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To our graduates: We need your help. Our "plant" has become so large that we must have a large attendance to do our best work. In the past you have been our strongest support. We cannot—and will not—lower our standard to secure pupils. We need not, if you will continue your help. Can you send us one or more students?

Rooms may be engaged at any time for the spring session. Write to the Principal early.

The public schools of the State and the State Normal Schools have no more genuine friend than the present distinguished Governor of the Commonwealth, Col. W. A. Stone. A product of the public schools and the normal schools, he knows their needs and has their deepest interest at heart. The present school system is safe in his hands.

Do you desire to attend a Normal School? Send to the Principal for a catalogue.

The lecture course arranged by the committee of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. for the present session is an excellent one. The JOURNAL takes pleasure in saying that the good people of the neighborhood appreciate the opportunities afforded by these entertainments. A large number of course tickets have been sold. Nearly every student in the school has purchased a ticket for the full course.

In Sight.

Plans and specifications for a "model school and school of practice" were prepared by Mr. J. A. Dempwolf, a prominent architect of the city of York, Pa. The plans followed the plans prepared by Dr. Lyte, which were made after a most careful study of the best school buildings in several large cities. The building will be 123 ft. by 61 ft., and will consist of two stories and a basement. The basement, which will be in great part above ground, will contain six large rooms: a kindergarten, two play rooms, or gymnasiums, manual training room, chemical and physical laboratory, and a room for general school purposes. The first and second stories will contain twenty rooms for twenty pupils each, or half a grade. Each pair of these rooms can be thrown into one room by moving the middle partition, and two pairs can be thrown into one room in the same manner. The great convenience of this arrangement is seen at once. A teacher may have charge of half a grade (or one section); and by simply moving a partition, the entire grade may be under his direction. In classes in penmanship, drawing, vocal music, etc., two grades may recite at one time in a single room. On the first floor is the general office and library; on the second floor are a teacher's room, and a large assembly room. The exterior of the building will be blue limestone and brick, with Indiana limestone trimmings. It represents a classic style of architecture, and will be a handsome addition to the group of handsome buildings already erected. It will be built on the east side of the street, opposite the administration building. Bids for the erection of the building were invited from several prominent contractors. The contract was awarded to Mr. D. H. Rapp, a leading builder of Lancaster, who erected our gymnasium, library building, and science hall, and remodeled the three main buildings of the School. No handsomer group of school buildings can be found in the country. The blower or fan system of heating and ventilation will be used, and the most approved system of plumbing, etc., will be used throughout the new building. There will be running water on every floor, and connection will be made with our general sewerage system leading to the Conestoga, a mile away. The building will be a model school building in more senses than one, and better work than ever will be done in this, one of the most important departments of our school.

While Millersville tries never to sacrifice thoroughness in any of its departments, the purely professional work of the school receives special attention. One great reason for the remarkable success of our graduates is found in the fact that the knowledge obtained through the superior instruction given in the different scholastic departments of the school is reënforced by the application of part of this knowledge in the work of practice teaching in the model school. Our entire school thus becomes a harmonious whole, with one great end in view: the strengthening of our pupils in pure and applied knowledge and in the discipline and culture that results from this strengthening. This thought suggests the further thought that a course in a well appointed normal school—including the practice teaching in the model school—in many cases lays the foundation for the best preparation that can be made for any occupation or calling that demands brain-labor.

Do you wish to obtain the best foundation for a good education? Come to Millersville.

Why should not our great State place higher education within the reach of every boy and girl within its borders? Why should not every child be able to look forward to the possibility of obtaining a good education at the expense of the State? A distinguished citizen of the State said to Dr. Lyte not long ago, "The State educates the deaf, dumb, blind and feeble-minded, and it is right that this should be done; why then should not the State educate the boy with all his faculties unimpaired?" To this question there can be but one answer.

We expect a large attendance of students for the spring session. There is inspiration in numbers.

Many years ago private academies were scattered over our State, but they were compelled to give way to public high schools that were under the control of trained teachers, and that provided a better education and provided it for the poor as well as the rich. The high schools have come to stay. Let us have more of them. Let us look forward to the time when a high school education at least will be within the reach of every boy and girl in the Commonwealth.

The Board of Principals of the State Normal Schools held their annual meeting at Harrisburg on Thursday, November 9th. The most important discussions of the meeting bore upon the enrichment of the present course. A revised course of study was presented by Dr. Lyte, in which the work of high schools and the certificates of superintendents were to some extent recognized. The revised course suggested is in reality two courses, called the regular normal course and the English course, the only difference being that the English course omits Latin. The courses are so arranged that but little if any more time will be required for their completion than is now required for the elementary course, while the results will be far more satisfactory. On motion of Dr. Lyte the subject was referred to a committee for further consideration and action.

The most perfect place for a school is one in which the student has the greatest advantages, the fewest disadvantages, where temptations do not lie in wait for the student, where everything conduces to study. Such a place is Millersville. Several years ago, a boy came to this school because he could not be kept at home. Of course he did not stay here long; but while here he complained to the Principal that "if a boy didn't study, nobody wanted to have anything to do with him and he couldn't have any fun." He was right. There isn't much room here for lazy boys, and none at all for lazy, bad boys. But students who desire to work cannot find a better place than the "Old Normal."

"The Civil War by Campaigns" is the title of a very interesting book of 286 pages by Prof. Eli G. Foster '86, Topeka, Kansas. It is written, as its title indicates, on a new plan. Each great campaign of this remarkable struggle is followed to the end, and its relation to other events clearly shown. The book is well written, and will prove a valuable contribution to our school histories. It may be used with any text-book on history with great benefit to both pupil and teacher. The author is a strong member of one of the strong classes sent out by this school. We are sure that he will continue to make his mark as an author of valuable text-books.

The following principle is of great importance: We are what we are chiefly through what we have done. Don't be sneaks at school, or you may have to sneak through life. Don't cheat your teacher, or you may try to cheat your grocer. Don't lie to any one, or you may lose the power to perceive the truth. Don't be rude to your classmates, or you may not be able to know what gentlemanly conduct is. Don't be tardy at class, or you may always be behind in life's race. Not only do we learn to do by doing, but we also learn to *be* by doing.

"New occasions teach new duties; Time makes ancient good uncouth" is as true with respect to Normal Schools as with everything else. Let us make progress here as elsewhere.

The present Senior class numbers 144. This class is the largest class in the history of the school. It is composed of excellent material and contains a number of promising teachers.

No other Normal School in Pennsylvania has so wide a reputation as Millersville. Her diplomas are accepted in several States and are respected throughout the United States.

Do you wish to "better" your provisional certificate? Come to Millersville.

Do you wish to become a better teacher? Come to Millersville.

The spring session will begin on Monday, March 26, 1900, and continue fourteen weeks.

Several Normal Schools are represented in this year's Senior class.

On the Use of Text-books.

