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## EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

### Industrial Education.

Among the great educational problems that are forcing themselves upon us for immediate solution, none is more important than the problem of industrial education, or, as it is sometimes called, manual training. The practical tendency of the times demands a more practical education than the children have been receiving, and the schools must modify their courses of study to meet this demand. But a broader view of the subject sees in industrial education a means of mental development for the child that no branch of knowledge possesses—a means of quickening the observing powers, of strengthening the powers of attention and concentration, of developing the judgment, of building up concepts in the mind, of training the mind to the power of intense and continuous thought. It is this feature of manual training that convinces the educator that it "has come to stay."

The question of industrial work for cities and large towns has in a great measure been answered by the establishment of schools for manual training; but for the schools of our rural districts the problem is still unsolved. These schools, it seems to us, must look to the Normal Schools for its solution. If this is true, it devolves upon the Normal Schools to attempt to determine the amount and kind of manual training that can advantageously be engrafted on the present

course of study of the country schools, and to prepare teachers to do this work in addition to the work they now have to do.

At Millersville we have begun to lay the foundation for manual training by introducing into our Model School object-drawing, painting in water colors, card-board stitching, paper-folding, clay-modeling, sand-moulding, etc., and we expect to do more than this in the near future.

### Lectures.

Evening lectures to the School have been delivered this session by Dr. T. M. Balliet, Superintendent of Schools, Springfield, Mass., on "The Culture of the Feelings," Prof. W. W. Woodruff, ex-Superintendent of Bucks county, on "The Attributes of the Successful Teacher," and Dr. R. K. Buehrle, Superintendent of Schools, Lancaster, Pa., on "The Pennsylvania Germans."

Day lectures to the classes in pedagogics have been given by Sup't. G. W. Phillips, Scranton, Sup't D. A. Harman, Hazleton, Sup't W. S. Monroe, Nanticoke, Hon. Andrew M. Frantz, Lancaster, Hon. J. B. Warfel, Lancaster, Dr. Balliet, and others.

These lectures have been productive of much good to our students. Others will follow from time to time.

### The Model School.

It has been necessary to enlarge our Model School in order to accommodate the pupils we have in that department and to do the work we desire to do. Among other changes, a room has been added, which seats 30 or 40 pupils. We are enabled in this room to put our Seniors in charge of a school of primary pupils, thus making their work here like the work they will have to do in their own class-rooms. No expense and no pains have been spared to make our Model School a *model school* for the training of teachers, and great praise is due to the Board of Trustees for their liberality in furnishing this department of the School with every appliance that is needed—furniture, apparatus, supplementary reading, material for manual training, kindergarten supplies, etc.

DR. HORNE'S *National Educator* is a welcome visitor to our Reading Room.

About \$25,000 have been expended for improvements within the past two years. Beginning with the erection of a stand-pipe, which forces water through the entire building, improvement after improvement has been added, until our school is now one of the best equipped schools in the United States. And it is no boast to say that the scholastic and pedagogical departments have kept pace with the material improvements made.

The gentlemen's building will be entirely refurnished during the present session. Each room will contain a solid oak set, substantially made, of neat design and antique finish, with a spring mattress for each bed. A large part of the furniture is now at the School, and the rest of it is about ready for shipment.

The ladies' rooms were all papered at the close of last winter's session, and are now very comfortable and home-like.

PENNSYLVANIA is to be congratulated on the fact that the Governor of the State has a full knowledge of the present standing of her schools and a clear appreciation of their needs.

Dr. Balliet's lectures to our School at the beginning of this session were replete with philosophy, and proved a source of inspiration to all who heard him.

For Pennsylvania's sake, we greatly regret that Dr. Balliet has gone to Springfield, Mass. He is already attracting wide attention in his new field of labor.

SUPT. Woodruff's address, May 16, to the School presented a lofty ideal to our students, nearly all of whom are preparing to teach.

A large audience, including many persons residing in the village, assembled on Saturday evening, May 19, to hear Dr. Buehrle's address on the *Pennsylvania Germans*.

Professor Byerly was selected to serve as one of the judges of an oratorical contest at Lafayette College a short time ago.

SPECIAL attention is invited to Dr. Wick-ersham's article on the early history of Millersville. All friends of the "Old Normal" will read his closing words with commendable pride.

MILLERSVILLE now has 523 students.

WILL the members of the Alumni who wish to apply for the Master's diploma, please send their applications to the Principal at once? The applications must be presented to the Board of Examiners at the time of holding the "Final" examination—June 12th.

These applications must be made according to the form prescribed by the State Department. Apply to the Principal for blanks.

#### Junior Work in the Model School.

The pedagogical department of the School has been thoroughly reorganized, and each section of it is working toward a single end—that of making skilled teachers of our students. Among the new features, a systematic course of *observation lessons* on the work in the Model School is required of the Junior classes, who receive detailed instructions as to how to observe, etc. The following "reports" are printed without alteration from papers handed to the Superintendent of the Model School.

#### Observations in the Model School.

BY KATHARINE HOSTETTER.

The little children were having general exercises under Miss Coffin. Miss Moyer played the organ and the children moved their arms up and down to the music. The smallest girl, or one of the smallest, was placed before the class so that all could see how nicely she moved her arms. When they were through with this exercise, Miss Coffin called on several children to recite a stanza of poetry, which proved to be a song they were learning. Several grades were asked to sing the song alone. After singing it in concert, the question, "What song that you know very well would you like to sing?" was asked by the teacher. The one selected was, "Thumbs and Fingers Say Good Morning." When they sang "good-morning" in the chorus, they shook hands with each other.

After the music they prepared for marching. Miss Moyer gave the signal when they were to rise and face, on the organ, and Miss Coffin gave the signal when to march. Two lines were formed. Each line marched through the outside aisle and met in the middle aisle. After marching around several times they marched out of the chapel. The little ones who had not taken part in this march now formed into line and marched out of the chapel.

#### Report of a Lesson in U. S. History Given by Mr. Berger.

BY ANNA D. WHITCOMB.

##### 1. "What was presented by the teacher?"

The subject of the lesson was Adams's Administration.

The topics discussed.

