Miss Ida M. Tarbell, Lincoln's Biographer, Sends Greetings to Her Fellow Alleghenians.

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FIRST TOLD TALE.

LINCOLN'S GUARD ORGANIZED AT MEADVILLE.

Alleghenian Was Captain.

(By Captain S. H. Birdsall, One of Lincoln's Former Special Guards.)

"In August, 1862, our Regiment, the 150th Pennsylvania Volunteers, left Harrisburg, Pa., for Washington, D. C. The morning after our arrival in the capitol city our company (Co. K) was order to the Soldiers' Home, four miles north of Washington. This was the President's summer residence. It was a delightful place, all the avenues well skirted with shade trees. It was our duty to guard all the approaches in summer and to do duty in winter at the White House. It was the duty of our Captain, D. V. Derickson, as special guard, to ride in the carriage with the President, to and from the capitol daily. An escort of cavalry also followed close to the carriage. In winter we camped in a grove just south of the President's mansion. This was a portion of the government grounds, a beautiful place in summer and where the President often took his walks. President and Mrs. Lincoln used to walk out through this grove on sunny afternoons and always had a good word for the soldiers.

Lncoln Preferred Meadville Guard.

Our Colonel many times succeeded in having the company ordered to rejoin the regiment, but as often the order was countermanded. The President would say, "If I am to have a guard I prefer the men I now have." He never said, "I must have the guard." but left the decision on that point to those in command of the army.

"Tappin, I Want a Twad of Men."

Little Thaddeus Lincoln was about eight years old and everybody called him Tad. He wore a uniform and was adorned with major straps. He could not talk plainly and many times on special occasions the young major would come down to our camp and say, "Tappin, I want a twad of men." The squad of men was always promptly furnished and on their arrival at the White House kitchen each man was loaded with turkeys.

Many Allegheny Men in Company.

This company was organized at MEADVILLE, PA. I remained with the company one year, holding the position of fifth sergeant, then entered another branch of service. The duties of this position were to look after the rations and general supplies for the company. On one occasion three barrels of corned beef, known in army circles as "sorrel horse," were unloaded at our tent. Pretty soon the drum beat called my attention in that direction and everything betokened a funeral occasion. The squad of men under a corporal started the barrels to rolling. They went south of our camp a distance of half a mile and buried them with real military honors.

An Interview With Lincoln.

On one occasion I wanted to see the President and could only gain admittance through the friendly aid of little Tad. I said, "I want to see your father." Little Tad answered, "Alright, I'll go wif you."

We ascended the grand stairs together, no one to molest or make us trouble. It happened for a wonder that President Lincoln was not busy that morning, so when we entered the room he said pleasantly, "Sergeant, what can I do for you?" I handed him an envelope containing the muster roll naming me as captain of Company B, 1st Regt., N. S. C. T.

Allegheny Man Made Captain by President Lincoln.

He looked the papers over very carefully, took his pencil and wrote on the envelope, "This application for position in Colored troops respectfully approved. A. Lincoln."

This gave me admittance to the secretary of war, Mr. Stanton, and I was soon on duty with the company.

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A FORERUNNER.

ALLEGHENIAN CAPTAINED THE FIRST COLORED SOLDIERS.

From a letter received recently by President Crawford from S. H. Birdsall, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Mr. Birdsall is a graduate of Allegheny College, class of '60.

"I was a member of Company K, 150th Pa. Vol., raised at Meadville. This company, under Captain David V. Derickson, was on duty at the White House during the War of the Rebellion.

"I remained with 'he boys one year, then organized the first company of colored soldiers at Washington, D. C. It was no picnic I assure you. It costs something to stand for prohibition now but it meant a great deal more then to be a 'nigger-lover,' as we were called. Lieutenant Sanborn, one of my coworkers, undertook to recruit and went with a squad of colored soldiers to Norfolk, Virginia. He was shot down like a dog before he had gone three blocks from the steamboat landing."

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FORUM GIVES A LINCOLN PROGRAM.

