

MILITARY ACADEMY NOTES.

Mrs. Schuey has returned to her home in Minneapolis, after a delightful visit with Captain and Mrs. Trask.

The reception to be given by the juniors to the Senior class on Washington's birthday is the most engrossing topic with upper classmen.

On Monday the natatorium was closed and the water drawn out of the great tank, and a number of skilled workmen are busily at work enameling and painting the tank and building.

Cards are out for the annual hop to be given on the anniversary of Washington's birthday at the Academy. This promises to be a more brilliant affair than any of its predecessors.

The preliminary athletic entertainment will be given tonight at the "gym" in charge of Lieut. Sine. The exercises will consist chiefly of bar work, club swinging, tumbling, boxing and similar diversions.

The "Hobson Athletic Club" is composed of the married officers of the faculty and their wives. This explanation is made lest the name of the organization should appear to imply that the athletics indulged in were chiefly osculatory in nature.

The proposed military and athletic carnival has been postponed till the middle of April, the cold weather having played havoc with the heating apparatus in the "gym" and making it impossible to sufficiently train and drill for the entertainment. The delay will give opportunity for greater variety and higher perfection.

The Academy is to be congratulated upon securing the services of Prof. Bournique, the leading dancing master of Chicago and who has had for some time charge of the dancing at the Highland Park Club. The dancing class at the Academy will meet every Monday night and about twenty of the cadets are perfecting themselves in the social graces under this talented instructor.

The Saturday evening entertainment was given by the Freshman class under the direction of Captain Wood who devised the clever plan which afforded hugh amusement to

the audience. The entertainment was called a "shadowgraph show," show, Longfellow's "Hiawatha" being taken as the basis for the pictures produced. There were in addition a number of highly amusing comic productions interspersed through the program. The number of visitors present was unusually large.

For some good reason or other the training received by the cadets at the N. M. A., seems to put them on the right road to success, and many of the graduates are occupying posts of trust, responsibility and honor. On Saturday the Academy was visited by two of the former cadets: Lieut. Warren S. Dean, Sixth U. S. cavalry and Mr. H. H. Loose, cashier of the western branch of the American Biscuit Company. Lieutenant Dean graduated with the class of '95 and was captain of cadet Co. A while here. He served with the First Ill. Volunteer cavalry in the Spanish war and has been

in the regular service by the president in recognition of his services. Lieut. Dean called at the Academy to pay his respects to the faculty before proceeding to his post at Fort Leavenworth. He was given a hearty and enthusiastic reception, and his success has had a stimulating effect upon all of the cadets. Mr. Loose was captain of cadet Company B, in '96 and has rapidly made his way in the commercial world, now holding a responsible and remunerative position.

A man claiming to represent some paper in Evanston or Wilmette recently "worked" a number of Glencoe merchants for small sums for write-ups, and nothing has since been heard from him or his paper. It is just as well to be cautious about advancing money to one of these boilerplate patent insides that are thrown like handbills. The writer knows of several that have turned up their toes to the daisies on very short notice.

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Ravinia.

Your correspondent has grown tired of apologizing for the weather, so no cause will be assigned for the light attendance at the improvement society Monday night. The literary program was dispensed with, and after reports of officers and other routine business had been disposed of, the meeting was given up to a discussion of how to create new interest in the work of the society. A committee consisting of Mr. Kellogg, Mrs. Willoughby, Mr. Gross and Mr. Hill was appointed to devise ways and means to increase the attendance. Talking under this head, President Boerner thought the "Lime Kiln Club" might furnish some ideas on making the meetings interesting, and he undertook to look the matter up for the next meeting. The idea of a short parliamentary drill

for each meeting was favorably received. Mr. Kellogg then got up and said: "Mr. President, I move we take a trip to the moon!" This Jules Verne proposition excited great surprise in the audience as it seemed in a measure to belie Mr. Kellogg's reputation for being always practical. The speaker explained that he didn't propose the balloon method, but referred to a trip to the Evanston Observatory. Mr. Coe, superintendent of the Ravinia Stock Farm, was called upon to furnish horses and a sled filled with straw (the horses may be filled with hay,) and to take the society to Evanston the first fall of snow. Mr. Coe, who never was known to refuse a favor, agreed. The statement was then made that there is a fourteen-foot moon at the Field Museum that was made in Athens. The members might obtain a better idea of the Sweet Queen of the Night by making a trip there, Mr. Coe explained the trip would take all night and maybe it would be better for him to take his horses in and haul the moon out to Ravinia. The society adjourned having decided on the Evanston trip.

Mrs. Baker has been seriously ill.

Ravinia will rejoice to hear that Rhody McKenzie took the prize given for the best waltzer at the ball given by the Glencoe Band.