##### I. Domestic Affairs.

1. Alien Law.
2. Sedition Law.

##### II. French Affairs.

##### III. Presidential Election of 1800.

1. Candidates.
2. Opposition to Adams.
3. Opposition to Jefferson.
4. A Change in the Manner of Electing the President and Vice-President of the U. S.

##### IV. Character and Death of Washington.

##### V. The Downfall of the Federal Party.

##### 2. "How was it presented?"

The subject of the Alien and Sedition Laws, French Affairs, and the Presidential Election of 1800, were topics prepared by the class.

Adams's Administration, as given in Johnston's history, was given to one of the boys to read to the class.

As little was said in the text book of the opposition to Adams and Jefferson, the teacher told the class about it.

The difference between the manner of conducting the election *now* and *then*, was explained by the teacher.

An account of the character and death of Washington was read by one of the pupils, from McMaster's "History of the People of the United States."

The "Downfall of the Federal Party" was read, from McMaster's history, and explained by the teacher.

##### 3. "What was accomplished?"

The children gained a better idea of the customs, political affairs and opinions of the people in the early period of the history of our country. They also learned facts in the life of Washington, and facts concerning his character which were new to them. A feeling of patriotism was aroused, and a pure manly, character set before them.

##### 4. Remarks.

The whole class paid strict attention throughout the recitation.

The teacher has the faculty of getting and holding his pupils' attention without any seeming effort on his part, and good order comes of itself.

#### As Others See Us.

The *New England Journal of Education* of May 17th, contains the following account of a visit to Millersville by one of the most active school superintendents in the State:

At the close of the state convention of county, city, and borough superintendents held recently at Harrisburg, I went to Millersville and visited the State Normal School. This is the oldest institution of the kind in the state, having been established in 1855 and reorganized as the first state normal school of Pennsylvania in 1859. The foundation of this grand superstructure was well laid by Dr. Edward Brooks, who, during the long period that he was principal of the school, sent forth hundreds of young men and young women as missionaries in the great cause of popular education. It was the thoroughness of his work and the high ideals that he inspired his pupils with that contributed so largely to the success of these teachers. They are scattered all over the country, many of them leading teachers and superintendents, who justly look with pride upon the continued prosperity of their *alma mater*. An important step in the history of the school was the election last summer of Dr. E. O. Lyte as president. Dr. Lyte is a clear thinker, a keen student of pedagogy, skilful in the application of principles, and an educator of the first rank. Having been connected with the school for more than twenty years he knew, as few others did, its actual needs. He has been fortunate in strengthening his faculty of instructors; and the results of his first year's work are certainly very commendable. A distinctive feature of the school is the thorough drill in educational principles and correct methods of instruction. The training school is in charge of Miss Mathilde E. Coffin, a lady of rare professional skill, assisted by Miss Jennie Darlington, a teacher of excellent capabilities. The work of the training department is exceptionally strong. Prof. F. E. Sanford's genuine manliness, ripe scholarship, good methods, and professional skill add materially to the strength of the school. Miss Anna Lyle, Mrs. E. O. Lyte, and Miss Sarah H. Gilbert, all ladies of broad culture, are doing superior work in their respective departments. Prof. Henry F. Bitner is proving himself to be a worthy successor of Dr. Baker, and is doing very creditable work in the department of physics and chemistry. The department of mathematics

has an apt and bright instructor in Dr. George W. Hull; and Prof. A. R. Byerly, who has been connected with the school since its infancy, continues to do good work in the Latin and Greek languages. The other members of the faculty, men and women of good teaching qualities with high ideals of the qualifications and work of the educator, are Professors Lansinger, Hartzler, Read, Roddy, Randall, and Yutzy, and Misses Landes, Myers, Hemperly, and Moyer. Millersville is an admirable site for a good school; the grounds are large and pleasant, the dormitory well furnished, the dining hall liberally supplied, the social and moral atmosphere of the school healthful, and the president, instructors, and pupils courteous, thorough, and painstaking.

WILL S. MONROE.

The following editorial from the Philadelphia *Methodist* of March 3d, gives the impressions which the editor of that excellent religious paper, Rev. Dr. J. B. McCullough, formed of our School during a visit here:

THE MILLERSVILLE NORMAL SCHOOL.

As Pennsylvanians, we are naturally proud of our popular school system, for it is confessedly among the most complete in all of its appointments of any in existence, either in the United States or elsewhere. Beginning with the Primary Department, it rises step by step through the Secondary, the Grammar, the High School, and, finally, the Normal Departments, thus securing to its students all the rudiments of a substantial business education, and, if they desire it, adding also an excellent training for the responsible position of teachers and other professional pursuits. Among the several Normal Schools now scattered through the State, Millersville is the oldest, and, so far as we know, the best.

During our late visit to the dedication of the M. E. Church in that village, we enjoyed the privilege of an introduction to Prof. E. O. Lyte, A. M., Ph. D., the principal, and several of his associates, as also of a pretty thorough inspection of the buildings and their appliances, through the Professor's friendly guidance. The school buildings, standing in the midst of a beautiful campus, cover a space of 352 feet on the east front and 160 feet on the south. They are of brick, compactly built, well arranged, and furnished with all the latest improvements, including water pipes, electric bells, steam heaters, etc. The class rooms are well supplied with blackboards, maps, models, and everything needed in teaching; the laboratory is furnished with all the appliances needed in the study of the physical sciences; the two society libraries have a collection of finely selected books on almost every subject, numbering some 3000 volumes each; the reading room has an additional library open to all, embracing cyclopedias, lexicons, and text books of all kinds, whilst on its tables are copies of all the best periodicals published, together with the leading newspapers of Philadelphia and New York, including the *Independent* and several denominational papers. The large hall, seating some 1200, is neatly frescoed and furnished, and finely adapted to the holding of lectures, anniversaries, etc. The large dining room, with its nicely spread tables, capable of accommodating 450 at one sitting, is a model of neatness, whilst the ordinary and well-furnished kitchen with its steam cooking apparatus and everything else necessary to success in preparing food for the multitude, would delight the most orderly housewife. For convenience, comfort and facilities for successful study, without temptations to idleness, dissipation and vice, we know of no school superior to Millersville Normal School.

