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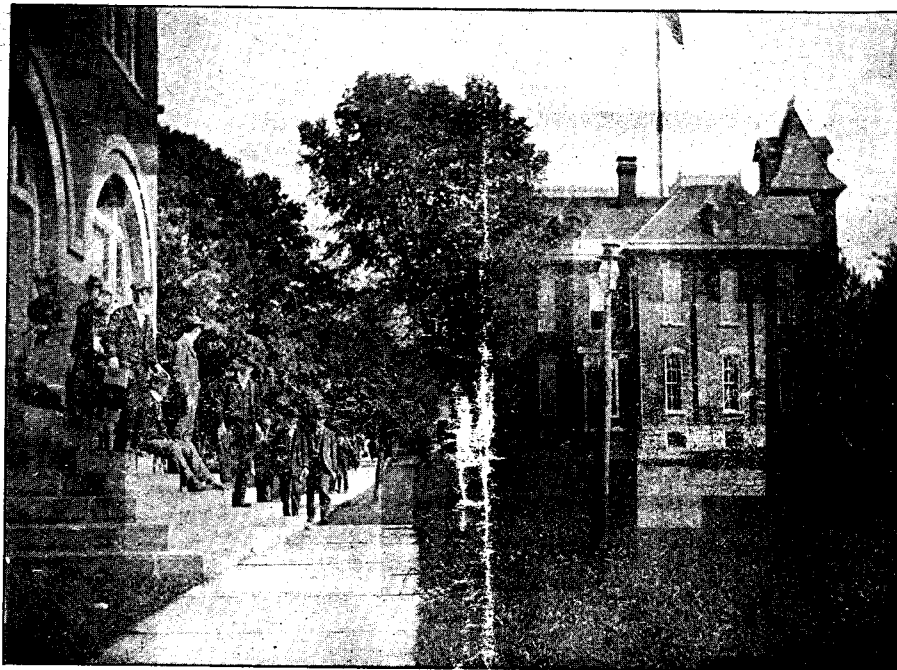
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Twelfth District.

Edinboro, Pa.

Founded in 1861.

Comprising the counties of Erie, Crawford, Mercer, Lawrence and Venango.



Winter Term of Twelve Weeks
Begins January 1, 1900.

Spring Term of Fourteen Weeks
Begins March 26, 1900.

The Edinboro State Normal is next to the oldest Normal School in the State, but is second to none in the work it has done and is doing in the training of teachers for the common schools of this commonwealth.

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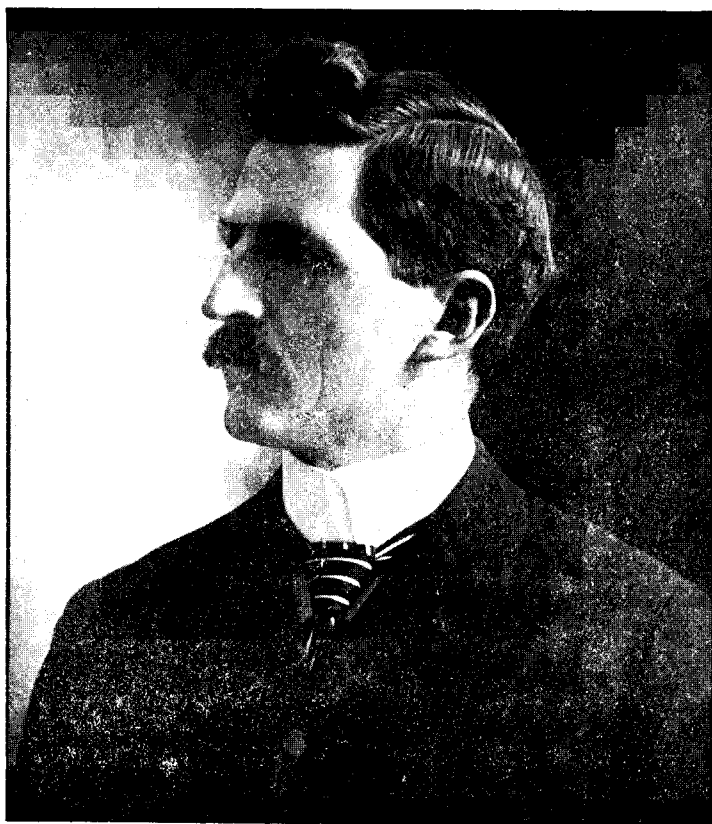
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NO. 1.

OUR NEW PRINCIPAL.

The DIAL takes great pleasure in introducing to its readers, which includes all of the students, many of the ex-students and alumni of the Normal school, our new principal, Professor John F. Bigler, the well

of the representative superintendents. In behalf of the faculty and school, we welcome him to our midst, and bespeak for him the united support of every member of this grand old school. We congratulate ourselves and the Board of Trustees on the fact that we have such a distinguished



known and popular Superintendent of the public schools of Venango county. Indeed, Professor Bigler is now serving his third term as Superintendent, a high honor, and one of the best evidences of his popularity as a school man at home. He is well known throughout the state and is ranked as one

teacher at the head of our school, and the Board of Trustees on their wisdom in selecting and their good fortune in securing this gentleman. Our school today in scholarship and moral tone ranks with the best Normal schools of the state, and in numbers it has a good average.

All the auspices are now very favorable for the continued prosperity of the school, and we trust and hope that all the school people of the Twelfth District, who have aided Edinboro in the past, will continue to give it the same loyal support as heretofore. The school has now reached another stage in its development and we believe it will be still brighter than the three-year epoch that has just passed.

Professor Bigler represents the best elements of our current school life and he comes among us as a man of the highest ideals, not only along educational lines but in the development of the highest Christian character. He will sustain and advance all the moral conditions of the school, and will be found a staunch supporter of all questions of right.

Professor Bigler graduated from Grove City college, classical course, 1889, and has pursued an extensive course in professional reading. He served as principal of Barkeyville Academy for a term of three years, from which position he was elected as County Superintendent. He was not a candidate here and was chosen over many competitors. This in itself was a high compliment to him.

Edinboro's sun is rising, and glorious and great opportunities are before her.

IN MEMORIAM.

The sad death of Miss Elizabeth Seib, '95, which occurred early in October, cast a gloom over all her classmates and friends. It will be recalled that she was being driven from her school near Erie to her home and that in crossing the railroad, the carriage was run down by a train of cars, and she was so badly injured that she died in a few hours. She was a young woman of most pleasing personality, and of the highest character. As a teacher, she was highly esteemed and had no difficulty in securing positions. Over her bier all her friends bow in deepest grief and bemoan her sudden taking off. The DIAL, in behalf of the Edinboro Normal School, her Alma Mater, ex-

tends sympathy to her bereaved friends.

