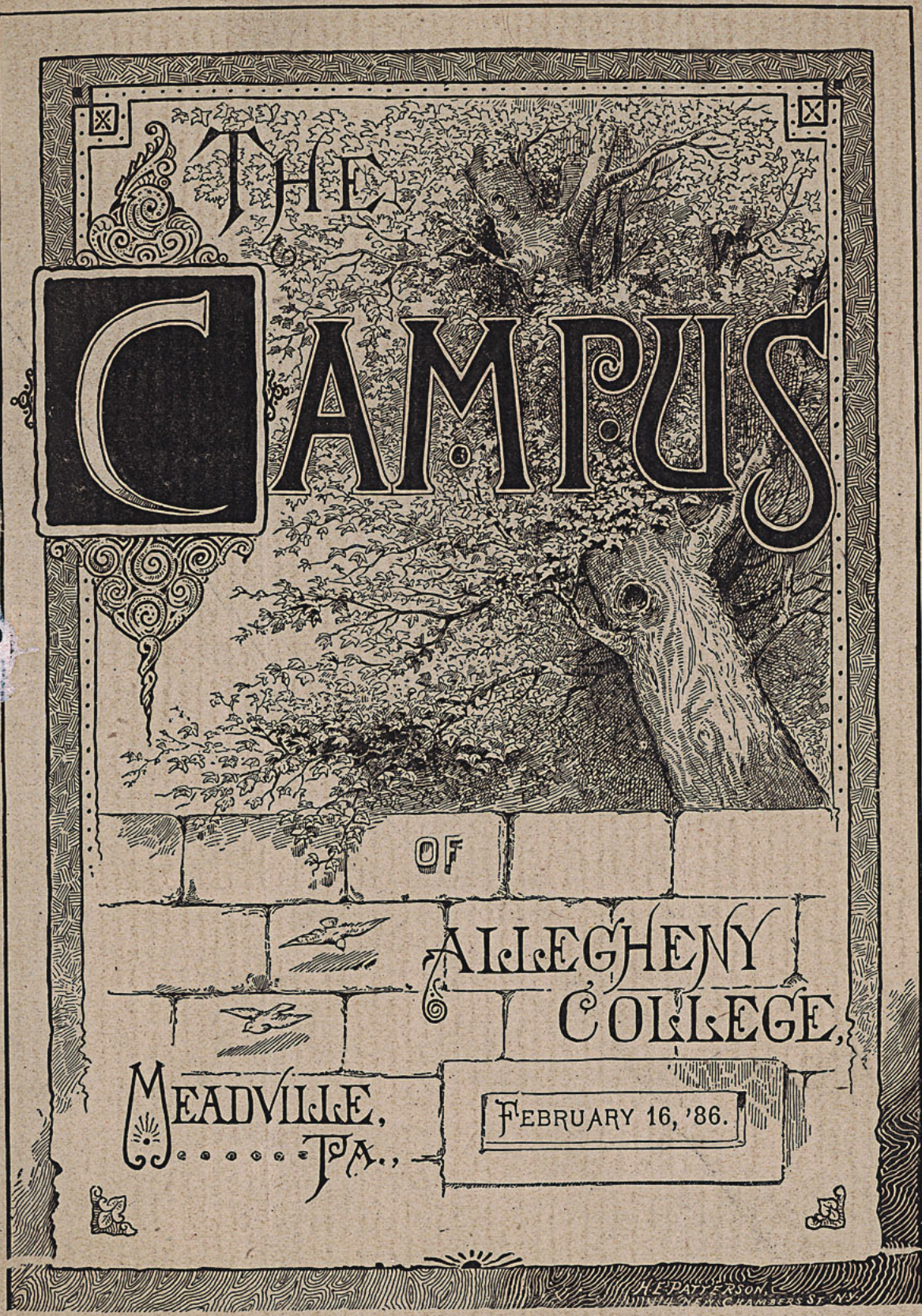




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Literary.

SYMPATHY.

IN sorrow once there came to me
Two friends to proffer sympathy.
One pressed warm, dewy lips on mine,
And quoted from the word divine!
Wiped the hot tear-drops from my eye,
And gave my sore heart sigh for sigh;
Told me of pain he had outgrown—
Pain that was equal to my own,
And left me with a tender touch
That should have comforted me much.
But still my sorrow was no less
For all this loving graciousness.
The other only pressed my hand;
Within his eyes the tears did stand.
He said no word, but laid a rare
Bunch of sweet flowers beside my chair;
And closely held my hand the while
He cheered my sad gloom with his smile.
Before he went he sang a song
That I had known and loved for long;
And then he clasped my hand again,
With the same look that shares a pain.
So, when he left, I laid my head
Down, and was glad and comforted.
Where was the difference, can you tell?
I loved my friends alike, and well;
I loved them both alike, and yet
The one's warm kiss I could forget.
The other's hand-clasp I could feel
For hours through my being steal.
Each shared my sorrow, but to me
One brought but love, one sympathy.

