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There are a few students in every college who are continually striving for high grades. This, of course, is all right; but in one way grades mean a great deal and in another they mean nothing. A student may have to grind at a lesson for two hours or more and then not make a brilliant recitation, while some bright fellow studies half as long and takes a high grade. Now what do these grades actually say? Simply that the latter recited better and put in better examination papers than the former. No record is made nor nothing is said of the mental discipline. The one with the poor grade may have advanced much farther in real mental development. There is a brighter future for the student who can get a lesson in two hours and always gets it, than for one who can get a lesson in a short time and occasionally does not get it. Grades tell only one-half the story. While one ought to try to stand as high as practicable in class, yet if he be a conscientious, laborious student, though he may fail to take a high grade in class, let him not think that his standing in class entirely settles his standing in the battle of life.

Some of our most successful men were plodders while in college and not the brilliant fellows who easily took high grades. Success in life depends more upon pluck and push than it does on having our minds filled with dry classical knowledge. There are many persons trained in book knowledge who are failures in life simply because they cannot apply their education in a practical way.

One of the best ways for a student to find out whether he possesses these elements of success is to turn his mind in upon himself and study his own appetences, and by strict discipline to cultivate those principles which pertain to a high and noble character; for what should education be but formation of character?

If a student while in college by little acts of kindness builds for himself a spotless character and goes forth fully realizing the responsibility and brevity of life, having back of all his actions that vim and vigor which is characteristic of success, he need have no fears of failure, though he may have been the dullest in the class.

The weather is always a suitable subject to discuss when all other subjects have been exhausted. Those people who are always wishing for the "good old times" and for an "old fashioned winter" have surely been satisfied so far as the winter is concerned. The sleighing has been excellent and the long inclines near the college have given an excellent

opportunity for cultivating those social ties so dear to students of a co-educational institution. The only draw back being that the faculty didn't seem to encourage the sport by shortening the lessons.

We are sorry to be called upon to print the obituary of a fellow student and class mate, Homer M. Berkhouse.

There are times when God's ways are very mysterious to us. We cannot with finite vision see why one so promising, and just ready to enter life's conflict should be called from the stage of action at such an hour as this ; but "God's ways are not our ways," and while we mourn, realizing our great loss, we believe there has been a higher work prepared for him than this world could afford. He deserves the highest eulogy that could be pronounced ; that he was a young man of *genuine character*.

We can scarcely realize that another college term is almost completed. But when we stop and count up the weeks, we find this to be true.

We ask ourselves almost involuntarily, "Where has it gone?" "What have we accomplished?" Those of us who are in the habit of making resolutions at the beginning of each term, begin to review the work accomplished ; to sum up the resolutions kept, and to balance them with those broken.

In most cases we are forced to acknowledge that the latter account far exceeds the former. But we console ourselves with the fact that the former list is as large as it is, and with the planning of greater things for the coming term.

Each term, of course, has its bright spots and its dark ones. We have no difficulty in selecting the brightest one of these past few weeks. The day of prayer for colleges, and the two weeks following it, were days which will never be forgotten. The results and influence of those few days will live forever and cannot be over estimated by us. For some, that was, no doubt, the time of the changing of their entire career.

And so we might go on and enumerate many pleasant events belonging to this term. Summing them all up, we conclude that they will, without doubt, go to make up one of the best volumes in the history of our college career.

Literary.

Sir Walter Scott.

The age of Scott is known as the age of romantic poetry. This period having been full of exciting events, the literary productions were characterized by intense passion and emotion.

Many of the writers of this period were distinguished both for poetry and prose. No other era of English literature presents so many great writers.

Sir Walter Scott was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, Aug. 15, 1771. At the age of eighteen months he was made lame by a severe teething fever. When he was three years old he was taken to his grandfather's at Keslo to try the effect of the open air on his shrunken leg. The place was famous for its legends and historical ruins. While here he fed his imagination on legends of heroism and adventure. This, probably, greatly influenced his writings, as many of them were of a romantic character.

