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EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

Dr. Schaeffer.

Governor Pattison deserves the thanks of the educational public for the wise selection he has made for the important office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Dr. N. C. Schaeffer's breadth of mind, his general education, his intimate acquaintance with the school system of the State, and his ability as a teacher and executive officer, eminently fit him to be the successor of Dr. D. J. Waller, who has ably filled this responsible position for the last three years.

Dr. Schaeffer was graduated at Franklin and Marshall College in 1867, and subsequently spent two years in a German university. He has been principal of the Kutztown State Normal School since 1877, and under his able principalship the school has largely increased in efficiency and numbers, and is one of the leading schools of the State. He is in the prime of a vigorous manhood, is fully acquainted with the administrations of Dr. Wickersham, Dr. Higbee and Dr. Waller, and is ready to continue the work of his distinguished predecessors. The school system of the State will not suffer during Dr. Schaeffer's administration.

Numbers of applications for rooms for the winter session have already been received. Applications may be made at any time. It is believed that with our increased capacity, we shall be able to accommodate, without crowding, all who come here to school next session. The fall and winter session will begin on Monday, August 28.

Applications for masters' diplomas should be sent to the Principal without delay.

Other Additions.

A large annex to the ladies' building, containing rooms for 105 students, was erected last winter, and every room was occupied on the opening day of the present term. This addition is in the old colonial style of architecture. It was thought that the extra rooms provided for in the annex would enable us to accommodate all our ladies this summer, but, in spite of the additional room, a number of ladies are now boarding in the village. Plans have been prepared for the further enlargement and the beautifying of the ladies' building, material will be ordered at once, and the change will be made during the summer vacation. The whole north building will be remodelled in the same style of architecture as the annex. This change will make the ladies' building a model of school architecture and will give us rooms for nearly 100 ladies more than can now be comfortably accommodated. The dining room will also be greatly enlarged, and we do not expect to be compelled again to fill every nook and corner of this immense room, even if our school grows to much larger proportions.

The new class-rooms in the Science building will be a great boon to the School. We are cramped this year for class-room accommodations as we never have been since the erection of the central building in 1875. The Science building will provide a large number of class-rooms for natural philosophy, chemistry, physiology, political geography, drawing, as well as complete sets of rooms for wood-work, sewing, cooking, iron-work, construction, etc. These rooms will be finished during the coming winter.

These improvements will enable the School to maintain its rank among the Normal Schools of the country.

Both Pennsylvania and Millersville were highly honored by the appointment made by the President of Hon. John M. Reynolds, Bedford, Pa., as Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Reynolds has long been the leader of the Bedford county bar, and the decisions he has rendered since he has occupied his new position prove his eminent fitness for the distinguished place he now fills. Mr. Reynolds was graduated here in 1867, and his oldest son is now attending school here.

Persons who receive THE NORMAL JOURNAL will confer a favor on us by sending us the names and addresses of any of their acquaintances who think of attending a normal school. A good word said for Millersville is frequently the means of turning a young person's attention to the "Old Normal."

At the annual meeting of the contributors of the School in May, Messrs. Andrew M. Frantz, Jacob M. Frantz, P. W. Hiestand and A. F. Hostetter were re-elected Trustees of the school for the ensuing three years. Mr. Andrew M. Frantz has been a member of the Board continuously since 1861, and has served as its secretary since 1876. Mr. Jacob M. Frantz has been connected with the Board since the organization of the School, serving part of the time as treasurer. Dr. Hiestand's service began in 1858, and Mr. Hostetter was elected to his second term. The State Superintendent appointed Hon. John B. Warfel and Hon. D. McMullen, State Trustees. Mr. Warfel has served as State Trustee since 1872, and Mr. McMullen, who is a graduate of the School, is entering upon his first term. It would be difficult, if not impossible, to estimate the amount of time these gentlemen have given to the service of the School. The success of this institution depends in no small measure upon the skill and fidelity with which the Board of Trustees manage its multifarious affairs.

Hon. D. Newlin Fell has been twice elected a Judge of Common Pleas in Philadelphia on the nomination of both political parties, and there is now a general demand over the State that he be called to the Supreme Bench of Pennsylvania. His fitness in every way for this high position no one ventures to question. If elected, he will add dignity to the Bench and serve the State with distinguished honor and fidelity. Millersville is especially proud of Judge Fell's career, as he was a student for several sessions and completed the scientific course in 1862.

Directors and others desiring teachers will do well to remember that we graduate this year a large number of excellent teachers. Many of our graduates have already been offered good positons. We shall be glad to assist boards of directors to obtain good teachers.

Arrangements are being made to complete the Library building and the building for the Science and Mechanic Arts without any further delay. The State has made an appropriation of $30,000 for the completion of these buildings.

It is proposed to put an electric light in every room and hall in all the buildings. Work will begin upon an electric light plant as soon as the plans are matured.

Write to the Principal for a catalogue.

A series of international congresses will be held in Chicago this summer in connection with the Columbian Exposition. The World's Educational Congress has been entrusted to the National Educational Association, and an executive committee, with Dr. W. T. Harris, Commissioner of Education, as chairman, has been appointed to take charge of the organization, programme, etc. Dr. Lyte is a member of this committee, and represents the department of the Professional Training of Teachers. The programme of this department is well under way. It is hoped that all who usually attend the meetings of the N. E. A. will this year become members of the World's Educational Congress, and that many others will attend these meetings. All departments of education will be represented, and leading men from every part of the civilized world have signified their intention to be present. The meeting will be held July 25–28, and will be one of great interest.

The generous treatment of the State Normal Schools by the State authorities deserves the thanks of all friends of the public schools of Pennsylvania. Certainly the Normal School authorities should be grateful, and should be spurred to renewed efforts in their work of fitting teachers scholastically and professionally for the public schools. The First Pennsylvania Normal School, while realizing that its claims for State aid are second to none, is at the same time placed under additional obligations to the State authorities and to the public school system by the liberal appropriations made by the Legislature at its last session. It will show its gratitute by endeavoring to do all that it can do for the public schools with the increased facilities now placed at its command.

Many of the normal schools of the State have special names which they have chosen and by which they are known. Thus the Kutztown school uses the name "Keystone State Normal School;" Shippensburg, the "Cumberland Valley;" Lock Haven, the "Central," and so on. Millersville in like manner is called the "Pennsylvania State Normal School," as it was the first school recognized by the State authorities. As all the schools are Pennsylvania State Normal Schools it has been thought advisable to qualify the original name of this school by the word *first*, so as to avoid confusion. Millersville will therefore hereafter use the title *First Pennsylvania State Normal School*, when a specific name is desired.

It is to be hoped that the action of certain colleges in striving to obtain authority to do the work of normal schools, will not be carried to such an extent as to break down the barriers that now separate these two classes of educational institutions. The colleges have a work of their own to do, and a great work, which normal schools have not interfered with. And yet those who are acquainted with both classes of institutions must know that normal schools are as well prepared—to say the least—to do college work as colleges are to do normal school work. The normal schools are among the best friends of the colleges, and would greatly deplore being forced into any other attitude than that of friendship toward these higher institutions.

