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agriculture, 84; mining, 81; classical, 30; latin scientific, 28; biology, 19; physics and electrotechnics, 6; mathematics, 5; modern language, 2; natural history, 1.

By next year we will have graduates in forestry and in electro-chemical engineering. It might be interesting to note that the total number of graduates is less than the number of students enrolled at present. We have 1096 students of whom 4 are postgraduates, 120 are seniors, 160 are juniors, 227 are sophomores, 388 are freshmen, 77 are sub-freshmen, 44 are specials and 71 are short course men.

Dr. Sparks on Athletics.

Dr. Sparks was in Washington a few days ago, looking after the interests of the college in several respects, and, while there, was interviewed by a reporter of the Washington Post.

The following interesting interview gives some idea of Dr. Sparks' views on athletics. We publish it for the information, and doubtless the enjoyment, of our readers.

"From a cub reporter on an Ohio paper to the presidency of a college is the remarkable rise of Dr. Edwin Erle Sparks, who last November was elected to head the State College of Pennsylvania. Dr. Sparks is now professor of American History in the University of Chicago. He worked his way through the Ohio State University while serving as a reporter on the Ohio State Journal, of Columbus, and after graduating from that institution became an instructor there. Then he went to the State College, where he was professor of history for five years.

"Shortly after I had been chosen for the presidency of State College, one of the young men at the University of Chicago came to me to congratulate me," said Dr. Sparks last night.

"I understand," he said, "that you are going to leave us to take the

presidency of State College.' I told him I was, and then he asked me where State College was, and in telling him I spoke of 'Penn State.' 'Oh,' he exclaimed, 'you are going to "Penn State." That's the college that licked Cornell last fall.

"That shows in a way the spirit of the age," continued Dr. Sparks, "and college presidents and professors recognize it. The time has passed when the student at college spends all his time burning the midnight oil and wears out his health. Athletics are a necessary and important part of every well governed American college, and in their way they inculcate that distinctive American spirit to win which exists not only with relation to sports, but to studies also. The officers of colleges nowadays do not frown upon athletics as some used to, because they appreciate their importance in helping the students in their studies. The desideratum in college life is to make every student enjoy his work, as well as his play, and by giving him an opportunity to excel in athletics I believe he is better able to enjoy his studies and to excel in them also."

The Minstrel Show.

A number of entries for places as end men have already been received, and all those who wish to try for a place are urged to hand in their names as soon as possible to Chairman McIlveen, or to G. E. Miller or Waha. Due notice will be given as to when the entries close. Two fraternity chapters have signified their intention of entering specialties in the competition, and other groups of men are gently reminded that stung are they who get busy too late. The show will probably be held shortly before the Easter vacation.

The secretary of the New England association reports the following officers: President, Prof. Dugald C. Jackson, '85; secretary, J. C. Clendenin, '03.