We congratulate Prof. Lyte and his associates on their success in placing this institution in its present admirable condition, and trust their hopes of having a large increase of students during the coming Summer session, March 26 to June 28, will be realized.

A lady visitor thus describes our campus to a friend:

"Fountains playing, flowers blooming, birds singing, trees waving their leafy branches to the breeze, a velvety carpet of nature's richest green covering the whole lawn,—what more beautiful picture can be found than the Millersville Normal School? I was charmed, and could not help envying the groups of busy students who were spending the happiest years of their lives in the shadow of that great school."

## HISTORY.

*Early History of Millersville.*

BY J. P. WICKERSHAM, LL. D.

[The following brief sketch of the establishment of the first State Normal School in Pennsylvania is taken from Dr. J. P. Wickersham's "History of Education in Pennsylvania."]

During the summer of 1854, a few citizens of the little town of Millersville, Lancaster county, desiring better educational advantages for the children than the country common schools afforded, agreed to unite in the establishment of an Academy, purchased ground, and commenced the erection of a building. The prime-mover in this enterprise was Rev. L. M. Hobbs, then and for some years previously a teacher in the common schools of the neighborhood. The citizens who most actively co-operated with Mr. Hobbs, and constituted the building committee, were Barton B. Martin, Jacob R. Barr, John Brady, Daniel S. Bare and Jonas B. Martin, all residents of the village. To these must be added the names of Abraham Peters, Jacob M. Frantz, Dr. Peter W. Hiestand and David Hartman, who a little later began a series of self-sacrificing efforts in behalf of the school, which continued many years. The building was unfinished in February, 1855, when County Superintendent Wickersham made his first official visit to the schools of the village.

As elsewhere, the working of the County Superintendency in Lancaster county made evident the necessity of teachers' schools; and before he had reached the end of his first series of examinations in the fall of 1854, the County Superintendent announced his purpose of establishing one as a part of his official duty. The teachers of the county seconded the movement at an institute held at Hinkletown, in November, 1854, by passing a formal resolution urging the County Superintendent to carry the project into effect.

Some steps were taken looking towards opening the proposed school at Lancaster, but the visit to the schools of Millersville mentioned above brought about a change in the location. On that occasion, a lecture was delivered in one of the school houses in which the proposed teachers' school formed a topic of discussion. Among other obstacles in the way, it was mentioned that the building that could be had in Lancaster was not altogether suitable. Two weeks later a messenger came to the County Superintendent, then in a distant part of the county, with an invitation to open his contemplated teachers' school in the new Academy building at Millersville, and stat-

ing that the trustees would agree to have it ready for occupancy, would charge nothing for its use, and in addition would contribute, if necessary, a thousand dollars towards the expenses of the school. After some consideration the proposition was accepted, and the school, under the name of the Lancaster County Normal Institute, was opened at Millersville, April 17, 1855, a day memorable in the annals of Pennsylvania Normal Schools. It continued in session for three months, the County Superintendent acting as Principal without compensation. There were about one hundred and fifty students in the Normal department, and one hundred and ninety pupils attended the Model Schools. So successful was the school, and so evident did it make the want it was intended to supply, that before its close the trustees of the Academy, aided by other interested citizens who then joined the movement, changed their original intention in regard to the character of the school, and resolved to enlarge their building and open a permanent Normal School. Their purpose was carried into effect; and in less than four months from the close of the Lancaster County Normal Institute, the Lancaster County Normal School, as the institution was then called, was ready to receive students.

John F. Stoddard, who had served the Institute as professor of mathematics, and who was favorably known to the educational public as a teacher and author, was elected Principal; and associated with him as heads of departments were Robert T. Cornwall, who had occupied a chair in the Institute, and Edward Brooks, who eleven years later was advanced to the Principalship. At the opening of the spring term, 1856, the County Superintendent returned to the school, bringing with him as before a large number of the teachers of the county, the permanent faculty for the time being acting under his direction. During the term, Prof. Stoddard gave up the Principalship, and after much hesitation the County Superintendent was induced to resign his office and accept the vacant place. Thus James P. Wickersham became the head of the school whose foundations he had laid in the temporary Institute of the year before.

Soon after the passage of the Normal School law of 1857, preparation was begun at Millersville to bring the school up to its requirements. More ground was needed, additional buildings had to be erected and it was necessary to spend large sums in furniture and equipment. There was then no promise or prospect of State aid, and the task that confronted the friends of the

school was herculean. Among the means used to raise the required funds, a great mass meeting was held in a neighboring grove, at which addresses were delivered by Governor Pollock, State Superintendent Hickok, and prominent speakers from the several counties composing the district; Lancaster, York and Lebanon. The institution was at last ready for inspection, and on the second day of December, 1859, amid great rejoicing, it became the first State Normal School in Pennsylvania, and the model after which all the others were patterned.

*Programme for Commencement Week.*

The programme for Commencement Week is as follows:

Sunday morning, June 24. Baccalaureate sermon, by Rev. C. H. Harding, '66, Philadelphia.

Tuesday evening, June 26. Address to the Literary Societies.

Wednesday morning, June 27. Class-day Exercises.

Wednesday afternoon. Private meeting of the Alumni Association.

Wednesday evening. Public meeting of the Alumni Association.

Thursday, June 28. Orations of the Graduating Class, presentation of diplomas, etc.

*State Teachers' Association.*

The Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association will meet at Scranton, July 3, 4, and 5. A good programme has been prepared, and a full attendance is expected. Apply to Mr. J. Fletcher Sickel, Germantown, Pa., for orders for excursion tickets.

*National Educational Association.*

The National Educational Association will meet at San Francisco, July 17th to 20th, 1888.

The route designated by the Committee of Transportation from Philadelphia to San Francisco is over—

The Pennsylvania Railroad to Chicago.

The Chicago and Northwestern Railway, to Council Bluffs.

The Union Pacific Railway, from Council Bluffs to Denver and Ogden, including Salt Lake City and return from Ogden.

The Central Pacific Railway, from Ogden to San Francisco.

The railway rates are one fare for the round trip. The rates, including membership fee, are—

From Philadelphia, \$91.30. From Lancaster, \$89.58.

Hotel rates will be reduced. Special arrangements are made to accommodate teachers from the Eastern States.

