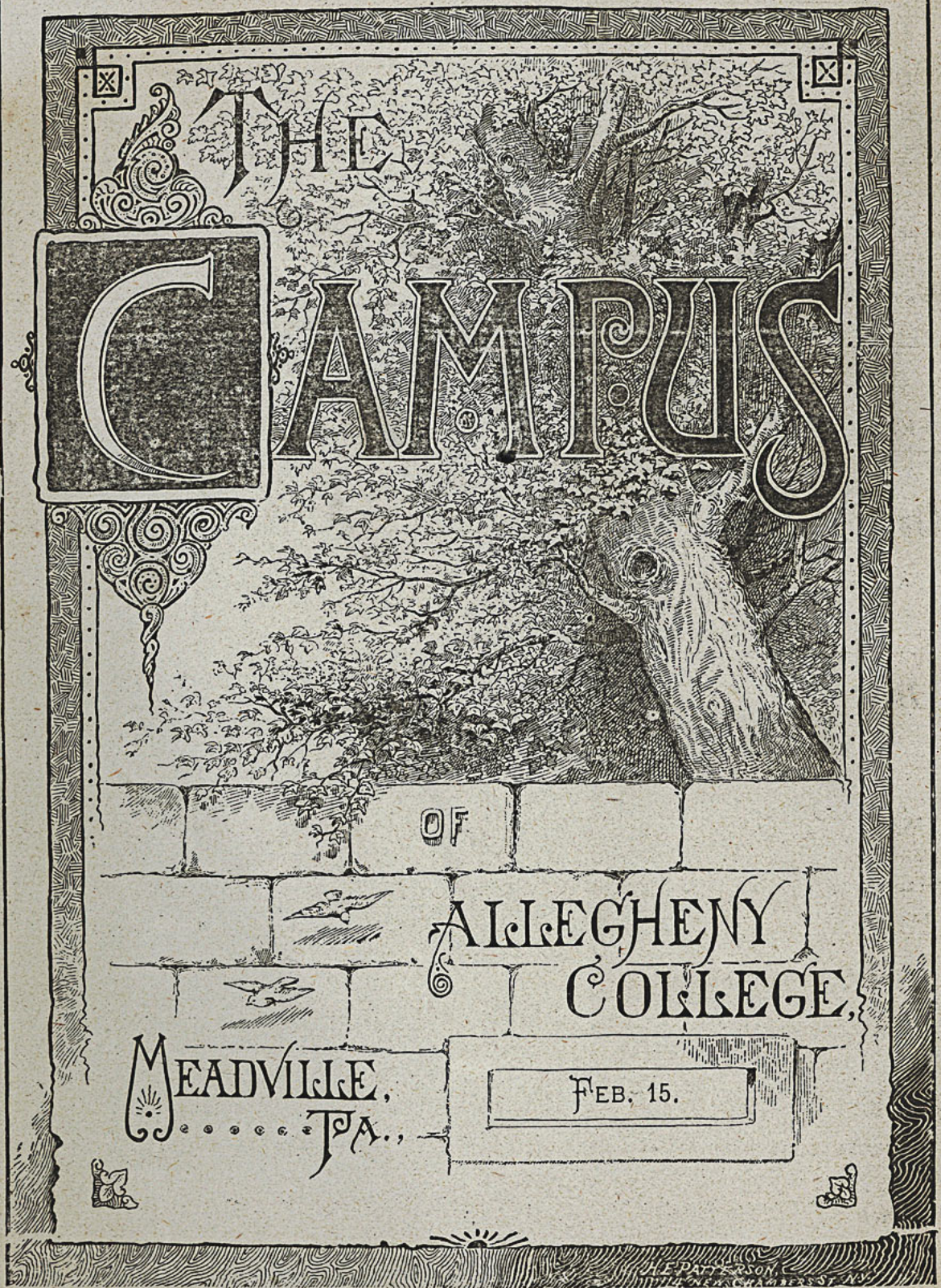

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THE FEVER AND THE AGUE.

FROM THE SONG OF MILKANWATHA.

Translated from the Feejee.

Oh, that most uncommon winter!
Oh, that sneezy freezy winter!
Ever faster! faster!! faster!!!
Fell the snow on vale and hill-side;
Ever colder! colder!! colder!!!
Swept the wild winds from the North-land;
Swept the storm-wind Gusta-blo-za,
It was really inconvenient,
Merely to step out a moment
And to go to any distance,
'Less you muffled up completely,
In your tippet and your mittens,
Was n't possible by no means
Without getting badly frost-bit.

Oh! the Fever and the Ague!
Oh! the burning of the Fever!
Oh! the shaking of the Ague!
Oh! the way the children took it!
Oh! the way the mothers, also,
Took the Fever and the Ague!

To the ancient nurse's wigwam,
Came the two unpleasant strangers,
Came, without an invitation,
Sat them down by Pogee, boldly,
Staring at the female Noodle!
One of them spoke up, remarking,
"I am Fever, Doan-chu-no-me?"
And the other one continued
"I am Ague, Wot-el-sha-ku!"

But the frightened Pogee, shrinking
Kept a-shaking and a-burning,
'Cause the Fever and the Ague,
Came and sat so close beside her,
'Cause they stared so steady at her.

