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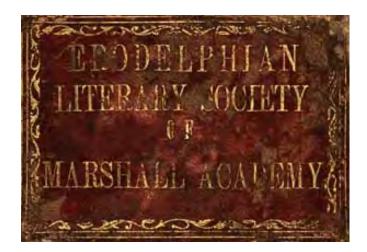
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#### INTRODUCTION

In the 1850's, literary or debating societies were popular in academy schools and colleges across the United States. In the period from the late eighteenth century to the Civil War, collegiate literary societies were an important part of campus social life. College literary societies are often called Latin literary societies because they typically had compound Latin names. The organization at Marshall Academy appears to have been both a literary and debating society. Essays were submitted, and debates were held, with students being divided into those arguing for the affirmative, those arguing for the negative, and a panel of judges. Usually at the subsequent meetings, these groups would be rotated. A faculty member was present and monitored the debates.

During the academy period at Marshall (1837-1858), the school attracted students from several counties of western Virginia (later West Virginia.) Many of the surnames can be recognized as belonging to the original settlers of the Guyandotte area of Cabell County, such as: Buffington, Laidley, Holderby, Burke, Ricketts, Ong and others. Many of the students have been identified from the 1850 census of Cabell or Wayne Counties, which shows they were in the debating society at an average age of 10 to 17 years. In November of 1856 there was estimated to have been almost 100 students attending the academy.<sup>1</sup>

As of the date of this writing, the record book of these two early literary societies at Marshall Academy is the earliest written record at Marshall containing students' names.

The ledger is in three sections: section 1 (the earliest records,) contains minutes of the Erodelphian Literary Society (2 organizations) from 1855 through part of 1857; the second part contains the minutes of the Diagnothean Literary Society of 1861; the third part contains three hand-written issues of the *Marshall College Gazette* of 1879. Whether the three issues of the Gazette were actually printed and circulated is unknown. The pages are handwritten and hand-numbered.

For some unknown reason, the first Erodelphian Society lasted only 13 months; from November, 1855 through the end of 1856. On Jan. 10, 1857 a new Erodelphian Society was formed at Marshall Academy, named the Erodelphian Literary Society No. 2, which adopted a new constitution and bylaws. It is possible this was to coincide with a new class coming in, or with the graduation of the 1855 class. At a meeting on Jan. 11, 1861, a committee was appointed to draft a new constitution. This meeting was chaired by Marshall College Professor D. W. Thrush. On Jan. 15, 1861, the Diagnothean Literary Society was formed with a new constitution and bylaws. This society published its own paper, named the "Sprout." The societies had their own library, but no catalog or bibliography of this library has been found.

Page 30 ends the records of the 1850's, and the last entry is for May 2, 1857. The Academy became Marshall College in 1858. The next entry is for Jan. 11, 1861, and is headed "Marshall College."

On May 30, 1856 "the ladies" were first mentioned as having to wait on the new members. Whether this implies they were actual students or simply guests is not clear. On June 6, 1856 the motion was passed to allow "the ladies" to attend the meetings. They

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> George S. Wallace, *Cabell County Annals and Families*, Richmond: Garrett & Massie, 1935, 152.

could only attend with an escort. The first mention of a female name in the minutes is in the entry of July 11, 1856, which states that Willie Ann Buffington was the society librarian. Her sister, Eugenia, was also a member. The second entry is Aug. 1, 1856, stating that Eliza Kyle was one of the performers from the essay class. (Eliza Kyle was 5 years old in the 1850 census of Cabell County, making her 11 or 12 at the time. This coincides with the ages of many of the male students.) We were unable to identify any of the students of 1861 as female.

The debate topics were all the issues of the day. Some topics were: "Is printing more useful than narration?" "Are the works of nature more beautiful than the art of Man?" and "Does Washington deserve more praise than Columbus?" The topic for the evening of Friday, April 19, 1861, was one of the most interesting. That is the last meeting recorded. The topic was "Is there more happiness in the savage than in the Civilized State?" The next day a steamboat landed at nearby Guyandotte bringing word that Virginia had seceded from the Union. Soon many of the boys present that evening would learn new meanings to the terms "savage" and "civilized state." Several of these boys would join the Confederate Army and see action in the Civil War. The two brothers, A. G. (Albert Gallatin) "Gallie" Ricketts, and L. C. (Lucien Cincinnatus) "Cooney" Ricketts would join the 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA, commanded by Albert G. Jenkins, also a Marshall Academy graduate. Gallie was killed in action in 1862. Their fellow student, E.S. (Edward Stanard) Buffington would join Cooney at VMI in time to fight with the VMI Cadets at the Battle of New Market in 1864.

