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Cross Country.

Cross country running at Penn State has become a factor of considerable importance in our minor sports but not to such an extent as this form of sport merits.

This year when the first call for candidates was made 18 men responded. When the call for football men was made over 100 responded. Contrast this with the U. of P. results of the same calls. Penn responded to the first call for cross country to the number of 80 men and the first respond for football men was 75. What causes this difference?

There are more men capable of making good at cross country in our institution than there are in making good at football. The physical benefit is just as great and although the recompense, so far as glory and taking trips goes, falls below football, still it is considerable, and is growing steadily each year.

Negotiations are at present under way to match our team with college teams both in home contests and on foreign ground. The first of these runs occurs in New York, November 22, at which time six men will probably be entered in the contest. Meets of similar nature will occur from time to time during the winter.

New men, who desire to try out in this sport, are urged to report on New Beaver Track immediately. The squad practice occurs every afternoon. Candidates should give their names to the assistant track managers and men who give indications of promise will be excused from further drill at once.

The Sunday Evening Concert

Following the custom of former years, the combined musical clubs of the college rendered a concert last Sunday evening, closing the Pennsylvania Day festivities. Besides the orchestra numbers, the Glee Club and the Mandolin Club selection, there was an excellent reading from "Les Miserables," and a solo which was worthy of a more perfect tribute than was accorded it. The orchestra rendered its two selections almost perfectly proving that it has lost nothing of last years ability. The Glee club too, is better than ever, thanks to Professor Robinson's abundance of material and careful training. The members of the Mandolin club gave evidence of much patient practice in the way in which they rendered their two numbers. The novelty of the evening, however, was the freshman quartet, which sang "Still, Still With Thee." All four members showed ability and we shall look forward with pleasure to hearing them again. In all ways the concert was an undoubted success, and those who are in charge of the

various organizations are to be congratulated on the showing that was made.

BY THE WAY.

Rutger's trustees recommend that the faculty prevent the students from wasting their time at such things as athletic sports, boating, glee clubs, etc. Exchange of 1882.

The University of Pennsylvania is planning to erect a chapel costing half a million dollars.

The Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania at the end of the last college year estimated a loss of \$18,300 for the year of 1912-13. Football was the only sport which made money last year. Other sports were run at a loss ranging from \$200 to \$10,000. Even the football team did not make as much money as in former years. The eleven has always done the lion's share in keeping down the losses. The total net gridiron receipts last fall were \$54,000 and the expenditures were \$47,000, leaving a margin of \$7,000 profit.

Light logic:—Hitting the ball high does not improve the batting average. A liberal minded chap is one who thinks the same as you. Never explain. Your friends don't require it and your enemies won't believe it.

Engineering Exhibit.

The School of Engineering, in cooperation with the State Department of Labor and Industry, held a safety exhibit in the Engineering Club room on Friday and Saturday of last week. One of the most interesting features of the exhibit was a collection of photographs sent by the Aetna Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn. This collection numbered about 1000 and illustrated safety devices in use in wood-working, metalworking, grinding, tanning, foundry work, and various other manufacturing processes. When we realize that 232 working men are killed or injured every hour, it is apparent that any move to decrease this number, most of which can be prevented, is a move which should be commended and helped. This collection was in the charge of Mr. H. H. Richardson, Safety Inspector, in the company's Bureau of Inspection and Accident Prevention. A similar collection was awarded a commemorative medal by the International Exposition of Hygiene at Dresden, in 1911, and is now part of the permanent collection in the Berlin Museum of Safety.

Mr. Fleming of the United States Bureau of Mines visited the college on Thursday and Friday November 6-7 and give a number of moving picture lecture on First Aid, Mine Rescue, Mining and Metallurgy.



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