Every educator has read with interest Mr. Rice's articles, in the *Forum*, on the public schools of the leading cities of the United States, and every one knows that he found little to commend and much to condemn in the schools which he visited. It is especially gratifying therefore to read the words of praise which he bestows on the school which Mr. G. W. Flounders, '83, has charge of in Philadelphia.

All former students of Millersville will please look for the Register of the Millersville Normal School, at the World's Fair. It is to be placed in the State building, and it is hoped that all Millersvillians will register in it.

On account of the World's Fair, there will be no meeting of the State Teacher's Association this year. In 1894 the Association will meet at Media.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Charles Yardley.

The overwhelmingly sad news of the death of Charles Yardley reached us on Friday evening. This death occurred on Thursday, June 7th, at Reading, Pa. Mr. Yardley was sick but a few days. The disease which caused the sadly fatal result was catarrhal pneumonia.

It would be easier to write a lengthy eulogy on Mr. Yardley than to briefly note his death, as we must do. He came to us a student in '87, a bright, ambitious boy, a youth in years, but in stature a man, and in his character very manly. He graduated in the Elementary course in '89 and in the Scientific in '90. Since that time he has been teaching in the High Schools of West Chester and Reading.

The testimony of every teacher here is a eulogy on his brilliant talents, his high ability, his exemplary conduct, his noble Christian character. We feel the world has lost one who would have been useful in many directions. With his scholarly tastes and attainments, his habits of industry, his zeal in every movement that works toward the elevation of society, his interest in all kinds of Christian work, he would have been a boundless influence for good everywhere. How mysterious that such a one should be taken from us! How deeply we mourn his loss! Our hearts are full of sorrow such as no words are adequate to express. The alumni of the school has lost in him a most valuable associate. The Page Society grieves over the removal of one of its members of whom it was justly proud.

We, his friends and teachers here, feel keenly a personal bereavement, and desire through THE JOURNAL to express to his mother, father and devoted friends everywhere our sincerest sympathy in their and our irreparable loss.

Our memories of him, as we knew him at Millersville, will ever be sweet, beautiful and inspiring.

ANNA LYLE.

The following resolutions on the death of Mr. Yardley have been adopted by the Page Literary Society:

WHEREAS, It has pleased an All-wise Providence to remove from us by death, our friend and fellow-laborer, Charles Yardley, whom we recognized to be an earnest, faithful and devoted member of the Society, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Page Literary Society has had taken from useful service a member of exceptional gifts, high attainments and noble character.

Resolved, That we sincerely mourn his loss and extend our heartfelt sympathies to his family and friends in their great grief and sad bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to his parents, and be published in THE NORMAL JOURNAL.

J. M. LANDIS,
D. G. ESCHBACH,
ANNA LYLE.

NORMAL NOTE BOOK.

[Hand items for this column to Miss Gilbert.]

Miss Collins, Miss Hess and Mr. Metzger, all of whom taught in the Normal last summer, are again in the school faculty.

Mr. Frysinger Evans, a graduate of Dickinson College, has been added to the faculty as assistant in Latin and history.

The efficiency of the music department has been increased by the addition of Miss Carrie E. Schwall, of Troy, N. Y. Miss Schwall is an accomplished pianist, having studied in the Leipsic Conservatory, and later being a pupil of Oscar Raif, in Berlin. She returned from Berlin a year ago. There are now thirty-two teachers in the faculty.

We have sixteen resident graduates, eighty-four seniors, more than a hundred juniors, and a host of preparatory students.

Over two hundred pupils have been enrolled in the Model School this summer.

The Commencement appointments are as follows: Normal Orator, Walter G. Treibly; Wickersham Orator, Grace Penrose; Columbian Orator, William H. B. Carney; Salutatorian, Mary Wales; Valedictorian, James P. Stober; Reciter, Mary Barr; Orators, Anna Brinton, Esther Kersey, Louise O. Nields, Anna M. Rodgers, Mandame M. Rymer, Nellie L. Seager, Laura B. Speck, Carrie A. Yerkes, Harvey L. Bagenstose, John D. Brooks, Leonidas J. Durbin, Howard B. Glatfelter, Edwin E. Grebinger, Stehman Herr and Isaiah H. Seitz.

The Class Day Exercises of '93 will be held on Wednesday morning, June 28. The officers of the class are: President, Elmer M. Apple; Vice President, James M. Bryson; Secretary, Mae M. Byerly; Historian, Harry N. Trout.

The appointments for Class Day are: Class Orator, Clarence E. Phipps; Ivy Orator, Peter H. Hershey; Statistician, Bertha Gaymau; Presentation Speech, Robert Comegys and Nellie Martin; Mantle Orator, Charles Hoff; Reciters, Emma C. Alker and Laura Bear; Prophet, Ida H. Way. Miss Marian Wallace is pianist and Miss Josephine Martin club leader.

It has been discovered that the success of the Normal is due to the great number of four-leaf clovers to be found on the front campus. Bright-eyed girls may be seen there any fair day gathering these tokens of success. One young lady has found over a hundred.

A new Remington has been added to the typewriters in the office.

The cold wet weather of the early summer was favorable to the Normal tulip beds, which were a perfect blaze of color. The beds have since been filled with other plants—varieties of geraniums, French canna, coleus, alternanthea, musa and others. In all about three thousand plants have been set out. Florist George B. Willson, of Wheatland, has had the work in charge.

The new rooms in the extension to the Ladies' Hall are voted among the most pleasant and comfortable in the building.

A recent dinner at the Millersville School will give an idea of the provisions consumed by the hearty Normal family. Four hundred and seventy-eight pounds of roast beef were served with four and a-half bushels of potatoes, and a bushel and a-half of baked beans, thirty large loaves of bread, twenty-five pounds of butter, and for dessert one hundred and ten peach pies.

Another bill of fare included roast veal, for which seven calves were slaughtered, and one hundred and sixty-eight cans of string beans.

For breakfast twenty hams are cut up. Just now, while shad are in season, eighty of them are served at once; or sixty-five to seventy dozen eggs; or if beef steak is the principal dish, over two hundred pounds are required. It is easy to see that household committee must be efficient in order to supply the needs of this immense family.

The most highly appreciated reader for the session in the Normal Literary Society has been the Rev. Chas. L. Fry, of Lancaster. He is an honorary member of the Society, and they felt the honor he conferred upon the Society when he consented to read for them on April 29th. His selection was "The Trial Scene," from *The Merchant of Venice.* It was enthusiastically encored.

Mr. Munroe's senior classes in classic literature are reading with great pleasure and profit Shakespere's Twelfth Night, and have just finished a study of Bryant's translation of the Odyssey.

The first lawn sociable of the season was held on May 30th. It was so pleasant that there is a general desire to have another soon.

Millersville will have an interesting display at the Columbian Exposition. Among the articles will be the regular examination papers of the Seniors in psychology, examination papers in logic, plans for practice work in the Model School, papers on school economy, calculus, solid geometry, and civil government; work in Cicero, Essays on Pompey's Qualifications as a General; in Greek, an exercise in Greek prose composition; and in French, an original story, a criticism on Racine's Andromaque, a review of Corneille's Cid all written in French.

