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THE SPOON-HOLDER.

'Tis no rare and antique relic,
For generations handed down,
With many a tale of oldentimes
Which give it a renown;
Not even a modern plated one,
With birds and flowers engraven,
Which glitter in their gorgeousness
Like the shoe-polish called "Raven."

'Tis not a dainty, crystal one
With vines encircling it,
Through which the bright and shining spoons
Peep through, as it is fit;
Nor is it an old and cracked tea-cup,
As we sometimes have at the Hall
From which the spoons go tumbling out
When passed around to all.

Oh no, 'tis not of costly make,
Nor of metals from a mine;
Would you be surprised if I should say
'Tis a table 3 x 9?
And it is made of cheap pine-wood
With ornaments none;
And yet it is the only one
In the "dining room," where there is *fun.*

The spoons are not as delicate
As our grandmothers tell about,
Those which have been in the family
A century or there-a-bout.
Nor are they like those of modern make,
For display and use combined;
Nor like those old, black, pewter ones,
Which at Hulings Hall we find,

They are entirely different
From those, as you will see,
If you only have the patience
To list a while to me.
But if you are disgusted
And turn away with scorn,
'Twill show 'tis only jealousy,
And you sit at the "tables forlorn."

Around the "Spoon-holder" are gathered
Many a gay and festive youth,
Modest and retiring maidens,
Who enjoy their meals, in truth!
Two by two they converse softly
Looking in each other's eyes
With no thought for any other
Than the dear ones that they prize.

Will you bear with me a moment
If I seemingly digress?
For it has always been my failing
To wander widely, fretting much against duress,
And perhaps when I am through
You will see that my side-track
To the main one, slowly, surely,
Will in time come leading back.

No doubt you have often heard
As has every one in his day,
Of the *fox* who could not reach the grapes,
Muttering, as he went away,
And if you are well read
In good and classic lore
You have also often heard
Of the *benedicts* of yore.

In all your reading, surely
You have not passed *Scot* writers by,
Who for descriptive power are praised
By all who read them, readily,
But did you ever think how long
It takes to write books, e'en a few,
How much paper they must use,
Whether they buy it by the *ream or* two?

Now-a-days in the newspapers
Much space is given to John L.
Far too much attention paid
To other pugilists as well,
At the actions of these people
We may well stand in a-*maze*,
Hoping that some good person
Will help them to mend their ways.

But I am wasting your time,
And must soon bid you good-night,
Happy are we, indeed, to say
That their hearts are *free* and light,
They stand waiting at the *ferry*,
There I've spelled that wrong you see,
But no matter, for you all know
The last syllable is "ree."

You are growing so impatient,
That I hasten now to say
That I thank you for attention,
And promise not to "come again some other day,"
To keep you awake through all this jargon,
I know you must have taken snuff,
Shall we read another *page?*
I hear, "oh *pshaw* we've had enough."

"THE CRESCENT CITY."

J. A. W., JR.

If we were asked to-day to name the city of this country which has lately been brought most prominently before the eyes of the world, we could answer without much hesitation, and the general verdict would be—New Orleans. Although the Cotton Exposition was not as great a success in many respects as the National Centennial, yet it attracted a vast number of people who otherwise would never have seen the South. If one were to enter the city by the river, the first things which would draw his attention would be the shipping and the levee. The latter especially would excite remark, for instead of the heavy ascending grade found on the wharf of a northern river-town there is a slight descent from the shore toward the city, and as a traveller stands on the dech of a steamer nearing the dock, he sees the whole city lying below him. Let him leave the boat at the foot of Canal street and he finds himself almost in the heart of the business part of the city. A short distance before him stands the statue of Henry Clay. The inscription upon it has been partly destroyed. It is said that this was done by a mob, at the outbreak of the rebellion, but this report cannot be relied upon. It is generally accepted that it was done by the action of the elements. Among the "breathing places" of the city are Jackson Square, West End and Spanish Fort. The first is a very neatly and beautifully arranged park in the lower part of the city, in the centre of which is a statue of that noble statesman and general whose name it bears. Upon the pedestal are inscribed the words "The Uuion must and shall be preserved," attributed to him by Gen. Butler. Our attention was called to the expression upon his face displaying the rigidness and firmness of his character. West End is one of the pleasantest places to be found. A half-hour's ride on the railway carried us thither and we found everything which would tend to give relief to the eyes after looking upon the crowded streets and bare walls we had just left. The refreshing breeze blowing in off the lake, which is just at hand, is refreshing to say the least.