HEALTH AMONG COLLEGE WOMEN.

THE mental, moral and material progress of
a nation depends upon the physical con-
dition of its people. Health is the great in-

centive for civil growth; the one panacea for
revolutions and disorders.

To woman we must look for the prosperity
of a race. Hence her health and longevity
must be first considered in the problem of
sociology. As a woman is the soul of the
house, so is she the soul of the nation. Tak-
ing this view, then, the problem reduces itself
to this: How can we best insure the health
and longevity of woman? Let us see. God
helps those who help themselves. Woman
then must, in a great measure, do away with
helpless dependence. She must act, think,
reason, do for herself. Can this be accomplished
by idleness and ignorance? No. Can it be
accomplished by a mediocre education? No.
It must come from within.

"We accompany the youth with sympathy
and manifold old sayings of the wise, to the
arena, but it is certain that not by strength of
ours, or by the old sayings, but only on
strength of his own, unknown to us or to any,
he must stand or fall."

Since a fountain cannot rise higher than its
source, neither can a woman rise higher than
her mental and physical possibilities; and the
standard of excellence which she reaches de-
pends solely upon the extent of development
that her capacities and capabilities have under-
gone.

The association of collegiate alumnae has
recently issued an exhaustive report upon the
health statistics of female college graduates,
and I deem it the duty of every student to give
it thought and study, so important is it to her
future welfare and happiness.

The insane theory of certain sociologists
and physicians that the higher education of
woman is detrimental to her general health,
needs not the ghost of an argument to convince
one of its absurdity. Read statistics, study
the question, know for yourself. Observe the
interesting and invaluable information given

by the committee of the association Their report has been collected from the testimony of 705 college women.

"Against the adjectives, excellent, good, indifferent, poor, which were suggested as typical conditions of health, we find the following numbers: 272 report themselves as in excellent health, 277 as in good health, 85 as in indifferent, and 33 as in poor. Our research proves also that when these same 705 students entered college, 140 of them, or 20 per cent, were below the standard of fair health, so that the college training, instead of adding to, seems to have detracted from the number of invalids, and can be counted as a positive physical benefaction."

There are necessarily many precautions to be observed by college students, if they hope to attain to a perfect mental and physical development, such as regular study hours, moderate dissipation, plenty of sleep without undue excitement, healthful food, comfortable clothing, and an abundance of sanitary and hygienic laws. These precautions cannot be too emphatically emphasized by educators, or too conscientiously heeded by students.—*From Kappa Alpha Theta.*

For the CAMPUS.

A TRIP ON THE HUDSON.

C. P. LYNCH.

EUROPEANS boast of the grandeur of their natural scenery. They well may. For there is but one Rhine, with its course, flowing from icy glaciers through picturesque valleys to the sea. Around the snow-capped Alps alone cluster the most convincing evidences of the grandeur of their mountain scenery.

While this is true, we as Americans proudly reply that there is but one Niagara, but one historic, poetic Hudson. It was my good fortune to enjoy the beauties crowded so thickly along the banks of this picturesque "Rhine of America."

On a bright morning in July, we got aboard one of those floating palaces, for one forgets that he is anywhere else than in an elegantly fur-

nished parlor, while in one of those steamers conceded to be the finest in the world. We soon steamed out from the dock, not without contrasting the beautiful "Albany" carrying us at the rate of twenty miles an hour, with the rude "Clermont" first navigating the Hudson some seventy-five years before.

As we sailed through the upper bay, we had excellent views of the great Brooklyn Bridge, the graceful Trinity church spire, the post-office, and Tribune buildings. After leaving the busy, bustling metropolis, the point of the most interest is "the Palisades"—a sheer wall of trap rock—rising from the water's edge from three hundred to five hundred feet, and extending for fifteen miles along the west bank of the river, upon the highest point of which, with a commanding view up and down the river, is the Palis de Mountain House.

Nearly opposite the upper extremity of these cliffs, is "Sunnyside," the beautiful home of America's most classic writer. Just above, is Tarrytown, in which centers so much of historic and poetic interest, and near by, through the trees, can be discerned the burial ground monuments of Sleepy Hollow, in which old "Rip" took his long nap. We now come in sight of a city to which any man ought to be sent, who *can sing* and wont *sing*. Nearly opposite, on Treason Hill, is the site of the house in which he whose name has become the very synonym of treachery, the Judas of American history, met Andre to carry into effect his villainous attempt of blighting the fast opening flower of American Liberty.

In looking up the river from this point, no break in the mountains is seen to mark the course of the river, when suddenly the steamer turns at a right angle and we are ushered through what is called "the southern gate of the Highlands," marked by the Dunderburg and Manito mountains, one on either side of the river. No adequate idea can be given of the grandeur of the scenery for a distance of about ten miles between the northern and southern gates of the Highlands.

