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EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Superintendency.

It is gratifying to the friends of education throughout the Commonwealth to learn that nearly all the leading city and county superintendents of schools have been re-elected. But we shall miss Supt. Brumbaugh, Supt. Coughlin, Supt. Jones, Supt. Shelly, and one or two others. Some of these gentlemen did not wish to be re-elected, but we hope that they will not long remain out of educational work. They ought not.

It is worthy of remark that no other State has so able a body of men at the head of her school superintendency as Pennsylvania. Many of them strong to begin with, they are usually kept in their chosen work until they have learned the needs of the schools and the best means of supplying these needs. Nothing is more harmful to a school system than "rotation in office," and Pennsylvania's directors are to be praised that this method of "distributing the spoils" has never obtained much foothold in the State.

Another feature of the late election of superintendents, and one that can not be too strongly commended, is the disposition shown by the directors to pay their superintendents more liberally for their labors. No profession is more exacting than that of supervising and managing schools, and in none does a man become "superannuated" so soon. It is therefore simply justice so to remunerate a teacher or school officer that he will be able to make some slight provision for an "early" old age, when he is pushed aside by younger and more vigorous men.

STUDENTS are already registering for the Summer Session of 1891.

THE new department in the Model School—the kindergarten—is attracting a great deal of attention. It is visited daily by large numbers of our students and others. Our experience this session confirms our opinion of the necessity of giving students who are preparing to become teachers an opportunity of learning what a kindergarten is, its objects, etc. The only way in which this knowledge can be satisfactorily obtained is by seeing an actual kindergarten. The interest in this branch of our model school work is also shown by the fact that the training class in kindergarten work numbers fifteen.

THE next meeting of the National Educational Association will be held at St. Paul, Minn., on July 8–11. It is to be regretted that the date of this meeting was placed one week earlier than usual, as the fact that the National meeting is held on the same date as the State Association will prevent a number of teachers from this State from attending it. Dr. Lyte is the director of the National Association for Pennsylvania, and he will take pleasure in giving any information that he can, to persons who think of going to this, the the greatest educational gathering in the world.

SEVERAL of the graduates of the present class have already been offered promising positions. We invite the attention of directors and superintendents to the fact that we shall graduate this year a number of teachers of superior scholarship and skill in imparting knowledge. We shall take pleasure in corresponding with any persons who wish to secure competent teachers.

WILL the members of the Alumni please return the circulars sent to them a few days ago? The catalogue for 1889–90 will be put in the printer's hands in a short time, and we wish to have the addresses of the members of the Alumni Association as nearly correct as possible in it.

THE NORMAL JOURNAL is sent regularly to every member of the Alumni Association, to the address given in the catalogue. Any one who fails to receive a copy can have another copy sent to him by dropping a note to the Principal.

NUMBERS of applications for rooms for the Winter Session have been received. Persons desiring to register for rooms should write to the Principal. The session will begin on Monday, Sept. 1.

The State Teachers' Association.

The Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association will hold its next meeting at Mauch Chunk on July 8, 9 and 10. The Executive Committee consists of Supt. T. A. Snyder, Lehighton; Prof. H. W. Fisher, Pittsburgh; Supt. M. J. Brecht, Lancaster; Supt. A. G. C. Smith, Media; and Supt. H. Hugus, Greensburg. The President of the Association is Supt. R. M. McNeal, Steelton. These names are a sufficient guarantee that a good programme will be presented, and an interesting meeting may be looked for. The local arrangements are under the general management of Supt. Snyder, who has a corps of able assistants to aid him in the work. Carbon county is willing and able to take good care of the Association, and we are sure that her teachers, who are devoted to their profession, will have a hearty welcome for the teachers and friends of education from all parts of the State.

The town of Mauch Chunk is situated in a gorge formed by nature for the passage of the Lehigh river through the mountains. The surrounding region is famed for the grandeur of its scenery. Lofty hills rising into mountains have caused it to be known very widely as the "Switzerland of America." The Switchback Railroad leads up from the town to the top of Mount Pisgah, some eighteen hundred feet above the river. The distance over which the cars run by gravity is about eighteen miles, and to make the trip is an experience never to be forgotten. The views from the car as it speeds on its way through the mountains are at times magnificent. Altogether this is one of the most famous pleasure-roads in America, and many thousand tourists and vistors are carried over it every season. Glen Onoko, with its shady nooks, its picturesque retreats, its charming waterfalls, admirably supplements the Switchback as an attraction of the locality, and is perhaps even more enjoyed by the average tourists and sight-seer.

Persons who desire to attend this meeting should obtain orders for excursion tickets from Prof. J. Fletcher Sickel, Germantown, Pa.

APPLICATIONS for the master's degree should be sent to the Principal before the date of the "Final" examination, June 25. Blank applications may be obtained from the Principal.

WE shall esteem it a favor for our friends to send us the names and addresses of any persons who are thinking of attending a Normal School in the near future.

Millersville's Contribution.

What a long list of Millersville graduates in the newly published list of county and city superintendents! Nothing shows more clearly the standing of the School than the fact that nearly a score of the most prominent superintendents in the State are found on the roll of its Alumni.

Carbon County retains Superintendent T. A. Snyder, '77, to manage her school affairs. Prof. Snyder fully understands all the needs of the schools of the county, which are rapidly improving under his supervision.

Prof. R. M. McNeal, '70, continues to have charge of the Dauphin county schools. His standing in the State is shown by the fact that he was last summer unanimously elected president of the State Teachers' Association.

Delaware county's schools will continue under the supervision of their present efficient superintendent, Prof. A. G. C. Smith, '76.

The efficient work done by Professor, M. J. Brecht, '75, as superintendent of public instruction in Lancaster county received a fitting recognition in a unanimous re-election with a generous increase in his salary. Supt. Brecht is looked upon throughout the State as an able educator, and Lancaster county honors herself by retaining him in the position he fills so well.

Prof. G. W. Weiss, '70, has long been one of the leading superintendents of Pennsylvania. He was unanimously re-elected to take charge of the schools of Schuylkill county, and his salary was increased to $2650.

Supt. H. C. Brenneman, '80, was again elected to take charge of the public school interests of York county. No county has shown more rapid progress in school affairs than York, and much of this growth is due to Professor Brenneman's wise efforts to elevate the standard of scholarship and professional skill among the teachers and foster a healthy public sentiment in favor of schools. His salary was increased to $2000.

This list, already long, might be extended by adding the names of Prof. J. O. Knauss, Lehigh county; Prof. John Morrow, Allegheny City; Prof. L. B. Landis, Allentown; Prof. D. S. Kieth, Altoona; Prof. W. C. Estler, Ashland; Prof. Cyrus Boger, Lebanon; Prof. John Collier, New Brighton; Prof. Jos. K. Gotwals, Norristown; Prof. Geo. W. Phillips, Scranton; and several others, all able men doing excellent work. Is it any wonder that Millersville is proud of the men and women who have gone out from her walls to labor in the educational field?