One of the evils from which the public schools of to-day suffer is the misuse or non-use of text-books. At nearly every teachers' gathering some one will tell the teachers present that they "must not be the slave of any text-book;" they "must know more than is contained in the text-book;" they "must have several text-books and take the good of all, and reject the bad of all;" they "must be able to write a text-book themselves;" they "must be the text-book for the pupils under them;" and so on, and so on. All of this contains a germ of truth, and consequently is sometimes a dangerous doctrine. While it is true that a teacher must not be the slave of a text-book, it is equally true that most teachers must follow the text-books they attempt to teach if they wish to make any advancement in their work. To say that teachers must know more than is contained in the text-books they teach is true and trite; but it is sometimes interpreted as meaning that they must know what they know differently from the way in which it is presented in the text-book. While it is true that teachers should have several text-books, it is equally true that most teachers are unable to select the good from the bad in text-books; and those who are able to do so know enough to know that bits of knowledge culled from several text-books often make an *olla-podrida* which is neither palatable nor digestible to pupils or teacher. To demand that teachers should not teach a subject until they can write a text-book upon the subject is to demand a silly impossibility. To ask teachers to be the text-books for their pupils is to use a pretty figure of speech, but it is not a feasible plan for the every-day public school.

The good teacher may not agree upon all points with the author of the text-book he teaches, but he will appreciate the fact that the chances are that the author is right, and that with further study and investigation he may think as the author now does. The good teacher may even be sure that he has a better view, or a wider view, or a simpler view, of certain topics than the author, but he knows that to shake the confidence of pupils in a good text-book without the possibility of giving them anything else to lean on is often detrimental to their progress in many ways; and he will present what he thinks to be the poorer view, or the narrower view, or the more complex view, of the author instead of taking from his pupils the staff upon which they have been accustomed to depend. To go beyond the text-book—that is all right if the pupils are ready for the "beyond;" but to go against the text-book—that is all wrong, if the text-book has been carefully selected.

Is this an "old fogy" view? That is a question that does not concern us. Is it a correct view? That is the only question that does concern us. We believe it is the correct view to be taken by the thousands of faithful, efficient, enthusiastic, successful teachers of the public schools who are moulding the children of to-day into the men and women of to-morrow.

DEPARTMENT WORK.

[Prepared by the teachers in charge of the various departments.]

Drawing.

The sketch classes of the first fourteen weeks have been making mass drawings in pencil of fruits, vegetables, and pieces of pottery, while the advanced classes have been working in charcoal and water colors.

In the Model School the pupils have been working with the many attractive subjects, which the autumn provides.

The wash drawings and paintings of the leaves, seed-pods, etc., were especially interesting.

The Water Color Class has been doing outdoor work every pleasant Saturday. The class is larger than last year and we hope to accomplish good work during the winter.

English Grammar.

Dr. Lyte's revised text-book, "*Advanced Grammar* and *Composition*" is in use in all the grammar classes this term except the lowest grade, in which the second book is used. We like the new books very much.

The first A class has completed and "passed" the subject in the first term of the winter session. The second A class, which is divided into two sections on account of its size, is going over the same ground, taking twenty-eight weeks for the work. The first B class has had a thorough drill in the analysis of sentences and in the classification and properties of nouns and pronouns. The second B class is studying case. A daily written exercise has been required of each pupil and written reviews have been given at the end of each month.

Department of Geography.

The classes in Political and Physical Geography are now having their examinations.

The first four weeks of the fourteen in Political Geography were devoted to a study of physiography in general. Then the classes spent three weeks in studying the physiography and the formation of typical relief forms in North America and other continents. Students were then able to classify the relief of the earth into a number of type forms.

A great deal of attention was devoted to the study of types of climate and finding the relation of climate to industrial conditions.

Much attention was also paid to the institutions of man, especially to type government.

The causes for the growth of cities finished the work. Each student made a special study of some state or city and presented the reslut in the form of an essay.

The Physical Geography classes have paid special attention to the explanation of winds, weather, currents and tides.

The members of the Methods class are now studying winds and weather in such a manner as to adopt it to common school classes. They are endeavoring to secure simplicity of expression and illustration and clearness of statement and arrangement of matter.

German.

The beginning class in German has nearly completed the first volume of "Märchen un Erzählungen" and will read, in connection with the work in the German Grammar, Vol. II. of Märchen und Erzählungen.

One of the advanced classes is reading Wilhelm Tell and the other "Die Monate."

History.

The object of class-room instruction on the subject of history is to enable the pupil to comprehend the relative inportance of events, and to widen his historical outlook as much as possible.

The requirements of classes are a good knowledge of the text-book used by the class, the noting of important matter presented by the teacher to the class, and collateral reading to the extent of his time and opportunity. At present there are five classes studying History of the United States. The Seniors expect to complete Myer's General History during the winter term, and students who are preparing for college expect to complete a special course in Greek and Roman History in the same time.

Latin.

The amount of Latin read by the several advanced classes during the session just ended is as follows: 1. Sixty chapters, Livy, Book XXI; 2. The three last of the six required orations of Cicero, including Pompey's Military Command and a part of Virgil, Book II; 3. Two orations of Cicero; 4. Cæsar, Books III and IV and a part of Cicero's first oration against Catiline.

The Senior class of the Elementary Course will commence the second session with Cæsar Book I, Chapter 16. One class of Juniors will commence their third session in Latin with lesson XLVII of Jones's First Lessons. Other classes have made reasonable progress.

Library Report.

The Page and Normal Societies, following their usual custom at the beginning of the session, purchased a supply of new books, and by the demand for them, we judge the students are appreciating them to the utmost.

The cataloguing of history will soon be finished, and we then expect to take up biography.

This year the work in the reference department has been very interesting.

We would be glad if the teachers would help to bring *all* students, but especially *new* students to the Library by giving them more outside classwork to look up here.

We hope before many weeks to have a "base" for our statue of "Winged Victory," as, in its present position, it is in great danger of being broken.

We appreciate the effort of the class of 1879 to add to the beauty of the Library by placing a sun dial on the front of the building.

The circulation for October, 1899, was 1146 volumes, making an increase of 228 volumes over the same month of last year.

Literature.

The Junior classes have completed the work required in this subject for the Junior year, viz.: seven weeks' study and practice in composition, and seven weeks' study of literature. George Eliot's "Silas Marner," Shakespere's "Julius Cæsar," and Lowell's "Vision of Launfal," have been carefully studied.

The Senior class has been engaged in the study of rhetoric and in writing themes. The new text-book introduced this year, Newcomer's Practical Rhetoric, has proved a decided advantage.

The class in higher literature is just completing the study of the four masterpieces required. They are this year: Macaulay's Essay on Johnson, Shakespere's Hamlet, Tennyson's Princess, and Hawthorne's Tales. The study of American literature will follow.

In the methods classes an introduction to literary study is given by taking up six literary types: epic, lyric and dramatic poetry; the essay, the short story and the novel. Discussions are given upon each of these forms, and pupils required to read an example of each.

Manual Training.

The work in the manual training department is well started for the year. The results thus far obtained show that the students are interested in the work, and that they are gaining skill in the manipulation of tools and material.

The various lines of hand work have been extended and enlarged, the exercises being designed from the standpoint of modern investigation of the nature of the pupil to be taught.

The wood-working room is being made to look very mechanical and workmanlike in appearance, by having the special tools placed on neat panels and hung around the room.

Mathematics.

