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## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Our readers are here informed that the June number of the *NORMAL REVIEW* will not appear until about one week after the Annual Commencement.

We must once more beg our subscribers to give us notice when they change their post office address. This is merely a matter of one postal card and a little writing, but it saves us much annoyance. And, dear reader, will you not write to us at once if we do not promptly acknowledge the receipt of any money you send us on subscription?

Our subscription list is larger than it has ever been. It is better paid up than it has ever been. This is as it should be. We have nothing to complain of, but plenty to be thankful for. Our ambition, however, is to get the *REVIEW* into the hands of nearly all our Alumni. At present fewer than one-third are on our list. That will never do. Can you who are our patrons help us somewhat to realize our hopes in this direction?

After much debate a bill has passed the legislature of South Dakota prohibiting the playing of football in that state. With us the game seems to be a prime favorite. Mr. Aydelotte of the Senior class presented an able argument in its behalf at Chapel exercises on the morning of April 14th.

The libel bill passed by our late legislature reminds us that the first installment of *Jerome vs. Crime*, published in the April *Pearson's*, has brought upon the publishers a libel suit for \$10,000. The publishers disclaim both the com-

mission and the intent of libelling anyone. The aim of the series of articles is not the abuse of individuals, but the uplifting of the standard of good citizenship by means of the pictures of conditions surrounding Jerome and his work. The pictures must be fearlessly drawn according to the truth, or the articles would fail in the purpose of helpfulness.

Thus does the *Record-Herald* of Chicago make sport of the too frequent practice of the courts in granting injunctions against the laboring men when they strike for higher wages:

Gadville, Mo., March 6th.—Judge John Marshall Bobbs, of the County Court, has issued an injunction applied for by Henry J. Harper to keep his two-year-old son from sucking his thumb. Repeated efforts had been made to break the child of the habit, all without effect until the happy expedient of securing an injunction was thought of. Judge Bobbs is receiving congratulatory messages from jurists in all parts of the country, who unite in admitting that he has established an important precedent.

The *Youth's Companion* will publish in May a number of typical stories included under such headings as the Basswood Bees, Barbara's Berry Boxes, and Wapano. In one of the June numbers there will appear an article on *Life's Callings* by Dr. Patton, late president of Princeton University. We commend this article in advance to the readers of the *REVIEW*.

Willie never did grow wise,  
But his luck was mighty good  
Till he stood astride a geyser  
When he didn't think it would.—*Ex.*

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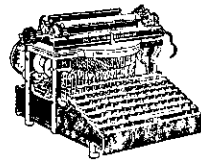
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Miss Sue Bullock, class of '00, is teaching again this year in the Homestead, Pa., public schools.

Mrs. L. A. Thompson, class of '89, now resides at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Miss Elsie S. Greathead, class of '92, has been selected as teacher of primary methods in the Elk County Normal school to open on May 26. Miss Greathead takes rank with the best primary teachers in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Ross A. Snyder, class of '99, is principal of schools at Edgely, North Dakota. Mr. Snyder's permanent residence is at Ashland, O.

Miss Pearl Lewellyn, class of '97, is at West Virginia University and not at Oberlin, as we previously stated.

Among those who attended the meeting of the International Kindergarten Association at Pittsburg on April 16th were Dr. and Mrs. Noss, Miss Crabbe, Miss Thomas, and Dr. Jeffers.

At the meeting of the Century Club on the evening of April 14, Miss Cleveland, of the Normal faculty, read a carefully prepared paper on Shakspeare's *Tempest*.

Mr. A. A. Frazee, class of '00, now traveling for a Pittsburg hardware establishment, was a visitor at the Normal on April 17.

Miss Mandress Montgomery and Miss Emilie Vossler, class of '02, have each been called upon to undergo a siege of typhoid fever. We are glad to report that both are well again and able to take charge of their schools at Monessen.

The Pittsburg Orchestra Club, assisted by the Normal Quartette and Mr. Wagner, gave a very enjoyable entertainment in the Normal Chapel on the evening of April 18th.

Miss Thomas of the Model school returned on April 20th from a four days'

leave of absence in which she attended the meetings of the International Kindergarten Association and visited the Braddock schools.

Miss Acken gave an elocutionary entertainment at Leisenring on the evening of April 18th.

In making up a list of fifty prominent educators in the United States, Dr. Winship of the *Journal of Education* rightly places the names of Theo. B. Noss and N. C. Schaeffer of Pennsylvania.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on May 6th, Supt. S. C. Hockenberry of Haddonfield, N. J., was elected as a teacher of Pedagogy in the Normal. Supt. Hockenberry is a graduate of Indiana University and has been a student and lecturer in the University of Pennsylvania. He is a strong man in every way and will be a most valuable addition to the corps of teachers composing the faculty.

