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A Prosperous Year.

The school year which has just closed has been one of the most prosperous in the history of this institution. The total number of students in attendance during the winter session was 691; during the summer session, 971. In the midst of the widespread depression in business, this attendance is remarkable. But mere numbers mean but little; the work done by the students means much. It is especially gratifying to know that the progress made by the different classes of the School was satisfactory. This is shown in part by the fact that all the students recommended by the faculty to the State Board of Examiners were "passed" by the State Board. The highest official endorsement of the State was placed upon our work by this action of the State Board. The classes presented for "final" examination included 98 "preparatorians," 102 juniors, 93 seniors, and 16 resident graduates, including 6 who completed the scientific course. While these numbers are much smaller in proportion to the total number of students than those of other State Normal Schools, they represent the proper proportion that should exist between the classes examined by the State Board and the remainder of the School. If classes were properly sifted by the faculties of schools before they are presented for "final" examination, there would not be unduly large graduating classes nor many rejections by State Boards.

The Coming School Year.

The coming school year will begin on Monday, August 31st. Like other school years, it will be divided into two sessions, a fall and winter session of twenty-eight weeks, beginning on the above date, and a spring and summer session of fourteen weeks, beginning on Monday, March 29th.

All the older members of the faculty, except Prof. F. B. Lindsey and Miss Anna J. Bennett, will return to continue their work. Prof. Lindsey has received leave of absence to study for his doctor's degree at Harvard. Miss Bennett will probably study art at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn.

The prospects for a good attendance for the fall and winter are favorable. Will not our graduates and old students exert themselves to send us students for next session? We need your help.

Rooms may be registered for at any time. Drop a note to the Principal, stating which hall you prefer, if you have any choice.

Send to the Principal for a catalogue, if you are interested in normal school work.

A Personal Note.

The Principal of the School wishes to express his most earnest thanks to the Alumni Association for their expression of approval of the work he has done in connection with this institution. He has tried to do his best; and while he has failed many times to reach his ideal, he is none the less gratified to know that his efforts have been appreciated by those best able to judge of the character and standing of the School of which they and he are proud to be graduates.

It is with equal satisfaction that the Principal can say that he has the hearty support and cordial approval of the Board of Trustees, who have in hundreds of ways endeavored to lighten his labors. Their aim has been and is to keep Millersville in the forefront of the normal schools of the State, and their careful guardianship of its material interests has given it a sure financial basis.

But the continued success of Millersville does not depend on one man or one body of men. Trustees, faculty—and our faculty is able, devoted and loyal—alumni, students and friends of the School have all aided in building up this great institution. And the influence of all these persons is needed to keep the School where it belongs in the normal school system of the State. Shall we continue to have it?

The widespread interest which the Alumni Association has in the School is shown by the fact that of the thirty-eight classes that were graduated before this year twenty-nine classes were represented during Commencement week.

Normal Schools and Common Schools.

The general normal school question was discussed at the Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association under the subject: "Relation of the Normal Schools to the Common School System." The strength of the State Normal Schools was seen in the general trend of the discussion, which occupied an entire morning session, and which was devoted wholly to friendly comment and criticism of their courses of study and methods of teaching and to suggestions as to their further improvement. The discussion was participated in by superintendents, teachers, directors, and normal school principals. The general drift of the discussion was in the direction of having these schools do more professional work as well as raise the standard of scholarship. Millersville is trying to advance along both these lines, and therefore can find no fault with these suggestions. On the whole, the discussion was of benefit to the schools and to the Association.

One of the resolutions adopted by the State Association was to the effect that the State should make liberal appropriations for the support of the State Normal Schools, solely because of the good that would accrue to the public schools by thus increasing the efficiency of these institutions. It is to be hoped that the State Legislature will weigh carefully the opinions of this body upon the important questions of normal school appropriations.

Miss Elizabeth Mercer, our assistant librarian, will take charge of the library of the Clarion State Normal School this fall.

Afternoon Session, 2 o'clock.
Music—Piano Duet, Hungarian Rhapsodie.... *Liszt.*
Miss Lawrie, Miss Trowbridge.