The structure and organization of the ledger is chronological. The minutes of the meetings are formal. Like most similar records of the mid-nineteenth century, the given names of the students are rarely mentioned, since it was the custom to use first and middle initials. The pages are hand-numbered, and pages 14 & 15, and 39 & 40 are blank. The minutes were recorded in ink.

The last section which contains the three hand-written issues of the *Marshall College Gazette* has had several pages torn out. But since the articles are continuous and apparently complete, we can assume that the editor or copyist made mistakes, and tore them out and discarded the pages. They were pages numbered 55 & 56, 59 & 60, 63 & 64. The second issue, consisting of 8 pages is written on unnumbered pages. The third issue starts on page 93, and goes through page 103. A note in the editorial of issue #3 states it would be the last *Gazette*, therefore these three issues may have been the complete series.

The transcription of the record book is verbatim. Misspellings are preserved as they appear in the original. Notes in brackets [] are the editor's. Brackets containing a question mark [?] means it was difficult to interpret that word or name. Strikethroughs (xyz) are just as they appear in the record book. Page numbers in the upper right corner of the pages are what appear in the record book. To identify the students mentioned, we have made extensive use of both the 1850 and 1860 U.S. Census of Cabell County, Va., and adjoining Wayne County, Va., now W.Va. Many of the students' surnames were not in either of these censuses, and are assumed to have been from a nearby county. We also identified several students mentioned in the three issues of the *Marshall College Gazette* using the Marshall Catalogs for 1879 and 1880.

Following the transcription are three lists compiled from the minutes of the debating societies. One is the list of Marshall Academy students for the years 1855-1857, and a second list of students for the period of Jan. to April of 1861. A third appendix contains a partial list of those students of 1861 who fought in the Civil War.

Jack L. Dickinson February 2012

Kanawha Valley Star Charleston, Va. (W.Va.) Newspaper Nov. 11, 1856

Marshall Academy

Turning aside from the din of politics, we would take occasion to call the attention of those interested in the --- of education to the excellent institution whose name heads this article. It is situated in a pleasant neighborhood, of easy access, on the Ohio river, two miles below the pleasant town of Guyandotte, Cabell Co., Virginia.

It has now been in operation for some dozen years, or a little more. And in that short period very many of its scholars have become prominent and leading men in the learned professions of law, physic and divinity; and many of them have risen to high official stations, civil and military, not only in Virginia but also in other States of the Union. Indeed, it is doubtful whether there is now an Institution in the State, that, in so short a time, has sent forth so large a proportion of leading men.

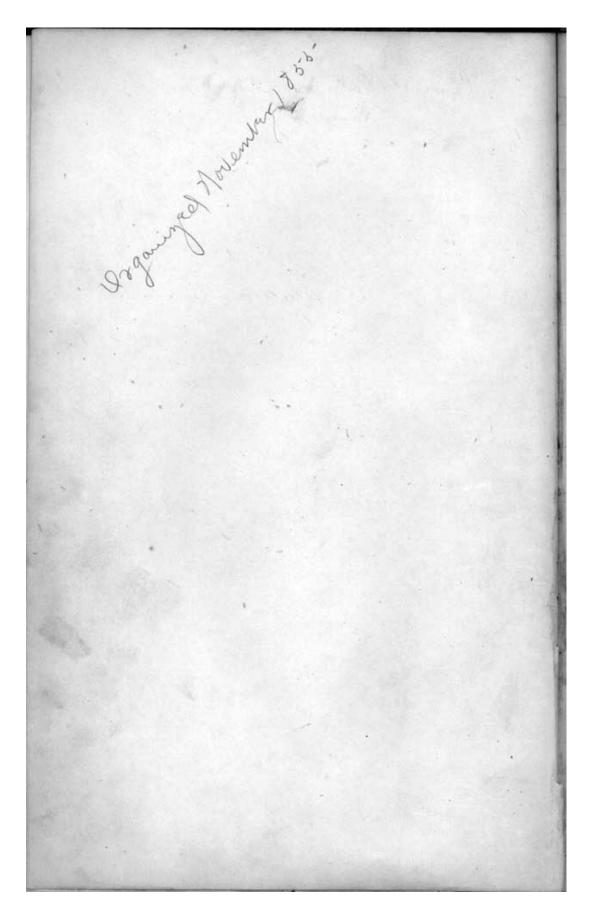
So much for the past of its short history. Its future is still more promising. During the last session there were nearly a hundred students in attendance; and the high character won for the school, by Mr. Boyers, the admirable and estimable teacher, at its head, is a harbinger of still greater success and usefulness.

