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As the warm weather comes again and we are compelled to sit during recitation in a poorly ventilated room, we feel as if our backbones were made of tape, instead of a strong bony column.

To make the matter worse, a few of the professors seem to go on the plan of "whipping the horse to make him go," no difference how warm or tired he may be from carrying his load, instead of making the burden lighter and encouraging his willingness.

We cannot see why so many professors seem to think they have a divine commission to make the life of the student as miserable as possible, and that they would be committing an unpardonable sin if they didn't wear out a certain number of students each year.

The professor who adds extra work or makes unusual requirements, during the hot weather, as a spur or goad, instead of trying to excite interest by his manner of conducting a recitation, has ideas so old that the dust upon them forms several geological strata, and upon the topmost stratum of which moss has been growing for years.

Let them assign lessons such as the student may be able to prepare thoroughly; let them get out of the old routine method by varying the manner of recitation, by adding spice to their teaching, and by presenting an occasional new idea. Then, perhaps, when they stand before the mirror of criticism and see themselves as students see them, they will not attribute the sluggishness of mind alone to the heat, or laziness on the part of the student, but, perhaps, they may realize that part of the stupidity in class may be attributed to their own laziness. "A word to the wise is sufficient."

The ladies have elected an editorial staff and are making the necessary preparations for publishing a ladies' edition of the CAMPUS.

This movement of the ladies should be encouraged in every possible way by the students in general. The educational spring which has been concealed within the confines of Hulings Hall will burst forth in intellectual streams from which each student must drink would he go from school—whole.

The edition will be much larger than the usual issue and will in its excellent literary matter, jokes and locals, form a paper that should be in the hands of every student.

The cost will be very small compared with the size of the paper, so let every student turn in and lend a helping hand by giving a sub-
scription in advance to the business manager. This is new. You must have one.

With this issue we descend from our lofty position, not without having learned that there are many difficulties met with in the publication of a college journal. A few members of the editorial staff have been negligent and no one but the editor himself knows under what difficulties the various numbers were issued. But however that may be, we would not paint the dark side so black as to obscure all the light. The experience of the year has been a valuable one and one of much pleasure to the editor in many respects. Whether or not we deem the paper a success, we are not here to say, but be that as it may, we have no excuses to offer. The members of the staff, almost without exception, have labored faithfully to make the publication a success.

We agree as an editorial staff and voice the sentiments of the students as a body in saying that there is not enough time allotted by the faculty for the publication of the college paper. Since the editor has come through this year's work, bearing the entire burden as extra work, he feels like putting in a plea for the succeeding victim.

The fact that the authorities make no allowance for work done in this line deserves the severest criticism. They expect the paper to be a credit to the college and yet they assign enough class work to keep the student so busy that the work of editing the paper is really a burden. We do sincerely hope that the authorities will get their eyes opened to the unreasonableness of the requirements in this line, and do what ought to be done—allow some time to the person who may be unfortunate enough to be editor.

If the authorities do not look upon the work with enough favor to concede a little time for the successful completion of it, they have no right to criticise the attempts of the staff. In other words, it is none of their affairs if they discard it as a sort of extra work which may or may not be entered into at the discrimination of the student.

We wish to compliment our base ball team on the marked success so far during this season. The successful management and excellent playing of the team reflect great credit upon our athletic association.

The Itinerants' Club which met in Meadville last week was one of the greatest intellectual treats we have had for years. We were permitted to sit at the feet of men who have made their mark in the world and are now enjoying the fruits of their labors. The club was a success in every particular.

We beg leave to call to the minds of our subscribers the fact that this issue is the last but one of this year. A few subscribers are still in arrears, and it will make the business manager's heart leap for joy if you will kindly hand him the amount before June 1st.

The Kaldron, the annual publication of the college, will be out in a short time. It will be an elegantly bound book, containing the history of our alma mater, various other new features and jokes without number. If you have a friend to whom you wish to give a beautiful present, buy a Kaldron. The business managers are A. C. Elliott and S. P. Schiek. Order one before it goes to press lest there be not enough copies issued to supply all.

