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What though the skies be cold and gray, And the winds be wild and shrill, Love's messenger shall find his way. Across the vale and hill;
For Sunlight he shall have your face;
For stars, two eyes that shine.
Where my heart has its dwelling place.
Your own, dear Valentine!

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#### NORMAL NOTES.

Read all the advertisements in the RE-VIEW.

Maybe you owe the REVIEW fifty cents. Send it to-day.

Did you know that we offer the Cosmopolitan with the REVIEW at an attractive price?

We will wager a penny that you don't know who the Commissioner of Education is, or who wrote the Constitution of the United States, or who struck Billy Patterson.

There are still one or two county superintendents left who think a girl cannot teach a fourth grade school unless she is able to name the Secretary of the Interior and the Auditor General of Pennsylvania.

Every now and then we hear of a revival meeting to waken up the faithful. Some

day our preachers will hear what we say about the open church door. Beats a revival, two to one.

Saloons flourish and grow fat, not because they are run by his majesty, but because they are open to all the people. Some day, when we are all dead, churches will learn splendid lessons from the saloon.

We have a girl in school who can bound Thibet and who knows exactly how near the grand mogul of that country comes to the clouds. She can also describe the Ohio river. But that same girl doesn't know enough about neuralgia to get rid of it when it twists her left jaw.

We have a boy in school who can give the floor plan of the Parthenon and can tell just where Clarke's expedition stopped to feed the horses, but that same boy cannot keep real estate from under his finger nails

These are the two parables we recite to teach the lesson that our schools are yet far from the goal. We reach out blindly after things that are of little worth. We neglect the things about us and within us.

A boy should know clover from timothy, an owl from a haystack, and good from evil. He should be able to locate the bones of his body rather than the cities in India. He should know what to do for rheumatism, a sore eye, a boil, dirty finger nails, sweating hands, and ingrowing nails—shouldn't he?

In these days, when every human activ-

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ity seems likely to be reduced to a science, there are those who say that the need of great men is disappearing. In a group of articles such as no periodical can often give its readers, men of high standing, writing for the *Youth's Companion*, not only as students, but as men of affairs, reaffirm the value of the personal factor.

The sympathy of our students and alumni goes out to Miss Susan C. Moore, '06, whose father died January 16. Mr. Moore united in his person the rare traits of a christian gentleman and a sound business man. His home was at Fairchance, where for a long time he was president of the First National.

The Department of Superintendence of the N. E. A. will hold its next meeting in Chicago, February 26, 27, and 28. Many important questions will come up at this meeting, among them we note "The Financial Value of Education," "The Certification of Teachers," and "Who Is Responsible for Defects in Our School System?"

One of our valued alumni, Mr. Jacob Schrock of Johnstown, Pa., pins his faith to the Review by a paid subscription, reaching to the end of January, 1910. We call that faith, based on reality. He instinctively feels that both of us will live and do business to 1910 at least. Mr. Schrock says that he feels that his success in business is due in a large measure to the training he received at the California Normal. He says he reads the Review because it keeps him in touch with the days he spent at the Normal. We commend Mr. Schrock's sound philosophy to all our former students.

Recreation is the name of a magazine that is true to its name. It carries with it a breath of out door air. There is everything to make it different from the ordinary journal. Hunting, fishing, swimming, riding, walking, playing—these are the keynotes of all its stories and articles.

### Our Paris Correspondent

Paris, Jan. 2, 1907.

DEAR NORMAL REVIEW:

I would like your readers to go with me to the Sorbonne, or University of France, for a day and see something of a student's life there. Let us remember as we approach the building that this is a very venerable institution, dating back to about 1250, founded by Robert of Sorbon in the reign of Louis IX. It occupies an entire square exclusive of the very large schools of medicine and of law, which are in separate buildings. We might enter from three or four streets, but let us go in from Rue Sorbonne passing under an archway with offices and class-rooms on either side and above. We find ourselves in a large open court. On one side is the Sorbonne church where services are held every Sunday, and in which rests the body of Cardinal Richeliu. On the other side is a colonnade with wall spaces filled with fresco paintings. Let us tarry long enough in this court to observe the statues of Victor Hugo and Louis Pasteur, both seated figures in marble and resting on high stone pedestals. France has an unbounded admiration for these two men; the former introduced a new era in French literature and the latter made the world his debtor by his medical discoveries.

