Military Hop.

The military hop held in the armory Friday evening was the third of the series, and was the most successful of all. The music began, and in a short time more than fifty couples were gliding over the smooth floor of the large hall, Prof. Roy Britton on violin, and Dr. Jesse Hall, at the piano, furnished excellent music, and the fourteen numbers on the program were all so enjoyable that we could hardly believe that it was eleven-thirty when the last strains of "Home, Sweet Home" died away.

Quite a number of guests were out from Lansing, and also several from outside, including Miss Pixley from Toledo, Ohio, Miss Carruthers from Moreo, Miss Russell from Kalamazoo, H. M. Howe and E. M. Kanter from Detroit, T. W. Denton from Saginaw, R. H. Field from Constantine, Representative Gessi from Bay City, and Lieut.-Col. Smith, assistant quartermaster general.

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The few weeks of that memorable win—
the South into wastes of frozen vege-
table gardens of the
of us were fortunate enough to see
its was a thing of the past, another
week.
visited his son, E. D. Brown, '00, Sat-
day last week. A. M. Patriarche sev-
ting his sister from Kalamazoo for
in six feet of the grape house. We
have not had such high water since
line last Wednesday. During the test
made a street car test on the College
curves of the grade, the volts, the am-
electrical horse power. A graphical
out over the sill.
which he and his sister Nell used in
the laughing girl curled, lexicon in lap,
so will Polly Con."
"How do the men take it?" asked
Professor Gilbert has conditioned James
"Look, she exclaimed, "It's time we
end, for all this, barbarous practice of
"Well?" chaffed Polly Con, "I don't believe
as old as Hiram University. The boys
regard as the charter of their liber-
we stepped, when we were nothing but freshmen," said
 Polly Con's blue eyes danced at the
welcome by the half voluntary words:
"Ladies, we have no champagne in the
wine was to be seen—not even a cigar,"
again to blue. "Don't you remember
"And isn't it?" queried Polly Con, softly.
But Floyd took her hand like a
restive horse and hurried on with a
husky utterance.
"Mrs. Gilbert hasn't a collegiate sense of
polite insults do not strike her as amusing. Her
husband was never horned before—and—and"
Floyd's voice broke in one great, chok-
ing distress.
was never horned before—and—and"—
shingling, she has washed dishes, dust-
strike her as amusing. Her husband
neath their roof, which sadly needed
dependence into something far nobler
proved a most useful step, since it trans-
formed the girls' prissy pride and in-
dependence into something far nobler
by the wistful, delicate deference with
of a New York millionaire, all this was
want of his brother
work for ten years past. His brother
worked for ten years past. His brother
had been ailing lately, besides. If
it is so proud of her husband, just be-
Mr. Hoyt took the sophomore me-
sing, whose theme was "Divine Dis-
the Shakespeare club is now reading
the year on the test cut
the electrical horse power. A graphical
set of three brave, bright girls.
Polly Con was smiling glibly over
the remembrance of Rob's scarlet, hor-
ner-accessory face. Floyd's eyes were
balden, clad to ease, and all Polly
Con's dimples, except the incorrigible
one in the middle of her chin, disap-
pearance.
"Was she?" she began and hesi-
ted, Floyd nodded fiercely.
met him in the drug store the morning of the
Greek examination. He tried to lift his cap and dropped it
on the floor. He couldn't pick it up
at his side. He was very grate-
ful. He tried and wanted to buy me
the soda fountain."
"Do the men take it?" asked
Polly Con anxiously. "They mean to horn Professor Gil-
bright and gay, as all Polly
Con's blue eyes gleamed and
Polly Con and
the electrical horse power and speed.
The Last Horning at Hiram Univer-
"Ha, ha, ha! ha, ha, ha! hi-
credibility."
The cheer rang forth in the frosty air. Rob Grant threw up the
front window of the third story study, which
and his sister in common, and thrust his face
out over the sill.
"It seemed to Rob that Polly
smirched with an indignant hand at her broth-
her coat's tails.
Rob shut the window hastily and
shut off the red curtaila, a picture of indecision.
"The fellows want me. Something's up.
But—but it's almost supper-
"Oh, run along and bring us back the
news!" cried Nell, tossed him a ruf-
sed cap. "Supper will wait, and
we'll Polly Con.
Rob cast a reproachful glance upon
the laughing girl curled, lexicon in hip, larynx hanged, and eyelids of a well-well
"Cholly hollow," crowded his long arms
and stalwart shoulders into the over-
cloak that had bitted him so
freshman, and dived down the narrow
stairway with an impetus that nearly
flew fur cap. "Supper will wait, and
we'll Polly Con."
Bred from the mechanicals down to the Bement found-
rned her brother.
"Girls," she exclaimed, "It's time we
put an end, once for all, to this barbar-
ous practice of horning?" "Well?" chaffed Polly Con, "I don't believe
"And when do we have to do it?" asked
Polly Con anxiously. "They mean to horn Professor Gil-
noted. That's the comedy,"
and added, with bitterness in her tone.
"He's on the brink of nervous
prostration already. He has
over worked for ten years past. His brother
naturally leavened with bitterness.
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The two thirds fell silent, while
on memory flashed the long table of the
the young men, and blurring the rest the grace-
ful figure and radiant face of the chief presi-
dent, before the half voluble words:
"Ladies, we have no champagne in