The mountains, Sugar Loaf, Anthony's Nose, Old Cro' Nest, Redoubt, and many others

There is little of especial interest to attract the attention of the traveler between Newburgh and Albany. We therefore will not go farther on our trip, leaving you with the suggestion to sometime visit this beautiful river.

"Oh! Hudson, not alone thy features fair,
And legend lore, and matchless grace,
But noble deeds of courage rare
Illume, as with a soul, thy face.
The Highlands and the Palisades
Mirror their beauty in the tide;
The history of whose forest shades
A nation reads with conscious pride.
On either side these mountain glens
Lie open like a massive book,
Whose words were graven with iron pens
And lead into the eternal rock,
Which evermore shall here retain
The annals time cannot erase,
And while these granite leaves remain
The crystal ribbon marks the place.
The spot where Kosciusco dreamed,
Fort Putnam's gray and ruined walls,
West Point, where patriotic bayonets gleamed,
This open page reveals them all."

There probably is no river in the world whose banks, from source to mouth, have a history so charming, so thrilling; no river so adapted to elicit genuine admiration from those who "in the love of nature holds communion with her visible forms" as this matchless queen of rivers—the Hudson.

THE SAD MESSAGE IN VICTORY.

"NEWS to the King, good news for all,"
The corn is trodden, the river runs red.
"News of the battle," the heralds call,
"We have won the field; we have taken the town;
We have beaten the rebels and crushed them down,"
And the dying lie with the dead.
"Who was my bravest?" quoth the King.
The corn is trodden, the river runs red.
"Whom shall I honor for this great thing?"
"Threescore were brave, where none were worst;
But Walter Wendulph was aye the first,"
And the dying lie with the dead.
"What of my husband?" quoth the bride,
The corn is trodden, the river runs red.
"Comes he to-morrow; how long will he bide?"
"Put off thy bridegear, busk thee in black;
Walter Wendulph will never come back,"
And the dying lie with the dead.

—Augusta Webster.

reaching toward the clouds, and the beautiful Hudson flowing between, were enough to call forth varied expressions characteristic of those who thoroughly appreciate the wondrous beauty of the scenery along this part of the river. Just beyond, on the left hand, is West Point. It being on a high bluff, nothing of the parade grounds can be seen from the river. Among the trees the dome of the library building, the Hotel, and in the distance Fort Putnam, a gray and veteran ruin of '76, is visible. On the edge of the bluff is a monument to the gallant Pole, Kosciusco. After passing West Point, we come to what is thought by many to be the most charming spot on the river, "the northern gate of the Highlands." The river is somewhat narrower at this point, and to the right juts up Breakneck Mountain, eighteen hundred feet high, and directly opposite, looming up as a companion, is the Storm King. To sail between these towering peaks, clothed in the beauteous shades which nature gives, with heaven's pure blue o'erhead, the delighted beholder could ask for nothing but "words, words, words."

After passing through the gate, Newburgh is seen in the distance, the place where Washington had his headquarters during the Revolution war. The building still stands, a small, one story stone house, used now as a museum and resort to which everybody going up the Hudson, should pay a visit. On the register are names of people from all parts of the world, from 20,000 to 40,000 people visiting it annually.

It was here that Washington disbanded a part of the troops at the close of the war, and here was celebrated the Centennial celebration of the treaty of peace. Across the river are the two beacon mountains, upon which lights were kept burning as signals during the war. A fitting place, on soil so often trod by the great General, in the very shadow of the Beacon Mountains, by the side of the river so often moved by the splashing of his oars in going to and fro, a fitting place to celebrate the day which brought certain freedom from British oppression.

Alumni.

EXTRACT FROM A LETTER OF PROF.
W. W. THOBURN, '81.

MEXICO, Jan. 18th, 1886.

I am sitting, as I write, in a shady corner of the Alameda, on a large stone seat that runs around a fountain. Cocoanut, palm and orange trees are growing around the basin. Behind me the shade is very thick. Just across the street, some years ago, an old Inquisition building stood. The victims were burned, beheaded, shot or tortured here in the square, and their bodies buried just back of where I am now sitting. Perhaps that is the reason the trees grow so thickly there, for hundreds and thousands, I am told, sleep in that quiet shade. Alameda, means "sycamore." Most of them are sycamores. They are not of the kind we have in the north. The stems are the same but the leaves and the shape of the tree are very different. They shoot up here more than a hundred feet and are as thin as a Lombardy poplar. The hedges made of geraniums and roses are strange to my eyes. Can you imagine them? No flower is so common as the Calla. Large clumps of them grow everywhere.

I must tell you in this letter of my visit to Chapultepec. It lies two miles from the city, at the end of a magnificent avenue called the "Paseo." The moment you enter the gate in the high wall which surrounds the grounds, you are buried in a shade as dark as twilight. Great old moss covered cypresses grow where they grew in Montezuma's time. One of the largest is called Montezuma's tree because the Emperor liked to sit under its shade. It is one hundred and fifty feet high and looks, under its gray moss, very, very old. All sorts of ghosts walk around in these shady paths. The spirits of the Aztec kings who lived in the palace up on the rocks above; Cortes and the wild freebooters who composed his band; Spanish grandees; Maximilian and Carlota, his queen, all have been here and gone, and these grand old trees have seen them all, and will live to see many more.