In THE NORMAL JOURNAL of May, 1899, we gave the course in Trigonometry and Higher Algebra as taught at Millersville. We will now briefly outline the course in Analytic Geometry and Calculus, and in the next number give the course in Surveying and Mechanics.

Analytic Geometry.—The course of Analytic Geometry includes what is usually found in ordinary college text-books. It embraces the *Equations of the Straight*, the *Circle*, the *Ellipse*, the *Parobola* and the *Hyperbola*. A thorough disussion of *Tangents*, *Normals*, *Asymptotes*, *Pole and Polar*, and the area of the *Conic Sections*. To which is added a discussion of *Higher Plane Curves* and the *General Equation* of the *Second Degree*. The course is completed in twenty-one to twenty-eight weeks with daily recitations.

Calculus.—The course in Calculus includes both *Dffierential* and *Integral Calculus*, and covers a period of twenty-eight weeks with daily recitation. To complete the Calculus the student must be able to discuss the subjects as found in ordinary college text-books independent of the book. The course embraces the *Differentiation* and *Integration*, of *Algebraic*, *Logarithmic*, *Exponential*, *Trigonometric* and *Anti-Trigonometric Functions*. The discussion of *Series*, *Indeterminate Forme*, *Maxima* and *Minima* of *Functions*, *Curve Tracing*, *Evolutes* and *Envelopes*, the *Length* and *Areas* of *Plane Curves*, the *Areas* of *Surfaces*, and the *Volumes* of *Solids*. The course is based on the Theory of Limits as presented in Bledsoe's Philosophy of Mathematics.

Model School Department.

School opened in September with the usual enrollment. Notwithstanding the promotion to the Normal, the tenth grade is large, the attendance so far has been very good.

One hundred and forty-four seniors teach in the Model School. On account of the large number of teachers and children, we are much hampered for room, but we can easily bear the discomforts for the present, because next year we shall have better accommodations. We hope then to be in our new building, where we shall have all the comforts and conveniences adapted to our wants.

Twenty-five new books have been added to our Library list. They include recent publications for children in history, biography and fiction.

We have modified our course of study so that German is begun in the eighth grade and Latin in the ninth. We have now three German classes. The eighth grade is having conversation lessons, the ninth is reading Märchen und Erzahlungen number one, and the tenth, number two, of the same text.

The Primary Language Classes, and science work are under Mr. Harbold's supervision. In science some very interesting and profitable work in magnetism and air pressure has been done.

Music.

The music department opened with a much larger attendance than last year. Each teacher has many more than the usual number of hours taken, and another assistant will be needed very soon. In the quality of work done there is a decided improvement, and the standard is being steadily raised.

In addition to the regular mid winter pupils' recital, a Christmas choral service will be given on the Sunday evening preceding the holidays, at which time the choir will render a number of choruses from the standard operas. The Model School children will sing some carols, and the Faculty in Music, assisted by Miss Landis, will furnish special numbers.

Natural Science Department.

The present Senior class has just finished the first fourteen weeks of Natural Philosophy. The class though large, has made most excellent progress and has finished or passed the subject of Mechanics of Solids and Fluids. During the next fourteen weeks the subjects of Heat and Electricity will claim the class's attention.

Two classes in Chemistry have been making good use of our new Chemical Laboratory and seem to take great interest in searching for "unknowns."

A class in Astronomy is just beginning the study of this important subject. A new Chemistry class is also being organized and the class in Higher Physics may begin work in the near future.

Penmanship.

The several classes in penmanship completed slant writing during the first twelve weeks of this session and are now devoting a few weeks to vertical writing. The specimen of slant writing prepared by the members of the classes are bound into a book and the visitors to Room O should not fail to examine these specimens. The uniformity of these specimens proves that all can learn to write.

Physical Culture.

With the outgoing of the usual fall sports, the gentlemen are beginning to welcome the approach of the indoor amusements, chief among which is basket-ball. Arrangements are being made for a school team and several class teams, and numerous games will be played during the winter.

The class work of the gentlemen in the gymnasium has been remarkably good this fall, as is generally the case, the Seniors making the most marked improvement, although the class of the Model School boys deserve a large share of commendation. The work in the different divisions thus far and until the holidays will be as follows: 2d A, dumb-bells; 1st and 2d C, 9th and 10th grade model, fancy steps and short wands; 1st B, Indian clubs; Juniors, dumb-bells and chest weight exercises; 2nd B, dumb-bells and Indian clubs; Model school boys, figure marching, calisthenics and musical bells; Seniors, step positions, military drill and bar-bells.

Reading.

Reading in the lower grades has been taught with special reference to the development of an alert attitude of mind, and the enrichment of the pupil's vocabulary. At the same time the literature of the lessons has been made very important with constant drill in expression. The advanced classes have been studying the fundamentals of expression with practice in expression from the platform. The value of elocution as an aid in literary expression has been clearly seen in the study of different selections. The classes in methods each get four weeks' instruction in the pedagogics of reading, with practical and definite illustrations.

ALUMNI NEWS.

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

MARRIAGES.

MARRIED—On August 23d, at Vineland, N. J., Mr. Dilworth G. Eshbach, '92, to Miss Encie Louise Constantine. Mr. Eshbach has been principal of the high school at Vineland for several years. He is credited with being a very capable and efficient teacher. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Eshbach a long and happy married life, and extend to them our heartiest congratulations.

MARRIED—On Thursday, August 24th, at her home in Waynesboro, Pa., Miss Mary F. Adams, '83, to John G. Corbett. It gives us pleasure to make this record and to extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Corbett.

MARRIED—On Thursday, August 24th, at Cassville, Pa., Miss Mary Hamilton, 96, to Dr. John W. Van Horn, of Montoursville, Pa. Dr. and Mrs. Van Horn will have their home at the latter place. We send them congratulations and with these our best wishes for prosperity and happiness.

MARRIED—On Tuesday, September 5th, in the First Presbyterian Church, in Shenandoah, Pa., Miss Sarah Ried Stein, '96, to Dr. George M. Dill. The latter was a student with us during several sessions in '92 and '93. He subsequently graduated in the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania and is now a practicing physician. We congratulate Dr. and Mrs. Dill, and ask them to accept our warmest wishes for a long and happy wedded life.

MARRIED—On Thursday, October 5th, at St. Nichols, Pa., the home of the bride, Miss Elsie L. Jones, '99, to Mr. Percy Gonder, Sharon, Pa. Mr. Gonder is an electrician for the Lakeside Railway Company. The groom has a handsome residence at Sharon, Pa. This will be the home of our young friends, may it be a home where content and happiness abide; this is the wish of the many Normal friends of Mrs. Gonder.

MARRIED—On Thursday evening, October 5th, at Elizabethville, Pa., Mr. Samuel H. Knisely, '91, to Miss Katharyn Lovera Mattis. Mr. Knisely is principal of the Elizabethville schools. The present record, we presume, testifies to his social success. We have heard that professionally he is doing most excellent work. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Knisely and wish them many years of happiness.

MARRIED—On October 21st, in New York City, Miss Marion A. Lawson, '96, to Mr. Charles H. Kleinhans. We take this opportunity to extend congratulations and good wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Kleinhans.