In recognition of the forensic interests at Allegheny, a Lincoln's Day program will be given in Ford Memorial Chapel this afternoon at 2:30 under the auspices of the Forum. This organization having as its aim the encouragement of debate among the young men, was founded last year at the instigation of Professor Brown and Dr. E. A. Smith. Its work in the past year has been most satisfactory, quite fulfilling the desires of its founders in organizing a club for debaters only. Besides developing two winning debating teams last year, it trained a score of other young men in platform work, and turned the attention of the student body to the value of having regular debating contests.

The following program of an hour's length will be given:—

1. Song, "Marching Through Georgia"—Glee Club.
2. Paper, "Lincoln as a Debater"—C. F. Lewis.
3. Reading, "Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address"—Wm. L. Stidger.
4. Reading, "Captain, My Captain"—Miss Margaret Beebe.
5. Song, "John Brown's Body, etc."—Glee Club.
6. Address, "Abraham Lincoln"—Dr. E. A. Smith.
7. Reading, "A Perfect Tribute"—Miss Alice Huntington Spalding.
8. Song, "America."

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That the largest heart is always the tenderest might have been said of Lincoln.

WAS AT THEATRE.

HE SAW LINCOLN ASSASSINATED.

(Interviewed by R. J. George.)

Judge J. J. Henderson, Vice-President of Allegheny Board of Trustees, was in Washington during the closing weeks of the war and was present at the theatre on the night of the assassination of President Lincoln. In company with Colonel Ashley and Lieutenant McKelvey of the Signal Corps he attended the performance that night to hear Laura Keene in "Our American Cousin," a performance which was very popular at that time.

Not Far From Lincoln's Box.

This party occupied seats in the first gallery in front of the middle of the stage, with an unobstructed view of the box occupied by the President on the same floor at their right as they faced the stage. The President, Miss Harris, a daughter of Senator Harris of New York, and Major Rathbone of a New York regiment occupied the box. A door from this gallery opened into a narrow passageway immediately at the rear of the box occupied by the President.

Notices Booth.

During the progress of the performance, Colonel Ashley called Mr. Henderson's attention to John Wilkes Booth, who was at the time standing near this door and apparently observing the progress of the performance on the stage. Mr. Henderson had never seen Booth, but Colonel Ashley knew him and gave some account of him. He was a rather slender, graceful looking young man, well dressed and wearing a soft, black hat.

The Fatal Shot Is Fired.

A few minutes after Mr. Henderson's attention had been called to him, a shot was fired in the President's box and immediately thereafter Booth jumped over the balustrade of the box onto the stage. He alighted rather heavily, but recovered himself promptly and passed quickly behind the scenery. The stage was vacant at the time and no one was within reach to apprehend him. As was later learned, he passed out of the rear of the theatre, mounted a horse which was in waiting, rode rapidly over the Navy Yard Bridge and into Southern Maryland. There was, of course, very great excitement in the theatre; loud calls were made to arrest the man; but the suddenness and surprise of the occurrence prevented immediate action. The President was removed within a short time to a dwelling house opposite the theatre, where he died the next morning.

Washington That Night.

Mr. Henderson and his companions went from the theatre down to Pennsylvania Avenue and up that street. When they were near Willard's Hotel they met men coming

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AN ALLEGHENIAN.

MISS TARBELL IS LECTURING ON LINCOLN AT UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN TO-DAY.

Yesterday morning we received a notice from the University of Michigan that Miss Ida M. Tarbell, a graduate of Allegheny College, was to deliver the address Friday at the Michigan observance of Lincoln's One Hundredth Anniversay. With the notice came a program of the event at the beginning of which was a good cut of our honored graduate. The following complimentary notice closes the announcement:

"Miss Tarbell will deliver the address on the occasion of the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. Miss Tarbell's "Life of Lincoln" is considered the best work on the subject, as remarkable for bringing out hitherto unknown and yet most important facts as for the sympathetic insight into the human side of the great president. So typical and yet so unique an American character could not have been given a better biographer. The manner of speaking and personality of Miss Tarbell combine to make her a most interesting person on the platform, and the university is to be congratulated on securing her for Februaary the twelfth.