Wickersham Oration—The Champion of Our Common Schools.....G. Fay Gracey.
Oration—The Culture of the Beautiful.....
Lydia R. Cummings.
Oration—Woman's Duty.....Nila Preston.
Oration—The Will and the Way .....Flora J. Quail.
Oration—Tongues of Angels.... Magdalene Remley.
Oration—Open Sesame ..... Stella Robinson.
Oration—The Supernatural in Literature .....
Mary F. Rubinkam.
Oration—The Character of Napoleon.....
H. Edgar Shertz.
Oration—Monuments Perish ..... Mary P. Smith.
Oration—The Beautiful in Education .....
Annie R. Stein.
Music—Vocal Solo, The Garden of Sleep....*De Lara.*
Miss Elizabeth Mercer.

Oration—Horace Mann .....Frances Starliper.
Oration—Chance as an Element in Our Career .....
Isaiah W. Stehman.
Oration—Influences .....J. Norman Stohler.
Oration—Going It Alone.....Katie E. Stoner.
Oration—The American Ideal....Frederick Stuckert.
Oration—Dickens as an Educator..Anna W. Swarr.
Oration—Physiology in the Public Schools .....
Mary M. Taylor.
Oration—Books as Companions..Clarence H. Terry,
Oration—Art.....Katharine Tinner.
Oration—Ghosts .....D. Cyrus Tudor.
Oration—Home Influence ..... Clyde H. Updegraff.
Music—Vocal Duet, Calm as the Night.....*Goetze.*
Miss Lawrie, Mr. Saylor.

Oration—Mrs. Grundy's Kingdom .....
Loretta L. Hoover.
Oration—The Problem of the Nineteenth Century..
Charles A. Haff.
Oration—To-day and To-morrow, Charles E. Warner.
Oration—Heroic Character.....Carrie B. Weidler.
Oration—Excelsior.....Mary M. Whitaker.
Oration—Character..... Ella V. Williams.
Oration—The Value of Opportunity.....
Reuben P. Wolfersberger.
Scientific Thesis—Civilization and Environment....
Margaret Brosnahan,
Scientific Thesis—Geography and Elementary Science.....H. Justin Roddy.
Scientific Thesis—The Place of Æsthetics in Public Schools ..... William H. Schlauch.
Scientific Thesis—The Ethical Element in the Intellectual..... .....J. Barr Stauffer.
Scientific Thesis—Teaching Literature and History..
Mary R. White.
Scientific Thesis—Apperception....Albert Woomer.
Music—Vocal Solo, Grass and Roses ..... *Bartlett.*
Miss Katharine Crawford.
Violin Obligato.....Mr. Schreffler.

Recitation—The School Examination at Grande Pointe.....Margaret E. Jordy.
Valedictory Oration—Business vs. Christianity.....
Charles C. Grove.
Music—Chorus: The Song of the Triton ..... *Molloy*
Normal Choir.
Principal's Address to the Graduating Class.
Doxology.

Commencement Day at the Normal.

With a bright and beautiful summer day, and just enough breeze to make the day pleasant, the Commencement exercises of the Millersville State Normal School on Thursday drew a larger crowd than ever before. The attendance at class day had been unusually large, and the cars brought additional crowds during the morning. When the ninety-nine graduates, ninety-three elementary and six scientific students, filed into the chapel, a brilliant assemblage of life and color made the assembly hall look very attractive. The rostrum was decorated with palms and the white banner of the class, bearing in gilt letters the motto of the class, "*Semper ad perfectum.*"

A ladies' chorus opened the exercises of the day, and was, as all the other musical features of the day were, a musical treat.

The Salutatory.

After prayer by the Rev. Chas. Roads, of Philadelphia, the salutatory orator, Miss Anna D. Beitzel, was introduced to the audience and gracefully welcomed them. The salutatorian then proceeded to review the marvelous attainments of mankind in the lines of pure thought, mechanical invention and moral reforms. But there yet remains much to be attained. The evils of political corruption and the draining influence of the drink traffic must be removed. Only by the efforts of conscientious, pure-hearted men and women, united and firm, can we hope for the reformation needed.

The Valedictory.

All of the orators acquitted themselves well. Just before the conferring of the degrees, the valedictory oration was delivered. Mr. Charles C. Grove, Hanover, Pa., discussed the subject "Business vs. Christianity," showing how the practical application of the pure and lofty principles of the Christian religion in actual life would make the world an ideal place. As it is to-day, too many people regard the doctrine of Christ as a beautiful and ideal system, but something that must be modified in practice. The orator plead for a consistent carrying out of the belief of men. In bidding farewell the valedictorian said:

"Classmates, friends, we have now come to crossroads. For two years or more our paths have been running parallel. Many have been the pleasant associations since we first met. Our joys in success and our sympathies in failure have been one. But now we have come to a place where our ways must part, and many keep on diverging until, we hope, they shall all converge to the blissful home above. Now is the commencement of our lives. Now we go out to take our places 'in the world's broad field of battle, in the bivouac of life.'"

