

PERSONAL.

R. S. ANGLIN, M.D., '82, has removed to Omaha for the practice of his profession.

W. W. DALY, B.A., '80, has located in Winnipeg, Man.

T. A. ELLIOTT, B.A., '79, of Brockville, attended Convocation, and was warmly received by his old friends.

J. E. GALBRAITH, M.D., '80, of Whitby, has been visiting friends in the city.

At Convocation the four following graduates in Medicine were presented with the prizes and certificates of merit won by them last year: R. W. Garrett and D. B. Rutherford, House-Surgeons of General Hospital; J. M. Stewart and A. P. Cornell, Demonstratorships of Anatomy.

JOHN A. MCARTHUR, B.A., '80, of Princeton Theological Seminary, was present at Convocation.

HUGH McMILLAN, B.A., '80, of Princeton Theological Seminary, will spend the summer as a missionary in Dakota.

DE NOBIS NOBILIBUS.

IT is rumoured that an entirely new curriculum is in course of preparation for adoption at Queen's. It is to be optional with the present course, and will lead to the degree of M.S. (MASTER OF SOCIOLOGY). We have succeeded in securing a general outline of the proposed course, which is given below:

(With apologies to *Cornell Era.*)

FIRST YEAR.

(1.) Theoretical foot-ball; (2.) Rudiments of euchre;

(3.) Billiards; (4.) Lessons on singing "Old Grimes;" (5.) Practical cigarette smoking; (6.) Lectures "On the necessity of voting a straight ticket;" (7.) Laboratory practice at Tim Doolan's; (8.) Gymnasium.

SECOND YEAR.

(1.) Lectures on Cutting; (2.) "Tim's" laboratory work; (3.) Lectures on the philological bearing of swearing; (4.) The theory and practice of operatic singing. (Book recommended for consultation, Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance.") (5.) Historical researches in cigar smoking; (6.) Rifle company practice; (7.) Instruction in "mashing;" (8.) Pros and cons of dancing.

THIRD YEAR.

(1.) Tim's "lab.;" (2.) Comparative anatomy of the "Pony;" (3.) Gymnasium exercises; (4.) Different forms of smoking; (5.) Lectures on killing time; (6.) Operatic singing, ("Patience"); (7.) Practical jokes (on Sophomores and Freshmen); (8.) Practical experiments in mixing drinks.

FOURTH YEAR.

(1.) Tim's; (2.) Lectures on improved methods of dodging creditors; (3.) Advanced smoking; (4.) Flirting; (5.) Lessons in Aesthetics; (6.) Lectures on borrowing money; (7.) Lectures on the antiquity and historic usefulness of the "Concursus Iniquitatis;" (8.) Final review of laboratory work. (Candidates will be examined chiefly on "eye-openers," "earthquakes," "cocktails" and "mashes.")

OUR Sophomores may congratulate themselves on the harmlessness and general innocence of this year's Freshman class. The following letter, which was recently confiscated and published in an American paper, furnishes a glimpse of the extent to which class rivalry is carried in certain American colleges:

"Dear Mother,—I am not making so much progress as I expected in my studies, because there's a great deal else to attend to here. But we have lively times. I have just returned from the funeral of Billy Cook. He was shot last Tuesday night because he wouldn't allow the Sophs to take off his pantaloons and paint his legs red and green, barber pole fashion. This is the last degree conferred on the Freshmen by the Sophs.

I wish you would send me a six-shooter, one hundred cartridges, and a double-barreled shot-gun. We ain't a-going to stand any more nonsense from the Sophs. After prayers this morning our class were all busy making sand-bags. We're going to put it in the top of our building, and intend to mount it with a six-pound cannonade. The losses in our class have been pretty heavy this week. John Hilton is very low with a bullet in his stomach, and Seward Livingstone is not expected to recover from the stab in his side. Jack Rinelander is lamed for life by a bullet in his knee, and Sam Astor has lost the sight of one eye from a brickbat. There isn't a whole window left in our college building.

But you wait, mother! You just wait a few days and you'll hear something. We're undermining Sophs' quarters. We are working day and night. The tunnel is now one hundred and twenty yards long. It goes straight under the campus and under old Prex's building. We've established a communication with his cellar, and I tell you a dram of claret or Burgundy is very nice to have after a fellow's handled a shovel half the night. We shall use dynamite.

Keep shady, mother. There won't be a Soph left by this time next week. Your affectionate son, _____."

THAT boarding-house again. Boy (shouting to his mother, who is sending him for a loaf of bread): "Stale or fresh, ma?" Ma (emphatically): "The *stalest* they've got!"