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We wonder when the Cadet Corps authorities are going to find out that it is not always necessary to ask men from Cape Town to deliver lectures here. The only possible objection they can have to Stellenbosch men, is the fear that a Stellenbosch audience might not appreciate a Stellenbosch man. Well they should know that it is not only a pleasure, but almost a boon to have on the platform a gentleman whom we know, and who knows us.

Students are apt to associate their Professors too intimately with their work in class. Talking of Professor Fischer one immediately thinks of nought but Chemistry. When Prof. Mac's name is mentioned visions of Latin and Greek rise up before us.

Although students never grow tired of their Professors, and their respective branches of study, yet it is a treat to listen to the Prof. of Mathematics lecturing on rains, fogs, mists, &c. and to hear the Professor of Philology discoursing on subjects like, Alchemy & Astrology. Two only of the College Professors have given lectures here, while more than double that number of gentlemen have been asked from Cape Town. It is all very nice to have strangers but preference should be given to local men. There is no lack of men here who are both capable and willing to give amusing, and instructive lectures. Should the round of the Professors be run, there are many others to fall back upon, to wit: the Gymnasium teachers, and the Theological students. Surely, if some of the latter can treat other villages with lectures

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they should also impart to us of their abundant store of knowledge.

We are glad to note that the lecture of the Corps next quarter will again be delivered by a Stellenbosch gentleman P. Harris.

Answers to Correspondents.

"Reform". You should address your communication to the Debating Society.

"P" Perhaps. Ask Prof Walker

A schoolboy has asked the Editor whether the letters R.I.P. at the foot of the obituary notice in our last issue were the initials of the author of the joke

Lost. An umbrella in the Hall of the V.M.C.A. on Friday. The initials J.F.W.K. will be found on the handle. Finder will receive a reward of 6^d on bringing same to our office.

By Gazette Extraordinary, issued on Friday, Parliament has been prorogued until November 2nd 1885.

We hear that the band of the S.C.C. intends giving a Promenade concert at the end of this month.

A meeting of past students of the Rhenish Institute was held yesterday on the grounds of the Seminary. All those invited to the various entertainments &c. must have had a fine time of it. A gentleman, who attends classes in the Seminary on the "Plain", expressed himself highly satisfied with the Ladies and eatables. (B. = Bloemhof, &c.)

Judging by the type of the "College Lantern" the printer of that paper must have lots of spare time on his hands. Since he condemns the printing of the "College Times" we invite him kindly to assist us.



Is this how the Scotch crofters are coming to S. Africa.

Correspondence.

N.B. We do not always agree with the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

Addressed to the Editor

Sir, - When the Cadet Corps was first started no lack of interest was shown in the movement.

As fair a company of cadets was mustered, as no Captain need be ashamed to command. Officers and men all seemed endued with one common object, viz.; to make the Corps an ornament to Stellenbosch, a pride to the promoters, and a credit to themselves.

The £3 was eagerly saved up to buy a uniform to stand in the ranks of the Corps. But now? How change! Few men come to drill, and these come in a straggling fashion.

At the "fall in" they mechanically move towards where they see the foremost have halted.

Standing to "attention" is synonymous with "standing at ease" with most of the Cadets. When the roll is called more row goes on than in a girls school. The cadets seem to have a particular liking for looking at their boots when on the

quiet march. This to outsiders presents a miserable appearance. Another thing. Why must all the Cadets look in the direction in which a lady happens to approach Bloemkoffers or Rhenishers hardly ever pass the Braak on drill-days, but every Cadet must needs have an eye on them. Of course no attention is paid to the words of command from the patient quiet mock-enduring drill sergeant.

The C.C. did a bad stroke of business when it changed its uniform.

Doubtless had the original uniform of the Corps been retained there would not only now have been more fellows in the Corps but the interest so gallantly displayed at the onset would have continued and have increased with long-standing.

The Corps thought to increase its numbers by providing a uniform at a nominal sum. It did succeed for a time in attracting a number of youngsters, but now that the novelty of the affair is wearing off the greater number resign, whereas had the original uniform been retained, once in the Corps a number thinks twice before resigning. Capitulation

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grants, show at lectures &c. were inducements not to be despised. Of course the number in the C.C. is still very fair, but we prophesy a gradual lack of interest at least from the side of the men. I am sorry to say this but the truth is apparent. Weekly almost the ranks are thinned, and the sullen announcement made that Private So-and-so has resigned. It is a pity that the fellows should resign such a well-disciplined well-organised never-say-die body of young men. One consolation remains, Col. Southey won't fail to engage late the drill sergeant.

I am &c
A Cadet.

The Football Tournament down at Graham's Town has come to end now. Cape Town has been declared victor. Having played 4 matches, obtained 8 goals 12 tries. Graham's Town comes next.

"Alchemy & Astrology"



Date	Rival Teams	Victorious Teams	Results of Matches
Aug 4.	Port Elizabeth vs Graham's T.	Graham's Towns!	1 goal, 3 tries to nil.
5.	" vs K.W. Town	King Wm's Team	1 goal, 1 try to nil.
6.	Cape Town vs Kimberley	Cape Town	1 goal, 2 tries to nil.
7.	Graham's T. vs K.W. Town	Graham's Town	3 goals, 1 try to nil.
8.	Port Elizabeth vs Kimberley	Kimberley	1 goal to 3 tries.
11.	" vs Cape Town	Cape Town	4 goals 3 tries to nil.
12.	King W.T. vs Kimberley.	Kimberley	1 goal to nil.
13.	Cape Town vs Graham's Town	Cape Town	1 goal 5 tries to nil.
14.	" vs K.W. Town	Cape Town	1 goal 2 tries to nil.
15.	Kimberley vs Graham's Town	Graham's Town	1 goal 3 tries to nil.