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which to pledge you. How our moth-
ers would bless you for that!”
The love cherished by Harvard Uni-
sity’s senior class for the brilli-
ant, daring, joyous fellow whom they
had proudly chosen as leader in the
first term of their campus was reaching in
its stubborn faith and troubled hero-
worship. For poor Hamilton had met the
very perils and sorrows himself to conquer.
His friends shielded his
weakness all they could, but it had
become an open shame. Yet that he,
the splendidly chosen one, the star
scholar of the university, should be
visited by the academic disgrace of a
condition, was more than his com-
rades, hurt and humiliated as they
were, could bear with patience.

While the girls still sat in silence,
gave thought and a trembling was
heard on the much-enduring boardroom
heads. The study was dusty with
dirt. Bob, Will Franklin, and Bert Square trooped in, each with
twilight as Bob, Will Franklin
Strange protuberances under his coat.

Clink!

A pillowcase will do well enough.”
Bob’s whisper was almost more pene-
trating than a shout—“I’ll run up for
them for an old-fashioned candy-pull,

Clink! Clink! Clink! Clink!

The evening course of street-ephe
ment lefted them, and so excep-
tionally fine that many of the profes-
sors attended. Chairs were reserved
for them which, on this particular oc-
casion, were very unceremonious-
rubbery over with flour. When, at
the close of the lecture, the lights were
turned out, the three friends for,
whose exit the students respectfully
waited, walked with due stateliness
down the aisles, their broadcloth backs
were a decision and an astonishment.

This was naturally gratifying to
Ted’s friends, and it was in the best
of spirits that Bob, a few minutes after
nine, came bounding up for his loaded
pillowcase. Nell, browned in a note-
book, rubbed over with Hour. When, at
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While the long tin horns were being
distributed, Franklin went up to the
house and reconnoitered. His report
was given gruffly.

“Old Jack-a-Treeins is on the lounge,
head in his wife’s lap. She’s busily
hustling her furniture with cunning,
looking for something of the sort, and
there’s a kid trying to reach up and bathe
here. There’s another kid lying on the
floor, before the fire, putting a sulphur-cot-
ored old cut. Cat seems to like it.

And the room is all still and shifty.”

George Hovey, known to university
fame as the senior class poet, deliber-
ately drove his horn into his pocket,
but not a man followed his example.
Sidney Bell grumbled the signal in
an instant a score of horns silvered
by the moonlight, pointed towards the
quiet home with the bright windows.
A score of seniors swelled their manly
voice toward the peaceful gleam
of Professor Gilbert’s study window.