The trustees, Mesrs. John Laidley, F. G. L. Beuhring, P. C. Buffington, Dr. G. Rickitts and others are gentlemen whose names give character and currency to whatever they may be connected with. The Institution is further under the supervision and control of the Southern Methodist Conference of Western Virginia. This gives assurance that a moral and religious influence will breathe around it.

Should any apprehend that sectarianism might, therefore, be inculcated, their fears will be quieted by the consideration of the fact, that while the Institution is under the control of the Methodist Conference, the principal of the Academy is a *Presbyterian*. Thus showing a liberality of sentiment worthy of Christianity, and a prudence and propriety on the part of those connected with Institution highly creditable to these different branches of the church.

Marshall Academy has many advantages, and offers strong inducements to the public for its patronage.

The course of study, the rules and regulations, the privileges of library and literary and debating societies, the price of food and tuition and such like, can be seen by reference to the printed catalogue for 1856, or by addressing the principal.



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#### Preamble

We the students of Marshall Academy desirous of improving ourselves in literary affairs, do, for our own mutual improvement associate ourselves into one body, and shall be known by the name of "The Erodelphian Literary Society of Marshall Academy" and will be governed by the following.

#### Constitution & By Laws

Sect 1<sup>st</sup>

- Article 1<sup>st</sup>. The officers of this society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reviewer and Librarian.
   Art. 2. The above named officers shall be elected monthly, by ballot, and the
- Art. 2. The above named officers shall be elected monthly, by ballot, and the one receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

#### $2^{nd}$

- 1<sup>st</sup> It shall be the duty of the President to call the house to order at the precise time, preside at all meetings, preserve order, execute all requirements, impose all fines, appoint all committees and discharge the same, give the casting vote in case of an equal election, and in case of necessity call special meetings.
- $2^{nd}$  He shall, after duly elected, deliver an inaugural address prior to his taking the chair, or before his term of office shall have expired.
- $3^{rd}$  He shall not take his chair, until one week after his election.

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It shall be the duty of the Vice President, in the absence of the Pres. To discharge all the duties of the office of Pres., see that all business is transacted in a gentlemanly[?] and orderly manner.
He shall during the presence of the Pres., be subject to his commands, provided the requirements come within the bounds of his office, and at all other times he shall not be permitted to exercise any authority.
Sect. 4
It shall be the duty of the Secretary to take charge of all the books papers &c, belonging to Society, preserve them carefully, & deliver them up to his successor in office.
He shall truly and faithfully record all the minutes, which, after being approved by society he shall enter into the minute book in a neat & grammatical style.
All minutes, communicated reports, &c & c, shall be read by the secretary in open society.
He shall when authorized by society, notify members of any special meetings, or other matters, or corresponding & shall, keep a faithful record of all money's due society, in order to balance his books with the Treasurers Report, & shall perform such other duties pertaining to his office as the Pres or Society may direct.

