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Some of the Latin Writers.

Latin has always been to me the most fascinating of all studies. The power of comprehending and appreciating any language besides our own is a source of unbounded satisfaction, and of course there is more to be obtained from the Latin and Greek than from any of the modern languages. Each of the four writers whom I have studied has had a special charm for me. Cæsar, with his wonderful power as commander, as writer, as ruler and as a man, has always stood out as my hero among all generals. I will confess that I first formed my admiration for him through his own account of himself, but I have never lost it, and indeed have increased it through reading all other accounts of him.

To many people Caesar's history of the Gallic wars is intensely monotonous, but to me it was interesting throughout. I never grew tired of hearing of his endless victories; I was always interested in his conquering the barbarians, and was also interested to find out how he would treat them when conquered. I enjoyed his descriptions — although, perhaps my admiration for his bridge was spoiled by the difficult constructions, I found my interest in Caesar so great that it cast a charm over all of his undertakings.

The second prominent Roman with whom I have some acquaintance is Cicero. I am afraid that I never admired him as much as he should have been admired. My pleasure in him was always marred by his overweening self-conceit. While I was thrilled with his wonderful eloquence, and while his power as an orator shows forth in every word he uttered, yet he always brought me back from the height where he had taken me by some reference to himself which for me marred the grand effect of what he had said, and yet it seems to me impossible that anyone could read Cicero's orations without becoming very deeply interested in Cataline, the plot in which he was engaged, the safety of the state, Cicero as the prosecutor, and in all that was agitating Rome at that time. That Cicero had the power to paint it all vividly before our eyes, is certainly true. Livy has the same power of bringing scenes closely before us—even perhaps to a greater degree—and yet their styles are not at all alike except in fullness of expression. Both were masters of their art, and studying them closely one cannot escape a vivid conception of the vastly differing events they portray.

The one Latin poet which I have studied has perhaps come closer to me than any of the rest. Vergil, with his tender fancies, his hapless Dido, his wandering Aeneas, has left a lasting impression Some of his night scenes have appealed to me, as no other poems have done. One of them in the fourth book of the Æniad, just before Aeneas has taken his heartless flight, leaving Dido alone, I have tried to reproduce in the following words:

It is night, and all weary bodies
Through the land are lulled to rest,
While the wood and the roaring waters
Lie in silence, deep and blest.
The fields lie calm and quiet,
The birds and the beasts are still,
They all lie wrapped in slumber
In meadow and stream and hill.
And all of the human family,
With cares for a time laid by,
Are sleeping, forgetful of evil,
While the calm night holds the sky.

Nay, all of them are not restful;
The Phœnician queen, alone,
Rages and mourns in her sorrow,
For her love who so soon has gone.
Her eyes are not eased by slumber,
There is no calm in her breast,
Her cares press down with their burden
And drive out all thoughts of rest;
Her love surges up in her bosom,
Then recedes; in its place is ire;
She is torn by conflicting passions,
Her head seems all on fire:
"Oh, what shall I do?' she is moaning;
"Shall I follow him over the sea?
Though he wishes me not to be with him,
Yet, still where he is, shall I be;
Will he let me go forth on the voyage,
For the love which he formerly bore?
Shall I go though I know I am hated;
Would it make my fate worse than before?
Shall I take my Tyrian subjects,
Though so fiercely they hate the sea,
And have left their friends and companions
To come here and succor me?
Nay, far rather let me perish
As I most unhappily deserve,
For forgetting my former husband,
Whose ashes I vowed to preserve."
Her decision at last she has taken
Alone in the silent night;
She is dead ere the next night cometh,
Ere Aeneas has taken his flight.
And he—while she so is grieving,
And such anguish is tearing her breast,
He surely for her is mourning,—
Nay, *he* lies in peaceful rest.

Story of a Commonplace Life.

BY HANNAH HENSON.

"Yes," said John, "we can't make anythin' here. Jim says it's easy a farmin' out there. No use of a feller killin' hisself workin' over stones when there's places where there haint any stones."

"Do you want ter go, mam?" said 'Line, turning to her mother.

"O, I don't know; your father thinks he can do better there, and I presume he will not be satisfied until he tries it."

"But how kin we go? I haint got enough of money to pay our car fare and have anythin' when we git there."

"O, we kin drive through,,' said her father, "lots uv people do it."

'Line saw her father was determined and knew her mother would weakly submit, so she said, "Well I sp'ose if you'ns kin stand it, I kin."

On her return to grandfather's, Monday morning, she informed them of her proposed trip. Grandmother tried to persuade her not to go, but she said, "Pap will never let up until he gits his wish, and I reckon the sooner he tries it, the better fur us." After warning grandmother of her approaching departure, she immediately began preparations.