The castle of Chapultepec stands on a cliff of volcanic rock one hundred and fifty feet above the plain. It is fortified on three sides. The fourth is on an almost perpendicular wall of rock. Scott's men were so accustomed to walk over everything Mexican, that they scaled this unarmed cliff and took the castle. It is said that the Mexicans have never forgiven him for coming in that way.

There is a winding carriage way, about a half mile in length which goes around the hill and up to the castle gate. I walked up it and into the building. It is now used as a military school. The cadets were strolling about and I stayed to see them drill. They are not nearly so fine looking or so manly as Allegheny boys. The view from the top of the walls is one of the finest in the country.

Montino Del Rey, the scene of another of Scott's battles, lies in plain sight below.

The city and lakes are spread out like a map. It was such a windy day, however, and the air over the city was so full of dust, that the view in that direction was spoiled. I will go again for that. I could see all the mountains which wall in the valley, and the two snow clad monarchs appeared almost within my reach. They were forty miles off but this clear air is very deceiving.

I drew a picture of Iztaccihuatl—Here, she looks just like her name, "a white lady" laid out under her shroud and ready for burial.

Montezuma's baths are two pools of spring water near the base of the cliff. Ducks and swans were swimming in them when I was there. On the side of the cliff toward the city, where the rocks are the steepest, is the half defaced image of a large idol. The religious zeal of the old conquerors destroyed all such to put up their own images, which are worshiped here to-day. This idol was probably an image of the "Fair God." His name is too long to write.

There were a great many chameleons running about over the trees and rocks; and up in the sunlight the birds were singing delightfully modern songs.

But the shade of the patriarchs was almost depressing.—I came out of Chapultepec feeling

as though I had been reading some old, historic tomes. I will have to go there many times. One cannot take in five hundred years at a single dose. It chokes.

Yesterday morning Bishop Taylor preached before the conference. It was that sermon that some of you have heard at the lake—"What is man that thou art mindful of him?" He talked just an hour and a half and was at his best.

I walked in the evening on the "Paseo." It is the drive of Mexico. It is two miles long and over a hundred feet wide and as hard and clean as rock. It is bordered by double rows of sycamores, and on either side are wide walks and carved stone seats. At intervals it divides around wide circles where are statues of famous men done in bronze. On Sunday evening it is crowded. An unbroken line of carriages, in many places two lines, four miles long, drawn by the finest horses and filled with the elite of the city, passing up one side to Chapultepec, and down the other to Alameda. The center is reserved for horsemen. These, dressed as only Mexicans can dress, and riding splendid animals, prance beside the carriages, or race at full speed over the broad course. I have never seen such a sight before. I doubt if any place in the world can equal it.

THE THIMBLE.

The name of this little instrument is said to have been derived from "thumbell," being at first thumble, and afterwards thimble. It is a Dutch invention, and was brought to England about the year 1605 by John Lofting. Formerly iron and brass were used, but lately steel, silver and gold have taken their places. In the ordinary manufacture, thin plates of metal are introduced into a die and punched into shape.

In Paris gold thimbles are manufactured to a large extent. Thin sheets of sheet-iron are cut into dies of about two inches in diameter. These, being heated red-hot, are struck with a punch into a number of holes, gradually increasing in depth, to give them proper shape. The thimble is then trimmed, polished and indented around its outer surface with a number

of little holes by means of a small wheel. It is then converted into steel by the cementation process, tempered, scoured, and brought to a blue color.

A thin sheet of gold is then introduced into the interior and fastened to the steel by means of a polished steel mandril. Gold leaf is then applied to the outside and attached to it by pressure, the edges being fastened to a small groove made to receive them. The thimble is then ready for use.

A young lady, who had made good use of this useful little article, once hinted to a gentleman that her thimble was worn out, and asked what reward she merited for her industry. He sent her an answer in the shape of a thimble, on which the following lines were engraved:

"I send you a thimble, for fingers nimble,
Which I hope will fit when you try it;
It will last you long, if it's half as strong
As the hint which you gave me to buy it."

The lord chancellor of Ireland will prepare a bill for the British Parliament for increasing the endowment of Catholic colleges in Ireland, and converting the queen's colleges of Galway and Cork into Catholic institutions. He will prepare another bill granting sectarian regulation of primary schools. The government will also introduce a measure making more comprehensive the power of the land purchase act.

Among great Americans who have expended their youthful talents in editing college papers, are the poets Holmes and Willis, the statesmen Everett and Evarts, the eloquent divine, Philip Brooks, and the pleasing author, Donald G. Mitchell.

There were nearly fifty sophomores conditioned in mechanics at a recent examination at Yale.

Wendell Phillips was the first athlete and scholar at Harvard during his college career.