Right into the woods behind there,
Swiftly, madly, Milkanwatha
Rushed to go and fetch the doctors—
All the doctors round about there;
And the ancient nurse Marcosset,
She is skilled in chills and fever,
Gave her warm drinks for to cure her,
For to try and take the chill off,
Then the doctors, Nau-she-atus,
Six in all, came in to see her,
Two and two, they came together,
Came and marched, three times around her.

Then went up one to the bed-side,
"Put your tongue out, Pogee-wogee."
Hi-ai-ai! said all the doctors
Ho-ang-ho! the queer old doctors,
And another went observing,
Pogee-wogee's got the Ague;
Hi-ai-ai! said all the doctors,
Ho-ang-ho! the queer old doctors,
And a third one followed, saying,
Pretty soon she'll have the Fever;
Hi-ai-ai! said all the doctors—
Ho-ang-ho! the queer old doctors.
Then the other three did likewise;
After which they marched together,
Two and two, around the bedstead,
Marched out from Marcosset's wigwam,
In the manner they had entered;
Hi-ai-ai! the wise old doctors—
Ho-ang-ho! the wondrous doctors!

But, alas, for Pogee-wogee!
And, alas, for Milkanwatha!
She, the loveliest of Noodles,
Was so scorched up by the Fever,
So much shook up by the Ague,
That she spoke nor moved no longer,
And our hero, disappointed,
Wrapt her in a heavy blanket,
In the very neatest manner,
'Cording to the village custom;
And they bore her to the river,
In a long and sad procession;
And they stood and dropped her in it,
As their custom was to do so;
And the eager waters clasped her,

Bore her body, as it had done,
In the case of him, the piper,
In the case of him, the fat man,
To the land of Ponee–rag-bag,
To the regions farther downward.

Float on down, said Milkanwatha,
Float on down, my duck, my darling,
Very soon, I'll follow after
To the regions down the river,
I shall be along, my darling,
Be along, my duck, directly,
Be along, my duck, my darling,
Float on, float and keep a-floating.

COMMON THINGS.

"THE things we make no comfort of, have in them seeds of life and beauty, like the cores of apples which we throw away."

What seem to us but common things, could we but know the real use for which they were created, would be transformed to the most beautiful objects. An ugly exterior often conceals a charming and most pleasing interior. The nut must first be cracked if we would enjoy the flavor of its kernel.

Only by reflecting upon the usefulness and abundance of the common things around us, do they lose their mediocre appearance and stand forth in their true light as the very things without which we could not live. The sunshine which so floods the universe ; in the winter, sparkling on the snow-drifts, transforming the pure, white crystals to minute diamonds, which reflect the light that has been shed upon them ; in the spring-time, tempting, with its sweet mesmeric power, the buds to swell and the blossoms to burst forth in all their luxuriance ; this common sunshine which penetrates the darkest alleys, has been given us by One who knew the value of *common things*.

The rain, which, with its gentle patter, wakens us at early dawn ; which swells the brooklets, as, forming tiny cascades and flinging the fleecy spray into the air, they go gurgling by ; which turns to green the brown, parched grass ; which makes the "desert garden bloom" and gives to all nature a most beautiful aspect ; is a blessing, too often, lightly esteemed.

Flowers grow as plentifully by the wayside as in the garden ; they are gathered by the ragged, barefoot boy with as much eagerness and pleasure as the lady can experience who culls her choicest roses, her finest exotics which have known the care of a gardener's hand. The poor mother who quietly lays a bunch of wild flowers upon her little one's grave, feels as deep a sorrow as the mother who drives in state to the cemetery and places a magnificent bouquet of hot-house flowers upon her darling's grave. To each the flowers have a common meaning ; symbolic of the love that is buried there, of the hope of a great Hereafter.

Trees laden with luscious fruit spread their branches over the wall and drop their golden apples in the path where the wayfarer may find them and enjoy their rich flavor. The thick foliage casts a shade for all who wish to rest therein.

Glass and diamonds resemble each other somewhat, in appearance, yet how vastly different are they. The diamond reflects light in a most beautiful manner. Its scintillations are most pleasing to behold. George Eliot has called it a "crystallized dew-drop" and so truly it seems to be as it lies trembling and sparkling in the sunshine. Glass transmits light, in hut and mansion alike ; brightening the gloomiest corners with the rays of sunlight which pass through it. Glass is common ; diamonds are uncommon ; which could we better do without ?

The silk of which your neighbor's elegant dress is made was spun by silk-worms and after going through the processes of reeling, dyeing, and weaving is made into the garment you so much admire ; whilst the materials of your own dress, a plain cotton one, grew in a cotton-field and were woven into the print you now wear. To be sure it is *common ;* only a few cents per yard, and there are many more exactly like it, yet what would you do without it ? When Newton watched the apple falling from the tree, he only saw what every one has seen and thinks nothing concerning it ; yet he from this single observation deduced the law of gravitation. Watts, while watching the steam of a tea-kettle as it formed curling, fleecy clouds and gradually disappeared, conceived that the idea there must be some motive power in it ; the steam engine is the result.

Great men often arise from the most common surroundings ; indeed, men seem to be proud of the fact that they have risen, by means of their own exertions, from obscure birth and humble life to positions of eminence and trust.

"America's strength lies in her cottages," yet how humble are these cottages. They who dwell in them may be those of whom the world never hears ; they try to do their duty quietly in the sphere in which they live. But should there be a call for men to fight for their country, from every one of these cottages a brave, sturdy youth would come, willing to give his service and life, if need be, for his native land.