"French Market," in the early morning, is the busiest place to be found. But in order to see it one must rise between 4 and 5 o'clock, and it would take something much more wonderful than a lot of busy Frenchmen to get some people up at that time in the morning. It is said that the liveliness of the place is wotse on Sunday morning than on any other, but that does not seem strange in most cities of the South, for there is very little attention paid to Sunday among the greater part of them.

To speak of the Exposition now seems like waking up a corpse recently interred, but a glance at a few of the buildings as they were two months ago will not take long. The Main Building contained the general exhibits, representing the industries of every quarter of the globe, from the preparation of "Heno Tea" to the curing of seal skins. The most extensive displays were made by two rival plow manufacturers. It was evident that the design of each was to outdo his neighbor, and consequently no pains were spared in getting up a neat and artistic arrangement.

The "model farm" was a representation of all the modern improvements in agriculture. They were all connected to the shaft from Machinery Hall, and at stated hours could be seen in operation, coming one after another in rapid succession, commencing with the plow, and ending with the "reaper and binder." The only discrepancy was that there was no time given for the crop to spring up.

In the Government building could be found a representation from nearly every state in the Union. Some of these were arranged very tastefully, exhibiting the mineral and vegetable products, or whatever industries were most prominent. Time will not permit to mention any in particular.

The art display was worth a great deal more study than nine-tenths of the visitors gave to it. One could spend hours upon hours looking at some of those paintings, they were so full of interest and beauty.

In a building erected for the purpose was the Mexican mineral exhibit, containing the metals found in every part of the state. It was evident from the general appearance that our neighbors from Mexico had gone to a great deal of expense in time, care, and money, in order to show themselves off to advantage. It would be saying very little to say that they succeeded. Ere long they will reap their reward, for the impressions formed in the minds of everyone were undoubtedly far more elevated than the general idea of the Mexican people had been, and the world will soon realize that there are advantages in that country which can be found nowhere else.

It seems unfortunate that the financial success of the exposition has resulted the way it has. It was thought that its being held in the winter-time when many people would have a better opportunity of attending than if it came during the summer, would insure its complete success financially, but such was evidently not the case, and the figures which have now gone into history will stand out a lasting monument to "Southern Management."

A TASTE FOR READING.

A. M. W. OF '87.

"I go into my library, and like some great panorama, all history unrolls before me. I breathe the morning air of the world while the scent of Eden's roses yet linger in it. I see the Sphinx when she first began to ask her eternal question. I sit as in a theater; the stage is time. the play is the play of the world. I lift Homer, and I shout with Achilles in the trenches. The silence of the unpeopled Syrian plains, Isaac in the field at eventide, Rebekah at the well, Jacob's guile, Joseph's splendid funeral procession,—these I find within the boards of my Old Testament. Across the brawling centuries I can hear the bleating of Abraham's sheep, the tinkling of the bells of Rebekah's camels. What king's court can boast of such company? What school of philosophy such wisdom? All the wit of all the world is glancing and flashing there."

Such are the pleasures laid open to those who possess a fondness for reading. Such are the delights afforded to those who relish good literature.

Through the books scattered broadcast through the land, we may commune familiarly with the greatest minds the world has ever seen We may talk with them, though they have crumbled into dust centuries ago. And the only requisite to conversation with them, is that we have a relish for their thoughts.

The mind is so constituted that it must be busy—must exercise itself. If no other material for thought is afforded, it will dwell upon every-day occurrences only, and will never rise above them. A long-continuance of such exercise inevitably be-littles the mind and renders it narrow in all its views. But if better, higher subjects for thought be furnished it, almost insensibly, it expands and enlarges. So reading elevates us out of our own little, narrow world, and enables us to look abroad and realize the immensity of the universe. And thus adding to our knowledge, we increase materially our own pleasure, and our influence over all about us.

That we grow like the persons with whom we associate, is an acknowledged fact; but that the books we read exert as great an influence over our character seems not to be so fully realized. We are tempted to think that a few

moments spent with a book which is not so good as it might be can do us no harm, that we can forget what we read at will. But such is not the case. I recall just now the experience of a man who, when a youth, spent but fifteen minutes with a vile book. And he said, when an old man, that the vile thoughts found there troubled him all his life. He could not forget them.