Discouragements will come. But let us remember we are but as the old man in the tower, ringing the beautiful chimes above. He hears nothing but the noise of levers, yet to hundreds around he is ringing out the rich, brazen notes of the chimes which fill their hearts with joy and lighten their step.

Or, as the weavers of the Goblins, we work out the design of an unknown artist by watching the threads of diverse colors on the wrong side of the woof, not knowing the result of our toil and labor until the Great Artist bids us stop and look with wondering gaze upon what he has wrought from our toils which now seem so sterile. Then He shall hang up our flimsy fabric in his golden palace and say "Well done." Remember also that the clouds were not seen but for the sunlight beyond. Its appearance is an earnest of a bright time to come.

All this time we have been under the fostering care of our Alma Mater. She has been fitting us to meet the world and it is with sadness that we leave the place at which we have been so greatly benefited.

It is with sadness that we say good-bye, first to you, the Trustees, who have been the guardians of our Alma Mater, who have brought her up from infancy and have supported her all this while for nothing but your love for the cause of education.

Then, to you, our dear teachers, who have labored with us, often receiving no kindly recognition for your labors, you have tried hard to have all arrangements the most advantageous for our speedy progress in our work, and the influences of your labors can only be told by our future lives.

Then, Dr. Lyte, to you, our Principal, who has kept a watchful eye over all and has left nothing undone to enable us to be justly proud of our Alma Mater.

To all together we extend our heartfelt thanks for cherishing, encouraging and supporting such grand institutions as the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. W. C. T. U., and to all these, as well as to our friends, we bid a sad farewell. And now we here as a class for the last time, and that, too, not without one vacant chair as a warning, must bid farewell—some of us for the last time in the flesh. We part, but may it be only a physical separation, for a season, and may we ever be joined in heart, warm and true; an unbroken band, striving to bless others as we have been blessed.

After the conferring of the Masters' degrees, the graduating class, assembled on the rostrum, received the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of the Elements. Dr. Lyte delivered a brief, earnest address, full of good advice to the graduates, and the audience was dismissed with the long metre doxology. Everybody felt that the evidence was strong that Millersville has been doing even better work than ever before.

Degrees Conferred.

The degree of Bachelor of Science was conferred upon Margaret Brosnahan, Mary R. White, H. Justin Roddy, Wm. S. Schlauch, J. Barr Stauffer and Albert Woomer.

The degree of Master in the Elements was conferred upon M. Elizabeth Boyer, '94; J. May Breneman, '94; Alberta Brenneman, '94; Ada P. Brown, '94; Sara E. Brownell, '94; Mary E. Buchanan, '94; Mary L. Cairnes, '94; Anna D. Campbell, '92; Margaret Cawley, '94; Charlotte B. Cloud, '94; Mary F. Cooper, '93; Nora M. Crouse, '94; Mary Dusman, '94; Minnie Dusman, '94; Alta E. Eaby, '94; Anna Eby, '94; Rose Erwin, '94; Mary S. Fausset, '94; Lilian Gherst, '94; Nora B. Graybill, '94; Mary E. Hastings, '94; Anna P. Hogate, '94; Helen J. Huebner, '94; Ida M. Horner, '94; Elizabeth Hottenstein, '94; Sophia Kefer, '94; Martha E. Leaman, '94; Emma B. Linton, '94; Margaret M. Martin, '94; Carrie E. Myers, '94; Marie E. Portner, '93; Margaret Reirdon, '94; Annie E. Rutt, '94; Margaret K. Sales, '93; Elizabeth M. Shaub, '93; Emma C. Smith, '93; Mary Snyder, '93; Alice E. Spindler, '93; Mary M. Upcraft, '92; Ida H. Way, '93; Grace G. Whistler, '94; Rebecca M. White, '94; Ruth Elma White, '94; Anna J. Wilson, '94.