We doubt much whether any other college in our country has such a picturesque campus as Old Allegheny. Seated on a high hill and overlooking the city are the four halls of Bentley, Ruter, Hulings and Wilcox. Upon the campus grow nearly all kinds of native trees, forming a beautiful grove out of which peep the half-hidden college buildings. Passing from north to south is a small ravine, dividing the campus into two unequal parts, and through
this runs a small stream. Nearly everywhere about the place wild flowers grow in abundance. Spring beauties, buttercups, dainty violets, and forget-me-nots, add charms to the surroundings. The air at this time of the year is sweet with fragrance from the bloom of the apple and crabapple trees, which relieve the monotony of the neighboring forest growth. One thing that gives such attractiveness to our campus is the fact that it is almost as nature formed it, a few of the exceptions being the drive and the walks. The whole aspect of the place is as rustic, simple and beautiful as it well can be. The pleasantness of our college surroundings has much to do with our enjoyment of life while at our beloved institution, and when we have departed from her sacred halls, may her memory be kept as green and fresh as the trees and the vandure which hem them in.

Literary.

National Defense.

At nearly every session of Congress, for the past ten years, bills have been introduced for an increase in the army, only to be buffeted about in committees, to meet with objections from certain classes in the House and, finally, to be lost among the unfinished business at adjournment.

The masses can talk more or less intelligently on the foreign policies of the various administrations, they discuss the tariff and financial questions, and in all of these discussions show that they have been reading about and trying to study the living issues of the day. But the question of National defense, in a military sense, is almost unknown and rarely spoken of. Ask any of your friends of the size, location and proportion of branches of our army and you will be surprised at the answers you will receive.

A great many people get their ideas of our army from reading the stories of Captain King and other writers of that class, but of the usefulness of the army as a reliable force in case of riots, as a means of defense until the volunteers can be called out and as a leaven for the volunteer mass in case of war they know next to nothing. Talk with men about preparing for the defense of our country, by increasing the army, and one class will tell you that we are not going to have any more wars and our army is now useless. They advocate arbitration for all international disputes. They point to the arbitration of the Alabama claims as a prominent case in point. At that time we were regarded by Europe as a leading military nation; our country was full of soldiers trained in the best military school known; experienced in the field, the nations of the earth stood in awe of us and we were in a position to enforce our claims if arbitration was denied or the finding of the board not carried out.

How much this had to do with the peaceful settlement of the dispute is a matter for each one to decide for himself. Again they point to our more recent trouble with Chili in the Baltimore affair, but almost invariably overlook the fact that Chili refused all settlement until a show of force was made and she saw that we could and would enforce our claim. If Chili had been a strong nation we might have been still asking for a settlement.

When nations obey the divine laws, "Thou shalt not steal" and "Thou shalt not covet," etc., then and not until then will arbitration be successful. Courts are formed to settle disputes between individuals and officers are appointed to enforce their decrees. War is the court of last appeal in all disputes between nations, and that nation which is prepared to enforce its demands will obtain a quicker and more satisfactory adjustment of its claims than one which is not.

Another class say that a large standing army is a menace to free institutions and consequently we do not wish to have a large army. Large armies such as exist in nearly all the countries of Europe are a menace to free institutions.
In Germany, France, Austria, Italy and Russia the officers are taken entirely from aristocratic families and are under the control of a man educated as a soldier. Here, our officers are recruited from all classes, even from the enlisted men, and are educated at the expense of the state in the most democratic school that exists in the world.

This army is under the direct control of a civilian, held to a strict accountability by the people for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office and his political party must go before the people every four years for an endorsement of his administration. This same class say the National Guard of the states can take the place of the Regular Army, now that the Indian question is practically settled.

The National Guard is strong in an infantry that can be utilized in a short space of time, but is very weak in cavalry and artillery, very important branches and without which infantry is almost powerless.