The influence of books upon character has been shown by more than one notable example. I take the following as an illustration: It is said that Homer's Iliad was considered by Alexander the Great as one of the most perfect of human productions. He was passionately fond of it. He carried it with him constantly, slept with it under his pillow. It was this tale which fired his ambition to be the *conqueror of the world*, and this that upheld his courage under all circumstances. The career of Alexander was the model for both Cæsar and Charles Twelfth of Sweden. An ambition to rival him moved them to their deeds of bravery. But Cæsar, in turn, was the Turkish Emperor Selymus. Led by him, Selymus arrayed himself against his own father, overcame and poisoned him, and then carried his conquests into Egypt and Persia. All the bloodshed and heart-breakings in the march of these four conquerors may be traced to the influence of the Iliad on Alexander. But need we go into antiquity to prove the correctness of such a position? May we not read the influence of our sensational "dime" literature in the appalling number of child-criminals? Just as powerful is the influence of good reading upon character. The story of "George Washington and his hatchet" has made many a truth-teller. Ben. Franklin attributes the drift of his life to the influence of a little book by Cotton Mather, "Essays to do Good," which fell into his hands when but a boy. "If I have been a useful citizen," he said, "the public owes all the advantages of it to the little book."

In the face of such facts as these we should be careful in what direction our "taste for reading" lies; cultivating it in a love for the good and repressing it in a taste for bad literature.

As a fondness for good reading opens up to us such wonderful scenes of enjoyment and usefulness, a taste for it is well worth cultivating, if not already possessed. One little realizes, until he tries it, what an immense amount of information one may pick up in his odd moments of reading. One may become well-informed on almost any subject, just in this way. Indeed, there is little excuse for ignorance now-adays. Good reading is provided so plentifully, so cheaply, and in so attractive forms, that generally only the inclination is lacking in ignorances.

Possibly there is one danger to be guarded against in these days. Books are so plentiful that we may be tempted to read too much to read well. Multifarious reading is worse than no reading at all. It weakens the mind more than doing nothing; and, at last, gives it an excuse for lying dormant, while thought is poured in upon it.

BEN-HUR.

By C. P. L.

"BEN-HUR, A tale of the Christ" by Lew Wallace, is somewhat of a departure in modern literature. Its plot, scope, and style are new; embracing the time of Christ, and presenting a vivid representation of the relations between the Romans and the Jews, and the ideas of the latter regarding the coming of the Messiah, who was in their thought to be a "King as Herod was, only better and far more magnificent."

To them, what happiness to "hear the crash of the falling of the old walls, and the clamor of a universal change!" They could not "separate the ruler from his powers and duties." In their dealings with Rome, they had become so accustomed to force, that it had not occurred to them that "Love is better and mightier than Force."

The character portraiture of the author is excellent.

The typical Jew is Ben-Hur, the hero of the story. His companion in youth, Messala, estranged by five years training at Rome, became Roman in language and in feeling. The gentle, affectionate, manly disposition of the Jew is in striking contrast with the cruel, haughty, overbearing spirit of the Roman. The villain in Messala is clearly manifest in his cruel seizure of the mother and sister of Ben-Hur, on the morning of the accident at the Hur mansion, and hurrying them off to the dungeon cell in the Tower of Antonio; and in the confiscation of their property for the Emperor; and again, without hearing or trial, influencing in the sentence of the innocent Ben-Hur, to the galleys for life. The innocent, womanly Esther appears in beautiful contrast with the shrewd and wordly Iras, daughter of Balthasar. The one, all truth, duty, self-sacrifice; the other, all vanity, ambition, selfishness. Esther's tender care toward her afflicted father, puts to shame the neglect which the haughty Iras shows the holy Balthasar.

The author shows a varied knowledge of the customs of the time, and skill in the use of words and phrases, indigenous with the people. He seems to write more as a native of the Orient than of the Western World. His descriptions are peculiarly vivid, especially that of the fight with the pirates off the Coast of Greece; and of the chariot-race at the old-time Antioch games. We almost seem to catch the inspiration of the vast multitude in their anxiety for their favorites.

All will agree how exceeding sorrowful is the description of the mother and daughter, when tardy justice has released them from the leprous cell of the Tower of Antonio, and, crying "Unclean, unclean" to whomever they meet, they wander back toward the city, and under cover of night, going to see the old home once more, they find it sealed and bearing the inscription, "The Property of the Emperor." We are soon rejoiced by the touching scene on the road toward Jerusalem, when the lepers, meeting the Savior, the woman cries to Him "Master, have mercy on us," and He says to her "Woman, great is they faith, be it unto thee as thou wilt." And they were whole. The most impressive scene of all, that on Golgotha, is strikingly pictured, and as Ben-Hur heard the dying Savior say to the thief by his side, "To-day shalt thou be with me in Paradise," a new life was shown him, lying just beyond this one—and its name was Paradise, where he would find the Kingdom of which he had dreamed, and the King. To the reader of trashy fiction, "Ben-Hur" will not be a fascinating volume. In its historic character it is a *study*, and one can not read it without having more clearly defined ideas of the old Jewish conception of the mission of Christ upon the earth. None can read the tale, and not admire the devotion with which Ben-Hur pursued the search for the lost mother and sister; and though, as multitudes of others of his time, mistaken as to the nature of the kingdom expected to be established, we must admire the zeal, self-sacrifice, and sincerity, which he displayed in his attempts to defend the Christ from violence.