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WHAT is the matter with the present method of teaching the modern languages? That something is radically wrong is evident. In no American college can one acquire a facility in *speaking* any of these languages. After two or three years of study we find ourselves able to read with ease any, and perhaps all of them; but our "tongues cleave to the roofs of our mouths" when we attempt to speak them. One thing is certain, viz: That we dissipate our forces by attempting to cover too much ground. To attempt to learn the styles and vocabularies of half-a-dozen different standard authors is useless; we can make hardly an impression. Less grammar, less reading, and more conversation would be a step in the right direction. To try the Meisterschaft system, and teach youths to speak a foreign language, as children learn their own would be another stride forward. Young people may be conservative, but we are inclined to think that their elders are not half radical enough.

A COLLEGE world is the truest democracy on earth. All enter here on a dead level. No one can at once assume a lead in college affairs; but all have to win their way by sheer force of character. No amount of wealth or high family connections, can "boost" any young man or young woman into prominence in college life. Long residence gives somewhat of influence, but in general, the position held by a student depends entirely upon himself. College society is quick to recognize merit, but insists upon having it evinced before rewarding it. Young students, take note of this! Don't push yourselves forward too rapidly. Don't become too familiar on short acquaintance. Be kind and jovial, but don't think that the college has received a special boon, in your patronage. Older students, and graduates, learn that they can step down and out, and scarcely be missed. Why should your presence here be so important to the college? If we will stick our fingers in the sea, and watch the hole fill up, we may see how important a place we occupy in the world. "I'm sure we won't be missed."

FEW men can leave this earth with as clean and brilliant a record as did Gen. W. S. Hancock. He was born in Montgomery county, this state, February 14, 1824; and came from a fighting stock. He was educated at West Point, where he was associated with many who in later years became eminent in their country's service; and with some, who became eminent by their opposition to the nation that fostered them. Until the opening of the Rebellion, his life was the usual routine of an officer in the army. In this war he made his reputation, and ascended by rapid promotions to the high position he held in the service. He was brave even to recklessness; and personally led his forces into more battles than did any other General in the army. His sphere was a military one; and when he was called from his duties to lead a forlorn hope in the political field, was quite out of his element. By a

strange freak of fortune, the hero of many battles, the man who had had wounds enough to kill two or three men, died at his home, from a malignant carbuncle. All unite in singing his praises.

THE question of commencement exercises is beginning to agitate the minds of the Seniors. Whether all will be compelled to hold forth at Stone church; whether a few will be selected to represent the class; or whether some man of national reputation, will be invited to do the honors of the day, are the questions asked. If the whole large class of thirty must speak, and on the same day, the orations will of necessity be very short. Instead of showing our friends how much we know, and to what degree of excellence in speaking we have attained, we will demonstrate the inability of a five minute oration to express either of these things. People naturally look upon the commencement oration as the climax of the college course. Who of us all desires to offer such a short production as the crowning feature of his college life? Who wishes to present as the result of his best efforts, an oration that he would not consider suitable for a common society performance? No one, we think. We advocate the choice of, say ten members, to represent the class. Let them be chosen by the faculty or by lot; any way, so that the tedium of thirty performances may be avoided.

As was hinted in an editorial in our last issue, the statement is often made that a college education is impractical. That, while it fits a few for high positions, it *unfits* a great many more for the lower places which they are compelled to occupy. That it is not at all necessary for advancement to the higher planes of life. The facts are quite the reverse. If wealth and fame are the only objects of life, figures prove, that a college education is a great aid in attaining them. If we consider the immeasurable satisfaction and comfort derived

from a deeper knowledge of the world and its occupants, who of all those who know, will deny its value? No man is spoiled in college who would not have been spoiled far more easily and quickly outside. No man is there unfitted for a lower walk in life than would be expected from a college graduate. If he does not fill his position well, he never was fit.

The facts and figures given below, are taken from an article by Pres. S. F. Scovel, of the University of Wooster:

"In nearly all cases where great brain-power is demanded, the positions are filled by educated men and usually college men. This is true of the trades as well as of the professions. The percentage of graduates among all the chief justices of the United States, is 83. Among Lincoln's counsellors, for example, Seward, Chase, Stanton, and Welles were college graduates. The great generals of the Rebellion, who retained their positions to the end, were men with disciplined minds. The graduate of 35 years of age is equal to the non-graduate of 45 years. President Allen, of Illinois considers a college education equivalent to a cash capital of \$10,000. Joshua Spinner once said in a large company to a young man who was using his success without a college course, as an argument against a symmetrical training: 'Young man, it has cost me 40 years of toil to gain what you should acquire in four.'"

Thus it appears, that in every way a college education is desirable. Some times when we look ahead and see no opening for our efforts, when we look about us and see many young men successful without college training, it discourages us in spite of ourselves. But if we remember the above facts, and also that in an education we have what "neither the moth doth corrupt, nor thieves break in and steal," we will rest contented.