There will also be a schedule of work in the Normal Department, which shows that nearly one hundred and fifty classes recite daily for forty-five minutes each, and a schedule of work in the Model Department showing almost the same number of classes.

A number of photographs have been taken and sent—of the chapel, with the students assembled; of the Model School; of several recitation rooms, showing classes at work in geometry, geography, natural science, manual training, kindergarten, etc.; of the dining room, Principal's office, students' rooms, interior of the gymnasium, with classes at work, athletic grounds, etc. Two volumes will also be sent which tell a great deal about the School—one made up of NORMAL JOURNALS and another of the catalogues of the School for the last twelve years.

The growth of the music department has necessitated the addition of three new pianos. One is a Blasius in a mahogany case and the others are Decker Bros. in most beautiful French walnut cases.

One hundred stand of arms and accoutrements have been purchased by the school for the use of the boys in the gymnasium. The guns are Springfield rifles, part of them being breech loaders. Drill has already been commenced, and the pupils are very much interested in the exercise.

Millersville has a sturdy base ball team in the field this season. Its make up is as follows: Harry Shutt, 1st b.; E. I. Noble, 2d b.; Q. D. Arner, 3d b.; W. E. Gochenonr, s. s.; E. S. Rice, r. f.; John Duke, c. f.; George Grim, l. f.; Stanley Bortree, p.; E. W. Taylor, c.

They began the season with a game on April 15th with a mixed team from Lancaster consisting of players from the Y. M. C. A., the High School, and the F. and M. Academy. The visitors lacked the advantage of organization, and at the close of six innings the score stood 41 to 0 in favor of the Normal. An interesting and hotly contested game was next played with the Tycoons of Lancaster on the school grounds. The visitors were especially strong in their fielding The score was 8 to 7 in favor of the Normal nine. The next victory was over the Actives of Lancaster, on the home grounds on May 6th. The score was 16 to 14. On May 13th the team went to Ephrata, and came home with victory again perched on their banner. They felt they had conquered foemen worty of their steel, and were delighted to report a score of 11 to 2.

On the 20th they suffered their only defeat of the season. It was in Lancaster at the hands of the F. and M. College team, very largely reinforced with strong outside help. There was much dissatisfaction with the umpiring, which was done by a College man. Our boys claimed the game as fairly theirs, but the score stood against them, 9 to 7. On June 3d the Akron club came to the Normal, and were defeated by the home team with a score of 8 to 1; and on the 10th, our club defeated the Columbia club on the grounds of the latter, the score being 9 to 6.

The Normal club has been trying to arrange a game with the Christiana boys, who defeated the West Chester club with a score of 4 to 0. As the Christiana club was defeated by the Tycoons, the M. S. N. S. club is inclined to claim the championship of the county.

The three teachers in the music department can scarcely accommodate all the pupils that desire instruction in music.

There has probably never been more musical talent in the School. The choir service on Sunday morning is always a rich treat. On the 25th we had the anthem "O, pray for the peace of Jerusalem," by Knox, most beautifully rendered. The solo part was taken by Mr. Munroe.

A fine program of music for Commencement week is in preparation. Among the special features will be *Tannhauser Overture;* a piano solo by Miss Getz, *Weiniawski Waltz* in D flat; vocal duet by Dr. Ilyus and Miss Emory, and a solo by Miss Emory, waltz by Metra, "*Brightly it Gleams.*"

The little folks in the kindergarten have had a surprise lunch on several Friday mornings, which filled them with great glee. Crackers and cookies formed the simple and wholesome menu. One morning their eyes sparkled over a candy treat.

Miss Anna Roddy is "the baby" of the Normal now, and as she takes her rides abroad on pleasant days many a smile greets her little ladyship, not yet three months old.

A lawn fete was held on the campus on June 3d by the Y. W. C. T. U. Strawberries and ice cream were served.

Miss Elizabeth U. Yates, of Maine, spoke for the Y. W. C. T. U. in the Normal chapel on the evening of June 4th. Her subject was, "A Modern Hercules."

An old friend, Prof. Marcus White, a former teacher in the school, but now in Norwich, Conn., dropped in recently to see the Old Normal and spent two or three days with friends here.

Rev. B. F. Apple, of Bangor, Pa., has been a very pleasant visitor at the Normal for a day or two. He delivered a very interesting address before a joint meeting of the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations on Sunday afternoon, May 21. Mr. Apple's son is in the present Senior Class.

Dr. Lyte has been invited to prepare a paper on some topic bearing upon experimental psychology, for the Department of Experimental Psychology connected with the World's Fair Educational Congress, July 25. President G. Stanley Hall, of Clark University, is president of this department.

The Marietta borough School Board visited the Normal not long ago. Messrs. I. S. Geist, Abram Summy, S. R. Stibgen, John H. Haldeman and Frederick Waller were the members of the Board. They were accompanied by Prof. Pleam, of the Marietta High School, and Col. Case, also of Marietta. Col. Case, who is well fitted to judge, was especially pleased with the work in the gymnasium. His experience in Harvard and Heidelberg, and also in the National Guard, has led him to see the necessity for physical culture.

Messrs. Fow and Lytle constituted a committee from the State Legislature that visited us on the 20th inst. We were sorry that they came on Saturday, when the School was not in session.

Among recent visitors were Miss Mary Brosius, class of '84, and Miss Euphan W. Macrae, class of '92.

"O morning gong! O morning gong!
Your voice is constant ever,
Not only in the summer time,
But through the winter's snow and rime
You still go on forever."

—*Normal Review.*

Decoration Day at the Normal School.

From the Lancaster INTELLIGENCER, May 31.

Very, very beautiful were the Memorial Day exercises at the Normal School. A half holiday was enjoyed by the students in the afternoon. A committee, led by Mr. Roddy, decorated the monument very handsomely with laurel and flags and bunting. At three o'clock the exercises began with a march by the children of the Model School, bearing flags and flowers. After them came the Normal Military company, one hundred men, commanded by Mr. Pinkham and Messrs. Arner and Trout. Both companies formed around the monument and the Rev. Mr. Bozarth, of the M. E. church, led the large crowd gathered on the campus in prayer. Dr. Byerly presided over the meeting. The Model School sang "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," and then the children decorated the monument mound with wreaths, flags and quantities of flowers. The Normal School Orchestra played a series of patriotic airs. The orator of the occasion, Dr. E. O. Lyte, was then introduced and delivered an intensely interesting address. He drew upon rich stores of army reminiscences for the benefit of his "boys and girls" and told them many incidents of the war and described the scenes of those stirring times. He taught a strong lesson of patriotism to the young people gathered around him, inspiring them to imitation of the heroic days of old, and warning them of the foes to our beloved land that yet remain for them to conquer.