Lee F. Attick, '94; Charles C. Falck, '94; Samuel S. Griffith, '93; William H. Krill, '94; Aaron F. Long, '94; John L. May, '94; Abram H. Metzger, '94; Edward W. Miller, '94; George W. Overholser, '94; Thomas H. Probert, '94; Henry D. Rebert, '94; Jacob D. Ritchey, '94; Wm. S. Schlauch, '94; Gordon B. Shipman, '93; Harry S. Weaver, '94; Harlan M. Yohe, '94.

The degree of Bachelor of the Elements was conferred upon all the members of the graduating class.

Dr. Lyte's Address to the Graduating Class.

After the conferring of the Bachelor's degree upon all the members of the class, the Principal addressed the graduating class as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen: The ties that have bound you to this institution as students are now about to be severed. You are ready to commence a new life in the broad field of the world, and await but the word which will send you forth as laborers with thousands that are winning fame and fortune in the professions and in business. I shall detain you only a short time, in this my last lesson to you, and the essence of my lesson may be found in a single word: Loyalty. Be loyal to your friends, be loyal to your country, be loyal to your vocation, be loyal to the truth.

Loyalty to friends is a noble characteristic, and its absence is more than a mere negation; it is a positive wrong. There are men in the world whose friendship is worth nothing. There are men whose greed for gain is so great that they will sacrifice friends for a paltry sum of money. There are men whose personal vanity and selfish ambition lead them to envy and seek to injure those whom they think above them in place. They are loyal to nothing but their own selfish interests, and their pretended friendship is a thing to be despised. And there are men and women to whom the word friendship is a sacred word, in whose hands our reputations are precious, with whom we may feel as safe when absent from them as when present.

It is no idle advice that I give when I say: Be loyal to your friends.

Loyalty to country means much in time of war, when the Nation's life seems in danger. But in "piping time of peace," when no foreign foe threatens us and no domestic foe disturbs us, we are liable to forget that loyalty to our country is demanded of us, and that there are important duties for us to perform, duties which we cannot honorably neglect. Loyalty

to country means good citizenship, a faithful performance of all the rights and duties which rest upon those who are responsible for the weal or woe of our land. It means obeying all the laws, the unimportant as well as the important. It means paying our taxes, going to the polls to vote, taking part in the public affairs of the township, the county, the State.

Loyalty to one's vocation is a duty many fail to appreciate. You and I have met lawyers who belittle their profession. While there may be some reason in the view generally held that it is the lawyer's duty to defend the client, however guilty, and win a case, however unjust, the attorney does not honor his profession when the trial under his direction becomes a mere test of skill between opposing counsel, while the merits of the case drop out of consideration altogether. The physician is not loyal to his vocation if he fails for any reason to give his best thought, his wisest judgment, to the treatment of cases which he accepts. Nor is the minister loyal to his high calling if his practice out of the pulpit is not in harmony with his profession in the pulpit. The carpenter who wants to be a blacksmith or the blacksmith who wants to be a carpenter is not loyal to his work. As teachers you must be loyal to your calling. And this will demand of you the best preparation of the subject-matter you use in the work of instruction, and the most careful study of the ways and means by which instruction must be given. Loyalty to the vocation of teaching requires that each individual child should be studied, and that the work which the teacher places before the child is adapted to its needs. It requires you to be high-minded, upright, noble. It requires you to remember that you teach by example as well as precept, and by both precept and example you must teach with but one end in view: the uplifting of the child.

Loyalty to truth is involved in all that I have already said. This demand is made of us in the interest of ourselves and our associates—in the interest of humanity. No one can be permanently successful without being loyal to truth. He may appear successful for a time, but sooner or later the untruthful man, the dishonest man, stands before the world in his true character. There is many a man who thinks he sustains a high reputation for truth and probity, who is hated and suspected by all who know him. Like the ostrich, he hides his head and thinks he hides his whole body. There is many a good man who wears the mantle of a good reputation to the grave only to have it torn off by the world to the disgrace of his children. Be loyal to truth. It is the chief mark of high manhood and womanhood.

The time has now come when you must leave the institution which has sheltered you and cared for you. We send you forth to join the ranks of those who have gone before you, with high hopes of your future. We want you to be successful, and we believe that you will be successful, and we shall rejoice with you when you achieve success. If any of you fail we shall grieve with you, and if possible shall urge you not to be discouraged by failure.

We hope that as the days roll by, your thoughts will often turn towards this School, and that whenever you can do so you will return to the scenes of your school life. I can assure you that a warm welcome will be extended to you whenever you come. Be loyal to your Alma Mater in thought and in deed. She will be loyal to you, as she has been to hundreds of brave boys and girls that have gone from her walls to win fame for themselves and renown for her.

