use appearances. There is another danger to which he
should present an invisible front, that which is called
in common parlance "forced": this habit from its ap-
parently humane nature, is readily contracted and it
appears in a short time to be a very creditable thing,
to distinguish the faculty and his fellow students, with
wise and annoyance of different kinds. This vice
should especially be avoided on account of its prolific
nature, it begot many others, which when expanded
under the fostering care they are likely to receive,
become of so great importance as the parent vice.
Among its offspring may be enumerated, idleness, de-
respect towards superiors, a general spirit of inact-
uation and a neglect of duties, which while they
render him more prone to indulge in aberrations from
the path of rectitude, debilitate and enslave the
mind, fasten it upon the common things of the
world, and if at any time, tired of such groveling
occupation, it would rise above the sphere in which it
has been so long confined, it finds its pinions shack-
led, and as the moth fluttering around a candle, after
a few futile flutterings, dies, so the mind after a
few vigorous contain flutters again into the same
deficiency and insanity as before; and if it thinks
at all of lifting itself, it is only as one thinks
of an impossibility. The most of evil habits, which
which a long course of indulgence has heated up.