She bought another horse, and canvas to cover a wagon. John was so animated over the thoughts of the trip, that he gave no little assistance to 'Line in her preparations. When their wagon was completed, they packed their few household things in it. The old man drove the newly purchased horse in a little old spring wagon, while Mrs. Ackerman went in the covered wagon with 'Line, who drove the team.

I met them on their westward course as I came from the store. 'Line seemed to have no misgivings about the propitiousness of their journey. She was at the head of their grotesque procession, and it was with regret that I bade the faithful soul good-bye.

The first day of their journey they stopped at a friend's for dinner, and that was the last meal eaten indoors for many weeks. At night they camped out. 'Line cooked supper, then prepared a comfortable bed for her parents. It was a soft balmy evening, and the stars were shining in the heavens. 'Line sat leaning against a rock, near where the horses were tethered. Her soul was filled with awe at the beauty of the night. She was an unconscious

lover of nature, and during their long journey she enjoyed the scenery along the way with as great appreciation as the most cultured person. She sat and dozed a little at times, but she was afraid some night prowler might suspect she had her little fortune tied in the old stocking about her waist, under her clothing.

She kept a watchful care over the little camp. The silence was broken only by the breathing of the horses and an occasional hoot of an owl in the woods near by. At early dawn the robins began to sing and all nature was astir.

'Line awoke from her morning nap and began preparations for breakfast. After feeding the horses, she carried water from a neighboring brook, built a fire and put on a kettle; when she had breakfast ready she aroused her father and mother. They hurriedly partook of the meal, packed the utensils away, attached the horses to the vehicles and resumed their journey before many of the inhabitants had left their beds. Slowly they wended their way toward the West, where John expected to make his fortune.

A few days' driving brought them to the Ohio line, where they all gave a farewell look at old Pennsylvania, their native state, John being destined never to see it again. Day after day they plodded wearily along. Night after night they camped by some stream or spring, when practicable. 'Line was the commander-in-chief and protector as well. Unknown to her parents, she carried a revolver, ready for any emergency which might menace their safety. When stopping near a small village in Indiana, one of the horses driven by 'Line, when unhitched, laid down and never got up. It was the old horse that she had so often driven in the plow with the cow for mate, and she felt sad at the death of the faithful old brute.

"What shall we do?" queried Mrs. Ackerman, in worried tones.

"S'pose we kin buy a horse in town," said John.

"No, we can't," said 'Line decisively. "I haint got any more money than what'll do us when we git there, n'd I haint goin' to put any more money inter old horses. We'll sell the little wagon and pile the things in t'other wagon and pap kin ride with us."

Mrs. Ackerman agreed that would be best and John raised no objections, as he had surrendered to 'Line's leadership at the beginning of the trip, thereby escaping the responsibility and consequent labor. 'Line went to the village but found it difficult to find a purchaser. The few who would take the wagon offered her so little for it, she became discouraged and was about ready to dispose of it at any price, when a grocer offered her three dollars, if she would take it in groceries. She agreed to do so, and invested in cakes, sugar, dried beef, cheese and corn meal. They hitched the remaining horses to the covered wagon and meandered on westward.

One evening while camping by the roadside, just after they crossed into Missouri, they were passed by a train of wagons containing an animal show, which was to exhibit in the city just over the hill. One of the men stopped and questioned them. He invited 'Line to go to the show that evening, saying he would call for her, but she prudently refused.

The next morning they started early, feeling they were nearing their destination. Their travel was unattended by any further incident until they had driven some distance in Phelps county. Although they did not know it, they were within five miles of their destination, when the best horse in the team refused to go any further. 'Line, seeing the animal seemed sick, unhitched him and the poor brute died in a few moments.

Poor 'Line was almost discouraged. She was tired by incessant travel and loss of sleep, and in a strange land, where she knew no one. Her father was half sick, with she knew not what; her mother timid and feeble.

A wave of home-sickness came over her soul.

"What shall I do? she queried to herself. I'm afeared to leave pap and mam to go to find any buddy, and how kin we git on to Jim's? Ef we only had a chance to send him word, 'spose he could come and fetch us." Her father made suggestions, none of which seemed practicable, while her mother sat in dejected silence.

As 'Line sat by the roadside with her face buried in her hands, she was aroused by the sound of clattering hoofs along the road. Looking up she saw a woman on horseback approaching from the direction they wished to go. Her face brightened as the woman drew rein and stopped to inquire what the trouble was.

'Line pointed to the dead horse and said: "I am Caroline Ackerman. My father and mother are in the wagon. We've drive clean from Pennsylvania and this is the second horse that's died fur us. My brother lives at Arlington and we are goin' there. Kin ye tell us how fur it is and where I kin git a horse to haul us the rest of the way?"