The report of the Inspector General of the Army, for the year 1892, the last report bearing upon this subject, shows that New York has 84 companies of infantry, 1 troop of cavalry, and 3 batteries of artillery. The National Guard of Pennsylvania, regarded by army officers as the best, consists of one division, composed of 3 brigades of infantry, 3 troops or companies of cavalry and 3 batteries of artillery. If the guard of Pennsylvania had been put upon a war basis it would have to contain about 24 troops of cavalry and 20 batteries of artillery with their corresponding supply of trains. The same deficiency of cavalry and infantry exists in all the states, their National Guard consisting almost entirely of infantry. While the infantry, in the report made, is generally commended for its efficiency and discipline, the cavalry and the artillery, with a few exceptions, are of very little value.

And this is not to be wondered at when one remembers that cavalry and artillery must have trained horses, cannot drill in armories and are scientific branches in which special training is required for the officers and men. For war, infantry can be organized at short notice, which, when mixed with trained troops, in the proper proportion, will stand the brunt of battle. Cavalry and artillery cannot be so formed, but must be previously prepared or at least a large part of them to stand the shock of the first attack until the volunteer cavalry and artillery can be moulded into form sufficiently to be of any service.

For riots, the infantry of the National Guard of the various states, is sufficient, provided the executives of the states will permit them to act, which they do not always do.

In the last great railway strike a governor of one of our states asked the officers of the American Railway Union to allow him to send the Guard of the state from their summer encampment to their homes.

How much do you think the Guard of that state would be worth in putting down riots?

It is possible that the governors of states, moved by sectional feeling and hatred of the national executive, may refuse to obey his call for troops to assist him in enforcing the laws.

The governors of thirteen states, not so very long ago, refused absolutely to obey such a call when made upon them. Might this not occur again? It certainly would be better to have a force large enough to meet an emergency of this kind, not contaminated by local influences and prejudices, absolutely under the command of the President.

If our worst enemy had been permitted to devise a system of National defense for us he could not have originated a worse system than we now have. Instead of having one man at the head of the organization, we have now in reality forty-five, and even if they are willing to work together it takes time to set this cumbersome machine in motion, and in war time is everything.

Again, the executives of the states in riots, strikes, etc., nearly always order out a much larger number of troops than are necessary, thus calling a great many men from their occu-
pations and making a great expense to the state. This is due to a lack of discipline in the Guard and to their not having good military staffs who understand the necessities of the case.

July 10, 1892, during the Homestead riots, 8,500 men were called out in Pennsylvania. July 20 one-third of these were sent home. July 29 another third were relieved, and a week later they were all relieved except 1,516 men. All this to guard 1,500 men in the Carnegie works. And yet the Pennsylvania National Guard is the model of the country.

It is not the fault of the Guard that this should be, but of the laws governing it. It has as good discipline as the laws governing promotion and discipline will permit it to have.

During the recent railway riots the regulars ran three of the largest railway systems in the country, using about 6,000 men for the purpose.

Another class object to an increase of the army on account of the expense. This is the most serious objection made.

The military appropriation for the year ending June 13, 1895, is as follows:

- To pay for officers of the line: $3,525,000
- To pay for enlisted men of all grades: $4,465,000
- To pay for general staff officers: $1,095,170
- To pay for retired officers: $1,400,000
- To pay for retired enlisted men: $303,000
- Miscellaneous: $2,251,764

In all for pay and general expenses: $13,040,934

Subsistence (food for army): $1,650,000
Quartermaster’s department: $2,400,000
Incidental expenses (buildings, horses, forage, etc): $5,140,000
Medical department (medicines, etc): $173,500
Engineer department: $10,000
Ordnance department: $1,936,600
Recruiting: $100,000
Signal service: $17,960
Contingent expenses: $5,390

Making for expenses of all kinds: $23,574,884

The army at present consists of 2,159 officers and 21,850 men constitute the line, or fighting branch, the others belong to the staff corps.

The line is divided into ten regiments of cavalry, five regiments of artillery and twenty-five regiments of infantry, consisting of 370 troops, batteries and companies.

The country is divided into eight territorial departments, each under command of a Major-General or Brigadier-General.

