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Editorial.

Military instructors, like preachers, are forced to go at their master's call. Lieut. E. C. Brooks, who succeeded Capt. G. Le Roy Brown, as instructor in military tactics at Delaware College, has accepted a call, by permission of the War Department, to Girard College. The Lieutenant was only at the College about a year, but during that time evidenced great military skill, and made many friends in Newark.

Lieut. Jas. H. Frier, who graduated in the class of '86, West Point, has been detailed instructor of military tactics, as successor to Lieut. Brooks.

The Glee Club, which was organized last year and for some unknown reason was dissolved soon after its organization, has been re-organized. We see no reason why a Glee Club should not thrive and prosper at Delaware College as well as anywhere else. Among the students there are many good voices, and quite a number that understand music, and we think the Glee Club should be encouraged and maintained.

We take this opportunity of impressing upon the minds of the students the importance of patronizing our advertisers. Those who advertise in the columns of the REVIEW are first-class business places and we sincerely hope that all the students will give them their patronage. Advertising in our journal means more finances to the Press Association and a wish for the progress and advancement of our paper; also, it means a friendly

feeling toward the College and a hope for its continued prosperity; and every student before buying the articles he needs should peruse the "ads" of the REVIEW and patronize the firm or business places that can supply his demand.

Sometime ago our attention was called to an article in the *Morning News*, which reads thus; "Allison, O., February 8th. Mount Union College has been badly torn up lately over the conduct of a number of students. Gambling has been indulged in by some of them, and so notorious did the matter become that vigorous action became necessary by the faculty. Several students have been suspended."

Judging from what we know of American colleges, we believe there are very few exceptions where the college boys do not gamble in some form or another. Gambling, the most wicked of all things, is one of the most difficult affairs that demands the attention of college professors. Because if there is any gambling going on among the college students they always do it at the dead of night when the professors are refreshing themselves with the night's repose. And, if by chance, some honest fellow should discover the perpetrators of the wicked act, nine times out of ten they would free themselves by lying; for the man that gambles, it may be set down as a universal rule, has little regard for the truth. But whenever it is thought by the faculty of any college that there is gambling going on among their students, the matter should be carefully investigated, and if the participants are found guilty, there should be no hesitancy on the part of the faculty in dealing by them as Union college did her gamblers.

While we believe that there are more or less evil tricks in the shape of gambling perpe-

trated in all colleges, the young man on entering an Institution of learning should make a resolve not to be a companion of those perpetrators of wicked tricks, and by so doing, and attending strictly to his own business, he will form a character and make a reputation that will stick to him through life. He should be, before entering College, as the most eminent college presidents say, not under the age of nineteen. Many a young man has been ruined and has filled a drunkard's or a gambler's grave, because some anxious father desired to see him through college at an early age. While a boy is in his teens his character is formed, and it is then he most needs a fond mother's care. He should not, so early in age, be thrown out on the sea of life to brave all the storms without a well-founded character upon which to stand.

The alarming evil of gambling is not confined to our colleges. It is as wide-spread as our country. It is practiced from the smallest vessel that floats on our rivers and canals, up to the greatest and fanciest steamship that plows the bosom of the angry deep; from the man that fills the lowest position in life, to the Senators and Congressmen in their finery; from the lowest and most sinful grogeries that curse the community and the land, up to the finest hotels that claim prominence and respectability.

Nor is the seed of gambling always sown in a college life. It is sown in various places. Very frequently at home. From the fashionable families of our land, who play cards for the so-called *innocent* amusement, we may trace cases of life-long wickedness resulting therefrom; and many species of offence, on the black catalogue of crime, may be traced from the homes to the gambling table, as an entering wedge to its perpetration.



Literary Department.

View of the Civil Strife.