AT the annual meeting of the contributors of the School in May, Andrew M. Frantz, Esq., Mr. Jacob M. Frantz and Dr. P. W. Hiestand were unanimously re-elected Trustees of the School. At the same meeting Hon. John B. Warfel and Mr. Jacob Bausman were recommended to the State Superintendent as State Trustees, and were subsequently appointed These gentlemen, with nearly all the member of the Board, have been in the service of the school for many years, and thoroughly understand its management. Messrs. A. F. Hostetter, Daniel Herr, and Amos Hollinger were elected members, and will begin their official duties in June.

DR. R. K. BUEHRLE remains at the head of the schools of Lancaster city, and with a well-earned increase in his salary also.

COLUMBIA did wisely in retaining Superintendent I. H. Hoffman.

THE contributors of the School, desiring to recognize the Alumni Association in its government, unanimously elected A. F. Hostetter, Esq., Lancaster, of the class of '70, a member of the Board of Trustees. This is in harmony with the progressive spirit in the management of the School, and will meet the approval of the Alumni Association. Mr. Hostetter is an able lawyer, and an active member of the Association. He is abreast of the times in general literature, and his acquaintanceship with higher institutions of learning will make his counsel valuable in the Board.

THE programme for commencement week is as follows:

Baccalaureate sermon, Sunday morning, June, 29th.

Address before the Literary Societies, by the Rev. Dr. S. M. Vernon, Tuesday evening, July 1st.

Class-day Exercises, Wednesday morning, July 2d.

Private meeting of the Alumni Association, Wednesday afternoon, July 2d.

Public meeting of the Alumni Association, Wednesday evening, July 2d.

Graduating Exercises, Thursday, July 3d.

OBITUARY.

[From the Examiner of June 9.]

Mr. J. O. Wenger, a student of the Millersville State Normal School, whose home is at Terre Hill, Lancaster County, died at that institution on Saturday.

Mr. Wenger, in company with two other students, was bathing in the Conestoga on Tuesday evening, June 3. After he came out of the water, and in fact during the evening and the next day, he complained of water in his ear. On Wednesday he called to see the physician. The ear became inflamed and painful. On Thursday evening and Friday morning he seemed somewhat better, was up and walking about the institution. On Friday evening he grew suddenly worse, and word was sent to his father, who arrived at the school on Saturday before his son died. On Saturday morning Drs. Keemer, Reeder and Shartle, of Millersville, and Dr. M. L. Davis, of Lancaster, were summoned to his bedside, only to find that the patient was suffering from an acute form of cerebro-spinal meningitis, with few chances of recovery. He lingered until Saturday evening about five o'clock. He received all attention and aid that friend and medical skill could give.

Mr. J. O. Wenger was a very bright young man, and stood among the very best in his division. One of the professors said that "He was one of the best young men I ever had in class." He was alway kind and true, earnest and faithful in the discharge of every duty. It is sad to part with one so promising in life just as he is prepared for great usefulness and abundant success. The body was removed to his father's home at Terre Hill, Sunday morning, where the funeral will be held on Tuesday, at 10 A. M. As a tribute of respect a committee, selected from the Normal Society, of which he was a member, from his class and from the Faculty of the school, will attend the funeral.

The Normal Society adopted the following resolutions:

MILLERSVILLE, PA. June 9, 1890.

WHEREAS, Death has taken suddenly from our midst our friend, Mr. J. O. Wenger, a valued member of the Normal Literary Society, be it

Resolved, That we deeply mourn the loss of one who was a true friend and a loyal member of the society.

Resolved, That we tender our sincere sympathy to his family and friends.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be incorporated in the minutes, sent to the family, and published in the NORMAL JOURNAL and the *New Holland Clarion*.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

[Items for this column should be sent to Miss Lyle.]

A PROGRAMME came into our hands a few days ago, which contained as one of its numbers the following: "College Address by S. C. Delap, M. D." Dr. Delap is a member of the Faculty of Kansas City Homœopathic Medical College. His address is 1102 Main street, Kansas City. Mr. Delap graduated in the Elementary Course in '70, in the Scientific, in '73, and subsequently taught in our School for several years.

MISS EMMA HUBER, '86, is on her way to Alaska, where she will join her sister, who is engaged in Missionary work there, under the direction of the Moravian church.

DAVID C. CORNELL, '86, is clerk of the First National Bank, at Asbury Park, N. J.

MR. W. S. THOMAS, '79, has been teaching in the Wadesville District, Schuylkill county, for eleven years. He has been recently complimented in the public press for his good work as Secretary of the Institute. This position he has held for several years.

E. HORNER CUNNINGHAM, '80, is a practicing attorney in Chicago—"the greatest city on earth"—he designates it. His address is 85 Dearborn street.

MR. W. W. COTTON, '78, on October 1st, became a general attorney of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company's Railway and Steamship Lines, with headquarters at Portland, Oregon. The paper containing this announcement made the following comment: "Mr. Cotton is a young man, but during his service with the Union Pacific, he has evinced so great legal talent, that the honor accorded him by the promotion to Attorney General of so great a system as the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. is considered to be well placed."

W. C. JACOBS, '83, has been appointed to a position as Supervising Principal in Philadelphia, with a salary $2015.00 a year.

MR. FRANK S. MILLER, '83, has been appointed Superintendent of the Mahanoy City Schools in place of Mr. Balentine, who resigned to accept a more lucrative position in the schools of Philadelphia. The continued prosperity of the schools is assured by this appointment.

W. H. WATSON, '84, has gone to Tacoma, Washington, to engage in the practice of law in that town of "great possibilities."

E. K. MARTIN, Esq., of Lancaster, Pa., was a student in '60–'61 and '62. Mr. Martin seems to have most excellent chances to be the next Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania.

MARRIED.—On October 31st, 1889, Miss Carrie Cooper, '83, to Mr. Oscar G. Flint of Denver, Col. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Flint is in the latter city, 2324 Ogden street. May the bright skies of their Rocky mountain home be a fair index of the happiness of their lives.

On March 26th, '90, at Starucca, Pa., Mr. J. Wallace Young and Miss Christina Paterson Smith. Mr. Young was a student with us in '85 and '86. Mr. and Mrs. Young reside at Portland, Pa., where the former has charge of the schools. Many kind wishes for happiness THE JOURNAL sends to the happy pair.

On Friday, February 14th, '90, Willis M. Wright, M. D., Denver, Col., to Miss Mary R. Bell, '85, Brandywine Manor, Pa. 1065 South 11th street, Denver, Col., is the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wright. We take pleasure in sending through the columns of THE JOURNAL most hearty congratulations to our old friend, Mrs. Wright, and our new friend, Dr. Wright.