S. B. Smith resigned as business manager of the CAMPUS, and M. R. Stevenson has been elected in his stead.

Local.

Mud!

Do your dirty best!

Sleighting is getting stale.

Windows of heaven slightly ajar.

Fair one—"Did you know that I played cards?"

Wanted, a cure for Bronchitis, by S. M. Gordon.

All-s-n to fair one—"Did you know that I smoked?"

Faculty increasing—fourteen chairs on the rostrum.

"Make a gesture that means something"—PHILO ORACLE.

A large menagerie was fed at Rose Cottage, Tuesday, Feb. 9th.

The joint session of Allegheny and Ossoli was highly enjoyable.

Table No. six celebrated Miss Drake's birthday Thursday, Feb. 11th.

Ridiculous—lighting three gas jets in the museum to heat the chapel.

"Mc-Ka-Doo" seems to have made a lasting impression upon some of those present.

C. P. Lynch's report on the Y. M. C. A. convention at Titusville, was a cheerful one.

Smartness is personified in some people. R—z gets the honor of enlightening Dr. Flood.

Query—What young man at the Faculty table was recommended to take "Rough on Rats?"

Francis Murphy is coming on the 21st. Boys, have your thumbs wet, ready to turn over a new leaf.

Many brilliant and ably prepared speeches(?) on the silver question were recently listened to in Allegheny Society.

A certain Freshman is wonderfully exercised about the selection of ushers for a contest in which he expects to participate.

Ernest B. upon learning that Willie F. was expecting two lady callers Wednesday, dis-

coursed as follows: "Say, Willie, can't you come down and call on me this afternoon, and I will return the call Wednesday afternoon."

It is to be hoped that the gentlemen boarders at Hulings will profit by the kind and timely remarks of Prof. Montgomery.

The world is growing wiser. A senior in Junior Physics advances the wonderful theory that 60 seconds equals 3600 seconds.

"But the language of languages dearest to me is *ma chere Marie*, etc.," came from the overflowing heart of a Senior recently.

Is Hulings Hall haunted? Screams are frequently heard to issue from a certain room, and two young ladies are found standing on the furniture. Rats!

Wonderful metamorphosis—the Philos have just shown a slight indication of life, and have decided to try a breech of promise case. Apple will probably be the defendant.

"Better never late"—THE CAMPUS begs pardon for not mentioning the Banquet and presents of table No. 7, the occasion being the birthday of two of their number.

The last reception at Hulings was attended by Dr. Wheeler and wife, Prof. Montgomery and wife, Mrs. Goff, Prof. Luccock, Maj. Fuller, and the usual large number of students.

A. L. Williams made a fine speech to the Athenian Society Monday evening, detailing his experience at Ft. Myers. Extract—"bed-bugs plentifully crawling about the table while writing."

The students were fairly hysterical with delight recently, as "dot leetle German band" discoursed "See-saw," "Climbing up the Golden Stair," and many other late selections in front Bentley Hall.

A sure sign—"If you see a setter on the door-step you will know that the man inside parts his hair in the middle." Prof. R. has two setters and parts his hair in the middle, but does it with a towel.

It is midnight. All is serene and calm. A Senior with eyes surmounted by a pair of double concave lenses, wends his weary way up

Park avenue. Suddenly he beholds a gleam of light! what ghostly apparition meets his horrified gaze! a figure rises and is silhouetted in bold relief against the blinds. Wonder of wonders! the figure separates into two! As the student continues his way he wistfully murmurs, "lovers can see to do their amorous rites by their own beauties; or, if love be blind, it best agrees with night."

Coal Heaver of H. H.—Prof., may I be excused from Latin this morning?"

Prof.—"Why."

Coal Heaver—"The girls over in the Hall are cold."

Prof.—"Oh, well, go over and warm them."

"Open your eyes, open them if you dare. Wide awake, eh? all right."—A small audience was gathered in the Academy of Music on last Thursday evening to hear and see the wonders of Psychology. The Doctor, after several requests, succeeded in securing three specimens to come upon the stage, on whom to try his phrenological powers. He commenced on one dark-haired individual, but as he was not the *Proper* one, he went to specimen number two, but as he *Rutter* have something *Gray*, he left this one and commenced on the latter-named object, saying with a loud and distinct voice: "Ladies and gentlemen, this young man is passionately fond of the girls; he also loves children. Animal faculties largely developed; observe the extraordinary development of appetite, simply monstrous, never saw anything like it. I would also call attention to the development of the beauty bump; although it may not be apparent in the general appearance of the gentleman, nevertheless it is here, and will become patent sooner or later. I now pass on to specimen number two. This gentleman, as you observe, has light hair, which is an indication that he will fall in love with a dark-haired female. The first thing striking about this specimen is the wonderful development of the social group, which creates the family ties and domestic affections. We observe under this head the extreme development of love, which indicates the desire to love, be loved, and fondled. The faculty of force is also quite