Let us have as large a delegation as possible from Pennsylvania. Full information concerning the trip can be obtained from the following directors of the Association from Pennsylvania:

E. ORAM LYTE, Millersville, Lancaster co., Pa.

G. H. STOUT, 3331 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

DR. A. N. RAUB, '60, is prominently spoken of for the presidency of Delaware College.

DR. J. BALDWIN, President of the Texas State Normal School, and author of "Art of School Management" and "Elementary Psychology" was at one time a student of the "Old Normal".

## THE SOCIETIES.

*The Page Literary Society.*

BY ANNIE LYLE.

The Page Society held its first meeting this session on Friday evening, April 3d. The exercises were unusually interesting and impressive. The audience was large and appreciative, and members reasonably felt that, as a consequence, the society would receive large accessions from among the new students. In this they have not been disappointed, at least seventy-five new names having been added to its membership.

The character of the first meeting has been sustained through the session.

There has rarely been in the history of the School a stronger rivalry between the Normal and Page than during the present term. This doubtless accounts for the excellence of the meetings of both societies.

The 33d Anniversary of the Page was held on Friday evening, May 25th.

We had a pleasant time, as was anticipated. The thought comes to us as we write this, that if it had been possible for the hundreds, nay, thousands of Pageites scattered throughout the land to have been brought together on this occasion, what a goodly company we should have had assembled!

From far off Oregon would have come J. A. Wilson—a successful merchant, and Edith Hanna Ackles—a farmer's wife; from California, Mary McCulloch, Mary Barkley and her "little" sister Jennie, Bertha Collins and others; from Colorado, J. J. Hoopes; from Kansas, A. F. Martin, a leading Kansas lawyer, and his wife—once Miss Sallie Hudson; from Florida, our bright and popular preacher Charles—Charley, we still call him here,—McLean.

Then we should have to add to these, scores from Ohio, Iowa, Maryland, Kentucky, and Pennsylvania. We should have had legislators, lawyers, doctors, farmers, merchants, artists, teachers, preachers, book agents, an ex-state superintendent, Hon. J. P. Wickersham, a governor of a state, and a candidate for Congress—Marriott Brosius, Esq., whom Lancaster county will elect next November to represent her in the Fifty-First Congress.

Ah, what a grand meeting we should have had! However, you could not all be here, but perhaps in your distant homes you may enjoy reading these few unworthy lines, and the following account published in the *Lancaster New Era*:

The noble society of the Millersville Normal that bears on its banners "Rich in Truth" gave us a grand treat on Friday evening, May 25. In the first place there was a feast for the eye, for the rostrum was a maze of flowering plants, ferns and

palms. Never before has there been such a lavish and tasteful decoration of the chapel. In front of the rostrum, suspended from the ceiling was a large and beautiful monogram formed of the letters "P. L. S.," done in immortels. This handsome design was a gift to the society from our "Lancaster Girls," many of whom belong to the Page Society.

The programme was a rich literary and musical treat. When we say that Prof. Thorbahn's Orchestra rendered the music it amounts to saying that the music was fine. He gives good music, well rendered. His clarinet solo and Mr. Schweikert's cornet solo seemed to be especially enjoyed. Mr. Schweikert's lovely notes were encored. The little lady who played the violin handled the bow very gracefully. Miss Anna J. Moyer, of the school, sang a very pretty solo with violin obligato by Prof. Thorbahn.

The officers of the evening were Mr. A. G. C. Smith, of Media, Pa., and Miss Caroline E. Myers, of Lancaster, who is at present a member of the Faculty—a dignified President and a fine looking Secretary. Mr. Smith prefaced his remarks by a reference to the time, not many years ago, when he had been President of the Page Society. He welcomed the audience to the anniversary exercises, referring particularly and in terms of high praise, to the Principal of the school, Dr. Lyte. It is one proof of the popularity of Dr. Lyte that the students interrupted the speaker with applause at this point.

The Page orator was Mr. Wm. F. Porter, White Haven, Pa., who addressed his audience on the subject, "A Vital Need." The oration was interesting and timely and deserves more than the brief extract that space allows. The speaker said that the need of the age is a broader, purer patriotism. Such patriotism may be taught and kept alive by the schools by observing national holidays, by debating societies, and by celebrating the birthdays of such men as Washington and Lincoln. The influence of the patriotic debates in such a society as the Page can not be estimated, and, were the results known, might be astonishing and inspiring.

The reciter, Lee L. Gumbine, Esq., of Lebanon Pa. showed rare powers of mimicry and wonderful facial expression. His imitation of the cheap-jack in Dickens' "Dr. Marigold" was especially enjoyable.

The audience were most heartily pleased with him and much disappointed when he substituted a shorter selection, "The Irish Philosopher," for his third number on the programme, and they compelled him to respond to an encore, when he gave "Only a Lock of Golden Hair."

Dr. R. M. Luther, of Philadelphia, the honorary orator, was for a while a missionary and teacher in Southeastern Asia. He is a very pleasant speaker and talked to his audience in an easy, happy manner that kept them pleased and interested all through. He made many amusing remarks and told funny stories, but these only served to give impressiveness to the earnest words he did not fail to leave with his hearers. Instead of talking on the subject "Social Ethics," which had been put upon the programme by mistake, he invited the audience to take a trip with him to the far Eastern home where he had lived six years. He gave a very amusing account of a trip into the jungle, on an elephant. Now the jungle in India may mean the open country as distinguished from the city; or it may mean the cultivated fields of rice or the forest, or according to the popular idea, the dark, dense, closely-wooded thicket, where lurk all sorts of deadly things. One of the things he learned in the jungle was that "God hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth." The Anglo-Saxon race has no monopoly of the good gifts of God.

God has put into the hands of the young men and women of to-day the task of moulding the destiny of the nations of the East. From the happy years of tutelage in this institution may lives result beautiful and strong to leave their impress on the nations that sit in darkness.

*The Normal Literary Society.*

BY GEORGE W. HULL.