The following stanzas have been handed to us for publication, being the tribute of a classmate:

TO MISS ELIZABETH SEIB, IN MEMORY.

Our own. And one we loved
Because so sweet, so tender.
We weep thy sudden call
From us. Our wills surrender.

Fair form. But fairer far
That heart so warm, so kindly.
'Tis strange that death should call
Thee first. We see but blindly.

Dear one. Shall we mourn thee
As one forgotten? Never!
For thy kind ways, sweet life,
True heart, must live forever.

Shall live, in memory
As long as man shall know
The worth of womanhood
Thy life showed here below.

—E. S. N. S. '95.

The sudden death of Miss Berniece McLaughlin of the Junior class was a great shock to our school. Her death occurred during the last week of October. Her high Christian character and womanly qualities won her the esteem of all of her teachers and classmates. The DIAL extends sympathy to the bereaved family, and takes pleasure in giving space to the following

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

At a meeting of the Junior Class of Edinboro State Normal School, held Oct. 30, 1899, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, God in His all-wise providence has removed from us by death our esteemed classmate, Berniece McLaughlin, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in this sudden and unexpected summons we see exemplified the frailty of human life and the necessity of a constant preparation for the change that awaits us all.

Resolved, That while we bow in submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, we mourn the death of our friend and classmate, and tender to her family and relatives our sincere sympathies in their bereavement.

Resolved, That as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased these resolutions be printed in the *Independent* and DIAL, and that a copy be presented to the bereaved family.

Signed in behalf of the Junior Class.

ETHEL MASON.
PEARL LOCKWOOD.
GRACE GILLIS.
HARRIET CAULKINS.

NORMAL NOTES.

Steward Wellman and our worthy matron, Mrs. Stafford, together with Mrs. Maryott and the other willing workers in the culinary department, prepared a most sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner. The dining room was beautifully decorated with bunting and evergreen. The bill of fare was all that could be desired. There was turkey to spare, even after the ravenous appetites were all satisfied. The students that remained over during the vacation fared as well as if they had gone home. The home life of this school is one of its most excellent features. Our young people become attached to it without always understanding why.

Fourteen of the young men, under the leadership of Mr. John Laughrey, during the three days of the Thanksgiving recess, amused themselves by helping to build the electric railway between Edinboro and Mc-Lane. We doubt if the same number of dagoes could have laid ties for the distance of four miles in the same time. The boys expect to receive life passes over the line when it is completed.

George Matteson with his violin and William Lang with his kazoo are a strong musical duet. Arthur Allen, John Firman and Melvin Dewey, who have no ears for music are muttering dire threats against the musicians for practicing at four o'clock in the morning.

The Nimrods in North Hall are now gunning for mice. Miss Schillinger says it is foolishness to throw chairs at mice because they are too diminutive. Her friends say that before she learned this fact, she destroyed several dollars worth of china. It is hoped that the young Dianas will succeed in exterminating the mouse plague which is now destroying the tempers of so many of our students.

One of the most interesting features of

the literary societies—the Potter and Philo—is the regular debate. For several Saturdays, the discussions have been very animated. We believe with Henry Clay, that in youth are laid the foundations of all true oratory, and that on this account, debating societies are the training schools of future statesmen. We hope that both the young men and young women will take advantage of their splendid opportunities. The Potter society has been making their program more attractive by using their members that are accomplished cornetists and violinists.

→ The department of Music, under the efficient management of Miss Reynolds has grown more rapidly than any other special department. She has had during the fall term more students than she could well attend to, and the Board has, very wisely, hired an assistant for the remainder of the school year. This fact is certainly strong evidence of the popularity of Miss Reynolds. Miss Reynolds is a graduate of the New England Conservatory, and is modern and up-to-date in her methods.

The DIAL always takes pleasure in referring to the highly satisfactory work of our teacher of Elocution and Delsarte, Miss Schillinger. We are gratified to say that she is keeping up her good reputation of the past. She is always busy working for the best interests of her pupils, and her classes are as full as ever.

Professor Morrison, the erudite and experienced teacher of Geometry and Algebra, owing to the increased size of the classes, has been compelled to divide the Senior class into three divisions. About spring, the Seniors will have learned the value of "pie."

All of Miss Tucker's friends will be glad to know that she is still doing the same efficient work that she has done in the past. In years to come, when the school days are over, many of the young people of Northwestern Pennsylvania will esteem them-

selves fortunate in having had the privilege of the instruction and personal influence of Miss Tucker. Her friends are legion, not only in the school, but out of it, and the high moral tone that is now so characteristic of the Edinboro Normal school is greatly due to her admirable management.

Miss Margaret McCloskey, superintendent of our training department, has been devoting most of her time during the fall term in attending county institutes in the state. She still retains her popularity, not only as a lecturer, but as a teacher of Methods and Psychology. Our Seniors are especially fortunate in having her to guide them in their work. Last August, Miss McCloskey was offered the principalship of the training department of the city of Scranton, Pa.

Professor Peters has the chemical and physical laboratories in excellent shape, and these rooms are well worthy a visit. The class in Chemistry is larger than usual, and we only voice the opinion of the students when we say the instruction is first class.

Professor Horton, since taking an assistant in the person of a charming young wife, is more than ever successful in helping the Seniors over the difficulties of the subjunctive mode and indirect discourse. We hear less criticism of Julius Cæsar as a writer than we have for a number of years. His style is usually obnoxious and apt to arouse severe criticism. We have known Senior classes in the past when studying the Helvetian War, to be guilty of the same charge of which the Persians were accused by Herodotus when building the Hellespontine bridge—that is, of referring to the difficulties of the “passage”—in terms that were “un-Hellenic.” This phrase can be understood as meaning “not English.”

The young ladies' basket ball teams are becoming quite expert in the game, and a large number of the North Hall girls enjoy the vigorous exercise very much. Some of

the most devoted followers of this sport are the Misses FitzGerald, Betts, Doherty, Shook, Peavy, Tiffany, Oakes, McGinnis, Proctor, Mawhinney, Connor, Whaley, Mead and Mason.

The Music and Elocution recitals which are held monthly by the respective departments afford splendid drill for the young performers in acquiring confidence to appear in public. Both Miss Reynolds and Miss Schillinger, the teachers of the respective departments, speak in high terms of the value of these exercises.