The character of "the work" is such as to broaden one's views in a field into which writers have entered but little. We forget we are reading fiction, and are wont to regard it all as a matter of actual history. Such fiction as "Ben-Hur" can not but enrich the mind of the thoughtful reader, irresistably leading him to better thoughts and proving positively helpful to him.

ALUMNI NEWS.

Rev. Lynn O. Mead, Class '81, and his accomplished wife, Mrs. Mattie Shaver Mead, ex-'81, have just begun a new pastorate at Halstead, Kansas.

Rev. E. B. Wilson a student at Allegheny in '78, and an alumnus of Amherst is one of the rising young preachers of the East Ohio Conference. He is now stationed at Nelson.

Rev. J. D. Martin, '80, recently visited in Pittsburgh. He belongs to the Philadelphia Conference.

Mr. F. S. Christ, '80, has returned from the West and is now at his home at Warren, Ohio.

Mr. Mark Reed is the successful superintendent of the public schools at Girard, Ohio.

Messrs. John White, class '78, and Will White, '80, are among the promising young lawyers of Pittsburgh.

The members of Class '80, are arranging for a re-union at the College chapel on Wednesday afternoon of Commencement week.

Miss Sallie B. Welsh, '84, and Miss Cora C. Staples ex-'84, are visiting their friends in Meadville.

Miss Cassia Patton, ex-'82, entertained the Senior girls of '85, and Miss Cora Staples, at her home in Cochranton, on Friday evening, June 5th. The evening was spent very pleasantly in recalling "the good old days of yore."

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ALL who wish the address of the commencement number changed, would do well to notify H. S. Bodley. It will not be issued until about July 1st.

A COMMENCEMENT number of the CAMPUS will be issued. The new business manager, S. B. Smith, will at any time receive subscriptions for next year. If you do not expect to return leave your address with him for the July and October numbers.

THE *Summer School of Science* has become a reality, although it has turned from its original purpose in part. The scheme of a course for teachers, consisting mainly of experimental work, will still be carried out, but regular classes will also be formed in Chemistry and Physics. Several gentlemen and ladies, both from the college and outside, will be in attendance. A club will be maintained at the Johnson House, and board will cost about what it usually costs in clubs.

THE success of the CAMPUS for next year was assured by the recent election of editors and officers. All who were elected are interested in the work, and will make the paper all that it can be made under the circumstances. A special effort will again be put forth to interest the alumni. The company will probably continue the semi-monthly issue, and the size may be increased to 14 pages, giving two pages to each editor. The new board will assit in the publication of a commencement number, and will issue another October 1st.

CLASS feeling has been deplored as a serious evil by many persons, but the absence of fidelity to the class and to the college is a far worse indication. In the course of four years a student ought to learn to regard his *alma mater* with something of the same feelings that he regards an early home, he ought not to allow his interest to cease within three years of his graduation. The fact that the classes change so much, removes all possibilty of their reunions or of any great amount of class enthusiasm. The fraternities are now becoming the center of the most treasured associations, and unless a successful effort is made to divert the enthusiasm back into the old channels, the time will come when class reunions will be perpetuated only in the poetry of Whittier and Holmes. We leave the solution of the problem to others; it is certainly one worthy the consideration of even the college authorities.

IT is a source of regret that while other colleges are issuing college annuals, we must acknowledge that we have none to send in exchange for those kindly sent to us. There is such a thing possible as an annual that shall be a credit and not a disgrace to the institution. The understanding when the old *Allegenian* suspended was that it should be renewed after a time, when circumstances should enable all the fraternities to act in concert. One way of keeping out worthless publications is to supply the students with good ones, and

if the better men take hold of such work, and keep hold of it, there will be no occasion for the secret publications which cause trouble occasionally. All the leading colleges east and west issue these annuals, and if they contain a record of the different organizations, together with the events of student life for the year they may be interesting and amusing, and at the same time pure.

ONE of the leading papers of the country contains a good editoral on college graduates. It denies the assertions made by some would-be wise people, that college graduates are unfitted for any practical work in life; it maintains that the college course fits more thoroughly for active work than ever before. There is a time just after graduation that the prospect of success is not so great, but it does not last long. It suggests, however, that if the many graduats of this year heed a little the abundant advice showered upon them, they will prove an exception and be wiser than their predecessors.

