

art. The *Diagnothcan* also contemplates making improvements. Yours Respectfully,

W. S. HOERNER,
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HAVERFORD COLLEGE, Feb. 21, 1888.

Editor of FREE LANCE:—The Haverford first and second cricket eleven have been selected and since the mid-year examinations have been diligently practicing in the sheds. The coming season will be entered upon with both elevens in good form and determined to win their share of victories. The college seems to be taking a deeper and more general interest in cricket than for some seasons back and there is no doubt but that the team will meet most encouraging support from all the students. The glee club organized last autumn is pronounced by every one to be a complete success. Their first concert was given at the college recently and a more enjoyable entertainment would have been hard to find. The singing was of a high order and was ably seconded by skillful and difficult performances on the banjo and guitar. The great topic of interest at Haverford at present is the proposed athletic grounds. The plans have been drawn, and the students are promptly pledging their own money, and President Sharpless is very successful in obtaining aid from the alumni and friends of the college. The matter is being pushed so earnestly on every side that there seems to be no question but that before the present senior class is graduated, the tracks will be nearly if not quite finished. Athletics have received a new inspiration and there is every reason to think that with the improved training which our present material will have, we shall soon be able to turn out first class athletes, ready to cope with those from any college. Coasting has always been a very prominent winter sport at Haverford, and it has been enjoyed this year under more favorable circumstances than usual. A single "starter" was built on the principle of a toboggan slide which enables the sleds immediately to have great swiftness, there-

by materially increasing the swiftness of the whole descent. There have been numerous coasting parties on the slide this winter composed of friends of the students, which have been very pleasant socially to all concerned.

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Dear Sir: * * * I have nothing but praises for the FREE LANCE. It appears better and more enjoyable at each issue, as with famished eagerness one hails the arrival of this welcome messenger bearing tidings from his Alma Mater, State College. Could no longer afford to be without the FREE LANCE.

I remain your friend,
W. P. FISHER, Jr.

COLLEGE ORBIT.

Yale's new gymnasium is to cost \$300,000.

Oxford has facilities for printing 150 languages.

At Rutgers the majority of the students are prohibitionists.

Racine College lost \$23,500 by fire on February 4th.

President Fairchild of Oberlin College is ninety years old.

Russian University troubles with public officers increase.

Columbia College has doubled its library in the last four years.

Trinity recently conferred the degree of LL. D. upon Senator Edmunds.

On March 24th, the annual boat race between Cambridge and Oxford will take place.

The University of St. Petersburg has however been re-opened by order of the Czar.

The University of Pennsylvania has now raised \$30,000 for its proposed Babylonian trip.