MARRIED—On November 11th, at her home, Pleasant Grove, Pa., Miss Mabel A. Haines, '89, to Mr. C. B. Eby, '89. After leaving he e Mr. Eby took a theological course at Princeton. He is now an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church, and has a pastorate at Kingman, Kansas. This place will be the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eby. All their Normal friends entertain kindly memories of them, and extend to them the heartiest good wishes, joined to congratulations.

MARRIED—On November 16th, at her home, in Auburn, Pa., Miss Emma Luella Quail to Mr. Frederick V. Filbert. Miss Quail was with us a student in '96, and is a sister of Miss Flora J. Quail, '96. We send our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Filbert.

Miss Sara Brownell, '94, is now Mrs. Frank T. Weiler, '90. We do not know when the interesting event, which our announcement indicates, took place. Mr. Weiler is an engineer in the service of the United States. Our young friends reside at 712 Union Street, West Philadelphia.

DEATHS.

Death has again invaded the ranks of our Alumni. Five of the number have died since our August issue: Mrs. Anna Wise Palmer, '86; Rev. C. G. F. Miller, '83; Gideon C. Miller, '89, Miss Lillie J. McClure, '98, and Mr. George G. McCullough, '90.

Mrs. Palmer was the wife of Henry K. Palmer, '86. Her sickness was brief and her death sudden. It occurred in Philadelphia on October 13th, while she was on a visit to her mother. Mrs. Palmer was a woman, whom all recognized as dutiful and worthy in all her relations. As a student, she was faithful and honorable, as a wife she was unselfish and devoted. Her character was adorned by the highest of Christian virtues and devout piety. Her loss is deeply felt in her community, and seems to be irreparable in her family. We mourn for her and sympathize with them in their bereavement.

Miss Lillie J. McClure, '98, died at her home in Bart, Pa., on Tuesday evening, October 31st, after an illness of about six months. The news of her death painfully affected all of us. She was a most exemplary, faithful and earnest student when with us, and by her affable, kindly manner and sweet good nature endeared herself to her schoolmates and teachers. All of us deeply feel her loss, and to her sorrowing parents and relatives we extend our most heartfelt sympathies.

The following resolutions were passed by the Normal Society, in which she held a membership:

WHEREAS, Our friend and fellow member in the Normal Literary Society, Miss Lillie McClure, has been promoted from earth to the higher life, and

WHEREAS, We, as members of the Normal Literary Society, feel deeply grieved by her early death, be it

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with her family and friends in the loss of one so gentle and lovely, and rejoice with them in the memory of her goodness, earnestness, and truth.

Resolved, That these resolutions be sent to her family, be inscribed in the minutes of the Society and printed in the NORMAL JOURNAL.

AMANDA LANDES,
G. G. MINNICH,
E. BELLE THOMPSON.

The following resolutions were adopted on the death of Gideon C. Miller, of the class of '89, by the Page Society, of which he was a member:

WHEREAS, Death has taken from our membership one of our faithful Pageites, Gideon C. Miller, of the class of '89, and

WHEREAS, His many manly qualities won the respect and admiration of all who came in contact with him, therefore be it

Resolved, That in his death the Page Society has lost a devoted member, an earnest worker and a loyal friend.

Resolved, That we hereby express our profound sympathy with the bereaved family, whose consolation and comfort are in the memory of what he was and in the thought of the "rest that remaineth for the children of God."

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the NORMAL JOURNAL.

ANNA M. BLACK,
CARRIE E. MYERS,
ERNEST A. ARMSTRONG.

The Rev. C. G. F. Miller, '83, a graduate in the Scientific Course of '85, died at his home in Millersville on November 7th, after an illness of typhoid fever, lasting about three weeks. Mr. Miller was a minister of the Evangelical faith and was at the time he died in charge of a circuit which included Lititz and Neffsville. He was an upright man, devout and conscientious in all his relations. His classmates and the many other friends he made at the Normal will read with regret the chronicle of his death. We and they join together in expressing our sympathy with his bereaved family and find solace in the belief that he has passed to a better world and a happier life.

We were greatly saddened to hear, a few days ago, of the death of George G. McCullough, '90.

Mr. McCullough had, for the last few years, charge of the homestead farm and mill, at McCullough's Mills, Juniata Co., Pa. It was while engaged in operating the machinery of the mill that the accident occurred, which resulted in his death, on Friday morning, November 24th.

Mr. McCullough was a type of the upright, honest gentleman, the kind of man that can give tone and high character to the vocation which he chooses.

His loss will be deeply felt in his community. He was full of public spirit. Church, school, every good interest, will suffer by his removal. His young wife, his brothers and sisters, all of whom were devotedly attached to him, feel the bereavement most keenly. We shall sadly miss him in the annual gatherings when classes meet to renew their school day friendships. His cordial manner and generous heart made him a great favorite among us all. We extend to all his relatives and friends our most heartfelt sympathy, and when the cares of earth have ended, may we all meet him to share the joys which a life well spent will bring to him.

The following report was adopted by the Page Society of which he was a member:

Your committee appointed to prepare a paper, relative to the death of George G. McCullough, offer the following:

Death is always sad, but when by an accident it comes to one in a moment, without any premonition of its approach; it is inexpressibly sad.

George G. McCullough, '90, of McCullough's Mills, one of a number of brothers and sisters, who have been members of our School and of our Society, was, on November 24, 1899, 7:30 a. m., found dead in in his mill, supposed to have been caught in the machinery, and being whirled about to have received a blow that knocked him senseless, and then to have had his clothes drawn so tightly about him as to crush the life out of him.

The Page Society, deeply as she mourns, feels that in our School she is not alone in her grief, but that, member of Faculty, Pageite, Normalite, all who knew George G. McCullough, alike, staggered under the shock of the announcement of his sudden death, and are bowed down with a weight of sorrow for the loss of the friend, the fellow, the pupil of yore, now gone from his accustomed walks of life, but still remaining in memory a true, noble, whole-souled, Christian man; and we all unite in expressing sympathy to those who held him in the more intimate embrace of kinship, and pray that in the thought of his unspeakable gain and by the gracious gift of the Heavenly Comforter, they may receive "beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness." A. R. BYERLY.

We are called upon to express our sympathy with one of our most esteemed alumni, Mr. Samuel P. McDivitt, '69. His wife died at Asheville, North Carolina, on August 3d. Mrs. McDivitt was the daughter of the Rev. Thomas H. Skinner, D.D., of McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago. A notice of her death contains the following testimony to her high character: "Cultured and refined, her genial disposition and ready tact rendered her agree-

able and helpful alike to the brilliant and the humble. Through years of illness and pain, endured with Christian patience and cheerfulness, her forgetfulness of self and thoughtfulness of others, bore testimony of a life hid with Christ in God, and was an inspiration to all who came within her influence."

Our readers will read with deep sorrow the announcement of Mr. McDivitt's bereavement, and join with us in our heartfelt sympathy with him.

ITEMS.

We are pleased to learn of the distinguished and well-deserved honor conferred upon Rev. J. Wharton Bradley, '66, of Nesquehoning, Pa. We quote the announcement: "Rev. J. Wharton Bradley has completed a post-graduate course at Taylor University, Indiana, and has received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from that institution." The title, "Rev. Dr.," carries dignity and distinction with it, and we who know Mr. Bradley, know that he will honor it.