In response to a special invitation, Mrs. Flickinger and Mrs. Horton, also Misses McCloskey and Wade, drove over to Cambridge Springs to attend a concert given by Miss Mabel Sherwood at the Riverside Casino. They reported an excellent time, as the concert was exceptionally good and the drive most pleasant.

The students who remained in the dormitories during the Thanksgiving vacation seemed to have a very enjoyable time. The days were spent in doing light work and the evenings in playing games, singing and feasting. Miss Farnsworth was especially favored, in receiving, from home, a box containing a complete Thanksgiving dinner. This was divided among her friends, both students and teachers. How much boxes of this sort are appreciated by students away from home, can only be known by those who have helped to devour the contents of one. Since Thanksgiving many are the feasts which have been held with the good things brought back by those who were so fortunate as to pay visits to their homes.

The Hallowe'en party given by the young ladies of North Hall to the students of the Normal was especially successful this year. A formal reception was held in the Reception Room, after which all adjourned to the dining room for an informal evening. Many were the devices employed by which the future was revealed. Fortune telling

was one of the evening's attraction, which, together with the taffy-pull, floating apples, etc., caused the evening to pass very rapidly. To conclude, a cake-walk had been arranged, and the prizes, two large cakes, were won by Miss Anna Doherty and Mr. Chas. Owen.

Physical Culture is a required Junior study for the winter term. The young ladies are required to have special suits for this class, consisting of blouse waist with sailor collar, short full skirt and divided skirt of navy blue. The collar, cuffs and belt are trimmed in white braid.

Mr. Wm. Mahoney, of Hayfield, died about the middle of December. All who knew him as a student here last spring will remember him as a promising young man, and one who was well liked by all who knew him. The DIAL extends sympathy to the bereaved friends.

The basket ball team have arranged a match game with Allegheny College early in January.

The winter term of twelve weeks opens January 1, 1900. The spring term of fourteen weeks opens March 26, 1900.

On Saturday, December 16th, Professor Goodwin attended a large and enthusiastic "educational rally" at Hydetown. This meeting was held in pursuance of arrangements made at the county institute in Meadville some weeks before, and was attended by the county superintendent, several principals and many teachers from that section. Prof. Goodwin reports a cordial feeling manifested at this meeting for the Edinboro Normal, and that several students will be enrolled from that vicinity for the spring term.

The DIAL again feels like referring to the social life of the North Hall, which, this term, has been even pleasanter than during former years. The influence of Miss Tucker, our preceptress, has been more marked than ever. We feel as if this feature of our

school is more than ever praiseworthy. Young women away from home for the first time are in great need of a prudent friend, and of one who can sympathize with them in their school trials. Miss Tucker has this happy faculty.

We would advise Mr. Sherman not to endeavor to catch his hat on the fly unless he first takes lessons in the art of graceful falling.

On the Wednesday before Thanksgiving Miss Shook was pleasantly surprised by a visit from her brother, whom she had not seen for over a year.

During the first week of school, when the new students were naturally feeling somewhat homesick, Miss Schillinger very kindly gave two parties for the young ladies of North Hall. At the first, she entertained those who room on the third floor, and at the second those of the first and second floors. At both parties various interesting games were played and prizes were provided for the successful winners in the contests. Refreshments were served and a thoroughly good time was enjoyed.

The graduates of the Elocution Department number six this year.

During the term four entertaining afternoon recitals were given by the Elocution students.

Our little dramatic club deserves great credit for the play given Dec. 12th. There certainly is talent in the club for the play to be such a success.

W. W. Pearson '99, has charge of a branch store of the Lackawanna Store Company at Cross Forks, Potter county. We bespeak for him a brilliant future as a business man. His sterling qualities of head and heart, coupled with great industry, will make him succeed in anything he undertakes. The DIAL sympathizes with him in the recent loss of his paternal home by fire.

MUSIC AND ELOCUTION RECITALS.

The music and elocution recital given Tuesday evening, December 12th, was a great success and was well attended.

Miss Farnsworth opened the program with the Ladislav by Schyralski, which she played in a most spirited manner. The piano solos by Miss Spitler and Miss Ekas also showed excellent work, Miss Spitler's rendition of the Bolero, by Lack, being especially noticeable, as she so well depicted the abandon and gaiety of the Spanish Dance.

Miss Reynolds, the deservedly popular Director of the Music Department, sang Barney's "Love's Farewell." The song showed to advantage the singer's sweet and highly cultivated voice. To those who heard and saw Miss Reynolds for the first time, it was a revelation of her power as an artist, and of her markedly graceful and charming stage presence.

Mr. Hawkins played the Air Varie by Beriot with his usual breadth and style. This artist is always warmly received and greatly enjoyed by every one.

Mrs. Flickinger sang very effectively a double number, Schubert's Serenade and Denee's Lullaby, with violin obligato. These selections suited well the singer's exceptionally sweet and beautiful voice, and were most artistically rendered.

A trio, "Sleep, Robin," by Clark, sung by Mrs. Flickinger, Miss Tucker and Miss Reynolds evoked hearty applause from the audience.

Josefy's Galop de Concert was given by Miss Prather with all the fire and spirit the piece demanded, and Miss Reeder's interpretation of the Cascade by Pauer was exceedingly artistic. Miss Reeder is a post graduate in Music and she played with the finish and expression which we have learned to expect from her.

The play "Rebecca's Triumph" given by the Elocution Department was indeed praiseworthy. Great pains and tedious drills alone could give the success won by the young ladies of the play, and credit is due

both to Miss Schillinger and the young ladies for giving as fine a drama as "Rebecca's Triumph." The audience enjoyed the play so much that Miss Schillinger has been asked to have it repeated, many thinking it one of the best given by the Elocution Department. Special mention must be given the two comedians of the play, Misses Fitzgerald and Olive Schillinger. In fact all did so well that the entire cast should be mentioned.

The recitation by Miss Alta Perry, a first year student of Elocution, was spoken of highly. The Tiger Lily Race by John Firman, a member of the graduating class in Elocution, was well given. He so entered into the spirit of the selection that the race seemed before all eyes. Mrs. Proudfit, also a member of the graduating class, gave a series of poses that were admired by all. One could follow the different moods given throughout the entire order.

The entertainments given by these two departments are always of high order and are looked forward to with great pleasure by the people. The program as given Tuesday evening is appended:

PROGRAMME.

