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The unparalleled prosperity of our School in the midst of the "hard times" is gratifying to the friends of the institution. The authorities feel that they are greatly indebted to our alumni, old students, and other friends for their unwavering support. What they have done for us is highly appreciated. We try to maintain the high standing of the School, and thus keep it worthy of the support of all our friends, and the educational public.

Hon. Sam Matt Fridy, of Mountville, has been elected by the Trustees of the School to fill the unexpired term caused by the death of Mr. Daniel Herr (Pequea). Mr. Fridy is familiar with the School and its work, having served as a member of the Board of Trustees several years ago. He will make an efficient director.

Miss Florence M. Lawrie, of Boston, took Miss Twitmire's place in the department of music this fall. Miss Lawrie is a graduate of the Boston Conservatory of Music. She is a brilliant performer on the piano and possesses a very fine soprano voice, and has proved herself to be an excellent teacher.

Miss Emmy Lundgrin has been selected to take charge of the manual training department of the School. Miss Lundgrin is a native of Sweden, and is a graduate of the most famous manual training school in the world, the one at Naas, in charge of Director Salamon.

N. E. A.

The next meeting of the National Educational Association, with Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, Columbia College, New York, as president, will be held in Denver, Colorado, July 9–12. The National Council of Educators will meet at the same place July 5–9.

The local managers at Denver are already actively preparing for this meeting, which promises to be one of the largest ever held by the Association. It is probable that the railroad rates to Denver and return will be one fare for the round trip, plus $2.00 for the membership fee of the N. E. A. Return tickets will be good till September 1, and there will doubtless be numbers of excursions from Denver to points on interest in the West.

The director of the N. E. A. for Pennsylvania, Dr. Lyte, has been appointed manager of the Association for Eastern Pennsylvania (exclusive of Philadelphia). He will take pleasure in giving any one information concerning the meeting. It is believed that Pennsylvania will be largely represented at the coming meeting of the largest educational association in the world.

The plans for the improvement of our grounds prepared by J. Wilkinson Elliot, the distinguished architect of Pittsburg, were carried into effect under the efficient supervision of H. M. Mayer, Esq., as far as it was possible before the winter season began. The grounds have been cleared and graded around the library building; the science building is now standing upon a terrace; and a beautiful lake has appeared as if by magic north of the baseball field. Two pretty islands dot the surface of the lake. When the banks are made to conform to the plan of the architect, and the trees and shrubs selected by him are planted, the grounds will be extremely attractive.

The front of the administration building, including the tower, has been changed in harmony with the buildings between which it stands. The tower is surmounted by a belfry. From the round windows in the eighth story of the tower, a fine view of the "Garden of the State" can be obtained. The finial on the tower is about 130 feet from the ground. It is almost as high as the flag staff in the front campus.

If you are thinking of attending school next spring apply early for a room. Numbers of student have already registered for rooms for the spring session, and a few have reserved rooms for next fall and winter session. With the many enlargements to our dormitories we shall probably be able to accommodate in the building all who attend school next summer. At the same time it is wise to secure a room as early as possible.

A number of new students will enter school after the holidays. Several new classes will be organized in a short time.

Death of Daniel Herr.

BY ANDREW M. FRANTZ, ESQ.
(Secretary of the Board of Trustees.)

Since the last issue of this JOURNAL the old Normal has suffered a serious loss by the death of one of its oldest and most devoted Trustees, Daniel Herr, Esq., (Pequea). Mr. Herr was born and lived all his lifetime on the banks of Pequea Creek, about seven miles from Millersville, and was a member of the Board of Trustees for a period of nearly thirty years. The character of the man and the esteem in which he was held can best be gathered from the following proceedings of the surviving Trustees.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, November 3, 1894, the death of Mr. Herr was announced by the President, and a committee on resolutions expressive of the feelings of the Board was appointed. The committee, consisting of Andrew M. Frantz, Esq., Hon. John B. Warfel and A. F. Hostetter, Esq., made the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

WHEREAS, Death's messenger summoned and removed from among us Daniel Herr, who for many years met with the Trustees of this institution as one of their number. Therefore,

Resolved, That his death has caused a vacancy which is hard to fill, not only in this Board, but also in the community wherein he lived and moved. In the character of the deceased those qualities which constitute a dear friend, a safe counsellor and a judiciously progressive citizen were most happily blended.

Resolved, That we realize in the death of the departed the loss of one whose good qualities of head and heart contributed through many years much towards the successful establishment of this, the first Normal School of Pennsylvania, which has now attained a condition of recognized preëminence among the Normal Schools of the State.

Resolved, That we hereby express our profound sympathy for the family of the deceased, which has been so suddenly and unexpectedly afflicted by this bereavement, and that a copy of this action of the Board of Trustees be sent to them and also be published in the next issue of THE NORMAL JOURNAL.

A New Text-Book.

The first book of a series of arithmetics for common schools, with Dr. Geo. W. Hull, professor of mathematics in the First Pennsylvania State Normal School, a fine mathematician and excellent teacher of mathematics, as author, has just been published by E. H. Butler & Co., Philadelphia. The author says in the preface:

"It has been made an object of this book to eliminate all unnecessary operations and to enrich the subject with a large number of exercises in simple calculations and concrete problems. The young pupil will thus be enabled to master the elements of arithmetic with ease and to acquire skill in the use of numbers."

A hasty examination of the work leads us to the opinion that the author has given us an elementary work largely freed from the rubbish found in so many books prepared for children of 8 to 12 years of age. The book looks "easy," it is beautifully printed and substantially bound, and it appears neither too large nor too small for the purpose for which the author intends it. THE JOURNAL will have more to say of the work at a future time.

The gentlemen's building has been remodeled and made to conform in style to the architecture which rendered the ladies' building one of the most beautiful school buildings in the State. Many persons think the gentlemen's building is handsomer than the ladies' building.

We hope to have a large class of resident graduates next spring. Many schools are demanding a higher grade of scholarship than is provided in the Elementary course, and our leading graduates should make an effort to meet the demands of the schools.

Persons desiring to take an excursion next summer should bear in mind that the trip to Denver to attend the meeting of the National Educational Association will probably be the cheapest and most enjoyable trip of the season.

We have room in our classes for earnest students whether bright or not; but we do not care for pupils who do not want to work. "Graduation without effort," or "graduation by the almanac," has never been our motto.

The spring and summer session of the School will begin Monday, April 2d, and continue fourteen weeks.

Send for a catalogue.

A Question for Literature Classes.

The following mottoes are copied from one of the beautiful stained glass windows in the north end of the upper room of the Library building. Who of our young readers can give the names of the authors of these selections?

Read not to contradict and confute, nor to believe and take for granted, nor to find talk and discourse, but to weigh and consider.

No one with books e'er needs to be alone:
More powerful than the monarch on his throne,
He has in stately tomes, at his command,
The wise and great of every age and land.

All rests with those who read. A work or thought
Is what each makes it to himself, and may
Be full of great deep meanings like the sea,
With shoals of life rushing.

Ignorance is the curse of God,
Knowledge the wing wherewith we fly to heaven.