"Why, yes," responded the woman cheerily. "It's only five miles to Arlington and I'm a neighbor of your brother's."

"Are you!" said Mrs. Ackerman in glad surprise.

"Yes, and I'll just unsaddle my horse and hitch in with yours, and it will not take more than two hours to get there."

"I thank you mam" said 'Line gratefully. "I hope I kin do sumthin' fur ye some day."

"O! that's all right. I forgot to tell you my name is Mrs. Downs."

Mrs. Downs! I've heered Jim speak of ye."

Mrs. Downs' plan was speedily acted upon and they were soon on their way. They went steadily along for a couple of miles, when they came to a hill, where Mrs. Downs' horse refused to go. All their efforts could not make him go.

Mrs. Downs said, "I'll ride into town and send my boy back with a team to haul your wagon." With these words she mounted her horse and galloped away.

They had not written Jim about their going West, as they wished to surprise him. Young Downs told him of his mother's seeing them, and Jim went with the boy and team to meet them. After greetings were over, Jim attached the yoke of oxen they had secured, to the wagon, and walking by their side he drove them to his home. 'Line sat down with a thankful heart, feeling a great care had rolled off her mind. After supper she retired with the children and for the first time in two months, lay down without her dress on.

For the first time in weeks she had a night of unbroken rest; feeling that she need keep watch no longer. After a few days rest and visit at Jim's, 'Line asked him to take her to see a homestead claim of which he had spoken. It had been settled, a cabin erected and then deserted by a Virginian two years before. Jim drove out with 'Line to view the place, and as it was only five miles from the town and the house was ready for occupancy, she decided to take it and move at once. Jim invited them to stay with him longer, but 'Line thought it difficult for him to provide for his family and she did not wish to add to his burden.

It took but a short time to place their scanty belongings, with the addition of a few pieces of furniture which 'Line had purchased in town, in their new home. 'Line thought she could carry all the provision they would need on the back of their remaining horse, and she resolved not to purchase another horse until ready to begin farming in the spring, thus avoiding the expense of keeping it through the winter. Jim loaned them a light wagon, in which 'Line and her father hauled wood from the wood lot and stored it in the shed for winter fuel. They gathered all the dead wood lying on the ground. Jim helped saw some wood into lengths and 'Line split it with the ax.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Shall It Be Done?

What! Change the college colors? Discard the cadet-blue and old gold, colors that have stood for so many years the fit symbol of our beloved collnge? Shall this come about, just because several students of Napoleonic propensities wish to do something to make their names appear more prominent than the rest—to secure a selfish end?

You, who think of voting for the change, ask yourselves what colors would be more appropriate for our institution. There is no need of a change; for, time has established the present colors, and if they were good enough for our predecessors, surely they are good enough for us. Who would think for a moment of changing the American flag, or the coat of arms of our state? What our flag is to our country, the cadet-blue and old gold is to our college. The flag and the colors grow more precious with time, and they both stand for something we hold dear.

Some one says, "Oh, but the colors are so hard to obtain." Great excuse to carry out a purpose! Just as if it were impossible to have some manufacturer of ribbons turn them out for us. Let the college authorities have several bolts of the ribbons on hand. This would, at least, be one way to remedy the difficulty in getting the proper shades of the colors. Why not try this plan?

Have we, as present students, any right to change the colors, while those who have made the reputation of our institution shall have no voice in the matter. Appeal to the Alumni, the rightful ones to say whether there shall be an alteration, and see what they will say to it.

As well cut down the trees that beautify our campus, raze Bentley Hall to the ground or banish our library, as to change the colors.

Change the college colors? No, emphatically, No.

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Before the Alumni complain that they are not fully represented, they should inquire what

is being done by their own societies to aid the editors of the personal column. Unless the different Alumni will enter into communication with us, our information will be scant and often unreliable.

It should be a matter of pride to each Alumnus to advance our interests, and to maintain a close relationship with Allegheny in its onward course.

There are a few people in the world who seem to think that their sole mission in life is to point out the faults, failures, and imperfections of mankind. These self-appointed critics seem to be blind to every good quality or commendable effort, and notice nothing but that which merits their censure.

Their business is to pick flaws and to point out inaccuracies, and they do it without reference to any standard but their own. The more errors they can find in what is presented to their view, the more do they glory in their mission.

It is needless to say that their criticisms are often far from just, and equally unnecessary to note that these censors are usually utterly incapable of improving what they condemn.

The business of the critic should be, not to point out the faults and imperfections only, but he should also possess, in a large degree, the power of perceiving that which is admirable and worthy to be praised.

There is no more admirable quality that a student can possess, than his ability to be a critic ; but, he must be able to praise excellence wherever it is found, and if he has not this ability, he is not worthy of the name.