We will cross the court from our arched entrance and open one of the doors opposite. Here we find ourselves in a wide lobby from which many lecture rooms open. They bear the names above the doors of great men of France, such as Guizot, Turgot, Richelieu, Descartes. A stairway leads from this lobby to a well appointed reading room and library always filled with hard-working men and women. This morning we will go to lecture hall Decartes where M. Reymier is to lecture on Moliere. It is a half hour before time but his work is popular and fifty or more students are already waiting at the door.

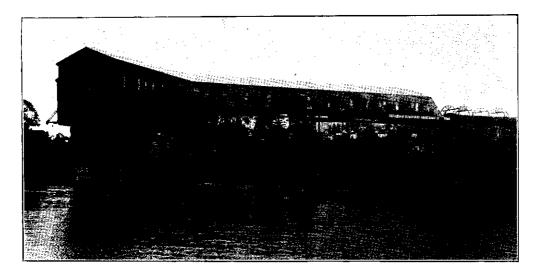
When the doors are opened there is a rush and men students do not say "ladies first." The door keeper stops each one, however, and asks to see his card of matriculation for this is a "closed" course and only regular students can enter. Once inside the door, we ascend a small stairway as at the rear of our chapel and see a long room before us descending to the speaker's desk. The seats are long benches with desks in front for writing. We dare not take a place in the first four benches, as these are reserved for students working for degrees. The majority in this course are women and foreigners. Of these the largest number is Russians. Most of the foreign students are working to pass an examination in June which will give them a "Certificate for French Studies." But we must hasten to seat ourselves and we will select the first vacant places directly in front of the speaker, for in listening to a foreign language one must give himself the best possible chance to hear. While waiting for our professor we have time to chat with our neighbors. To the right is a cheery little Russian girl of about twenty years. She has learned Freuch at home and speaks very readily. To our left is an American girl, a graduate of Radeliffe col-She has studied French theoretically and grammatically at home, but she is having her struggles with the spoken tongue. She is persistent and courageous, however, and shows the spirit that wins. Now a young man in front turns and joins in the conversation. From his ease in speaking French we take him to be a native Frenchman, but learn that he is an American of French parentage, a teacher of French in a Normal School of Northern Maine.

Now the attendant enters with a tray on which is water and a small bowl filled with loaf sugar. All public speakers are thus supplied. The professor, M. Reynier, the youngest in our corps of lecturers

enters. The tiny red ribbon in his button hole signifies that he is a member of the "Legion of Honor". The students applaud but he takes no notice. He seats himself behind his desk, spreads out notes and books and says "messieurs" apparently unconscious that the majority of his audience are "mesdames". For an hour he talks rapidly, taking no note of those who are struggling to catch the unfamiliar language. He stops to read long references and to enumerate sources of information on his particular subject. He makes no effort to interest or entertain. It is the business of the student to listen and it is his loss if he does not. Students take notes; pen and pencils are moving rapidly all over the room. If some one enters late or in some other way makes a noise, one hears from all sides sh! sh! At the end of the hour the professor rises and is the first to leave the room at a rear door. If he runs over the hour, a rustling of books and a slight shuffling of feet indicate that it is time to stop.

While this lecture has been in progress in Descartes, other lectures and "conferences" are going on all over this large and complex building. What we have seen is but one small corner. Although I have been a student here for two months, I have seen but a small part of the many lecture rooms. In the literary department or "faculty of letters" alone 2357 students were enrolled in November. Of these 711 are foreigners, Russia, Germany, and the United States leading. Tuition is but six dollars for the year from November to July. Among the professors are some of the most celebrated scholars in France. There is one course of lectures in English given by Prof. Coolidge of Harvard. He has one of the largest lecture rooms and it is always well filled. The students are of all ages from twenty upwards. In the "open" courses one sees men and women from fifty to three score years and ten.