Ladislav.....	Schyralski
Katherine Farnsworth.	
Love's Farewell.....	Barney
Miss Reynolds.	
Ecosaisien.....	Busoni-Beethoven
Maude Ekas.	
Violin Solo—Air Varie.....	Beriot
Mr. Hawkins.	
Spanish Dance.....	Lack
Katherine Spitler.	
Serenade.....	Schubert
Lullaby.....	Denee
Mrs. Flickinger.	
Violin obligato—Mr. Hawkins.	
Polka de Concert.....	Joseffy
Marie Prather.	
Trio—Sleep, Robin, Sleep.....	Clark
Mrs. Flickinger, Miss Tucker, Miss Reynolds.	
La Cascade.....	Pauer
Louise Reeder.	

"REBECCA'S TRIUMPH."

DRAMATIS PERSONAE.

Mrs. Delaine.. Frieda Schmid	Mrs. Rockman... Maud Goodell
Rebecca..... Blanche Billings	Dora..... Edith B. Cole
Sadie..... Myrtle Breed	Mellie..... Charlotte Weller
Jennie..... Ethel Proctor	Emma..... Edna Wade
Gussie..... Gertrude Mead	Grace..... Almira Peck
Meg..... Edith Proudfit	Mrs. Codman. Velma Ellsworth
Gyp..... Olive Schillinger	Kittie..... Caroline Fitzgerald

PROGRAMME.

- ACT I.—Scene in Mrs. Delaine's kitchen.
 Tom's Little Star.....Alta Perry
 ACT II.—Scene in a grove.
 Statue Posing.....Mrs. Proudfit
 Courtesy, Indifference, Calm, Meditation, Present, Listen, See, Pout, Beckon, Welcome, Eagerness, Joy, Pouting, Disgust, Scorn, Anger, Hate, Surprise, Fear, Horror, Prayer, Plead, Anguish, Despair.
 Tiger Lily's Race.....John Firman
 ACT III.—Scene in Mrs. Rockman's parlor.

- Program of Music Recital given Dec. 8th:
 Hunting Song.....Merkel
 Miss Cross.
 Song—Tatters.....Lane
 Miss Talmadge.
 Duet—Melodie.....Löw
 Mr. Lang, Mr. Laughrey.
 Song—Love's Serenade.....Mawson-Marks
 Mrs. Horton.
 Duet—La Sonnambula.....Bellini
 Miss Talmadge, Miss Nettie Wade.
 In the Golden Long Ago.....Stults
 Miss Mitchell.
 a, -Rococco Gavotte.....Hertel
 b, Alpine Greeting.....Beaumont
 Miss Vesta Sherrod.
 Intermezzo et Valse Lente.....Delibes
 Miss Nettie Wade.
 a, A Snow Flake.....Cowen
 b, The Way Through the Wood.....Sainton-Dolby
 Miss Vina Bole.
 Gavotte—op 224.....Sudds
 Katherine Farnsworth.
 Marsche.....Behr
 Mr. Laughry.
 The Fable.....Raff
 Miss Ellsworth.

Program of Recital given by the pupils of the Music Department in November:

- Duet—Armide Gavotte.....Gluck
 Miss May Talmadge, Miss Vesta Sherrod,
 Schuzando.....Gurlitt
 Guy Amidon.
 Pomponette.....Durand
 Miss Velma Ellsworth.
 Violin Solo—The Wayside Chapel.....Wilson
 Miss Peck.
 The Little Wanderer.....Biehl
 George Amidon.
 Duet.....Behr
 Miss FitzGerald.
 Gavotte.....Sudds
 Guy Morrison.
 Duet—Choral.....Martin Luther
 Mr. Clark, Mr. Laughry.
 Tyrolienne.....Tombie
 Miss Cross.
 Allegretto.....Behr
 Miss Ekas.
 Duet—Russian Hymn.....Löw
 Mr. Lang, Mr. Laughrey.

Miss Anna Daley '99, is teaching in Sterrettania, Erie county.

THE Y. W. C. A.

The Young Women's Christian Association has been especially active this year, under its new corps of officers: Miss Tiffany, President; Miss Proctor, Vice President; Miss Peavy, Secretary; Miss Cross, Treasurer. The membership roll is larger than at any previous time, and the active members are enthusiastic in their work. In addition to the regular weekly meetings, the Association showed its interest in the World's Y. W. C. A. work by holding meetings every day during the week of prayer recommended to colleges and schools throughout the world. On the Tuesday evening before Thanksgiving Day a very helpful service was held at which the majority of those present gave thanks for the many blessings of school life. The Association received further inspiration and blessing through a visit from Mrs. Lowry, the beloved school and college secretary of the Pennsylvania Y. W. C. A. It may safely be said, that at no time in the history of our school has the religious life of the young women been so consistent and elevating as at the present time.

THE REUNION AT ERIE.

A reunion of the graduates and ex-students of the Edinboro State Normal school was held in the parlors of the Liebel House during the week of the Erie county Teachers' Institute. The rooms were filled with enthusiastic friends of the school. James I. McLallen, of Girard, acted as presiding officer, and speeches were made by a number of former students and friends of the school. Dr. Flickinger was present and gave a short address. Among the speakers were Superintendent Missimer and Professor Burns of Erie, and Professor Frank Green of the West Chester State Normal. During the evening, light refreshments were served, and when friendly greetings had been exchanged, all adjourned, after expressing a wish for the continued success of the Edinboro Normal.

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Edinboro Normal Dial, Edinboro, Pa.

THIS is the first number of the DIAL for the school year of 1899-00. For good reasons, the September number was omitted. The record of our school during the present term in every particular is better than for the corresponding term for many years. Our Normal School is one of four Pennsylvania State Normal Schools that can report an increase over last fall. We have gained fifteen students in the Normal department alone. This is certainly gratifying to our friends. Our Senior class numbers seventy-five, which is twenty-five more than graduated last June.

The school has been highly favored also in the fact that it retains all of its old faculty, and they are all doing the same efficient work that was characteristic of them last year. Many material improvements were made to the buildings during the summer. More than a thousand dollars was spent in repairing the steam-heating plant. A wind pump was also erected and a new well driven, thus increasing our supply of wholesome water. From whatever point of view our school may be regarded, it shows marked improvement. Much of this success of recent years, the DIAL believes, is due to the intelligent management of the Board of Trustees and to the active and energetic support of the alumni. "Once a friend of Edinboro, always a friend," is an old and true saying, and it warms the heart of Alma Mater more than can be expressed.

To the new students, the DIAL extends

a cordial welcome, and to the old, a happy greeting. We hope that you may find the work pleasant and profitable. To all of our students, alumni, faculty, and friends, the DIAL wishes a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

VALEDICTORY.