How empty learning and how vain is art,
But as it mends the life and guides the heart.

Extract from a Letter.

DR. E. ORAM LYTE.

Dear Sir,—Allow me to express my sincere gratitude to you and your faculty for the marked improvement my daughter has made since she has been at your institution. I well know that it has taken hard and persistent work on her part and many patient days of instruction on the part of your teachers.

Again accept my heartfelt thanks for your kind care of my daughter, morally, as well as physically and intellectually.

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NORMAL NOTE BOOK.

[Hand items for this column to Miss Gilbert.]

ITEMS.

Eleven graduate students are in residence this term.

The Senior Class numbers one hundred and two.

The two new halls in the gentlemen's building will be named Brooks and Wickersham.

Crimson and gold are the colors of the Junior Class. The annex to the dining room was brilliantly decorated with them on the evening of the Thanksgiving sociable.

Though our attendance is mainly limited to Pennsylvanians, as is natural at a State school, our geographical range extends from New York to Cuba and westward to Arizona. Maryland sends the greatest number next to the Keystone State, with New York next, and then Delaware, Missouri and Virginia.

Vertical writing is now taught in the Model School with satisfactory results.

The Christmas holidays will begin on the evening of Thursday, December 20th, and close January 1st, 1895.

The annual meeting and banquet of the Philadelphia Branch of the Alumni Association, held at the Colonnade Hotel, November 16th, was attended by Dr. Lyte, Dr. Hull, Mr. Lansinger, Miss Lyle and Miss Gilbert.

The officers of the Senior Class are: President, Mr. Wilbur J. Brown; Vice President, Mr. Harry Good; Secretary, Miss Mercy Fridy, and Treasurer, Mr. Stanley Bortree. The colors of the class are purple and white.

The officers of the S. W. C. A. are: President, Miss Estabrook; Vice President, Miss Deaver; Recording Secretary, Miss Young; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Wilson; Treasurer, Miss Bartholomew. They hold weekly prayer meetings on Sunday morning and on Wednesday evening.

The Inquiry Club, composed of members of the Faculty, meets weekly on Friday evening to discuss questions in Psychology and Pedagogy. Papers have been read on Apperception, Perception, Memory, Intuition and Materialism.

The new arrangement of tables in the dining-room improves its appearance and gives us a fine "Broadway" down the centre.

The week beginning December 3d is examination week, and marks the middle point of the winter session. New classes will be formed in various branches the following week.

Miss Cronin, an enthusiastic exponent of the Pollard system of Reading, recently laid it before the Senior Class. The method has been adopted in Lancaster.

Prof. Thorbahn, of Lancaster, spends Friday morning of each week at the Normal, giving instruction on the violin, guitar and mandolin.

Robert Browning's poems are the subject of study in a class formed among some of the teachers for that end. Mr. Lindsey directs the work.

The classes in Methods have been taking work under Dr. Bitner, Mr. Roddy, Miss Gilbert and Miss Landes in turn. At the end of the 18th week they will be transferred to Dr. Hull, Miss Bennett, Miss Lyle and Mr. Lindsey for two weeks' work with each. Mr. Pinkham will close with Methods in Physical Culture.

All the ladies of the School were guests of Miss Fleming, Miss Gilbert and Miss Landes at an old-fashioned Hallow E'en party given in the gymnasium. If it is true, as we have heard, that in addition to the time devoted to refreshments, games and dancing, considerable time was spent by the maidens in looking into the future for the coming man, it does seem inconsistent that so many a man about the Normal that would have been glad to come wasn't asked at all. The whole sex was rigidly excluded, yet the girls say that they had a "perfectly lovely" time.

It has recalled and renewed many happy associations to have with us for a brief visit our former loved and honored members of the Faculty, Mr. and Mrs. J. Willis Westlake. They have been living for several years in a beautiful home among the orange groves on the shores of Lake Helen, Florida. Though it has been nearly ten years since Mr. Westlake gave up his work here in the literary department that he had created, we hope that the inspiration of his teaching lingers still. Not only the fortunate students that sat at his feet and felt the highest yearnings of their better nature stirred through his appreciative interpretation of the ideals presented by the divine masters of song and story, but many a boy and girl here and elsewhere has had good reason to rise up and call him blessed through the inspiration passed along to them by his pupils.

Miss Lilian May Gamber, '90, paid a short visit to her Alma Mater lately. She has given up teaching, preparatory to carrying out a long-cherished plan of going as a missionary to Africa.

Miss Emma L. Gilbert, assistant in Latin and Greek from '91 to '94, spent a week at the Normal in October, on her way back to the University of Chicago, where she holds a Latin fellowship. At the recent election in Illinois she was a duly registered voter, qualified to cast the ballot for certain school officers.

Miss Mollie Bennett, teacher in the new Tome Institute, Port Deposit, spent Thanksgiving with her sister, our drawing teacher, at the Normal.

Another Thanksgiving visitor was Mr. William B. Noble, '91, now physical instructor and dental student in the University of Pennsylvania.

Miss Grace Brosius, now of Swarthmore College, came back to see us during the Thanksgiving recess. Among other Alumni and old

students that have been here are: Miss Alice Bricker, '89; Superintendent of Lititz Schools; Mr. Samuel H. Ranck, Pratt Library, Baltimore, Md.; Miss Ada Simmons, of Christiana; Misses Fannie Hess, Ada Rockey, Anna Hogate, Lola Sechrist, Mary Tausset, Mary Hastings and Mabel Arnold, and Messrs. Dilworth Eschbach, Thomas Dill, Jesse Mateer, Hermann Weidner, G. W. Billett, Charles E. Overholser and John F. Biddle. The Normal mother likes to welcome back her sons and daughters. To quote our Principal, "The latch string is always out."

The educational equipment of the Model School has recently received some valuable additions purchased for us in Germany by Prof. Noss. They include many colored plates for work in Geography, History and Art, fine photographs of the old masters, entomological specimens, and boxes of cotton, silk and wool in every stage from the raw material to the finest finished fabrics.

Parents' Day was observed in the Model School on November 30th. The regular work of the School was carried on for two periods, and then there were interesting exercises of a general character pertaining mostly to Thanksgiving. Dr. Bitner made a very appropriate speech emphasizing the value of education. The number of parents in attendance was gratifying.

The Normal Ladies' Quartette, consisting of Miss Emory, Mrs. Bitner, Miss Danner and Miss Wales furnished the music for the Teachers' Institute at the Thursday evening entertainment in the Opera House, preceding Senator Ingalls' lecture.

Miss Emory and Miss Landes contributed songs and recitations to the entertainment in College gymnasium given for the benefit of the Lancaster Y. W. C. A.

Miss Fleming gave an exhibition before the Institute of a beautiful wand-drill with sixteen girls from the Model School.

Dr. Lyte's talk before the Lancaster Institute on "Pennsylvania in the Schools" was highly appreciated. He has been in great demand for Institute work this fall.

Dr. Hull, Miss Landes and Mr. Lindsey have been enrolled among the instructors at different institutes in the State.