MARY GRAHAM NOSS.



VESTA TIPPLE.

We present our readers a picture of the Vesta Coal Tipple, built within the limits of California Borough. It is claimed that this tipple is the outlet of the most extensive bituminous system of mines in the world.

### JUNIOR NOTES.

The society is showing improvement. On the evening of Dec. 7, we were favored by a vocal solo by Prof. Cornell and a piano solo by Miss Allin. This music was appreciated by the society and we hope these good people will come again. The first meeting of the new year was one of the best we have had. The music by Mr. Moore, Mr. Martin, Mr. Engle, and Mr. Frye deserves special mention. We should all try to make the meetings for the rest of the term as interesting as the first one.

Dr. McMurry and Dr. Hockenberry, each, spoke very encouragingly to us and urged us to do our very best in our society work.

The society has decided upon a pin and orders are now being taken for them.

The play entitled "Trapped," under the leadership of Miss Lamb was given on Jan. 11, and was very interesting.

The solo by Miss Gettys on the same

evening was very good.

The pantomine entitled "Counterfeiting," under the leadership of Mr. Lamb, was very good and showed careful preparation.

The suggestion given by Dr. Hockenberry was carried out and a musical program was given Jan. 25. It was as follows:

Music	Chorus
Piano Solo,	Miss Crow
Piano Solo	
Cornet Solo	
Music	Mr. C. Martin, Mr. Engle, Mr. Frye.
Vocal Solo	Miss Charlotte Elgin
Piano Solo	
Music	Chorus

Our new society critic, Mr. Lamb, is helping matters along amazingly.

E. Dale, Reporter.

Willie tied the baby's ear
Firmly to the chandelier;
Baby chuckled, full of glee,
'Twas his ear of corn, you see.

-Princeton Tiger

### RAMBLER'S NOTES

[The editor must not be called in question for any statement or opinions expressed by the Ramblers. Some of them are of age and can speak for themselves.]

Mr. Griffin in zoölogy—Why, Dr. Schuh, do blackbirds stay in these latitude 'all winter?

Dr. Schuh-No not to the best of my knowledge.

Griffin—When I was out walking the other day I saw a fine large one.

Dr. Schuh-Perhaps it was a Crow.

Wonder why Miss Shutterly has been in such a good humor lately?

Oh! I know, she called one of the boys over the other day and took well toward an hour to develop the idea that she had a little namesake at Grove City. Anna Shutterly Harmon. "Nuf-ced, Pickering pays the freight."

Two months ago we were going to have a Senior-Middler game of socker football. The Middlers were to set the date. Two months time is as long as these middlers can remember such things, so I suppose we will have to call it off.

Prof. Meese—"Mr. Haberlin, can you give me the derivation of 'amorous'"?

Mr. Haberlin—''From the Latin verb 'amo amare' to love. But I don't know anything about it though.'' The girls looked surprised, or rather as though they did not believe him.

REQUESTS AND SUGGESTIONS.

Prof. Hockenberry at 8:00 o'clock— "Translate yourself back to Bologna and believe what you hear."

Dr. McMurry at 9:00—''Say Good-by before you leave.''

Prof. Meese—"Drugs and patent medicines will kill you. Splash cold water on your breast and neck and you will save doctor bills. If Moses had done this every morning he would be living yet.

Prof. Hertzog 9:30—"Take peruna, and say to the world 'I'm from Missouri, show me."

Mrs. Hockenberry 11:00—"Girls should have enough respect for the rights of others not to hug people in public."

Teacher at table 12:00—Be very careful not to make any extra work for the maids.

Dr. Jeffers 1:00-- The only person I ever met that knew more Latin than Cicero was Mrs. Jeffers."

Prof. Hammond—"Beware of 'A Slip of Paper.' That has made me lose more sleep than anything else I ever got into."

Student—"Thank goodness this is over at 4:00 o'clock."

Prof. Hammond—''I am thinking of moving out of the dormity to live. The boys are getting so rude and troublesome that I long for 'the simple life' ''.

Professor Meese swallows everything the druggists give him but he finds it difficult to swallow everything given him by seniors and middlers.