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Art 1 <sup>st</sup>	It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of all monies
	belonging to Society, and collect all money due Society.
Art 2 <sup>nd</sup>	He shall, when authorized by Society, purchase such articles as may be
	directed, or as Society may stand in need of, & he shall purchase
	nothing unless duly authorized, & he shall take receipts for all money
	expended, which in settlement with his successor shall appear the same
	as money.
Art 3.	He shall faithfully & truly deliver up to his successor in office all
	monies, books, papers belonging to Society.
Art 4.	He shall at the expiration of his office present the Secretary with a
	written report, stating, the situation of the Treasury, viz: the money in
	hand, money due, fines paid, fines not paid, initiation paid, initiation
	fees not paid, money expended & for what, which must correspond
	with the minutes on docket, and if found correct shall be received &
	inserted in the minutes, if not paid report shall be returned to Treasurer,
	who shall correct[?] it before society closes, unless otherwise directed
	by Society. Hampton W.O Kaysford[?]
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Art 5.	He shall be held responsible for all money paid to him, belonging to
	Society and in case of loss & c, he shall well & truly pay over to his
	successor a sum equal to the deficit unless exonerated by a majority of
	the members present.

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Art 1 <sup>st</sup>	It shall be the duty of the reviewer to take charge of all essays read in
	Society, (and during one week granted him) <sup>2</sup> , he shall carefully &
	strictly criticize them in the following manner, viz: The grammatical
	construction & c & c, the punctuation, the writing the orthography <sup>3</sup> , the
	sentiment & the style.
Art 2	After society has been called to order, he shall when authorized by the
	Pres., read publicly his criticisms, which he shall have prepared in
	writing in the back of the essay, in legible writing.
Art 3.	Before proceeding to read the essay he shall call the name of the author,
	& if he or she be present he shall proceed with the reading of it, but if
	the author be absent he shall not read his criticism but shall retain it
	until such time when the author is present.
Art 4.	He shall keep all essays as his own private documents & shall not read
	his criticisms to any person or persons out of society during the
	intermission of the same.
Art 5.	He shall exercise no partiality toward any one, but shall criticize with a
	view of improvement & shall after reading his criticism, deliver the
	essay to the author.
Art 6.	He shall not be permitted to retain essay or essays two weeks, except
	the author be absent, in a case of sickness, or inability to comply with
	any of the requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This phrase, while in ink, is surrounded by parentheses in faint pencil.
<sup>3</sup> Orthography is defined as the art of writing words with proper letters, correct usage, and spelling.

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# By Laws

1 <sup>st</sup>	It shall be the privilege of the President to address the Society in time of debate.
2	Resolved, no member shall occupy the floor more than 3 times nor linger the 5 minutes on one motion
3	Resolved that any member bringing before Society in writing, or by word of mouth any thing that shall tried[?] to mar the peace of society or invoke hard feelings bad feelings among members by using fictitious names or otherwise shall for the first offence be fined 10 cts, 2 <sup>nd</sup> suspended & 3 <sup>rd</sup> expelled.
4	Resolved that no member shall read or speak any declamation or cornfrontius[?], except such as shall tend to our own mutual instruction, any other shall be equal to non performance & the member stand fined
5	Resolved, that for each time a member does not perform he shall be fined for the: first offence 5 cts, and each successive time the fine shall be doubled.
6	Resolved, that no interrupting[?] shall be permitted in Society and for each offence the Pres. may impose the penalty
	We shall also endeavor to improve ourselves by and an of the[?]

Manshall Hall May 14.156 . Society avas called to order as Calling 1 br. M. Doyres to the Chain a J. J. Thrat Sicratan Resolved the Bry Land be amended with regard to receiving of members, and that the reception of Amender preced the Recolved that, buildy John as Thas, n. Hyle, N. Sasto Jr. Huenaw, il, ildams. B. Johnsond, 2. Russel a roleatt, Ino & m Southis 2, 13, Wellen 2. Black: I, In Cullough \_\_ male mary Hortchildelp. E. Wyle. Con, & J. Jetruson he secure as members -April to Locisty There proceed in the section of offices which resulted in the Goldoning Chrice, Par, J. F. Stiwars, N. P. Tr. V. Hampton , Sec. J. B. mellinan, First 2. N. Burks, Nevya M. R. Bozus, Silvan. V. Variale, lignable to arder The Isclamatic days performed, Priformes were. S. Buffayte, I. Rickets L. Ricketts, Mr. Kyle . Shas. ~ Que Ewing. H. Scott . . Idans, M. & eno bouthis A. Wolcott, Dittaming Also Essay clap performend. The were mile N. Saldly . W. it. Rigfington, S. R. Ruffing a + E, Teyle To acejons agreed to motion W. R. Byus. The Munnis ned a adoptio 2. F. Stewart. Sec

#### Marshall Hall May 16, 1856

Society was called to order by calling W. R. Boyers to the chair & J. F. Stuart<sup>4</sup> Secretary.

