Princeton.—While Prof. McMaster was travelling last summer, the first one hundred and fifty pages of Vol. II. of his history were stolen. Having no other copy, and being unable to recover the lost manuscript, he was obliged to rewrite the entire amount, thus delaying the publication of the volume.

Columbia.—The committee in charge of raising the $4,000,000 asked for by the college have already secured $1,000,000. —The trustees have arranged a four-years' course of study for women under direction of the college professors.

There are one hundred and ninety college papers published in the United States. The oldest of them is the *Brunonia*, which was founded in 1829. The circulation of some of the leading journals is as follows: *Dartmouth* 1,030, *Tiftonian* 1,000, *Yale Courant* 850, *Princetonian* 725, *Lampoon* 700, *Amherst Student* 625, *Tech* 600, *Athenæum* 600, *Harvard Advocate* 450.

"The 'Varsity" of Toronto advocates the discussion of political questions in the Literary Society, citing the fact that Gladstone, Beaconsfield, and many of the most distinguished statesmen of the age have repeatedly testified to the political insight and readiness obtained through the medium of such discussions at college.

Princeton is considering the question of compulsory gymnasium exercises for all classes.—*Ex.*

The English universities derive about one tenth of their income from a student source, while the American colleges gain two fifths of their incomes from the students.—*Ex.*

Matthew Arnold lectures once a year at the Cambridge University, England, and by so doing holds his professorship in the university.

We refer to the *Lampoon* of Dec. 7 for cut on foot-ball of the future.

Cornell University has established a department of finance and currency.—*Dartmouth.*

Prof. Sylvester, of Johns Hopkins, has been elected professor of mathematics at Oxford.

Columbia is reported to have the finest observatory in the country.

It is rather rough on the fair young autograph collector to write to an absent-minded poet for his autograph, and have him send her a nice little note in reply, all printed on a type-writer.—*Puck.*

Offensive Modesty. New customer (to tailor), "I don't so much care what the things are made of, you know. All I want is to look like a gentleman." Tailor (with uncalled-for diffidence), "Well, sir, I can assure you that I will do my very best." —*Punch.*

The London Graphic punningly translates "Chacun à son gout." Even with the gout a man may enjoy himself.

Sportsman (to boy who has brought basket), "Boy, you've been at this whiskey!" Boy, "Na! The cooark wadna come oot!"—*Punch.*

An old farmer has made the discovery that different sounds travel with varying degrees of velocity. He says the first stroke of the dinner bell can be heard by the workmen at the farthest corner of a quarter section farm, while the call to work has to be repeated several times at a distance of ten rods.

Bearing on our notice in the last number of the *Tech* of Mr. James Russell Lowell's recent election to the rectorship of St. Andrew's University are the following lines in *Punch*, in answer to a protest against his candidature, on the ground of his being an alien.

An alien? Go to! If fresh, genial wit In good sound Saxon speech be not genuine grit, If the wisdom and mirth he has put into verse for us, Don't make him a "native," why so much the worse for us.

Whig, Tory, and Rad. should club votes, did he need 'em, To honor the writer who gave "Bird o' freedom" To all English readers. A few miles of sea Make Lowell an alien? Fiddle-dee-dee!

'T is cross party spirit, Boottian, dense, That is alien indeed — to good taste and sound sense.