A chorus of young ladies then sang a beautiful national hymn, "To Thee, O Country." A fine recitation, "Sherman's March," followed from Miss Collins, who gave a strong and most artistic interpretation of the lines, and won enthusiastic applause. The audience then sang "America," led by the orchestra, and the Rev. Mr. Lentz, of the Bethany Lutheran Church, dismissed the audience with the benediction. The Committee of Arrangements for the occasion consisted of Dr. Byerly, Dr. Hall, Mr. Roddy and Miss Landes. After supper the rules were suspended on the front campus, and the students enjoyed an hour's sociable on the lawn.

World's Fair Register.

A very complete as well as a very handsome register has been prepared for the benefit of the students of the Millersville State Normal School who attend the Columbian Exposition. It is placed in the Pennsylvania Building at Chicago. The book is about 15 by 18 inches, and is intended to furnish, in addition to the name and home address of those registering, their address whlle attending the Fair, when they left the Normal and when they will leave the Exposition. All old students will please register. ALUMNI COMMITTEE.

THE SOCIETIES.

Alumni Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Alumni Association of the State Normal School will be held at Millersville on Wednesday, June 28, 1893. 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, Hon. John M. Reynolds, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D. C, '67.
2. Essay by Mrs. Alice Baugh Michner, Wissinoming, Philadelphia, '73. Subject, "Triumps Won by Toil."
3. Oration by Prof. Frank S. Miller, Superintendent of Schools of Mahanoy City, Pa., '83. Subject, "Every Man a Debtor to the State."

The exercises will be interspersed with music.

The history of each class is read every ten years. The first class having graduated in 1858, we would expect this year three class histories—that of '63, '73 and '83; but on account of the Civil War, which broke up the school in '63, no class graduated that year.

Winfield S. Moore, Esq., of Beaver, Pa., historian of the class of '73, has informed us that on account of the World's Fair, the history of the class of '73 may probably not be read.

Prof. C. W. Corbin, Hanover, Pa., will read the history of the class of '83.

We are anxious to do all we can to accommodate the members of the Alumni while here. But the school is so large this summer that our accommodations are extremely limited. The committee will provide lodging in the School buildings until they are entirely filled. At the present time there are no vacant rooms in the buildings, but vacancies may occur before the end of the session, and the rooms thus made vacant are at the service of the executive committee.

Let no one remain away on account of the crowded condition of the institution. We will provide board for the Alumni at the School, and there is a splendidly equipped electric railway from Lancaster to Millersville, making a trip about every half hour; and lodging may be obtained at Lancaster at very reasonable rates, and little time will be lost in going to and from Lancaster.

Let all come who can.

GEO. W. HULL,
Chairman of Executive Committee.

The Page Literary Society.

BY ANNA LYLE.

The weekly meetings of the Page Society, and the other excellent work done by its members this session, offer scope for an article of some length, but as the account of the May anniversary will probably be of more interest to our distant members and friends, we shall devote the space allotted to us to that notable event.

By way of general comment upon the latter—the thirty-eighth anniversary of the Society—held Friday evening, May 26th, it is very gratifying to say that it was high in tone, excellent in matter, and instructive and inspiring in every feature.

But that we may bring it nearer to you all, and make the entire Pageite fraternity wish they had been with us to see and hear and enjoy, we will let you read some extracts from the Lancaster newspapers of the following day. The *New Era* heads its column of review as "A Gala Page Night," and follows this with a graphic description—"Ravishing music, choice oratory, delightful elocution, the freshest and fairest flowers, pretty girls, and a big crowd are what met the visitor to the thirty-eighth anniversary of the Page Literary Society of Millersville Normal School on Friday evening." We wish we could give you in full the address of the president, Charles Walton, '70, of Philadelphia. It was unusually choice, happy and appropriate, both in thought and expression. Its general theme was progress—local and national; its plea was for honest men—for men of culture, men of skill, men of power.

The page oration by Omer F. Hershey, Esq., '86, of Baltimore was quite a masterpiece of diction and oratory. It was well conceived, full of interest and impressively delivered. The subject was "The Modern Exodus." The brief extract we insert does it feeble justice.

"The ancient and the modern exodus offer a striking contrast. The one was progressive, the other is retrogressive. When Moses and his mixed multitude of Jews and probably Greeks went forth from Egypt they put the seal of death upon a false and barren civilization with its sphinxes and pyramids, and opened to the world a new era. Not so the modern exodus. No larger life and higher civilization follows in its wake, it moves from the freedom of the country to the bondage of the city, from Canaan into Egypt.

This exodus from the country to the town is certainly the most marvelous of our day. The figures almost confound us. One hundred years ago in the United States for every person in the city there were thirty in the country. In the last census this ratio had fallen from 30 to 1 to 4 to 1. The peasants of the old world crowd the cities of the new. The farms of New England are deserted, and the valleys of the coast are lost in the cities of the West.

The city is the heart of our modern civilization. It is terrible and all controlling. Its awful significance is clearly seen. Our religious and social fabric are all involved and all suffer from it.

This view of the city has a special meaning for us politically. Our Republic was founded by and for an agricultural people. Liberty is forest born. Democracy is country bred. Farmers founded our constitution. But things have changed; cities not only rule themselves, but the country at large as well. We have a Senate of millionaires, a House of politicians.

The farmers of Switzerland defied the tyrants of their day, but the inhabitants of the cities bowed in meek submission. The farmers of America were the heroes of Yorktown and Valley Forge, while the cities swarmed with the servants of the king. This has changed. The scepter has been handed over to the city. The saloons are on the throne, and the churches on their knees.

The city has its bright side. It stands for culture, power, skill; but it is feeding on its vitals. It is filled with dyspeptics and haunts of evil, while the country stands for health and independence. We are drawn into the cities on account of greater opportunities and greater incomes. The love of gold, of gain, controls us. The ancients set up a golden calf by the sea, and modern society worships it. My message is plain; build up the country, build up a rural aristocracy, intelligent, independent, honest and true. Establish a name that will be a nobler monument than granite or marble.

The modern exodus is to be condemned, because it militates against this.

MUSIC AND ELOCUTION.

Mr. E. R. Kant, of Trinity Lutheran choir, Lancaster, sang "A Son of the Desert," by Phillips. The pleasure of the audience in Mr. Kant's singing was shown by an enthusiastic encore, to which he responded by singing "Three Young Maids of Lee."

Miss Louise Lorenz, of Philadelphia, was the reader for the evening. For her first selection she gave the closet scene from "Hamlet" with intense appreciation and vivid conception. She responded to a recall by reciting with beautiful effect Poe's poem, "Annabel Lee."

Miss H. May Emory, of the Normal School, sang next a serenade by Gounod. Miss Emory has a beautiful voice, which she uses with ease and skill and her singing gave exquisite pleasure to the audience. She responded to an enthusiastic encore.

A male quartette, consisting of Messrs. Munroe, Eshleman, Herr and Witmer, gave two very entertaining selections that were heartily enjoyed.

THE HONORARY ORATION.