It is not a natural sequence that a person who finds nothing commendable in the doings of others, has reached that degree of excellence to which no one can attain, but it is very likely that he is so dull of perception that he is incapable of comprehending what is really admirable.

The fault-finding critic is laboring under a delusion, when he imagines that he is a superior person, because he finds nothing to praise. The fault lies in himself, for it has been said, " If there is nothing celestial without us, it is because all is earthly within."

Imperfections have and always will exist as long as the world stands, and while it is just and right to point them out, it is not just to array them in purple to the exclusion of that which should be admired.

The abuses to which the English tongue is subjected is shocking to the cultured and educated. The curse and peril of English today is, that it is at the mercy of men, who instead of being content to use it according to their honest ignorance, use it ill according to their affected knowledge; who, being vulgar, would seem elegant; who make up in pretense what they lack in reality, and whose small thoughts are let off in enormous phrases. The source of the trouble is in the vain attempt of speakers and writers to appear learned.

The danger exhibited by English writers and speakers of making the English a dead language to be sought for in the grammar and dictionary, was recognized by the poet Lowell and prompted him to write his Biglow papers in Yankee dialect, in which he justly criticises the reporter who would pose as an elegant and fluent writer.

If the English language becomes a dead language, the indications are that it will be murdered by the vulgar herd, without taste or common sense, who crowd out expressive Anglo-Saxon for high-sounding substitutes.

To know nothing and to know it, is to be ready to learn, but to know nothing and not know it, is to know less than nothing, and to endeavor to conceal ignorance by means of *sesquipedalia verba* is to assume others as ignorant. The simple Anglo-Saxon is copious enough for all needs of the highest civilization, and subtile enough for all the requisitions of philosophy.

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Exchanges.

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

Soc et tuum.

In the library of Harvard University there are pictures of every graduate since 1752.

The libraries and scientific collections owned by the government, are maintained at an annual cost of $4,000,000.

From a total of 124,684 college and university students in the United States, but 2,863 are enrolled in post graduate courses.

Countryman: "Waiter you might just give me a leetle of everything."

Waiter to cook: "Hash for one."

Caesar omnibus campletis in Gallum summa diligentia profectus est. Cæsar, the omnibus being full, set out for Gaul on the top of a diligence.

Small Boy: Say, did you know cats had electricity in 'em?"

Other Small Boy: "Course. Put your ear down and hear the trolly."

A cadet, just released from the grind of the day,
In body quite weary and sore,
Is a proof of the fact, which we will all admit,
That the work of a drill is a bore.

The venture of publishing in this country a Greek newspaper has been well received, and the continued appearance of the *Atlantis* is now assured. The editor, Mr. Solon J. Vlastos, is at present in Athens for the purpose of extending his subscription list in Greece and securing contributors to the columns of his journal.—*Cornell Sun.*

Cornell offers a course in Russian language and literature for the coming year.

The University of Michigan sends out a class of seven hundred and thirty-one members this year, the largest class ever graduated in an American college.—*Ex.*

The *University News* comes to our table with a "Football Supplement." It's a good idea, and could be followed with advantage by many of our exchanges.

A glee club is pre-eminently a college insigne. Among the institutions of our state it is a rarity to find it absent, being absolutely essential to true college patriotism and enthusiasm.—*Ex.*

The following expresses the motive which brings many of our young people to college:

Boyibus, kissibus,
Sweet girliorum.
Girlibus likibus,
Wanti somorum.

The University of Michigan has discontinued its daily chapel exercises, and will hold a vesper service twice a week at 4 o'clock. The World's Fair organ, the property of the institution, will be used at these services.

Cornell has abandoned examinations at the end of the term, and will continue recitations until the closing day. Students will stand or fall on the grades maintained throughout the term in recitations.

The commencement program at Yale has been entirely changed. The only speaking will be done by the president. A new officer, called the "orator," will be elected, whose duty is to introduce the candidates to the president.

The editor, asked if he understood French,
Or could talk the language of Gaul,
Gave his mouth an acute editorial wrench,
As he tilted his chair to the wall.
"I don't speak that language, my friend," he replied,
"And my knowledge is small, you'll agree.
For the only French word that I ever have tried
Is my pet editorial 'We.'"—*Tulaine Collegian.*

Ohio Wesleyan is the banner missionary college, in that it has in preparation for impending work, seventy missionaries. Cornell, Amherst, Wellesly, Boston University and Ohio Wesleyan all support missionaries in the foreign field.—*College Statemen.*

The class in Modern Greek is using a Greek weekly newspaper for reading exercises. The journal is known as the *Atlantis*, and has been published in New York City for the last six months. It appeals to a three-fold constituency for support. The Greeks in America who desire a journal in their own language, Americans who wish to read Modern Greek for general information, and Greeks at home who want reliable information concerning the United States.

