

Every shoe-store was crowded with melancholy-looking men with very wet feet, glaring savagely at the proprietors who assured them that their last rubbers were sold at least two hours before. We concluded that we could stand it if everybody else had to, and so we started forth to visit some public buildings in the spare time before the inaugural ceremonies. What was our dismay to find that the public buildings were all closed on Inauguration Day! We might have known this if we had thought about it, but we hadn't thought about it, and it was a great disappointment. At length we squeezed in with many thousands of other people, and waited for the Inauguration. We liked the address very much when we read it the next day in the paper, but unfortunately we couldn't hear it when it was delivered. After the new President was duly installed, we made a rush for the avenue, to stand on a corner two hours, looking at the great procession, and thinking every now and then of our wet feet.

This over, we thought it about time to look around for accommodations. Who can understand the depth of grief that filled our minds as we found that Washington was full, and we could not get a room anywhere? We were tired, and a cloud of sadness settled over us as we wended our way to the depot and procured a single berth in a homeward bound train. We are slowly recovering from our disappointment, but we would earnestly advise all our friends who want to see Washington never to go in Inauguration week.

IT IS TO BE REGRETTED that the old volumes of the LIT. are not in the College Library. Would it not be a great addition to have upon the shelves a complete set of back numbers? How pleasant it would be to look back through the old pages to the time that our fathers were here at Old Nassau; to see how they thought and wrote; how they indulged their gymnastic proclivities, or in what "Voices" they cried to heaven for reform. They would form a history of the College, not only relating the deeds of those who have gone before, but also giving us an in-

sight into their thoughts. If we ask for back LITs., we are told that there are some unbound numbers filed away somewhere, to which access might, with trouble, be had. This does not supply the deficiency in the least. We want them where we can glance over them when taking a quiet loaf in the Library or wishing to refer to something of no especial importance. Anything that might be wanted of them would rarely be so important as to repay one for the annoyance incident to the present necessary search. But if these volumes were bound annually and put upon the shelves, they would before long form no small addition to the Library. As it is, they are wasted. As far as every body but the LIT. Board is concerned, the subscription price is thrown away. We would not for a moment discountenance this subscription. Far be such a thought from us. We think it one good step. But another step should follow immediately—to let us and those who are to come after us have the LITs. where we can use them.

WE HAVE HEARD that some of the Sophomore Reception Committee are in favor of obtaining, if possible, the use of the Gymnasium for next June. The idea seems an excellent one. The Reception is for dancing. From present indications, there will be more ladies attending it than ever before, and it must be agreed that the more room there is, the greater will be the facility and enjoyment of dancing. Those who attended the last Reception will remember how crowded it was, and how difficult to dance with ease in a small room with four large pillars; and they can see how uncomfortable it would have been if the crowd had been larger, as the next one promises to be. By using the Gymnasium there would be another advantage gained—that of coolness. The ceiling is high, and the temperature would be correspondingly low—certainly, an important item in a Summer ball. The decorations also could be made much more effective here than at the hotel.

For the supper, two long tables could be placed where the