About nineteen hundred years ago, a babe was born in a common manger at Bethlehem ; whose first lullaby was the lowing of the cattle ; whose first happy crow of childish delight was answered by the neighboring chanticleer ; the child grew and was brought up as a common carpenter's son ; in time, he declared his mission on earth ; after a brief but active service he was nailed to the cross with two common thieves, one of whom he promised should that day be in Paradise with him. Yet how much we owe to this one person. His life has changed the current of the whole world. By his standard of right shall we all be judged. Could we but realize how much we owe to these despised common things ; how they make up a part of our very selves, we would treasure them as our choicest possessions. All things have been created for a definite purpose and because we fail to perceive their mission, we can ill afford to look upon them with derision. "Honor, not contempt, to common things."

THE DEAR DEPARTED.

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The Century is publishing a series of articles from the pen of eminent commanders on the battles of the rebellion. W. D. Howell's new serial entitled "Silas Lapham," is attracting considerable attention ; yet none of the students, surely, would wish to read such light literature or articles from Americans on (American) subjects. The faculty is right.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, the genial "Autocrat," is about to open his "New Portfolio" in the *Atlantic*. Undoubtedly, did we have the leisure, this paper would amply repay us the perusal. But no, frivolity must not walk side by side with sound sense. There is nothing in the "New Portfolio" concerning "evolution" or German politics. We must forego the pleasure of the Autocrat's company. Wise and just is the revision of our list of periodicals.

The *Popular Science Monthly* is usually practical and to the point in its treatment of questions of living interest. But it is too modern, too American. It might feel lonesome in our Reading Room, and care should be exercised lest the feelings of a leading periodical should be hurt. It is well. We are sorry the *Popular Science Monthly* must go; but it could not be helped. The decision was wise. Let no one object.

When we saw that our old friend the *North American* opened its February number with five papers from men of national reputation upon the subject of "How shall the President be Elected," we were inclined to rebel against the ruthless decree which cut it off from our list of periodicals. Our mind did not change as we glanced at the other subjects which this number presents. But the reputation of the *North American* is not high enough. It once published an article from unorthodox "Bob Ingersol." It should never find a place upon the Reading Room table of a Christian college. Besides what American youth needs to read a paper upon a subject relating to such a

simple question as the Election of President? Any boy of six knows how that is done—Brass Bands, etc. No, no! Give us last year's almanac, the last number of the *Owl* and the *Morning News*, and we will not complain. Energy and wisdom is the motto of the management of the Library. M.

ALUMNI NOTES.

The following is an extract from a private letter written by Mrs. James Thoburn, '81, to her friends at home:

CALCUTTA, INDIA, Dec. 26, '84.

We are here—safe and well! After all the fearful speculations and "calamitous prognostications of the American" side of the question, we have come through no mishaps or misfortunes to a very happy realization of the uncertain finale—Our Calcutta Home. Upon landing at Bombay who should come to meet us but Mrs. Oldham. I could hardly believe my eyes when I saw her coming toward me, I was so glad to see her. They are visiting in the suburbs of Bombay, and in a few weeks are coming to Calcutta. She was looking very well indeed, and has much improved since I last saw her in America.

Our journey from Bombay occupied two days and three nights, but every thing was so new to us, and the country so beautiful, that the time passed very quickly and pleasantly. India is a beautiful country, at least that part of it which we saw, in our journey as far north as Allahabad. It is very fertile, and well cultivated by the natives, whose villages are scattered all along the way—a clump of huts with clay walls and thatched roofs, lots of cows, buffalo dogs, chickens, men, women and children, constitutes a village; and their farms, the principal product of which is wheat, occupy the surrounding country. The vegetation is just what is pictured in your geographies, and the flowers are beautiful. Instead of robins, sparrows, etc., we saw crows, parrots, and other beautiful colored birds. Yesterday morning at about 7 o'clock, our long and uneventful journey of eight weeks came to its end, and we were set down at Calcutta station where we found Aunts Bella and Anna awaiting our arrival. It was Xmas morning you know, and Dr. Thoburn had a prayer meeting early in the day, so he could not come. But our train was late and by the time we reached the parsonage the meeting was over, and Dr. Thoburn came dashing out—just like Crawford—grabbed us each by an arm and litterally dragged us into the house. The first thing we did after meeting the people was to take "tea." Aunt Anna is the presiding genius over "the black box," and the rest of us seat ourselves in an informal manner about the table, while she unlocks her box, measures out the tea, and *makes* it at the table. It is delicious, and we have with it thin slices of bread and butter, and fruit cake. The custom here is to eat *only five times* a day. In the morning between six and seven coffee and toast is brought to us *before we get up*, and we do not meet the members of the family until breakfast time between nine and ten. Then we spend about an hour at the table, and it is a very social and pleasant meal. At one o'clock we have "tiffin," which consists of bread and butter, tea, bananas and oranges, and fruit cake. At four o'clock we have dinner, and at six tea, bread and butter.

Thursday afternoon, Dec. 30th.