MISS M. FRANCES BOICE, '71, will spend several months in Europe this summer. Her purpose is to study elocution under an English instructor, and continue her studies under Mrs. Russell, on the Del Sarte system.

WALTER T. ROGERS, a student of '80 and 81, has just received the degree of Master of Laws, from the National University Law School, Washington, D. C. We are delighted to hear of the continued success of our young friend.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Botany Lesson.

Following is the plan for a lesson on Botany given in the Model School by S. W. Minnich:

PLAN.

Seventh and Eighth Grades.

June 6, 1890.

1. *Preparation by Pupil:*

1. Copy analysis of Mock Orange.
2. Study what has been given preparatory to the analysis of plants.

2. *Preparation by Teacher:*

1. Procure sufficient specimens of a single species for the class.
2. Analyze the plant, note all peculiarities, and find the name; take note of new terms which occur.

3. *Matter:*

1. Analysis of *Pentstenion pubescens*, or *Beard-tongue.*
2. The terms — apetalous, gamopetalous, monosepalous, adhesion, cohesion, free, distinct, adherent, hypogynous, and serrulate.
3. Review of functions of different organs of flowers, use of sterile filament in Beard-tongue.

4. *Method:*

(*a*) Give each pupil a specimen of the plant to be analyzed. The pupils will examine the plant carefully and each one will give some part of the analysis. Each pupil will keep a record of the class analysis and copy it in the "Record of Analysis." The pupils will aid one another in finding the name of the plant.

(*b*) Use the flower to illustrate the meaning of new terms, and make drawings on the board showing the peculiar marks of the flower.

New York Letter to the Central News.

NEW YORK, May 17, 1890.

Few people have any idea of the thoroughness of the instruction which is given in a first-class Pennsylvania Normal School. Even the graduates themselves do not know the comparative value of their culture, unless they have been students in other institutions of learning. A young man of my acquaintance, who is a senior in the University of the City of New York (a very high sounding title), recently sought my advice as to the course he should pursue in order to get an appointment as teacher in one of our evening schools. I told him the first requisite was a license, and in order to secure that he must go to Mr. Jasper [Superintendent of Schools, New York City] and be examined. Well, as he is to receive his degree of "B. S." in a few weeks, I supposed the examination would be a walk-over for him, and he seemed to think so himself. The examination for evening schools is not very severe; about half as hard, I should say, as the test for day school license. Examination day came, and my friend presented himself at Mr. Jasper's office. The examination was to run through two Saturdays, but after the result of the first day's work was known, the young man came to me and said: "I am not going again. Mr. Jasper says I didn't pass in a single study. I can't see what's the matter."

I was even more surprised than he. He has studied calculus and passed it under the professor in the University; yet he couldn't pass arithmetic under Mr. Jasper. He has studied the higher course in English, and the course in French, yet he doesn't know enough grammar to teach a common school. A Millersville graduate would go through Mr. Jasper's examination and smile at it. Yet if he presented himself at this University with only his little title of "B. E." and ask for recognition on the score of his degree, the University would smile at him. I know what I am talking about because I am the man that was smiled at! I wished to enter upon a post-graduate course and tendered my Normal School diploma, offering at the same time to pass their examination in all the studies they considered necessary to make my degree equal to theirs. One of the members of their graduating class had been coming to me time and again for assistance in writing his thesis and orations, the same who ignominiously failed in Mr. Jasper's examination. Yet when I appeared at the University the faculty treated me as if I possessed two years' less culture than this senior. You see a great many highsounding titles in books and newspapers; but the great majority of them represent very little of real culture. As far as it goes, the Normal School education in Pennsylvania is the most thoroughgoing education to be had any where in this country.

JOSEPH S. TAYLOR.

[Mr. Taylor, '78, is one of our leading graduates. He fills a responsible position in the public schools of New York City, and finds time besides to do a great deal of literary work. The readers of THE JOURNAL will remember that he wrote some time ago a very interesting history of the "Church of the Strangers," under the title "A Romance of Providence."]

An Interesting Letter.

[THE NORMAL JOURNAL is permitted to publish the following extracts from a private letter from Dr. Elizabeth Reifsnyder to Dr. Letitia L. Frantz, '78, Lancaster, Pa. Miss Reifsnyder was a student of the Normal in 1873 and 1874, and afterwards was graduated from the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania. She has spent several years in China.]

CALCUTTA, INDIA, April 3, 1890.

We sailed from Brooklyn, Jan. 8, as you know, in the Anchor line steamer Victoria, direct for Naples. The Victoria is not a very fast steamer; and as we touched at the Azores and were a day and a half at Gibralter, we did not get to Naples until the evening of Jan. 29th. Finding that our steamer of the P. and O. line would not be there for four or five days, we concluded to go over to Alexandria and see as much of Cairo as our limited time would permit. At 7 p. m., Jan. 31st, we sailed from Naples in a small steamer, the Asia. Touched at Messina, went ashore for a few hours and landed at Alexandria, 8 a. m., Feb. 3. Alexandria is the worst place in the world to land—the Arabs literally tear one to pieces in order to get the baggage and onesself to take ashore. We drove at once to the station, took in Pompey's pillar, the largest monolith in the world, on our way, and took the cars for Cairo. I shall never forget that ride of 128 miles, the valley of the Nile is so beautifully fertile. The scenes all along the way reminded me so much of Bible scenes. The long train of camels with their burdens, the donkeys with their burdens, very often ridden by men and not seldom by women with babies in their arms, while the men walked alongside, making one think of Mary and Joseph and their precious burden.

Arrived at Cairo, we went at once to the hotel D'Angleterre. I have told you of our ascent of the great pyramid. The view from the top amply repaid me for my exertions. The morning of the second day we spent at Gizeh Palace, where all the antiquities are kept. In this wonderful museum I saw Rameses II., along with scores of other mummies. In the afternoon we went to the citadel, to some mosques and to the tombs of the Mamelukes, also took a long drive.

The third day we left for Ismailia, where we hoped to take the steamer very shortly after our arrival. Alas! our steamer was delayed on account of storms, and we were kept here midway in the Suez canal for two days. The town owes its existence to De Lesseps, for until the beginning of the canal it was all Arabian desert. Here were avenues of trees, these over a mile in length and several beautiful gardens. Irrigation has wrought this "wonder in the desert," and all within the last twenty-five years. One object of interest here was the palace that was put up in six weeks for the Empress Eugenie to occupy during the opening of the canal.