THE thanks of all who are interested in the CAMPUS are due to the faculty for the liberality they have shown toward the publications of the students. They have not only permitted the CAMPUS to be issued without faculty supervision, but have so advertised in it that their support has been of great value. They have permitted us to express freely our ideas in regard to all that has concerned us as students. We ought in return not only to take care in expressing our opinions that we do them no injustice, but by our personal efforts to advertise as much as possible the advantages of the college. Loyal students can do more for an institution than hundreds of dollars in advertisements. Send the account of the commencement exercises to your home papers. In relating anecdotes of college life, take care to leave no wrong impressions. Do not speak as though college life was merely drudgery, neither confine your accounts of it to the disgraceful acts of student life.

The Athletic Association has at last completed their base ball grounds, and it is safe to say that no better ball ground has ever been played on in Meadville. The entire expense of grading was one hundred and fifty dollars ($150) to be raised entirely by subscription. Of this one hundred has been subscribed, and we see no occasion for alarm on the part of teamsters and workmen in regard to the balance of the pay. When once started, fifty dollars is a small matter among Allegheny's numerous friends in this city. The association is now on a permanent bases, and we look forward to coming years with visions of a well appointed gymnasium. F.

Comparatively few students realize the benefit of the Battalion, but to the wise and farseeing this seems one of the most important departments of the college. Under the active management of Maj. Fuller, it has attained a popularity unknown for several years and, if now at this trying season receives the proper support of faculty and students, will remain an attractive feature of the institution. The late falling off in attendance shows a lack of interest which is not deserved, and all who have its success at heart, should make an effort to maintain its efficiency. From the proceeds of "Allatoona" diplomas have been purchased which will be given, on application, to all who have served faithfully two years or over. At some time these may be of great benefit, and no one who is entitled to one should fail to make application. F.

THERE is some opposition among certain students to paying admission to see the games on the college grounds. Now when the grounds are not yet paid for, the association is certainly justified in charging to see the games; it is the only means of paying for the work already done. What has been given was supposed to be a free gift, and the idea that the few cents given entitles the donors to a perpetual right to those grounds in somewhat preposterous. It was generally supposed that patriotism to the college and an interest in athletic sports was the motive which prompted the gifts. Besides it must be evident to every thoughtful person that it will be impossible to discriminate in charging admission prices. There will probably be one or two games during Commencement week, let us not only be willing to pay, but aid the association in collecting what is its due. There may be no charge for seeing the game, but if there is, let us support the boys and see the grounds paid for before the close of Commencement week.

THE COLLEGE WORLD.

"And in that far off haven
When shadowy seas are passed,
By Angel's hands its quivering sails
Will all be furled at last."

CLIPPINGS.

The expenses of the Yale boat club last year were $7,000.

At the University of St. Petersburg last year there was 246 Jewish students.

General Grant is to receive $200,000 from the publishers of his autobiography.

The gifts to Princeton College since President McCosh's administration amount to over $2,000,000.

The University of Pennsylvania has opened three new departments—Biology, Physical Culture and Veterinary Surgery.

The trustees of Vassar college have accepted the resignation of President Caldwell. The financial report shows a deficiency of $13,800 for the year.

At the University of Virginia there are no entrance examinations, no regularly prescribed course of study, no vacations except one, and six holidays.

At the meeting of the New York alumni, of Williams, David Dudley Field expressed the conviction that 250 are as many as can be educated in one college.

It is announced that next fall there will again appear a *Princeton Review;* not theological, but to represent the college in philosophy, science, art and literature.

Prof. Asa Gray is staying in San Francisco, recruiting himself from his recent travel through southern California, studying its flora. He is engaged in his great forthcoming work, "Flora of North America."

A college journal is the pulse by which the faculty may determine the condition of the student. The college journal must be wholly independent of the faculty if it would perform its legitimate function.

The board of trustees of Kalamazoo College, Mich., have decided to suspend work in that institution at the close of the year until the invested funds provide ample support.

By a new regulation of the Harvard faculty, an average of 50 per cent. in all subjects will be necessary for promotion, and also 50 per cent. to work off a condition. The passing mark of 40 remains as before.

W. P. Page of the University of Pennsylvania, broke the amateur record for the running high jump, last week, with a jump of 5 ft. 10½ in. This is all the more remarkable from the fact that Page is but 5 ft. 7 in. tall.