A letter was received a few days ago from one of the Normal boys of '84, James Rea. Mr. Rea has made an excellent record for himself. He has been for the past six years teaching in the Packard Commercial School in New York City. The New York *Evening Telegram* of November 6th, announces that Mr. Rea at the annual business meeting of the Commercial Teachers' Association, was elected its president. The organization holds monthly meetings in New York City and has a membership extending throughout the Middle and New England States.

Dr. E. W. Snyder, '79, has recently been appointed R. R. Surgeon for the Pennsylvania and Northern Central railroads, at Marysville, Pa. He writes that in addition to this responsible office he carries on a very good town practice. It is always pleasant to hear of the advancement of those who deserve it. Dr. Snyder is one of those.

De Warren H. Reynolds, Esq., '74, seems to be attaining to legal eminence in his community. What is better still, he is an enterprising and useful man. He is a leading member of the bar in Cumberland, Md., is serving his fifth year as one of the trustees of the schools of the city, has been attorney to the Board of County School Commissioners, and has been recently appointed by the Governor, a member of the Board of County School Commissioners of Allegheny county. This is a high compliment, as it was expected that a Republican would succeed Mr. Wilson, who has just resigned. It always gives us pleasure to note the success of our Alumni.

Mrs. Jeannette Davis Taylor, '85, whose home is in Bryncoch Heath, South Wales, G. B., writes very affectionately of the Normal in a recent letter to Dr. Lyte. "THE JOURNAL," she says, "comes to me as a messenger of love, bringing ever kind and pleasant news of a loved schoolmate or of others whom I do not know, those who fill our old places. I believe I love every one of them just because they are at 'our' Normal. It has been my heart's wish to send my little daughter to Millersville, in time to come, had Mr. Taylor lived, but as my little one and myself are alone I cannot part with her now." We suggest that Mrs. Davis make Millersville her home, as many do who wish to educate their children. She would be cordially welcomed by all her old friends, we are sure.

THE SOCIETIES.

The Page Literary Society.

ANNIE LYLE.

We gave a brief history of the origin and character of the Page Literary Society in the February number of the NORMAL JOURNAL of '98. During the present session we have been so frequently asked why the Society was so named, that we have thought it might be well to answer the question through the JOURNAL. even though it may be a reiteration of part of the history given in the number referred to, The Society was named for David R. Page, a prominent educator. Mr. Page was for a time principal of the State Normal School, of Albany, New York. His great educational work is "The Theory and Practice of Teaching," first published in 1857. It is a book of conspicuous merit. Personally Mr. Page was a man of noble character, eminently worthy of imitation and if the members of the Society, named in honor of him, will emulate him in zeal and professional devotion, be guided by his high motives in their work, and be inspired by his philanthropic spirit, they will form a band of strong and noble men and women and will do great honor to his name. Let us commend him to them as an example, and an inspiration.

Perhaps a brief outline of the work of the present session will indicate that those who call themselves "Pageites" are faithfully endeavoring to do their share in making the name honorable.

The first meeting of the session was held on September 1st. The first referred question, Who is Mrs Grundy? was answered by Miss Lillie Miller. The second—What is True Chivalry? by Mr. Elmer E. Lenhardt.

The debate—*Resolved*, That the good results of war have outweighed its necessary evils, was debated affirmatively by Miss Anna Black and Mr. J. V. R. Evans. Negatively, by Miss Ada Wooden and Mr. David Lingle. The recitation—"Lillie Servosse's Ride" was presented by Miss Hanna Phipps. The oration—"The Silent Man," was delivered by Mr. George Q. Weaver.

Some of the referred questions announced during the session are as follows:

1. "What can you tell of the Philippine War," Mr. Emory Wolf.
2. "What is the Value of a Steadfast Will?" Miss Stella Ferguson.
3. "What is Truth Telling?" Miss Katharine Kauffman.
4. "What can you tell of Cotton Raising?" Mrs. Elwood Phipps.
5. "Should Women organize Clubs?" Miss Grace Basler.
6. "What can you tell of England in the Transvaal?" Mr. Wm. MacMillan.
7. "What is it to be Educated?" Miss Sara Lanius.
8. "Give an account of the Yacht Race." Mr. Harry Campbell.

The following resolutions have been debated:

1. *Resolved*, That the public services of Henry Clay were more valuable to the country than were those of Daniel Webster. Aff.: Miss Getzinger and Mr. Clayton Weaver. Neg.: Miss Anna Kauffman and Mr. Senft.
2. *Resolved*, That in the future Russia will have more to do with shaping the affairs of Europe than England. Aff.: Miss Anna Euston and Mr. Heisey. Neg.: Miss Effinger and Mr. Morris Cooper.
3. *Resolved*, That the policy of imperialism will be detrimental to the United States. Aff.: Miss Cora Kauffman and Mr. Henry Wolf. Neg.: Miss Emma Bucher and Mr. Harry Symons.
4. *Resolved*, That party allegiance is preferable to independent action in politics. Aff.: Miss Annie Boyer, Mr. Albert Bush. Neg.: Miss Mary Campbell, Mr. Herbert Marquette.
5. *Resolved*, That the successful explorer is deserving of higher honor than the successful warrior. Aff.: Miss Ada Charles, Mr. Geo. Q. Weaver. Neg.: Miss Rehm, Mr. Lefever.
6. *Resolved*, That foreign immigration should be prohibited. Aff.: Miss Lulu Carrigan, Mr. David Lingle. Neg.: Miss Grace Aucker, Mr. Hershey.
7. *Resolved*, That the fame of Grant rests upon his career as General rather than as President. Aff., Miss Edith Kautz, Mr. Lenhardt. Neg.: Miss Anna Adams, Mr. Phipps.
8. *Resolved*, That trusts are conducive to the welfare of the country. Aff.: Miss Dalza Sawyer, Mr. J. V. R. Evans. Neg.: Miss Will, Mr. Hoffman.

The following persons have presented recitations: Miss Lulu Hall, "The Ruggles's Dinner Party"; Miss Ada Wooden, "Yours Truly"; Miss Florence Archer, "Aunt Melissy on Boys"; Miss Laura Thomas, "Flying Jim's Last Leap"; Miss May Smith, "The Death Bridge of the Tay"; Miss Lillie Miller, "Deacon Monroe's Story"; Miss Leila Shaw, "Humors of Elocution."

The following orations have been given:

1. "Critical Periods in Life," Mr. Wilson Morris.
2. Progress, Mr. Frank Herr.
3. The Great Commoner, Mr. J. V. R. Evans.
4. Admiral Dewey, Mr. Hildebrand.
5. Great Conflicts in Life, Mr. Hoffman.
6. The Closing Century, Mr. Harry Symons.

On November 17th, the evening was given to "Pennsylvania" and the following programme was rendered: 1. Music—Piano Solo, Miss Claribel Schaffer. 2. Referred Question—Give an account of Pennsylvania's great battlefield, Mr. G. Q. Weaver. Music by the Male Quartette, Messrs. Harbold, Campbell, Dreshman and Hoffman.