There has been some talk of dividing Harvard College into a number of small colleges, each of of which having its own administrative board. The late Secretary Bolles, of the Harvard University, had thought carefully the problem of a single faculty to deal with a couple of thousand students, and he came to the conclusion that the time will come when there must be some reform made so that relations between the administrative board of the college and student be closer. He therefore suggested the division of the college into a number of colleges.—*University Courier.*

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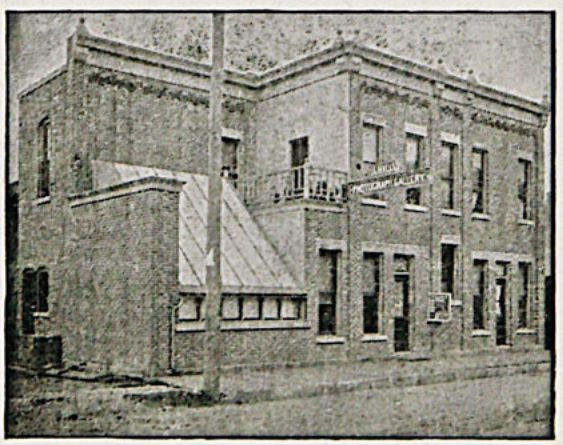
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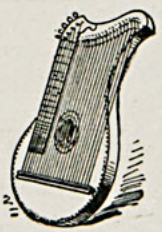