He received his early education at the Edinburgh high school. While here he became famous as a story-teller. He afterward took a course at the Edinburgh University. He contracted an illness by the bursting of a blood-vessel, and, being forbidden to speak, he read from morning till night.

In 1796 he married Charlotte Carpenter, and they settled in a cottage at Lasswade. In 1749 he was appointed sheriff of Selkirk County. With his savings, together with a small fortune which his wife brought him, he bought a small farm on the Tweed, near Yarrow. While here he wrote his first great poem, "The Lay of the Last Minstrel." It was pub-

lished in 1805. It at once placed its author in the foremost rank as an English poet. Among his other noted poems may be mentioned "Marmion," and "The Lady of the Lake." In 1806 Scott was appointed one of the clerks of the Sessions with a salary of eight hundred pounds. He bought additional tracts of land and built up his noted home, Abbotsford.

In 1812 the position of poet laureate was tendered him, but he refused the honor. About this time "Childe Harold's Pilgrimage," by Byron, was published, and won great fame for its author. Scott soon after passed from poetry to prose. In 1814 his first prose romance, "Waverly," appeared, but without the author's name. The success was remarkable, and its author was styled the "Great Unknown." The Waverly series consists of twenty-seven novels. He also wrote the "Life and Works of Dryden," in eighteen volumes, the "Life and Works of Dean Swift," the "Life of Napoleon," "Tales of a Grandfather," and a number of other works.

He engaged in commercial speculations with his publishers, and by their failure, in 1826, he found himself in debt one hundred seventeen thousand pounds. He might have escaped under the bankrupt law, but his sense of honor was too great. He immediately set to work to pay the debt with the earnings of his pen, and no writer ever worked more faithfully than did Scott during the next four years. The last two volumes of "Waverly" were written in three weeks. A student watching his hand from a neighboring attic, said: "It never stops, page after page of manuscript is thrown on that pile, and still it goes on increasing till dark, and God knows how much longer. I can't stand it unless I am at my books." In 1830 he was stricken with paralysis, caused by overwork. He suffered much after this from attacks of both apoplexy and paralysis. He died on the 21st of September, 1832, having paid more than seventy thousand pounds of the indebtedness.

He was a man of genial, kind disposition, loved by all who knew him. He spoke to every man as if he were his blood relation. His success as a writer was due more to his untiring industry than to his ability. No more industrious writer ever plied the pen. His habits as a writer were among the most regular possible. In 1820 the honor of baronetcy, which gave him the title of Sir Walter, was conferred on him by King George IV.

Scott was a man who made the best of every opportunity, lived an honest and upright life and died with the consciousness that he had done his best.

M. ———.

Edgar Allen Poe.

In endeavoring to enter upon an intelligent discussion of the life and character of Edgar Allen Poe, the writer is surrounded by many difficulties, though at first thought, it well may be asked, why so? With so many biographers, essayists, apologists, and uncompromising critics, should it not be possible to look into literature's mirror and to consider roughly that which we see there reflected? To discern his virtues apart from his immorals, successes from failures, the nobleness, constancy and achievements of his God-spirit apart from their antitheses, the self-indulgence and inconstancy, which with fetters of brass bind themselves to the will, dethroning conscience and honor, leaving them stragglers within their rightful realms—may this, we ask, not be done?

To write the memoir of such a wavering and uncertain life as that of one poet, is not an easy task. The attempt meets many contradictions and differences of opinion—truth and error making great onslaught upon each other, one striving to combat the other and justify its claims—until at times one does not know to which to give the ascendency.

Thus, while striving to extricate ourselves from the slough of contradiction, let us assume the only stand which, with due respect to genius, the Golden Rule and the defencelessness of the departed, we may take, namely,

that without bias or malice, we may not exult in making more deep the blue of his stormy sky by denying the sun-flashes of occasional virtue, which brightens its hue and renders its aspect more calm. Neither let us fail to credit to him the impulses of our common indulgent natures, though they were his master; and perhaps, by thus doing, we may lessen to some extent the reproach and infamy which have been associated inseparably with his name, and undoubtedly heretofore have tilted the scales of justice.