“Tompkins, ‘Gilded Hal,” tall Ranklin,
chubby little Squire and the rest save
Hamilton himself.

The young faces grew darker and
sterner when the word was whispered
from Sidney Bell, Hamilton’s
devoted chum, that their conditioned
president had not been seen nor heard
from since the unhappy examination,
four days ago.

Silently they crowded around
the pillowcase which Bob, breathless from
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The Agricultural Problem.

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must show the community that we have opinions and that we can set them forth and defend them, and that this is vacationally debating. Moreover, if our debate is truly one on the question we will get little credit for them, however good they may be. The real debaters in any community are the people who listen, and the community knows who they are. Fortunately is that community whose leaders are trained to careful, logical reasoning.

Debating, rightly conducted, is a search for the truth, an attempt to reach just conclusions, and as such it is true, comes only when we look at debating as conducted ideally. It is well, perhaps, to admit that it is not always a disinterested search for truth: that the rivalry of the closest frequently brings forth trickery and deceit and cunning. Grant it all. But if the debate has been ably conducted on both sides, after it is over every unprejudiced man, whether debater or listener, ought to be able to approximate somewhat more nearly that he could at the outset the real truth of the matter.

Or if, in extreme cases, all or the majority have not caught a clearer glimpse of the truth, some at least will have seen the light, and he who has done so, and that is a gain. The main argument for freedom of speech and of the press is that this freedom helps to bring about just conclusions; and upon the search for the truth, an attempt to "find the truth, and the reaching of just conclusions; and upon the finding of truth, and the reaching of the light, the just, the true and just, the right, the accepted, is the reward.

In a moment, for example, the engineer of a heavily loaded passenger train starting out on a long run of 200 or 200 miles. He has the timetable before him and knows that if he does not make the required time he will be fined, if he makes it, he may be awarded a prize. He knows that trains are approaching him, as there are always on business roads, which he must pass at certain stations or other points.

When the engineer cannot see familiar landmarks, such as fences, trees and hills, is it not hard for him to know where to shut off steam to prevent running by the switch? He must keep his eyes riveted on the ten or twelve feet of rails and ties ahead of him. The Engineer does not look at the wage-earner or gas-washer lost some familiar spot or crossing passed unobserved.

Added to this great strain on his nerves is the continual jar and sway of the train, and the perpetual jumble of the rushing into the engine, which change clouds of smoke to rise from the stack and after a while to fill the air. The fireman occasionally puts in the air gathered in the engine, through which the throttle and brake-valve operator must keep his eyes riveted on the ten or twelve feet of rails and ties ahead of him.

People ask how the snow is removed from the track. Had the engine at work on the main line, it may be that the snow is removed from the track, and the men inside the engine, who have learned to see the white of the snow in the dark, can see it clearly and in its true colors. The men inside the engine, who have learned to see the white of the snow in the dark, can see it clearly and in its true colors.

Imagine, for a moment, the engine, which weighs a ton or more. The life of the man is one of constant change, and it is only in a very few cases that he is able to rest. The fireman cannot see each other for long because of the smoke and the fire. The fireman cannot see each other for long because of the smoke and the fire.

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"Returning to Denver, I remained during the Festival of Mountain and Plain; then came to Greeley, near which place I lived on a ranch for nearly three months. I moved from there into Greeley, where I am now living, about two blocks from the State Normal School."

"I went to Denver again February 15, and this time found Doctor Rankin. Enjoyed the visit with him very much. Wednesday morning, February 17, I met Miss Riggs (from Lansing), and we were married at 4:30 that afternoon at the home of Rev. J. W. Rankin. * * * We remained in Denver nearly a week, then came to Greeley, where we are now living at 1330 8th avenue. "It seems to me that we have almost no winter at all here, the weather has been so pleasant."

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