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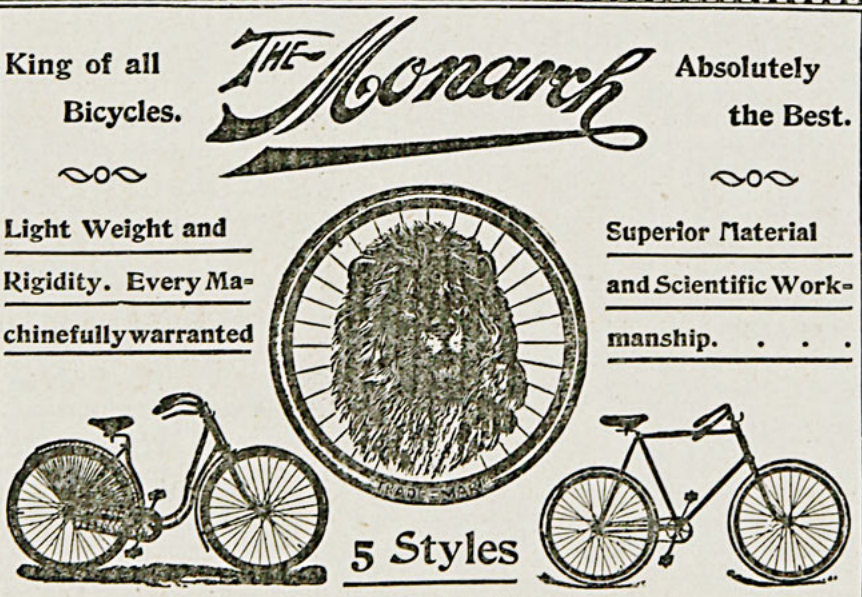
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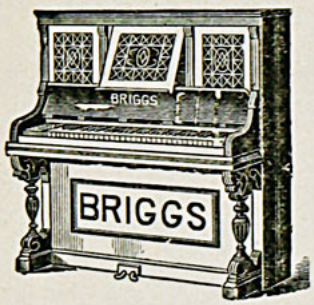
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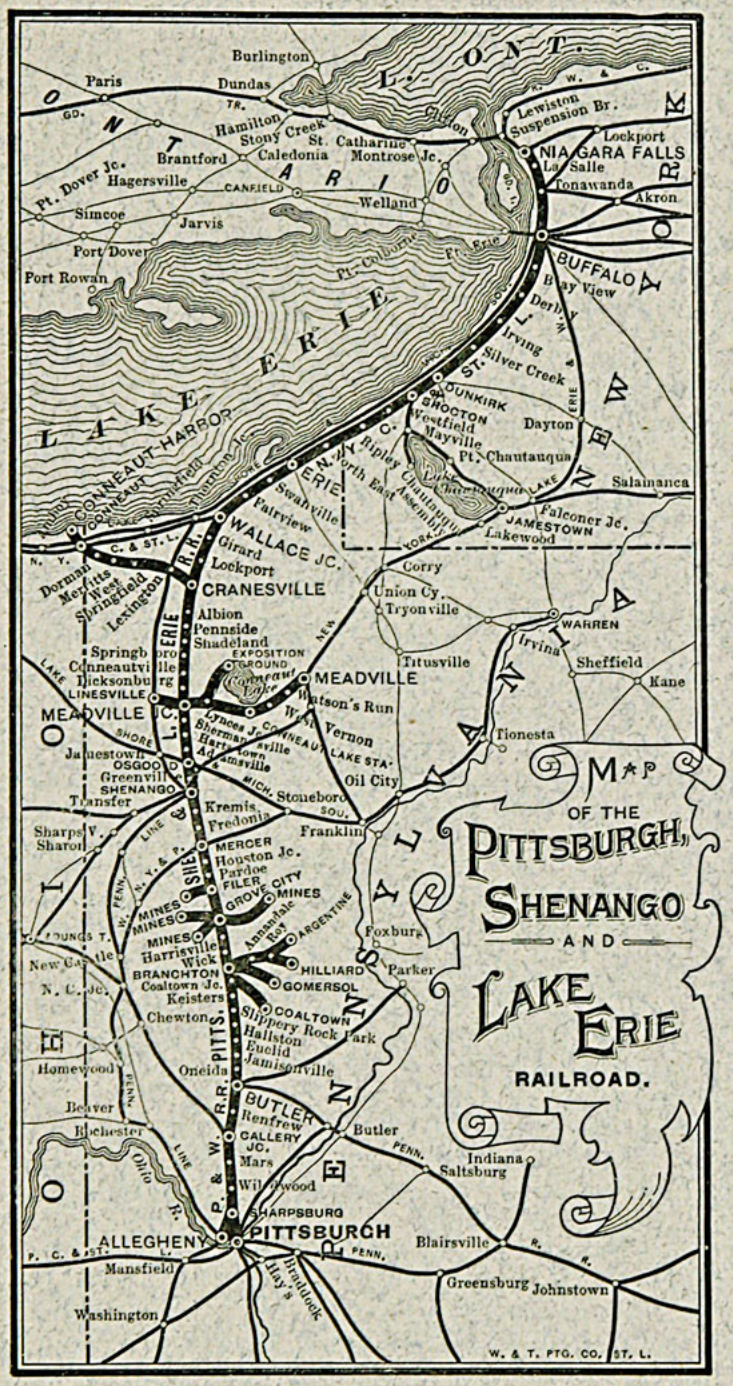
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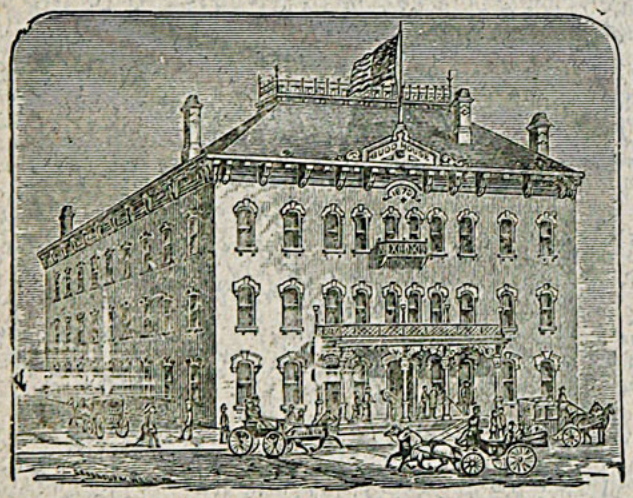
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ject of much criticism. Of course, it would be difficult to arrange a system which would give perfect satisfaction to both students and professors ; yet, certainly, the one now in use may be justly criticised. The fact is, that good fortune is a more important factor in procuring a high mark than honest work and careful preparation.

For instance, two students, having the same natural ability, may prepare a lesson with equal care and may succeed in mastering the greater portion of it. In the recitation, the one may be called upon to recite a portion of the lesson which both had mastered, and thereby receives a good mark ; the other, being called upon to recite the portion which neither had mastered, fails, and receives a zero.

Furthermore, the same students may go to class the next day, the one fairly well prepared, the other only partially so. To-day the luck may change ; the deserving one may be asked the one question which he does not know, and fail ; while the other, by chance, "strikes an easy place," and gets a good mark. Is this justice ?

Again, it deprives the student of the liberty which is due him in the recitation. What is the object of the recitation, if it is not to bring out the points which the student does not understand ? And how can this be done if the student does not speak of them ? The student sits trembling at the point of the professor's pencil. He does not feel at liberty to ask questions ; not that they would not be explained, but lest a revelation of his ignorance would lower his mark.

These are the principal objections to the present system of marking. They are pointed out not merely for the purpose of fault-finding, but as an expression of the general sentiments of the students. We hope that in the near future the old system will be replaced by a new one, which will be more satisfactory, at least to the students.