Debate—*Resolved*, That the Germans have done more for Pennsylvania than the English. Aff.: Miss Mary Frantz, Mr. Clayton Weaver. Neg.: Miss Ada Wooden, Mr. Senft.

Music—Vocal duet, Miss Laura Thomas, Mr. Dreshman.

Oration—"The founder of Pennsylvania," Miss Anna Blach.

Recitation—"Independent Bell," Miss Florence Arches.

Music—Page Glee Club.

A number of the Page Alumni were present and took part in debate. Mr. Stewart, '96 delivered a recitation by special request.

The Society has a guitar and banjo club consisting of Miss Della Ulsh, Miss Mary Ulsh, Miss Lillie Miller, Miss Gertrude Kaercher, Mr. Newhauser.

The Glee Club is under the management of Mr. Christian Dreshman, and the pianist is Miss Elizabeth Brubaker. The vocal soloists are Miss Mae Byerly, Miss Mary Ulsh, Miss Laura Thomas, Mr. Harry Campbell, Mr. Dreshman.

The piano soloists are Miss Grace Miller, Miss Anna Landis, Miss Carrie Rogers, Miss Claribel Scheaffer, Miss Elizabeth Long, Miss Mary Smith.

The following persons have held the office of president during the session: Mr. Symons, Mr. Heisey, Mr. MacMillen, Mr. G. L. Weaver. The secretaries have been Miss Edith Kautz, Miss Barbara Boyer, Miss Lulu Carrigan, Miss Grace Basler.

The Normal Literary Society.

H. JUSTIN RODDY.

It is the function of a School Literary Society to round out the development given by classwork and text-book study. The one subordinates the student into a mere follower of other men's thinking; the other elevates him to a plane where he is independent and can develod originality and individuality of thought, manner and expression.

It is much to be a student, but it is greater to have one's learning available and at command. The latter comes from the training received by contact with our equals or superiors in a literary society and especially in debate.

The debate, the oration, and the essay should

be the most interesting features on the program of a literary society, and should never be subordinated to those features that simply give entertainment. They all require thoughtful preparation and careful research, and therefore give power.

Some of the best debates this year have been on the following questions: (1) *Resolved*, That the present method of electing senators is preferable to direct election by the people; (2) *Resolved*, That the battle of Marathon was more important in its effects on the world than the battle of Waterloo; (3) *Resolved*, That women should not vote; (4) *Resolved*, That men of intellect have done more for the world than men of action, and (5) *Resolved*, That conscience is a true moral guide.

Many ladies took part in the debates, and among them we may mention Misses Seitz, Horner, Leopold, Confer, Wilcox, Longacre, Snell, Anders, Weil, Rouse, Hartman, Walton and Thompson.

Some of the gentlemen debaters were Messrs. Minnich, Grove, Peightel, Pahn, Meyer, Hoover, Martin and Bitner.

The orations showed careful preparation, and most of them were impressively delivered. Some of the best taken at random were: "A Great Agnostic," by Harry Bitner; "Public Opinion," by Emmett Gherst; "The Influence of the Stock Exchange," by J. K. Mentzer; "A Greeting to the 20th Century," by Jos. Stokes; "The Aristocracy of America," by George Knapp; "The Real Preparation," by Mr. Stauffer; "True Education," by Harry Meyer; "A Master of Our Literature," by E. N. Grove, and "America, a Land of Promise," by Graybill Minnich.

Some essays and essayists deserve more mention than the length of this paper will allow. I will give, however, at random, some of the titles and essayists during the past fourteen weeks. They are, "Wanted a Position," Miss Horner; "Slang Habits," Miss Snell; "The Unruly Member," Miss Wilcox; "Ambition," Miss Gardner, and "Autumn Musings," Miss Ella Anders.

A great deal of entertainment was furnished by many good recitations. Among the best were, "The Dukite Snake," by Howard K. Miller; "Mary Alice Smith," by Miss May Hull; "The Black Horse and its Rider," by Harold Weiss; "Skimpsie," by Miss May Walton; "King Wolmer and Little Elsie," by Miss Grace Frantz; "Aunt Maria at the Eden Musee," by Miss Hergesheimer; "Voiceless Chimes," by Miss Myton, and "Miss Maloney on the Chinese Question," by Miss McLaughlin.

The music during this session has been quite good under the efficient charge of Miss Confer, and now under Mr. Harry Meyer. The regular music is furnished by the Lyrian Glee Club, but the Society is often favored with music by an orchestra made up from among the Society's members.

Special music has been contributed by Miss McIntyre, Miss Garresson, Miss Westlake, Mrs. Bitner, Mrs. Roddy, Lawrence Bitner, Mr. Eugene Wentzel, and Miss Naomi Bausman.

We were very glad to have our old Normalite friend, Mr. Wentzel, return to visit us and sing so acceptably for the Society.

The Junior Normal Society has been very active during the present session. It held its regular weekly meeting in the chapel, Saturday evening, November 11, 1899. The officers were John E. Scragg, President; Miss May Lear, Secretary; Mr. Chas. Eysler, Vice-President, and Miss Emma Fulton, Critic.

The programme was as follows:

Music by the Club.

Essay—"The Great Reform," Miss Wentzel.

Piano Duet—Misses Overholser and Bausman.

Oration—"Andrew Jackson," Mr. Chas. Workman.

Violin Solo.—Benjamin Herr.

Regular Debate: Question—*Resolved*, That the United States is justifiable in continuing war in the Philippines. Affirmative—Misses Cairnes, Endslow and Mr. McCardle; Negative: Misses Baur, Denlinger and Mr. Robert Scagg.

Vocal Solo—Mr. H. D. McCardle.

Music—Duet, Messrs. Arthur and Horace Hull.

Recitation—"Uncle Ben," Miss Lillie Bitner.

Piano Solo—Mr. Steese.

Sentiment Roll.

The meeting was a very good one and augurs well for Senior Society work.

Nearly all the arrangements have been completed for the Normal Anniversary meeting on the last Friday evening in January, 1900. It promises to be a very successful anniversary.

Y. W. C. T. U.

AMANDA LANDES, *President.*

The officers elected at the opening of the session are: President, Amanda Landes; Vice-President, Cora M. Hoffman; Recording Secretary, Lulu Hall; Corresponding Secretary, Stella Leopold; Treasurer, Anna Fröhlich. The meetings have sustained their reputation for interest and have been well attended. One of the best meetings was a tobacco meeting, at which the following subjects were discussed: "Why I Never Used Tobacco," by Mr. C. Weaver; "Why I Would Not Use Tobacco," by Mr. C. Peightel; "Why I Stopped Smoking," by Mr. G. Q. Weaver. Mr. H. Campbell told of Ex-Governor, John P. St. John's experience with tobacco, and Miss Hanna Phipps read an article on "Smoke Houses." The meeting was very effective and the report may be suggestive to other unions. At another meeting an interesting account of work done at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago was given by Miss Ella Bateman, one of our former members. Our Union was well represented at the County Convention in Lancaster, in September. Mrs. Bitner was our delegate and sang during one of the sessions. Miss McIntyre, also sang in the evening and a quartette of ladies from our union sang. Mrs. Overholser's song, "Press On and On," and a quartette of our young men also sang. Miss Landes, Miss Hull and Mr. Miller also recited at different sessions.