We are now beginning to see how feeble an idea we in America have of the amount and importance of the work to be done here. You in your quiet well regulated homes, and domestic habits, know *nothing* of the *sin*, as we are brought face to face with it here. Here Christian work must reach down and take hold of the very lowest, and the greater part of the work is among such. It is wonderful how the work is all supported, but you want to read Dr. Thoburn's book and you will understand. Dr. Thoburn is an untiring and never ceasing worker, and what he has done, and is doing is simply marvelous.

Aunt Anna is a *beautiful woman*, she reminds us very much of Miss Tarbell in her manners and ways, and she too, is constantly busy. She practices medicine besides her missionary work. Jimmie has begun his work indeed, he had not been here an hour until he was initiated by baptizing a baby. He preached Sunday morning, and will preach the watch night sermon to-night. The church is a fine one, and has the largest audience room in India, 2,000 have been in it, the seating capacity being about 1,800.

A Happy New Year to you all.

Although not unexpected, the death of D. R. Hamlin, '68, which occurred May 30, 1884, was a painful shock to the community in which he lived, as it will be to all who knew him in life.

He was the only son of Hon. B. D. Hamlin, and the eldest of a family of three children. He was born Aug. 10th, 1847. After finishing a course in the Smethport Acadamy, he completed his education at Allegheny College, Meadville. Upon returning home he entered into the Keating Land Office, of which his father had charge, and in the meantime studied law and was admitted to practice. As a young man he started in life with bright prospects, noble aspirations, and high resolves, and had his health and life been spared, would have attained a high station of honor and usefulness. His characteristics, habits, and ambitions, all tended toward the true and the right. He had not in his nature an impure, mean, or ungenerous impulse. His sympathies were ever active, and his heart and purse always open to the demands of charity and the public good. He was eminently public spirited, and always ready to forward by any means every enterprise for the benefit of the community. He was deeply and actively interested in the prosperity of the country, and his loss to this community will be deeply felt.

MCKEAN MINER.

A baloon ascension was recently made in Philadelphia by Prof. William S. King and Sergeant W. W. Hammon, who graduated at Allegheny College in the class of '81. At present he is in the Signal Service Department of the Government, and his friends will be pleased to learn that he is rapidly climbing the ladder of fame.

The ascension was made from a plot within the Girard College wall, shortly after 4 o'clock. There were great doubts earlier in the day that the trip would be made, owing to the severe weather, but the daring celestial navigators were undaunted. To facilitate an erlier ascension, the baloon was left on the grounds all night; when the Professor arrived in the morning, he found that his air ship had been frozen as stiff as a board.

It swelled out eventually and was soon swelled to nearly its full capacity of 25,000 cu. ft. of gas. As the large body swayed to and fro, the strong wicker car, 6 ft. long, 4 ft. wide, and 2½ ft. deep, was held down by stout ropes. "It will be as frigid as the polar rigions up there," said the Professor as he smiled on Sergeant Hammon, but the latter did not falter. It was his first aerial trip, and despite the cold he was determined to carry out his intention of "going up." The ascendants were warmly dressed with sheep skin outer coverings. Each wore a fur hat, and heavy knit hoods covered their faces and necks completely with the exception of loop holes to see through. The baloon shot up magnificently and in a short time was almost out of sight, moving over toward Jersey.—*Meadville Tribune.*

We have heard recently that the baloon landed its cargo safe and sound, but have been unable to learn particulars concerning the journey.

F. S. Chryst, '80, located at Syracuse, Neb., was recently called to home at Warren, O., by the death of his sister.

E. W. Day, '84, of the Signal Service Department, has been assigned to the office at Pittsburgh, Pa. Out of a class of 22, Day ranked highest.

Emma Powell, '82, is teaching Latin at Oxford Female Seminary.

Loie H. Wilkinson, ex-'85, and Miss Rooney are enjoying the mildness of a Californian winter, at San Bernardino. Miss Rooney's health is improving very rapidly.

Edith M. Rich, ex-'85, is in Denver, Col. She was obliged to go thither on account of her health, and expects to return home for a few months during the summer.

C. A. Ensign, '80, is a successful druggist in Youngstown, O.

Rev. T. H. Taylor, class '81, is having a prosperous pastorate at South Bellaire, O. His church is now in the midst of an extensive revival.

W. W. Shilling, '80, is meeting with fine success as a lawyer at Sharon, Pa.

Rev. C. B. Mitchell, '79, is pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Leavenworth, Kansas.

John L. Locke is engaged in the practice of law at Cambridge, O. He is having flattering success in his profession.

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THE assistance of students in the government of colleges is fast becoming popular. The Harvard faculty have appointed a committe, to confer with a committee appointed by the students, and to devise a plan for the joint-government of the institution. The faculty have an absolute veto power, of course, and what advantage the plan possesses is very difficult to see. Imagine a kind of court-martial as a weekly occurrence in which the propriety of putting horses in the chapel is discussed, and where the student's right to play poker and billiards, or to get drunk when he felt like it could be maintained by the minority, and possibly by the majority of the court. It might, however, give the students a chance to protest against the removal from the library of such periodicals as the *North American Review*, *New York Independent*, *Atlantic Monthly*, *Manhattan*, *Popular Science Monthly*, and others, and the substitution of reprints of English quarterlies in their stead.