The Boston Latin School has just celebrated its two hundred and fiftieth anniversary. It is spoken of as the pioneer institution of the public system of America. It is a year older than Harvard. The Rev. Phillips Brooks delivered the oration, Robert Grant gave the poem, and Mr. Dixwell furnished a Latin ode.

At the meeting of the Council of the University of the city of New York, Tuesday evening, Dr. John Hall, who has been Chancellor, *ad interim* for three years, was elected Chancellor and accepted the office. Dr. Henry M. MacCracken, professor of moral and intellectual philosophy, was elected Vice Chancellor.

The building and grounds of the University of Chicago were sold at auction on the 8th of May to satisfy the claim of the United Mutual Life Insurance Company for money borrowed and interest accrued theron. The total amount due was about $310,000, and it was bought in by the creditors for $275,000, that being the only bid made.

At the end of the last term at Yale College the new plan was put in force of substituting severe term examinations for the annual examinations in June. The returns show that no less than fifteen students have been "dropped." There are six victims in the Junior class, three Sophomores, and six Freshmen. In the list of Junior victims are the two base-ball men who last year played left field on the university nine. The end rusher on the foot-ball team is in the Freshman list.

In speaking of the need of industrial schools for colored people, *The National Baptist* says: "It is a strange thing: if a colored man wants to study Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Astronomy, Metaphysics or Theology, he has the best facilities which the world affords, and perhaps has all free; but if he wants to learn how to make a boot there is no opening."

The French are about to erect the "biggest thing" in the shape of an electric light that the world has ever yet seen. It will consist of an enormous base, upwards of 200 feet in height, to be surmounted by a six-story column of more than 900 feet in height, on top of which an enormous electric light is to be placed. The lower part of the building is to be used as a laboratory of electricity. The total height of the building will be 1,180 feet, or more than twice that of the monument lately erected at Washington. When completed, night in Paris will be the same as day, for the enormous electric light on the top of the column will be nearly the same in power as the light of the sun over an area as large as Paris. As the French very seldom speak of any mechanical or engineering operation which they do not complete, it is pretty certain that the real eighth wonder of the world will soon be an accomplished fact in the enormous electric sun tower of Paris.

GLEANINGS.

"A TURNED DOWN PAGE."

There's a turned down page, as some writer says,
In every human life;
A hidden story of happier days,
Of peace amid the strife.

A folded leaf that the world knows not—
A love dream rudely crushed;
The sight of a foe that is not forgot,
Although the voice be hushed.

The far distant sound of a harp's soft strings,
An echo on the air;
The hidden page may be full of such things,
Of things that once were fair.

There's a hidden page in life, and mine
A story might unfold;
But the end was sad of the dream divine—
Better rest untold.

(Found on Campus.)

SUMMER.

Meadows lost in clouds of mist;
Grass whose lips the dew has kissed;
Buds whose fragrant breath is drawn
Through the freshness of the dawn;
Vines in whose slight pulses flows
Life-blood of the crimson rose;
Flocks of happy-hearted birds
Talking in melodious words;
Brooks, unfettered by the Spring,
Through the pastures murmuring,—
Children prattling in their glee
Chasing to the mother sea;
Soft south-breezes,—gentle rain,—
Rival wooers of the plain;
Here and there beside the path
Flowers emerging from their bath;
Waving with blossoms white between.

Ah! the bud is open now,
Hints of fruit hang on the bough,
And the velvet rose is born
At the coming of the morn:
There's a gladness in the sun
Speaks of something new begun,—
Of a work mysterious
Nature has performed for us.
Hark, the honey-bee's low hum
Tells us that the summer's come!

The favorite musical piece of a certain young lady in town, who is engaged to a chiropodist, is said to be "See the Corn-curing Hero Comes." Before she made his acquaintance she used often to recite "Tall Aches, from Little Toe-Corns Grow."

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
I don't wonder what you are;
You're the cooling down of gases,
Hardened into solid masses.—*Ex.*

"How did you contrive to cultivate such a beautiful black eye?" asked Brown.

"Oh!" replied Fogg, who had been practicing upon roller skates, "I raised it from a slip."—*Ex.*

THE FRATERNITY IDEA.

It has been said that there are three societies to which it is safe and desirable that a man should belong :—The State, Family and Church. True, in these there is safety and benefit, but to the college student there is still vacancy that these cannot fill. They are all excellent so far as they supply his need, but they alone do not meet his requirements; he must have some means of uniting himself more closely with his fellow-students. He wants to feel that he has friends on whom he may rely not only to-day, but through his college course—yes, through life. What institution has ever asked the student's support that so fully meets his wants as does the college fraternity? It takes a place that nothing else can ever hold. How many brothers feel that from their fraternal relations were derived as true and lasting benefit as from any part of their college course!

