

a revelation of traits which we never dreamed that they possessed; and we cry out, "How peculiar!" forgetting that, in our turn, we probably give just such surprising glimpses of our own inconsistent natures, and cause others to wonder at our peculiarities. We exclaim, and believe that we honestly desire it,

"O wad some power the giftie gie us,
To see oursel's as others see us,"

But were our wish granted, were some unwise and over-frank being to give us our portrait with photographic fidelity, we would shrink as we do from some of those unflattering negatives which might take the vanity out of Narcissus himself.

We must take a different point of view from the Quaker. Not until we go a little deeper into the well where Truth hides herself can we learn the right lesson and make allowances for "human various." Every one is "peculiar" to some one else, and the wisest plan is to arrive at the conclusion reached by two intimate friends who, in the seclusion of their sewing room, were discussing their neighbors. Neither was a gossip; nevertheless a mild species of dissection was in operation, when one of them merrily exclaimed, "We find so many oddities in people whom every one else accepts as commonplace that it must be *we* who are peculiar!"

The old proverb will not fit the case. It is precisely because we do not live in glass houses, and our motives and springs of action are so obscure, even to ourselves, because we are not and cannot be transparent, that we must refrain from casting the first stone. We must cease to think and speak of peculiar people, and take our friends as we do our flowers—discreetly avoiding the sharp points, and enjoying their beauty and sweetness—for

"with all its thorns, the rose
Is more than any flower that blows."
L. R.

All students and people in this community should attend the lecture for the benefit of the Athletic Association, on Friday evening, February 5th, "Burma" will be Rev. Calder's '83 subject.

THE NEWLY ADOPTED CONSTITUTION OF THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting held in the college chapel, on Jan. 26th, the Athletic association set aside the old constitution and adopted the following, which is considered to be a great improvement over the old, as it does away with many rules which formerly were found by experience to be objectionable:

ARTICLE I.

Sec. 1.—The association shall consist of active and non-resident members.

Sec. 2.—Active members shall consist of all persons in regular attendance at this college.

Sec. 3.—Non-resident members shall consist of all those members who have left college in good standing.

Sec. 4.—This association shall be divided into the following departments, viz: Football, Baseball and General Athletic.

Sec. 5.—General Athletic department shall include all sports excepting those of football and baseball.

ARTICLE II.

Sec. 1.—The officers of this association shall be as follows: President, vice-president, secretary, marshal and board of auditors consisting of three members.

Sec. 2.—The manager of each department shall be the treasurer of his respective department.

ARTICLE III. DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1.—Duties of the President: To preside at all meetings of the association, to expound and enforce a due observance of the constitution and by-laws, to decide upon all questions of order, and to call special meetings, to appoint officers and committees not otherwise provided for and to fill temporary vacancies.

Sec. 2.—Duties of Vice-president. In the absence of the president the vice-president shall perform all duties of that office.

Sec. 3.—Duties of the Secretary: It shall be