May our Heavenly Father, in His goodness and mercy, protect and guide you. Farewell.

Class Reunion and Banquet.

From the Lancaster *New Era*, July 2.

The Class of '91 of the Millersville State Normal School, Wednesday evening, held a reunion and banquet at the Stevens House. It was a most enjoyable affair and quite an elaborate menu was served by proprietor Trego. The table was beautifully decorated with flowers and banquet lamps, and made the dining room a scene of beauty. Prof. Harry Bailey, of Baltimore, is President of the Class, and Mr. E. A. Armstrong, of Gettysbury, was toastmaster. Those who assembled about the festive table were Albert C. Rutter, Sellersville, Pa.; Gertrude H. Hetterman, Huntingdon, Pa.; S. H. Kniseley, Thompsontown, Pa.; Anna Crowell, Hall, Pa.; E. A. Armstrong, Hellam, Pa,; Edith M. Bickham, Millersville; J. Barr Stauffer, Millersville; Lila V. Beard, Lewes, Del.; A. F. Martin, Doylestown, Pa.; Mamie E. Monies, Scranton, Pa.; M. Elizabeth Weh, Lancaster; J. M. Landis, York; Anna B. McCleary, Rowenna, Pa.; H. B. Brubaker, Mount Joy; Jane J. Uren, Landisville; Annie M. (Garrettson)(Knox,)Letort; Mary H.Tshudy, Lititz; H. A. Bailey, Lititz; D. A. Overholtzer, Slackwater; Elizabeth E. Templin, Norristown, Pa.; M. E. Malaun, Hampton, Pa.; Margaret Hunter, Carbondale, Pa.; C. W. Bahn, Lancaster. Toasts were responded to by Dr. Malaun, Mr. Landis, Mr. Bahn, Miss Beard and Miss Bickham. The reunion wes a great success and the members of the class were highly pleased.

Commencement Notes.

From the Lancaster *Inquirer*, July 3.

The reunion of the class of 1876 on the 20th anniversary of its graduation was a melancholy affair, owing to the death of its President, Mr. F. A. Lyte, of Kane, Pa. In memory of him it was determined that the office of President remain vacant during the next ten years, and Supt. A. G. C. Smith, of Media, Pa., was elected Vice-President with executive functions. Members of the class present were Miss M. Amanda Fleck, of Norristown; Katharine J. Koch, of Philadelphia; H. W. Fishel, Harrisburg; J. F. Hendricks, Doylestown; A. G. C. Smith, Media; W. W. Griest, Lancaster.

Dr. Lyte has been Principal of the School nine years.

In his address to the graduates Dr. Lyte well said: "Loyalty to the country means good citizenship, a faithful performance of all the rights and duties which rest upon those who are responsible for the weal or woe of our land. It means obeying all the laws, the unimportant as well as the important. It means paying our taxes, going to the polls to vote, taking part in the public affairs of the township, the county, the State."

The 1896 class song should be "Ninety and Nine," that being the size of the class.

Miss L. Jennie Coates, of the faculty, will start next week for Seattle, Washington, to visit her sister, Mrs. Evangeline Coates Harper, also an alumnus, class 1873. Miss Coates will go west via the Canadian Pacific route. Miss Mary Smith, class of 1879, who was a successful teacher at Seattle, was at the alumni meeting.

Class histories were read as follows: '76, by W. W. Griest; '86, by A. Elizabeth Barnhart. Class of '66 read no history but met to indulge in reminiscences of each member of the class, beginning with Mr. C. H. Harding, of Philadelphia, who entered the School in '61, went out with the Normal company of voluntees in '63, and served as recruiting agent for a new company in '64, of which call for troops a printed copy was shown this class. Mr. Harding was graduated in the classical course in '66 and was professor of mathematics at the Normal until the fall of '68. His personal recollections of affairs under Dr. Wickesham were especially amusing, as were also Miss Annie Lyle's description of a pitched battle between the boys and girls, fought (broomsticks being the girls' weapons) for the avowed purpose of gaining equal privileges on the ball ground. Judge Fell, of Philadelphia, was among the prisoners captured, and the girls, seemingly victorious, reaped, however, no permanent results. Other members present were Miss Elizabeth Lloyd, of Bucks county; Mrs. Marshall Haines, of Chester county, and Mary Martin, of Lancaster.