By reference to our advertising columns it will be noticed that Prof. Byron W. King will open a summer school at Corry, Pa., on June 29th. Prof. King will be supported in his work by at least five specialists, and he has certainly chosen an ideal place for the school, Corry being easy of access and possessing a healthful and invigorating climate. Prof. A. L. L. Suhrie of our class of '94 is advance agent for the school.

Mrs. E. W. Danley, class of '87, formerly a teacher in the Model school, is now teaching in the Pittsburg schools. She is also prominently identified with the C. P. church work of that city.

Miss Lizzie A. Kelley, class of '95, of Swissvale, Pa., now one of the successful principals in North Braddock, visited her sister at the Normal on April 24th.

Mr. James G. Binns, class of '00, has recently been elected cashier of the new bank to be started at Fayette City, Pa.

Mr. Harry P. Hay, class of '02, died in the Naval hospital at Philadelphia on April 7th. After graduation last summer, Mr. Hay was engaged to teach a school in Westmoreland county. He





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whose recent visit to the Normal was a matter of unusual interest to more than four hundred students.

#### An Interesting Episode.

An interesting episode occurred recently in the life of the Normal of which we have a word to say. In the afternoon of May 6th the electric bells rang at two o'clock to summon teachers and students to the chapel to converse for an hour with Hon. Geo. V. Lawrence of Monongahela. The occasion was a delightful one. Mr. Lawrence, now about eighty-five years old, gave many reminiscences of former days. He was well acquainted with John Quincy Adams, knew Martin Van Buren, Harrison, and Tyler. He frequently saw and heard Clay, Calhoun, Webster, and Benton. His remarks about these men were listened to with breathless attention. His favorite man in public life seems to have been J. Q. Adams.

On the occasion of this meeting brief speeches were made by J. K. Billingsley, Esq., Prof. Hertzog, and several others. At the close of the hour Capt. W. M. Hart stepped on the platform and in behalf of Mrs. Hart presented to the Board of Trustees an excellent portrait of the late George Eberman, Esq., for many

years a member of the Board. The portrait was accepted on behalf of the Board by Dr. Noss.

It made a deep impression on the minds of all present to realize that in conversing with Mr. Lawrence they were speaking to one who was familiar, in his better days, with a number of men who were born before the Revolution, and doubtless with some who had served in the French and Indian war. Such a realization of the facts of history seldom comes to one and hence May 6th, 1903, will long be a red letter day in the school's calendar.

#### THE ANNUAL CONTEST.

Tuesday Evening, June 16, 1903.

##### CLIONIAN PERFORMERS.

Recitation—Miss Lulu Gregg.

Essay—Miss Margaret Craven.

Oration—Miss Aura Schlaffly.

Debate—Mr. W. Reed Morris.

##### PHILOMATHEAN PERFORMERS.

Recitation—Miss Ruth Crowthers.

Essay—Miss Alma Gillespie.

Oration—Miss Bessie Silk.

Debate—Mr. Quay Billingsley.

The base ball game played on the afternoon of May 8 between the Normals and Westminster was one of the most exciting games of the season. It was only after playing the fifteenth inning that a decision could be reached, the teams running tie up to that point. Our boys at length were victorious—score 9 to 8.

We were agreeably surprised a few days ago by the appearance on our grounds of Lieutenant Charles L. McKain, class of '95, now a member of the 16th regiment of the regular U. S. Army. Lieutenant McKain looks well and hearty and he still practices athletics as in days of yore. His regiment is stationed at Ft. McPherson, Georgia.

A southern cornetist named Burst, has three children: Alice May Burst, James Wood Burst and Henry Will Burst. This family, we are sure, is only rivaled by one other, that of Ex-Gov. Hogg, of Texas. He has a son named Ura and a daughter, Ima.—*Ex.*



PROF. A. L. L. SUHRIE.

Prof. A. L. L. Suhrie, class of '94, after leaving the Normal became principal of schools at St. Mary's, Elk Co., Pa. Here he labored with marked success for five years, after which he took a course in King's School of Oratory, Pittsburg, Pa. We understand he has been engaged to read and lecture at a number of county institutes during the coming season.

#### Base Ball Notes.

The opening game was played May 2, on the home grounds, against East Liberty Academy. The Normal team scored first, making two runs in the third inning and the Academy tied the score in the fourth. The Normal scored two runs in the fifth and the score was again tied by the Academy earning two runs; in the seventh inning California scored one run but was surpassed in the second halt by the Academy scoring two runs.