The most important—the Department of the East, with headquarters at New York—consists of Louisiana and all that portion of the country east of the Mississippi, except Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan. It contains 8 troops of cavalry, 44 batteries of artillery and 48 companies of infantry. In all about 6,000 men. The Department of Missouri, with headquarters at Chicago, consists of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Indian and Oklahoma Territories. It contains 21 troops of cavalry, 4 batteries of artillery and 23 companies of infantry. In all about 3,500 men.

The rest of the army, consisting of 77 troops of cavalry, 12 batteries of artillery and 123 companies of infantry, is located in the Indian country, along the Mexican frontier and Pacific coast. The Indian question is practically settled, although there may be some little disturbance from time to time, yet there will not be enough to employ our army to any great extent.

The uses for the army of the future will arise from war with other nations, or riots in our large cities.

To meet the first it should consist of enough cavalry and artillery to form those branches of the army that would be called out first for the National defense, and in addition to this the sea coast should be permanently fortified and part of the National Guard situated on the coast should be made familiar with the handling of large guns.

Our present sea coast is practically defenseless. Portland, Me., has one old fort, New Hampshire has nothing, Boston one old fort, Newport one old fort, New London one old
fort. New York harbor, the most important one we have, is protected by five old works. Philadelphia has none, Baltimore one old work, Washington none, Richmond one, Charleston none, Mobile none, New Orleans one old fort, Galveston none, San Diego none, and San Francisco two old works.

The attention of Congress has been called to this year after year in the annual reports of the Secretary of War and the general commanding the army, and at last work has begun on the fortifications of our principal harbors. In about three years they will be fairly well fortified, but men are needed to properly man the works. We now have 3,675 enlisted men in the artillery. This is not enough to properly man the works. Naval vessels cannot properly defend a city. They are expensive, both as to first cost and maintenance. The money spent on one vessel will fortify New York harbor, and one-tenth of the money spent per year on repairs, etc., of a vessel will keep the fortifications in repair. Fortifications, when completed, will be worth at least a dozen vessels for defense.

Turning to the appropriation bill we find that the pay for officers of the line is $3,525,000, staff officers, $1,095,170.

We have a staff large enough for 250,000 men, and they need not be increased. A doubling of the enlisted strength of the artillery and cavalry would demand a slight increase of officers of those branches costing about $500,000 a year more. The enlisted strength of the cavalry is 6,050. The total cost per year of the enlisted men of the cavalry and artillery for pay, clothing, subsistence, horses, medicines, fuel, etc., is now about $5,700,000.

Doubling the enlisted men of those branches with a slight increase of officers will give us then twenty regiments of cavalry and ten regiments of artillery at an additional cost of $10,000,000. This will enable us to keep up in all the sea coast forts skeleton organizations of artillery to keep the works in repair and instruct the artillery of the National Guard that may be sent to them for this purpose.

The National Guard of the United States organized and unorganized amount to 112,490 men, about 2 per cent. of which are artillery and the same percentage of cavalry. Regiments of heavy artillery should be organized in all states on the coast, and should be sent into the forts for instruction with the Regulars when the infantry go into their annual encampments. We would then have as a permanent establishment ten regiments of artillery formed of skeleton batteries, which may be increased to the maximum numbers by the President in time of war, and twelve regiments complete of heavy artillery of the National Guard to act with them. Of cavalry we would have twenty regiments and the National Guard would give us two more. Of infantry twenty-five regiments and the National Guard could furnish 100 more.

There are about 3,000,000 volunteers available for duty, but it will take time to arm and organize them. We have no arms for this large mass of men, and after they are armed it will take at least a month before they can be put in shape.

Our shops can now make not more than 100,000 stand of arms a year. To meet this demand, supply depots should be established in Chicago, Washington and San Francisco where men can be armed and equipped for the field at short notice. The first cost of these depots will be great, but after they are once established they can be maintained at very little cost.

Our military colleges have about 10,000 young men under instruction and it is the plan of the War Department that these young men shall act as officers for the volunteers.