Miss Landes represented the "Y" at the State Convention in Philadelphia, and the report of the Silver Jubilee of the State Organization and the force represented by the workers gathered there in session, was a revelation to some not familiar with the work of the W. C. T. U.

To each member of our Normal School "Y" who has left us and gone out to do the world's work, we, who are still working in the school, send a greeting. You are remembered among us. The names on our bright roll of honor are often scanned. Do not forget that you enrolled your name among those who work "For God and Home, and Native Land." Do not falter or hold back when your opportunities come to work against drinking and drink selling, and we will pray God's blessing on you that strength and courage fail not.

Y. W. C. A.

ELIZABETH BARNHART, *President.*

The new session brought responsibilities which we had become accustomed to share with the devoted young women who went out from our

Our State Secretary, Mrs. Lowry, gave us a short visit during which she led a mid-week meeting. She was full of suggestions and encouragement. Three delegates were sent to the State Convention at Williamsport, who returned feeling that the Y. W. C. A. of Pennsylvania is directed by sensible women of God, and is meant to do a great work for the young womanhood of the State, whether in cities or in educational institutions.

During the week of prayer in November we were privileged to have Miss Carson of New York two evenings. Her deeply spiritual talks midst last summer to bless other lives, and we were strangely at loss without their sustaining presence. As soon, however, as the girls who now fill our halls began to realize the meaning of the Association in the School, they responded to its needs with such efficient, gladsome service that it is strong in numbers and influence. Our three Northfield girls are a constant help and inspiration as the Northfield girls have always been.

There are eighty members of the various Bible classes, studying the Life of Christ and the Life of Paul, with Sallmon's Outlines and Farrer and Stalker for references. One class is learning the Fundamental Principles of Christian Living from Miss Babcock's little book, with one of her pupils.

which could come only from a consecrated life like hers, left a lasting impression upon many of us. Miss Brown addressed us one evening, telling of her work as City Secretary among the thousands of factory girls in Lancaster, and showing opportunities for women of influence and education to help them.

Our union Thanksgiving service was held as usual. Dr. Hull's address was full of helpful thoughts and significant historical allusions.

Our hope is that all of you, our former members, are finding some ways of helping God's kingdom to come on earth, and letting his grace rule your hearts. We ask to be remembered in your prayers, leaving you with our familiar watchword, Mizpeh.

Y. M. C. A.

HOWARD K. MILLER, PRESIDENT.

Each year brings to our Normal new students, many young men who are interested in our Association. We welcome all to our midst and invite them to join with us.

The object of our Association is to keep up the Christian spirit developed heretofore, and to bring the indifferent boys to realize their need of Christ.

At the District Convention held at Lebanon, Nov. 3-5, our Association was represented by a delegation, numbering fourteen. Dr. Hull represented the Association on the programme, and spoke on "The Young Men of the World."

We held a very successful series of meetings during the Week of Prayer.

Nov. 12. Report of the Convention by delegates.

Nov. 13. Young Men of the Home.—Dr. Bitner.

Nov. 14. Young Men of the School.—Prof. Lansinger.

Nov. 15. Young Men of the Church.—Dr. Byerly.

Nov. 16. Young Men of the State.—Dr. Lyte.

Nov. 17, 18. Sunrise Services.

Nov. 19. The Fully Developed Young Man.—Prof. Haeberle.

Among the results noted are an increased interest in Association Bible Study Classes; several new classes have been organized; an increase in the attendance at our meetings.

We expect to have Mr. Evans, a student at the Franklin and Marshall Seminary with us Sunday, December 3d.

On Sunday, December 10th, Mr. Chas. A. Haff, a former officer of our Association, now a student in the Medical Dep't at the University of

Pennsylvania, will be with us. We have secured the promise of several more men who are interested in Y. M. C. A. work to be with us some time during the year.

In all our work we are aiming to keep Christ directly before us; we are trying to widen our influence for Him that it may be felt not only here, but wherever we may be.

"Brethren, pray for us."

NORMAL NOTE BOOK.

[Hand items for this column to Miss Gilbert.]

The Senior class numbers one hundred and forty-four, the largest class in the history of the school.

The class officers are: President, Emory R. Wolf; Vice-President, Clayton F. Weaver; Secretary, Belle Thompson; Treasurer, Harold Weiss.

The flower of the class is the cream rose; the colors, lavender and gold, and the motto, *Finitum tamen initum.*

The call of the class is:

Booma! La! Ka! Millersville!
Wah! Hoo! Wah!
Nineteen Hundred!
Rah! Rah! Rah!

The Senior class has planned a sociable for December 16th. Among the features of the evening will be a march, a reading by Miss Lillie Miller, a double trio, "In Old Madrid," by Misses Baker, Kautz, Lee and Hall, and Messrs. Eshleman and Campbell, and a tableau, The Magic Mirror, by Misses Anna Baker, Archer, Charles, Flickinger, Will, Simmonds, Miller, Wooden, Gardner, Hall, Long, Kautz and Shaub, and Messrs. Meyer and Minnich.

The continuance of the fine weather and good roads into the late autumn has kept up an interest in bicycling, and there is a project to improve and change the walks about the grounds so that they can be used on pleasant days all winter. Miss McIntyre, Miss Gareissen and Mr. Ahrens are the latest recruits to the cyclists among the Faculty.

Rev. Mr. Meminger, of St. Paul's Reformed Church, Lancaster, recently brought the beautiful views of his Pacific trip to the school and treated us to his interesting illustrated lecture. The courtesy of Mr. Meminger in contributing this to the pleasure of the school was much appreciated.

The Misses Gareissen, Westlake and McIntyre gave a delightful reception to the members of the choir and the pupils of the music department on the evening of October 28th.

Among the coming events of interest are the pupils' recital on December 21st, and the magnificent choral service that will be rendered on the evening of December 17th. There will be selections from the great oratorios. A new and pleasing feature will be the singing of Christmas carols by over a hundred children of the Model School.

The Tennis Associations were reorganized at the beginning of the session, and tennis has been more popular than ever, if possible. Miss Myers, Miss Fröhlich, Miss Harmon, Mr. Neff and Mr. Harbold are some of the players among the teachers.

The White Rose Branch of the Alumni Association held its annual reunion and banquet in the parlors of The Colonial, York, Pa., on November 22d. Over fifty members were in attendance, and a very pleasant meeting was held. Dr. Lyte and Mr. Lansinger were present from the school. Mr. Harry B. Shutt was President, and H. C. Breneman, Esq., Master of Ceremonies.

Miss Landes, Miss Gilbert, and Miss Taylor invited the girls to an old-fashioned party on Hallow E'en. It was held in the gymnasium, which was a scene of wild merriment from six to eight. Light was furnished in part from grotesque pumpkin lanterns and candles in rudely-fashioned turnip-stands. Bobbing for apples, melting lead, blowing out lighted candles blindfold, "the luggies," floating needles. and various modes of testing the future were tried in addition to the horoscopes cast by a scarlet-clad gypsy. Boiled chestnuts and apples were served.

