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## COLLEGE AND STUDENT NEWS.

St. Patrick's Day.

245 students have been enrolled this term.

The Olympic Society gives a dance in their rooms this evening.

The grip is catching quite a number of the students this wet weather.

Mr. O'Bryan, janitor of the Chemical Laboratory is on the sick list this week.

The student's entomological collection for the World's Fair will be finished this week.

Mr. L. W. Watkins has been elected assistant manager of the college base ball team.

Prof. Vedder has been working up plans for a much needed sewer system for the College.

Miss White, of Boston, the Library cataloguer, expects to finish her work in about two weeks.

This is the term for Junior orations, but so far none but Seniors have held down the rostrum.

Agri! Juniors are doing laboratory work mixing insecticides under the direction of Mr. Coryell.

A new 6½ x 8½ camera has been received by the Physical Department and approved. It's a beauty.

Miss Lucy Clute, of Ionia, who has been visiting at the President's the past month, returned last Monday.

We understand the boys are trying to organize a mandolin, guitar and banjo club and hope they may succeed.

The Engineering Society held their first meeting this term Thurs. afternoon. An interesting program was presented.

Mr. and Mrs. Babcock have moved to Lansing and "Bab" is getting into shape for field day by walking out every day.

F. B. Mumford is at Paw Paw consulting with Mr. J. J. Woodman concerning the arrangement of the College Exhibit at the World's Fair.

The one-sixth mill tax for the benefit of the U. of M. has passed both House and Senate and only wants the Governor's signature to become a law.

W. F. Hopkins went to Chicago this afternoon representing Chapter Iota at a banquet to be given by the Chicago Alumni Association of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity tomorrow evening.

The College authorities should make provision for a more adequate fire alarm. The whistle they now have is so small that it does not make enough noise to alarm everyone, and it is very doubtful if it could be heard during the night, especially by those who live along Faculty Row.

The College authorities are arranging and numbering the college photographs so that any who wish to order any may do so at the Sec'y's office. The small pictures are 25 cents and the large ones \$1.00, nearly one half of what they cost last fall.

The weather interests everyone because it is so intimately related to personal comfort. It thus becomes a feature of the small talk of social life. The weather got the drop on the thermometer this week for there was a fall of 26 degrees from the temperature of Monday to that of Tuesday.

### Sunday Announcements.

Rev. A. R. Dickerman of the Universalist church will preach Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Prof. Edwards' lecture on Edinburgh with stereoptican illustrations, on Sunday morning was enjoyed by a large crowd of students. The Chapel was so full that students had to "sit small" to enable all to enter. What shall we do for seating room for Mr. Moore's lecture with illustrations on the Passion Play next Sunday morning?

### The Kansas College.

A private letter from Manhattan, Kansas brings the good news that the Kansas Agricultural College has received the following appropriations: for Library building \$60,000; for steam heating plant \$14,000, and other items amounting in all to \$78,025. Good for the college and good for the much abused Kansas Legislature. Some papers have called them Kansasses, but they struck a streak of horse sense at the last.

### A Runaway.

An exciting runaway occurred on Wednesday afternoon on the drive in front of College row. Bertie Cook was driving the Professor's spirited mare with a load of Entomological cases when the mare became frightened and dashed forward while the load fell on her heels. She kicked herself loose, but at the same time struck Bertie a violent blow on the chest, and he was thrown to the ground, stunned and bruised. Professors and students rushed to his help and picked him up, when it was found that no bones were broken, though he was physically demoralized. The first words of the plucky little senior were "Oh I am all right."

### The College Band.

Our college band, a very enthusiastic set of wind shovers, has been formed under the conductorship of Mr. Goodenough and meets every afternoon from five to six for practice. The following are the players: Williams and Phillips, solo B flat cornets; Rockwell, 1st B flat cornet; Johnson, solo alto; Covert, 1st alto; Smith, 2nd alto; Leinbach, baritone; Stevens, Stutz, and Haskins trombones; Parish, 2nd tenor; Sharp, piccolo; Partridge and White drums. We are sure that this band with a little practice will be able to furnish us some very good music.

### A Blaze in the Tic's Room.

The fire alarm Thursday afternoon called out the students very promptly, though they all showed that they were not acquainted with the alarm or the wards, for no one knew where to go. It proved to be in the Eclectic society rooms and was easily put out by some of the members of that society who were in the rooms at the time. The origin is not positively known, but it is thought that it started from a match that might have been thrown among some papers.

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It seems to the EAGLE that the students have it in their power to do something for the prosperity of their alma mater. There are now before our Legislature several bills pertaining to this college and its welfare. One of these provides for the examination of would-be students by the school commissioners of their respective counties; another provides for a Woman's Department; another is the appropriation bill; and the last is a bill to provide teachers' certificates for a certain length of time to graduates of certain institutions. The first of these bills will not only be of great benefit to the prospective freshman, but will bring the college more in touch with the citizens of Michigan, and secure perhaps, their hearty co-operation in the matter of increased attendance. In the second and third bills we are sure all the the students are interested, for their passage will bring pleasures and improvements that will come in no other

way. It is sincerely hoped that the appropriation bill will not be cut in two as it was two years ago. The last bill will be of especial interest to the students, if M. A. C. is added to this list of schools. What can the students do for the passage of these bills? Work to secure a favorable report on them from the Committeemen, and lobby with all the Legislators you know. If you don't know any, write to your influential friends at home and get them to use their influence. The EAGLE has not expatiated on the bills, nor pointed out all the ways of hustling their passage, but has said what it has that the students may see that there is something to be done, and with the hope that some enthusiasm will be aroused.