LINCOLN'S GETHSEMANE

"OH GOD, MY GOD WHAT AM I THAT THOU SHOULDST ASK THIS OF ME. WHAT AM I THAT THOU SHOULDST TRUST ME SO."

FROM "FATHER ABRAHAM"
By Ida M. Tarbell

W. P. COLE WINS.

The annual Wakefield Oration Contest was held last evening in Ford Memorial Chapel with more than the usual amount of interest. Every oration was up to the standard of collegiate productions, and the men showed polish in delivery indicative of marked ability behind it. A less number than usual entered the contest this year, there being only four on the program, but three of these had carried off honors before in collegiate contests.

W. G. Cole won the first prize of $25 in the Class of '90 Oration Contest last year; T. N. Hubbard carried off second honors and a $12 prize in the same contest; J. R. Keister won second place in the Class of '90 Contest this year; F. G. Willey appeared last night for the first time in a collegiate contest.

The orations reviewed briefly were as follows:—

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WE FEEL OUR INCOMPETENCE.

We thought of writing an editorial tribute to Lincoln, but in attempting it we feel too positively our incompetence to deal with such a theme. His life, which all men now know, is tribute for itself.

ENCOURAGEMENT TO SINGERS.

We art glad to note in a western paper Mr. Fred Smith's success in concert work. He was a prominent Glee Club man when he was in school and two years ago gave a concert in the College Chapel.

IN THIS ISSUE.

There are in this issue two copyright stories of Lincoln, both written by Captain Birdsall, a graduate of Allegheny, and published for the first time in the Campus. There is an interview with Judge Henderson, who was an eye witness of this country's greatest tragedy. This is also the first publication of the story. In addition to these valuable aricles we have an original poem that will be delivered for the first time today at a Lincoln observance in Colorado. The climax is Miss Tarbell's greeting and the two stories connecting the assassination of Lincoln at least in interest with Meadville.

IT MEANT SOMETHING THEN.

To be brave enough to assume the captaincy of the first company of Colored soldiers, in the heat of the race hatred of the Civil War days, meant that a man must take his life close to the brink. But such was the manhood of Captain S. H. Birdsall, a graduate of Allegheny College.

An illustration of the spirit of the times and the deep feeling of hatred against such pioneers of liberty is seen in the article on the front page of the Campus, telling how Lieutenant Sanborn, a friend of Captain Birdsall, was shot in Baltimore shortly after the Colored company was organized in Washington.

It makes our hearts beat with pride as we read of this Allegheny pioneer who dared to take the lead in the face of grave danger to his life.

A GOOD THING TO LAUGH A LITTLE.

The thing that kept Lincoln from going insane under the awful stress of the Civil war was the fact that he realized the truth of an old quotation, "a little nonsense now and then is a good thing for the best of men." So we note with pleasure that another Runt-Fat game has been played with the usual success. We have seen several such contests, and believe that they are becoming funnier every year. For genuine humor and amusement, a game like that of last Saturday can hardly be surpassed.

The custom of having such a contest has become an annual one here at Allegheny For some years past the gate receipts have been turned over to the athletic fund, and the cause is surely a worthy one. The managers were able to collect about $15 at the recent game.

MISS TARBELL IS LINCOLN'S GREATEST BIOGRAPHER.

We have felt for several years that the above is true, but have never dared venture such an opinion until we have heard others of more authority make the statement. This authority has come to us from the University of Michigan and we are most pleased to repeat the statement on this editorial page. As is well known, Miss Tarbell is a graduate of Allegheny. Before she was known to the world by her Standard Oil Exposure, she was heralded as a most scientific, accurate biographer of the great Lincoln. One of the peculiar values of her writing of Lincoln is that she gives us a view of the sacred inner portals of Lincoln's life; his heart life. Who can read the articles now appearing in the "American Magazine" under caption "He Knew Lincoln" without dropping a tear of sympathy on the pages as he reads. A human touch, Miss Tarbell gives us that we have never found before in any biographer of Lincoln.