If war ever breaks out these young men will show by their actions that the money spent upon their education has not been spent in vain and some of them are bound to obtain high rank, thereby bringing their colleges prominently before the people.

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The following are the scores of the last three games:

**At College Park.**

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The Olympic games of Greece are to be revived. * * * The international committee has fixed upon April 5-15, 1896, as the time for the first contest, which will be held in Athens on the ancient race course. * * * The second contest will be held in Paris in 1900, and the third will probably be held in the United States in 1904.—*College Days.*

I have little doubt but that an equal measure of vital force is expended in half an hour of yawning into the open fireplace as in a like time devoted to some cheerful pursuit with no extraordinary demands upon the intellect. And the natural conclusion of it is, that the difference between work and recreation is to be found not in the what, but in the how.—*Ex.*

__O dull Routine!__ The fetter'd hordes, that chase
In bonds that mortify the soul and rend
The flesh in aching strips, were far more safe
And sure of Heaven's peace did they but bend
Their efforts and their lives to some great end.

Better pursue a devious, falt'ring way
Along Ambition's road,—not see the end,—
And be content, than toil for e'er and aye,
And hear at last the Critic call it "shapeless clay!"—*Ex.*

A new journal has been launched upon the educational world in the shape of a Latin monthly. It rejoices in the title of *Praeco Latinus,* and it has for its aim the dissemination and encouragement of Latin speech and the cultivation of Latin literature. One-half of the periodical is printed in Latin and the other half in English. An interesting feature of the paper is the publication of "Robinson Crusoe," translated into Latin by F. J. Goffaux. A generous glossary is attached, giving the meaning of those words used in the translation which are likely to be unfamiliar to

**The College World.**

___Exchanges.___

"The ever wakeful echo here doth dwell."—*Fay.*

Dr. Franklin once said: "Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of."—*Ex.*

The Senior class of Ohio Wesleyan will meet the faculty of that institution on the ball field. The gate receipts will go to the Y. M. C. A.

Knox College publishes its first annual this year. It will be called the *Gale.*

The exchange editor acknowledges with thanks the receipt of an invitation to the "Golden Jubilee" of Notre Dame University, which will be held on June 11th, 12th and 13th. Among the speakers of note who will be present are Archbishop John Ireland and Bishop Spalding.

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the average Latin student. One page is devoted to the publication of numerous testimonials from subscribers who have written in Latin their expressions of deep regard for the master mind responsible for the publication.—Philadelphia Record.

The Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Association will hold its next contest at Allegheny College, Meadville, June 1. The executive committee met recently and elected Chancellor William J. Holland, of the Western University, chairman of the contest. Bethany and Allegheny colleges were admitted to the association. The latter pays expenses of all contestants and delegates from each of the seven colleges in the association.

—Ex.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

Mr. Lewis Heib, of Dickinson College, expects to be with us May 21st and 22d in the interest of a Northfield delegation.

Rev. George Edward Reed, D.D., LL.D., president of Dickinson College, has been secured to preach the annual Y. M. C. A. sermon.

The open missionary meeting, held two weeks ago, was interesting and profitable. We were sorry that Hulings Hall did not give us a larger delegation.

Our three Sunday schools are in a prosperous condition. Mr. Gage walked four miles out in the country on the 5th inst., thermometer 90 degrees, to see if another could not be organized and served by Y. M. C. A. boys. Report is favorable.

The thirty-first international convention of Young Men’s Christian Associations of North America will be held at Springfield, Mass., May 8–12, ’95. We are sorry we cannot be represented at this meeting. We hope its influence may reach us.

Many have asked, “Who gave the elocution class privilege to meet in our room and abuse our furniture and song books?” We do not know. Our carpets are becoming worn out, chairs scratched up, song books destroyed, yet we dare not chirp, or we will become unpopular with some one. We have expected this room to be locked up because “it is abused.”

We desire to thank (?) some one, we don’t know whom, for the way in which our chairs were used by some of the members of Hulings Hall. These chairs were borrowed without being asked for and returned in a way that arouse the indignation of any organization. It cost us quite a sacrifice to secure these chairs, and we are quite proud of them, too, but to have them piled up in the hall like a brush heap in the woods, broken and scratched, brings thoughts to our mind not exactly conducive to a religious growth. We are glad, however, to get them back, but why are we robbed of the privilege of lending them on the condition that they would not be abused?