large, indicating courage, snap, boldness, determination, etc. When this young man undertakes to do anything he is sure to carry it through; if he fall in love with a girl he will *surely* marry her. Observe the moral sentiments, which prove the specimen a worshiper and indicates piety, churchism, asceticism, reverence for religion, love of prayer, religious observances, etc., etc. I now consider it the *Proper* caper to examine this dark-haired specimen and request you to notice the aspiring sentiments. Behold: ambition rather large, which indicates self-esteem, love of power, publicity, praise, display, fame, authority, popularity, and social position. Notice the wonderful absence of firmness, which also shows a lack of pertinacity, fixedness of purpose, indomitability, aversion to change, and *especially* will power, and consequently spends six years in learning what he ought to learn in two." After this the Doctor tried to mesmerize several of the students, but failed on account of the lack of "electricity" in the atmosphere.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Goff was here on a visit last week.

A. L. Chase went to the country the 13th.

G. H. Fuller was home on a visit recently.

S. B. Smith, '86, has been sick since February 1st.

W. H. Martin, '84, was visiting in town February 3d.

F. H. Shaw, '87, is at his home on account of ill health.

A. L. Williams, '85, is at home on a fifteen days' furlough.

Miss Jessie Drake visited her home at Townville, Saturday.

Captains Braymer and Perkins have resigned from the Battalion.

Mrs. Prof. Newlin's father and sister have been here visiting.

Miss Ella Goff has been quite sick, but is beginning to be about again.

Major Fuller will lecture to the Battalion next Friday afternoon on "How to Quell

Riots." It will undoubtedly be pervaded by the usual high (?) moral tone.

Mrs. Scott was visiting her daughter Nellie at Hulings Hall a few days last week.

Bignell and Blaisdell visited the latter's parents at Greenville and friends at Sharon last week.

W. P. Grant, '83, was in town a few days recently. He is engaged in the subscription book business.

H. C. Foster's father was here visiting, and was up to the Philo Society, Friday night, and attended Chapel Saturday.

W. P. Murray and F. L. Wells, arrayed in stunning plug hats, started for the Phi Delta Theta convention in New York City last week.

Fraternity.

THE ALPHA PROVINCE CONVENTION OF Φ Δ Θ.

The Alpha Province of Phi Delta Theta consists of fourteen under-graduate and one alumni chapters, located at the following institutions: Lafayette, Washington and Jefferson, Pennsylvania College, Allegheny, Dickenson, University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, Union, College of City of N. Y., Columbia, University of Vermont, Colby, Dartmouth, Williams, and N. Y. Alpha Alumni. Delegates from these chapters met in N. Y. City Friday and Saturday of last week to hold the first Alpha Province Convention. Rev. Dr. Worrall, of N. Y. Alpha Alumni, opened the convention with prayer, and immediately his son, W. R. Worrall, President of Alpha Province, proceeded to the organization of the convention.

Much important work was done. The convention expressed itself strongly against the initiation of preparatory students, adopted a uniform method of keeping chapter minutes, and discussed best methods of extending and improving the fraternity. A most conservative spirit was manifest, it being the opinion of the delegates, that only the best men of the best institutions were desirable as members of

Phi Delta Theta, and that internal improvement was more important than extension. Gratifying reports were made by nearly every chapter, and the various "Goats" were compared and their "paces" tested. A Pennsylvania Association was formed and measures will be taken to have held a Pennsylvania state convention next summer, at Chautauqua. A very strong feeling that Alpha Province was *the* province of the fraternity, and that it should have a more important share of the fraternity honors was shown, and at the banquet, where Carroll P. Bassett, ex-President of Alpha Province, and at present Secretary of the Grand Council, one of the most earnest and devoted of the workers in the Phi ranks, presided, this feeling predominated and Alpha Province enthusiasm was unbounded. At the same time the strongest feeling of loyalty to the whole order prevailed, and it was realized that Alpha Province was only a part of the "National fraternity." Saturday afternoon the sessions closed, and all departed feeling that the convention would be a means of extending the order and broadening the policy of the fraternity.

NOTES.

The University of Mississippi has eleven fraternities.

Sigma Nu and Chi Psi are at Emory College, Oxford, Ga.

Phi Delta has twenty-two chapters in southern colleges.

Chi Psi will hold its next convention at Indianapolis, in May, 1886.

The new catalogue of Delta Kappa Epsilon will soon be finished.

Delta Kappa Epsilon has established a chapter at Central University, Richmond, Ky.

Major Harry C. Dane, the lecturer, is an honorary member of the Phi Gamma Delta.

Alpha Delta Phi have initiated two Chinese students at Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio.

Hereafter *The Phi Gamma Delta* will be a Quarterly instead of a monthly. It will be pub-

lished under the auspices of Omega chapter, Columbia College, N. Y., by Mr. J. Wesley French.

Alpha Tau Omega has fourteen chapters in the South, three in the East and four in the West.

The Phi Kappa Psi convention will be held at Indianapolis during the first week in April, 1886.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has granted a charter to the deposed members of the Delta Tau Delta chapter at Mt. Union College.