Faculty and students alike have been very generous on the whole in their contributions toward the base ball fund. This fund is not for the purpose of paying off any old debt, but to put the team on a good financial basis. It will now be possible for the team to buy necessities and arrange for games without the Manager paying bills out of his own pocket or becoming personally responsible for them. It is not fair nor honorable to allow our Manager to pay any necessary bills for the team and then wait for the Students Org. to reimburse him when they see fit; the team should not be run on that plan another year. Our manager is an honest, gentlemanly fellow who will see that the funds are cared for and properly accounted for, and all should put confidence in him and the team to as great a financial extent as possible. Money wont buy us the Championship, but its use under the guidance of Manager Watkins will go a great ways toward getting the team in good shape for the contest.

**THE BASE BALL TEAM.****The Assistant Manager Talks.**

Success to our Base Ball team! We must and will win the Inter-Collegiate Base Ball Cup again this year. This is the verdict and should be the prayer of every manly, loyal student of this energetic college. But students, show us by interest expressed and help forthcoming, that you are backing our players and have the confidence in them which they deserve. Come to the ball grounds and encourage them. Our team will soon commence their season's training in the gymnasium, in the way of light work on the ladders, bars and rings with the bells and clubs and in running for a short time. They will toughen their hands on Spaulding's League Balls so that when the diamond is in proper condition each member will be ready for hard earnest practice. There is still another way in which you must help us if we are to win. Nothing can be done without money and you all know that the ball team was left in debt. The tax levied by the Students' Organization will settle this. We must now have money to buy bats, balls, etc., and we must have it immediately or we can do but little. Hustling subscription solicitors will soon have canvassed the halls and grounds. The boys are showing a generous and loyal spirit and we have reason to expect the same of our faculty. Many of the business men of Lansing will also be seen and we confidently trust and hope that our team will be put in a financial condition that will warrant their utmost exertion. A lazy member will not be found in the M. A. C. Base Ball team this year. We promise you some first class sport.

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### College Pictures,

The College authorities are arranging two sets of pictures to send away. One to the Bureau of Education at Washington to constitute a part of their World's Fair Exhibit, and another to Hon. I. M. Weston of Grand Rapids, for the Michigan State Bureaus' Exhibit.

### Officers of the Senior Class.

The Seniors held a class meeting Monday and elected the following class and literary officers: E. B. Hale, President; D. Cole, Vice President; W. W. Parker Secretary; L. H. Baker, Treasurer; L. W. Watkins, Base Ball Manager; H. M. Goss, Marshall; A. T. Stevens, Orator; L. Whitney Watkins, Prophet; W. G. Smith, Historian; Miss Clute, Poetess; E. C. Peters, Editor; W. Paddock, Toast Master.

### Y. M. C. A. Lecture.

The first lecture of the season in the Y. M. C. A. lecture course, will be given by Rev. L. Morgan Wood, Friday evening March 31st. The subject is, "American Nuts, Cracked and Uncracked." Mr. Wood is one of the most brilliant orators in the West. Perhaps no young man is coming to the front more rapidly, or commanding public notice and praise more widely than he. Mr. Wood is sure to please.

### Drill.

Drill commences the latter half of this term and all students will be required to appear in the new uniform. All students are required to wear the uniform adopted by the college, that is the gray coat, trousers and cap furnished on contract by the Pettibone Mfg. Co. of Cincinnati Ohio, for \$15.35 and express charges, and no other will be accepted. Those who have not made their deposit should do so immediately, as it will take about three weeks for orders to be filled.

## Baird's Opera House.

Monday, March 20th.

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### Senior Class Meeting.

At Senior class meeting Thursday afternoon the subject of Commencement orations was quite thoroughly discussed, and it was voted as the sentiment of the class that they be dispensed with. Amateur theatricals was discussed, and it is quite probable that this may form a part of the class day program. B. F. Bain was elected Treasurer in place of Mr. Baker resigned, and the resignation of Miss Clute as Poetess was accepted.

### NEWS OF THE ALUMNI.

C. B. Cook, '88, is here doing special work in Prof. Cook's laboratory on the Columbian Exhibit.

E. R. Lake, M. S., '85, formerly instructor in botany at M. A. C., now professor of botany and horticulture in the State Agricultural College, Pullman, Washington, has been made acting president of that institution.

G. E. Mitchell, with '94, has returned from Honduras where he was engaged in the fruit business and collection of specimens for the Smithsonian Institution, and is now in Washington D. C. He is now contemplating going into the fruit business in Florida.

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