To my friends, the students, ex-students, and alumni, of the Edinboro State Normal School:

When friend parts with friend, a few brief words are in order. The parting of the roads has come to us, and the time for saying the final farewell is here. Several weeks ago, without any solicitation on my part, I was elected to the principalship of the Central State Normal School, of Lock Haven, Pennsylvania. The circumstances of the case were such that I felt it my duty to accept, one of the chief reasons being the fact that the territory of the Lock Haven school includes in it my boyhood home, and many of my friends and acquaintances. If I considered only my pleasant relation to my present environment, I should never think of going. The three years and more that I have spent at Edinboro, while full of labor, have been very pleasant, and I feel that friendships have been made that will never be forgotten. The rapid growth of this school during that time and its present flourishing condition, have greatly tempted me to remain here. Indeed, the school is now among the very best schools in the State, not only in scholarship and moral tone, but in patronage. Last year's catalogue shows an enrollment of almost five hundred students. So that the size of the school and its prospective patronage are beyond cavil, and above envious criticism. This healthful retrospect is now referred to, not for the sake of boasting, but for the purpose of assuring the public that Old Edinboro is in a most flourishing condition. It is believed that the school never was as good as it is today, although many years ago, when there was no competition in western Pennsylvania, during about three years of

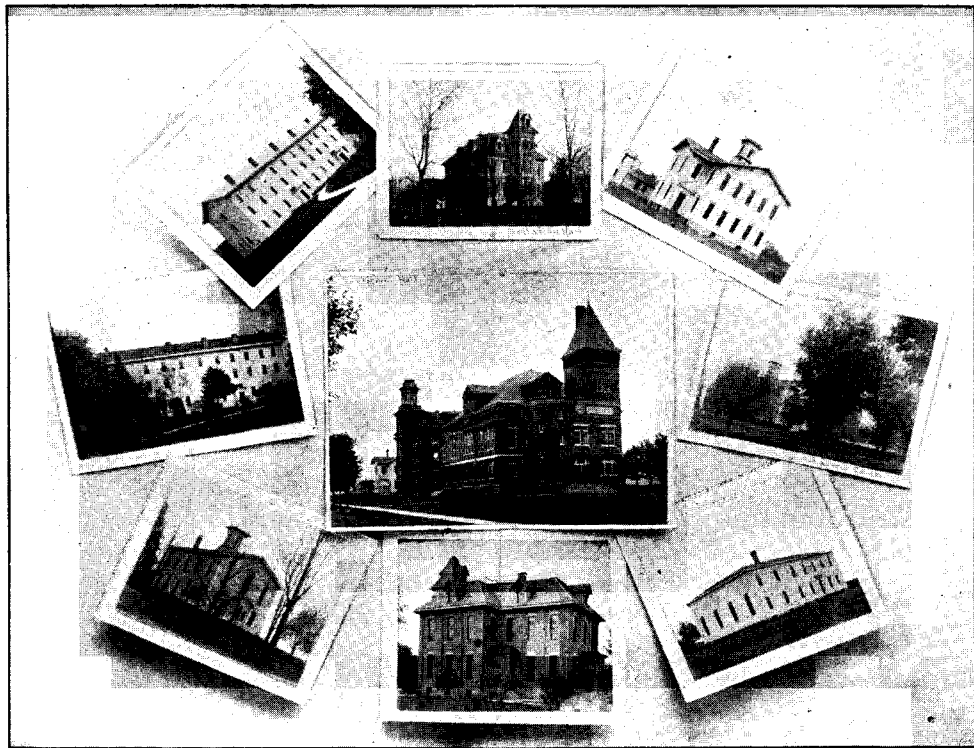
its history it probably averaged fifty more students. Facts at hand will prove the above statement, and we hope that this will silence once for all carping critics. Our relations to the trustees and to our Edinboro neighbors have been most pleasant and harmonious. We have found the trustees liberal and progressive in their views and thoroughly loyal to the best interests of the school. We may add in parenthesis that this leavetaking was through no fault of

school will do better work from year to year than it has ever done in the past. Mrs. Flickinger joins with me in these sentiments and in the words of farewell; and to our friends and former students, we wish prosperity and happiness. Vale.

J. R. FLICKINGER.

THE SENIOR FAREWELL TO MR. AND MRS. FLICKINGER.

Friday evening, December the fifteenth,



theirs, as they held out very flattering inducements to remain.

To all who have generously assisted in advancing our work, we extend our most hearty thanks. To those who have been students here, we wish you success in your various spheres, and we assure you that your memories will be cherished. We ask you, however, to give the same loyal support to this school in the future that you have done in the past, for we are prepared to say without fear of contradiction, that under the management of my honored successor, the

will not soon fade from the memory of the students of the Class of 1900, for on that evening they met together to tender Mr. and Mrs. Flickinger a farewell reception as an evidence of love and esteem and as a means of testifying regret at their approaching departure for Lock Haven. The students had spared neither time nor care to make the function all that could be desired, and as a result the details were marked by a perfection of management which indicated the most painstaking zeal on the part of the class. The Philo Hall had been beautifully

decorated for the occasion and at half-past seven o'clock the President of the class, Mr. Strawbridge, and the Vice-president, Miss Shook, received the guests, who were immediately afterwards presented by Miss Everwine to Mr. and Mrs. Flickinger. After a short time spent in conversation, dainty refreshments were served from a most artistically arranged buffet by several young ladies of the class. Mr. Hawkins then favored the company with two exquisite violin solos, and as the sweet strains ceased, the President of the class rose and feelingly read the following address:

MR. J. R. FLICKINGER, M. A.
PRINCIPAL EDINBORO NORMAL SCHOOL,
EDINBORO, PENNSYLVANIA.

DEAR MR. FLICKINGER:

We, the members of the Senior class of this school, wish to express our deep grief and heartfelt regret that you are called upon to sever your relations with us. Those relations have been of the pleasantest and most personal character. As our instructor you have inspired us, through your zeal and enthusiasm, with the desire to press forward in our work of intellectual endeavor; as our wise and good counselor, you have ever held before us the noblest ideals of manhood and of womanhood; and as our kind and benevolent friend, you have encouraged and helped, comforted and cheered us. We also wish to convey to Mrs. Flickinger some expression of our esteem and affection. Her excellencies of mind and graces of heart have endeared her to us, and we shall ever remember with gratitude her sympathy and cordiality. Nor shall we forget little Jean, who, with her sunny face and winning ways, has often seemed emblematical of a bright sunbeam. Therefore, Mr. Flickinger, as a token of all that we feel for you and your family, and as the souvenir of the happy days that we have spent together, we beg you to accept, in the name of the Senior class, this picture. We hope that future years will bring you and yours only happiness and blessing, and we trust that in the new field of activity to which you are called,

all hearts will beat as loyally for you as do those of the Class of 1900 of the Edinboro Normal school.