We are wondering if Miss Hagan, class '08, will take her song-bird South for the winter. She is anxiously inquiring of Dr. Schuh if it can stand very cold weather.

Mattie McBride's highest ambition at present, is to become a cab driver on the road between California and Beallsville.

Some of the middler girls felt vexed because they could not go on the sled ride on Saturday evening and they displayed the spirit of jealousy by tearing up some of the senior girls' rooms during their absence. Now middlers, this is not fair. You must remember that your turn is coming next year.

It is stated that the stores of our town have recently sold hundreds of wash rags and many boxes of Twenty Mule Borax.

Everyone who went in the senior sledding party says that special credit should be given Mr. Binns for the business like way in which he looked after things. He

proved a courteous and capable young man of whom our class may well be proud.

Each member of the class wishes to express his gratitude to the teachers who accompanied them, for the help and interest which they took in making it possible for our class to enjoy this privilege.

Helen (in senior French)—"Laigle, qui avait plus de deux cents ans,—"

Mrs. Hockenbeery—"Translate that, please."

Helen (innocently)—"The eagle which had more than two cents"—

And Helen wondered why the class laughed.

Mrs. Evelyn McCormick, a former Normal student, was here visiting friends on Jan. 12.

H. G. Masters, '07 is looking ahead for a busy and prosperous future. He has already applied for a position as teacher at Tarr Station.

It wasn't a case of a man up a tree, but Spraggs up a ladder.

A middler's runaway—Caesar's pony.

Go to Jupiter. Prof. Hertzog says this planet has five moons and there they have moonlight all the time.

Alice thinks an ideal should be higher than one can reach.

As soon as you have received every possible advantage from your home, leave it and make a home of your own.

Preps, don't be frightened when in the presence of seniors. They are perfectly harmless if you treat them properly.

They say that Miss Shaffer caught a Rabbit while out skating last week.

It is said that Andy White has grown so fond of violin music that he has purchased three, and has also employed a young lady instructor. We are glad to see that Andy is taking such an interest in music, and we feel sure that his earnest efforts will be crowned with success.

Bright middler—How long can animals live without any brains?

Dr. Schuh—How long have you lived?

P. M. Piersol, a student here a few years ago, visited the Normal last week. His friends and relatives are always glad to see him.

One of the lady professors says that there is a woman in Detroit who is so crosseyed that she sheds tears on her back. The physicians with one accord pronounce the trouble bacteria.

The Seniors of '07 enjoyed the first sleighing party in the history of the school on Saturday, January 26. After enjoying about nine miles of fine sledding, which was especially good on the National pike, they arrived at the National Tavern at Beallsville where a most delicious chicken supper awaited them. After spending a couple of hours pleasantly at games and music they returned to the Normal.

In the western part of Pennsylvania Is found our Normal School.
'Tis a noble institution fair,
With many an iron clad rule.
The boys and girls you understand,
Are not supposed to walk
Along the streets together e'en
For a little social talk.
And though the river is beautiful,
And the weather calm and fair,
To take a little moonlight row,
You're not supposed to dare.

### An Exercise in Antonyms.

Idle, rural, present, nothing, ancient, fear, protect, chaos, tardiness, similar, rude. slow, fearless, ignerant, health.

Alien, hate, relish, defend, squander, gather, prohibit, converge, deep, wise, sweet, sharp, fine, smile, below, help, false, crooked.

Attract, busy, gentle, despair, praise, humble, despise, dangerous, gloomy, sorrowful, innocent, plentiful, graceful, wholesome, subtract, leader, excess, lively, illiterate.



A MODEL SCHOOL ROOM.

#### NORMAL BRIEFS.

BY NATRONA.

On the first Sunday evening of our winter term, Dr. McMurry gave the students an interesting talk on St. James.

Dr. Ehrenfeld interested the students several mornings in chapel by telling from his own memory about the beginnings of the Pennsylvania railroad.

On Sunday evening, Jan. 13, Dr. Schuh gave the students a very instructive talk on what a teacher should be.