He, whom someone has said to be the most interesting figure in American literature, was born at Baltimore, Md., Jan. 19, 1811. To all accounts his parentage was good. His father, in early life, was a revolutionary officer, later he was educated for law, but both husband and wife took to the stage as a profession. Early in life, and within a year of each other, the father and mother died leaving their son Edgar a destitute orphan at the age of three. He was adopted by John Allen, of Richmond, Va., a wealthy and kind-hearted merchant, whose compassion had been awakened by the sad lot of the boy. Thus the prospects of his life grew bright and the possibilities of his years seemed great.

While we cannot but admire the goodness of heart in the one who thus assumed the great duties of godfather, yet, alas! we cannot fail to deplore the lack of good judgment shown in the discharge of his trust.

The beautiful child, bright almost beyond parallel, with a heart yet unfettered by chains of vice, instead of being privileged to the influence of a home of refinement, to the prayers and caresses of a loving mother, was left, at the age of five, in another hemisphere, alone and with money to gain an education and defend his own character, at a boarding school. Here young Poe remained five years, and, upon his return to Richmond, we find this time spent in the London institution had proved a blight to him, the cess-pool of vice which diseased his heart. In a short time he entered the University of Virginia where the propensities of his nature—not so much inherited as acquired—revealed themselves. He easily found a place at the head of his class, though being quick and highly perceptive, he was not a slave to study and time was freely found for carousal, card-playing, and debauch. Poe graduated, mentally an honor but morally a disgrace to himself and his friends. He left the University deeply in debt, but was absolved from responsibility of the same and restored to former confidence by the generous and compassionate Allen.

His picture at the period of graduation is one to behold with no small degree of pity. Now a man, clever and handsome, cultivated intellectually to the utmost, yet indulgent and enslaved by his passions—little is he qualified to pursue a creditable career.

'Tis but the reflection of a moment that reveals to us a like truth in nature. When in mid-summer, scorching blasts from the western plains sweep in a withering gust; in its pathway the forest green must fade and the flowers of the dell droop their heads and die. So with Edgar Allen Poe. Once he was pure and innocent, with a soul untainted and mind unhardened, when in childish prattle his thoughts were words and his words were truth, when from his countenance, so beautiful, flashlight of intelligence came, golden beams which might have caused many a page to glow with the inspiration of love; yet, it seems, 'twas destined not to be so. His life, as fresh and pure as the forest green, as the flower of the dell, left unrefreshed by the dews of maternal affection, having been concealed from the gentle ray of the Son of Righteousness, the heavenly impulse faded and died. The God-sown seeds of truth and honor never sprang forth and bore their fruit. He feared no God, he knew no sin; he was a nomad in civilization, a stranger to grace. The pulsations of his soul were neither responsive nor in sympathy with the heart throbs of his Christian age. The conscience which might have been elicited and

trained to virtue seems seldom to have spoken in manhood. Yea, hardly to have existed at all. A consecutive rehearsal of the event of his life is worthless in itself. Even undesirable. For in it there would be nothing worthy of an effort to tax the memory. Moreover, in his travels to England and to Russia, while at West Point, in the army or at the desk ; while editing, wandering, debauching, at all times of his career. The most important incidents with which we meet are denied or affirmed in turn by friends or critics. By them we would be edified little, for the reason, that from a moral standpoint, unless perchance as a warning example, his life is worthless to the extreme. He has been called an intellect, not a man ; had a brain not a heart. Let it be true or not, he had passions and powerful affections, and his writings show that of hoplessness and despair, "echoes of a great melancholy, touching to those who read with a remembrance of his broken life." With a melancholy disposition and enslaved habits, poverty added greatly to his misery. And still further, an utter lack of public sympathy, to which he was keenly responsive, contributed largely its share. Near the close of his life, when he returned to his native home sober, neatly dressed and intellect at its best, he was courted and flattered until a new man sprang up within him. It was then that Edgar Allen Poe joined the Sons of Temperance and determined to live a better life. The high life pleased him. He lectured to crowded audiences, he moved in circles of refined society and at length became engaged to a woman of much intelligence and wealth. During a great part of his life his eyes were accustomed to behold darkness, but when public forbearance lifted him up into the light, infinite pleasure filled his soul.