As Mr. Strawbridge said the words, "this picture," Mr. Irwin drew aside a flag which covered exquisite Braun photographs of three of Corot's most famous paintings, the Dance of the Nymphs, Spring, and Espagne, grouped in an architectural frame of rich Flemish oak. Mr. and Mrs. Flickinger were taken completely by surprise, and were visibly affected. The former responded for both in an appreciative and heart-felt speech that will long be treasured by those who heard it. The evening was brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," a song that carried to every heart a message of special sadness on this memorable occasion.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION.

Communicated.]

In Mrs. Flickinger, Edinboro will lose a lady who has done inestimable work in elevating and refining the social life of the Normal school. Her kind and cordial manner toward the students, her many accomplishments, and her charming personality have endeared her to all who during the past three years have made the Edinboro school their home. As a hostess she is ideal, and those who have partaken of Mrs. and Mr. Flickinger's hospitality will long remember the enjoyable hours spent in their pleasant and artistically arranged rooms.

SENIOR PARTY.

On Friday evening, November 17th, the Senior class were entertained most pleasantly from half past seven to eleven o'clock. Progressive anagrams was the amusement provided and it proved a thoroughly enjoyable game. Miss Schmid and Mr. Thompson were the fortunate winners of the prizes, a pretty vase for the one, and one of Mr. Kupper's charming pictures of the lake for the other. The evening was brought to a close by the hearty singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

THE MEADVILLE REUNION.

One of the largest and most interesting meetings of the Crawford County Alumni Association was held on the evening of November 23d, in the parlors of the Commercial Hotel at Meadville during the week of institute.

Dr. Frank Goodwin of our Normal school faculty presided in a very satisfactory manner and gave a hearty welcome to the students.

Principal Flickinger was unable to attend but he sent a message over the telephone to Professor Peavy, also of our faculty, who was present at the meeting. The import of this message was that he most earnestly urged all of his friends who had so loyally supported him as principal, to do the same for his successor.

He also congratulated the students and alumni on the present prosperity of the Normal School and concluded his speech by proxy by wishing all his friends happiness and prosperity. Professor Peavy *in propria persona* spoke in an interesting manner concerning the work that is being done in the Normal, the harmony in the school and outside, the bright outlook for the future, and the very favorable conditions generally. Other speeches were made by prominent alumni and ex-students. The following paper was then signed showing the sentiment of those present, and we append it in order that at least some of the names of those present may be preserved.

We as graduates and former students of the Edinboro State Normal School, assembled in the Commercial Hotel parlors, Meadville, Pa., Thursday evening, Nov. 23d, 1899, send greeting to the school and wish her Godspeed.

T. M. Morrison, '82.
D. S. Swaney, '90.
C. O. Rundell, '90.
S. A. Cooper.
H. E. Griswold, '99.
Ira Peavy.
W. H. Kopf, '90, Springboro, Pa.
Bessie Lininger, Beaver Center, Pa.

Verniece McWilliams, Meadville, Pa.
Mary A. Ross, Sturtevant.
Georgiana Slocum, Saegertown, Pa.
Lillian M. Rhodes, Glyndon, Pa.
Emma McAnallen, Glyndon, Pa.
Bessie L. Salen, Jewel, Pa.
Gladys Maloney, '95, Wayland, Pa.
E. L. Lefever, Meadville, Pa.
Nellie McClure, Blooming Valley, Pa.
Harry Birchard, Pinney's Corners, Pa.
J. B. Torrey, Venango, Pa.
O. R. Smiley, Meadville, Pa.
W. N. Strawbridge, Edinboro, Pa.
Murray McCullough, Blooming Valley, Pa.
Ida May Frontz, '95.
Wilse C. Gilmore, '95.
Kittie Spence.
Gertrude Goodrich, '94.
Ella Weed, '87,
H. G. McKay, Meadville, Pa.
Wm. B. Cole, '99, Edinboro, Pa.
Ira Cooper, Guy's Mills, Pa.
Wm. E. Wright, Wayland, Pa.
Hugh M. Gilmore, Blooming Valley, Pa.
Ray Gehr, Woodcock, Pa.
Robert Kelley, Jr., '99, Hayfield, Pa.
Will H. Krietz, Drake's Mills, Pa.
Howard R. Johnson, Colton, Pa.
C. M. Freeman, '98, Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa.

Ida Stewart, Jr., '91, Vrooman, Pa.
Lela Bentley, Jr. '98, Guy's Mills, Pa.
Rhua Gilbert, Guy's Mills, Pa.
Milly A. Byham, Guy's Mills, Pa.
Caroline Graham, Guy's Mills, Pa.
Anell Blystone, Guy's Mills, Pa.
Emma Lake, Pettis, Pa.
Leon C. Higby, Townville, Pa.
Chas. M. Bowen, Townville, Pa.
Della A. Custead, Meadville, Pa.
Cora D. Aikens, Spartansburg, Pa.
Maude Aikens, Spartansburg, Pa.
Orville Lewis, Mosiertown, Pa.
Ray Mosier, Mosiertown, Pa.
Myra Baker, Spartansburg, Pa.
Melvyn G. Dewey, 1900, Wayland, Pa.
T. Frank Tabor, '94, Meadville, Pa.
E. Grace Caulkins, '98, Edinboro, Pa.
V. R. Henry, Harmonsburg, Pa.
H. H. Karlskind, Wayland, Pa.
Louise Prather, Hydetown, Pa.
Pearl Altenburg, Troy Center, Pa.
Grace Altenburg, Townville, Pa.
Sara Pendleton, '95, Cambridge Springs, Pa.
Minnette Christy, '99, Springboro, Pa.
E. G. McCurdy, Guy's Mills, Pa.
Goffrey, Lyon, '98, Centerville, Pa.
D. B. Higby, 1900, Townville, Pa.
Geo. W. Britton, '99, Simons, O.