Examination papers occasionally furnish startling statements. Here is one. "The whole solar system is made up of the nebular hypothesis."

An excited grammar student was heard to refer to an examination question about an "*idiotic* passive construction."

A bit of psychological knowledge from a youth in Methods class. "The ego is the *eye*. The non-ego is the *not-eye*. When I put any object, as a box, behind me where I can not see it, it is an example of not-eye."

SENIOR SOCIABLE.

The sociable given by the Senior Class, on the evening of November 3d, was very pleasant. The attractiveness of the social features was varied by an amusing pantomime and by some charades also in pontomime. Forefathers (four fathers), Tennyson (ten knees on), and Seven Ages of Man were represented.

Mr. Roddy received the prize for guessing the names of the greatest number of works in the Art Gallery. They comprised such studies as Burst of a Great Commentator (a large potato boiled to the point of bursting), Bridge of Size (spectacles with very large bridge), Picket on Guard (a fence-paling on a watch-guard), etc.

There was also a prize given to the person remembering the greatest number of fruits and vegetables on a table at which he was allowed to take but a single glance. Mr. Sauder won a luscicus orange, and the booby-prize, a pickle, was carried off by Mr. Bortree.

An attractive feature was the humaniphone exhibited by Mr. Yoder. The musical notes were represented by human faces appearing through oval holes in the large white canvas on which a staff of gigantic proportions was drawn. As the director pointed to each note, it responded with the proper tone.

Vanilla and chocolate ice cream were served in the east annex, tastefully festooned in white and purple for the occasion.

The committee of arrangements are certainly to be congratulated on the enjoyable evening they gave us.

JUNIOR SOCIABLE.

The Junior Class tendered the school a Thanksgiving sociable. The cards given to the gentlemen had conundrums written on them, and the answers were written on the cards given to the ladies. To find the answers to those conundrums was conducive to sociability from the beginning.

The "Normal Family" of fourteen was exhibited on the rostrum by their proud mother, Miss Jordy, during the course of the evening, and their varied accomplishments shown in turn to an admiring audience. We do not remember their odd names, ranging from the effusively poetical to the severely Biblical, but there was a coquette (Miss Doughty), a giggler (Miss Quail), a weeper, who howled dismally on all occasions (Miss McAlister), a geological student (Miss Rubinkam), a football player (Mr. Patterson), a Normal boy (Mr. Cochran), a count (Mr. Ferrar), and several musicians, including Miss Swab, Miss Shelley and Mr. Bassler. Miss Shelley sang like a bird, Miss Lawson gave a humorous rendition of Casabianca, and Miss Hamilton, who made an adorable baby, spoke a little piece fitted to the character. No wonder this remarkable family has been asked to appear before royalty many times.

The titles of several literary works were given in pantomime: "Reveries of a Bachelor," "Lay of the Last Minstrel," "Little Jack Horner," etc.

Conversation, music, marches and refreshments filled up the rest of a delightful evening.

FOOT BALL.

The football season just closed was one of the most successful ones in the history of the School. The men put up a strong, fair, manly game and worked together admirably. They did not miss a recitation for practice, they had no training table, no coacher, no "suits of armor" or such things as savor of "professionals" and the ring. Their adversaries, who with one exception met defeat, found them gentlemen and not sluggers.

The players and their positions were as follows: left end, Parry; left tackle, Heilig; left guard, Markle; centre, Kauffman; right guard, Hain; right tackle, Glatfelter; right end, Keorper; quarterback, Lynch (captain); left halfback, Garber; right halfback, Burns; fullback, Gochenour; substitutes, Beck, Tobias, Moyer, Noble and Patterson.

The games played and the scores are below, the Normal score being given first: October 20, Normal, 34; Ephrata, 0. October 27, Normal, 0; York, 8. November 3, Normal, 46; Red Rose, of Lancaster, 0. November 10, Normal, 10; F. and M. Reserves, 0. November 24, Normal, 6; Franklin and Marshall College, 0. November 29, Normal, 16. Columbia Olympic Club, 0.

One pleasing victory was over the Franklin and Marshall team, which has won a number of victories this season and has considerable prestige among the college teams in the State. The boys received an enthusiastic welcome when they returned, singing, "What have we done? What have we done? Beat F. and M. six to none;" the reception concluding with an oyster supper at "Andy's," given to the boys by the Principal in celebration of the victory. The F. and M. boys played their best team, and a gentleman who has seen a number of the great games of the country says he never witnessed a more determined effort than that made by the strong team of the College to break through the Normal line. Our boys are justly entitled to the championship of Lancaster county, as they have played the strongest clubs in the county, no one of which has been able to score against them.

The Athletic Association organized the first week of the term and elected the following officers: President, S. H. Hain; Vice President, Harry Tobias; Secretary, Mr. Keever; Treasurer, Mr. Lansinger. Manager for the foot ball season, Mr. Gochenour.

One of our former football players, Mr. Wm. Worth, is now a substitute on the team of the University of Pennsylvania.

Millersville School Alumni.

Eleventh Annual Banquet of the Philadelphia Branch.

[From the Philadelphia Ledger, Nov. 17.]

The eleventh annual banquet of the Philadelphia Branch of the Alumni of the Millersville State Normal School was served last evening at the Colonnade Hotel, about 75 covers being spread. The following were the toasts responded to: "The Higher Education," Dr. George S. Fullerton; "Living Pictures," C. Eugene Montgomery; "Recitation," Miss M. Frances Boice; "Through Thick and Thin," C. H. Harding; "Nothing." Dr. M. G. Brumbaugh. Addresses were also delivered by Dr. E. O. Lyte, Col. J. A. M. Passmore, Supt. G. W. Weiss and others.

The officers elected were, President: P. J. Umstead; Vice-President, John K. Andre; Secretary, Watson Cornell; Treasurer, George W. Flounders; Executive Committee, W. C. Jacobs, Jesse H. Michener, George W. Hull, Edward Bailey, Mary L. Dunn, Mary A. Whitson and M. Frances Boice.

Those present included Lucie Stager, Palmyra, N. J.; Mary H. Whitson, Dr. E. O. Lyte, of Millersville; Professor and Mrs. Watson Cornell, Mary L. Dunn, Garrettsford, Pa.; A. G. C. Smith, Media, Pa.; Geo. W. Flounders, Ashbourne, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Verlenden, Darby; Chas. H. Harding, Dr. Geo. W. Hull, J. W. Lansinger, W. H. Piper, Miss Sallie Gilbert and Miss Anna Lyle, Millersville; Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Heilman, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Andre, Mrs. Charles Lloyd, Riverton, N. J.; Sallie H. Bryan, Charles F. Myers, Doylestown; Col. and Mrs. J. A. M. Passmore, Harriet L. Passmore, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Michener, Lizzie R. Butman, Bridgeport; Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Doughty, Gillingham F. Doughty, Hartsville; C. F. Michener, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore C. Search, Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Raub, Newark, Del.; Miss Rose Morgan, A. H. Raub, W. B. Noble, Mrs. Charles Harding, Mrs. Rachel Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Baily, John C. Swartley, Doylestown; Ella Mauger, Sharon Hill; Duane Wevill, Mary E. Pryor, Bryn Mawr; W. C. Jacobs, Miss M. S. Brosius, Miss Lucy Harris, Miss Margaret Harris, Mickleton, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Weaver, Lancaster; H. W. Fisher, Harrisburg; Margaret T. Davis, Thorndale, Pa.; Elizabeth L. Tagg, Quinton, N. J.