The last number of THE JOURNAL was issued in January, just before the anniversary of the Normal Society. In it we gave the programme for the occasion and were then looking forward to another pleasant event in the history of the society. Although the anniversary was held on one of

the coldest days of the year, it was a complete success. As was expected, Dr. Brooks, the honorary orator and founder of the society, and Dr. John M. Stephen, the popular elocutionist of Reading, Pa., drew many friends of the society and school to the Normal. Notwithstanding the fact that the weather was very inclement without, yet amid the fine floral display and the rare musical treat from the Mendelssohn Club of Lancaster, a very pleasant time was spent within the walls of the chapel made dear to every student of the Normal by pleasant associations of the past.

THE JOURNAL is the medium by which we keep our old members and friends of the Normal Society posted in her progress. We do not hesitate to say that the excellency of the literary part of her work is rigidly maintained. As our friends well know we are enjoying the summer life of the society, when a large number of earnest and able students are attending the school. To say, therefore, that the society is prosperous, would only be stating the conclusion that all would reach by a moment's reflection.

Before another copy of THE JOURNAL is issued we shall be in the midst of the laborious work of re-cataloguing the library of the society. Its rapid growth, the wearing out of old books and replacing them with new ones, render it absolutely necessary to make a re-classification. We are looking for something new, simple and yet convenient in the way of a catalogue. Therefore if any of our readers who have had experience in the matter, can give us any assistance we will be glad to receive it.

We hope to make some other important changes in the library room of the society, so that when those who are now bearing the burdens of an active life, "Fighting for Truth and Right," return to the scenes of their former conquests they may receive a most cordial welcome from the society of their choice.

The following account of the meeting of May 26 is taken from the *Lancaster Examiner*:

It has been the custom of the Normal Literary Society to give a special entertainment on the evening following the Page anniversary. This having been widely circulated, a large audience assembled in the chapel. Every seat was occupied long before the hour appointed for the beginning of the exercises and many were obliged to stand.

The chief feature of the evening was an "Operetta" entitled "The Public School." Prof. Randall had charge of the entertainment and deserves great credit for the care taken in its preparation. The operetta was full of amusement which the audience greatly enjoyed. We have never seen a more successful meeting of the kind held in the Normal chapel.

The music was furnished by an orchestra composed of members of the society and led by Mr. John L. Schroy.

**The White Ribbon Society.**

BY AMANDA LANDES.

On Sunday afternoon, April 26, 1885, Miss Narcissa White held a meeting in the chapel of the Millersville State Normal School for the purpose of organizing a Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The meeting was a success and a union was formed auxiliary to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Pennsylvania. The society then organized has never gone backward, but has steadily increased in membership and influence. Thus far over two hundred names have been signed to the constitution and pledge, and there are nearly eighty members in the School at present.

The W. C. T. U. is so well known that no description need be given of its workings or aims. The Union in the school, which must, of necessity, differ somewhat from unions in cities and towns, has for its special objects the dissemination of information on the reform of the day, and the creating and fostering of temperance principles among the students of our own School. This is done in various ways: by distributing literature, by public meetings, lectures and socials, and by personal effort. A number of the teachers are interested in the work and help to keep the sentiment alive from session to session. Gentlemen are admitted into the Union under the same conditions as apply to the ladies with the exception, that as it is a ladies' union, the ladies fill all the offices. But we are happy to say that the young men do not object to this departure from custom, and we have nearly as many gentlemen among our active workers as ladies.

The motto of the society is, "For God and Home, and Native Land." The badge is a little bow of white ribbon. During the past year we have had our regular meetings, held every two weeks, besides seven public meetings: four lectures, a Thanksgiving social, a New Year's eve reception, and a Gospel temperance meeting. The last lecture was delivered on the 6th of May by Col. Geo. W. Bain.

Thus are we sowing the seeds of virtue and sobriety. The harvest none can tell, for the seeds are carried far and wide. We know that some of them have borne fruit, for we often hear from members who have left us, and the words of encouragement and devotion to the cause which they send back to us, are sufficient assurance to us who remain, that the work must go on.

DR. JOHN M. BATTEN, '64, has written an interesting account of his experience in the U. S. Navy under the title of "Reminiscences." He has presented a copy of his book to the School and one to each of the Societies.

**The Alumni Association.**

The Regular Meeting of the Alumni Association of the State Normal School will be held at Millersville on Wednesday, June 27, 1888. The first private session will be held in the Model School at 2 P. M., or as soon thereafter as practicable. The public exercises will be held in the Chapel, and will begin at 8 P. M.

The programme for the public exercises is as follows:

1. Address by the President, Dr. P. Y. Eisenburg, '69. Subject, "The Renewal of Life."
2. Essay, by Miss Lavinia J. Coates, '79.
3. Oration, by Mr. S. J. Barnett, '69.

The exercises will be interspersed with music.

The History of the Class of 1858 will be read by Prof. A. R. Byerly, that of 1868, by Mr. J. Zeamer, and that of 1878, by Prof. W. H. Hartzler.

The historians of these classes are making a special effort to have as many of the members present at the reading of their class histories as possible. We hope that all who can conveniently do so will be present.

Dr. Lyte can secure orders for tickets at reduced rates over the Penn. R. R. if a sufficient number of the Alumni and students of the Normal attend the Commencement exercises. Send the Chairman of the Executive Committee your name and address at your earliest convenience, in order that we may send your orders in case a sufficient number is obtained.

All who expect to attend the Commencement exercises and remain over night, will please inform us promptly, that arrangements may be made for the accommodation of all.

Graduating exercises, Thursday June 28th, 1888.  
Committee on Accommodations: Geo. W. Hull, '74, J. W. Lansinger, '79, Anna Lyle, '66, Amanda Landes, '85.

GEO. W. HULL,  
Chairman Executive Committee.

**Personal Items.**

Prof. D. M. Sensenig, '67, Professor of Mathematics in the West Chester State Normal School, has in press a work on Algebra. From our knowledge of the work done by Prof. Sensenig in this School as student and teacher, we are sure that his book will be a credit to himself and an honor to his *Alma Mater* and the school in which he is now one of the leading instructors.

PROF. A. D. EISENHOWER, '68, maintains the high reputation he held as a student and teacher in the "Old Normal." He has for many years been doing excellent work as principal of the high school in Norristown, where he has the confidence of the community and the respect and love of his pupils.