If this contradicted assertion is true, that under a slight indisposition he tasted again that which had cursed his life ; it proved to be his last. From the gutter he was taken to the hospital, where at the age of thirty-eight years, he ended the great tragedy of his days.

To one of delicate sensibilities, his poetry gives no pleasure. His utter lack of moral love and love for weird and distressful scenes render his writings, for the most part, unreadable. Indigence, a slow pen and unsteady habits are responsible for the comparative fewness of his works. "The Raven" and "The Bells," his two best, are the only ones of lasting value, and which shall give his name a place of permanence in literature. They are master pieces, and their equals are not found among the works of any previous author.

Yet, as a fitting crown to a life of disputed events, even in this day, efforts are being made to deprive Edgar Allen Poe of his distinction as author of "The Raven." Let us hope that these may meet their foil. For we should feel it to be the triumph of a "would be iconoclast," seeking to destroy a great fame that he might establish a lesser one ; putting forth an argument, the foundation and substance of which are but theory and imagination.

Should this greatest monument to his name be removed, we fear that, ere long, he would fade from our thoughts. The sentiment in this closing verse of a poem, written at the time of his death, would be but an echo of the same within our breast :

But he lies in dust,
And the stone is roll'd
Over his sepulchre dark and cold ;
He has cancelled all he has done or said,
And gone to the dear and holy dead !
Let us forget the path he trod,
And leave him now
With his Maker—God !

H. M. C.

CLUB RULES.

It is rumored among the students that the clause relating to club regulations, found on page 47 of the catalogue, which reads as follows: "A student dismissed from one club for slackness in meeting his obligations, will not be admitted to any other," will be amended to read : "A student dismissed from one club will be admitted to H. S. Chamberlain's Club.'



Calvin declares he won't join the French club.

Mr. Ray Fenno visited his sister a few days last week.

The A. C. C. B.'s will soon show forth decorated with new pins.

Get permission from Dr. Crawford if you wish to visit Vallonia.

Allen, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, spent Sunday at his home ln Wattsburg.

James has become a young man again. His beard is a thing of the past.

Kappa Alpha Theta are wearing colors for Miss Stoner and Miss Shreves.

Miss Paisley—"I look like myself, not like my relations, and I'm glad of it."

French club meets every Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, in Y. M. C. A. rooms.

Dr. Montgomery has been sick the last week, but is able to be about again.

Shaffer wants to know if he is supposed to be running the Athletic Association.

Why did Messrs. Townley, Hogg, Barr and Brown look so lonely this past week?

Lindsey recently returned a book to the library after having it out nearly a year.

There was quite a secession from Goodwin's club last week. Some heavy betting occurred.

Wright and Ellis were the delegates to the inter-collegiate meet in Pittsburg last Saturday.

Mrs. Laffer chaperoned Misses Davis, Fenno, Confer and Laffer to church last Sunday morning.

Members of Senior class are wearing class colors and crepe in respect for their deceased member.

New student—"Does Latshaw take elocution." Poor Freshman—"No, he takes the teacher."

Why is McCloskey like Daniel? Ans.—He has a purpose—true—(it is sure) and dares to make it known.

We would suggest that the title of the next catalogue be, Catalogue of Allegheny College and Female Seminary.

The last record on the library register reads: Feb. —. Special Duties of a Wife—Nell Laffer, Millicent Davis.

Engagements for church made by telephone on the shortest possible notice. Apply to J. M. Wright, general agent.

Chamberlain calling for his dessert—"Please bring me my hereafter." Andrews, grimacing, —"Wait till we are done."

At Chamberlain's discussing the batallion. Mossman—"There," pointing to the butter, "is our only superior in rank."

Brison, Mixsell, Copeland, Neff, Tate and Todd were brave enough to "yell" at the phonograph at Library Hall Feb. 15th.

