

At a casual meeting of Sophomores in their ~~class~~-room on Wednesday last, it was suggested by one of the number that it would be highly inappropriate to allow the departure of the coming 1st of May, — the ever-to-be-remembered day of the exit of the ^{Academy} from the scenes of this life and the birth of its illustrious successor — without some suitable exercises commemorating these notable events. The idea was immediately taken up and those present formed themselves into a "Committee of the Whole" for the purpose of starting some such movement, proposing to surrender their functions upon the appointment of a joint committee from the Collegiate Claps and the Literary Societies. The present committee therefore propose to have a funeral of the old Academy & a christening of the new College, — metaphorically, of course, — at midnight on the 30th April — 1st May, 1866, including perhaps a funeral procession to the building of the four claps, a ~~the~~ sermon (?) eulogizing the illustrious dead, the burying of the corpse, — personified by the Merit Rolls &c, — in the style of "ye ancients", a burial of the ashes in the style of the "ye moderns", in Tiger & Tan by the Academy & the Club, &c as commemorations of the old



and a christening (lager?) at 12 or after of the new, associ-
 ating with the latter ceremony a prophecy of the future
 glory of the babe, and appropriate musical exercises. You
 as Corresponding Secretary, are earnestly requested to bring
 the matter immediately before the — —, and to
 have appointed a committee of three, who shall have power,
 in connection with the others to select speakers, collect sub-
 scriptions, & make all necessary arrangements. If you
 have no meeting in time, please "put it through" by asking
 individuals & thus getting the opinion of the clasp. (A
 special meeting of the clasp could be held, on Monday next
 after your Academic exercise, — provided the scheme meets
 general approval, — the matter discussed, & the committee
 elected ^{appointed} in a few moments.) Please instruct your committee
 to meet us and the other committee ⁱⁿ the Divinian Library
 at one o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, when we will surrender our
 power. The affair must be put in motion speedily, ^{or not} if at all. It will
 afford us much fun at a very small cost, and it is on this account
 that we respectfully present it for your consideration.

Yours, in haste — — — —

Self-appointed Committee

Thursday, April 17 " 1866