A man joins a fraternity largely from a selfish motive; for the good he may derive from it. Now the benefit derived depends scarcely more upon the chapter than upon the man. In order that the greatest good may accrue to both chapter and individual each member must be endowed with the true fraternity idea. On the one point depends the success or the failure of a chapter.

In many chapters of the different fraternities the members have no adequate idea of what a fraternity is or what its aims. They recognize no difference between the fraternity and the literary society other than that of secrecy in one and publicly in the other. They join a fraternity rather than an open society, not because they see any advantage in so doing, but because they have entered college with a vague idea that it is the thing to be a fraternity man, or more probably because the fraternity men brought a greater influence to bear upon him. Once a member he drifts along with the chapter, and may in time make a fair fraternity man; the chances are against him; yet much will depend on the influence of his fellow-members. If they are all enthusiastic fraternity-men he can not help imbibing some of their feeling and possibly enthsiasm.

If then the responsibility rests upon the individuals what must be their characteristics to insure success. Above all each man must be endowed with the *fraternity idea*. Hence the necessity of diligent care in selecting men. It can not be expected that men will be found with this faculty ready developed, but we can find them with the idea latent. When such a man is found he is sure to become by association with enthusiastic fraternity men a valuable worker of the true fraternity type.

The man in whom this idea lies awaiting development by fraternal environment may not be found the recipient of all the college honors, but he will be among the first in his class. He does not make everything subservient to his class room work, but understands that there are several sides of nature to develop. He is socially inclined and enjoys society. He may not while in college attract great interest from the faculty, but has reserve forces and that broader development that will enable him to display on entering the realities of life a fullness of character that at once wins him respect and influence.

Such men are a help from the first; in them the true fraternity idea reaches its fullest development.

With such men we need never concern ourselves regarding the vexed question, "How can we maintain the alumni interest?"

Better a chapter of three men in whom the fraternity idea has a finer hold than one of a dozen in whom it is wanting.

TEMPORA MUTANTUR.

In olden Tyme whⁿⁿᵉ valiaunt Knyghtes
Disputed fʳ each otheres Rygthes,
Whⁿⁿᵉ Maydes wᵉʳ foughte fʳ—Thⁿⁿᵉ I wot
Fʳ Monie, love was never boughte.

Alack! Those goode old Daies have passed,
Yᵉ Foppe succeedes yᵉ at laste;
Loves breedes contentiones as of Olde,
But Steele has given waie to Golde!

—*Life.*

LOCAL.

Commencement.

New Board assists at next issue.

Several old students have dropped in for commencement already.

Next Friday evening is "experience meeting" with the different Literary Societies. Prepare for a good time boys.

The reception given by Dr. Wheeler to the Seniors, in Hulings Hall, on the evening of June 4th, was a very enjoyable affair, and will be remembered by those participating as one of the bright spots in their college lives. The Doctor and his wife thoroughly understand the art of entertaining and they spared no effort to make it the social event of the college year.

Senior Vacation is here again. Friday June 5th, Dr. Wheeler gave the Senior class and Preps, some very good advice and turned the former loose to roam at random for a brief season and prepare for the agonies of commencement. That they would be missed, no one for a moment imagined and great was the surprise when on Monday morning every Senior's seat was found tastefully draped in black. "*Requiscat in Pace.*"

At the meeting of CAMPUS stockholders this month everything was found to be in first class condition. The Secretary reported new sales of stock and those leaving college had no trouble in disposing of their shares at par. The annual election was held and resulted as follows:

EDITORS.

Editor-in-Chief,	C. W. Fuller.
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The challenge shoot between Union College of Schnectady, N. Y., and Allegeny College, for superiority came off yesterday morning, at the college rifle range, at 9 o'clock. The Allegheny team was composed of Captain S. B. Smith, Sergeant C. Scofield, Sergeant B. B. Pickett, Corporal D. R. McLaughlin and Private W. Corrin. Major A. M. Fuller was in command. A. G. Richmond and N. C. McLaughlin were the referees. The score made was as follows:

50 YARDS.

Smith,	4	5	4	4	4	—21
Pickett,	4	4	4	4	4	—20
Scofield,	4	5	4	5	5	—23
McLaughlin,	4	4	4	4	4	—20
Corrin,	4	3	4	5	4	—20
Total,						104

100 YARDS.

Smith,	4	3	0	5	4	—16
Pickett,	3	3	0	4	4	—14
Scofield,	3	3	4	3	3	—16
McLaughlin,	4	3	5	3	4	—18
Corrin,	5	4	4	4	4	—21
Total,						85

After the match shoot Major Fuller, commanding the battalion, then gave the referees an opportunity to display *their* skill as marksmen, by challenging them for a supper. After a trial shot of five each the following score was made:

A. G. Richmond,	0	0	0	0	0	—0
N. C. McLaughlin,	3	4	3	3	3	—16
Major Fuller,	4	2	4	3	3	—16

The challenger not winning he is expected to do the handsome thing with the team and referees.