The fact that she is today delivering the address at Michigan University speaks positively of her standing as a Lincoln authority, in addition to her ability as a speaker—a thing of which Allegheny College students can speak for themselves because only three years ago she spoke in Ford Memorial Chapel. And it is safe to say that we have all read her Lincoln treatises. To say we are proud of her would be inadequately expressing our real feeling. It is approaching the same feeling we have for Lincoln himself. And we are not alone in this reverence. We hope to have our world-famed journalist and speaker here some time to talk on Lincoln.

SOME SCHOOLS NOT SO COURTEOUS.

At State College the basket ball men were treated in a very courteous manner by the students, both during and after the game. State has a good team or we would never have taken them on our schedule. In the first half, dulled by a long train ride, our team failed to awaken to the seriousness of the situation. In the second half we played all around State, as the State papers will likely acknowledge. The loss of the game was due to carelessness in comprehending the situation on the part of Allegheny. We seldom meet a team that tests our strength. State may consider herself fortunate, as she probably does, to have defeated Allegheny. And she did it in a clean, gentlemanly way.

Not So at Bucknell.

However, we are sorry to say the treatment at Bucknell was just opposite to that of State. Allegheny has always been used to playing high-class schools in basket ball and naturally has always received the same gentlemanly treatment away from home as we give Yale, Oberlin, Colegate, University of Pennsylvania and other teams on our own floor. Naturally we were disappointed at Bucknell in the discourtesy of both the crowd and some players. We should like to have a chance to play Bucknell on our own floor, not so much that we might defeat them, but to show them how a clean crowd of students treat visitors. The game was in decided contrast to the clean one at State. The State men were rough and hard players. We like that. But they were, with it all, clean and courteous.

The Harrisburg Game.

It was a fast, clean game. The team is made up of college men employed in the capital city and had already defeated State College. They had seldom been beaten and were fair enough to say that Allegheny was the fastest team they had played against.

The best part of this game was the general good feeling that resulted. The Allegheny crowd was large and of course greatly pleased with the team; the rooters seemed impartial and cheered both teams alike; and best of all, the players were courteous.

In all it was a good trip.

A WAR SONG BY ALLEGHENIAN.

The following song was written by Professor Birdsall and is to be sung for the first time at Greely, Colorado, on the twelfth of this month. Permission is given to the Campus to print it on that date. The song is copyrighted by S. H. Birdsall.

G. A. R. Song.

Tune—"Bonny Blue Flag."

Many a year has passed and gone,
My comrades brave and true;
Since we obeyed Abe Lincoln's call
And fought the long war through.
And now we form our ranks again,
The boys that wore the blue,
The vet's that showed what loyal men,
For truth and right could do.

Chorus.

Hurrah, hurrah for the G. A. R., hurrah,
Hurrah for the glorious flag
That bears the stripes and stars.

Through four long years 'mid wounds and death,
We fought the stars and bars
And kept on high the union's flag,
As brigtly shone its stars;
When traitors thought to pull it down,
The cry rose near and far,
To keep on high the brave old flag,
Nor let it lose a star.

Cho.—

Our ranks were thinned on many a field,
Under the sod and dew
We laid our heroes down to rest,
The noble and the true.
And should our rights be threatened
By Rebels anywhere,
We'll show the vet's know how to fight
That form the G. A. R.

Cho.—

After all, the one meaning of life is simply to be kind. I have tried to be. I have not done much, but this much I have done—wherever I have found a thistle growing, I have tried to pluck it up, and in its place I have planted a flower.—Lincoln.

UNIQUE STUNTS AIM OF CLASSES.

