

make their part of the program pleasing, and they have succeeded well ; but on account of having few members, an important part of the program in many instances has been omitted—the Class Day exercise. There is scarcely any event during Commencement week that excites as great interest and affords our guests as much pleasure as the short while devoted only to the exercises of a class day. We dare not blame past classes, for where they consist of only a few members it would be overburdening them to expect them to prepare performances for a class day while taking part in the graduation exercises proper. But with our present outlook we may expect it of future classes. Let '89 make the start ! and '90 will follow in her footsteps. It is not too soon to consider the matter ; nor is it too soon to come to a conclusion in regard to it. What it will add to the program may be realized at the time. This, in addition to the personal benefit which may be derived from such an exercise, should seriously impress the subject upon the minds of all students, and open it for their careful consideration.

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**T**HE Presidential campaign now approaching promises to be one of unusual interest and excitement. It cannot fail to attract the attention of every voter in the land, as well as those who can but look on and admire its ef-

fects. As yet only one of the political parties has named its candidate. He is perhaps yet an experiment, but has an administration open to the party's judgment, upon which to base his claim. Whoever the opposing party may name as its choice will base his claim to success upon the past history of the party, as well as his own merit. These leaders represent two totally different phases of the great problem of Government. And it is the paramount interest of every citizen to have the governing power placed in the hands of the most capable,—in the hands of the party whose policy comes nearest to touching the vital interests of the governed. If we be the "men of the future," we cannot too soon manifest an interest in political questions. Such an event as a Presidential election should stir us up, and compel us to search for our political convictions, if such we have. It is the most glorious event of our history, for by it we can change the point of sovereignty, thus showing that here, power rests in the hands of the people. We as students, whether voters or not, have our influence however slight ; and it is important that our political judgement be fixed and yet unbiased by party prejudices. We shall have ample opportunity at Ratification meetings during the campaign, of hearing the political issues discussed by men sufficiently prominent in public affairs to assure us of their correctness. Let us not mani-