Dr. Lyte's class, '68, showed an interesting contrast, present side by side, in the persons of Wm. D. Weaver, Esq., of Lancaster, who is but lately married, and Mr. J. Zeamer, editor and publisher of the Carlisle *Volunteer*, who is a grandfather.

The first class graduated was in '58. Two members of it were present—Miss Annie E. Hartman and Prof. A. R. Byerly. The second class, that of '59, was represented by A. O. Newpher, Esq., of the Lancaster bar.

The Michener family of teachers, all members of the Alumni Association, was represented by Elmer, of '87, who is principal of a Philadelphia grammar school, with several assistants. Jesse ('73) and Charley ('84) are what is known as supervising principals, in that city; Martha ('84) and Annie ('87) teach in Delaware county, close to the city limits, under the supervision of Supt. A. G. C. Smith ('76).

Thirty-two members of the graduating class are from this county, and all but three from this State. One of the three is Miss Nila Preston, of Wilmington, Del., whose father, Seymour Preston, taught in the Lancaster high school, and in the Paradise Soldiers Orphans' School for many years.

Editor Jere Zeamer, the aggressive editor of the Carlisle *Volunteer*, was on hand to see his niece, the salutatorian, graduate. Editor Zeamer got his diploma in '68. He is a cousin of County Commissioner Sol. Zeamer, of this county.

Alumni News.

Our young friend, Arthur L. Yoder, eldest son of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Yoder, of Lancaster, Pa., has been elected principal of the high school at Unionville, Chester county, at a salary of $60 per month. He is a graduate of Millersville, a studious young man, and he will forge his way to the front in his chosen profession. We wish him success.—*Huntington Journal, July 3.*

Dr. R. K. Buehrle, who has been the efficient superintendent of the schools of Lancaster city for many years, completed the scientific course at Millersville this year and received a practical teacher's certificate with the degree of M. S.

Dr. H. F. Bitner is on his farm in Centre county with his family, enjoying a well-earned rest.

Prof. J. W. Lansinger will probably divide his vacation between the School and his farm in Adams county. As professor of book-keeping, treasurer, book-keeper and secretary, his vacation time is too short.

Dr. Byerly and Dr. Hull reside in the village and can enjoy the summer vacation under their own "vines and fig trees."

The first class graduated by the "Old Normal" completed the course here two years before the candidate nominated for President by the Chicago convention was born.

Irving A. Heikes, '81, supervising principal of the Plymouth schools, is making an excellent record in Luzerne county. Prof. Heikes is taking an active part in the State Teachers' Association, and is generally looked upon as one of the rising men in educational matters in the State.

Millersville is proud to number among the list of members of the Alumni Association Hon. Henry Houck, A. M., the popular and efficient Deputy State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Pennsylvania. He received the degree of Master of Sciences here in 1875.

The color of the Millersville Normal School is *gold*. It was selected long before the conventions held at St. Louis and Chicago, and does not have any special political significance.

Our opening day is Monday, August 31st. Recitations begin on Tuesday, September 1st. Come on Monday, if possible.

Prof. H. J. Roddy is spending the summer vacation with his family at Martha's Vineyard.

Vacation Notes.

Miss M. Frances Boice, '71, is conducting a very successful school of elocution (with all the word implies in its highest sense) in Philadelphia. Miss Boice's work is attracting wide attention. Old students will recall the fact that she was at one time at the head of the department of reading and elocution in this institution.

To whom can we profitably send copies of this number of THE JOURNAL? A postal card will tell us.

The Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. each sent a large number of delegates to the summer meetings this year.

Miss Landes and Miss Trowbridge are instructors in the Pennsylvania Summer School of Methods, which meets this year at Huntingdon.

Miss Taylor will probably spend most of the summer at her home in Ohio.

Miss Fleming has gone to her home at Lock Haven.

Miss Lawrie is at her home in the suburbs of Boston.

Miss Myers is now in Lancaster, where she will probably remain for part of the summer.

H. C. Brenneman, '80, has not lost his interest in educational affairs since he has hung out his shingle as an attorney-at-law. He is acquiring an extensive practice.

The classes of '94 and '95 were here during Commencement week in large numbers, and everybody was glad to see them.

Miss Anna E. Hartman, '58, still resides in Lancaster. Her hosts of friends among the teachers and old students of Millersville remember her with great pleasure as a faithful, conscientious teacher and a devoted friend. The "Old Normal" always has a warm welcome for Miss Hartman, who was for many years a member of the faculty of the School.