When Dr. Hamnett was asked recently what he thought of *The American Journal of Politics*, he answered, "It is seeing its *palmiest* days."

Andrews and Knapp fell from their chairs not long since at Chamberlain's club. The accident was caused by Popoff's French table conversation.

Marie—"Who left this towel out here?" Effie—"I didn't, for I haven't washed my hands for the last week. Marie—"Well, you must have, for I haven't washed mine for the last two.

Dr. Montgomery in Zoology—A lizard is a Newt in the Spring.

Humeston—What is it in the Fall?

In announcing the lectures for the lecture course in the chapel one morning, by mistake the daily free lectures of the librarian were not mentioned.

Phillips received a note from a young lady and along with it were several grains of oats. He wants to know if she took him him for a mule.

The Senior class is to be heartily congratulated in securing, through the kindness of Dr. Crawford, Governor McKinley to deliver the commencement address.

Two Sigs were seen, the other afternoon, wending their way on foot toward Geneva. No doubt they were going to assist Latshaw in his ministerial duties at that place.

Notwithstanding our energy we neglected to put a cut of a dog drawn by Armstrong in freehand drawing last term and now on exhibition in Prof. Dutton's room, in our last issue.

We would like to give Prof. Lease a piece of advice often given to little boys. Don't step on a train when it is in motion, as he did one evening when a number of students were near.

There is but one place in the Bible where girls are commanded to kiss the men, that is in the Golden Rule: "Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you do ye even so to them.

Miss Douglass, sitting behind Calvin in class, stooped over to pick up some article from the floor. The timid fellow, seeing the motion of her body in the direction of himself, sprang into the air 30 feet.

A reply of Dr. D. H. Wheeler to Rev. Davies' anti-death penalty sermon of last Sunday night appeared in the Meadville *Tribune-Republican* of Feb. 26th. Students should read it for it is a sensible view of the recent death penalty pronounced against the murderer McDonnell.

Effervescence of poetic fancy of a Senior.

Lazy Bill,
College Hill;
Never worked—
Never will.

Wood—"It will take more power than the Senior class has got to make *me* wear a cap and gown." Walker—"You don't want to overlook or minify the power of the (W)right which the Senior class possesses.

Prof. Dutton said to his class after a student had come in late, "I thank the Lord that I was born homely instead of slow." The writer was surprised at this statement, but on inquiring learned that the Prof. in taking an involuntary bath in the chilling waters of the Venango had made such rapid strokes that he greatly discounted those of a fly's wing, 330 per second.

The executive committee of the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association of Western Pennsylvania, held its annual meeting at the Seventh Avenue Hotel, in Pittsburg, on Saturday, February 23d. The whole interest of the meeting centered on the choice of place for holding the next field day, and as soon as the minor details were through with, this question was taken up. After violent discussion it was decided that it should be held at the city of Meadville. Space forbids a fuller report.

A PROPHECY.



Pickett in College. Ten years After.

Among women authors Miss Ida Tarbell is very rapidly coming to the front rank. She has spent some months in a careful study in the archives in Paris and Washington, and the result of her work is now appearing in a life of Napoleon which is commanding the highest praise, although it so happens that it is being published simultaneously with another life of Napoleon written by the historian Sloane, who has taken high rank as a student of the philosophy of history.

President W. H. Crawford returned Monday afternoon from a trip to Pittsburg, Cleveland and Columbus, and announces that he has secured Governor McKinley as orator on Allegheny College Commencement Day, Thursday, June 27, 1895. William McKinley, Jr., in the year 1860, when a boy of 17 years, was a student of Allegheny College, and has always had a warm feeling for his *alma mater*. Hon. Robert B. Murray, of Youngstown, O., and Wm. M. Osborne, of Boston, ex-police commissioner, who were fellow-students of the now famous Ohio statesman in 1860, will also be in Meadville on Commencement Day. It is safe to predict that the visit of Governor McKinley and the other distinguished guests will be an event of more than ordinary interest,

Washington's birthday was very appropriately observed by the literary societies Friday evening, Feb. 22. Allegheny and Philo-Franklin met in the hall of the latter and rendered, before a large audience, a very interesting program relative to the life of the "father of our country." The following is the program as rendered :

Music.

