further voted that all places in the show be filled by open competition, that offensive personalities be debarred, that a competent person be secured to coach the ministrels, and that a percentage of the profits be turned over to the benefit of some college organization. If the show succeeds this year, it is planned to make it an annual affair.

## Advanced Degrees.

Next June State will have the honor of conferring advanced degrees upon 36 candidates. This number is the greatest in the history of the college, and is a positive proof of its high standing in professional life. Heretofore the highest number has been about twelve, mostly in the Engineering School, but now there are fifteen candidates for M. S. in chemistry above. Of the 36 candidates four are students: at present graduate F. A. Dalburg. '06. B. S. in Mining and candidate for M. E; H. I. Smith, '07, B. S. candidate for E. M.; B. D. Kunkle, '07, B. S., candidate for E. E.; and A. A. MacDonald, '05, B. A., candidate for M. A.

The candidates for M. S. in Chemistry are: H. B. McDonnell, '86; J. H. Yocum, '91; H. C. Peffer, '95; J. L. Haehnlen, '99; W. C. Hamilton, '00; H. J. York, '00; W. H. Buckhout, '01; E. S. Erb, '01; B. L. Moore, '01; J. E. Isenberg, '02; J. F. Bradley, '03; C. H. Swanger, '04; J. J. Morgan, '05; B. R. Curry, '05; M. J. Rentschler, '04.

For the degree of M. E. there are P. H. Gentzel, '05; E. B. Norris, '04; LeRoy Shaner, '04; O. C. Edwards, '00.

For the degree of E. E. there are G. Weaver, '05; O. H. Bathgate, '04; J. N. G. Nesbit, '00; E. P. Harder, '95.

For C. E. there are two candidates; H. C. Kittredge, '04; R. G. Lose, '05. Miss E. B. Bricker, '00, Biol. and R. D. Barclay, 05, Agri.,



will take the advanced degree of M. S. The degree of M. A. has for candidates two members of the faculty: Prof. E. V. Gage, A. B., and Prof. W. S. Die, Jr., A. B., F. H. Taylor,' 03, and F. E. Pray, '04 are candidates for M. A. LeRoy Scholl, '01, is a candidate for E. M.

A coincidence is noticed from the fact that the great number of candidates for advanced degrees in chemistry have applied on the twentieth anniversary of Dr. Pond's work here. All of the above candidates have been in professional work for at least three years, and are preparing a thesis to be submitted not later than May 1, 1908. On commence-

ment day all will receive their degrees, and "State" will be ready for a still larger increase next year.

The Acetylene Journal for Jan. 1908 contains an illustrated article on "Acetylene in Some Seats of Learning," in which the author comments at length on the pioneer work of Dr. Pond in the study and and utilization of acetylene. Mention is made of the revised edition of Dr. Pond's valuable pamphlet on acetylene which is about to be issued.

The band stag on Saturday evening was enjoyed by all present. Why not have them more frequently?