Rugby. His boys were fed, and compelled to make muscle. It was no cracker and tea diet that laid the foundations of Gladstone's and Bismark's lives. Behind these men lies a youth of foot ball, base-ball, and other college sports. "The glory of young men is their strength." Let us take care of that.

LOCALS.

On the head of the bed sat King Bed-bug bold,
The room he was in was icy cold;
He said to himself with a wink of the eye:—
"I'll dine on some blue blood to-night, or die."

Heard on the drill ground: "Just as you was." Gibboney says he is bound to have a Holiday. The three graces—Lovett, Spence, Newburn.

McDonnell, to his squad: "Turn your faces to the college and your backs towards Foster's store." January,—February,—March.

In the words of our absent Sam, "Rastus has went." He is teaching the black idea how to shoot in Nashville, Tenn.

A testing machine, capable of testing up to one hundred thousand pounds, has been added to the Department of Civil Engineering.

Instructor to new cadet: "Throw your shoulders back more."

New cadet (with feeling.) "Oh dear! I can't do that."

Instructor. "S-h-h-h."

The prospects for a college orchestra this year are exceptionally good. Quite a number of the new students are expert musicians; and with these men and the old talent, we will doubtless have a good orchestra of ten or twelve pieces, before the opening of the winter term. In former days the college had a good orchestra, and there is no reason why we should not have one now.

The foot ball season began here on the 11th of Sept., when the first practice game of the season was played. Since then several games have been played and at present the indications are that we shall have a very fair team to represent the college during this season. Several very desirable men entered the college this fall, and, as the pick of the old team is still here, we have reason to hope for a first class eleven. Applicants for positions on the team went into training on the morning of the 15th, and they have been steadily at work since then. A schedule of games with the best colleges in the state has been arranged by the foot-ball committee, and we doubt not that P. S. C. will experience a better, a more successful season than it did last year.

On Friday evening, Sept. 12th, the annual reception of the Y. M. C. A. was held in the halls of the Washington and Cresson Literary Societies. Refreshments were served during the evening and splendid music was rendered at different times to the delight of all present. The object of the reception, to better acquaint the new men with their fellow students, and to make them feel more at home in their surroundings, is a most commendable one and worthy the support of every student. The reception was a grand success, and we must congratulate the Association on the result of their effort this year.

During the summer the work of improvement has gone on steadily at the college. The campus has been enlarged and beautified, and a considerable number of changes have been made in the different buildings. The most important improvement is the one in the Preparatory Dep't. The old, narrow, box stairways have been replaced by neat winding stairs similar to those in the college. The hall windows, too, have been enlarged; and Prepdom, from being the dark, disagreeable hole of yore, has been transformed into one of the brightest and most cheerful departments in the institution.