IN a letter published in a recent number of the New York *Tribune*, Mr. Gladstone pays a high tribute to the character of Gen. Washington. "Excluding the last half century from the comparison," says he, "I will then say that if, among all the pedestals supplied by history for public characters of extraordinary nobility and purity, I saw one higher than all the rest, and if I were required at a moment's notice to name the fittest occupant for it, I think my choice, at any time during the last twenty years would have lighted, and it would now light upon Washington." There was a pleasant custom that once existed among the students of holding some kind of public exercises by which to celebrate the birthday of the man whom foreign statesmen have so highly honored and whose memory is to be perpetuated by the loftiest monument on the globe. Shall this custom be discontinued? It may be regarded as unnecessary, but since so much attention is attracted by the monument, would it not be well to hear from the hatchet again?

FEW students continue the study of language after they have finished the required work; and yet it might be made both pleasant and profitable to review what has been read in the course or to read something entirely new. This review work would be especially beneficial in the modern languages; for while the study of the course enables the student to read with a little aid from the lexicon, if he drops it entirely, he soon forgets what he did know. The time may come when a third year of German, and perhaps French, will be provided for those who desire to devote more time to these languages, but until that time individual effort must accomplish the work. The club that is now reading Greek illustrates what might be done in the various languages that are taught in the college; the scientific club, and the art society, that existed here a few years ago, showed what could be done in other departments. And this voluntary work is more beneficial than the forced work of the recitation room. Reading at sight will familiarize a student with words and their meanings much more rapidly than one would suppose, and the voluntary observation of the student will accomplish more for him in Science, than much time employed in the mere study of books.

WE would like to ask if it is in perfert harmony with the profession of a Christian student to take his mail from the postoffice on Sunday. We see no necessity for it and nothing to justify it. We cannot accept as proof of its being right the fact that some of our churches, pastors and people, adjourn to the postoffice about noon each Sunday; some church members lie and cheat as well. There is danger in this matter. Unchristian people will use this example of Christians to defend their own greater violations of the Lord's Day, and why not? If it be granted that the postoffice may be patronized on Sunday, so may the express office and the freight office. If a book may be taken from the postoffice we see no reason why a parcel of books may not be taken from the express office or a box of books from the freight shed, and if books, anything; and if these things may be done, anything may be done. By conceding the right to send and receive letters, social or business, we concede the whole question of Sabbath observance, and strike at the root of the fourth commandment. The argument is plain and the conclusion irresistible. Let us beware of the camel's nose or he will force in his whole body, and we, as a people, shall be cursed with the European Sabbath.

STUDENT.

WE give below an outline of a course of historical reading that was published by one of the prominent papers of the country not long ago. It cannot be followed absolutely, but some aid may be gained from it. As a basis for the course take any of the following histories:

1, Charles Dickens' Child's History of England; 2, Dr. Chas. Knight's History of England from the time of Julius Cæsar to James II.; 3, Hume's History of England,—after Hume's death the history was taken up by Macaulay; 4, Froude's History.

Commencing with any of these histories, read:

I. Through the time of King John; then read in connection: 1, "Ivanhoe," (Scott); 2, The "Talisman," (Scott); 3, "King John," (Shakespeare).

II. Returning to the history of England, read through Edward II.; in connection: 1, Scott's "Tales of a Grandfather,"—read as far as the story of Robert Bruce and the battle of Bannockburn; 2, "Lord of the Isles," (Scott).

III. Through the time of Richard II.; and then read: Shakespeare's "King Richard."

IV. Through the time of Henry VI.; then read: 1, Life of Margaret of Anjou in Strickland's "English Queens"; 2, DeQuincey's essay on Joan D'Arc.

V. Through Richard III.; then read: 1, Richard III., (Shakespeare); 2, Strickland's "Life of Elizabeth Woodville."

VI. Through Henry VII.; then read: 1, In Tales of a Grandfather, the part relating to King James of Scotland.

VII. Read Henry VIII.; then read: 1, "Henry VIII.", (Shakespeare); 2, "Lady of the Lake," (Scott); 3, Strickland's "Life of Henry's Wive's."

VIII. Through the time of Elizabeth; then read: 1, Froude's History of the time of Elizabeth; 2, In Tales of a Grandfather, read the part relating to Mary, Queen of Scotts; 3, "Kenilworth," (Scott); 4, "The Abbot"; 5, "The Monastery"; 6, "Westward Ho!" (Chas. Kingsley).

IX. Through the reign of James II.; then read: 1, In Tales of a Grandfather, the part relating to James I.; 2, "Fortunes of Nigel," (Scott).

X. Through Cromwell; then read "Woodstock," (Scott).

XI. Through the time of Charles II.; then read "Peveril of the Peak," (Scott).

XII. Through William and Mary; then read "The Siege of Derry."

XIII. Through George I. and II.; then read: 1, "Rob Roy," (Scott); 2, "Waverly," (Scott); 3, "Heart of Midlothian," (Scott); 4, "Historical Sketches of the Reign of Terror," (Mrs. Oliphant); 5, "Essay on Madame D'Arbay," (Macaulay); 6, "Essay on Warren Hastings," (Macaulay).

XIV, Through George III. and IV.; then read: 1, "Book on Four Georges," (Thackeray); 2, "Italian History and Life"; 3, Ranke's "History of the Popes"; 4, Milman's "Latin Christianity," Vol. VI.

THE COLLEGE WORLD.

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NOTES.

Amherst's annual income is about $70,000.

An American college is to be established at Shanghai.

Eight men are trying for the position of pitcher on the Yale nine.

There are one hundred and ninety college papers published in the United States.