THE SOCIETIES.

The Normal Literary Society.

BY H. JUSTIN RODDY.

So near the beginning of the school year it is difficult to predict the literary developments among the Society's men and women. But it is evident that, as in the past, students will go out at the year's close strong in debate, bright in oratory and original in composition.

The orations thus far delivered have dealt with phases of life and our Nation's growth. Several of them showed ability both in treatment and in delivery.

Quite a number of essays, showing literary ability and originality in thought, have held the attention of the Society. Among the best taken at random we may mention "Tongues in Trees," by Miss Albert; "Unknown Heroes," by Miss Gherst, and a unique one by Miss Jordy, entitled "Why We Like People."

"That Adversity is Necessary to the Development of Great Character," and "That the Interests of the Country Demand the Formation of a Third Party," called forth the powers of the debaters to their best.

Among this year's debaters Messrs. Brown and Lynch, and Misses Gherst and Estabrooke, deserve special mention.

Quite a group of reciters in Misses Phillips, Brosnahan, Wert, Moore and Albert have favored the Society in one of its most popular features.

Of course we must notice the gentlemen's quartet, consisting of Messrs. Davis, Good, Wentzel and Frederici. Their rendering of College songs is especially enjoyed.

The regular meeting of November 17th, the night after Institute, called forth the best efforts of the Society. We give the program in full:

Music,.....Lyrian Glee Club
Oration, "Life's Problem,".....Prof. Lindsay
Essay, "An Aim in Life,".....Miss Mattern
Violin Solo,.....Mr. Bassler
Regular Debate—
Resolved, That United States Senators should be elected directly by the people. Affirmative—Miss Johnson, Mr. Moyer, Mr. Bagenstose; Negative—Miss Baker, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Brown.
General Debate.
Ladies' Chorus.
Recitation, "The Toboggan Slide,
Miss Brosnahan
Normal Review, ...Miss Moore
Sentiment Roll.
Critic's Remarks, ...Miss Albert

The Normal Juniors are engaged in active preparation for Senior work next year. The meetings are excellent, with interesting debates and good music.

Our Normalite friends always look forward with pleasure to the last Friday evening in January, to the anniversary occasion. This furnishes not only a literary treat in the orations, the readings and the music, but is also a social event, for it brings us all some of our friends. We hope to make the 38th anniversary, on the 25th of January, 1895, a memorable one. Dr. A. E. Leaman, Class of '88, will preside, with Miss Emeline Passmore, Class of '92, as Secretary. The honorary oration will be delivered by Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, our worthy State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Normal oration by John C. Andre, Esq., Class of '73, a prominent lawyer of Philadelphia. Miss Ida E. Heyl has been secured to give the readings. A good musical programme has also been arranged, in which the Misses Bundy, of Philadelphia, will appear.

A graduate of '92 and a very successful teacher writes: "Every day I have reason to be thankful for the time I spent at Millersville and for the help the School has been to me since graduation."

The Page Literary Society.

BY ANNA LYLE.

The Page Society, the older of the two literary organizations of the School, has just entered upon its fortieth year. It has had a worthy past, and has fair prospects for a successful future.

It has eminent men and women in near places and in far distant ones helping to do the world's work.

With the motto, "Rich in Truth," as an inspiration, Pageites are distinguishing themselves in every profession, in every vocation. As lawyers, as doctors, as editors, as ministers of the gospel, as ministers of state, as legislators, some have already attained eminence, others are honorably striving for it.

The young men and the young women who are now taking an active part in its weekly meetings are doing excellent work, and by this work perpetuating the good name of their Society and preparing themselves through the advantages it affords for the larger work that lies outside of school life.

In order that our readers may know something of the work of the Society, I shall present a brief review of some of the exercises of the meetings of the present session.

Some of the resolutions debated are the following:

Resolved, That the accumulation of wealth is destroying the patriotism of the country.

Resolved, That the income tax feature of the present tariff law will be a benefit to the country.

Resolved, That all races and nations should be equally eligible to citizenship in the United States.

Resolved, That the army accomplished more than the navy in putting down secession.

Among the persons prominent in debate were Misses Riddle, Stauffer, Fridy, Aldrich, Beane, Newcomer, Kauffman and Moll. Messrs. Heilman, Stauffer, Yoder, Kunkle, Keever, Houser, Smith, Smyser, Keever.

Orations have been delivered by the following gentlemen: Mr. H. Tobias, subject, "Anvils;" Mr. F. Keever, subject, "The Present;" Mr. M. F. Stauffer, subject, "The Growth of the Tramp Element;" Mr. Ambrose Kunkle, subject, "The Oratory of To-day;" Mr. Kouper, subject, "Physical Culture."

Recitations have been given by Miss Edith Williams, "Tom's Little Star;" Miss Marian Lawson, "When Jack Comes Late;" Miss Carrie Boice, "How Salvator Won;" Miss Annie Kieffer, "The Famine;" Miss Aimee Coates, "Sister and I;" Miss Sylvia Adams, "Music on the Rappahannock."

A few referred questions that have attracted attention are as follows: "Are Public Libraries Public Blessings?" Miss Longacre. "What is the Cause of the Present War Between China and Japan?" Miss Newcomer. "Who are the Wet Blanket Family?" Miss Moll.

On Friday evening, November 30th, a Holmes memorial meeting was held. The programme was as follows:

"What do you Know of the Private Life of Oliver Wendell Holmes?" Mr. Smyser.

Music—Ladies Chorus, "As Fades the Evening Hour."

Debate—*Resolved*, That Holmes is greater on his humorous side than on his serious side.

Affirmative, Miss Carrie Myers, Mr. Hain; negative, Miss Mary Riddle, Mr. H. Newcomer.

Music—Trio, Misses Lentz, Wales, Miller.

Recitation—Mr. Floyd Keever, "Bill and Joe."

Music—Vocal solo, "Venice Sleeps," Miss Lois Shelley.

Recitation—"How the Old Horse Won the Bet," Miss Edith Williams.

Oration—"A Eulogy on Holmes," Prof. F. B. Lindsey.

Music, Gentlemen's chorus Serenade.

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Gems of Humor—"Wit and Wisdom from Holmes," Miss Edith Smith.

Music—by Page Glee Club, "Dashing Before the Wave."

The officers of the Society are: President, Mr. H. L. Eshleman; Secretary, Miss Jean Strauss; Editor, Miss Smith; Critic, Miss Elsie McConnell.

Y. W. C. T. U.

BY AMANDA LANDES, PRESIDENT.