Resolved the By Laws be amended with regard to receiving of members, and that the reception of members preceed the election of officers this day. Agreed to

Resolved that Ewing John & Thos. W. Kyle<sup>5</sup>, H. Scott, N. Keenan, S. Swans<sup>6</sup>, B.

Johnson, J. Russel, S. Wolcott, Jno & Mr. Douthit<sup>7</sup>, J. B. Wellman<sup>8</sup>, J. Black, L. McCullough \_\_\_\_males Mary Hotchkiss, E. Kyle, M & J. Johnson be received as members---agreed to.

Society then proceeded to the election of officers which resulted in the following choice, Pres. J. F. Stewart, V. P. W. O. Hampton, Sec. J. B. Wellman, Treas. J. L. Burks<sup>9</sup>, Review W. R. Boyers, Librarian, J. Laidly<sup>10</sup>.

Agreeable to order the Declarative class performed. Performers were: S. Buffington, A. Ricketts, L. Ricketts, W. Kyle, Thos & Jno Ewing, H. Scott, S. Adams, W & Jno Douthit, S. Wolcott, Hiltring [?].

Also Essay class performed. They were Miss N. Laidley, W. A. Buffington<sup>11</sup>, E. S. Buffington, & E. Kyle.<sup>12</sup>

Motion to adjourn agreed to.

Minutes read & adopted.

W. R. Boyers, Pres. J. F. Stewart, Sec.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This is probably either Joseph S. Stewart, age 5 in 1850, son of James Stewart, a stonemason, or James Stewart, age 5 in 1850, son of Robert Stewart, a farmer. (From the 1850 Census of Cabell County)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> This is Thomas, son of John Kyle, a laborer from Penn. (No age given in 1850 Census of Cabell County) <sup>6</sup> This is probably Shelby Swan, (Shelvey in census), age 7 in 1850, son of Levan Swan. (Cabell County

Census)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This is John, son of William Douthit, age 7 in 1850. (1850 Census of Cabell County)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> This is John B. Wellman, age 10 in 1850, son of Jeremiah Wellman, a merchant in the 1850 census of Wayne County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> This may have been Jesse Burks, son of William, a farmer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> This may have been James Laidley, son of John Laidley, a lawyer in 1850 Cabell Census.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> This was Willie Ann Buffington, age 7 in 1850, daughter of Peter C. Buffington, later 1<sup>st</sup> mayor of Huntington and sister of Edward Stanard Buffington. Willie married David B. Tenant, and she died in 1921.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> This may have been Eliza Kyle, one of the first female students at the Academy.

8 Marshall hall May 23 \$ 1856 Tociety convened agreeably to order, soll called Minutes read and adapted. members absent S. Buffington. agreeable to the order of the day The Rieviewers criticisms were then heard, The president delivered his inaugeral, Mr Seck was received into this society by an unanimous note. The declimation eles performed the performers were g I taidly I Hillburner Ino Willman J. Mulligh W Hyle & Black Smo Ening Ino Russel 6 Ong A & Richets Ino Douthit A Henne They wal exitinged by the Reviewer. agreeable to order the Essay class performed The performers were H Buffington W & Buffington H Landley Mr. Hetch Rips & Ryle, by motion agreed that society pay WR Bofers 12's et John Wellman See Marshall accademy May 30 the 1856 Triety commend, agreeable to order roll called Minutes read and adabted. WS Jaidly & O Ong was secured as members exempted of an itiating fee, By motion the ladies were imited to be present George Laidly was appointed to wait upon theme, The declimation class performed . The performers were I Burkes, M. O Hampton Thomas Eving. Augustus Wedlert & Ricketts. B Inson. W. Douthit. Blin Adams F. R. Myre 9. C. Peck, They were criticized by the Reviewers. Harnes Laidly. Henry Harden. B. Johnsond. each is

Society convened agreeably to order, roll called. Minutes read and adopted, members absent S. Buffington. Agreeable to the order of the day, the reviewers criticisms were then heard. The president delivered his inaugural. Mr. Peck was received into this society by an unanimous vote. The declimation<sup>13</sup> class performed. The performers were G. L. Laidley, S. Hiltbruner<sup>14</sup>, Jno Wellman, P. McCullough, W. Kyle, J. Black<sup>15</sup>, Jno Ewing, Jno Russel, E. Ong<sup>16</sup>, A. G. Rickets, Jno Douthit, N. Keenan. They were criticized by the reviewer.