In chapel Mr. Meese gave recently some sensible instructions on the subject of hygiene and of how to keep well.

Mrs. Hockenberry addressed the students in chapel recently on the subject of colleges for women.

The entertainment given here on January 18 by Hendrickson, the magician, and Rosani, the juggler, was one of the most entertaining that has ever been given in the chapel. It was a part of the regular lecture course and was certainly enjoyed by all.

Prof. Walter Hertzog gave an interesting talk in chapel a few weeks ago on the subject of immigration.

The concert given here on Jan. 21, 1907,

by the Carl Retter Concert company was enjoyed by all.

Dr. Jeffers has given two interesting talks in chapel on his experiences in Rome.

The reading from Martin Cheezzlewit, given here on Jan. 30 by Mr. Tripp from the Emerson School of Oratory, was appreciated by everyone.

The following addresses were given in chapel in January by the seniors:

The Giant with a Head of	WaxMarian Leydig
Pandora	Olive McCoy
Capture of Quebec	Prudence Trimble
Socialism	
Sunshine	Mary Richards
Cuba	
Graft	Andrew White
Polar Expeditions	Pearl Rankin

Mr. A. M. Uphouse, class of '02, is a student in the Medical College of Cincinnati

A large number of our Alumni have ordered the editor's Essentials in English and Don't Say—a fact which he duly appreciates.

In an interesting letter to the editor, Miss Ethel J. Dunlap, class of '01, expresses her satisfaction at having chosen the profession of teaching for a vocation. She is teaching at Beaver Falls, Pa.

Our faults are but the marks Whereby we take the reckoning of our weakness: Our better deeds are signs of strength, Of noble thoughts, and aspirations signs That prophesy we shall not fail.

Miss Jeanette Boyd Negley, class of '01, is taking a course of study in the Art Institute, Chicago. She is very successful in her work. Three of her productions received honorable mention in the term just ended.

Dr. Hockenberry delivered a sermon in the M. E. church, California, on Sunday evening, January 27.

Mr. John Eberman of Pittsburg, came to the Normal on Jan. 31 to attend the funeral of his life long friend Wilbur S. Jackman.

Mr. Meese addressed an educational rally at Charleroi on the evening of January 31. His subject was Some Educacational Problems of Today.

Dr. Schuh preached a sermon to the people at Taylor's church, January 20.

Dr. McMurry addressed the Connellsville teachers, January 26 and those at Swissvale, February 2.

Miss Dessie M. Hough, class of '04, is teaching the West Point school near Banning, Pa. She writes. "It is not a military school although I have fourteen boys and three girls on the roll."

Miss Mary Chester, '04, is teaching in McKeesport, Pa.

Mr. W. Espey Albig, class of '98, is now editor and manager of the New Dominion News at Morgantown, West Va.

Miss Mabel Long, class of '99, is again a student in the New Haven Normal School of gymnastics. She is now in her senior year and will be graduated May 11, 1907.

Miss Madge Morris, class of '05, is teaching at Wylic near Elizabeth, Pa. She has an enrollment of fifty-three.

The 102nd Annual Exhibition of the

Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts will be open to the public from January 21 to February 24. The Academy is located on the corner of Broad and Cherry, Philadelphia.

Miss Bernice McMichael, class '05, is teaching in the Walnut street school, Mc-Keesport. She is succeeding in her work as she well deserves to do.

Tell me not in mournful numbers
Physics is an easy stunt;
For the fool that always slumbers,
Wakes up after he has flunked. Ex.

Mrs. Griffith of McKeesport, visited her daughter. Miss Minerva, of the Middle class, February 1.

Recreation has recently combined with Out Door News and is now more attractive than ever.

#### A Middler's Woes.

In hoc world of ours there est every dies something in omnibus complexibus to concatenate our feelings. Innumerable multiples of temporibus elucidations swell the growing amplifications of the cosmical Moneobanter Xerxes erat grasshopper. Salamis vivendi. Hoc est verum. est non-vera that Orgetorix chased the Duke of Wellington trans Monongahelam. mens leonibus Hockenberribus, Shuhatae, Meesentis, Hertzogitis, even Hammondicimondibus est non tuta to get all their lessons well. Well, id est impossible dicere what our woes est. volvulus minor! Celestibus soleo transmigratis eventibus consternation! apud inimicos I die.