The annual election of officers in the beginning of the term resulted in the election of the following: President, Amanda Landes; Vice President, May L. Kauffman; Secretary, Minnie Phillips; Corresponding Secretary, Edna Albert; Treasurer, Elizabeth Barnhart. For Superintendent of Work the follawing were appointed: Loyal Legion, Elizabeth Taylor; Flower Mission, Sarah H. Gilbert; Music, Mrs. Cora Bitner; Literature, Emma Baker. The meetings have been well attended and interesting. One of the meetings was addressed by Mrs. Holvey, the eloquent State Superintendent of Press Work. Another meeting was addressed by the Rev. Mr. Lentz, of the village. Mrs. Bitner, Miss Bartholomew and Miss Albert have furnished music, and Miss Brosnahan and Miss Landes have recited. An interesting and at the same time very profitable joint debate was held on one of the evenings. Mr. Milton F. Stauffer and Mr. Wm. L. Schlauch debated the question, "Resolved, That prohibition is the only solution of the drink problem," Mr. Stauffer debating in favor of National prohibition, and Mr. Schlauch in favor of education and enlightenment.

The grand affair of the temperance year thus far has been a lecture by John G. Woolley, the eloquent and learned Western orator. The lecture was delivered in the Normal chapel on November 24th, to a large and enthusiastic audience. The Normal Ladies' Quartette, consisting of Miss Emory, Miss Wales, Miss Danner and Mrs. Bitner, furnished the music.

The Union gave an entertainment for Mrs. Chika Sakurai for the benefit of a Bible Training School for girls she intends founding in Japan. The little Japanese lady and her audience were mutually pleased.

We were represented at the State Convention held in October in Philadelphia by the President, Miss Landes, who brought back a glowing account of what was perhaps the most interesting State Convention ever held in Pennsylvania. She also brought back a beautiful banner awarded by the State Department of Young Woman's Work to Lancaster county for the largest increase of membership since last year; the Normal School Y, as the largest in the county, to have charge of the banner. The banner is of heavy white satin, trimmed with gold, ornamented with an exquisite painting of a bunch of Gladioli, the State emblem, and the motto, "Ready armed, face to the foe."

The most encouraging feature of our work has been the visible growth of a strong temperance sentiment in the School, to which we feel that our Union has contributed in no small degree. This is seen in the Normal department; and in the Model School, under the skillful teaching of Miss Myers, Miss Taylor and Miss Barnhart in the class-room and the Loyal Legion, the children have learned many lessons in temperance and right living.

Young Women's Christian Association.

PRESIDENT, CORA ESTABROOK.

Every Sabbath morning, after breakfast, the Model Chapel is filled with earnest girls ready for the regular Y. W. C. A. meeting. Our association has been very much encouraged by the attendance at these services which has averaged

about eighty girls, and all the members of the association feel that the topics of these meetings and the thoughts expressed by the leaders on them have been very helpful in their school life,

Some of the most helpful topics have been "Thanksgiving and Thanksgiving," "How to keep the Lord's Day," "How Christ helps us in our daily tasks," "Carrying to others the Christmas Joys."

During the week the girls find time to come to the Wednesday evening prayer-meeting, in which there has been an increased interest during the last few weeks. During some of these meetings, several girls have become deeply interested in the salvation of their souls, and have decided henceforth to live for Christ.

The visit from our State Secretary in September was an inspiration to all.

Two of our girls, Misses Irene Wirt and Alice Keiser, were sent as delegates to the State Convention at Scranton, November 9–11, and came back to us filled with enthusiasm for the work.

Responding to an invitation extended to us by the City Association of Lancaster, twenty of the girls gave an entertainment in the Y. W. C. A. Parlors of Lancaster, Friday evening, December 14, 1894. A very pleasant evening was spent.

We feel sure that the Association is exerting a greater influence in the School than at the beginning of the session.

Y. M. C. A.

Since our last report many important events have occured, several of which might be reported at length, but they will have to be passed by with only a brief comment.

The privilege given to myself and an additional delegate of being present at the Student's Conference at Northfield, Mass., and my attendance upon the State Convention at Johnstown increased my zeal in the work of the noblest religious organization.

At the close of the summer term the members agreed to pray during the vacation for a successful Fall Campaign. According to promise quite a number returned the first day and began work immediately, and as a result of those prayers and the efforts put forth during the entire week following, the membership was nearly doubled, a large number of the young men in the institution having connected themselves with the association.

The regular meetings have been well attended and in some great interest was manifested. In addition to a General Bible Class and the Worker's Bible Training Class, an additional one convened every two weeks and was in charge of Mr. Jas. McConkey, of Wrightsville, Pa. The benefit derived from the interesting and instructive meeting cannot be estimated.

At the present time special services are being held, the object being to reach the unconverted. The interest in these has increased wonderfully the last few days.

Reviewing the work as a whole we can truly say that the Lord has abundantly blessed our efforts.

JACOB L. WILLIAMS,
President.

[From the Maryland Search-Light, Sept., 1894.]

The Millersville (Pa.) Normal School offers unusual advantages to those persons who seek an education.

It stands high as a progressive school of instruction. The many conveniences of the building, comfortable, healthful surroundings, libraries, gymnasium and reading rooms are worthy of notice; the various departments of instruction are in charge of skillful teachers; the School sends out yearly many thoroughly equipped graduates who are in demand as teachers. Although the number of students in attendance is large, yet this institution seeks to base its reputation not on the mighty host of pupils, but rather on the work done by the many who in their reputation, zeal and methods of teaching reflect the standing of the Normal School.

ALUMNI NEWS.

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

MARRIAGES.

The November number of THE NORMAL JOURNAL usually exploits the triumphs won by Hymen during the summer and autumn months. This number is not an exception, our readers will perceive.

MARRIED.—On Wednesday, June 27th, at her home in Myerstown, Pa., Miss M. Amelia Hemperly and Mr. John Coulter Hockenberry. Mr. Hockenberry is principal of the South Chester schools, though at present he is enjoying a leave of absence, which he and Mrs. Hockenberry are spending in Europe. After traveling for some weeks they settled at Jena, where Mr. Hockenberry is studying pedagogics, and Mrs. Hockenberry is taking lessons in German and music. Miss Hemperly, now Mrs. Hockenberry, was one of our teachers of music for five years, and subsequently had charge of the department of music in the West Chester Normal School. If our friends have all the success they deserve they will have abundance, and this is what THE JOURNAL wishes for them.

MARRIED.—On Wednesday, October 10th, at St. Paul's Episcopal church, White Haven, Pa., Miss Marian Arline Wallace, '83, to William Brisbane Gilchist, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Mr. Gilchrist was a student during the years '91 and '92. THE JOURNAL sends hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gilchrist, and wishes them many years of happiness.

MARRIED.—On November 13th, at the bride's home at Lititz, Pa., Miss Mary E. Barr, '93, and Mr. Christian K. Binkley, '92. Mr. Binkley graduated in the Scientific Course here last summer, and is now principal in the Union High School of Coleraine, Lancaster county. Miss Barr has been actively connected with work in the Y. W. C. T. U. cause, in Loyal Legion Temperance work, as well as with the Christian Endeavor Society of the Moravian Church of Lititz. The kindest wishes for happiness and success is the message of THE JOURNAL to our worthy young friends, Mr. and Mrs. Binkley.