The final result was Normal 5, Academy 6.

The chief feature of the game was the batting of Cree, who got four of nine

hits made. The game was pitched by Harmon. The good support given the pitchers on both teams made the game interesting.

The following is the season's schedule with the addition of two games yet to be arranged for:

DATE	TEAM	PLACE
Apr. 25	Charleroi	Cal.
May 2	East Lib. Acad.	"
May 8	Westminster Col.	"
May 9	Charleroi	"
May 16	Shady Side Acad.	"
May 19	Grove City Col.	"
May 23	Pitts. High School	"
May 30, a.m.	Charleroi	Char.
May 30, p.m.	Roscoe	Cal.
June 3	Shady Side Acad.	Pitts.
June 4	Pitts. High School	Pitts.
June 15	Indiana Normal	Cal.
June 16	Morgantown	"

#### Notable May Dates.

May 1, 1898—Battle of Manila bay.

May 2, 1863—Battle of Chancellorsville.

May 3, 1854—Kansas-Nebraska Bill passed.

May 4, 1796—Horace Mann born.

May 5, 1864—Battle of the Wilderness.

May 7, 1812—Robert Browning born.

May 9, 1800—John Brown born.

May 10, 1865—Jeff. Davis captured in Georgia.

May 13, 1607—First settlement at Jamestown.

May 16, 1801—Wm. H. Seward born.

May 18, 1860—Abraham Lincoln nominated.

May 22, 1813—Richard Wagner born.

May 24, 1750—Stephen Girard born.

May 24, 1883—Brooklyn bridge opened.

May 25, 1803—R. W. Emerson born.

May 26, 1819—First steamship started across the Atlantic.

May 27, 1819—Julia Ward Howe born.

May 27, 1844—Morse telegraph line established.

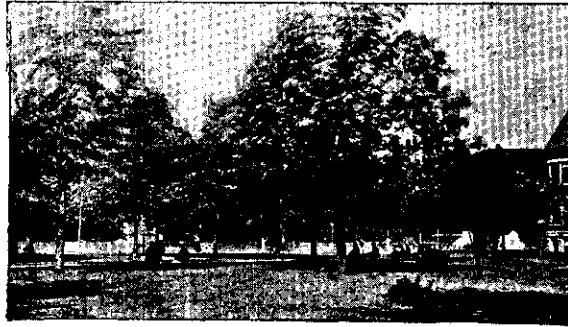
May 28, 1807—Agassiz born.

May 29, 1736—Patrick Henry born.

May 30, 1868—Memorial day instituted by G. A. R.

May 31, 1889—Johnstown flood.

May 31, 1819—Walt Whitman born.



ON THE CAMPUS.

**ON READING NEWSPAPERS.**

Argument on some live question is sometimes made an exercise in the work in English in the Normal department. Such discussion is usually succeeded by written work in which the students summarize their opinions. We submit a few of the papers handed in by the third division of the Junior class.

**Why Students Should Not Spend Much Time in Reading Newspapers.**

BY EDNA AREFORD.

In this age of the world our time is entirely too valuable to spend much of it in reading newspapers. Any ordinary student should cull all the important items in a newspaper in less than fifteen minutes. In looking over the headlines we can easily tell if the item is worth reading. Very much of the paper is made up of sensational affairs which are not based on facts.

What does a student care about the mere gossip of a place? Let him read that which will enable him to keep wide awake with the movements of the world to-day.

I think we should read some in a newspaper each day, but we should know where to draw the line between mere rubbish and events that are recorded in history and helping to form this republic of ours. Summing it all up I should say,—know how to read a newspaper, and knowing, make use of that knowledge.

**Why Students Should Read the Newspapers.**

BY EDYTHE LEWIS.

The fact that all of our important universities and colleges take all the leading newspapers is quite enough to settle the question that our college presidents and faculties think it good for the student to spend a certain time each day in reading the newspapers.

A person might as well live in the back woods of some unknown country as not to know what things of importance are going on around him, and the only way to get current history quickly is through the newspapers.

Of course there are some arguments against reading them on the ground that they are sometimes full of murders and crime of all kinds; but this kind of reading does not interest the majority of the students.

I think it would be well for each student to spend at least fifteen minutes daily in picking the best current history he can find out of the papers, omitting the unimportant items.

**Continuing the Same Line of Thought,  
Mr. Addison C. Bell Says:**

There is not much time required for reading the daily newspaper. The mind of a student who is constantly reading gossip, and accounts of crime found in the newspaper, is unfit for work. A student in reading the newspaper should glance at the headlines and read only that which will be of use to him in keeping up with the topics of the day.