THE N. Y. *Medical Record* a short time ago published an article read before the Medical and Surgical Society of Baltimore, by Dr. Frank C. Bressler, on Paroxysmal Tachycardia. Dr. B. was a student here in 1882. He was married April 17th to Miss Emma Gehring, Baltimore, Md.

W. W. COTTON, '78, is now at Omaha, Nebraska, and is an attorney for the Union Pacific Railway. He invites all his friends who will attend the National Educational Association in California this summer to stop off to see him. He says: "It will give me pleasure to do what I can to make your visit here a pleasant one."

JAMES E. HURST, '84, is in the Surgeon General's office in the War Department at Washington. He passed a brilliant examination before the Civil Service Commission a year ago.

REV. J. A. SINGMASTER, in whose speeches the members of the Page used to take so much delight and pride, now preaches to a congregation in Brooklyn, N. Y. His address is 181 Deane Street.

MR. H. W. ALLWINE, '78, is the author of a textbook on book-keeping, business forms, and letter writing.

ONE of the most active business men of Chambersburg is W. H. Bricker, '69. He is engaged in the furniture business, and if any of the members of the Alumni should so modify their mode of life as to need to furnish a house,—and they do, occasionally,—they may find it profitable to call to see him.

MR. W. C. GARDNER, '62, is living at Belleville, Mifflin county, Pa., teaching in the winter and farming in the summer. "He writes: "I still have pleasant memories of the Normal, and very much wish I could be present at the next commencement."

S. H. SMITH, '80, is a banker in Kenesaw, Neb., and Worshipful Master of Lodge No. 144, F. and A. M. of that place.

G. G. LEHMER, '79, is county superintendent of Grove county, Kansas. His second "Normal Institute" will be held June 11—July 6.

MARY W. McCULLOCH, '83, is teaching at Santa Ana, Los Angeles Co., Cal. She says of *The Journal*: "It was a surprise and a delightful one. I only wish it could be published oftener."

REV. I. M. GABLE, '68, is now stationed in Philadelphia. He is a builder—both material and spiritual,—as the beautiful church-building in Chester bears witness to.

DR. V. M. REICHARD, who was a student here in '76 and '77, practices the art of Esculapius at Fairplay, Md., with great success. He was married about three years ago to Miss Fannie M. Line.

"AN Evening with Shakespeare, under the direction of Miss M. Frances Boice, [71.] Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, Monday evening, May 14."

Thus read a card received a short time ago. Miss Boice's many friends at the Normal would have enjoyed spending that evening with the great author, as interpreted by her and her pupils. We hear very flattering accounts of Miss Boice and her literary and elocutionary work.

"THE Pride of Portland," is the title of an article in the *Portland Enterprise* of Jan. 21, 1888. The writer gives in it a full account of a visit to the public schools of the town. He says:

"The patrons of Portland have in their public school an educator in Prof. John S. Niles ['85], who is evidently to them a hearty and efficient educator and counsellor."

MISS ANNIE L. KRETSEHMAN, '86, was married on Tuesday, May 8th, to Rev. Wm. Q. Ferick, pastor of St. Michael's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Allegheny City, Pa.

MISS AUGUSTA DAVIS '83, of Wilkesbarre, Pa. was married at Binghamton, N. Y., on April 11, 1888, to Mr. Clarence M. Green of Chattanooga, Tenn. Mr. Green is senior partner in the "Great Southern" Tea Company.

MARRIED, March 5, 1888, Bessie Small, a student of '84 and '85, to Dr. James S. Gillespie, of Milton, Del.

MARRIED, April 10, 1888, at New Enterprise, Pa., E. M. Pennell, '82, and Amanda Horner, '83.

THE hearty congratulations of THE JOURNAL are extended to all these happy couples.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS  
OF THE  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
OF THE  
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MILLERSVILLE, PA.

PREAMBLE.

The graduates of the Pennsylvania State Normal School, Millersville, Pa., in order to form a closer union of the Alumni of the School, to promote the best interests of the School and its graduates, and to preserve the history of the Alumni, have organized an Association, and hereby adopt the following Constitution and By-Laws:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I—NAME.

This association shall be called the Alumni Association of the Pennsylvania State Normal School, Millersville, Pa.

ARTICLE II—MEMBERS.

*Section 1.* Persons who have graduated at the Pennsylvania State Normal School, Millersville, Pa., shall be members of this Association by virtue of said graduation.

*Section 2.* Persons who have received State Certificates at this School may be elected members of this Association.

*Section 3.* The Principal of the State Normal School, at Millersville, Pa., shall be *ex officio* a member of this Association.

ARTICLE III—OFFICERS.

*Section 1.* The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

*Section 2.* The duties of these officers shall be such as usually pertain to their respective offices.

*Section 3.* All the officers shall be elected by ballot from classes of not less than ten years' standing, and the person having the highest number of votes for any office shall be declared elected. Each officer shall serve one year from his induction into office, or until his successor is duly elected and inducted into office.

ARTICLE IV—MEETINGS.

*Section 1.* The regular meetings of this Association shall be held annually at the School.

*Section 2.* Special meetings of the Association may be held at such times and places as are deemed necessary.

ARTICLE V—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution and the following By-Laws may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members in attendance at any regular meeting, provided that notice of said alteration or amendment be given at the first session of said meeting, and action be taken upon the same at a subsequent session.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I—ORATOR AND ESSAYIST.

An orator and an essayist shall be appointed by the President to serve at the regular meeting succeeding the one at which they are appointed. They shall be members of classes of not less than ten years' standing.

ARTICLE II—COMMITTEES.

*Section 1.* An Executive Committee, consisting of five members, shall be appointed by the President, to serve during the term of office of the succeeding President. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to arrange for the meetings of the Association; to call special meetings when necessary; to

give notice of every regular and special meeting to all members at least two weeks before the date of said meeting, stating what special business, if any, will be brought before the meeting; to fill vacancies for orator and essayist and assist classes in filling vacancies for historians; to appoint local committees when necessary; to determine the *per capita* tax; to keep a record of officers, orators, essayists, historians of classes, executive committees, and members with their addresses and occupations, in a book provided for the purpose; to take charge of the minute-book, histories of classes, and other papers and property belonging to the Association—except what belongs to the Treasurer,—and hand the same to the succeeding Executive Committee; and, in general, to manage the business of the Association.