Then came the Honorary Oration by Hon. Marriott Brosius, of Lancaster, who, besides being the honorary orator, is an old and honored Pageite. Golden thoughts in silver speech, containing riches of truth, were showered upon the audience during Mr. Brosius' superb oration. His fine presence and his masterful delivery impressed his thoughts upon his attentive audience. "Men and Morals" was his theme. We will try to give a few of the thoughts, but must omit the classic allusions which enriched the heroic examples which illustrated, and the flashes of humor which enlivened his address.

He who should undertake to depict in words the extreme of goodness and badness in the human character would find himself unable to complete the picture. He would fail in drawing the radiant image of man at his best, nor could he adequately portray the deviltry of man at his worst. Nothing but the sun could depict this human paradox, this perfect chaos of contrarieties. If it be that Deity divided man into men to help each other, then they ill requite this generous kindness by ofttimes harming each other. However, expediency created human relations and established morals, and henceforth men and morals were inseparable. I think we may say that the moral movement of society is in the right direction and the rate of speed commendable. However, in this year of grace people will not always behave; our moral condition is not quite satisfactory; we have not attained our ideal. Still I believe that the morning of greatness and goodness is dawning, that the East is all aglow with the promise of a brighter and better day for humanity than it has ever seen.

One of the most common of sins against good morals is our acquiescense in great public wrongs. How will the American people answer for the sin of standing by and consenting to evils that are infecting our national life with deadly virus? I have time to mention but a single instance. There is hardly a more serious lapse from that humanity due from man to man than what is known as the sweating system, because the profits of the middleman must be sweated out of the pay of those who toil beneath them. It is a sin against mankind and must sooner or later have an avenging Nemesis.

The disposition of the average man to correct the faults of his neighbor is one of the grotesque points of human character. It is perhaps due to the fact that our moral eyesight, like our natural eyesight, is keener at a little distance. And there are some people so astute that by the judicious use of potions and fomentations they are able to allay the irritation produced in their consciences by conscious lapses from virtue.

In public morals the confusion is still worse confounded. There is nothing in the nature of morals to furnish ground for a distinction between public morals and private morals. I would not create in you a distrust in public men. I would rather show you how many pure, able and spotless men there are who adorn and dignify the public service.

In society morals, conformity seems to be the line of least resistance. The modern society man is a human chameleon and takes the prevailing hue; he would like to be good, but cannot be odd. The moral man who pitches his life to a high key will always find a way to defend the right. He will know no restraint but duty, no guide but right; he will never capitulate to times, clubs and institutions. The kind of a man I am talking of is a good citizen as well as a good man, one who is self-governing, who is not satisfied with entertaining right opinions, but who strives to make right opinions prevalent. This is the ideal citizen, but he is the kind of citizen our form of government con-

templates and the kind of citizen to make its machinery effective.

Signor Setaro played "Annie Laurie," and was called back for another encore. Miss Lorenz recited "The Tenor," by H. C. Bunner, and Mr. Kant sang "Love's Proving," by Lohr, and was encored. Mr. Walton gracefully thanked the audience for their excellent order and attention, and adjourned the very successful anniversary.

The Page Orchestra, in which the society takes great pride and pleasure, played several selections at the opening and at the close of the meeting.

This orchestra consists of eight members, six active and two honorary members of the society. Mr. C. S. Saylor, Mr. B. W. Brenneman, Mr. H. W. Gladfelter, Mr. C. E. Hildebrand, Mr. Slocum, Mr. A. D. Pinkham, Mr. Floyd Keever, Miss Peoples, Mr. Kilheffer.

The Normal Literary Society.

BY GEO. W. HULL.

Never in the history of this institution has the attendance been so great as during the present term. Old students have returned to take up their work where they left off at some previous session, and large numbers of new ones have joined their ranks. Not only has the institution grown numerically, but it has shown marked signs of improvement in every department of its activity.

The Normal Society has shared in this growth. Its treasury has been replenished, its ranks greatly increased in numbers, and the power and efficiency of its work greatly enhanced. Students are realizing more and more year after year that one of the great needs of our modern civilization is to be able to express their ideas with clearness, accuracy and force. This power cannot be acquired in the class-room, hence young men of ability and ambition are making good use of the literary societies. The meetings of the Normal Society have steadily grown in interest and importance.

A glance at some of the resolutions discussed will indicate the trend of the polemic thought during the quarter. The following resolutions were discussed: "*Resolved*, That the annexation of American territory should be the future policy of our government;" "That the present jury system should be abolished;" "That the will is free;" "That a political career is debasing to manhood;" "That man is the architect of his own fortune."

Among the orators that have attracted attention we find: "Posthumous Renown," by Mr. I. H. Seitz; "Christian Men in Politics," by Mr. Stanley Bortree; "Pride of Ancestry," by Mr. J. P. Stober; "Influence of the Public Schools," by Mr. Harry E. Trout; "Some People that we meet," by Mr. E. M. Apple; "Raising a Dust," by Miss Esther Kersey; "Influence of Poetry," by Mr. W. G. Treibly; "The Value of a High Ideal," by Mr. J. D. Brooks; "What shall a young man do?" by Mr. J. E. Brenneman.

A few of the excellent essays read are: "I know a bank whereon the wild thyme grows," by Miss Mae Bickham; "Heroism of the War," by Miss Ruth White; "Nonsense," by Miss Alice Spindler.

We would like to add here the long list of interesting recitations, solos, quartettes, etc., but we cannot. The Normal Orchestra, belonging to the society, under the leadership of Messrs. Trout and Greenawalt, has added greatly to the society music.

Normal Junior Society.—The Normal Junior Society meets every Friday evening in room D. Although the writer has not had the pleasure of visiting this flourishing organization during the past quarter, yet we have made careful inquiry about it, and found the work done there is very creditable. We have taken the pains to get the minute book of the Junior Society and are delighted to see so many preparing for the work in the Senior Society. Among the active members we find: Messrs. Ressler, Schlauch, Neff, Bortree, White, Mancha, Batdorf, Overholser, Denlinger, Simpson, Brooks, Mateer, etc. The debate is the chief exercise with the Juniors, yet orations, essays, vocal and instrumental music are not neglected.

On Saturday evening, May 27, the night after the Page anniversary, the Senior Society gave one of the most interesting meetings of the session. The following is the programme:

READING OF MINUTES.
ORATION—"Some People that we Meet," *Mr. E. M. Apple.*
"THE BRIDAL CHORUS" ..... *Lyrian Glee Club.*
ESSAY—"Nature's Silent Teachers"....*Miss Rockey.*
PIANO DUET ..... *Misses Twitmire and Martin.*
REGULAR DEBATE—*Resolved*, "That the will is free."
AFFIRMATIVE—*Mr. Triebly, Miss Seager, Mr. Schlaugh.* NEGATIVE—*Mr. Binkley, Miss Eby, Mr. Dickson.*
VOCAL DUET.....*Miss Twitmire and Dr. Pickle.*
RECITATION—"The Wreck of the River Mouth." *By Miss Kersey.*
NORMAL REVIEW .....*Miss Adelaide Kuhn.*
INSTRUMENTAL QUARTETTE.
Messrs. Pinkham, Greenawalt, Noble, Carney.
SENTIMENT ROLL.
CRITIC'S REMARKS.....*Miss Keefer.*
ADJOURNMENT.