The time for the annual Washington's Birthday Banquet is approaching, and with it the usual demonstration of class spirit is expected. For many years past this celebration has been looked forward to by students, faculty and alumni as the greatest democratic social event of the college year, it being the only annual affair in which all students are interested alike. In previous years it has been the aim of the general committee to give to the college at large a function that will develop a better Allegheny College spirit. The toastmaster is always a loyal alumnus who has won for himself success worthy of the honor conferred upon him. The toasts given by representative members of the three upper classes and the faculty, are usually prepared with an aim to elevate the ideals of the college and to bring the student body, faculty and alumni closer together as a whole. Aside from the various college songs sung, the rest of the program is left to the several classes, each one of which contributes its share to the merriment of the evening. Heretofore a spirit of friendly rivalry, especially among the classes, as to which will have the most unique "stunt" to surprise the crowd with the night of the banquet.

The banquet this year will probably surpass all others of former years. The general committee are completing arrangements for the general decorations and appointing the speakers for the toasts as usual, leaving the table decorations to the management of the respective classes.

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BUCHTEL EASY.

The basket ball game between Allegheny and Buchtel at the Gymnasium last evening ended in favor of Allegheny, the final score being 44 to 13.

The Allegheny five showed excellent form throughout the entire game. However there was little sensational playing. In a word it was fast, consistent, hard playing, including short passes and straight shots.

The Buchtel team was in good shape for the game and showed in several ways that they were by no means amateurs. Their team work was, perhaps, a little faulty, but with this exception they could not be criticized much. Jahant, Buchtel's much heralded star forward did little good work in the basket-shooting line.

The practice of team work which Captain Maxwell has been putting the team through lately, showed results, as in several instances the ball was pocketed in the basket one or two passes from the center.

The line-up follows:—

Allegheny, —. Buchtel, —.
Maxwell, (Capt.) F. .....Jahant
Baker ..... F. ..... Risch
Hines ..... C. ..... Reed
Weidler ..... G. ..... Iredell
Phillips ..... G. ..... Williams
and Benedict.

Official—Campbell.

Baskets—Baker 11, Maxwell 2, Hines 4, Benedict 1.

Time of halves—20 minutes each.

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IMPERATIVE THAT YOU ACT EARLY.

Tickets for the Washington's Birthday banquet are now for sale by a committee from each class. The names of these persons are posted on the bulletin board in Bentley Hall. It is absolutely necessary that the committee know at an early date just how many expect to attend, so get your ticket at once.

Persons desiring to invite guests to the banquet must report name of guest to the chairman of the committee this week. Only a limited number of guests can be entertained, and preference will be given to prospective students of the College.

Owing to the short time before the banquet, the committee requests that the above suggestions be followed out promptly.

A. J. NELSON,
Chairman Finance Committee.

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B. F. COUSINS READS PAPER.

B. F. Cousins gave the Scientific Club a scientific discussion of "Bogs" Tuesday evening at their regular meeting in the College Library building. Owing to the fact that C. W. Elkins had read a paper on the same subject last semester, Mr. Cousins limited his treatment of the subject to the chemical formation. G. H. Ruhling followed on the program with a review of a recent magazine article on "The Beginning of Things by the Plantesmoidal Theory." In the business session Miss Bernice Hatch, F. H. Callahan, F. C. First, E. P. Kennedy and W. B. Craig were elected to membership in the club.

The committee on entertainment announced that dinner would be served to all the members of the club at Cochran Hall Tuesday evening, February 16.

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And it came to pass that during the season when there was much playing of the game of basket ball going on in the land, that five ill-favored and lean-fleshed players did smite five well-favored and fat-fleshed players. And they smote them well, making 34 points while the Runts made 28.

And it came about in this way: The five well-favored ones did come up out of the valley first and then came the five ill-favored ones. They challenged and were accepted. And when the game was to be played on the fifth day of the week there was a vast multitude to see them. It was decided to have Red Hickernell of the Figamites do the refereeing and the contest was begun.