*Section 2.* A Committee on Accommodations, consisting of two ladies and two gentlemen, shall be appointed by the President, to serve during the term of office of the succeeding President. It shall be the duty of this Committee to make arrangements for the accommodation of the members of the Alumni attending the meetings of the Association.

*Section 3.* A Committee on Deceased Members shall be appointed by the President, to serve at the regular meeting at which the committee is appointed. It shall be the duty of this Committee to ascertain who have died since the last regular meeting of the Association, to prepare resolutions respecting them, and report the same to the Association.

*Section 4.* A Tax Committee shall be appointed by the President to serve at the regular meeting at which the Committee is appointed. It shall be the duty of this Committee to collect the *per capita* tax, and hand the same to the Secretary.

*Section 5.* A Committee on Elections, consisting of three members, shall be appointed by the President at each election. It shall be the duty of this Committee to conduct the election of officers, and keep the polls open as long as it is necessary to secure the votes of the members in attendance.

ARTICLE III—CLASS HISTORIES.

*Section 1.* Each class, upon graduating, shall elect or appoint one of their number historian of the class, and report the result of said election or appointment to the Association.

*Section 2.* The history of each graduating class shall be read to the Association every ten years. The time allotted to the reading of the history of each class shall not exceed three minutes for each member of the class, nor one hour for each class, except by vote of the Association.

ARTICLE IV—MEETINGS.

*Section 1.* The first private session of each regular meeting shall be held in the Assembly room of the Model School, on the day preceding Commencement Day, at 2 o'clock P. M., or as soon thereafter as practicable; and subsequent private sessions may be held at such times and places as are deemed advisable. The following shall be the order of exercises for the private sessions:

1. Reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meetings held since the last regular meeting.

2. Appointment of Committee on Deceased Members.

3. Calling of the Roll, to ascertain what members are in attendance, names of deceased members, and changes in addresses and occupations of members.

4. Unfinished business.

5. New business.

6. Report of Treasurer and Chairman of Executive Committee.

7. Appointment of Tax Committee.

8. Appointment of Committee on Elections.
9. Election of Officers.
10. Appointment of Orator and Essayist.
11. Appointment of Executive Committee and Committee on Accommodations.
12. Discussion of questions pertaining to the School and the Association.
13. Report of Committee on Deceased Members.
14. Class Histories.
15. Miscellaneous Business, including report of Tax Committee, Report of Committee on Elections, etc., etc.

16. Reading and Approval of Minutes.

17. Induction of Officers-Elect.

*Section 2.* The public session of the regular meeting shall be held in the Chapel of the School, on the evening preceding Commencement Day.

The following shall be the order of exercises:

1. President's Address.

2. Essay.

3. Oration.

4. Introduction of the Graduating Class by the Principal and Reply by the President of the Association.

These exercises may be interspersed with music.

*Section 3.* Special meetings shall be called by the Executive Committee whenever deemed advisable by the Committee, or upon the receipt of the written request of twenty-five members of the Association, including members of five classes; said request stating the business for which the meeting is to be called. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting except that for which it is called.

*Section 4.* Twenty-five members of the Association, including members of five classes, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE V—EXPENSES, ETC.

*Section 1.* The expenses of each meeting of the Association shall be met by a tax on the members present. The amount of the tax shall be determined by the Executive Committee and shall be collected by a Committee appointed by the President, and handed over to the Secretary, who will pay it to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor.

*Section 2.* The class graduating at the time of holding the regular meeting of the Association shall be excused from the payment of the tax levied at said meeting.

*Section 3.* All bills shall be examined by the Executive Committee and presented to the Association by the Chairman of said Committee. If ordered to be paid, they shall be marked *approved*, signed by the President, and handed to the Treasurer for payment. The written approval of the President shall be the Treasurer's voucher for the payment of the bill.

ARTICLE VI—NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MEMBERS.

*Section 1.* The names of the members in attendance at each regular and special meeting shall be copied in the Minute Book by the Secretary after the minutes of said meeting.

*Section 2.* It shall be the duty of members to notify the Chairman of the Executive Committee of any change in their addresses and occupations.

ARTICLE VII—MOTTO, BADGE, ETC.

The motto of the Association shall be *Ad Astra*. The badge of the Association shall be a seven-rayed star, two centimetres in diameter, with one letter of the motto in each ray and the letters M N S interwoven and enameled in the centre. The enameling shall be blue for members of the Page Literary Society, crimson for members of the Normal Literary Society, and black for members of the Association not belonging to either of these societies.

ARTICLE VIII—MANUAL OF ORDER.

The Association shall be governed in its proceedings by Cushing's Manual, entitled, "Rules of Proceeding and Debate in Deliberative Assemblies."

ARTICLE IX—SUSPENSION.

Any of the provisions of these By-Laws may be suspended for a single meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at said meeting.

**Obituary.**

Mrs. Hannah Gause Jones, '82, died at her home near Kirkwood, Pa., on January 20, 1888. She had been both a Model and Normal student, and had taught school with marked success. In March, '87, at her home in Millersville, she and Charles G. Jones were married by the beautiful ceremony of the Friends. Ten months from her happy wedding-day, loving friends sadly laid her to rest. Roy Gause Jones, a baby-boy, with her own calm eyes and halo of golden hair, is a legacy she has left to earth.

Died, March 22, 1888, near West Grove, Pa., Miss Anna R. Good, '79. She was an earnest, conscientious teacher, fond of little children, and more than usually successful in her work. She taught until January 22, when ill health compelled her to leave her chosen calling, and forever. Greatly beloved in life, in her death she will always be remembered with deep affection by her pupils and friends.

Miss Minda R. Braden, '85, died May 23, 1888. She made a brave fight against consumption, wandering through the sunny South for her health, but she came back to her home at Enon Valley, Pa., this spring—to die. A short time ago she wrote a touching letter to her friends here, full of resignation and peace. "There is no place on earth," she said, "I would rather see than Millersville.

**The Campus Beautified.**

A large force of workmen under the direction of Hon. John M. Stehman, have been busily engaged all week in improving the grounds. The Senator himself could have been seen with shovel or pick in hand hard at work, or with rule and line laying out flower beds; and he was frequently assisted by the Principal and teachers, and sometimes by large numbers of students. The campus has been greatly beautified by the addition of several fountains and a number of fine flower beds. The grounds always have been beautiful and attractive and are now especially so.—Lancaster *Examiner*, May 5.