Declamation, "Tribute to Washington"—F. H. McLaughlin.

Declamation, "Death of Washington"—R. K. Crawford.

Essay, "Primitive Forest"—Mr. Hickernell.

Essay, "Washington and Arnold"—Chamberlin.

Music.

Debate—"Resolved, That the service of Washington to his country was greater as a soldier than as a statesman." Affirmative, Tobias and Douds ; negative, Bordwell and Elliot.

Necrology.

Seldom have the students and faculty of Allegheny been called upon to mourn the loss of one from their very midst, and in the active college life, yet when we learned that one of the class of '95 had been called from us on the evening of the 25th of February, we knew this grief was ours.

Homer Milton Berkhouse was born at Brockwayville, Pa., on the 19th of May, 1876. His early education was obtained in the schools of that place, and in 1891, the family moved to Meadville, mainly to take advantage of the superior educational facilities offered here. Homer entered the High School and attended it for some time, when, having become acquainted with Prof. Dutton, to whom he expressed his intention of becoming a civil engineer, upon his recommendation he entered college. Here his talent for drawing and mathematics was developed, and a remarkable proficiency in these branches displayed. As a student he was thorough and conscientious, being urged on by a resolute ambition to master his profession. Only those who knew him best, recognized the possibilities of his nature.

The dread disease which caused his death manifested itself over two years ago, and in its power prevented him from taking active part in many phases of college life, for the body needed all its strength to gratify the love of work. Yet, in all these things, his interest was earnest and his quiet, unobtrusive influence was felt in many ways. Very observant, it was a great pleasure to take long walks with him. The writer well remembers one of these tramps during the past summer, and how he was impressed by the acute and broad observation in our late friend.

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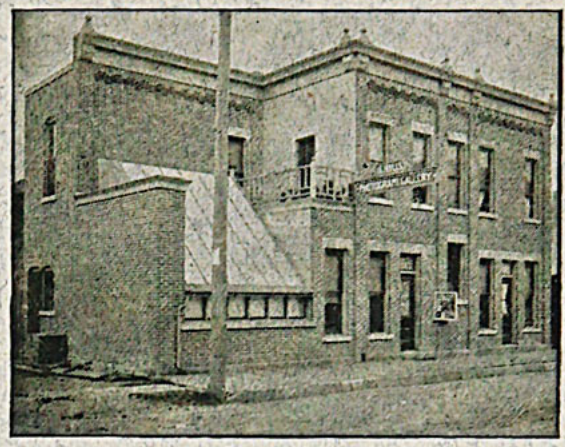
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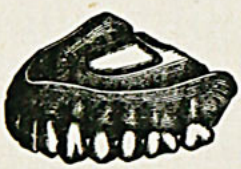
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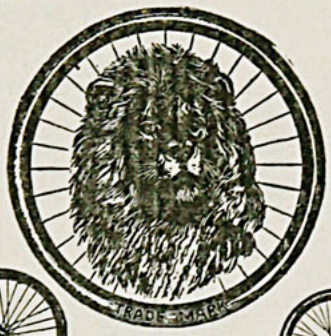
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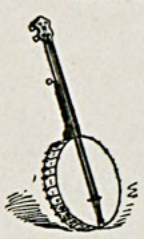


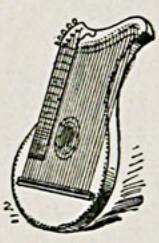
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The Delta Tau Delta Convention.

The thirteenth annual convention of Grand Eastern Division of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity was held in this city on Thursday and Friday, February 21st and 22d. On Thursday delegates from other chapters of the eastern division kept arriving on every incoming train. When they alighted in the city, the Alpha boys gave them a royal welcome and escorted them to the Commercial hotel.

There were forty-three visiting brothers, and thirty-one representing chapters in eight various colleges of Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio.