Now the ill-fed players (called the Runts) were very spritely on their feet and could traverse the land much faster than the well-fed ones. So it was that the lean ones became the victors. Taxminer of the Phideltites played the center position for the Fats; and it was Mould of the Land of Taudelt who opposed him. Gelatine Parshall was a star performer for the Fat and well-fed team, but it was he who fell on the floor near the basket. And it was in this way that he did keep others from getting near the basket. he was so large around.

Now the game was well progressed and it was in the second half when Lardriblet from the city of Flsi was struck down by one of his oppossers. There was woeful and widespread grief throughout the land caused by this. And, behold, there came out of the gymnasium door a wheelbarrow. And on this he was carried away. And there was there one Dingle Bell who was of slight figure who was put in, in place of Lardriblet. This caused much commotion among the camp of the ill-favored ones for he was so slight that he could not be told from their own.

And they did throw and bounce and throw for the basket; each one according to his own basket did he throw. Of all them Leffel was the best at this end and thus did he find grace in the sight of his brothers.

And when the game was drawing near the close, Tadculpish, from the Land of Sig, was smitten so that he had to be taken away, and in his stead was put Lardriblet, who was first of the Fats.

Now when the contest was finished there was a great shout went up from the multitude, and some favored the lean-fleshed and some the fat-fleshed.

And thus it came to pass that the five lean-fleshed and ill fed players did eat up the five fat-fleshed and well-fed players. And when they had eaten them up it could not be known that they had eaten them; but they were still ill-favored as at the beginning.

And this is the way they lined-up. Each one against his own man did he line-up. Accordingly it was:

Ill-Favored (Runts) 34.
Well-Favored (Fats) 28.
Culp ..... F ..... Leffel
Herbster ..... F ....Riblet, Bell
Mould ..... C ..... Miner
Lore ..... G ..... Parshall
Croasman ..... G ..... Cole
Official—Hickernell.

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FRED SMITH, '03, IN SYMPHONY CONCERT.

The Salt Lake Tribune of January 18 spoke as follows of one of Allegheny's popular soloists of the past: "The thirteenth recital of the Symphony Orchestra was pronounced the best program yet given. It was also a brilliant success socially with Gov. Sypard, the elite of the city, present. The soloist was Mr. Fred E. Smith and he sang the bass aria of Mozart's, "Within This Sacred Dwelling," which gave a chance to display a truly remarkable range and fine quality of voice. Mr. Smith, formerly with the Metropolitan Opera Co., was in splendid form and richly deserved the enthusiastic encore, in which he gave an aria from Verdi's opera, 'Simon.' "

The Inter-Mountain Republican said: "Fred Smith deserve much praise for his part of the program. His song suited to perfection his beautiful bass voice, especially the lower tones, which were wonderful in their roundness and quality."

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BOOTH PREDICTS LINCOLN'S DEATH.

Cuts It On Meadville Hotel Window.

That is a startling thing that we read in Miss Tarbell's "Lincoln" that in an old Meadville hotel there was found scratched on a window glass this inscription:

"Abe Lincoln departed this life Aug. 13th, 1864, by the effects of poison." The thing that makes this story startling is another fact which we have found authorized by old theatrical men of Meadville, and that is that the night before Aug. 13th, 1864, John Wilkes Booth acted in the Meadville theatre.

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BISHOP HARTZELL VISITS DR. CRAWFORD.

Bishop Hartzell, one of the most successful mission workers of the Methodist Episcopal church, made a short visit to the College Campus Tuesday afternoon, and was a guest of President Crawford at his home. Bishop Hartzell has had charge of the African mission field for several years past, and is now spending a few months in America. He arrived at Meadville at 3 o'clock p. m. and left on the 6 o'clock train en route for his home at Cincinnati. President Crawford boarded the same train for Michigan where he was expected to deliver an address at Jackson on "The Problem of the Christian College." On Thursday he was scheduled to attend the annual convention of the Religious Educational Association at Chicago.

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SHORT STORY OF THE BASKET BALL TRIP.