As an organization we feel that we have been openly insulted by our college president. Our rooms have been closed up and used for other purposes; our announcements are barely read in the chapel, while other notices of more (?) importance are emphasized; we are “called down” if we call out in the chapel “Y. M. C. A.,” when there is to be a meeting, while others are permitted to do this. We want to be loyal to our Wednesday evening prayer meeting, yet we hold certain rights and demand recognition as an organization—as a Christian organization—which cannot at all times be the sacrifice of the evening. We do not confine ourselves to the old order of priesthood, but believe that we all may become priests of a still higher order through our Mediator of Nazareth.

Volunteer Notes.

We have just received a letter from Mr. Sherwood Eddy calling our attention to the Student’s Conference to be held at Northfield, Mass., June 28–July 7. We wonder if Allegheny will muster enough enthusiasm to send a delegate to the conference. It is now several years since our college has been represented at the Northfield Conferences. Other colleges and normal schools all around us send large delegations every year and why should not we have at least one delegate? May not the lack of interest in our Y. M. C. A. be largely due to our neglect to keep in touch with this great inter-collegiate movement, which has been a source of inspiration to so many students?

It is gratifying to notice the large place which the missionary subject occupies in the program of this conference. What a contrast
this presents to the program for the conventions of so many of our young people's societies, where frequently no place is given to the great subject of foreign missions. And yet are not the great blessings which have come upon the Northfield Conference largely due to the fact that they have been so missionary in their character? There is that about this subject of missions which always carries a blessing with it, and as a result we always find a high degree of spirituality accompanying missionary societies; as Dr. Livingstone says: "The spirit of missions is the spirit of Christ, the very genius of Christianity."

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Thursday forenoon a would-be thief entered Hulings Hall under the pretense of being a gas-fitter. He was suspicioned by Mrs. Laffer. She telephoned to the gas company, asking them if they had sent the man. The answer came—no.

While he was looking after the gas (?) Mrs. Laffer ran over to Prof. Dutton's recitation room and made information. The heroic professor, together with the brave boys of his trigonometry class, succeeded in capturing the thief in front of Science Hall. He is now in the hands of the police.

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time of peace, will be useful in guarding our frontier and suppressing riots in our large cities.

In order to do this, large posts must be established along our frontier and near our large railway centers. The army must be moved from the West, where it is now almost useless, to our large cities.

The cost of establishing these posts will be great, but in the end it will be more economical as concentration will lessen the cost of supply.

No man can tell when we will need an army, and those men, who think that without previous preparation we can whip all creation, will be very much surprised if we are called upon to defend our rights under our present system of defense, against even a third or fourth rate power.

We are now witnessing the humiliating defeat of one of the richest and largest nations of the world by a nation poor, and relatively weak in numbers. The former unprepared, the latter with a well organized army.

It may be excusable for a nation to be defeated, but never to be taken unprepared.

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It becomes one, while exempt from woes, to look to the dangers.—Sophocles.
schola. The Greek word means ease or leisure. Times and schools have evidently changed since the invention of the word.

Cross is a very expensive word. Disagreeable to your friends, disagreeable to everybody. Half angry at everything. Phonetic changes, or changes in the sound of letters are common in words derived from Greek and German. Cross, through such a change, comes from the Greek **grams**, meaning an **old woman**. We can imagine all the terrors of cross are in the soul of that word.

"O you coward!" exclaims the courageous youth. Coward from the Latin **cauda**, meaning tail. What picture does this bring to your mind? Imagine two dogs, one full of courage (courage from the French **coeur**, meaning heart) about to attack another dog with less heart or courage. The latter yelping and trembling with fear rushes away with his tail between his legs. This then is the soul of coward.