The young ladies of the Ontario Ladies' College have organized two base ball clubs.

The University of Madras has graduated 899 persons, none of whom are Christians.

$60,000 has been given for the endowment of a chair in the new art department at Princeton.

The five hundredth anniversary of the University of Heidleberg will be celebrated next year.

A system more democratic than that of Amherst or Bowdoin has been inaugurated at Iowa College.

Brown University has lately received an addition to her gymnasium in the shape of a billiard table.

At Yale there are over seven hundred young live frogs in the basement of Peabody awaiting the tortures of the Junior biologists.

A course in advanced electricity has been started in Lehigh University, the laboratories of which are said to be the finest in the country.

President Carter, of Williams, has been examining the Amherst and Harvard gymnasium with a view of building one like them at Williams.

A thousand dollar schollarship has been given to Dartmouth, upon the condition that no one using liquors or tobacco shall receive the benefit of it.

The University of West Virginia declines to admit a colored student, showing that she clings to the dead past and is not yet ready to accept the inevitable.

Russian women are prohibited by law from a university education.

Princeton has decided that no games shall be played by their students with students of other colleges except on the grounds of one of the contesting parties.

A special meeting of the Nineteenth Century Club will be held in New York, February 24. The purpose of this meeting is the discussion of the subject of classics. President Elliott, of Harvard, Pres. Porter, of Yale, and Pres. McCosh, of Princeton, will give addresses on the subject.

EXCHANGES.

Space will only permit of brief mention of a few of our many exchanges. We hope to be able to make proper mention of all the others at an early date.

The *North Western* and *Dartmouth* arrived simultaneously. Though widely separated as to territory they are together in the spirit of progress. Both are representative college journals, and we gladly welcome them to a place on our table.

The *Pennsylvania College Monthly* is a model of neatness. Shall be pleased to greet it regularly.

Washington Jeffersonian, glad to see you. Were a little prejudiced in your favor on account of your proximity to our old home. Now since we have had a visit with you have not changed our opinion.

The *Wooster Collegian* presents itself in an attractive attire, and contains, among other very interesting matter, an excellent article, "A Plea for Books and Reading." General excellence characterizes its various departments.

From the University of Toronto hails the *Varsity*, one of our sprightliest exchanges. It is decidedly readable, entertaining and instructive. Trust that we will have our sanctum brightened by its weekly visits.

By no means does "all that is good" come out of the East. This is verified in the case of the *Kansas Review*. All of its departments are well supported, and one especially noteworthy—Reviews—is an unique and most commendable departure from the stereotyped make up of college papers generally.

Last, but by no means least prized by us, is our friend from the Northeast—*Colby Echo*. It is a model in design and execution.

The *Monmouth Collegian* seems to be laboring under a misapprehension. We desire to inform the evidently new editors of the *Collegian* that the CAMPUS is new only in management, that it has had for years a place to fill, both among the students and alumni, and that its existence is in no way accounted for by a spirit of competition, but is a result of the loyalty of the students and the progressive spirit of the college.

GLEANINGS.

If you wish to be wealthy, get upon a mule; you will soon find you are better off.

"Dear me," said a good old lady on Fifth avenue, the other evening, "How this rage for china is growing. Here is a college club that is paying $3,000 for a pitcher."

Junior girl's definition of "capillary attraction": Falling in love with a moustache.

Professor (to young lady student)—"Your mark is very low and you have just passed." Young Lady—"Oh, I'm so glad." Professor (surprised)—"Why?" Young Lady—"I do so love a tight squeeze."

One more unfortunate,
Trusting the fates,
Rashly importunate,
Tried on the skates.
Pick her up tenderly,
Loosen the straps,
Fashioned so slenderly,
Unused to mishap.

Oh, it was pitiful
That she should flop
Where a whole rinkful
Must see her drop.
Pick her up tenderly,
Smooth out her dress,
Fashioned so slenderly,
Made to caress.
Bumping inhumanly,
Jolting the men,
She is pure womanly,
And tries it again.
Pick her up tenderly,
What does she care?
Fashioned so tenderly,
So plump and so fair.

FRATERNITY NOTES.

Phi Kappa Psi has an eye on Vanderbilt.—*Alpha Tau Owega Palm.*

Phi Delta Theta has again laid siege to the University of Michigan.—*Crescent.*

Phi Gamma Delta is receiving any quantity of praise as a fine fraternity magazine.

Kappa Alpha Theta will hold her next convention at Toledo, O., this month.—*Auchora.*

It is rumored that Phi Delta Theta has five men at Ann Arbor, and is about to organize. *Palm.*

It is rumored that Phi Kappa Psi at Allegheny is seeking new quarters in the Phœnix Block.

The *Crescent* denies the fact asserted by the *Palm* that Delta Tau Delta had entered South Carolina Military Acadamy.

Dr. H. W. McKnight, who has been elected to the presidency of Pennsylvania College, is a member of Phi Kappa Psi.

We are glad to note that the antagonistic feeling between fraternities is gradually dying out in the majority of colleges.