Y. W. C. T. U.

BY THE PRESIDENT.

Our Normal School "Y" is alive. There really were more plans in the heads of its members at the beginning of the summer session than there was time to execute in connection with all the other work and enjoyment of our Normal hive. New members joined the society at every meeting, and many who did not join have yet attended all the meetings, and the spirit of temperance has spread more than the membership indicates. One of the meetings was a "Union Signal Meeting," when all the items of the programme were taken from that paper and two hundred copies of it were distributed. The object was to call the attention of the students to the excellence of our National organ. Another meeting was in charge of Miss Mandane Rymer and Miss Bertha Gayman, who gave us an excellent programme. The annual reception of the Union was held in the chapel, May 13th. The guests were received on behalf of the Union by Misses Landes, Taylor, Gilbert, Rodgers and Gayman. Rooms A and D, back of the chapel, looked very pretty with the bright lamps and gay flowers—quite unlike the usual recitation rooms. There refreshment were served, consisting of lemonade and cake. The Normal School orchestra, under the leadership of Mr. Harry Trout, furnished lively music during the evening.

The Union is now anxious to raise money to help defray the expenses of the State W. C. T. U. Convention, to be held in Lancaster next October. For this purpose they held a lawn fête on the school campus on June 3, and had ice cream and strawberries for sale A lecture was given in the chapel on June 4, under the auspices of the Union, by Miss Elizabeth U. Yates, of Maine, on the subject, "The Conflict of the Modern Hercules." The Modern Hercules represented the temperance reform. Miss Yates made a strong plea, and won all hearts by her sweetness and eloquence.

The Union was represented in the county convention, May 31 and June 1, in New Holland, by Miss Landes and Miss Mary Barr, and it appeared in the discussions of that body that the eyes of the temperance people of the county are fixed upon the Millersville "Y" with approval and expectancy.

The Flower Mission work of the Union has been kept up, and dozens of bouquets have been sent out to cheer the sick room.

Y. W. C. A.

BY THE SECRETARY.

It is a good thing for young girls at school to become acquainted with the work of the Y. W. C. A. and the lovely spirit it teaches. The Normal School Y. W. C. A. is working under the motto, "Not by might, nor by power; but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts." The regular Sunday morning prayer-meetings have been very inspiring, some excellent talks being given on the subjects:

"Daughters—Their Inheritance," Num. xxvi, 6–36.
"A Gift of Love'" John iii, 16.
"Christ, the Door of Hope," John xiv, 6.
"The Young Woman's Claim on Her Sister Woman," Gen. iv, 9.
"We are God's Workmanship." Eph. ii, 10.

The Association has also held Wednesday evening prayer meetings, at one of which, May 24th, the State Secretary, Miss Carlise, was present and gave a very helpful talk.

Y. M. C. A.

BY THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The Y. M. C. A. has been doing a good work among the boys of the School. The regular meetings have been held every Sunday morning. Some of the topics discussed at these meetings are:

"The Christian's Armor," Eph. vi, 10–24.
"The Great Harvest," Matt. ix, 37–38.
"Excuses," Luke xiv, 18–20.
"Our Father's Book," Prov. iii, 1–4, John v, 39.
"Our Privileges," Luke xix, 20–27, Gal. vi, 10.
"In the World, but not of it," John xvii, 16.
"Life's Mission."

Two prayer-meetings are held each week, one on Tuesday and the other on Thursday evening. Most of these meetings are held in the students' rooms, and are marked by deep religious feeling.

Several joint meetings of the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. have been held, which were addressed by Dr. Byerly, Rev. Mr. Apple, of Bangor, Pa., and others.

The officers of the Association are: President, W. Mason Neff; Vice-President, A. M. Bruce; Recording Secretary, Morris Turner; Corresponding Secretary, W. S. Schlauch; Treasurer, Herman Jones.

Arrangements are being made to send delegates to the World's Students' Conference to be held at Northfield, Mass., in July.

The Association is grateful for the assistance and encouragement received from the Faculty and others.

ALUMNI NOTES.

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

Only two weddings to announce! Has Cupid ceased his mundane reign? Or is the Columbian Exposition—which is responsible for so much—a cause? Our readers may find some satisfactory explanation.

Married—At Warwick, Lancaster Co., Pa., Miss Ada A. Miller to Mr. Harry A. Bailey, '91, of Logansport, York Co., Pa. Among those who were conspicuous at the wedding were Miss Anna Barr, '91, of Lititz, who was bridesmaid, and Mr. James M. Mullan, '91, of Franklin Co., Pa.

Mr. Bailey is remembered among us for many things, but especially for his charming music, which used to be the pride of the Page Society. We extend our hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bailey.

MARRIED.—On Thursday, June 8th, Miss Minnie Brandt, of Maytown, Pa., to Mr. Ezra Bryner, '90, of Newport, Pa. Mr. Ira Bryner, who was a student with us in '86–'87, and who is now a teacher in the Shippensburg Normal School, was groomsman on the occasion. The JOURNAL sends kind wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Bryner.

Cards are out for the marriage of Dr. Ernest U. Buckman, '85 and Miss Elizabeth Thompson. The wedding will take place at the home of the latter in Wilkesbarre, Pa., on Wednesday evening, June 21st. Dr. Buckman is associated

with his uncle, Dr. Lewis H. Taylor, '71, in the practice of medicine in Wilkesbarre. Congratulations in advance we hope are in good form. These with warmest wishes for the future happiness of our young friends we send through the medium of THE JOURNAL.

We are glad to hear from John A. M. Passmore, Esq., '60, that his five weeks' trip to the Bermudas during the winter resulted in improving his health.

Dr. John M. Batten, '64, who is a practising physician in Pittsburg, Pa., writes very kindly of the Normal. He refers to schooldays here, of which he has the fondest recollections, and hopes for the prosperity of the "Old Normal," which he says he "still loves." His letter closes with this invocation: "May the Normal be an ever-enduring monument for all who have participated in adding to her success!" Dr. Batten lately contributed to the medical world a very able article on diphtheria.

Mr. G. W. Strominger, '86, is in the Indian School service in Idaho. This position is that of Superintendent of a training school. He speakes highly of his work, says of his school that it is the finest in the North-west and that he has a "splendid opportunity for culture in every respect."

Miss Rose Stewart, '80, is preparing herself at the Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, for a position as librarian. She will be a success in this work, we feel sure.

Two members of the class of '80 are teaching in Girard College, Philadelphia. Mr. J. K. Hasley and Miss Eva Roberts. Another member of this class, Miss Emma Whitson, now Dr. Whitson, is resident physician at the Lying-in-hospital, 11th and Cherry streets, Philadelphia. She gives us the information that she enjoys her vacation and position very much.

Dr. Lilian Welsh, '75, is practicing her profession in Baltimore. The firm is Drs. Welsh and Sherwood.