The question of caps and gowns for the graduating class of a college or university has ceased to be a foreign question agitated only in the exchange column of the CAMPUS. The advisibility of adopting this classic costume is now puzzling the minds of the senior class. We think, however, that caps and gowns will be given a trial by the graduating class next Spring. We have talked with the majority of the class upon the subject and have yet to find one opposed to it. We are heartily in favor of these simple, neat gowns not only for commencement day but also to be worn by the class during the regular college routine of work of the Spring term. They not only give the wearer a more dignified and learned appearance, but in the end are far cheaper. They do away with the necessity of getting a graduation suit or dress and give us something by which we remember our graduation, if nothing else.

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Some very industrious young men, bent on doing something desperate, painted the college doors a bright yellow the other night.

It required a great deal of imagination to appreciate the foot ball game played (?) here last Saturday between Corry and Allegheny. Corry flunked.

Ellis and Elliott have clipped the down from their upper lip.

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Walker has had his hair cut. Johnston, "go thou and do likewise."

Business Manager Schiek is going to Oil City Thanksgiving day.

Miss Bertha Cribbs, of Oil City, is visiting friends at Hulings Hall.

Hulings Hall was well represented at the murder trial last week.

Miss Lula Maxwell has been the guest of her sister the past week.

An indication of better times—chicken at the Hall twice last week.

Miss Gertrude Confer spent three or four days with her sister last week.

J. H. Douds suggests that "The Life of Jesse James" be put in the library.

Dr. Crawford assures us that Prof. Elliott, who is now in Athens, still thinks of us.

Though the weather was mild on last Tuesday, many of the students were down to zero.

Todd had better not show himself to Dr. Hamnet. He will "ring the little Tot's neck."

Swearer and Wright have blossomed out in new military suits of regular army officers style.

Miss A.—— reading the play "Captivi." Prof.—"Miss A——, we will dispense with prompters."

One of the things for which we are thankful is that we at least have Thursday a holiday.

Miss Ida Simmons and her sister Mabel, are expected to spend Thanksgiving with Miss Mabel Confer.

A quotation from Smith's table talk: "When a man gets ahead of me in sarcasm he'll have to be a smart one."

Quite a number of students attended Court during the McDonald murder trial, thereby "skipping" bells.

Don't eat too much turkey to-morrow as Dr. Crawford announced that no one would be excused from classes on Friday.

Homer recently read in Philo an interesting essay on "Municipal Elections." Dr. Montgomery was present to enjoy the reading.

Dr. Crawford announced in chapel that there would be about $500 expended for new books, and invited the students to make selections.

A to B—Is Miss Laffer a law student?

B.—I don't know.

A.—I saw her inside the bar during the murder trial.

If anyone will kindly furnish the Business Manager with a copy of No. 1, Vol. X, he will have Vol. X bound and present it to the College library.

Friday night, November 23rd, nine young men went out to Buchanan Junction to a pie social. It is reported that two of them "bummed" their way back on a freight train.

It is rumored that Lieutenant Wilson has hired Jamie Barnaby to hold up his sword in order to keep it from dragging. We recommend Lieut. Koester to procure a smaller one for him.

A meeting of the students was held in the chapel November 23. Dr. Crawford was elected chairman. The object of the meeting was to have the College colors changed. The present colors are blue and old gold. A committee of five was appointed to select colors and present them to the students.

The following appointments of cadet officers are hereby announced to date of September 18, 1894: To be sergeant Co. A, B. A. Horner; to be corporals, private W. D. Thompson, Co. A; F. F. Miller, Co. A; N. F. Blakeley, Co. B; W. J. Ellis, Co. A; E. E. Johnson, Co. C; J. B. McCord, Co. C; J. B. Hillard, Co. B.

Perhaps never in the history of the Crawford County courts has there been a case so intensely interesting as the one closed November 15th, with the verdict of guilty pronounced upon the prisoner. The extreme youth of the prisoner, his unassuming manner, the innocent expression of countenance, coupled with a certain unaccountable lack of feeling at times when one would naturally expect some signs of emotion, all tended to interest the spectators to a greater degree than usual.

The murder itself is said by all to have been one of the most cruel and brutal ever perpetrated. Why bruises and cuts to the number of thirty were shown upon the body of the murdered boy, is unaccountable.

The proceedings in court were of such a character as not to admit of any useless delay or trifling on the part of either the commonwealth or the defense; from beginning to end they were characterized by methodical and steadfast determination on the part of each counsel to prove its case.

The counsel for the commonwealth opened the case with the following points: The defendant, Fred McDonald, is guilty of the murder of John McCandrews, committed in Titusville, July 4th, 1894; this murder was perpetrated with deliberate aforethought, contemplated and planned with intent to kill, and is therefore, murder in the first degree. The object was to commit a felony. The prosecution substantiated its charges by the testimony of many reliable witnesses. The evidence offered by it was conclusive enough to prove to the jury beyond a reasonable doubt the guilt of the prisoner.

