

In the intercourse outside the college walls the social side of the man is not overdeveloped, the literary receiving much attention. Various societies or "Vereins" have been instituted for this purpose, and they accomplish much good. These student unities are divided into four general classifications. First of all comes the "corps," very select in membership, few in number and very mysterious in their workings. They are the sole remaining relic of the original German student unions. With them originated the practice of duelling and many other customs in vogue to-day. They all wear vari-colored caps and a band of ribbon of the colors of the "corps" on their breast. Their intercourse with other societies, or even with another corps, consists in most places in challenging to a combat. Next to these comes the "Verbindung" or brotherhood, with caps of but one color, and more numerous and inclusive than the first mentioned. Thirdly, we will reckon the "Landmannschafts" or union of men according to residence in the kingdom, every political division of any size having a representative body in the institution of learning. These at times wear colors, but the custom is not universal. Lastly comes the "Verein" corresponding to our literary society. Each department in the university has at least one of these among its students.

Among all these the rules and order of meeting is the same in general. All have "Kneipes" at least once in a week. At all of these "Kneipe" we can see the natural tendency of the youth cropping out, and student life is here as it has been for centuries. The boys let themselves loose at these meetings and crack jokes by the hour, while the atmosphere becomes vitiated through smoke and beer flows like water. The best man is he who can do away with the most glasses of this delectable fluid. The amount of this liquid refreshment an ordinary student will put away is incredible. We are taught to regard the capacity of the stomach as three pints, but this seems far from reality after attending a "Kneipe," where twenty or thirty, four-tenths of a liter, glasses is a usual proportion. In spite of this fact intoxication among the "conker eipants" is seldom seen.

In spite of this jolly good fellowship that prevails duelling still holds sway, though greatly diminished in extent and popularity. In this civilized period bosom-friends will make of themselves targets for each other. The brutal two-edged sword will still deface the fairest features. Physical courage is not wanting among the students, for it takes, in my estimation, an unlimited