February 7th, we embarked on the Peninsular and Oriental steamer Chusan for Colombo, where we arrived February 20th, at 8 a. m. After a bit of sight-seeing we embarked at 2 p. m., in a small British India steamer, and after nineteen hours arrived at Tuticorin, a small seaport town at the very lowest part of India. Arrived at 11:30 a. m., and at 12:50 p. m., we took the train for Madura, where Dr. Pauline Root is stationed. Six hours' ride brought us there, where we spent ten days very pleasantly, and were greatly interested in all we saw. Nothing is of more interest than the burning of the dead. From Madura we went to Madras, three hundred and forty-five miles; were there two days, and spent most of our time visiting hospitals. From Madras to Bombay. We were five days in Bombay, saw all the principal hospitals, medical college, and the towers of silence, the place where the Parsees expose their dead to be devoured by vultures. From Bombay we came on to Calcutta by rail, taking in Jeypore (where we rode on elephants to Amber Palace), Agra, where the great sight is the *Taj Mahal.* From Agra to Delhi, Bareilly, Lucknow, Cawnpore, Allahabad. Here we went in a boat on the Jumna river down to the very sacred place, its junction with the Ganges. From Allahabad to Benares. Built as it is on the banks of the sacred river Ganges, Benares is to all Hindus the most sacred city in India. What interested me most were the bathing in the Ganges and the burning of the dead on the banks of the sacred river. The Hindu during life bathes in the waters of the Ganges, drinks the waters of the Ganges, after death is also submerged in these waters before being placed on the funeral pile, and finally his ashes are mingled with these waters. From Benares on to Calcutta, where we arrived March 28th, after six weeks of travel and stay in India. After we have been to Darjeeting and have feasted our eyes on the snowy tops of the Himalayan mountains, we will have completed over four thousand miles of travel in India alone, by rail.

We leave here April 17th for Shanghai, steamship Ganges to Columbo, from there, steamship Rosetti, to Shanghai, which port we will arrive at by May 17, D. V.

The Normal School Gymnasium.

From the Lancaster New Era of May 12.

The gymnasium which the Board of Trustees of the Millersville State Normal School are about erecting from plans prepared by Architect James H. Warner, of this city, will be a decided improvement to the grounds of that splendid educational institution. The exact site it will occupy has not yet been determined upon, but it will be on the north or south side of the campus.

The building will be 80 by 40 feet in size, of one story and a basement in height, and will be of brick laid in brown mortar, trimmed with rock-faced brown stone. The style of architecture will be a pure Romanesque, with massive treatment. At each of the four corners will be a circular tower, having long, narrow, staircase windows in them, rising with the staircase that leads to the gallery surrounding the interior of the building, and which will form a five-foot race track.

On the elevation towards the campus will be an elaborately treated gable, with massive main entrance, with an arch above it rising from a cluster of four columns, on each side of which entrance will be placed windows for lighting the first floor and basement. Much light will also be obtained from the dormer windows in the roof. All of the other elevations have gables, treated like that of the front.

The basement will be arranged with bowling alley and pitching alley on one side running the entire length of the building, and on the other side will be two compartments, bathing and dressing rooms. There will be accommodations for 30 bathers at one time and 200 lockers for clothing will be provided. The first floor will be clear, and be entirely for the gymnastic apparatus. On the ground floor is an offset, containing the instructor's office and a reception room. The building will be heated by steam and provided with the latest and most improved style of ventilation. The structure will be finished by fall.

THE SOCIETIES.

The Page Literary Society.

BY ANNA LYLE.

The Page Society has had a strong working force this summer, among both seniors and juniors. As a consequence, its meetings have been good, spirited, interesting and profitable.

Among these exercises that commanded marked attention, were a eulogy on Samuel J. Randall, by H. F. Eshleman, who is honored as the valedictorian of the class of '90; a discussion on the "Convict Lease System of Georgia;" The Lodge Federal Election Bill; The advantages of the adoption of the principles of the Nationalist Party, etc.

The library has been increased by the adding of about forty new books, representing modern works on the subjects of Political Economy, History, Ethics, Poetry and Fiction, representing such authors as Wordsworth, Donisthorpe, Rt. Hon. Henry Fawcett, Spencer St. John, Edward Bellamy, W. D. Howells, Browning, etc.

The membership roll has been enlarged quite materially. Eighty-five new students having been added. The Society has been the recipient of two gifts. One was a beautiful hanging lamp, presented by the boys; the other, a handsome piano cover presented by the ladies.

A new piano lamp of oxydized silver, with blue shade, was purchased by the Society and used first on the opening night of the session.

The event of popular importance and interest in the summer session is the Aniversary. This occurred, this year, on Friday evening, May 30th. We can do no better than give you briefly the account of it as published in the *New Era* and other papers the following day.

A GALA PAGE NIGHT.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

The Page Literary Society of the Millersville State Normal School held its thirty-fifth anniversary in the Normal Chapel, Friday evening. The day was pleasant and long before the hour for the doors to open, the hall and entrance were crowded with visitors. The floral decorations in the chapel were never better. The President and Secretary of the evening were John A. M. Passmore, Esq., of Philadelphia, and Miss Josephine Engle, of Chester, Pa. The programme began with the Arion Waltz, by the Page Glee Club, after which came the President's address. Mr. Passmore is a graduate of '60, the first class after the School was recognized by the State. Mr. Passmore's remarks abounded in jolly good humor and reminiscences of early Normal days. Among the kind words said concerning the Society, we quote the following: "Perhaps no other Literary Society has turned out more earnest workers in life's battle in every sphere of life than the Page Literary Society. When the nation's life was in peril many of the members responded with alacrity and entered the brave army of freedom to resist an unholy attempt to destroy the best government the world has ever known. In whatever position in life you find members of the Page Society, they are the same noble men and women, taking the lead in all good deeds that are calculated to elevate and ennoble the human family."

The violin music furnished by Mr. Edwin A. Brill, of Philadelphia, was a rare treat. Mr. Brill's skill is marvellous, and shows genius and culture.

The "Page Oration," by Prof. Theo. A. Snyder, of Lehighton, Pa., was excellent in conception, and was delivered with earnestness and force. The subject was, "The Perils and Possibilities of our Country." Mr. Snyder pointed out the boundless resources of our country, deplored the smallness of our army and navy, spoke of the danger that lies in the condition of our large cities, in railroad monopolies, immigration, etc.

Miss Jessie Dalrymple of Phila., was the reciter of the evening. Her first selection was "The Elopement of '75." Though Miss Dalrymple had but two numbers on the programme, she was compelled, by the enthusiastic and repeated applause, to appear six times. Several of her selections were humorous, and were given with a grace and natural expression that delighted the audience.