Helen J. Huebener, '94, will enter Cornell University in the fall.

The many friends of J. Irvin White, '69, were pleased to see that he had recovered from his illness and was able to attend commencement exercises and see his daughter Mary graduate in the scientific course.

Dr. A. E. Leaman, '88, found time to leave his large and increasing practice at West Willow and spend a short time at the School on Alumni Day.

A. S. Martin, '91, is making a great success of his work as principal of the Doylestown schools.

Clarence E. Spayd, who was a student of this institution for a number of years, has devoted himself to journalism since he quit wielding the birch in one of Lancaster county's good schools. He has risen by rapid steps from reporter to editor-in-chief of one of Harrisburg's leading daily papers, the *Star-Independent*. He is making the paper a power in the State, while at the same time he is taking an active interest in the affairs of the city.

Miss Lyle will spend part of her vacation at Clifton Springs, New York.

Miss Gilbert expects to join her sister Mrs. Shorey in the Adirondacks.

The fall and winter session begins Monday, August 31st. Will you not try to send us a new student for this session?

A cordial invitation is extended to all our old students to come to see us.

John L. Shroy, Sci. '90, is the supervising principal of Cheltenham school district, Montgomery county. This district is one of the most advanced in the State, and Prof. Shroy deserves great credit for the good work he has done since he has had charge of the schools.

I. K. Witmer, '78, has greatly improved the schools of Lansford, Carbon county, in the last two years.

Henry Benner, '81, has been studying at the University of Berlin and is now at Erlangen, Germany.

Athletic Exhibition.

A Pleasing Entertainment Given by the Students of the Millersville Normal.

From the Lancaster *Examiner*, June 15.

The students of the Millersville Normal School gave an athletic exhibition in the gymnasium on Saturday night, June 13th, under the direction of Prof. Albert D. Pinkham, director of physical culture for gentlemen. Notwithstanding the rain a crowded house greeted the young athletes. The entertainment was a splendid success from beginning to end and highly delighted all who went to witness the effect of scientific physical training. These students were the pick of their various classes, but it should be known that every boy in attendance, unless specially excused, must take a course in physical culture. The gymnasium in these latter, wiser days is a necessary adjunct to every school course, and its good effect is already seen in the bearing, walk and generally robust, healthy appearance of the Millersville students. Nothing is overdone in the athletic line, nor is it made a fad for exhibition purposes, but takes it proper place with other studies, in regular hours, and so a sound mind and body go hand in hand. It would be difficult and invidious to specialize each feature of the entertainment. Suffice it to say that few professional athletes could exceed in ease and grace the exhibition of strength and suppleness given by the young men of the Normal. The St. Louis color line is not drawn at Millersville, and so a young colored lad, Master Epps, gave an exhibition of ball tossing and fancy club swinging seldom excelled in circus or theatre. In general, it may be said that the athletic exhibition given at Millersville reflects credit upon the wisdom which erected the gymnasium and the intelligence of the present director of physical culture in that institution. The following is the full programme:

PART I.

Music.
Club Drill.
Class of Model School Boys.
Swedish Horse.
Sweigart, Byerly, Flack, Brubaker, Groff, Wentzel, Metzgar, Huber, Fackler, Benedict, Erb, Minnich.
Flying Rings.
P. R. Byerly, Sweigart, Flack, Benedict, Brubaker, R. Byerly.
Music.
Foil Fencing.
Parallel Bars.
Byerly, Sweigart, Flack, Fackler, Langner, Brubaker, Benedict.
Short Wand Drill.
Gentlemen of Senior Class.
Music.
Recitation.
Mr. Beck.

PART II.

Fancy Clubs and Baton.
Langner, Epps.
Horizontal Bar.
Sweigart, Byerly, Brubaker, Flack, Benedict, Batten.
Mats.
Brubaker, P. R. Byerly, Sweigart, Flack, Benedict, Wentzel, Huber, R. Byerly.
Pyramids.
Reitzel, Erb, McClain, Groff, Miller, Whitson, Fackler, Wentzel, Brubaker, Metzgar, Langner, Flack, P. R. Byerly, Benedict, Moyer, Zerbe, Huber, Sweigart, R. Byerly.
Music.
Dumb-bell Drill.
Gentlemen of the Junior Class.