The members of '68 will be interested to hear something of Miss Hattie Bruckhart, of that class, who is now teaching in a girl's school in Yokohama, Japan. In a long and very charming letter written on April 4th, she gives quite a full account of the people among whom she is working, as to their personal cheracter, mannes of living, etc. She also tells of her work and her way of living. She says she is not homesick, but is sometimes possessed of an intense yearning to see her home friends. She enjoyed some special privileges in being invited to see the porcelain and silk exhibition prepared for the Chicago Fair. An incident recorded in her letter may interest many of our readers, especially that part devoted to millinery. She, together with some American and English friends, had set their hearts on new spring bonnets, when, sad to relate, on the very eve of Easter, the news reached them that the vessel bearing the precious cargo of Paris finery had collided in the Suez canal, and everything was lost. "Alas," she says, our "spring bonnets are now probably keeping company with the bones and chariots of Pharoh's hosts, and we follow the fashion of the natives and go with heads uncovered."

Mr. A. Reist Rutt, who was with us as a student in '88 and '89, takes his diploma at Pennsylvania College this summer.

Miss Leora Pusey, '72, lives in Philadelphia. At present she is employed as collector for the "Organized Charity of West Philadelphia," She writes that her work has so many pleasant features that she is fully justified in saying that she thoroughly enjoys it.

A letter from Rev. G. R. Anderson, '74, dated Holden, Mo., contains the sad item of the death of his wife, who was Miss Sallie M. Work, of Mercersburg, Pa. He is left with a family of six children to care for. The letter tells also of the death of a son of his brother, Dr. A. S. M. Anderson, '74. These are sad bereavements, and call for the sympathy of classmates and friends.

Mr. J. J. Hoopes, 67, is now the engineer in charge of the levee of the Mississippi river on the Arkansas side from Luna Landing to Amos Bayou. The *Arkansas City Journal* speaks of Mr. Hoopes as "in every respect competent and a No. 1. good levee man."

Gave a Fine Exhibition.

The Millersville Normal School's Young Lady Athletics—Great Proficiency Shown--Grace and Litheness and the Poetry and Rhythm of Motion Shown by the Young Ladies on the Parallel Bars—The Bewitching Æsthetic Movements.

[From the Lancaster Daily Examiner, May 22.]

It is pleasing to know and see that the Millersville State Normal School, the first in the Commonwealth, again holds the front rank among our educational institutions. The school has had its ups and downs, its struggles and victories—all resulting from various causes. But now it seems to be in the zenith of its influence for good, and more largely than ever sensitive to the promptings of progressive culture. Much of the success which now crowns the career of Millersville Normal is undoubtedly due to the ability of Dr. E. Oram Lyte, the Principal, as an instructor, his tact as a disciplinarian and his fine executive powers. A good Principal, a wise and successful teacher and a great guide of youth need not necessarily be the scholar of the ages, but must have that well-disciplined personality which was so originally represented in Dr. Arnold, of Rugby. Dr. Lyte is not only a scholar, but a man of that tactful sympathy which influences men to aid him in the material means to build up a school, and with that indescribable something we generalize by the term "personality," which has a wholesome effect upon the minds and morals of those committed to his care. The first quality is shown in the splendid new buildings lately erected, and the latter in the number of scholars which now crowd the dormitories and class rooms of the Normal.

The progressive spirit of the management is seen in the new direction the line of instruction is taking and the judicious importance given those things which in the past were ignored altogether or most perfunctorily taught. We allude to the Model School, the scientific department and the gymnasium. This latter is the great addition which Dr. Lyte has added to the school curriculum, and a very important one it is. It was an entertainment given in the halls of the gymnasium by the young ladies of the Normal on Saturday night which attracted a vast crowd of invited guests, and which turned out to be not only one of the most pleasing scenes of the kind this reporter ever saw, but a revelation as to how much good work can be done in a year under scientific and enthusiastic direction. No doubt our grandfathers and grandmothers would have had their ideas sadly rattled, and their views of propriety shocked, had they seen the performance. But the old times were not the best times or the wisest. It required the nineteenth century to write the best book on education and provoke the truest scientific criticism in the lines of instruction, or what life and culture mean. The best definition ever given of that much-abused word "culture" is "a preparation for complete living." This means not only a finely trained mind, capable of playing the game of life well, but the body and physical endurance to play it long and to the best advantage. The highways of scholarship are marked by the premature epitaphs written by wise heads as a commentary on weak bodies. The sturdy and incessant struggles of men kept them strong, but who in the old days thought of the women, upon whom must depend the future of the race? Neither the education of her mind nor her body received the attention their prime importance demanded. In the evolution of the race woman first conquered man by attention to personal adornment—appealing to the sexual instincts; now she is in the arena, not to conquer support, but to compete, and she finds the condition needed is a well-balanced mental and physical development. The boy finds his best exercise on the playground—the girl has no place but the gymnasium. We make these preliminary remarks as a defense of what we believe to be a very necessary and important part of any system of education—one which gives the sound mind in the sound body. "The first essential of a gentlemen," says Emerson, "is being a good animal"—that is, one with a complete physical and mental adjustment.

The gymnasium is a fine building, admirably adjusted to its requirements and fully furnished with all the paraphernalia of an improved kind to give the best results. All the pupils take part in the exercises. None who are able can shirk this any more than other parts of the curriculum. Every class has a division which takes gymnastic exercises at the appointed hours. Of course, as in other things, some become more expert than others, and it was the pick of these who gave the delightful entertainment on Saturday night, under the guidance of their very efficient instructor, Miss Fleming.

The following was the programme:

PART I.

Music.....Normal Orchestra.
Marching.....Young Ladies of Senior Class.
Calisthenics.....Model School Children.
Dumb Bell Quadrille.....Model School Girls.
Parallel Bars, Vaulting Bar, Climbing.
Club Swinging.....Sixteen Young Ladies.
Intermission.
Music.....Normal Orchestra

PART II.

Æsthetic Movements.....14 Young Ladies.
Exercises.....Relaxing, Poising.
Emotional Attitudes, Welcome, Triumph, Listening, Abhorrence, Defense, Invitation, Rejection, Anguish, Languor, Homage.
Dumb Bell Drill.....Young Ladies' Junior Class.
Club Swinging, Misses Brinton, Brosius, Ball, Nields, Noble, Spindler, Wilson.
Fancy Steps.....Thirty-two Young Ladies.
Adjournment.