The honorary orator of the evening was Rev. C. H. Richards, D. D., of Phila. His subject was "Life as a Fine Art." Dr. Richards is the fortunate possessor of a remarkably clear and fine voice, so that though the hour was late, and the large chapel filled to overflowing, every word of his scholarly and interesting address was distinctly heard. We wish we could give you the entire address, but must content ourselves with a brief abstract. The artist works for the expression of an ideal. Color, form and sound, are the crude materials that art works with, but the mere manipulation of these is not art. Not until we rise to the perception that the beauties of nature are a sign-language, by which the taste, thought and feeling of an infinite mind are shown to us, and that we may use the same elements of beauty to express our thought and feeling, do we come to a full recognition of art. The gamut of art is sevenfold, like the notes of the octave. Sculpture, architecture, painting, music, poetry, fiction, life are the seven notes of the scale, and in all of them we see that great art exists, as the expression of noble thought and feeling. Angelo's "Moses," The Milan Cathedral, Raphael's "Transfiguration," Longfellow's "Evangeline," Wallace's "Ben Hur," all exemplify this. Especially shall we find this true in the fine art of making life beautiful. This is an art within the reach of each of us. There is a quarry in every soul out of which an angel may be carved, and in doing this we have to follow the laws that hold good in all other arts.

The entire musical programme of the evening was under the charge of Miss Emory, who is at the head of the department of music in the school. Her efficient management and drill made that part of the exercises very attractive and enjoyable. A Ladies' Chorus, entitled "Whirl and Twirl," was much appreciated, and a quartette by four gentlemen received a hearty encore. Miss Emory gave a vocal solo, entitled "Sancta Maria," with violin obligata by Mr. Brill. The enthusiastic applause with which it was received indicated how thoroughly it was enjoyed by the audience.

Altogether the anniversary was a success, and the members of the Society have great reason to feel gratified because of the excellence of the programme presented, and especially as it brought to us those whom we are always delighted to greet. Among these we have time to mention Dr. Brooks and Mr. Harding and family of Philadelphia, and Dr. Bresler, of Baltimore.

The Normal Literary Society.

BY G. W. HULL.

The Normal Society has had another very successful quarter, in which there has been a great deal of earnest work with very gratifying results. Her library has been increased with 45 new books from the best and most popular publications of the day. We would like to give a complete list of the new books, but the crowded condition of THE JOURNAL will not permit it. Let me suggest to our good Normal friends to come and see them.

Not only has the library received a very handsome increase of books; but on the first Saturday evening of this session the members presented to the Society, for the use of the president, secretary and critic, three chairs upholstered in crimson plush. This was a very acceptable present for which the Society is very thankful.

A large number of new and very efficient members were added to the long list of students who have enlisted under the crimson banner and are valiantly "Fighting for Truth and Right."

The exercises of the regular meetings this session were very interesting and of high literary merit. The members have shown good judgment in the selection of questions for debate. Among many very excellent resolutions, we select the following:

"*Resolved*, That the McKinley tariff bill should be passed." "That the will is free." "That railroads and telegraph lines should be operated by the government." "That Russia must abolish her despotic form of government, or be torn to pieces by the moral forces of the present time." "That Lancaster county is the banner county of Pennsylvania." "That theatres have a demoralizing influence."

Among the subjects of essays and orations which attracted attention, we find: "Unconscious Influence," "One Step Forward," "Success or Failure," "A Retrospect," "Our Actions," "Monuments of Folly," and "Personal Influence."

On Saturday evening, May 31st, the night after the Page anniversary, the Normal Society gave one of the most interesting meetings in many years.

The following is the programme:

Music.....
"The Hunter's Song."
Lyrian Glee Club.
READING OF MINUTES.
Oration, "Our Republic: her perils, her possibilities."
Mr. J. L. Campbell.
Music.—Instrumental Duet,.....
Misses Westlake and Anderson.
Essay,..... "The Flag of the Free."
Miss Brown.
Music.—Vocal Solo,..... "The Happy Three,"
Mr. Sigel.
Recitation, ..."Money Musk."
Miss Westlake.
Music,..... "Cheerfulness."
Ladies' Chorus.
REGULAR DEBATE.—Resolved, "That causes similar to those that led to the downfall of Rome, will eventually lead to the downfall of the United States."
Affirmative:—Miss Brosnahan, Mr. Bickel.
Negative:—Miss Schofield, Mr. Herr.
Music.—Violin Solo,.....
Mr. John Greenwalt.
Recitation,..... "Shipwrecked."
Mr. Miller.
Music.—Vocal Duet,.... "On the Moon-lit Stream."
Miss Emory and Mr. Overholser.
Normal Review,.....
Miss Freudenberger.
Music.—Vocal Solo,....."In Old Madrid."
Miss Mayer.
SENTIMENT ROLL.
Music.—Vocal Quartette,.....
Misses Twitmire and Miller,
Messrs. Pickel and Overholser.
CRITIC'S REMARKS.
Music,..... "Banner of the Sea."
Lyrian Glee Club.
ADJOURNMENT.

Y. W. C. T. U.

BY AMANDA LANDES.

Many kind words have come to us from mutual friends of THE NORMAL JOURNAL and the white ribbon. Words of cheer that tell us that many friends are interested in the Normal "Y," and wish it well; and words of encouragement that tell of the influence radiating from our "Y" as a center. Though our union finds it impossible to take up many of the lines and departments of W. C. T. U. work, yet we are a society organized solely for the purpose of helping a little to do good and to get good. And it surely is an encouragement to remember that since our organization, five years ago, nearly four hundred young men and young women have joined a society organized for such a purpose; and that too in the midst of a busy school life filled with many and various interests and duties. We have more than a hundred white ribboners in the school this summer, and many of them wear the little white bow faithfully. We have held bi-weekly meetings during the session. There were papers and discussions

on "Tobacco, and its Relation to the Student," "Alcohol in Home-made Wine and Beer," "Sabbath Observance," and "Personal Responsibility." A committee appointed for this purpose brings in the temperance news of the day. The members seem to be divided in opinion as to whether the "original package" decision will help or retard the temperance cause. The meetings are opened with devotional exercises, which it is the object to make as impressive as possible.

On the 4th and 5th of June, the "Y" joined with the village "W," in entertaining the annual county convention, contributing provisions, entertaining delegates, furnishing a large part of the music, and in return enjoying the convention as much as possible. Miss Alice Tripple, one of our Union, won the gold medal in the Demorest Elocutionary Contest, held on the evening of the 4th. On the morning of the 5th, in response to an invitation from Dr. Lyte, the ladies of the convention attended the opening exercises of the school. Dr. Lyte welcomed them, congratulated them on their work, and extended to them the freedom of the school. Mrs. Esther Bachman, the County W. C. T. U. president, in response, thanked him, and spoke of the good work of the school and the school union. The evening session of the second day of the convention was held in the School Chapel. Mrs. Mary A. Woodbridge, of Ohio, National Secretary of the W. C. T. U., delivered an intensely interesting address to a large audience. The whole convention was an inspiration and was especially noticeable for the entire harmony that prevailed.

The Alumni Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Alumni Association of the State Normal School will be held at Millersville, on Wednesday, July 2, 1890. The first private session will be held in the Model School Chapel, at 2 P. M. The public exercises will be held in the Normal Chapel, at 8 P. M.