With the return of the basket ball team from Harrisburg last Sunday, the first trip of the season for the Allegheny men came to a close. The result of the games played was two defeats and one victory. The Harrisburg game was played with the regular A. A. U. rules, and the resulting victory speaks for itself. The score there was 56-26.

The trip began Wednesday afternoon when the team went to Pittsburg where they spent the night. The next morning at 6:30 they left for State College, arriving at 3:00 in the afternoon with the game scheduled for the evening. The result here was 28 to 23, favor of State. The men speak in highest terms of the treatment received, and attribute their defeat only to the long trip, the new rules and the strange floor. The Bucknell game Friday evening was a close one, the narrow margin of two points being the result of an almost accidental shot from the middle of the floor with 15 seconds to play. Time was called before the ball could be again put in play. Score 30-28 in favor of Bucknell.

The Saturday game was especially satisfactory since the Harrisburg men had defeated both State and Bucknell. Allegheny supporters were out 100 strong, 50 of them holding a solid section of reserved seats in the center of the crowd. The opposing team was made up of ex-college men who play because they like the game. The man who most distinguished himself by his work was Taggart from University of Rochester. The other players represented the following schools: Hull, Franklin and Marshall; Tome, Princeton; Johnson. Bucknell; Guffey, U. of W. Va. Baker and Maxwell scored most for Allegheny, with Weidler playing strong. The line-up:

Taggart	F.	Baker
Hull	F.	Maxwell
Tome	C.	Hines
Johnson	G.	Benedict and Phillips
Guffrey	G.	Weidler

This Allegheny line-up represents approximately the one the locals used at each of the three games. The defeats were the first since Wooster two years ago, so they seem worse to the college than to any one else. But other games are to come this year, and possibly Bucknell here, giving Allegheny ample opportunity to maintain her basket ball standing.

FIRST TOLD TALE.

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I mention these little things to show the wonderful man in his every-day life. A volume might be written on these lines, but that must remain for other and better pens. When we consider the responsibility resting upon that man and how wonderfully he managed affairs under difficulties, we can the better appreciate his services to our divided nation. Had he failed, civilization would have lost a century. The entire world kept eager eyes on Lincoln and awaited results. Happily for us, right prevailed, the war closed and the Union was saved."

Ernest E. Baldwin of New York city of the class of '84, has recently presented two large octavo volumes which constitute the life of William Pitt Fessenden by Francis Fessenden, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Company. The gift is a valuable addition to the large collection of the lives of public men now in the College library.

W. G. COLE WINS.

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F. G. Willey in his oration, "The Unrecognized Hero," brought forth a conception of heroism new to many. With a division quite logical in its sequence he classified the different types of heroism under four heads:

First, gallantry, in which physical bravery is not permanent, manifesting itself in the truly adventurous.

Second, valor, a higher type in which physical courage is sustained. Valor is an attribute of the brave warrior.

Third, intrepidity, implying firmness of moral fibre, high self control, accompanied by the spirit of altruism.

W. C. Willey, who was in the Wakefield Oratorical contest last night, became very ill on the platform and was unable to finish his oration. He has been suffering with la grippe for two weeks. Mr. Willey got two points in that and would have been a close winner for first place had it not been for this misfortune.

E. N. Hubbard in "The Clamor for Concession," called attention to the privileges enjoyed by capital and labor, by the rum sellers, the manufacturers employing child labor, the mob, and the press.

We should turn to the principles inaugurated by our Puritan fathers, bringing the spirit of altruism into our government.

J. R. Keister championed the cause of the small institution of learning, emphasizing the effect it has on the student as compared with that of the university. The university tends to specialization in its courses of study, and has its work to do in training the artisan, the doctor and the mechanic; but the small college develops in its patrons the broader qualities of the man, and teaches us not only "to know but to know thyself."

In "The Modern Slavery" Mr. Cole treats of the live problem of child labor in the factories and mines of the United States, dwelling especially upon our own state of Pennsylvania. The introductory figure of Roman slavery he carries throughout the oration, paralleling it to this great problem.