Kappa Alpha Theta has entered Wesleyan, and is being petted to death by the other fraternities there.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

John Clark Ridpath is a member of Phi Gamma Delta, and Hon. Carl Schurtz is an honorary member of Phi Kappa Psi.—*Auchora.*

Major W. H. Calkins, recent republican candidate for Governor of Indiana, was made an honorary member of Phi Kappa Psi June 19th, 1883.—*Crescent.*

At the University of Mississippi, although there are eleven well established fraternities, the number of "barbs" is greater than the fraternity men.—*Crescent.*

Phi Delta Theta at Monmouth College is suffering from a fight with a hostile faculty. Hold out boys! your claim is a rightful one and must be acknowledged.—*Crescent.*

According to *Sigma Chi*, the Phi Gamma Delta's at the Illinois Wesleyan University, failing to get their official organ located there, have started a local organ as a rival to the regular college publication.

An inter-fraternity party will take place at the University of Wisconsin February 13th, which will be participated in by all the chapters except Phi Delta Theta.—*Crescent.*

On the evening of the 28th of this month, Chapter Alpha of Delta Tau Delta, will hold their annual "Pow-wow" at the Commercial Parlors. This banquet is a distinctive feature of the chapter, and has given it the name of "Choctaw."

Mr. C. W. Benedict and R. C. Bole leave on the 17th for Columbus, Ohio, where they go to represent the Pennsylvania Beta Chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity at its Biennial Convention. W. C. Wilson, Esq., '80, of Cleveland, and Dr. S. E. Tieste, '82, of Brooklyn, will represent the alumni of the chapter.

All our brothers whose situations permitted their attendance at the general convention at Pittsburgh, are highly pleased with the deportment of the body, with, perhaps, the exception that too much feeling was manifested between the Eastern and Western men. The extent of it was certainly to be deplored.—*Phi Gamma Delta.* Is this a true fraternity?—*Phi Delta Theta Scroll.*

The fraternity men from Indiana in the Forty-ninth Congress will be as follows: Senators—Beta Theta Pi, Hon. Daniel W. Voorhees (De Pauw); Phi Delta Theta, General Benjamin Harrison (Miami). Congressmen—Beta Theta Pi, Colonel Courtland C. Matson (De Pauw), Hon. William D. Bynum (Indiana University), and Hon. Jonas G. Howard (De Pauw); Phi Delta Theta, Judge William S. Holman (Franklin), and Judge Thomas B. Ward (Miami); Sigma Chi, Major Thomas R. Cobb (Indiana University); Delta Tau Delta, General Thomas M. Browne (Indiana University).—*Crescent.*

GREEK LETTER FRATERNITIES.

THIER ORIGIN, PROGRESS, MANNERS, CUSTOMS, ETC.

College students have always shown a more or less marked tendency to form themselves into societies. Whether founded upon a national, literary, or social basis, these organizations seem to have been coeval with the colleges themselves. Throughout the United States there is a class of students' societies, usually secret in their character, which rapidly grew in favor, and have become of great importance in the college world. They are composed of lodges or branches placed in the several colleges united by a common bond of friendship and a common name, generally composed of Greek letters. From this latter fact they are known among non-collegians as "Greek Letter Societies," or, more frequently from their secrecy, "College Secret Societies," but among themselves they are styled "Fraternities." Before tracing their origin and progress it will be well to give some description of their customs and practices.

NOMENCLATURE.

The name of each fraternity is composed of two or three Greek letters, as Kappa Alpha, Chi Phi, Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi. These letters commonly represent a motto, unknown to all but the fraternity's members, which indicates the purposes or aims of the organization. The lodges situated in the various colleges are affiliated, and are, with one or two exceptions, termed "Chapters." The chapters receive various names, sometimes of the Greek letters in order of their establishment, as Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, etc.; sometimes without any appearent order, as Theta, Delta, Beta, Gamma, etc., in which case the chapter letter is generally the initial of some word peculiar to the college. Sometimes they are named from the colleges, as Union Chapter, Hamilton Chapter, or from the college towns, as Waterville Chapter, Middletown Chapter. In one case, at least, all these are departed from, and the chapter is named after some prominent member. When chapters have become so numerous that the letters of the alphabet are exhausted, they are combined, either by chance, as Theta Zeta, Beta Chi, or by design, in the addition of supplementary letters, as Alpha Alpha, Alpha Beta, Alpha Gamma, etc., or Beta Beta, Beta Gamma. In other cases a regular system is employed, and some word or words used to denote the repitition, as Alpha deuteron, Beta deuteron, or, in case the alphabet is being used for the third time, by Alpha triteron, Beta triteron, the supplementary words being generally denoted by their initial letters, "Delta" and "Tau" respectively.

(To be continued.)

LOCAL.

"Did she send you one?"

Valentine day is gone again.

Smike is canvassing the college for "Miss Lytton's Poems."

How far away was that train when Dougall picked himself up?

Why doesn't Shaw have his lessons? He studies the wrong Page.

"They never—hardly ever—speak as they pass by."—Perry and Terwilliger.

Prof. Newlin has recovered from his recent illness, and is again hearing his classes.

Prof. Tingley has been compelled to give up his classes for a few days on account of sickness.

Why did a certain cadet make such a Hays-ty break for the door when the masks were taken off at the masquerade ball?

Whed Hurst met his girl in the gloaming, what made him disappear so suddenly? Wonder if it was her big brother?

How does Shaw get "six covered bridges" between Meadville and Saegertown, and what does he mean by "tu-lip dessert"?

Prof. Tingley intends shortly to take the Æsthetics class into the Museum for daily study of the plaster casts of famous statues.