The programme for the public meeting is as follows:

1. Address, by the President, Prof. R. M. McNeal, Steelton, Pa., '70.
2. Essay, by Miss Rose Stewart, of Philadelphia, Pa., '80.
3. Oration, by Prof. L. S. Shummell, of Huntingdon, Pa., '75.

The exercises will be interspersed with music.

Dr. A. N. Raub, President of Delaware College, Newark, Del., will read the history of the class of 1860; Miss Marianna Gibbons, of Bird-in-Hand, Pa., of the class of 1870; and W. I. Hibbs, Esq., of Pittston, Pa., of the class of 1880.

The class history is read only once in ten years, therefore as many as can should avail themselves of this rare privilege and return to their alma mater to renew old friendships. We hope that not only the members of these classes but a large number of the Alumni will be present this year.

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.

GEO. W. HULL,
Chairman of Executive Committee.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

Visit to Millersville State Normal School.

[From the editorial department of the *Pennsylvania School Journal* for May, 1890.]

We do not take the car to Millersville so often as we could wish, a visit to that great school being always an inspiration. A few days ago an old friend on the Board of Trustees sent a pressing invitation which we were not at liberty to decline—one of the conditions being "a good dinner and no speech." As we stood at the street crossing before 7 o'clock on a busy market morning, we inquired, mixing up the past and present in a dazed sort of way, whether the "Millersville stage—or 'bus—or car" had yet gone by. The stout orange vender looked up with a merry twinkle from behind his great basket of fruit, as he took in the confusing question, and replied, "I guess you mean the *Electric Motor*. That's not gone yet! But they're getting in the poles for it."

A pleasant ride by horse-car of three-quarters of an hour—the "electric motor" will probably reduce the time to twenty minutes—and we were at the school in season for the daily opening exercises at 8 o'clock. The bell summoned the students, and the passage-ways and stairways were at once thronged with hundreds of young men and young women who in a few moments filled every part of the large and beautiful chapel. The number in attendance is now nearly six hundred and fifty, which is the highest enrollment, with the exception of one session in 1873, in the history of the school.

It was a grand gathering of students. After singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," to the lead of the cornet accompanied by the piano and organ, the Lord's prayer was repeated in concert. Dr. Lyte then read a selection from the New Testament— far be the day when the influences that now triumph in the Wisconsin law. and judicial decisions shall be equally successful in Pennsylvania—and the school sang "Just as I Am," to Bradbury's tune in the Epworth Hymnal, with instrumental accompaniment as before. It seemed as if everybody sang, and the effect was that of "the great congregation." The piano and organ now played a march to which the members of the different classes, at the tap of the gong, passed out by the several aisles, a lady and gentleman moving out side by side through the middle aisle, until within a few moments the chapel was again empty, and the class work for the day had begun.

We had the pleasure of visiting a number of classes at recitation in different branches of study, all of them awake and interested; among them those of Dr. Byerly in Latin, reading Cæsar; Prof. Bitner in Botany, cutting up and discussing the potato and its growth; Miss Lyle in history, the early influences at work that have given tone and character political, social and religious, to different parts of the United States; Miss Gilbert in Grammar, closing stanzas of Gray's "Elegy in a Country Church-Yard;" Prof. Albert in Algebra, quadratic equations; Prof. Sanford in Methods of Teaching, an unusually interesting manner of presenting the special subject under consideration; and Miss Landes in Reading, whom a few evenings since, at a public entertainment, we heard recite the Chariot Race from Ben Hur with good taste and thrilling effect.

The Model School is a very important department at Millersville. Every square foot of available space seems to be utilized here to excellent advantage under the general supervision of Dr. Maltby, an accomplished instructor, noted alike for his enthusiasm and his common sense. There are in this department nearly one hundred and fifty pupils, most of them from the town and adjoining country, but some of them boarders and others day pupils from Lancaster. They are of all ages, from the little tot just out of the Kindergarten to the advanced pupil who is looking forward to the Normal department next term.

The opening exercises here followed those of the chapel. The boys and girls at the tap of the bell fell into different lines, size graduated from smallest to largest, and then to the music of a march played on the organ or piano they moved to their respective places. After the Lord's Prayer in concert, a reading by Dr. Maltby, and a number of hymns and songs, their class work began.

In this department the seniors teach under the supervision of Dr. M. and Miss Myers, his assistant. The Juniors are here also to observe and make notes, and thus prepare for certain work of the Senior year. The Kindergarten, just beyond the Model School, is in charge of Miss Ver Planck, a graduate from the Kindergarten training department of Felix Adler's school in New York City. There is a training class of fifteen in this department.

After spending the morning in the various class-rooms, inspecting the manual training department with its work benches, saws, chisels, planes, etc., and its fine showing of the handiwork of the graduating classes; in visiting a number of students' rooms, all newly furnished, home-like and comfortable; looking into the library rooms of each of the two literary societies, each of these containing some three thousand volumes, and the Reference Library and Reading Room connected with the school; and looking over its spacious and well-kept grounds, the dinner hour was welcome. In the large dining room every seat was occupied, with an overflow into the next room beyond. Its appearance suggested the dining hall of a great hotel at a popular summer resort in the height of the season. And it was a good dinner. We don't blame the trustees for getting to the Normal School so often about dinner-time!

Millersville boasts the oldest and largest Normal School in the State, and it holds its place with sturdy energy. Its alumni and its students are almost everywhere, and in many diverse lines of effort; though a large proportion of them continue to be teachers or in some way connected with the work of education. This would be true of a still larger number were it not that other fields of business and professional life offer more permanent employment and hold out rewards more tempting to ability and energy. The better day is coming.

One of its alumni of wide reputation, Dr. E. O. Lyte, is now its Principal. He is admirably suited to the position. Full of energy that seems always directed with good judgment, thoroughly familiar with the manifold details of the work which he is called to do, from having been in one way or another connected with every department of the School, and long an expert and an authority in all its various business relations, he comes to its principalship with the essential qualifications of fitness—evidence of which is found in the present condition and daily growing efficiency of the School.

Dr. Lyte is to be congratulated on having served as a soldier in the war of the Rebellion, in which he received a wound the effects of which he will not outlive. He is also to be congratulated upon the fact that, when a younger man, he was very fond of athletic sports, strong, quick, and sure—always at the top or near it. This tells mightily on the future career of any good man. We are not surprised, therefore, to know that, while one of the two additional buildings he is now strongly advocating is a Library, the other is a Gymnasium. He will get them both, and they will be most valuable additions to the educational facilities of the School.

He has not, of late years especially, shut himself within the four walls of the building, but has traveled much as lecturer and instructor at Institutes and elsewhere, so that he is known all over the State. The slack of the chain has permitted much range of movement, while the firm anchor that held him has always been "Millersville."