The Senior class and some of their friends took a trip to Philadelphia and Washington on November 9th to 11th. They visited the National Export Exposition, the University, and places of historical interest in Philadelphia. In Washington their itinerary included Alexander, Mount Vernon, and Arlington, in addition to the government buildings. President McKinley granted them a reception. Mr. Lansinger was in charge of the party.

Since the close of the foot-ball season, at Thanksgiving, basketball has been rising rapidly into favor. There was a spirited contest between the Senior and Junior teams in the gymnasium on December 2d, resulting in victory for the latter with a score of 17 to 12. The girls of the Senior and Junior classes have each organized two teams and are preparing to match forces some day before the Christmas holidays.

The first of the series of entertainments in school lecture course was given on November 25th, by the Katharine Ridgway Concert Company. It was a delightful evening. The next, on December 9th, is an impersonation Hazel Kirke, by Edward P. Elliott, who comes highly recommended.

School closes for the Christmas vacation, on Friday noon, Dec. 22d, and reopens on Tuesday noon, January 2, 1900.

Among visitors to the school this year have been: Miss Jennie Farrer, '86, teacher in the Cutler School, New York City; Alice H. Byrne, '94, Principal Coleraine Academy; Morris W. Metzger, '83, Principal Marietta Schools; Lucy Harris Arnold, '84, Lancaster; Charles E. Overholser, '92, graduate student, Harvard University; Rev. J. W. Meminger, Lancaster; Kate Carson, "The Girls' Friend," New York City; Lilian Gherst, '94, Lebanon; J. Latiner Brooks, '99; Samuel H. Ranck, Pratt Library, Baltimore; Mary Cairnes, '94, Bart, Pa.; Virgilia Alleman, '98; Mr. and Mrs. M. M. McMillan, Mahonoy City; Mary E. Smith, '79, Seattle, Washington, ; Mary W. Cameron, 9, student Bryn Mawr School; Anna H. Baker, '99, Lititz, and Ella Bateman, '89, recently of the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.

The Junior class effected an organization early in the year. Their officers are as follows: President, J. Edward Scragg; Vice-President, Mr. Runk; Secretary, Mary Good; Treasurer, Charles E. Workman. The colors of the class are gold and white.

The class of 1901 tendered the School a reception and sociable on Thanksgiving evening. The Chapel was beautifully decorated with bunting in the class colors and with evergreens and flowers. The leaders of the grand march were Messrs. Robert Byerly, Benjamin Herr, Harold Lansinger and Arthur Hull, and Misses Amanda Bausman, Fay Beam, Fannie Hertzog and Anna Pyott. There were various exercises in guessing seeds, clsssifying scents, guessing names of books from symbols. The winners were Misses McIlhenny, Bucher, Brecht and Wittich. A composite recitation by Messrs. Leland, Dreshman and O'Brien, provoked much merriment. One of the most beautiful features of entertainment was a scarf drill by a number of the girls.

Dr. Byerly took the opportunity of his visit to Philadelphia for the Alumni Association, to visit his son Paul, class of '98, who is taking a course in dentistry at the University of Pennsylvania. He called at Dr. Brooks's new office in the City Hall on Saturday morning and declares that it is an admirable place for meeting old Normal students.

Dr. Hull has been filling a number of engagements as Institute instructor this fall.

Professors Bitner, Haeberle and Heydrick enjoyed a bicycle trip to Philadelphia in the early autumn.

School and Home Education, for October, thus refers to Dr. Lyte's presidency of the National Educational Association at Los Angeles last July: "President E. O. Lyte presided over the deliberations of the N. E. A. in the best style of the art. It was an attractive union of executive power and amiability."

Miss Grace Frantz, Mr. Howard Miller, and Mr. Milton W. Phillips are the assistants in the book-room this year, who supply us with books, stamps, ink and the like, and toss our money into the new cash register that ornaments the store.

As first vice-president of the National Educational Association, Dr. Lyte is a member of the executive committee of the association. With the other members of the Association he, this fall visited the cities of Cincinnati, Chattanooga, Charleston, Boston and Montreal, for the purpose of deciding upon a place of meeting for the convention in 1900.

The Normal Camera Club reorganized early in the year by electing the former officers: President, Dr. H. F. Bitner; Secretary, Miss Anna Fröhlich; Treasurer, Miss Sarah H. Gilbert. Many new members have joined.

The public office has been handsomely fitted up in green, and the Principal's new private office opening from it has beautiful dark red furnishings.

Fewer students went home at Thanksgiving this year than usual, as the day was sandwiched in between two days of regular term examinations. The Thanksgiving box and the turkey divided honors; there were thirty-eight of the latter and legion of the former. The Christian Associations held a service early in the morning at which Dr. Hull made an earnest address. Many students and teachers attended the union church services in the Reformed Church in the village. In the evening the Juniors inaugurated the social life of the winter with a delightful sociable.

Dr. and Mrs. Lyte, Dr. Byerly, Mr. Lansinger, Miss Lyle, and Miss Gilbert attended the annual meeting and banquet of the Philadelphia branch of the Alumni Association on November 17th.

TheMillersville local institute held its sessions in the Normal Chapel on November 25th. One of our former students, Mr. Harry Huber, presided, and the Secretary was Miss Mame E. Hollinger, '93.

Mr. Louis Lyte is the happy owner of an intelligent little cocker spaniel named Nixie.

Since the foot-ball season has closed, it will, perhaps, be interesting to the readers of the JOURNAL to have a résumé of the work done by the school team this fall. When the facts are taken into consideration, that the players have had little or no experience in the game before, and that the time for practice has been very limited, much credit must be given to the boys for the showing they have made, having lost but one game out of six. All of the games were played on the school grounds, and all were very hotly contested.

Following is a list of games played and the line up of the team.

Oct. 7. M. S. N. S., 15.—Lanc. H. S., 0.
" 14. M. S. N. S., 0.—Carlton A. A., 0.
" 28. M. S. N. S., 5.—Rossmere, 0.
Nov. 15. M. S. N. S., 5.—Alumni, 0.
" 18. M. S. N. S., 0.--F. & M. (2d Varsity), 11.
" 25. M. S. N. S., 6.—Lanc. A. C., 0.

Positions played were: r. t., Grove; r. g., Evans; c., Senft; l. g., Davis, Bush; l. t., Strohman; r. e., Torket; l. e., McGurl; r. h., Hamme; l. h., Hershey; f. b., McMillian; q., Dodd (capt.). Substitutes: Grim, Snayder, Scragg, R. Blocker.

Brooks's New Arithmetics.

THE NORMAL RUDIMENTS OF ARITHMETIC,

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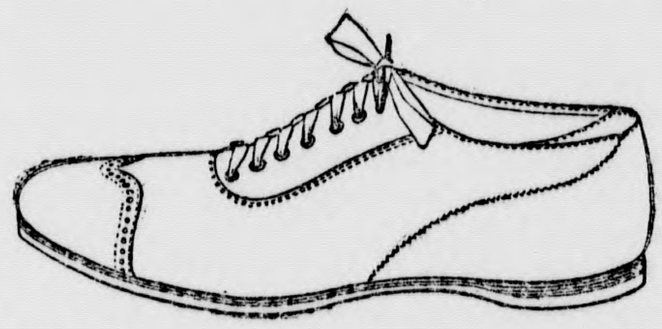
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