On Thursday evening the active members and alumni of the chapter here tendered a reception to the delegates, to the students and faculty of Allegheny College, and to their many friends in the city. This event took place in Phœnix Hall, whose walls were beautifully decorated with graceful festoons in bunting, in gold, white and purple, the colors of Delta Tau Delta. High on the wall, above the orchestra, was the artistic banner of Alpha chapter with its richly wrought letters, Δ T Λ. Just beneath the banner was placed "Old Tusang," the time-honored relic and much prized mascot of the chapter.

Throughout the hall could be seen rare palms and other graceful tropical plants. Beautiful flowers, the compliments of Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Alpha Chi Omega, the sororities of the College and Conservatory, were conspicuous among the decorations. Refreshments were served by willing hands of Alpha's fair young lady friends. About two hundred and fifty people passed this most pleasant evening as the guests of the Alpha boys.

All throughout the reception the most delightful music was played by the Northwestern Orchestra. From eleven o'clock until two of the following morning the time was whiled away in the delights of the dance.

On Friday the convention consisting of the thirty-one delegates, the active members and alumni of Alpha chapter was assembled in the spacious parlors of the Commercial hotel. The first session lasted from 9 a. m. until 12:15 p. m. The second session was held in the afternoon from 2 until 4:30.

The crowning event of the convention was the Choctaw Pow-wow and banquet. At 9 o'clock on Friday evening, a dozen Choctaw Indians issued from the Delta Tau Delta rooms, corner of Market and Chestnut streets and proceeded to march down Chestnut in single file towards the Commercial Hotel. Each warrior ascended the hotel stairs, and soon there emerged upon the street again forty-five warriors all plumed, blanketed, in war paint and ready for the war path.

"Hulings Hall" was muttered in Choctaw, and soon a procession of Indians in single file, headed by the fierce and relentless "Wanehe," was wending its way up Main street towards the college. Choctaw war songs were sung along the way and war whoops frequently rent the air. Hulings Hall having been reached the braves all collected upon the south portico and steps and then together they gave

Rah, Rah, Delta Tau,
Rah, Rah, Alpha!
Rah, Rah, Delta Tau,
Rah, Rah, Choctaw!

Other chapter and college yells were given and songs were sung. Dainty hands, from the open windows of Old Hulings, clapped applause.

After "The Good Night" had been sung, the march was resumed towards the Commer-

cial, where a most bounteous feast, such as no Choctaw had ever sat down to before, was in readiness for the hungry, weary warriors. The banquet was of the best that could be wished for. Sixty royal, loyal, old and young Deltas enjoyed this most magnificent spread, while the Northwestern Orchestra discoursed its most ear pleasing strains.

The following toasts were called and responded to, with Mr. E. P. Cullum, of this city, as toastmaster :

"To-night," T. A. Hathaway, Chi Chapter, Kenyon College.

"Our Eastern Division," R. E. Hall, Phi Chapter, Hoboken College.

"In Reminiscent Mood," Dr. Robinson, an old time Delta.

"Our Guests," C. S. Knapp, Alpha Chapter, Allegheny College.

"The Future," R. L. Harris, Chi Chapter, Kenyon College.

"Deltaism," S. K. Malvern, '93, Beta Omicron Chapter, Cornell College.

"The Choctaws," W. B. Best, '83, Alpha Chapter, Allegheny College.

"Our Delta Girls," W. Deming, '90, Alpha Chapter, Allegheny College.

"A Wail From the Far East," A. B. Wells, Beta Mu Chapter, Tufts College.

"Delta 'Tis of Thee," J. A. Wakefield, Alpha Chapter, Allegheny College.

"Our Peace Pipe," by Major Chas. E. Richmond, of Meadville.

The toasts were interspersed with college and fraternity songs and yells. The delegates departed on Saturday morning for home, but not without feeling that Alpha knows how to entertain her brothers from a distance, and that another happy event of their lives had gone the way of all time.

Fraternity.

Gov. McKinley is a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

Robert M. Ray was initiated by Phi Gamma Delta on Friday, Feb. 22.