Elizabeth Lloyd, '66, is engaged in literary work.

A. O. Newpher, '59, is one of the regular attendants on the meetings of the Alumni Association. He is a prosperous attorney with an office in Grant street, Lancaster.

Superintendent A. G. C. Smith, '76, was again reëlected County Superintendent of Delaware county. The directors showed their wisdom in keeping him at the head of their schools. He is President of the Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association.

Mr. Frank Griest, '71, intends to move to Millersville with his family in the near future. His wife, Ella V. Preston Griest, is also a member of '71.

Prominent Business Man Dead.

After a Long Illness, Francis A. Lyte Passes to the Great Beyond.

From the Kane, Pa., *Leader*, June 26, 1896.

The death of F. A. Lyte occurred at his home on Greeves street on Wednesday morning. It was not unexpected, although hopes of his recovery were not abandoned until the last. Quick consumption following a severe attack of pneumonia was the cause.

Francis A. Lyte was one of our most active business men and was at the time of his decease cashier of the First National Bank. Prior to this he had been the general agent of the Massilon Bridge Co., of Massilon, O.

His coming to Kane dates back some ten years ago when the firm of J. T. & W. Griffith was actively engaged in the manufacture and sale of lumber. Needing a bookkeeper, they persuaded Mr. Lyte to remove from Minneapolis, Minn., to this place. A little later he was induced to take the principalship of the Kane public schools, holding this position until the larger salary offered led to his engagement as sales agent for a Cleveland firm, and a little later to the general agency noted above.

The deceased was forty-two years of age; he was born in Lancaster county, graduated with honor at the Millersville State Normal School, and afterwards was principal of Ebensburg public schools. Here he became acquainted with Annie E. Griffith, whom he married.

In his social and fraternal relations he enjoyed the esteem of a large circle of friends. As a descendant of those who fought for independence, he was a recognized member of the Sons of the Revolution. His ability as a surveyor and civil engineer identified him with the American Society of Civil Engineers. In other fraternities, notably the Masonic order, he ranked very high. He had always contributed liberally to the support of religious and benevolent undertakings, and was closely affiliated with the Congregational church, being a trustee of the church at the time of his death. He was a member of the School Board of Kane.

At home he was much beloved, sparing no pains to make the happiness of his family complete. A wife and three children survive him; also two brothers, Professor E. O. Lyte, Principal of Millersville Normal School, and Mr. J. L. Lyte, who is engaged in business in Lancaster.

The funeral services will take place this afternoon from his late home on Greeves street, Rev. Chas. Arthur Jones officiating; interment with Masonic rites in Forest Lawn cemetery.

The Kane *Daily Republican* of June 24th, says in a lengthy article:

"Kane has lost one of her best citizens." This was the universal expression from the lips of our people upon hearing of the death of Francis A. Lyte, Esq., which occurred at his residence in this place at 7:30 o'clock this morning. * * * Mr. Lyte was a prominent factor in the organization of the First National Bank and was unanimously chosen as its cashier at the first meeting called for the election of officers. He was a man who enjoyed the thorough confidence of the community and it was universally conceded that he was just the man for the place. The deceased was a public-spirited man. Since he has resided here no movement has been inaugurated for the betterment of Kane which did not find Frank Lyte at the laboring oar. His loss to this growing town cannot be estimated at this time. It is sad to see such a man stricken down in the very prime of manhood.

Dr. Lyte attended the meetings of the Council of Education and the National Educational Association, at Buffalo, and the meeting of the Pennsylvania State Teaching Association, at Bloomsburg. He will probably spend most of the summer vacation at the School.

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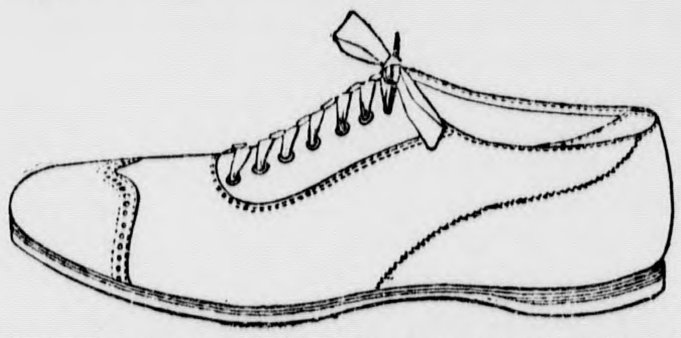
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