

few minutes silently smoking. Then Hiram got up, stretched himself, and remarked: "Gosh, but I'm tired. Guess it's about my bed time. Any o' yeh goin' up my way?"

"Yas," replied the blacksmith. "We'd all better be goin', fer Sol wants to put out the lights so he kin save ile." R. N. W.

EDITORIALS.

At the present time an effort is being made to get State College more in touch with the whole State than has been done in the past. The plan, in brief, is to send out weekly news items concerning State to the leading papers throughout the state and to have direct telegraphic communication with the leading daily papers. The work is already started. Students can help a great deal by handing notices to any member of the Free Lance Board, or by putting news items in the Free Lance box.

Old letters tell many a tale. We spent the afternoon a few days ago going through several hundreds of old letters that had accumulated in the Free Lance room. Several editors must have placed a high value on old letters, for they had saved everything in that line. There were duns from creditors, bills from publishers, notices from subscribers to discontinue the paper, complaints from advertisers and numerous other like things which give spice and variety to an editor's life.

Among this miscellaneous collection we found a list of the first subscribers to the Free Lance when it was started in 1887. From the record we find there were seventy-eight students willing to subscribe in advance for a monthly college journal, and we select the following names:

Seniors—W. F. White, F. Straus.

Juniors—W. M. Porter, Geo. M. Davning, G. J. Thomas, J. Price Jackson, Geo. C. McKee.

Sophomores—Alex. Patterson, Dorsey Hunter, G. A. Beaver, J. B. Struble, F. P. Atherton, W. P. Woodward.