R. W. Byham, Guy's Mills, Pa.
 Walter Williams, Troy Center, Pa.
 Gertrude Maloney, '95, Wayland, Pa.
 Nora Sheldon, '95, Springboro, Pa.
 Carleton G. Sheldon, Springboro, Pa.
 Bird Hickok, '95, Hickernell, Pa.
 M. Gertrude Cronin, Centerville, Pa.
 W. G. Mahoney, Hayfield, Pa.
 Gertrude E. Coyle, '99, Centerville, Pa.
 H. Bertha Phillips, Centerville, Pa.
 Pearle A. Cease, Cambridge Springs, Pa.
 Roy Kelly, Brown Hill, Pa.
 Clyde Petit, Brown Hill, Pa.
 Mable Hanson, Edinboro, Pa.
 Nora Altenburg, '99, Hydetown, Pa.
 C. F. Chamberlain, (By marriage.)
 Verna Siverling.
 Belle Cassidy, Centerville, Pa.
 Mrs. J. D. Downing, Meadville, Pa.
 Jennie McCurdy, Hydetown, Pa.
 Leda Polly, Bousson, Pa.
 Arline Bailey, Meadville, Pa.
 Mabelle Gealy, Meadville, Pa.
 Martha Pond, '91, Springboro, Pa.
 R. W. Prather, '99, Hydetown, Pa.
 Maude Hawthorne, Townville, Pa.
 Dora Morley, Edinboro, Pa.
 Carrie Parsons, Riceville, Pa.
 Elizabeth Harte, Cochranon, Pa.
 Loa Peters, Deckard, Pa.
 T. H. Ellsworth, Erie, Pa.
 Nannie Gamble, '96.
 Emma Maloney, '95.
 Virginia Affantranger, '87.
 Lizzie DeArment, '81.
 Alice Trow, '73.
 Esther K. Schultz, '98.
 Erma Maloney, '97, Wayland, Pa.
 Nellie M. Bryant, '96, Riceville, Pa.
 Burchard Porter, Sturgis, Pa.
 Fred M. Gealy, East Mead, Pa.
 Hugh V. Sexton, Tillotson, Pa.
 Milton E. McWilliams, Meadville, Pa.
 Kate Thickstun, '96, Crossingville, Pa.
 Jay W. Snyder, Saegertown, Pa.

A BANQUET.

On Tuesday evening, December 21st, the guests of the trustees of the Normal School assembled at North Hall. At 8 o'clock they were ushered into the dining room which was decorated with patriotic colors. The following well prepared menu was served:

Oyster Soup	Celery	
Turkey, Oyster Dressing, Cranberry Sauce		
Cream Mashed Potatoes	Fried Sweet Potatoes	
	Cauliflower	
Lobster Salad, Mayonnaise Dressing		
Cabbage Salad	Wafers and Cheese	
Suet Pudding, English Sauce		
Lemon and Rose Jelly with Whipped Cream		
Ice Cream and Cake.		
Fruit	Nuts	Coffee

After the banquet had been thoroughly discussed, the toasts were given. Mr. O. A. Amidon, the President of the Board of Trustees, acted as toast-master and called on Dr. Hervey to respond to the toast "The Outgoing and Incoming Principal." In behalf of the trustees, he outlined the very pleasant relations which had existed between Prof. Flickinger and the Board. He briefly outlined his career as principal and paid the highest compliment to his careful management. In a few well chosen words he also welcomed the new principal, Mr. Bigler.

Prof. Horton followed, and in a few words expressed the farewell of the faculty to Prof. Flickinger, and he also welcomed Prof. Bigler.

When called upon to respond to the toast to the faculty, Prof. Goodwin grew eloquent, especially when speaking of the lady members.

Rev. Phillips spoke very fittingly of the proper place of Normal schools and showed very clearly what their work is and what it is not.

Then Prof. Flickinger spoke a little while very impressively of his pleasant relations with the trustees and community, paying high compliments to the management of the school by the trustees.

Prof. Bigler closed the program with a few remarks, speaking encouraging words as to the future of the school.

At a late hour the guests departed, after spending a most enjoyable evening. The feeling of enthusiasm and loyalty to the school was very marked and augurs well for the future of the school.

PERSONALS.

Mr. J. Lloyd Spitler '99, is principal at McKean.

Miss Jessie Bole '99, is teaching near Edinboro.

Miss Sara Meehan '97, is teaching at North East.

Miss Clara Black '95, is teaching near North East.

Miss Alice Dunning '99, is teaching at Lundy's Lane.

Blanche Sheldon '99, is teaching in North Dakota.

Miss Hattie Wiley '88, is teaching at Lundy's Lane.

C. M. Freeman '98, is a student in Allegheny college.

Mr. Harley Wood '98, is teaching near McKean this year.

Miss Evie Gross '98, is teaching in the schools at Wattsburg.

J. A. Erbe '90, has entered Crozier Theological Seminary.

Mr. George McIntosh, Junior, '99, is teaching near McKean.

Miss Snow Marsh is teaching in Waterford township this year.

Miss Georgia Waterhouse '99, is teaching at Mystic this winter.

Miss Maude Quay '95, is teaching at West Greene, this county.

B. G. Smith '96, has enrolled as a student at Cornell University.

Mrs. Emma Page '99, is teaching near her home, Lovell's Station.

Miss Lizzie Bittles of the class of '90, is teaching near Waterford.

Miss Minnette Christy '99, is teaching near her home in Springboro.

Miss Ada Burrows '95, is teaching a room in the Milesgrove school.

Mr. Dean E. Swift '95, is teaching at Rolfe, Elk county, this winter.

Misses Neva Sexton, Margaret Alsdorf

and Mr. John Steves have schools near Union City.

Mr. J. Dana Blair '98, is attending college this year at Grove City.

Mr. Joseph Mather '96, is principal of the borough school of Lockport.

Miss Jessie Wickwire '98 is teaching in Conneaut township, Erie county.

Miss May Seymour '97, is one of the teachers in the Roulette school.

Miss Harriet Allis '95, is teaching in Mill Creek township, this county.

Prof. S. B. Bayle '89, is the efficient principal of the Waterford schools.

Miss Gertrude Luther '96, is teaching in Fairview township, Erie county.

Miss Dora Morley '98, is teaching the Kingsley school, south of Edinboro.

Mrs. H. E. Plubell, nee Bertha Kendall '89, is now a resident of North East.

Miss Annie McRea, Junior, '99, is one of the teachers in the schools of Corry.

D. Sylvanus Hoyt '99, and Nora Leehan '95, are teaching in Elk Creek township.

Mr. Nathan H. Phillips '98, is principal of the school at Philippsville, Erie county.

Miss Bird Hickok '95, is teaching this winter in Spring township, Crawford county.

Mr. L. A. Marsh '98, is principal of a two-room school in Mill Creek township, near Erie.

Mr. Luther Conroe '98, is general overseer of the roller mill of Hotchkiss & Co., at Venango.

Miss Edna Young, a former student, is very successful as principal of the school at Gresham, Pa.

P. N. Osborne '91, a classmate of Prof. Peavy, is now principal of the schools at Grand Valley.

Mr. Earl Shaffer '99, is principal of the school at McLane. He is a frequent visitor at the Normal.

