

Dave Dale, Private, Co. H, 5th Regiment.

Other men not in the State Militia, but who are taking an active part in military matters at present are :

'82. I. P. McCreary, drill master of a company of recruits at Osceola Mills.

97. E. R. Heilig, electrician on board the U. S. S. S. "San Francisco," the flag ship of the North Atlantic Squadron.



AN INTERESTING LETTER

We publish herewith a letter recently received by Prof. Buckhout, Historian of the Alumni Association, from Pusant F. Nishkian, '85, an Armenian in whom some of the Alumni, at least, should be interested. By way of an introductory statement, we would add that he was born in Erzeroom, Armenia, and after living at various places entered Robert College, at Constatinople. In 1880, he came to America, and through the assistance of some friends whom he acquired in Philadelphia he soon afterwards came to State College, graduating in the General Science course in '85. When last heard from previous to the following letter, in 1893, he was filling the position of Chemist in Kansas City, but contemplated going to Mexico.

His letter, with a few slight changes, is as follows:—

(PLACE NOT GIVEN), APRIL 4, 1898.

"MY DEAR PROF:

"Let me hope that nobody among my Pennsylvania friends has thought me an ungrateful cuss, negligent, thoughtless, etc., etc. My life for years has been one of continuous tragedy. The Armenian outrages with their consequent horrors have weighed upon me so heavily that it has been a supreme effort on my part to at least brace up and keep cool. Therefore, it has been impossible for me to correspond in any way and to declare to friends in Pennsylvania that I am on earth.

"My life has been very much of a wandering sort. The terrible events and massacres in Turkey took me to Europe in the summer of 1896. I could not get to Constantinople without seri-