H. WHITEMAN, '91.

WHEN the clouds of the Revolution had rolled away, and the perplexing problems, the massive issues, which had been agitating the minds of the people disappeared before the sunbeams of peace, a paramount trust, devolved upon the mental force of the young nation. The most arduous task of framing a constitution for a mighty people who were about to launch out on the sea of a Republican form of Government. Finally, when Washington, Hamilton, Adams and hosts of others had displayed their superior genius in the mechanism of the Constitution it was rendered complete.

Then came the States marching forward under the American flag to ratify the same. Though time and talent were sacrificed in the establishment of those grand principles for the establishment of a Federal Union, the result was not only freedom and independence to a nation's subjects, but there was laid the foundation of a grand Republic which was destined to endure the tests of ages.

From that time on civilization, in the western world, received new impetus. The arts flourished, the sciences developed, civilization promoted improvement, and social happiness was secured to man. We sailed forth on the ship of state with success unparalleled in the annals of time. But whilst we were recounting with pleasure our material progress, and pointing with pride and glory to the grand example of self government which our forefathers handed down to be fostered by their sons; whilst we were eulogiz-

ing them for the construction of that vast fabric of a government for the people; whilst we were proclaiming our intentions of presenting it to posterity, a blooming, flourishing plant for them to nurture, there was wafted to us, from the sunny south, an undertone of discontent,—the woeful tidings of "secession" and then a "Southern Confederacy."

The abolition of slavery was deemed expedient by the wisest counsellors of the nation. In the course of human progress, when this movement was to receive its consummation, it found opposition with the Southern people, who declared their intention of seceding from the Union. No more to be subservient to the general government, but to establish a confederacy of their own. This being contrary to right and justice and detrimental to the perpetuity of the Union, war was precipitated and the very foundations of our government trembled through the terrors of a great civil strife. Bold man and gentle woman alike trembling with fear as universal terror encountered them on every hand. It was that terror involved in the idea of our Union being dissevered, our hopes blasted, our prospects darkened, our homes destroyed and our lives threatened. Such was the terror that told us in unmistakable language that a storm was approaching which would cut in twain our nation, insult our banner unfurled to the air and shatter the rocks of legislation, to be checked in its onward flight, not until a nation's heroes should moisten mother earth with their loyal blood. Yet with this mad fear there was joy, too, joy in the thought that America's braves marched boldly to the front and proclaimed to the world that our Union must stand, in defiance of its foes. It was the grand principle at stake that inspired the soldiers to deeds of valor and thrilled their breasts with joy as they marched to victory and triumph. As we gaze on the pages

of history and trace this great conflict from the capture of Fort Sumpter to the surrender of Appomattox, we can only admit that all those soldierly exertions are worthy of our admiration and esteem. Was it possible for us to eulogize every noble act and deed of bravery our praise would be inadequate.

But the country will never forget such military stars as Butler, Meade, Foote, Porter, Fremont, Halleck, McClellan, "Sheridan up the Shenandoah," or "Sherman's March to the Sea." Nor can we forget that hero who stood forth and inspired new hope in the hearts of mankind, imbuing them with high and noble resolves, directing a mass of men to the accomplishment of a settled purpose, uniting one aim in a hundred thousand bosoms, leading that mass to battle and in defiance of danger, difficulty and death encompass victory. Such was the service of that hero and patriot U. S. Grant, or as he has been termed—Unconditional Surrender Grant. But there must be a fountain head from whom power and influence flow. A monarch of all ye survey! In whose hand rests the scepter of peace. Who is he? He was born in Kentucky Feb 12, 1809. Rocked in the rude cradle of the time he convinced no one of his future greatness. In opposition to the adverse circumstances attending his youthful days he secures a knowledge of law. At twenty-five he adorns the halls of the Legislature and is thrice re-elected. Rapidly rising to distinction, he is called to the executive chair and assumes the reins of government, where he completes his work—the "Abolition of Slavery." Nobly did he guide the ship of state on that tempestuous sea of strife. Grandly did he steer the relics of a shattered government to the haven of reconstruction. Beautifully did he demonstrate his ability to deal with massive issues and welcome the harbingers of peace.