Agreeable to order the essay class performed. The performers were H. Buffington, W. A. Buffington, H. Laidley, M. Hotchkiss, E. Kyle. By motion agreed that society pay W. R. Boyers 12 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cts for paper, by motion the society adjourned.

J. W. Stuart, Pres John Wellman, Sec.

# Marshall Academy May 30<sup>th</sup> 1856

Society convened, agreeable to order roll called. Minutes read and adapted. W. L. Laidley & E. Ong was received as members exempted of an itiating fee. By motion the ladies was appointed to wait upon them. The declimation class performed. The performers were L. Burkes, Wm. O. Hampton, Thomas Ewing, Augustus Woolcot<sup>17</sup>, L. Ricketts, B.Johnson, Wm. Douthit<sup>18</sup>, Alvin Adams, F. R. Moore<sup>19</sup>, E. G. Peck. They were criticized by the reviewer, James Laidly. Henry Harden, B. Johnson, each is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> This was the declamation class. The definition of declamation is: exercise in oratory or elocution, as in the recitation of a classic speech; speech or writing for oratorical effect.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> This is Stephen Hiltbruner, age 8 in 1850, son of Jacob, a tin worker in 1850 Cabell census. The Hiltbruners were from Penn.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> This is probably John W. Black, 8 year old son of James C. Black in the 1850 census of Cabell.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> This is Ernest M. Ong, son of Isaac Ong, the Guyandotte tailor. (1850 census of Cabell County) Isaac Ong fought with the Border Rangers, Co. E, 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA in the Civil War.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> There was only one Augustus Woolcott in the 1850 census of Cabell County, he was shown as 41 years old and a merchant. This may have been a son.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> This is William Douthit, son of William Douthit, Sr. He was age 9 in the 1850 census of Cabell County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> This is Fredrick Moore, age 10 in 1850, son of Fredrick Moore, Sr. a merchant in the 1850 census of Wayne County. Frederick Sr. was a large landowner on both sides of the Big Sandy River in Wayne County, and in Ky.

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By motion the house adjourned. J. F. Stuart, pres Jno B. Wellman, Sec

# Marshall Hall June 6th 1856

Society convened, agreeable to order roll called. Mintues read and adapted members absent Jno Ong, by motion it was agreed that the president be allowed to make any change in the performance that he may wish, by motion it was agreed that the ladies be invited into the hall. And moore was appointed as committee of escort. The declimation class performed, the performers were E. Ong, W. Kyle, J. Douthit, A Ricketts, S. Hiltbruner. The essayists were McCullugh, Black, J. Ewing, J. Russel, Jno Wellman, G and J.[?] Laidly, and the misses E. and W. Buffington<sup>22</sup> and H. Laidly. A. Ricketts and M. Hotchkiss was each fined 5 cts for nonperformance and the performers were criticized upon. The committee appointed to tender an invitation to Dr. Ricketts reported and the motion of the report was received.

By motion the house adjourned. J. F. Stuart, Pres J. B. Wellman, Sec

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Dr. Ricketts was Girard C. Ricketts, the town doctor for Guyandotte, and the father of Academy students L.C. "Cooney" and A. G. "Gallie" Ricketts. Dr. Ricketts was a trusee of the Academy in 1858. Dr. Ricketts died of a disease in 1859.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> This is probably John W. Ong, son of Isaac and brother to Ernest W. If true, he would have been one of the older students, being 12 in the 1850 census of Cabell County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> These girls were the two sisters, Eugenia and Willie, Eugenia was 5 in the 1850 census and Willie was 7. They were daughters of Peter C. Buffington, and sisters of Edward Stanard Buffington, another student. Eugenia married Henry E. C. Baskerville and died in 1871. Peter Buffington was a trustee of Marshall Academy in 1858.