MARRIED.—On August 30th, at Lincoln, Pa., Miss Kate Daun, of Cordelia, to Edwin H. Gerhart, '92. Mr. Gerhart is now principal of the schools of Newman Grove, Nebraska, at a good salary. He writes kindly of the Normal from his far Western home. We thank him for his pleasant words and wish him great success in his new field of labor, and send warmest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gerhart.

MARRIED.—In August, 1894, at Lewisberry, York county, Pa., Miss Alice Updegraff and Mr. K. O. Fink, '88. Mr. Fink is located at 13th and Dauphin streets, Philadelphia. His vocation is teaching. The hearty congratulations of THE JOURNAL are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Fink.

Miss Harriet M. Jewell, who had charge of the department of vocal music in our School during the years '85 and '86, is now Mrs. Clarence Balentine. The latter is a graduate of '86, and is now practicing law at Carlisle, Pa.

Mrs. Harriet Campbell, a student of '80 and '81, is now Mrs. Wilson, of Quarryville, Pa.

Miss Sallie Ellmaker, a student of '88 and '89, is now Mrs. Ambler. The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ambler is Quarryville, Pa.

MARRIED.—At the home of the bride's parents, at Carlisle, Pa., on August 21st, Miss Dallas Handshaw and Rev. L. C. Summer, of Shady Grove, Pa, Miss Handshaw was a student in '91 and '92. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Summer, is Liscomb, Iowa.

MARRIED.—On Thursday, November 5th, at Loysburg, Pa., Mr. Jacob Ritchey, '94, to Miss Hattie Irene Biddle.

Mr. Ritchey's friends here hardly thought, when they congratulated him on the day of his graduation last June, that he would so soon again be a subject for congratulations. He is, however, and in these THE JOURNAL joins most heartily.

DEATHS.

Many of our readers will be profoundly grieved to read the record of the death of Harry Strohm, '79. Mr. Strohm died on Friday, December 8th, at his home, in Lancaster city. He had been suffering from consumption for several years. The past summer he spent in Colorado, hoping that its climate might be beneficial, but the disease was too deeply seated to yield to any remedies.

Mr. Strohm was the grandson of the late Congressman—Hon. John Strohm. After graduating here in '79, Mr. Strohm taught school for several years, then served in the County Treasurer's Office as deputy, subsequently in the Revenue Collector's Office, then in the County Commissioner's Office. For the last few years he had been bookkeeper for the firm of Myers & Rathfon. In every position he seems to have acquitted himself with great credit. He had more than ordinary capacity for making and keeping friends, and his death will carry sorrow to many hearts. He was a young man of excellent habits, of devout piety, of sincere Christian life. There is much in all this to comfort the hearts that are now bowed down with sorrow for their lost friend and companion.

THE JOURNAL extends to the bereaved father and mother the deepest sympathy. And while we mourn with them, we also hope with them that what is an earthly loss is a heavenly gain.

Just as THE JOURNAL is about to go to press, the sad news of the death of Mr. P. J. Umstead, '72, is announced in the Philadelphia papers. The particulars of his death have not reached us. Mr. Umstead was engaged in the Department of Public Works, City Hall, Philadelphia, holding an important position. His sudden death is a great shock to his host of friends. The esteem in which he was held is shown by the fact that at the last meeting of the Philadelphia Branch of Alumni Association he was unanimously chosen its president for the ensuing year. He will be greatly missed in this organization as well as elsewhere. The next issue of THE JOURNAL will be able to give its readers the particulars of his death.

Our readers will be pained to learn of the death of the wife of Wm. F. Porter, '81. Mrs. Porter died at Sidney, Nebraska, on October 28th. THE JOURNAL extends profound sympathy to Mr. Porter in his very sad bereavement.

ITEMS.

Mr. H. K. Denlinger, who is a member of the present Senior Class of Princeton Theological Seminary, has been unanimously called to the pastorate of the large and flourishing Presbyterian church of Caldwell, N. J. Mr. Denlinger was a student with us in '85 and '86. After leaving here he entered Princeton College, where he graduated in '91. His friends will be glad to hear that his lot has been cast in such a pleasant place as Caldwell. It will be remembered that Caldwell is the birthplace of our present Chief Magistrate.

The Bedford *Gazette* informs us that Mr. Howard Cessna, '92, has been admitted to the bar of Bedford county. Mr. Cessna's examination for admission was conducted in open court and continued six hours. In the opinion of the committee it was altogether creditable.

The Republicans of Utah have elected seventy out of one hundred and seven of the members who will constitute a convention to frame a constitution. Dennis C. Eichnor, Esq., '87, is one of these members. An honor as well as a grave responsibility is surely associated with this position. Mr. Eichnor, we are confident, will meet the requirements of it.

Miss Leora Pusey, '73, has been appointed librarian in the West Philadelphia Institute

Library. She writes that she has been working in the Apprentices' Library, at Fifth and Arch streets, all summer preparing herself for library work. We are sufficiently assured of her success in her new work by our knowledge of her attainments and of her general efficiency.

Mr. J. C. Habecker, '91, is teaching at Slatington, Pa., at which place he is principal of one of the schools.

Mr. Peter Brown, who was a student in '86 and '87, is now in Pullman, Washington. He is far away, but holds the Normal School and Page Society, of which he was a member, in kindly remembrance. In reference to the Society he says that he cherishes the hope that it is as progressive now as in the past, and that he remains ever ready to uphold the motto, "Rich in Truth."

Mr. L. F. Atticks, '94, is teaching in York, Pa. He has charge of one of the buildings there in which there are 400 children, has the general management of the grounds and of text-books.

A copy of the *Search-Light*, a paper issued once a month, at Trappe, Md., came to us not long ago. Its editor is D. Melvin Long, of the Scientific Class of '78. Mr. Long is one of the very successful teachers of Maryland.

A copy of the souvenir edition of the Mount Joy *Herald* tells us what Clarence H. Shock, '83, is doing. He is associated with his father in operating an extensive trade in lumber, coal and oil. The *Herald* says: "Mr. Clarence H. Shock, while still a very young man, has given the strongest evidence of commercial and financial ability of the highest order. He never fails to utilize every honorable and consistent element to advance the prosperity and prestige of his house, and is ever ready to aid in every manner any project for the public good." It is very delightful to read words of praise about any one whom we know so richly deserves them as Mr. Clarence H. Shock.

Quinton D. Arner and Robert A. Comegys, '93, are students in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. W. Stein, Scranton, Pa. This address will recall to many of our students the Mr. Stein, who was associated with them here in '90 and '91. THE JOURNAL will be glad to hear of the success which it predicts for Dr. Stein.

It gave us much pleasure not long ago to see that Mr. Samual H. Ranck was honored by being invited to read a paper before the Pennsylvania Library Club, at the meeting in Philadelphia. This meeting was called to consider the proposed State Library Law. Mr. Ranck, who was our student in the years' '85 and '86, is now in charge of the Enoch Pratt Library, Baltimore. The Philadelphia *Ledger* and *Item* both reported Mr. Ranck's paper quite fully.