Phi Kappa Psi gave a delightful reception to lady friends on Monday evening, at their rooms in Richmond block. About twenty-five couples were present.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The regular Y. M. C. A. meeting on Saturday evening, March 2, at 6:45, will be one of special importance. Mr. Sherwood Eddy, of Yale, '91, will be present and speak. This gentleman is the traveling secretary of the Volunteer movement.

The special meetings at Pierson, which began February 17, are still continued. The results were more than we expected. The intention was to close them on Sunday evening, February 24, but it seemed best to carry them on one week longer, for the interest shown demanded that such be done. Many found salvation and to-day are rejoicing in hope of eternal life. Those professing to love God were furthered in their Christian experience. The good work goes on and the glory belongs to God.

On Saturday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, a meeting will be held in the Pierson school house for the purpose of organizing a church society. The intention now is to build a church, as a large number of persons there wish to unite and erect a house of worship for themselves.

The College World.

Exchanges.

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

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—*Bowdoin Orient.*

The *News*, Syracuse University, contains an article under the title "A Greek Problem of To-day," which advocates the adoption of the modern pronunciation in the study of that language.

Continuing the discussion of "The New Woman" the *Scholastic* for February contains an article on the "New Woman and the Valentine." Its writer, D. V. C., in poetry and prose, handles his pen well. We quote:

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Was fascinating, quite;
And Calculus was better yet,—
It made a gallant fight,
Within my breast, for mastery,
But Social Science gained
And held my heart until you came—
For full two weeks you've reigned.

I love you for the way you waltz;
Your manly modesty
(I hate the self-assertive man!)
Is dearer far to me
Than all your other charms. I love
Your clinging, trustful way—
Wilt wed me, dear, and promise true
To honor, love, *obey?*

Volunteer Notes.

As has already been announced, we expect Mr. Eddy with us to-day. He will address a meeting of the students this evening on the missionary subject. Sunday morning he will preach in the Central Presbyterian church. At 5:30 a grand missionary rally will be held in the First M. E. church, to which everybody is invited. We consider it a rare privilege to have Mr. Eddy with us, and we hope that both the college and city may catch a goodly portion of the missionary spirit which characterizes his life and work.

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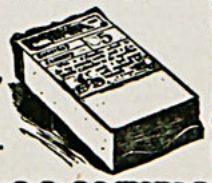
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of the First Presbyterian church, by Miss Illingworth and Mr. Steele. Miss Illingworth spoke of the work in Burmah and the needs of that country, which was followed by an earnest presentation of medical missionary subjects by Mr. Steele. The young people seemed much interested, and we are glad to hear from the president of this society that they appreciated this effort of the Volunteer Band very much.

The Band is planning to do more work of this character among the various young people's societies of this city and vicinity. They will be greatly assisted hereafter in making these meetings interesting, by the use of a beautiful missionary map of the world, which was presented to the Band about a year ago by Mr. Collins. This map was left in care of the college, but for some cause was mislaid, and, in spite of all search and inquiries, seemed lost for good, and thus the Band has been deprived of its use. But we are glad to say that it was found a few days ago by a member of the Band, in the cellar of Bentley Hall.

The Band expects to begin a systematic study of the various countries from this map. We anticipate much interest from this course of study, and hope other students will join with us in it.

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DEAR SIR:

I hereby acknowledge receipt of check from your Company for $6,448.40 in settlement of my policy taken twenty years ago.

I am more than satisfied with the results shown, as I have not only had protection for 20 years, but in addition have really made a good investment of my money, as you have returned to me all the money paid by me, together with 4.3% interest. My total outlay for the $5,000 policy was $4,503, and you now return to me $6,448.40, or nearly half as much again as I paid in, and this notwithstanding the fact that I was not paying the high price which an Endowment Policy would cost.

You also offered me a paid-up policy for $9,835, or to pay me back 70% of all premiums paid and in addition to have my paid-up policy for $5,000, all of which propositions exceed my expectations.

Yours very truly,

JOHN L. KELLY.

For further information, apply to

J. F. O'DANIEL, District Agent,

Meadville, Pa.