VOLANTE.

"How are we going to feed these birds and animals?" asked Mrs. Noah, "after we leave the ark, and while we are waiting for another crop of vegetation to grow?"

"I prefer," said Noah, guardedly, "to leave that question for the commentators to wrangle over."—Chicago Tribune,



### February Birthdays.

- 1. Victor Herbert, 1859; born in Dublin.
- 3. Horace Greeley, 1811; famous editor.
- 6. Aaron Burr, 1756; slew Hamilton in a duel.
- 7. Charles Dickens, 1812, author of many novels.
- 9. W. H. Harrison, 1773, ninth president.
  - 11. Thomas A. Edison, 1844, inventor.
- 12. Abraham Lincoln, 1809; sixteenth president.
- 15. Elihu Root, 1845, Secretary of State.
- 19. Adelina Patti, 1843, noted prima donna.
- 22. George Washington, 1732, Virginia farmer.
- 22. James Russell Lowell, 1819, poet and essayist.
- 26. Victor Hugo, 1802; French novelist.
- 27. Henry. W. Longfellow; favorite American poet,

February has a proud array of birthdays, for, besides the notables mentioned, it also lays claim to Ruskin, Otis, Moody, Gen. Johnson, Gen. Sherman, Melville W. Fuller, Alex. H. Stephens, Peter Cooper, Galileo, Henry Watterson, Gen. Burgoyne, and Montcalm.

### Don't Forget.

That we send you the NORMAL REVIEW and the *Cosmopolitan* a whole year for only \$1.20. This is only 20 cents more than the cost of the *Cosmopolitan* alone.

And don't forget, gentle reader, that upon your loyalty will depend in a large measure the true worth and success of the REVIEW. When we send you a statement for subscription due, do not regard it as a mere dun, to be thrown into the waste basket, but rather as a loyely reminder to be heeded at once.

Women always know how to ask one of their sex to stay to dinner in a way that she won't accept, but they are afraid to try it on a man for fear he will.

### Wilbur S. Jackman.

Wilbur S. Jackman, class of '77, principal of the School of Education, Chicago University, died at his home in Chicago, Monday morning, January 28, 1907. Mr. Jackman followed his work as usual the preceding week. He did not feel very well on Saturday, but omitted none of the duties that fell to his lot on that day. He took suddenly ill with pneumonia on Sunday and died Monday forenoon. Ten minutes before his death, he told his physician that he was feeling tolerably well. His remains, accompanied by his family and Dean Butler of the University, were brought to California and interred in Highland cemetery, January 31.

As a mark of respect to this prince of our alumni, both the Normal and the Model school were adjourned on the afternoon of the 31st and memorial exercises were held in the Chapel. A large number of students and citizens assembled to take part in the services. Dr. Ehrenfeld spoke of the student days of Mr. Jackman and of his interesting traits in the class room. Dr. Butler spoke of the life Mr. Jackman led in the University, of his work, of his delightful home life, of his educational theories, and of the modest demeanor and generous impulses which actuated all he did and accomplished. Dr. McMurry dwelt briefly on the inspiration such a life as Mr. Jackman's should give to the young people now in the Normal. Here was an ideal student, born in the neighborhood, educated within these walls, sent forth to do a great work—and now, added the speaker, it was peculiarly fitting that the exercises which preceded his burial should be held in the institution to whose history Mr. Jackman's life would lend lustre and

It is likely that in some forthcoming number of the Review, we shall give or

quote some passages bearing on Mr. Jackman's life as a teacher. For the present we can only say that however the educators of future times may regard his work, they will all agree that his influence in shaping the policy of all well regulated schools was permanent and influential for good. It occurs to us that all Dr. Butler said at the memorial exercises was both just and sane. We should expect Dr. Butler to say substantially the same things about Mr. Jackman ten years from now when his judgment will not be influenced by the passing emotion of the hour. That address pointed out in a way our pen cannot do the energy, the earnestness, the candor, the moral purpose, and the relentless search after truth which characterized every word and deed of Wilbur S. Jack-

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[This record closes with January 31.]