**Musical Entertainment.**

On Saturday afternoon, May 26, a musical recital was given in the Normal School Chapel under the direction of Misses Hemperly and Moyer. It has been pronounced by those who are able to judge, to have been the most successful recital that has been given in the chapel for many years.

All of the pieces were excellent interpretations of the authors. The vocal trio by Miss Moyer and Messrs. Henck and Neiss; vocal solo by Miss Moyer and the chorus by the class, were highly appreciated as was evident from the continued applause they received.

Among the audience was our very welcome friend, Prof. Hall, of Lancaster.—*Examiner*.

**Personal Items.**

A. L. WILLIAMS, '81, of the Wilkesbarre Bar, is one of the authors of a work entitled "Statute of Frauds and Perjuries." The book will doubtless have a large sale.

E. ALICE OVERHOLTZER YOXALL, '77, writes: "Our doors are open to all old friends of the Normal. \* \* \* \* Our little girl of five years is as much of a romp as most boys are."

MISS MARGARETTA CHENEY, '80, is doing good work in the State Normal School at Mankato, Minn.

JACOB B. HIPPLE, a student of 1881, is one of the editors and proprietors of the Manheim *Sun*. Mr. Hipple served his journalistic apprenticeship on the Lancaster *Examiner*, and was one of its brightest and newsiest writers.

HOOD—FETHEROLF.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Brandonville, Pa., on Thursday, May 10th, 1888, Chas. F. Hood, of Battle Creek, Iowa, and Miss Emily Fetherolf.

The *Times* is glad to congratulate Mr. Hood, who is one of our extensive farmers and fine stock raisers, as well as one of our exemplary young men.—Battle Creek (Iowa) *Times*.

MR. C. W. CORBIN, '83, was married, May 16, 1888, to Miss Mary Reed, of Bart, Lancaster, Co. Pa. Miss Reed was a student at Millersville during '82 and '83. Mr. Corbin will return to Port Carbin next fall to resume his duties as principal of the schools of that place.

DR. L. W. FOX, who has just won a world-wide celebrity by successfully transplanting upon the eye of a woman a portion of the cornea of a rabbit's eye, was a student here in 1873.

**Kind Words for The Journal.**

[We have room for only two or three of the large number of notices that the first issue of THE JOURNAL received from the press.]

A NEW DEPARTURE has been taken by the State Normal School at Millersville, in the publication of THE NORMAL JOURNAL, a quarterly publication of eight quarto pages, devoted to the interests of the oldest and best Normal School in the State. The initial number, now lying before us, is handsome in appearance, full of interesting matter to all who have ever stood in near relations to the school and gives promise of a career usefulness not easily measured. The wonder is that this thing was not taken up and carried forward long ago. The amount of interesting material ready at hand and which its hundreds of alumni scattered all over the Union can supply will render it no less valuable than interesting to all who have drawn wisdom and inspiration from its fountains of knowledge.—Lancaster *New Era*.

We have just received the first number of THE NORMAL JOURNAL, which will be published quarterly by the State Normal School at Millersville, to afford a means of communication between the school and the educational public. It is full of the life of this great training school, rich in its department of personal items, and contains also several articles of much educational interest. \* \* \* \* *Pennsylvania School Journal*.

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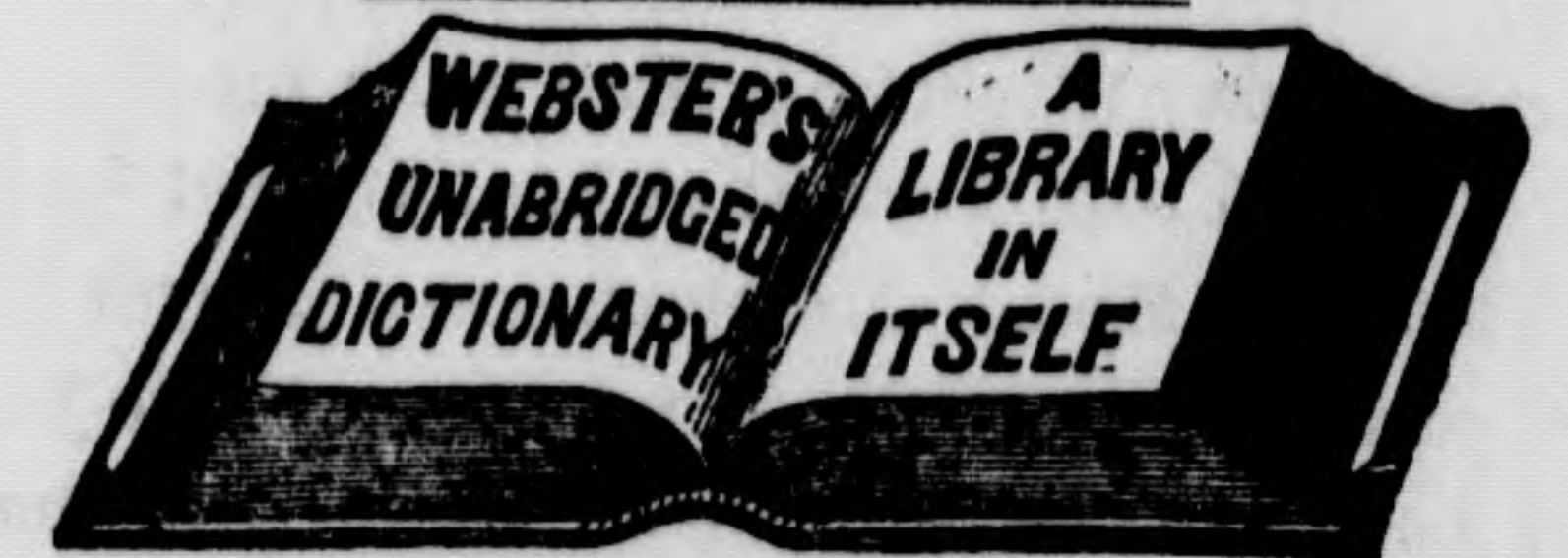
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