At Pottsville, Jan. 18, 1895.

COMMUNICATED.

For the fifth time our Alumni and other old friends resident in the coal region of this State will meet to eat, drink and be merry, at Pennsylvania Hall, in Pottsville, on Friday evening, Jan. 18th. Out of full experience the writer declares that the annual meetings of the "Anthracite Branch" are delightful, and advises every one who can reach Pottsville then to be one of the happy throng at Pennsylvania Hall. "Let your readers know," writes the chairman of the committee that has all details in charge, "that we invite them all, and that no one can excuse his absence on the ground that he or she received no invitation. We do not know them all and cannot reach them by direct notice, but we will welcome every Normal student who will do himself and us the pleasure of coming."

Send twenty-five cents to Treasurer Wm. M. Fausset, '88, Mountain City Bank Building, Pottsville, and tell him you will be there. If you cannot attend, send your quarter at any rate. A newspaper account of the meeting and a menu card will be sent to you.

The Executive Committee consists of J. A. M. Passmore, '60, Phila.; Anna C. Lubrecht, '83, Hazelton; A. L. Williams, Esq., '81, Wilkes-Barre; Mrs. Dr. Lenker, '74, Schuylkill Haven; Geo. A. Farrow, '79, Shamokin; Margaret Brosnahan, '90, Tremont; D. G. Lubold, '83, Pottsville; Mrs. E. Watt Snyder, '80, Liverpool; J. W. Thomas, '87, Lansford; I. K. Witmer, '78 (chairman).

DEPARTMENT WORK.

Geography.

The pedagogical work in Geography can be made very valuable as well as interrsting. The field of the subject is so close to the life of the student, or can be brought so close, that the student feels the full value. Thus starting with a thorough discussion of the structure of North America as fundamental to any advanced geographical knowledge, and following this with a study of weather maps we easily led the students to the relation of structure to climate. In the same series of lessons we led to a knowledge of the development of our continent, and, therefore, to the relation of the past to the present.

We are now taking up the study of a bird, after which we shall pass to a group, thence to tracing the distribution of the species of the group in North America. This will serve as one concrete illustration of the effect of the structure upon the distribution of life. The effect of the physical features upon the life and growth of the people and their institutions easily follows.

Latin.--First Fourteen Weeks.

In the Scientific Course, the Junior Class have read and carefully reviewed three of Cicero's Orations against Catiline, and the Senior Class have read three Books and a part of the fourth Book of Virgil's Æneid.

In the Elementary Course, the three sections of the Senior Class have read respectively twenty-four, twenty, and eighteen chapters of the first Book of Cæsar. With two of these sections a new plan of conducting one recitation has been pursued. The lesson is translated, the books are then closed and questions are asked in English for the several words in the text and answers required to be given in Latin, and by further questions and answers the position, grammatical form, construction, etc., of all the words are discussed.

A special Junior Class have read fourteen chapters of the second Book of Cæsar. With this class the plan of "mastering the text in the order of the original" has been followed with marked success.

Of other special classes, three Books of Cæsar have been read by one, forty-five chapters of the twenty-first Book of Livy by another, and twenty-five chapters of Jones' Latin Prose Composition have been studied by another.

Mathematics.

During the first fourteen weeks of the winter session the Senior Class finished the subject of Algebra from quadratics to logarithms; the Junior Classes finished Algebra from the beginning to quadratics. During the second fourteen weeks the Seniors are expected to finish the fourth and fifth books of Geometry, and the Juniors the first, second and third books of Geometry.

Most of the classes that are able to complete the subject of Arithmetic, are examined at the end of the winter session.

The classes in Higher Mathematics have either completed or are now completing, with unusual thoroughness, the following branches of Mathematics: Plane, Analytical and Spherical Trigonometry, and Coördinate Geometry.

Physical Culture.

The class work of the gentlemen in the gymnasium has been exceptionally good this session. In drill exercises the Junior and Senior Classes are superior; while in floor tactics the Senior Class clearly excels. Each Tuesday and Thursday many of the Senior gentlemen take special developing exercises on the chest weights, a practice that is already showing its good results.

After the Holidays the members of the base-ball team will begin special work, and as a result it is expected that for the summer of '94 the Normal will be represented by an unusually strong nine.

The ladies have Delsarte, wand, club, and dumb-bell exercises, combined with some Swedish movements.

The English Department.

The Juniors have been doing excellent work in the field of English. The Rhetoric Class which finished the subject in fourteen weeks is now at work on Literature and Composition. On the other hand, the Composition and Literature Class is now mastering the subject of Rhetoric. The latter class in the first fourteen weeks read Whittier's "Snow Bound" and "Among the Hills," Gray's "Elegy," and Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar." Besides, the class did a good deal of composition work, such as writing themes, and correcting and rewriting poor compositions.

The Seniors have been devoting their time so far to composition. The work has had two sides: the writing of themes at stated times, and the examination of typical pieces of literature, both as to style and structure. For this latter purpose, Geming's Handbook of Rhetorical Analysis has been employed. The themes written so far have been in a progressive series, corresponding to studies in the Handbook. A description, an exposition, an argument, and an oration have been written and criticised. Representative themes have been criticised before the classes.

The Scientific Class in Literature have been studying minutely poems by Tennyson, Browning and Milton, either as to style and structure or as to thought and meaning. Emerson's "American Scholar" was analyzed as to style, and enjoyed as poetic philosophy. In Milton, the poems "L'Allegro" and "Il Pensuroso" are being studied as to mythology and as to philological peculiarities and changes.

The Grammar Classes have followed the development of the subject as given in the text-book, Lyte's Grammar and Composition. The A classes have gone over the whole field once, and are undergoing examination. The members that "pass" will study Rhetoric during the second half of the term. The B classes are wrestling with the subjunctive mood.

The work in *Reading* and *Elocution* in the advanced classes began with a course in articulation and pronunciation in connection with practice in Reading. The beauty and importance of a polished and refined accent with correct pronunciation was held before the students, and daily drill was given for five weeks. In Reading the main object was a thorough comprehension and appreciation of the thought of the author.

A course of lessons in voice development followed, having special reference to the proper use of the resonance chambers and the projection of the tone.

The principles of Elocution were next studied and discussed and illustrated in speech and gesture, by readings before the class, and by practice in delivery from the platform. Exercises were given to develope grace and ease in position and movement in connection with the principles governing gesture.

In the lower classes language, thought and expression were studied in the reading of Church's "Story of the Iliad," the beautiful

myths of Grecian and Norse Mythology, Irving's "Rip Van Winkle," Coleridge's "Rime of the Ancient Mariner," speeches from Webster and Henry, readings from Thoreau, Hawthorne and others. Occasionally extracts and short poems were committed and recited, and diligent practice was given in the elementary sounds of the language and in alphabetic and phonetic spelling.

Music Department.

The music department this winter is in an unusually flourishing condition, there being a hundred pupils registered.