The dress worn by the young ladies was a simple bloomer, modest, appropriate and made a sensible man wish that it was the style for everyday wear. Nothing could have been more modest or more in keeping with sound sense than the dress of the pretty and lithe Normal girls. Their first march, so accurate, rhythmic and graceful captured the audience at once and the rounds of applause attested the appreciation of the lookers-on. A male scholar behind this reporter remarked—"We boys will have to hump ourselves to come up to that, and then we will be half a mile behind or out on second base." Beautiful as it was, the calisthenics of the younger pupils of the Model School, and the dumb bell or club swinging, the audience was amazed at the proficiency of several young ladies in leaping, parallel bar exercise and climbing the rope. This involved strength of muscle, activity and sound lungs. If you think it easy to jump up to a horizontal bar seven or eight feet high and vault over it or climb a rope hand over hand try it and learn by experience you do not know it all. But the grace and litheness, the poetry and rhythm of motion shown by the young ladies on the parallel bars was as wonderful as it was delightful. The second part of the programme was bewitching. The "Æsthetic Movements," the Delsarte culture by fourteen young ladies, was a most beautiful exhibition of subdued grace. The sweet, graceful semi-Greek costumes, dainty white, of lawn or lace, the masculine mind knows not—but the pretty adornment of equally pretty faces and graceful figures made a picture seldom seen and never forgotten. Here, too, was the poetry of motion and pose, from the graceful turn of a finger to the point of dainty satin slipper. From "Welcome" to "Homage" the unwhispering audience watched the noiseless sway of hands. the poise of head, the falling of sleeves into silent grace, exposing the symmetry of fair arms, in supplication or defense—all like the still sweep of fairy dance or the ball-room swirl of beauty in airy dreams. Never on the professional stage was there ever a more perfect exhibition of intricate club swinging than that given by the Misses Brinton, Brosius and

others. It was as rhythmic as the motion of the spheres, and deserved the full appreciation of the audience at large and the special admiration of those who know anything about the difficulties of Indian club practice. The lively grace of "Fancy Steps" was a fitting finale to one of the most pleasing entertainments the schools of this county have ever furnished. The whole thing was a credit to the school, and is worthy the commendation of the public. What we have said is not the mere formal words of an ordinary newspaper puff, or for the purpose of perfunctory praise, but the honest expression of enthusiasm over what we believe to be a very important feature of education and pleasure we feel in knowing it has been so successfully introduced into our own Normal School.

The Millersville Normal.

Its Present and Probable Future Success. The Principal the Right Man in the Right Place.

From the Lancaster Daily NEW ERA, March 29.

The wonderful increase of students at the Normal School at Millersville, the present session must be specially gratifying to the Principal, Dr. E. O. Lyte, because it demonstrates the accuracy of his judgment and foresight in urging the erection of new buildings and the providing of additional accommodations for more pupils. Without these now many applicants for admission would have to be turned away, and the progress of the school would be, of course, correspondingly retarded. The present gratifying condition should therefore not only be a matter of pride to all concerned, but it should also result in increased respect for the principal's recommendations, and ensure him heartiest coöperation on the part of the trustees and assistants generally in carrying out his plans for the still greater development of the institution.

Dr. Lyte has certainly displayed marked ability, not only in bringing the school up to its present high standard of excellence, but also in popularizing it, that is, in getting people to recognize its advantages, and thus secure for it their patronage. And there can scarcely be a doubt but that if he continues in the same course and is properly sustained, as he no doubt will be, he will be largely instrumental in making the Millersville Normal, not only one of the best, but also one of the best known educational institutions in the country.

And who can tell or measure the advantages such an institution will be to the neighborhood and nation? We say nation advisedly, because already in almost every part of our country may be found persons, many of them occupying prominent positions, who at one time were pupils at the Millersville Normal. If any one doubts this, let him look at the Normal publications, in which are given as fully as possible the present location and business of former students, most of whom were born in this Normal School district. It will be found that these are now almost everywhere, and the friends of the school have no reason to be dissatisfied with their general successfulness, the result, much of it as many of them concede, of their training while at Millersville. Multiply this record, both as to numbers and qualifications, as must be done year after year to get any just estimate of the increasing influence of the school, and one can get some idea of the extent of its possible and probable beneficence.

But in considering Dr. Lyte's ability in developing a great school, and his foresight in providing suitable plans for its proper growth, and also in calculating the extended influence of such an institution, we should not lose sight of the fact that with the growth of our Normal the greatest advantages must almost necessarily accrue to Lancaster countians, and consequently every effort to advance the school's interests should have the encouragement and support of our own people. If these are liberally given, there can be little doubt of the school's greater success, and the result will be a special and immeasurable benefit to our people, a cause for rejoicing by friends of liberal education generally, and an added lustre to the good name and fame of our great county of Lancaster.

A Visitor's Impressions.

The following article is from the Everett *Press* of April 14. The signature "S" stands for the Hon. William C. Smith, whom the students of 1866 will remember as a bright boy in one of the upper divisions of the school. Mr. Smith is editor of the Everett *Press* and is now serving his county with distinction in the House of Representatives. Every one at the school was pleased to see him and to listen to the interesting address to which he modestly refers in the article here given.

A Visit to the Millersville State Normal School.

On Thursday evening of last week I took a run down to Millersville to pay a visit to my old friend Prof. J. G. Krichbaum, who is one of the faculty of the Normal School. In company with Mr. Krichbaum, I visited the school buildings and called on Dr. Lyte, the principal. It was just before the school came together in the chapel for opening exercises, and I was invited to take a seat on the platform with the Doctor, where I could witness the scholars assembling in the Hall; nearly seven hundred young ladies and gentlemen, like the marching of military companies into position, filed into the chapel and took their places until the large hall was filled. The opening exercises consisted of singing the doxology, reading a chapter in the bible and a hymn After this Dr. Lyte pretty nearly took the breath from his guest by announcing that a former student was on the platform and would address the school. Well, I was in for it and stood the ordeal as well as I could under the embarrassing situation. After my remarks were brought to a close, and they had the merit of brevity, the principal invited all the Bedford county students to appear in his room to meet me. I was much gratified at this and had the pleasure of taking by the hand J. F. Biddle, Edward and Walter Noble, J. D. and D. Ritchey, S. E. Rice, Mr. Brumbaugh and William Reynolds, Misses Gertrude Noble, Grace Penrose, Ida and Elizabeth Fockler, Laura Sparks and Effie Brumbaugh, and I think one or two more, whose names I have forfotten. So it is a palpable fact that Millersville State Normal School is still a favorite of the Bedford county students. In all there are about 900 pupils including the model school and kindergarten, and the school is in a most prosperous condition. Recently a gymnasium has been completed, and a new and elegant library building is about finished, also a large structure for scientific instruction is nearly ready for occupancy, besides large annexes to the main buildings. The growth of the State Normal in every respect has been remarkable and it presents the appearance of a University. The State Normal still leads the Normal Schools of the State, and is doing a great work for the cause of education. May her sun never set.

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A very interesting article in the January number of *Sports Afield*, entitled "My Great Catch," contains the following reference to the Tecumseh base-ball club, which was the leading club of our school in '66, '67 and '68. The article is written by Dr. Edward P. Koemer, Lebanon, Pa., who was at that time a member of the Alpha base-ball club, the crack club of Franklin and Marshall College.

"Our most redoubtable foes were the Tecumsehs of the State Normal School at Millersville. With several hundred students to select from, they got together a really good nine, and one of their very best players either "in the box" or "behind the bat" was E. O. Lyte, A. M., Ph. D., now principal of this large and flourishing school."

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SESSIONS, TERMS, Etc.

The Winter Session of 1893-'94 will begin on the last Monday in August, and continue twenty-eight weeks. The Summer Session of 1894 will begin on the last Monday in March, and continue fourteen weeks.

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