Come now to the most admired of the admired, that lovely, timid creature, who on a summer's day meanders through the winding thoroughfares. Him will I call a dude. You have heard of that extinct bird, called a dodo, of considerable weight, and with useless wings. Unable to fly it strutted about, thinking itself much admired. Dodo and dude are derived from the French **fou** reduplicated, or **fou fou**, meaning very foolish or silly. That is the soul of dude. The dodos, as I said, are now extinct, but the genius du-de is still living and is a fit substitute.

Our word book and its equivalent in Latin, **liber**, tell an historical tale. Liber means the inside bark of a tree. Book is allied to beech wood, demonstrating in both cases that books were first constructed from the bark of trees.

Take notice now of that very, very pretty word, **bald**. If you don't know what it means, go to the theater of an evening, and sit in the uppermost gallery. Below you will be seen a regiment of baldies glittering in the splendor of the eventide incandescence. Does not bald come from **ball**? Can you imagine a more forcible simile. Take for instance a pool ball. How shiny, how devoid of any excrescence. This surely is the soul of bald.

What is the soul of wife? Home associations—fireside—children? No. Wife has an historical tale to unfold. "**Das Weib**," says the German. He calls her das or it instead of she. Vibrate means to shake, or quiver. Are not Weib, wife and the vi-b of vibrate of the same derivation? In the early times of German history when a wife was bought and sold, she was called it—a commodity. Infirmity of purpose, fear of man, weaker than man—those gave rise to wife from vib, a root of some ancient language. The nineteenth century has worked wonders. Now the awe stricken husband trembles beneath the mighty palm of the new woman.

This list might be continued indefinitely with no end of enjoyment and profit. The characteristics of words are as diverse as those of men of whom they are born. Humorous or pathetic, each word conceals a tale. Words are not dumb things. The revelation of their import is left to their employers. To some they impart an external feeling; to others, an internal. The first is felt through the medium of English alone; the latter, by the study of German, Latin, Greek and all sources whence our language springs. The soul of words lies deeper than the surface. It must be discovered to be felt.—High School Panorama.

The Bleeding Heart.

A FANCY OF A FLOWER.

Deep wounded and bleeding a warm heart lay,
Torn by a ruthless hand;
Softly its life blood ebbed away,
Sadly, as droops the dying day
O'er a waste and dreary land.

In anguish the bleeding heart long had lain,
Silent, and sad, and lone—
No soft hand to bathe the crimson stain,
No sweet voice to soothe the piercing pain,
Nor murmur of pitying moan!

And Death, like a dark enfolding cloud,
Droops low, a funeral pall,
And spreads his deep gloom, an only shroud—
With never a brow in mourning bowed,
Nor fond tears that silently fall!

An angel, low bending with tender air,
Gazed on the touching scene;
She knelt o'er the heart, so cold and bare,
And gently she laid it, 'mid garlands fair,
Deep 'neath the dewy green.

But no chiseled marble marked the spot
Where the bleeding heart had lain;
And no tender, pleading forget-me-not
Low murmured the plaint of a form forgot,
Or told of its secret pain;

Yet a masterpiece of floral art
The story in sculpture told,
For lo! from the changeless green there start
A leafy hand and a bleeding heart
Their plaintive watch to hold!

And mute, the entreating, pathetic plea
Of the flower-heart, fainting in pain,
As, broken, it fades on the sunny lea—
For how should a wounded heart healed be,
Or a broken heart beat again?

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And ever, with petals drooping low,
The bleeding-heart grieveth still—
A heart born Bleeding—how oft 'tis so!—
To wither and wan and break with woe
Ere it sleeps in silence chill!

O bleeding-heart, blooming on shaded lawn,
Or wild on woodland hill,
Pining for days that may never dawn,
Hopeless o'er hopes forever gone,
Thou bearest a message still;

For many a wounded heart bleeding lies,
Faint with its ceaseless flow;
And many a Bleeding heart broken dies,
Asunder torn by the welling sighs
From the depths of a secret woe!

Blest angel of tenderest sympathy,
Bend low in compassionate gaze!
Behold the unspoken, pathetic plea,
The woe of our heart-torn humanity,
And comfort, and heal, and upraise.