Opportunities are offered now for lessons on the violin, guitar and mandolin, by Prof. Carl Thorbahn, of Lancaster, who spends one day in the week at the School.

The School choir furnish fine music Sunday mornings, and are preparing fine Xmas music for the last Sunday before the Holidays.

The children in the Model School have taken up the work in sight-singing with renewed interest.

The same course of study adopted for last year is being followed. In the lower grades the daily lesson is spent upon the study of intervals, with practice in reading simple exercises in notation.

The intermediate grades carry on the work of the lower classes, studying the more difficult intervals, gaining an insight into modulation and a knowledge of chromatic tones and minor scales.

Excellent results are obtained by the advanced classes. The zeal with which the pupils take up difficult work, and their accuracy in rendition, show the mental discipline which sight-singing exerts. Nor is the mental side of the child's nature alone developed, for songs are introduced throughout all the grades, thus bringing the pupils into touch with the æsthetic.

We hope the time is not far distant when we can say that the sight-singing has reached the same standard that is required in other branches of learning.

Department of Natural Science.

On Saturday, November 10th, the class in Astronomy observed the transit of Mercury. They used the telescope of the School, and with the eye shielded from the bright rays of the sun by a small piece of smoked glass they plainly saw a small black spot enter the bright limb of the sun and slowly move across its surface. The observations made in the forenoon were quite satisfactory. The clouds interfered in the afternoon.

Several of the classes in Methods met in Room O during the evening, and each student took a good look at the moons of Jupiter.

Some evenings four moons were visible, other evenings only two. The earth's satellite, the Moon, was also observed by some of the same classes.

Earlier in the fall the members of the class in Geology made an excursion to the ridge of trap west of Millersville. A place was found where the waters had eroded a gorge perpendicularly through the dyke. This gave an excellent opportunity to observe the columnar structure of the rocks and their many layers. Specimens showing the nature and texture as well as the weathering of the stone were secured for each member of the class.

The resident graduates have finished the subjects of Astronomy and Geology and are now studying Higher Physics.

History.

There are five classes studying United States History. Three of these are doing advanced work preparatory to taking the examination for "passing" the subject in March.

In all the classes the main endeavor is to stimulate an interest in the subject, so that the student will add to his text-book knowledge of the subject that fuller and wider knowledge that may be gained by reading newspapers, magazines and books.

The advanced classes have just completed Madison's administration. Among the subjects specially considered were:

1. The relations existing between the United States and England; between the United States and France; between the United States and the Indian Tribes of the West, at the accession of Madison.
2. Why was war declared against Great Britain in 1812 rather than against France.
3. The four great theatres of the war.
4. The principal military and naval operations of the war?
5. How far Jefferson's policy was responsible for the war.
6. What part Henry Clay took in it?
7. How did Stephen Girard and John Jacob Astor aid us?
8. The far reaching results of the war industrially and politically.

The regular class in General History spent the first few weeks of the present session in taking a brief survey of the representative Oriental nations, preparatory to the study of the classical nations of Greece and Rome. The history of the two latter nations has occupied the rest of the session. In the study of Greece, the character her people developed, their versatility, their genius for intellectual growth and achievement, were made prominent. Attention was specially called to her political institutions as illustrated by her four celebrated constitutions, viz., those of Lycurgus, Draco, Solon and Clisthenes, to her various attempts at national union, through her leagues, the Amphictyonic, Achæan, Ætolian and Delian. Some attention was given to her philosophers, Socrates, Plato, Zeno, Aristotle, and their philosophy. These were special subjects assigned to individual members of the class. In the study of Roman history, stress was laid upon the capacity of the people for organization, and their genius in law.

The various features of government, the Comitia Curiata, Comitia Centuriata, the Senate, its ascendency and decline, the revolutions through which the government was changed to a Republic, and from a Republic to an Empire, etc.

A series of questions discussed very intelligently by the class in a written exercise was the following: What was the position of the Roman provinces in relation to the management of their own affairs and to Rome? How were taxes in them collected? From what forms of injustice did they suffer, and what remedies had they? What effect on the provinces did the establishment of the Empire have? A few especially able papers were prepared in answering this series of questions.

Penmanship.

Much of the instruction is given from the black-board. All general criticism that is made then benefits the entire class. This general work is followed by as much individual criticism as time and numbers will allow.

A large portion of the term has been spent in working on the letters singly, in connected exercises and in words. Sentence and page writing is now being carefully worked up.

Vertical writing has been introduced into the first, second, third and fourth grades in the Model School, and quite satisfactory results are being obtained. The children seem to be able to get better form than could be obtained by the slant system, and to acquire as much movement and speed.

The drawing classes follow the Prang system, with such additional exercises as the needs of the students require. Two classes finished drawing at the end of the first fourteen weeks and two new classes were organized.

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Faculty for Winter Session, 1894-95.

Several additions will be made for the Summer Session.

E. ORAM LYTE, A. M., PH. D., PRINCIPAL, Psychology, Logic and Pedagogics.

A. R. BYERLY, A. M., PH. D., Latin and Greek.

GEORGE W. HULL, A. M., PH. D., Mathematics and Pedagogics.

HENRY F. BITNER, A. M., PH. D., Natural Science, German and Pedagogics.

FREDERICK B. LINDSEY, A. M., English Literature and Pedagogics.

JOHN W. LANSINGER, M. S., Bookkeeping.

H. JUSTIN RODDY, M. E., Geography and Pedagogics.

ALBERT D. PINKHAM, A. M., Physical Training for Gentlemen and Pedagogics.

FRANK ALBERT, M. E., Mathematics.

JAS. E. McBURNEY, Penmanship and Pedagogics.

WM. B. BRUBAKER, M. E., Mathematics and Latin.

J. HARRY PICKLE, M. E., M. D., Physiology.

JOHN G. KRICHBAUM, M E., Mathematics and Pedagogics.

FRYSINGER EVANS, A. B., Latin and History.

HARVEY NEWCOMER, A. B., Mathematics and Geography.

CARL THORBAHN, Violin, Flute and Mandolin.

Miss ANNA LYLE, M. E., History, Civil Government and Pedagogics.

Miss SARAH H. GILBERT, M. S., English Grammar and Pedagogics.

Miss AMANDA LANDES, M. E., Reading, Elocution and Pedagogics.

Miss H. MAY EMORY, Piano, Organ and Vocal Music.

Miss CARRIE E. MYERS, M. E., Superintendent of the Model School.

Miss ELIZABETH TAYLOR, Superintendent of the Model School.

Miss ANNA BELLE FLEMING, Physical Training for Ladies and Pedagogics.

Miss ANNA J. BENNETT, Drawing and Pedagogics.

Miss A. ELIZABETH BARNHART, M. E., Assistant Superintendent in Model School.

Miss ANNA B. TROWBRIDGE, Piano, Vocal Mu ic and French.

Miss ELIZABETH JENKINS, Kindergarten.

Miss FLORENCE M. LAWRIE, Piano and Vocal Music.

Mrs. MARY D. EMORY, Painting.

Miss EMMY LUNDGRIN, Manual Training.

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