The University of North Carolina has six fraternities: Zeta Psi, Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, and Phi Kappa Sigma.

The Phi Kappa Psi *Shield*, the Beta Theta Pi, the Kappa Alpha *Journal*, the Delta Tau Delta *Crescent*, and the Phi Delta Theta *Scroll*, are the only fraternity magazines which are published monthly.

Phi Delta Theta has moved into new rooms in the Phoenix block. The rooms are leased for a series of years, are richly furnished, and heated by steam, making a very attractive and comfortable fraternity home.

The College World.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* is still pursuing its laudable effort to obtain from the "best hundred judges" their lists of the "best hundred books." Some of the replies it receives are not encouraging, though they are all the more interesting. The Duke of Argyll reports "that I am not really able to add anything of value to the discussion of the needful list of books. Sir John Lubbock's list seems to be very good, as far as such lists can possibly go." Professor Freeman says: "I feel myself quite unable to draw up such a list as you propose, as I could not trust my own judgment on any matter not bearing on my own special studies and I should be doubtless tempted to give too great promise to them." Herbert Spencer also would "hesitate to make a selection of the required kind" even if he had time. "My reading has been

much more in the direction of science than in the direction of general literature; and of such works in general literature as I have looked into I know comparatively little, being an impatient reader and usually soon satiated." Matthew Arnold writes: "Lists, such as Sir John Lubbock's, are interesting things to look at, but I feel no disposition to make one." The author of "John Halifax," Mrs. Craik, "always thinks readers know best how to choose their own books—what they like, and (equally important) what it is in their power to get." And another correspondent, "a distinguished man of science," whose name is not given, remarks that books have been called "medicine for the soul" and "before I prescribe I should like to know something of my patient. It does not seem to me very advisable to hand over a whole medicine chest with a hundred drugs in it and say, Take that."

NOTES.

The resignation of President Porter, of Yale, will take effect next June.

Canon Farar, in a lecture delivered in John Hopkins University, put himself in line with those who protest against making the ancient languages the chief business of college life.

The right of petition by the students of Wisconsin University has been abolished by the college authorities, and petitioning made an offense punishable by suspension. Ohio Wesleyan University, look to your laurels!—*Ex.*

The "Editor's Outlook," in *The Chautauquan* for March argues that "women are likely to do an increasing amount of brain-work of the world so long as there is an open road to intellectual and moral ruin on nearly every street corner of our towns," and prophesies that "the world which yesterday sneered at the women poet may transform itself into a world in which a man poet will receive the sneer."

James Russell Lowell has resumed his position as Professor of Modern Languages and Belles Lettres at Harvard, and is conducting two courses, one in Italian, Dante,

and the other in Spanish, Cervantes. Professor Lowell, upon his arrival from abroad, presented to the library a collection of 688 volumes, which he collected during his residence abroad. They are mostly Spanish works, some are Italian and some English.

A PRIZE of \$50 is offered at Union College for the best extemporaneous speech delivered by any of the students during commencement week.

The University of Pennsylvania has succeeded in discharging the debt of \$140,000 which stood against her at the end of the fiscal year 1884. The university has been burdened with debt for over thirteen years.

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DISAPPOINTMENT.

CHAPTER I.

He (without):
Ah, there!
Pa there?

CHAPTER II.

She (within):
You bet.
Better get.
THE END.

Mr. Cobb recently married Miss Webb. He knew they were intended for each other as soon as he spider.

A Freshman writes to his father: "Dear Pa.—I want a little change." The tender paternal replies: "Dear Charlie.—Just wait for it. Time brings change to everybody."—*Ex.*

Papa (soberly): "That was quite a monstrosity you had in the parlor, last evening?"

Maud (nettled): "Indeed! That must depend on one's understanding of the term 'monstrosity.'"

Papa (thoughtfully) "Well, two heads on one pair of shoulders, for example"

"Is the sense of smelling more pleasant than the sense of tasting?" was the subject before a debating club. Mr. Skilton was the last to speak on the negative, and all were anxious to

hear him, when, ringing the bell, he ordered a glass of hot punch, and drank it with great gusto. Then, turning to his opponents, he handed the empty glass to the leading disputant, and exclaimed, "Now, sir, smell it!" It is needless to add that Mr. Skilton brought down the house and carried the decision for the negative.

THE SENIOR.

Who is it longs for school to close
That he at length may gain repose,
And show the people all he knows?
The Senior.

Who longs to lay aside his books?
Who greets the girls with loving looks,
And wonders how they'd prove as cooks?
The Senior.

Who, when the autumn time is nigh,
Does o'er the farmers' cornfields hie
With hopes a melon patch to spy?
The Senior.

Who, from his place in knowledge's tree,
Never looks up, but down, to see,
And fancies none as high as he?
The Senior.

After all, who have virtues so great that indeed
They are men that the world will both welcome
and need,
And with kindest of feelings we wish a God-speed?
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