So his memory is cherished by the Repub-

lic and the people will ever do homage to the name and genius of Abraham Lincoln.

Yet we must not forget the private soldier, for it was he who endured the hardships, the half of which will never be known. It was he who fought the battles. It was he who won them. Sometimes in the face of a blinding storm, sometimes scorched by the penetrating orbs of the vernal sun; but acting on the prerogative of virtue, and manhood they were ever loyal to their duty.

With an abiding sense of their noble cause, commingling with pure motives, they fought, as brave men, for their country's honor. Though thousands fell, in open battle, shattered by shot or shell, just as noble were they who died a martyr's death beyond the prison bars. For it was all sacrificed for the same principles, suffered for the same cause. May their reward be a righteous compensation. Their trophy is the American Flag, the symbol of Revolutionary Glory and national unity.

Many times during that dark, dismal and bloody conflict was that proud emblem of liberty hurled to the ground, trampled upon and stained with the life blood of a dying soldier; yet we can glory in the thought that the Union Army was composed of men who had the courage to grasp the old staff firmly and hold it aloft amidst the din and shout of battle, during every charge and cannonade, with the balls falling thick and fast.

Thus, the Stars and Stripes wave in insolent triumph to-day, and may they wave in honor over the grave of every veteran as he goes to join his comrades above.

Let each surviving one pluck a thread from the tissue of that glorious ensign and entwine it around his heart, as a token in remembrance of his struggle to sustain a Union, one and inseparable, over a free people.

Now that those gloomy days have past, the long years of carnage have ended,

square feet. According to the Chicago Herald, each State will receive a definite amount of space for its public school exhibit.

PROFESSOR BARNARD of the Lick Observatory says that the Holmes Comet has become transformed into a small, bright, starlike body. It appeared round with no signs of any tail. The most wonderful thing about it is the enormous increase in brightness. From being a faint hazy patch almost invisible from a large twelve inch telescope, this comet has changed to a bright object, equal to a seventh or eighth magnitude star.

THE trial of the Panama Canal conspirators has been concluded in Paris. Several of the conspirators have been convicted. Among these are De Lesseps, father and son, and other men of note in connection with public affairs in France. Five years each is the sentence pronounced. The French newspapers claim that the penalty is too severe, but this may be due to their connection with the scandal. The notable things are, first, that wrong-doing by high officials has been rebuked, and second, that the government has withstood the shock which many thought would wreck it. The republic is stronger than before.

Sporting.

THE base-ball team has begun work in the gymnasium.

THE base-ball association could not have made a better choice in selecting a manager than Geo. L. Townsend. He is one who will "hustle things."

THERE has been considerable interest manifested among the students at college concerning the undergraduate rule, which has been

agitating the Universities so much. It hardly seems quite fair just now when the "Varsity Penn" has gotten in a position where she bids fair to become champion at a date not far distant to pass such a rule shutting out so many of her players.

ALTHOUGH foot-ball is over for this season, the interest does not seem to have abated in the least, which is a good sign. At present it looks as if we would have rather a light team, but one full of pluck. With practice comes quickness, and by quick playing the game is won. So boys make up in training what you lack in strength.

NEGLIGENCE is one of the greatest faults to be found in athletics among the students. It is about time to elect a captain of the base-ball team. Do not put it off until near time for the season to open, and then expect your captain to do two months work in two weeks! But look around now among the candidates for positions on the teams, select the best man and elect him immediately, so that he will have time to work up the new material.

IN A former issue something was said about starting cricket at the College. Why we should not, there is not a reason, but why we should there are several. In the first place we have the material from which we could select a first class team. A team which would not only have the honor of being the first team of its kind in this vicinity, but a team which would also be an honor to the college. Again it is a game in which the exercise is not of such a violent character as in other games that are played by college teams. It is a game which, as yet, is not played so extensively, and is mostly played by *gentlemen*, so that there is not the danger of meeting with the ruffianism which we sometimes

meet with on the diamond, and between the goal-posts, and in other sports in which we sometimes meet other than college teams. Those who are interested in athletics, think this matter over and start the "cricket-ball rolling."

