

Freshman might not do it—and distributed fragments of the coffin as mementos.’

—The *Lafayette* has reproduced an address given by Rev. James M. Ludlow, D. D., L. H. D., at the exercises commemorating the founding of Lafayette College. One of his most forcible statements is the following:

“A university magnate advocates the lowering of the standard of studies for the mass of students, so that a multitude—especially of the sons of prospective donors to the institution—may be attracted to four years’ residence in a university town where he imagines that they will without special application absorb intellectuality from the atmosphere, which is supposed to hang around, like the smoke from professors’ chimneys. Bushes thrive by being planted in clumps, why not brains? My acquaintance with some university towns leads me to vary the simile. Poor plants, in such thick propinquity, will certainly acquire bugs. I need not amplify in speaking to students.”

—The *Allegheny Literary Monthly* contains an interesting and well written article on Count Leo Tolstoy. We appropriate an extract:

“A man true to his convictions is admired. A coward dissipates our confidence. But Tolstoy is no coward. Why does he plead for the cessation of war? Not because he fears to stand for the right. Sebastopol attests his bravery as a soldier. But the futility of warfare, the failure of bloodshed, misery and devastation to bring the desired end, make him cry out against the professional soldier. Cowards are not allied to unpopularity. It still takes more courage to oppose than to favor warfare. England raises a louder hurrah for Lord Roberts than for her prime minister. Roosevelt, the hero of San Juan, is more vigorously cheered than Roosevelt the man of letters. In our day of vast navies and heavy armaments no weak man dare champion the cause of non-resistance. But public disfavor is only one of the things he disdains.”