

there will be no danger of their disfiguring the battallion in the spring. If we cannot keep our athletics upon the level that our institution demands them to be, let us drop sport altogether and remain forever in the background when collegiate games are spoken of.

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THE opening of a new college year has brought back most of the old faces and with them quite a number of new ones, all of whom, from their appearance, seem anxious to make good the opportunity they have of improving their mental condition. We are indeed glad to say that the conduct of the old toward the new is rapidly improving, and the smokings, duckings and gauntlet running, which used to be so popular a remedy for the homesickness of new men, are all slowly but surely dying at P. S. C.

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THE question of conveniences for visitors and strangers is never so forcibly impressed on our minds as during commencement. The hotel is not large enough to accommodate many guests, and during commencement and the week preceding it is overcrowded as are the few private boarding places. Even small parties coming from Bellefonte and neighboring towns to spend a few days here or attend entertainments, find it almost impossible to secure accommodations. A very good hotel could be erected and managed much cheaper here than in a larger place, and we are sure it would receive the support of the students as well as induce visitors and friends to come oftener. Still another subject which impresses the student almost every day, particularly a rainy day, is the subject of walks or pavements. A few years ago when the college was not prospering as it is at present and with fewer students, most of whom boarded in the college, the absence of sidewalks was not so noticeable, but

now the college has no club and the boarding places are located in different parts of the village, and two hundred or more students are daily making their way through mud or dust to or from their boarding places. This is something that the people of the village should not allow to remain undone any longer, and it is to be hoped that we will presently have a walk extending from one end of the village to the other.

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AFTER the glee and banjo clubs returned from their trip last spring and divided the "proceeds" they seemed to pass out of existence. Although the trip was not what might be called a financial success, it was as much so as could be expected for the first attempt and had its return in a great many ways. But it is very probable that the trip did not lessen the interest, but greatly increased it and will strengthen the organization this year. The officers and members will know better what is required of them, and will not feel as anxious as they did when taking their first step. The Athletic Association is trying to secure a lecturer; and why wouldn't it be a good plan for the clubs to assist the association and make the entertainment as much of a success as possible? Besides it would be a good opportunity for them to prove what their members have asserted, that they are not dead yet.

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NOW that we have made our start in athletics let the good work go on. With such an auspicious beginning we should reach the highest pinnacle of athletic success. The record of our base ball team for the few years of its existence has been equaled by few colleges and surpassed by none. Our foot ball team during the two years of its active life has covered itself with glory, and if its first victory is any augury of the future, will add "new lustre to its fame" in the coming