There are many thoughts suggested by this visit, and our space is limited. We cannot end, however, without saying that when we think of

the great gathering of students day by day at these impressive opening exercises; of the varied work in the numerous class-rooms to which they pass from hour to hour; of the study periods in which preparation is made for class-room work; of the literary, social and musical advantages from which culture of the best that is in man may be obtained, we get some definite, if not adequate, idea of what is meant by a great State Normal School. We feel again, more deeply than ever before, of what transcendent importance it is that its controlling and teaching force, and its equipment in every way should be the best that ample means, intelligent effort, and high Christian purpose, can secure; for its influence must be felt in ten thousand schools.

An Expensive Family.

DR. E. O. LYTE'S KITCHEN EXPENSES.

What it Costs to Feed His Extensive Household, and What is Required to Make Blood, Bone and Muscle in the Course of a Year.

From the Lancaster *New Era* of May 15.

Dr. E. O. Lyte, of the Millersville State Normal School, has, beyond all question, the largest and most expensive family of any man in Lancaster county. His household is, at the present time, composed of nearly seven hundred persons, running in age from four years to forty. He requires a building nearly four hundred feet long and half as wide to house them all, with never a room to spare. His dining room is a monster affair, about one hundred feet square. In it are thirty-five tables, each of which will seat twelve persons. It is a sight to be remembered to see this large family come trooping into the dining room at meal time with a stern determination to do or die written on each anxious countenance. Whatever may be the inner whisperings, the outward manifestations are neither loud nor demonstrative. The older members preside at each table, and by their presence check any undue hilarity the copious draughts of tea, coffee and water might inspire. As they come in quietly and take their places, so too, at the tap of a bell, do they rise when they are done, a few tables at a time, and quietly depart, leaving no noise or confusion as reminders of their presence. Considering their numbers, their many temperaments and dispositions, they are as well behaved a household as we ever saw.

But if they are a quiet, orderly set, and come and go in comparative silence, it must not be supposed they are a dyspeptic set, who turn up their noses at the viands before them and who might be supposed to be as well satisfied with an illusory feast with the Barmecide as with the smoking platters on the tables. This quiet, scholarly family last year managed to get away with 54,811 pounds of fresh meat, 3,190 pounds of dried beef, 4,446 pounds of sugar and ham, 657 pounds of bologna sausage, 999½ pounds of spring chickens, 498 pounds of turkey, 807 pounds of shad, besides 775 pounds of other fish and 44,020 oysters. You would hardly believe the fresh-cheeked young girls and the ruddy-faced young fellows, who look askance at them at meal time, were capable of such havoc, but we saw it all down in pen writing, and know it to be true. But the whole story has not been told. Along with the food already mentioned went 42,072 pounds of flour, wheat, rye and buckwheat, made up into bread, rolls, cakes and pastry.

As wine and beer and other alcoholic drinks are tabooed in Dr. Lyte's dining room, and as something must be taken to wash down this immense mass of dry food, 1,722 pounds of coffee had to be provided along with a corresponding amount of tea, to sweeten which 18,231 pounds of sugar were required. The female members of the household are especially fond of sweets, and for their especial benefit 319 gallons of treacle had to be provided. The Doctor does not own a farm, so he was compelled to go into the market to buy his farm truck to the extent of 4,097½ dozen eggs, 10,959 pounds of butter, 2,320 pounds of lard, 695 bushels of Irish potatoes and 121 bushels of the sweet variety. As these latter were, no doubt, of the home-grown kind, we don't wonder they did not call for more.

It costs something to buy all these thing. In fact, taken all together, it is a very expensive household. The meats alone cost $6,721.41; the flour, $1,249.96; the groceries, $2,469.96; butter, eggs and lard, $3,278.69; ice, $326.27; coal, $4,459.07. In short, the actual cost of the kitchen and dining room for the year was $29,543.48. That is a pretty steep sum, as the reader will admit, and would have bankrupt Dr. Lyte long ago had it not been that he is in the habit of charging the members of his multitudinous family a small sum weekly or annually, as the case may be, to recoup himself for this extravagant outlay. This is the only way he can get along and keep the sheriff off the premises. It, of course, requires a small army of cooks and waiters to keep this dining room in active operation. The old-fashioned housekeeper, who does all her cooking on a ten-plate stove of ancient construction and makes her coffee in the traditional tin coffee pot, would open her eyes could she see the row of huge ranges, the great ovens, the soup boilers and shining copper urns in which many gallons of tea and coffee are made at one time. The cooks exemplify in their appearance the character of the work they turn out. Fair, fat and forty, they bear true testimony in their well-to-do looks that their share of the work is a blessed reality and not a sham. Their roasts are done to a turn, their steaks broiled to a nicety, while the coffee is hot and without a suspicion of rye or chicory. We know it on the best of authority—personal experience.

NORMAL NOTE-BOOK.

[Items for this column should be given to Miss Gilbert.]

Final Examination, June 24th.

There are three scientific students to be examined this year, forty-three Seniors, and nearly eighty Juniors. The size of the classes is in good proportion to the size of the school, which numbers over six hundred.

The Board of Examiners this year will consist of State Superintendent Waller, Dr. Philips, of West Chester; County Supt. Brecht, of Lancaster, and City Supt. Boger, of Lebanon.

The honors of '90 have been assigned. There was a general satisfied "I thought so" expression on everybody's face when H. Franklin Eshleman was announced as Valedictorian, and the same when the Salutatory was assigned to Margaret Brosnahan. Mr. John L. Schroy will represent the Scientific class, and Mr. S. W. Minnich has the Normal Oration. The other representatives are Gertrude Brosius, who will recite; Mary Hartman, Gertrude Kauffman, Amy Leech, Blanche McNeal, Elma Snyder and Amy Sprague, and Messrs. Campbell, Gochenour, Hankins, Harshman and Weiler.

Our new teachers this summer are Miss A. Elizabth Barnhart, of Greensburg; Mr. Ernest U. Buckman, of Trenton, and Mr. W. B. Brubaker, of Lancaster county. The Kindergarten is in charge of Miss Maude Ver Planck, a graduate of Felix Adler's Workingmen's School in New York. She is assisted by Miss Fannie Twitmire. Miss Anna Hartman comes out regularly from Lancaster to assist with the music. There are twenty-seven teachers in the Faculty.

We entertained a large number of guests over the Page Anniversary, and our facilities for lodging that night were strained to the utmost capacity. A hundred and twenty-five guests took tea here that evening. The Normal always gladly welcomes back her sons and daughters, and they submit to little discomforts cheerfully on crowded occasions. Among our most honored guests were Dr. Brooks, and Mr. Harding and family, of Philadelphia. Dr. Brooks has paid us only two visits this session and doesn't come half often enough.

The Model School has numbered 162 this summer. The Senior class has some strong teachers there. An interesting exercise is Mr. McCulloch's drill in calisthenics, and another entertaining class is Mr. Cressman's geography.

The Juniors are required to observe the work in the Model and write the result. Ten papers are required of each of them.