J. W. DAVIS.

There's meter, spondaic, dactylic,
There's meter for style and for tone,
But the meter that's far more idyllic,
Is the meter by moonlight alone.—Ex.

Ellis has been elected captain of the ball team.

Humeston is gaining notoriety as a base ballist.

The physical culture class had open day on Friday.

Miss Confer went home last week for over Sunday.

Dr. Crawford spent several days at Chicago this week.

What college has a more beautiful campus than ours?

Who sent Wilson to the Hall to call on Grace Borland?

Miss Belle Bartholomew spent Sunday with friends in Greenville.

Miss Fannie Slater spent a few days of last week at her home in Tidioute.

There is a rumor to the effect that Miss Paisley expects soon to put on the veil.

Miss Mabel Simmons, of Oil City, spent Sunday, a week ago, with Miss Confer.

Chapin and Madden spent Sunday with Sturtevant and Brown in Conneautville.

Ruter Hall, not long since, received its periodical and proverbial coat of paint.

Has Mr. Swearer lost all his friends that he chooses such doleful hymns for the chapel service?
N. A. White preached at the Baptist church at Townville last Sunday.

Who noticed how enthusiastic Editor Hovis was at Monday's ball game?

Bill Brisbin nearly deluged Humeston at the breakfast table the other day.

The new base ball suits are fine. The boys expect to do much better playing now.

Carnahan to Elliott.—"If you don't sweeten before you die, you will be a sour pill for glory."

We ought to feel proud of our ball team. May victory always accompany the gold and the blue.

Perrine to Mr. Brisbin—"Tells us something about the translation of the Bible." Brisbin—"The Bible was translated 300 B.C."

The officers of the battalion are becoming quite proficient in the art of signaling. Each drill day is spent in this useful practice.

The students of our college are at last falling into line with students of other institutions by wearing college colors on all special occasions.

Wonder if any of our embryonic ministers took to heart some of the good points set forth by Bishop Vincent in his "Story of Our Minister."

Physical culture at the Hall has recently become an urgent necessity. Drills occur at 5 a.m. or thereabouts. Interesting developments are awaited.

The Preliminary Oratorical Contest will be held in the College Chapel Saturday evening, May 18, at 8 o'clock p.m. Admission free. Everybody come.

Misses Fenno and Davis and the Misses Campbell are the Hall girls now possessing bicycles. Surely athletics at the Hall has received new impulse.

New girl at ball game—"Who is that talkative little boy selling score cards? What pretty long hair he has and how cunning he is?" Old girl—"Oh, that's Miltie Weatherby."

IN POLITICAL SCIENCE CLASS.

Perrine to Lindsay (who was using a pair of chemical tongs as a tuning fork)—"I know it's very nice to get the tune, but let's tune up this recitation.

Fraternity.

The young ladies of Kappa Alpha Theta entertained some of their friends Monday evening, the 20th inst., at the homes of the Misses Edson and Miss Gertrude Harper.

The members of Phi Gamma Delta entertained their young lady friends in their spacious drawing-rooms on Friday evening, May 10. Those who worshiped at the shrine of Terpsichore were enthralled with the sweet strains from the Mandolin and Guitar Club. Trowbridge, the caterer, furnished refreshments.

Athletics.

The base ball season has opened and the team has started out remarkably well, winning all the games they have played on the home grounds. The team has been selected as follows: Pitchers, Pratt, McCloskey, Fox and Gannon; 1st base, Dunn; 2d base, Townley; 3d base, Fleming; s.s. Ellis; l.f., Cole; m.f., Jones; extras, Johnson and Reeder. W. J. Ellis has been elected captain and the team is working hard. The team this year is undoubtedly the best Allegheny has ever had. There is, however, yet ample room for enthusiasm and encouragement from the students. We are not half as patriotic and loyal towards the team as we should be. So far the majority of the attendance at the games have been town people, which should not be the case in a college supposed to be as flourishing and well-known as Allegheny. The season opened with Franklin on the 27th of April. The