De Alumnis.

REYNOLDS, W. E. Newark, Del. Was graduated in 1859. Taught school, and studied law with Geo. Rodney, Esq., at New Castle, Del. Was admitted to the Bar and practiced in Baltimore Co., Md. Was for five years Editor of the *Middletown Transcript*. Is now extensively engaged in merchandising on State street, Dover, Del.

HOUSTON, E. W., Millsboro, Del. Entered college in 1855; left in 1856. Engaged in farming. Was County Treasurer of Sussex county, in 1865. Has since been a merchant. Was elected State Senator of Delaware in 1882, and was appointed Clerk of the Peace for Sussex county by Governor Reynolds in 1892.

HITCH, W. S., M. D., Georgetown, Del. Is now a physician at Laurel, Del.

GILES, T. B., Laurel, Del. Was elected State Treasurer of Delaware in 1875, and was re-elected in 1877. Is now a prosperous farmer near Seaford, Del.

CRUIKSHANK, GEO. W. Esq., A. M. Entered September 9th, 1854, and graduated in 1858. Commenced the study of law under Attorney General Gwinn, when illness compelled him to stop. He resumed the study of law under Col. Jno. C. Groome in 1862, in ten months he was compelled to stop, being threatened with loss of eyesight. Farmed from 1863 to 1865. Was admitted to the bar

in September 1865. He then purchased the "Cecil Democrat," which he has edited for some time. Has practiced law for many years. Resides at Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.

BISHOP, AUGUSTUS H., M. D. Entered November 5th, 1870. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1875. Practiced at Leipsic, Del., from 1875 to 1877. Formed a partnership with Dr. Gore Saulsbury at Dover, Del., 1877 to 1878. Since then he has been practicing by himself at Dover, Del.

VANDERGRIFF, LEWIS C. Esq., Ph. B., Wilmington, Del. Entered college April 19th, 1872. Graduated in 1875. Graduated from Harvard Law School in 1880. Was admitted to the bar of New Castle, Del., 1879.

COOCH, WILKINS J., Newark, Del. Takes an active part in the politics of Delaware. Was elected to the State Senate in 1880. Was a farmer and miller near Newark. Is now Registrar of Wills and has his residence on Delaware Avenue, Wilmington, Del.

MOORE, DAVID O., Laurel, Del. Was elected to the State Senate from Sussex county in 1888. Is now an extensive dealer in lumber and coal at Laurel, Del.

CAUSEY, WILLIAM F., Esq., A. M. Graduated at Yale College in 1855. Was elected a member of the Delaware Legislature in 1864. Was a lawyer for some years at St. Louis, Mo. Moved from there to Milford. Was elected to Congress in 1890, and was re-elected in 1892.

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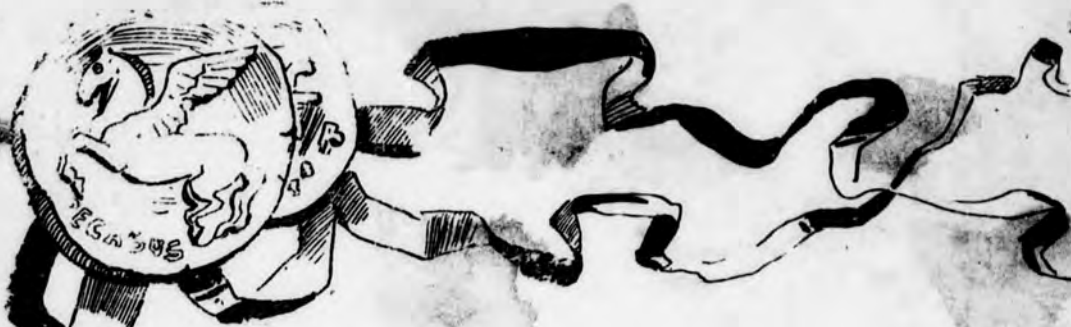


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