Some of the members of the Botany class have pressed and mounted a hundred and twenty-five specimens. Mr. Bitner says that their plant-drawings are the most accurate and beautiful he has ever secured from a class.

Mr. Rhodes's classes in drawing are doing good work in drawing from objects. We noticed some very fine blackboard exercises.

There are seven Algebra classes in the school and three classes iu Physiology.

We have a good department in Stenography and Type-writing.

A new departure in our school work has been some informal talks on etiquette by the Principal and the preceptress. At the beginning of one lecture Dr. Lyte quoted, "The foundation of good manners is truthfulness, kindness, thoughtfulness and self-control." The students asked many practical questions and seemed much interested. This is a question that came up from the girls when Miss Lyle met them, "Is it ever in good form for ladies to kiss one another in public?" Ans. "No—but we all do it sometimes."

There isn't a happier corner of the building than the Kindergarten. If you want to see a charming sight, watch the little tots play "The Blacksmith," "The Farmer," or any other of their games. Dr. Byerly sends Rob and Ethel, Dr. Lyte sends Louis, and Laurence Bitner and Oram Lansinger are among the number of little folks. The only two young gentlemen that have not started out on the long march of education are Leigh Sanford and Gilbert Lyte.

There will be a musicale in the Chapel on the 13th, given by the music department.

Miss Mott has had some recitals in the parlor for the benefit of her students, that have been much enjoyed.

Miss Emory and the choir will furnish the music for one evening of the Art Loan Exhibition in Lancaster.

One of the most brilliant society exercises this term was a eulogy delivered by H. F. Eshleman on Samuel J. Randall. Mr. J. L. Campbell pronounced a most impressive eulogy on Dr. Higbee.

A golden eagle that measures seven feet from tip to tip is poised above the book-case in the office. It was shot in Perry county, and is a very rare bird in this section.

We have a Normal cat. She poses in many a pretty picture, accepting the caresses of the ladies with a dignity befitting her elevated position

The tulips and hyacinths that formed a bright spot on the lawn in the spring have been replaced by hundreds of scarlet geraniums and bright-hued foliage plants. The tall century-plants have been wheeled out of winter quarters to stand as sentinels by the ladies' entrance. The sod is beautiful and the fountains plashing in the sunshine, and the music of the birds in the swaying branches of the grove make the campus "a joy forever." What wonder that a last year's Senior said, "I wish I could get into this envelope with my letter and come back to school!"

The Franklin and Marshall Glee Club gave a concert here on the evening of April 26th. They sang the rollicking college airs with great zest and good-naturedly responded to encore after encore.

Interest in athletics wanes a little as warm weather and examinations come on. Some match games in base-ball have been played with home-clubs and clubs from Lancaster. Tennis holds its own, especially with the ladies, and croquet and cycling have their devotees. Foot-ball is temporarily dropped.

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E. ORAM LYTE, A.M., Ph.D., 1887——

MILLERSVILLE.

THE MILLERSVILLE STATE NORMAL SCHOOL is the pioneer of Normal Schools in Pennsylvania. Established in 1855, two years before the Normal School law was passed, this School determined the general nature of the Normal School system of the State, and became the model for many successful institutions throughout the country. It is a source of pride to its thousands of friends that it maintains its rank among the great training schools of the United States. The support given to its younger graduates by its older students, the regard in which its diploma is held in other States as well as in Pennsylvania, and the almost invariable success of the members of its Alumni in every field of intellectual labor, are recommendations of the School that thinking young men and women who are seeking an education, are not slow to appreciate.

In an article on Normal Schools, Dr. Wickersham writes: "Soon after the passage of the Normal School law of 1857, preparation was begun at Millersville to bring the school up to its requirements, * * * * 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."—*History of Education in Pennsylvania.*

SCHOLASTIC DEPARTMENTS.

The financial standing of the School enables the management to place the various departments in charge of *experienced instructors*, with special aptitude for their work and in full sympathy with the most approved methods of teaching. The advantages of pursuing a course of study under specialists are obvious. Every department is fully supplied with apparatus, and is well equipped in every respect.

PROFESSIONAL DEPARTMENT.—Theory.

The crowning work of this Institution is its *professional department.* Every effort is put forth to make our students skilled teachers. In the Intermediate and Junior years, the students are organized into "Methods" classes, to study the mind, the principles and methods of teaching, and the best ways of managing schools. In the Senior year psychology and pedagogics are among the most prominent studies.

PROFESSIONAL DEPARTMENT.—Practice.

The *Model School* is one of the leading schools of the kind in the United States. It is in charge of skilled teachers of wide experience, who have made the science and art of teaching a specialty. Here the principles of education are daily put into actual practice in the best and most approved methods of teaching. The members of the Senior class teach in the Model School daily under close and constant supervision. The Junior classes visit the Model School regularly and observe the work done by the teachers in charge and the Senior class.

KINDERGARTEN.

A Kindergarten is established in connection with the Model School. It is under the direction of a skilled kindergartner, who also has charge of a training class in this department. Our students derive great benefit from this new feature of Normal School work.

THE BUILDINGS.

The Normal School buildings are the *largest and most convenient buildings* of the kind in the State. The chapel will seat 1,200 persons; the recitation rooms are large and commodious; and the students' rooms are neatly furnished and well heated and lighted.

According to the State Report for 1889, the value of the property belonging to the Millersville State Normal School is over a quarter of a million of dollars—inexact figures, $257,262.00.

THE GROUNDS.

The grounds surrounding the Normal School are *large, beautiful, and attractive,* affording abundant shade and good opportunities for recreation and exercise. They have been in charge of a landscape gardener for some time, and for beauty are equalled by few school or college grounds in the country. The base ball ground is excelled only by the grounds of professional clubs.

A lady visitor thus describes the 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 are spending the happiest years of their lives in the shadow of that great school."—THE NORMAL JOURNAL (May, 1888).

LATE IMPROVEMENTS,

Among the *late additions and improvements* made in the buildings and surroundings are—

Enlarging and supplying the Model School with every appliance that is needed in that department: furniture, apparatus, supplementary reading, material for manual training, kindergarten supplies, etc.

A large microscope.

Eight new pianos.

Furnishing a room with work-benches and tools for a course in manual training.

A large collection of ornithological specimens.

Complete refurnishing of the dining-room including new silver-ware, tables, chairs, etc.

Steam-cooking apparatus.

Large reservoir, supplied with a stream of water flowing upwards into the reservoir at the rate of 200 gallons or more a minute.

Standpipe, 80 feet high, with a capacity of 50,000 gallons.

New bath-rooms, with hot and cold water.

Hot water in the ladies' and the gentlemen's buildings.

New water closets, supplied with running water.

Running water on every floor in both buildings.

A perfect system of sewerage.

Apparatus for extinguishing fires, fire escapes, etc.

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