

THE FREE LANCE.

*"His good blade carves the casques of men, for the Free Lance
thrusteth sure."*

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STATE'S INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATES.

ANOTHER year has nearly passed and State's debaters are crowned—with defeat. In the words of the immortal Perry "We have met the enemy and we are theirs." Twice have our men pressed bravely into the enemies country and twice have they been received warmly, yea verily with open, with engulfing arms.

The Dickinson debate took place at Carlisle in Bosler Hall, April 26, on the question "Resolved that Mississippi's representation in the national House of Representatives should be decreased in proportion to the decrease in the franchise resulting from her suffrage legislation." State, aff. was represented by Messrs. Taylor, Risser and Foley. Dickinson, neg. by Messrs. Amerman, Hardeley and Presby.

Taylor, leading for State, contended that the only question was to determine whether Miss's. legislation had "denied" or "abridged" the right of suffrage and that if it had Sec. II, 14th amendment, United States constitution must be applied. He produced statistics from government reports and other sources showing that since the enactment of laws establishing an educational test for voters the vote in Mississippi has decreased nearly 50 per cent. This being es-