Mr. A. G. Richmond assures us that he was furnished with a weapon having a crooked barrel, which accounts for his remarkable score, but he says, let the boys come out and shoot squirrels with him next fall, and he will show them how to shoot.—*Meadville Daily Tribune, June 17.*

The result of the match was a victory for Allegheny by eleven points.

Allegheny College has a very good Base Ball Club, but we do not claim to be able to play all Crawford county, and yet the Meadvilles went as far as eighteen miles to get part of the team with which they defeated us last week. However the score—11 to 8—was rather close, and the Browns did some elegant playing and were fairly beaten. The third and concluding game is looked forward to with a great deal of interest.

There is a club in Meadville called the *Stars* and they had a pretty good idea of their abilities in the Base Ball field. They thought they could tackle the *Browns*, and so one afternoon they got their mothers to let them come up the hill and play with a real dead ball. The Browns will never accept such a challenge again. The game wasn't interesting, and our fellows got all worn out with running bases and trying not to stop balls. When the scorer was not asleep, he kept count and his record is 39 to 19 in favor of the Browns.

THREE FEET.

SPONTANEOUS EFFUSIONS OF AN ANGRY JOHNSONITE, PUBLISHED BY SPECIAL CLEMENCY ON THE PART OF THE CAMPUS.

The college year is very near
To drawing to its close,
It has been one of sport and fun
To students we suppose.
It has brought them many blessings
And joys almost unmarred;
But we've had some nasty with the sweet,
For instance Mr. ——— Three Feet.

A college life is always rife
With jolly jokes and jests,
We enjoy these—they always please
And sometimes interest.
We can endure those with patience
But one thing goes down hard.
'Tis the flabby jokes and lame conceit
Of our owlite. Mr. ——— Three Feet.

Sometimes in vain we do complain
Of our Greek and German Prof.
When we study hard and our reward
Is ten or fifteen off.
That's rather tough we all agree
But it is yet more hard
To unburied keep our dead dead-beat,
Our howlite, Mr. ——— Three Feet.

A few will sneeze at the man of keys,
Who sweeps and swabs and sweats,
He pays his fees by carrying these
And, losing, pays his bets.
The majority will speak for him,
But all without regard,
Will censure our midnight athlete,
Our prowlite, Mr. ——— Three Feet.

Perhaps, 'tis true, that still a few
Would jeer at Binkley, James,
But when he says "cigars for two,"
He's never up to games.
At such times he's not out of cash;
But all, be on your guard
If you're invited to a treat
From the ghoulite, Mr.——Three Feet.

PERSONAL.

T. J. Hamilton, '85, spent Senior Vacation with friends in Frewsburg, N. Y.

Geo. Ferree, '85, had the misfortune to have his Senior Oration stolen. Write another, George.

S. B. Smith, '86, was the lucky winner of the Resident Alumni Essay Prize in Allegheny Society. Congratulations, Si!

F. J. Thomas, '85, has decided not to go west at present, and so, contrary to expectation, will graduate with his class.

Rev. C. W. Hollister, '83, circulated among his college friends June 5th and 6th. He was accompanied by E. L. Frisbee also of '83.

Wesley Kinnear, '83, stopped off on his way to Cleveland to shake hands with the boys the other day. Wes. looks well and is the same old boy.

Walter J. Guthrie, '83, is in town for a few days. Guth. is running a newspaper in Armstrong county, and looks as though the world is treating him well.

J. B. Stull, '84, is also navigating around the college. It seems good to see the old boys back again, and know that they still keep up an interest in their alma mater.

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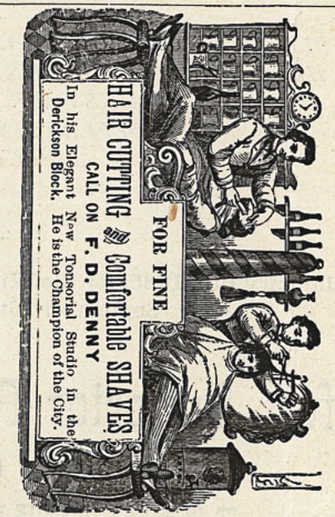

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