The counsel for the defendant based its claim of innocence upon a few minor points, such as the finding of McCandrews' pocket-book placed in an alley at a time when McDonald was in custody. The evidence of one Batts who testified to having seen two men, on the evening of July 4, just before and after the murder was committed, who acted very suspiciously—just as if they had committed murder. The money found upon the accused at the time of his arrest was borrowed from companions, and was not the money taken from the pocket of McCandrews; and the blood discovered upon the accused at the time of his capture, on that ill-fated night, came from the nose bleed.

Although the defense was strong, it failed to prove absolutely the stability of its points. It failed to prove that the pocket-book was placed there by the hand of some party not interested in the defendant; it failed to clear the reputation of the witness, Batts, of the charge of falsehood; the amount testified to as having been loaned the defendant was not sufficient by half to cover the amount found on his person at the time of his arrest, and no other means was brought forward whereby he might have obtained more; the nose-bleed occurred at least eight days before the murder, and the collar upon which some of the blood was discovered had been purchased that day.

The strongest pleas were those of A. B. Richmond, the counsel for the defense, and Senator Allen, counsel for the commonwealth.

If anything aside from the positive evidence given by the prosecution could have won the jury, it would have been the eloquent plea of Richmond.

The charge to the jury by Judge Henderson was marked by that clear, comprehensive manner for which he is noted. He reviewed concisely the evidence on each side, explained the difference between murder in the first degree and murder in the second degree, and charged the jury to discharge their duty as conscience and reason, regardless of feeling, should dictate, considering carefully all the evidence adduced by either side.

Evidently the proof offered by the prosecution, although of a circumstantial nature, was sufficient ground for the foundation of a verdict of guilt, for at 9:45 o'clock, on the morning of the 15th of November the jury returned a

verdict, finding the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree.

This verdict means death by hanging, unless commuted to a life imprisonment. However, the counsel for the defense intends to apply for a new trial.

Alumni Notes.

Marshal J. Hovis, '82, is located at Clintonville, Pa.

C. C. Laffer, '89, is practicing medicine in Meadville.

J. W. Campbell, '93, is preaching at Cherry Creek, N. Y.

Flossie Scott, '94, is in the business department of the *Chautauquan*.

A. G. Fradenburgh, '90, is professor of Political Science in Lake Forest University.

Prof. C. S. Jewell, '91, is taking a course in Latin at John Hopkins University.

H. A. Couse, '91, graduated at Yale Law School last Spring and is now practicing law in Cleveland.

The Rev. Dr. Burton, of the class of '37, died at his home in Cleveland, October 9.

Dr. Burton was descended on both sides from sterling American stock. His paternal great-great-grandfather settled in Stratford, Conn., in 1687. He himself was born near Erie, Pa., July 3, 1815. All the influences of his parentage and home were such as to lead him from his fifteenth year to look forward to the ministry of Christ. His brother, William, being at the time a professor in Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa. Lewis Burton was in 1837 graduated from this institution with the highest honors. He was ordained by Bishop McIlwaine, deacon, June 17, 1847, and priest May 9, 1848. He was known in Cleveland as "The Apostle of the West Side."

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The week of prayer for young men closed Saturday evening, Nov. 17.

Messrs. Norris, Swearer, Hoover and Wolfe have been chosen as teachers of the Bible classes.

The association has engaged Mr. Alton Lindsey, '89, to give an entertainment in the near future.

The meetings during the week of prayer were well attended. Much interest was manifested by the association members in general. All seemed quickened to renewed effort in Christian work by the inspiration of the meetings.

Classes for the special study of the Bible and preparation for Christian work have lately been formed. Let each member identify himself with one of these classes. Young man, you cannot afford to let such opportunity pass by unimproved. Come, search the Scriptures with us; lay hold of the eternal truths of God's word which make wise unto salvation.

Fraternity.

Andrews, *Δ. T. Δ.*, has a new frat pin.

Gamble, '92, *Σ. A. E.*, is visiting his fraternity brothers.

R. R. Ross, '84, *Φ. Δ. Θ.* was in town Monday, Nov. 26.

Allen, Miller and Fowler, *Σ. A. E.*, have purchased new fraternity pins.

The members of *K. K. Γ.* entertained the young ladies of *K. A. Θ.* and *A. X. Ω.* in their fraternity rooms Saturday evening, Nov. 17.

H. P. Johnson, '92, H. R. Patchin, '93, J. L. Danforth, '93, and W. R. Murphy, '94, are expected to spend Thanksgiving with their frat brothers at the Phi Gamm House.