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## EDITORIAL

The strenuous week is nearly over; one by one the text books are placed up on the shelf, some of them probably never to be consulted again. Many argue that exams are useless and a waste of time, just as flies are good for nothing but tormenting people. The question has been debated pro and con many times but we do not intend to take up the discussion. For him, who has studied his lessons and has made successful "stabs" at his exams, there is a feeling of self-satisfaction as he comes out of his last exam and enters into the gayeties of commencement week. He who is positive that he is among the "flunks," unless he is an optimist, takes on a countenance which is of a gloomy nature. One more semesters work is nearly finished; one more eighth of the college course is almost past. How time does fly.

To show the success that the

Alumni Committee is having in its efforts to have class reunions this Commencement and justify our claims as repeatedly made in our columns that we were going to have the best jubilee in the history of the college this year, we would like to give one incident. There are nine living members of the class of 1862. Mr. John I. Thompson, of Lemont, being one; and of these nine, eight will be here for their class reunion. That is the proper spirit and would be a good model for the more recent classes.

## COLLEGE ORBIT.

There has grown up, in our American Colleges of to-day, a spirit of cynicism which manifests itself occasionally in the columns of our exchanges. One writer, in an article on Commencement, says: "there are even those whose eyes grow moist as they throw off their cap and gown, and who say things to themselves about leaving, perhaps forever, these old gray walks." Of course there are lots of them; and for the man who can leave his college days and his college friends behind him without a quickening of the heart and a few other kindred emotions, for that man, we have no use.

After the ball,--She--"Do you know what I should do if you should try to kiss me?"

He--"No, why?"

She--"Oh, nothing; only you don't seem to have any curiosity."

—Ex.

Westminster College has two Rhodes Scholarships.

The smallest University in the world has just commenced its twenty-third year of active work. This is the American Classical University of Athens. The enrollment

is six scholars, all of whom are Americans engaged in classical research work. Another notable thing about this student body is that each one holds a fellowship.—Ex.

The Senior class at Cornell is proposing to endow, as a class memorial a fund for the maintenance of at least one athlete.—Ex.

This savors somewhat of Professionalism.

### Gen. Chaffee not Coming.

We were very sorry to hear that Lieut. General Chaffee, Commanding General of the United States Army, who was to have been here during Commencement week and was to have inspected the Battalion, will be unable to come. He must be at West Point on June 13th the day of our ceremonies. This certainly is a great misfortune and will decrease very much the interest taken in this affair, although Maj. Gen. Chas. Miller, Commander of the National Guard of Pennsylvania will be here. Gen. Miller has made us a number of visits and is well known to the undergraduates at State. Last fall a year he won the respect of all the students by presenting a sword to the second best drilled Company of which N. G. Miller was captain.

### Tennis.

On Friday evening Crocker, '05, and Parry, '05, won the semi-finals in tennis from Barnett, '05, and Stevenson, '05. Quite a crowd gathered at Gills court to see the contest, and the fight was sharp from start to finish. Crocker and Parry took the first set by the score of 7-5. Barnett and Stevenson rallied and secured the second set 6-1, but the third was another duce-set and Crocker and Parry won out, 7-5. Dunn, '05, and Stewart, '06, played the semi-finals with Robinson, '05, and Ferguson, '08, on Tuesday but the scores were not in time for this week's issue. The finals are to be contested for on Saturday of this week.