



THE FRESHMAN HANDSHAKE.

'Tis one of Armour's oldest traditions, the Freshman handshake. It is always the first thing on the social calendar every year and introduces the Freshman into Armour life. We always feel sort of strange until the Young Men's Christian Association comes to the front and helps "break the ice" in this most enjoyable fashion. This year it was given on Friday evening, September 18th, in the Refectory.

We were met at the door by the reception committee, among whom were "Cap" Larson and others. As we all had brought our good will with us, we got pretty well acquainted before the program commenced. Surely the fraternities made the best of their opportunity and gathered in quite a number of young hopefuls. A little preliminary was pulled off before the regular program in the shape of a few table lectures by Trink and others.

Then we quieted down to listen to the program proper. The first address was given by Dean Monin in behalf of the Institute. It was one of welcome and advice and was mingled with his humor, and pleased the boys. Other talks were given during the evening by Secretary Barrows, Mr. Butcher, Student Secretary of the Chicago Association, and Mr. Carriel, Assistant Secretary of the State Y. M. C. A. The talks were interspersed by choice musical selections.

One of the features of the evening was the pie-eating contest by Geisler and Tillotson, which resulted in a draw. Lunch was served by the "Captain," and the way it disappeared it needs no eulogy.