"Give me a synonym for success," said the teacher.

"Marriage!" cried the demure little girl in the back seat.



Philo met again Jan. 4, after a pleasant vacation. Our Salutatorian, Mr. Griffin, gave the members and friends of Philo a hearty welcome.

The programs this month have been full of interest, and our faculty visitors, Dr. Ehrenfeld, Professor G. G. Hertzog, Miss Longley and Mr. Cornell have complimented us even while they gave some suggestions of how to strengthen our work.

One program was given entirely by the Middlers. It was as follows:

#### MIDDLERS NIGHT.

Resolved, That the President of the United States should be elected by popular vote.

Affirmative: Negative:
Frank Jones Charles Evans
Periodical Sara Wycoff
Faculty Critic Miss Longley

Miss Longley was pleased with the class spirit shown. She says we do not have enough of this spirit in our school.

Other selections of merit were music by the Misses Easter, Blakeney, and Winnette, a reading by Miss Anna Miller, and a play under the direction of Mr. Masters.

Philo has brightened her hall by placing around the wall pennants from the leading

colleges and normals of the country. Miss Lila Stillman has remembered us by sending one from Emerson college and Mr. Homer Hedge and Mr. Paul Abraham with one from Bucknell.

> CORA KEIM, '08, Reporter.

### Y. W. C A. NOTES.

BY BLANCHE HACKNEY, '08.

A recent letter from Mrs. Noss, expresses her interest in the Y. W. C. A. and her desire to be back with us in the work. She also writes that Miss Widney has received her new piano and enjoys her work in her new field.

A recent card from Miss Widney announces that Miss Mary Hill, secretary of India, is at Lucknow, at a Y. M. C. A. conference.

Our new state secretary, Miss Cora E. Dyer, will visit our association February 23. Miss Dyer will go from here to the annual convention in Altoona, which is held from February 28 to March 3. It is hoped that our association will send one or more delegates to this convention.

New Year's greetings were received from the Y. W. C. A. of the different normal schools of the state and were read at the first meeting of the year. We feel that this would be a good custom to establish in the future.

A letter from Miss Grace Dodds, president of Y. M. C. A., sends greetings and congratulations on our being charter members of the new movement.

New curtains have recently been put up in the Y. W. C. A. room, and this improves greatly its appearance.

"Mr. Highball," said the landlady, "why are you stirring your coffee so strenuously?"

"I am trying the physical culture cure on it for weakness," responded the comedian boarder.—Chicago News.



As usual Clio began the new year with a program which was "short but sweet."

The salutatory address given by Miss Grace Iams was appreciated by all. She clearly indicated that the only way to success was by perseverance, as Demosthenes had made use of to overcome the defects of his language, so by labor we can form our characters, obtain knowledge, and improve our language. Another good feature of the evening was the answering of roll call by a quotation. The song Dixie was well rendered by the chorus, after which Miss Lila Ridgeway read a very interesting periodical.

On Jan. 11 we were favored by a pantomine by Miss Bessie Raffle, in which Leah Spragg had an important part, which she performed very satisfactorily. On the same evening Miss Bessie Frosche favored the society with a piano solo.

The evening of Jan. 18 was an entire German evening, in which the entire program was rendered in German. Mrs. Hockenberry gave us a talk in German, after which Dr. McMurry told about his school days in Germany, and also several interesting German stories.

The following program was given Jan. 25:

Reading	
	Lenore Stevens
Oration	Wm. Bannen
Piano Solo	Bessie Frosche
Play, "Sunset"	Misses Richard and Leydig
Vocal Solo	Ethel Lewis
Periodical	Edith Warne



MR. GLEASON.

Mr. Fred Gleason, class of '99, is now professor of vocal music in the public schools of Schenectady, N. Y.

We do not feel that our efforts are useless; for our work, we feel, has not been surpassed by our sister societies or even by Clio herself in former days. The play itself was a perfect success and we can see it takes more people like Miss Richard and Miss Leydig to push things to the front. It is the hope of all that Clio will continue in this way.