A class in Elocution has been organized among the students to take lessons of Mr. Byron W. King, an elocutionist of some note.

It is recorded that R——r's room-mate was awakened the other night by the plaintive cry "*Please* don't change the tables, I don't want to sit anywhere else."

Miss Reitze, '88, entertained her sisters of the Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity, with a fine banquet at her home last Tuesday evening. A very pleasant time is reported.

L. C. Haskill, of "Museum" fame passed through town last week. His cheerful countenance no doubt calls to mind many pleasant (?) recollections of that delightful summer spent in Massachusetts by some of our old Museum men.

College politics seem to be on the decline this year. Only two weeks till the annual struggle for society representative, and in most of the societies the candidates have not even announced themselves.

A Latin club is being organized for the purpose of practice in reading at sight and promoting a greater interest in the classics. A Greek club has been in very successful operation for some weeks past, and both these organizations should receive cordial support from the students.

Prof. Montgomery, with the assistance of some of the students, is arranging and labeling the mineralogical specimens in the Museum. The Prescott cabinet has also been arranged, and new shelves and cases put in. These improvements have been much needed for some time past, and add greatly to the appearance and advantages of the Museum.

By the way what has become of the old Missionary Institute? Is it possible that we have not enough spirit to keep it up now that Dr. Hyde has gone? A college that has so many representatives in the Mission field as Allegheny ought to wake up and show a little interest in them and their work. Who will be the first to move in this direction?

Already the voice of the book agent is beginning to be heard in the land, and golden visions are flitting in the eyes of the uninitiated. Many of the old students have had their experience in this particular line, and are not yearning for more; but after all there is nothing that gives a man a better idea of life realities than a summer with "the books."

The joint session of Allegheny and Ossoli Societies was a very enjoyable affair. The performances were unusually good. Following is the program:

Piano Solo—Miss Susie Kern.
Recitation—Miss Arlie Mead.
Oration—Homer S. Bodley.
Select Reading—Miss Clara Snyder.
Declamation—John Remer.
Song, Good-night—Quartette, Misses Page and Snyder, Messrs. Wood and Pickett.

We hear much complaint among the students of the manner in which the college library is managed. Students rooming at a distance from the college have been accustomed to spend their vacant bells in the reading room, but this has been rendered almost impossible a great part of the term on account of the insufficient heating of the room. If the library is closed the last few bells, as it frequently is, there is not even this protection from the cold.

Scene I. The Parsonage.

Sweetheart (to Preacher): Give me two dollars.

Preacher: What for?

Sweetheart: *Give me two dollars!*

Dining Room Girl: It seems to me you are calling on the pocket-book a little too soon. You might get left.

[Door closes. Loud talking within, merging into a low, sweet hum. All is quiet, and heavenly joy abounds. She got the two dollars.]

PERSONAL.

Geo. H. Lamb, '85, is suffering from a severe sprain—the result of "bob-riding."

J. D. Davis, ex-'88, has been elected 2nd Lieutenant of a military company at Tionesta.

C. P. Lynch, '87, has recovered from his recent sickness, and returned to his college duties.

Jesse Cary, '87, who has been very sick with typhoid fever for several weeks, is slowly convalescing.

R. T. Herrick, '85, has returned to his college work after an absence of a few weeks on account of ill health.

W. P. Grant, '83, who has been at the head of a publishing house at Alexandria, Va., expects to enter the Erie Conference next Fall.

C. R. Thoburn, '85, local editor of the CAMPUS, is out of college for a few weeks holding a series of revival meetings near Evansburg, Pa.

H. S. Free and H. W. McDowell attended the Y. M. C. A. convention held at Corry last week. One of the results of the convention was the establishment of an association at that place.

BATTALION NOTES.

The battalion is larger this term than it has been for three years past. This is largely due to the efficient management of Maj. Fuller, who is becoming deservedly popular among the boys.

The cadets are having target practice every Friday. Hayes has the best record so far.

The cadets propose to give a drama some time this winter to defray expenses of the battalion.

Maj. Fuller entertained a number of the officers last week at his home on Water street.

The following promotions were read out last week: Corporal M. C. Smith promoted to Sergent; Serg't W. B. Fulton to Color Sergeant; Private McClurg to Corporal.

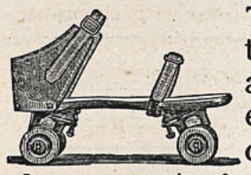
The Major gave a very interesting lecture before the battalion Wednesday on the Custer Battle Field.

ON Monday, Feb. 9th, Dr. Wheeler gave his lecture on "English as a Universal Language," before the "Society of Inquiry," at the "Theological School." The lecture was a thoughtful, carefully prepared production, evincing a thorough acquaintance with the causes which tend to make a language universal. Dr. Wheeler, as a preface, read a letter of Mr. Gladstone's relative to the subject, and then proceded to the lecture. The Greek, Latin, and Hebrew languages were briefly considered, also the Italian, Spanish and French. The three great languages of to-day are the French, German and English, of which the latter stands the best chance for becoming universal. The English is a language of government, commerce, and letters. The people are good colonizers, carrying social and civil customs with them into a new land. The English language has borrowed much, is growing more simple in construction. Accent and gender were considered. His last point was that the English is the great reading public. The lecture was received with applause and the Dr. was tendered a vote of thanks. M.

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