A. L. Lackey '89, is principal of the schools of Rocky Grove, Venango county.

We hear the best of reports of his work there.

Misses Will Drumm and Bess Pinckney, both of the class of '95, taught the past year in New Jersey.

Misses Gertrude Tanner '99, and Lulu Chaffee, Junior, '99, are teaching in Amity township, Erie county.

Misses Rhua Gilbert and Ada Jones, Juniors, '98, are teaching in Randolph township, Crawford county.

J. R. Roal, a student here in 1890-92, is teacher of mathematics and Latin in Weiser College, Weiser, Idaho.

Miss Katherine Reynolds ate her Thanksgiving dinner with her popular pupil, Miss Louise Reeder.

Miss May Smiley '98, is principal of the Belle Valley school, with Miss Nina McDowell, Junior, '99, as her assistant.

Lyle Hawkins, a graduate in stenography in 1898, is now a stenographer in the Iron City Tool Works, Pittsburg.

Misses Jessie Butler '99, and Helen Selinger '97, and Mr. Loren Reno, '95, are attending Bucknell College this year.

Herbert Mitchell '98, is teaching during the present year in Taylor, Iowa. He is sure to win fame in the Hawkeye state.

Mr. J. Ross Clark '94, is principal of the school at Mill Village. Miss Texie Reeder '99, is one of the assistant teachers.

Mr. B. L. Dearing '99, is principal of the Lowville school. His sister Miss Beatrice, of the same class is his efficient assistant.

Professor and Mrs. Horton spent the Thanksgiving vacation visiting their respective parents in Jamestown, N. Y., and in Warren.

Miss Sara Hamilton, a member of our faculty last spring, is now teaching her specialty, Physical Culture, in a school at Newburg, N. Y.

Mrs. Della Curry '97, a member of the faculty last spring is pleasantly located as a teacher in the schools of Addison, N. Y.

She has a fine position and greatly enjoys her work. She sends her regards to all her friends.

O. R. Smiley '97, is now a student in Allegheny college. He is taking a scientific course. His sisters, Inez '99, and May '98, are teaching.

Dr. Frank W. Goodwin has already attended two local institutes during the fall term, both of them in Venango county. He is appreciated as an instructor.

Mr. Lester Waterhouse '95, is principal of the West Springfield High school. His assistants are Misses Alice Maynard and Ella Swaney, both of the class of '98.

Miss Lucile M. Hinman '98, is principal of the school at Clara, Potter county. Some day the DIAL, expects to note her election as superintendent of Potter county.

Every teacher in the Washington township schools has been a student at Edinboro Normal, and of the fifteen teachers in the township, ten are graduates of this institution.

Misses Bertha Harter '97, Rose Moorhead '90, Agnes Meehan '94, Rosa and Daisy Meehan '99 and Kate Daley '95, are among the teachers of Harborcreek township for this year.

Miss Annette Graham '98, writes a pleasant letter to the DIAL from Beacon, Mich. She is an assistant teacher in the high school at that place. She is highly complimented for her work. She receives a flattering salary.

Dr. Ruric N. Roark, Dean of the Department of Pedagogy, State College, Lexington, Ky., spent several days examining the professional work of our school. He expressed himself as greatly pleased with the method pursued.

George Wilcox, one of our bright young men of last year, is now taking a four-years' Civil Engineering course in Princeton University. He writes that he is thoroughly in love with Princeton. He declares that the celebration of Princeton's second successive

victory over Yale at football was quite hilarious, and was attended by several thousand people.

Misses Carrie Graham '99, Milly Byham '99, Hattie Stewart '97, Mae Smith, Junior, '99, Nellie Bogardus, Junior, '99, Nellie Blystone, and Messrs. Robert Byham '99, and Sherman Lupter are teaching in Randolph township, Crawford county.

Supt. T. M. Morrison, of Erie county, held a very successful institute and, as usual, was very kind to our faculty. He cordially invited Principal Flickinger, Miss Margaret McCloskey and Miss Alice B. Tucker to take part as instructors.

Charles Wade '94, in the Electrical Department of the Pullman Car Company's shops at Buffalo, N. Y., was home for his Thanksgiving dinner. His brother Will, '92, was with him. The latter holds an important position in a prominent business house in Erie.

Misses Genevieve Wilkinson, Mabel Rogers, Erma Rowland, Ella Beeman, Jennie Bissell, Cecile Gilson, Vania Nortrup, Lola Farnsworth, and Messrs. Charles Morgan, M. J. Pellor and Charles Cardot, all former students of Edinboro, are teaching in Greenfield township, Erie county.

Charles H. Dale of Franklin, Pa., and a former superintendent of Venango county from 1860 to 1872, was a recent visitor to the Normal school. We were pleased to meet him. He was one of the official visitors when this school was reorganized in 1861. He was visiting his brother-in-law, I. R. Reeder.

On Thursday evening, July 6, Miss Sadie J. Hart of Fairfield township, Crawford county, was married to Prof. A. W. Mumford of Punxsutawney. The bride was a student here in 1897, and was a very popular young woman. She is a sister of John Hart of the present Senior class. The DIAL extends congratulations.

The winter term of the Normal School begins January 1st, 1900.

BASKET BALL.

The physical side of the school has been devoting itself chiefly to basket ball. The young men have an athletic association and have organized several teams, and they play in the gymnasium almost every evening. Recently a match game was played between members of the Potter and Philo literary societies. An admission fee was charged, but, notwithstanding, a large crowd was in attendance and the game was more closely contested than the score would indicate. The Philo team won, the score being 14-2. The lineup was as follows:

PHILO.		POTTER.
Matteson	r. g.	Hunter
Bennett	l. g.	Billings
Firman	c.	Campman
Hart	r. f.	Higby
Hayes	l. f.	Griggs

RECEPTION IN HONOR OF MR. AND MRS. HORTON.

On the Thursday evening after the reopening of school, Mrs. Flickinger entertained the teachers in North and South Halls, together with Miss Louise Reeder and Mr. N. D. Hawkins, at a charming postnuptial reception given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Horton. As is always the case with the functions over which Mrs. Flickinger presides, the arrangements for the enjoyment of the guests were perfect. During the evening, dainty refreshments consisting of ice cream, confections and coffee were served, each person receiving as a favor a red carnation and a spray of asparagus fern. At twelve o'clock adieus were said, and many and sincere were the expressions of pleasure at the delightful evening that had been spent.

This number of the DIAL has been delayed a few days to enable the printers to procure a portrait cut of Prof. Bigler, our new principal. The portrait appears on the first page of this issue and is an excellent likeness.

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