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Although strangers when speaking about our village put it down as a dull, dreary Sleepy Hollow, yet the inhabitants themselves, and especially the juvenile portion, have no reason to complain. Perhaps aware that they constitute the most important part of the population, and are responsible for any lack of 'go', the young people, during term time, have hundred and one ways of amusing themselves out of class; during day time at their sports, and in leisure evenings at the Debating Societies, or at the various Concerts, lectures and other entertainments which they themselves are chiefly instrumental in providing for the enjoyment of the public. In number and variety of entertainments we cannot fall far short of other villages. Last half, for instance almost every week saw something on?

But notwithstanding the general content among the fellows, there are some among whom the idea is prevalent, that Friday evenings, spent at lectures, concerts, or at the Debating Societies, is time wasted. These gentlemen shut themselves up in their dormitories cramming formulae or reading trash. The sooner they re-

linquish this habit, and dismiss the absurd notion about evenings spent at entertainments being time wasted, the better. There can be nothing more foolish than to suppose that the mind does not require recreation as well as the body.

Of course those fellows who object to going out, 'on principle', are those who are loudest to echo the utterance of strangers who say the place is dull. The fact is, quudging the hour and the sixpence, these fellows have a dull time of it here, and would be unhappy in any place under the sun.

In this place we are all gathered for one common object, to wit - to be instructed, but no one must suppose that he has been sent here only to learn a lot of Latin and Greek. Is it not right that young fellows should meet one another, now and again under circumstances, other than in class; at social gatherings where, whether whether they afford pleasure or instruction, or are amused and instructed themselves, they cannot fail to benefit? Does not such sociability lead to mutual encouragement, endue with fresh energy, and contribute largely in turning out the useful and profitable member of society?

Athletic Sports. As the date on which the sports are to come off is approaching, we deem it not inopportune now to make a few proposals, which if followed by the committee, we venture to say will make this year's meet an improvement upon last year's.

Our suggestions are:-

1. That the Football kicking be over a bar as in ordinary goal kicking.
2. That the Hurdle race be run in heats as is done everywhere else.
3. That to the items on the programme be added 'a menagerie race'. (This was tried at the Duxian College and proved a success)
4. That competitors in the three-legged race draw lots as to which couples should run. (Good deal of fun afforded, for sometimes a small boy is coupled with a giant.)
5. Now about a field. Last year the sports were held on the Braak. Would not the Avenue and the ground adjoining do better. Reasons. The Braak cannot be entirely closed in, hence no gate money can be collected; the ground is unfit for running on, being uneven and slippery; hardly any shade for spectators, certainly not for competitors. The Avenue on the contrary is beautifully shaded; ground level and firm, can easily be enclosed (like at shows), and offers every facility for entertaining spectators, and has a plot of ground adjoining, large enough for throwing the cricket ball and kicking the football.
6. About Prizes. Instead of those little silver things, would it not be better

to invest in such things as, bats, bags, books, pipes &c.; and award the prizes in order of merit, say, give the man who wins the mile race more than the winner in the sack race.

7. That the mile be a handicap. Seventeen years and over being scratch, and 30 yards be allowed per year so as to give the youngsters a chance.

Finally if the committee see that the intervals between the events be as brief as possible, that refreshments and a band be provided we prophesy a successful meeting for 1886.

A MUSICAL, LITERARY, AND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT,

in aid of the College Buildings, will be given in the College Hall on Friday Evening Feb. 19th, by the Stellenbosch College Debating Society

Admission 1/-.

N.B. No Tickets sold at the door.

Tickets can be had from Messrs D. Marchand, J. Helm, P. & Roux, A. Baalman, G. Hugo & B. v.d. Riet.

Doors open at 7. p.m.; commence at 7.30

Distinguished Visitors. On Wednesday last our village was favoured with a visit from two very high personages - Sir John MacNeil and General Nugent. These distinguished visitors arrived by morning train, and put up at the residence of Mr. John Beyers. They expressed themselves well pleased with an inspection of our quaint old village, and left in the afternoon for Elsenburg, the farm of Mr. Philip Myburgh. Various rumours were circulated as to the object of their visit, but we are afraid none can be credited. The gentlemen came out on a special invitation from Mr. Beyers.

Theological Song,
or The World turned upside down.

The College will have a slanting roof,
The Gymnasium thatch be waterproof,
And fagsties all be cleared out of town
In the world turned upside down.

Dominis 'll run in the next mile race,
Montie Talker take second place,
Candidaat Van der Werwe turn circus clown
In the world turned upside down.

Miss Wick and Miss Gingram will dance a jig
Professor Wackdonnul will wear a wig,
Schoolboys will hear no more of floun
In the world turned upside down.

Tommie will wear his coaties short,
Dunsfield will perhaps become a godson
De Villiers become a man of renown
In the world turned upside down

Lersch will boil plum pudding in a retort,
Homäyer declare that there's nothing like port,
Merry old Aling begin to frown
In the world turned upside down.

Chorus:-

Upside down, upside down
In the world turned upside down.

Cricket. A match was played on the flats on Saturday between Stellenbosch and Claremont Clubs. In their first innings Claremont put together 71 the chief contributors being W. Morkel

25, and H. Ford 12.

Stellenbosch commenced their innings very badly by losing 3 wickets for 6. The total ultimately was 52. Smith and C. Bosman scoring 17 and 10 respectively. Claremont could not do much in their second innings with the Stellenbosch bowling, which was very good. All were out for a total of 48 of which E. Steyler knocked up 16.

Stellenbosch started their second innings at 2.15 with 67 to make to beat and forty-five minutes time to play. C. Jones and W. van Coller the two first men fit splendidly. Jones deserves special mention knocking up 31 before he was caught. When the first wicket fell for 46 W. Tindall joined W. v. Coller but nine runs later the latter was out after making 13. H. Tindall then joined his brother and the game became intensely exciting. A few minutes later when time was called Stellenbosch had only 3 runs to make to win. Two wickets were down for 63 to which W. Tindall contributed 13 not out

Germany and America. Whereas such peaceful relations have existed between the great nations Germany and America, and whereas certain negotiations have been concluded between the musical talent of the former and the educational institutions of the latter nation, be it known that those corporations have decided to strengthen their own relationship and further the interests of the nations by proposing a friendly alliance between their respective representatives at Stellenbosch.



"Weg! die buik!"
"Trek in, je rug!"
"Buik naarr achter! verrr.....!"
"Rugin! voor den!"
"Maar as'k men buik naarr achtersteek, dan gaat van zelvers niet"
"Smoel houwe!"
"Ma.....?"
"Hoort 'k ?!!!?"

[From a sketch by Alexander ver Heusden].

Some New Geography. Of what is the earth composed? Of Dix; being enlightened, civilised, half civilised
face of the earth composed? Of Football, Savage, ladida's and Studenten.
Fields, Cricket-pitches, Theological plains. How many motions has the earth? That's ac-
into how many classes is mankind divided. cording to how you mix your drinks, and
which way you go home.