EMMA N. COBER,

Reporter.

The Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler was a guest at the dinner of the Monroe society last year and pronounced the following conundrum: "Why was Noah the greatest financier of his time?" As no one could answer, he gave the diners a year to think it over. Being prevented from attending the dinner this year, he telegraphed the answer to his query of the previous year. "Noah was able to float a stock company at a time when all his contemporaries were forced into involuntary liquidation."—New York Times.



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### The Annual Contest.

Clio and Philo elected their contestants on the evening of February 1 and the fight is now on. Following are the people selected:

Clionian Society:—Reader, Miss Minerva Griffiths, McKeesport; Essayist, Miss Marian Leydig, Glencoe; Orator, Mr. J. Merrill White, California; Debater, Mr. Wm. C. Grimes, West Brownsville.

Philomathean Society:—Reader, Miss Jessie R. Tarr, Kittanning; Essayist, Miss Ruth Barnum, California; Orator, Mr. Charles R. Fausold, Mount Pleasant; Debater, Mr. David H. Binns, Fayette City,

The selection of all the contestants was made this year with singularly good judgment and forethought. We predict an interesting contest on the evening of June 26.

Wigg. "What are the three Dobson boys doing now?"

Waggs. "They are in business together. One makes cigarettes, another is a doctor, and Bill is an expert undertaker."

A riot was raised in Roaring Buck camp when an uneducated fellow opened a saloon and put up a sign which read, "No Liquors Sold To Miners."

#### Good Health.

BY THE EDITOR.

In the January issue we recommended:

1. Every one to go to a physician early in any case of illness. No one should delay matters until disease has had two-thirds of the inmings;

2. Every one should use physicians' prescriptions intead of patent medicines—cheaper, better, safer by far;

3. Avoid all perambulating and circulating oculists;

4. Cure a cold in its beginning stages—not after you are dead.

And now a word about the teeth. Keep the teeth clean, but don't acrub them as you would a sidewalk. Some people do. Horses and rats don't scrub their teeth and rats especially are noted for their number one teeth. Tooth brushes and plugged teeth arrived at about the same time. It seems they are boon companions. It may be that a wash rag would often render better service than a brush. Use and effect must determine this question. Where there is soreness of gums and rawness of the upper throat, listerine will be found helpful. Try it. Stick closer to the dentist than you would to an enemy, for he will save you from store teeth.

It is almost useless to give directions

concerning food and eating. A few general remarks may be of real value. Are you above fifteen years of age? Then it is likely that you drink too much milk if you get a chance. Milk is much better for babes than for adults. People with weak lungs and their number is legion-would do well to eat all the fat pork they can digest. The books and papers advise the opposite, but remember that nearly all writers write what they heard or read somewhere else: we don't. Nearly everybody eats too much candy. Cut down your allowance and live longer. Learn to eat stale bread. Coffee may or may not be good for you. Test it and see. It is not half so bad as the books say. Are you rheumatic? You are eating too much beef. Stop eating meat for several weeks and it is likely the rheumatism will leave you. Mince pies are an abomination. They, together with some other health killers, have brought down the average of human life from ninety-five to thifty-five years. Eat dried apple pie without crust instead. As a rule steer clear of canned goods and pickles soaked in clandestine vinegar. Finally, eat what you like and plently of it, but don't swallow everything you see. The ostrich and the goat do that; but the one runs to feathers and the other is always found on the left hand side of the bargain counter. If, after following all our good rules, you persist in feeling ill, go at once to see the doctor. This advice is free; the law forbids our making any

A correspondent writes from Russia and says that he found the epitaph on a monument over a grave in St. Petersburg:

"Here lies the body of Maurice Rypinsky,
He was killed by the Japs and has been dead ever sincesky."

— Albany Journal.

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Asked' "Sir, which leg comes after which;"
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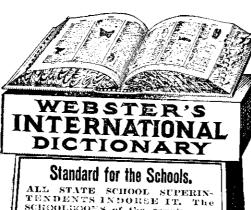
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