WAS AT THEATRE.

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from the direction of the White House, who stated that Secretary Seward had been assassinated by a man who entered his house and stabbed him in bed where he was confined by an accident received a short time before. This information added to the general excitement and indicated the existence of a conspiracy of a very desperate character and with far-reaching designs. An alarm was given at all the military posts in and about the city and to the police authorities, and troops were sent out in various directions in pursuit of the perpetrators of the crimes. Mr. Henderson was at the time connected with the office of the Provost Marshal of the District of Columbia under whose jurisdiction the investigation of the facts of the conspiracy came. From information received during the next day, the identity of nearly all of the persons connected with the conspiracy was known and very vigorous efforts were made to secure their arrest. The facts connected with their trial are well known as part of the history of the tragedy. The wounds inflicted on Mr. Seward were not fatal. After a slow and painful recovery he was able to resume his duties as Secretary of State and subsequently made a trip around the world.

THE SONG DISPENSERS HOME AGAIN.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs returned Thursday from a three days' trip to Erie, Jamestown, and Corry. The men have only pleasant experiences to relate of the fine treatment tendered them at all three concerts.

That they scored a decided success is evident in the following heading of a lengthy article appearing in the Jamestown Morning Post, "Entertained by the Glee Club—Nearly a Thousand People Enjoyed the Concert."

The following clipping from the Erie Dispatch relates briefly the success of the concert:

"The combined musical clubs of Allegheny College gave their annual concert in this city last night at the First M. E. church before a large audience. A program of merit was rendered, each number receiving a generous encore. Aside from the chorus work, the individual soloists and readers appeared to good advantage. Mr. Ruettgers and Mr. Harris, in their respective numbers, provoked a round of mirth, and were compelled to respond to continuous applause.

The Glee Club sang "An Allegheny Medley," "On the Road to Mandalay," "A Man and a Maid," and a difficult selection, "Song of the Vikings," with perfect harmony and accord. The Mandolin Club scored decisively in "College Medley," and "Lucia di Lammermoor."

One of the pleasing features of the program was a piano solo by G. S. Criswell, Jr., "Polonaise in A, Op. 53, by Chopin.

After the concert, an informal reception was held for the members of the clubs, a large part of the audience remaining to congratulate each member upon their fine musical organization.

Two former members of the High School Glee Club, Ernest C. Parshall and Samuel Y. Rossiter, are now members of the Allegheny Clubs.

FRANK LYLE KNAPP A SUCCESSFUL ALUMNUS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wiley of Greenville recently announced the marriage of their daughter to Frank Lyle Knapp, '08, on Wednesday, January 27, at Beaver, Pa. Mr. Knapp has charge of the department of Mathematics in the Beaver Falls High School, having held a position last year on the Greenville High School faculty. The bride comes from a well-known family and is a very popular and accomplished young lady. Congratulations and good wishes are in order.

LINCOLN LITERATURE AT LIBRARY.

Miss Edith Rowley, College Librarian, has gone to considerable trouble to collect all of the Lincoln literature available on one table in the reading room of the library. There are in addition to formal books a score of magazines with interesting information, and several newspapers and journals. Some of the choicest stories and anecdotes of this great man are being printed this year for the first time, as told by Lincoln's contemporaries, and may be found in these late magazines and journals.

RUMBLING OF BIG CANNON HEARD.

Next week will be one of class contests beginning with the Senior-Junior and Sophomore-Freshman debates on Tuesday and Thursday evenings respectively. The question is a broad one, and is sure to bring out able arguments on both sides. An added cause of interest is the fact that the question is the same one which the 'Varsity teams will use later on. A slight admission fee is to be asked in the interests of the Oratorical Association.

The Sophomore-Freshman basket ball series, which may begin on next Saturday, will be continued. The gymnasium resounds every evening with the noise of practice, forecasting some well prepared teams. Upper class contests may be arranged later, with a posible series for the school championship.

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