

College World.

An agitation is on foot at Vassar College to introduce the Cap and Gown.

Entrance Examinations for Yale, Harvard and Princeton are now held in London and Paris.

The University of Leyden is said to be the richest in the world. It has real estate valued at \$6,000,000.

There are thirty college graduates in the staff of the New York Sun. Connected with the whole press of Montreal there are but four.

At Harvard during the year the students have drawn from the Gore Hall Library over 60,000 volumes, and the number of "reserved books" taken out over night is more than 9,000 volumes.

The Wykeham Professorship of Logic at Oxford, England, is about to become vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Fowler, the Professor of Corpus Christi College, who was appointed in 1872.

The glee clubs of several colleges are making holiday tours through the New England and Western States. Their concerts afford opportunities for pleasant reunions of alumni, and give the public a glimpse of college life.

The old custom of cremating Analytical Geometry was revived recently at Amherst by the sophomores. A formal trial was held, and the prisoner, Anna Lytic G. Ometry, was condemned and executed with novel ceremonies.

Among the Scotch universities, Edinburgh leads with 3,500 students; then comes Glasgow with 2,200, Aberdeen 920, and St. Andrews, 220. The total number of students at the four universities has doubled within twenty-six years.

Mr. Wm. Dawes has presented Ripon College with a cottage for the use of lady students who desire to keep down their expenses. No charge is made by the college for room rent, and the young ladies do their own housework and cooking.

The catalogue of Trinity, N.S., for the current year shows a total of 118 students, divided as follows: Seniors 18, juniors 25, sophomores 36, freshmen 25, special and post-graduate students 14. . . . The library has now 29,000 volumes, besides 2,250 duplicates, and 16,000 unbound pamphlets.

The convocation of Oxford University has renewed the grant of \$500 a year to the British school at Athens. The British school, which was founded later than the American school, is now on a prosperous footing. There are already several Oxford men at work there, with a prospect of numerous additions next year.

The salaries paid Scottish college professors are far in excess of those paid in American universities. The most valuable professorships are those of the Medical Faculty at Edinburgh, some of which pay \$15,000, and none less than \$5,000. In the Faculty of Arts the chairs of Latin, Greek, and mathematics are worth

about \$9,000 a year at Glasgow, and about \$7,000 at Edinburgh.

Miss Fawcett, daughter of the late postmaster-general of England, applied to a famous mathematical "coach" at Cambridge to be taken as his pupil. She was rudely repulsed, the uncivil tutor declaring that he "would take no tabbies." The same Miss Fawcett has been systematically beating the best men of her year at the Trinity College examinations, and will doubtless be senior wrangler for the coming year.

President Dwight, of Yale College, does his writing on an old-fashioned secretary that is said to have been in the family 200 years, and the Puritanic straight-backed chair in which he sits looks as if it had been in the family at least a century. The study is a very heery room, with an open wood fire that warms the President's back as he works. The only adornment is a picture of the Ascension that was given President Dwight when he was a professor in the Theological School.

Wells College, at Aurora, N.Y., has begun the erection of a new college building on the site of the old one. The ceremony of setting the stakes was a very pretty one. Miss Helen Smith, the principal, hit the first blow on the stakes. This was followed by blows from the seven young ladies who comprise the graduating class of '89. The *Alma Mater* of Mrs. Cleveland was never in a more prosperous condition.

We wonder how many thumbs were struck.—[Eds. UNIVERSITY GAZETTE.]

Since the beginning of 1880, in rowing, Yale has won six of the nine Yale-Harvard races, including three successive victories in 1886, 1887, and 1888—the time of the last race (20m. 10s.) being the fastest on record in America. In base-ball, after defeating all the nines in the Inter-Collegiate Association in 1880, Yale joined that Association in 1881, and has won the Inter-Collegiate championships in the following years: 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1886, 1887, 1888. In football, Yale has lost but one match since 1878.

Frederick Apthorp Paley, grandson of the famous author of "The Evidences of Christianity," died in England a few days ago in the seventy-third year of his age. He was a graduate of Cambridge, and remained at that University until he joined the Roman Catholic Church in 1846. He returned to Cambridge in 1860, and became one of the most famous of the resident classical tutors. He edited a great number of Greek and Latin authors, and was Professor of Classical Literature in the Roman Catholic University at Kensington, London.

The librarian's record of books drawn from the Yale Library from September 1, 1887, to August 31, 1888, shows a total circulation of 9,849 volumes. The professors lead in drawing books, with 2,736, or about 28 per cent. of the whole number. Graduate students are next, with 1,738 volumes. The Divinity School takes 12 per cent., or 1,240 volumes. The four academic classes have a total of 2,182 volumes, the number taken by each class increasing steadily from Freshman to Senior year. The Sheffield Scientific School ranks lowest, taking only $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.