10 Marshell. Hall Jone 13th 1856 Drivety commenced agricable to order will called minutes read and astapted, members absent W: C. Hampton, The Essays were creticized upon. by motion it was agreed that a factitum the elected. Election of officers being in order, factotion F. R. Moore: President James Pok vice president Ine Ong: Secritary, Ino Willman Treasurer Lewis Burkes: neviewer Sillorey Land Silvarian Mr. C. Humptin; The declimation claft was called The performent were A. Adams: Henry Harden: B. Johnson; The Essay close ings called . they were Harvey Sect: F. R. Morre. Homas Ewing: I gleck: \_. L. Richits: W. Douth I Burkes ? I Laidly; each wets fine for ninperformance . E. Eng fined lects for disorderly conduct , Glaidly, wets for immediest language and darene pictures criticized upoh By motion it was agreed that the minutes beread . house adjourned J.F. Stuart Pres J. B. Wellman Lec Marshall Hall June 20 th 1910 Toriely amound agrees ble to order roll called as I minutes and and adapted . marchers chard I have Coning Harry Dert, and I be her The Essays were criticized upon, I have Regarded into the society. The sheet Gene day was called . the performance 6.1 P. I . . Y. Mollegh You Wellinger J. Black. Just Reefel; Elley. I & hickette : She Don I Haven for Hilthunder; The Estary class and The president www. & Bucking town WBalk

Marshall Hall June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1856

Society convened agreeable to order roll called minutes read and adapted, members absent Wm. Hampton. The essays were criticized upon, by motion it was agreed that a factotum<sup>23</sup> be elected. Election of officers being in order, factotum: F. R. Moore; President James Peck; vice president Jno Ong; Secretary, Jno Wellman; Treasurer Lewis Burkes; reviewer Sidney Laidley; librarian Wm. Hampton. The declimation class was called. The performers were A. Adams, Henry Harden; B. Johnson. The essay class was called, they were Harvey Scot; F. R. Moore; Thomas Ewing; J. G. Peck; L. Ricketts; Wm. Douthit, L. Burkes, J. laidly; each 10 cts fine for nonperformance. E. Ong fined 10 cts for disorderly conduct. G. Laidly 10 cts for immodest language and obscene pictures on his last essay. The performers were criticized upon.

By motion it was agreed that the minutes be read. House adjourned.

J. F. Stuart, Pres J. B. Wellman, Sec

# Marshall Hall June 20th, 1856

Society convened agreeable to order roll called and minutes read and adapted. Members absent John Ewing, Harvey Scot, and L. Burks. The essays were criticized upon. John Reynold<sup>24</sup> was received into the society. The declimation class was called. The performers were G. Laidly, -[?] Kyle, J. McCullough, Jno. Wellman; J. Black<sup>25</sup>, Jno Russel, E. Ong, A. G. Ricketts, Jno Douthit, N.[?] Keenan, S. Hiltbruner. The essay class was called. The essayists were: E. Buffington, W. Buffington,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> A factotum is an employee or official having many different responsibilities, also one who can explain the mission of the organization, a jack of all trades.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Unidentified. There were several Reynolds families living in Cabell in 1850, but none with a child named John of the same age as the other students. Ezekiel Reynolds had a son named John that was 20 years old in 1850 census of Cabell County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> This is most likely James Black, age 7 in 1850, living in the household of James Russell in the 1850 census of Wayne County. His mother was Amacetta Russell Black, a widow.

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Helen Laidly, Melia[?] Wallace, and E. Kyle<sup>26</sup>. Jno Ong and Sidney Laidly were each fined 5 cts for nonperformance. There was a motion made and it was carried that there be an exhibition of the society in the fall. The house adjourned.

> J. G. Peck, Pres Jno B. Wellman, Sec

### Marshall Hall June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1856

Society convened agreeable to order, roll called, minutes read and adapted members absent John Reynold; J. Laidly, B. Johnson; S. Buffington. The essays were criticized upon. Ames Kimble[?]<sup>27</sup> and James Sanders-ummers were received into the society. The declimation class was called, the performers were F. R. Moore; L. Burkes, H. Harden, L. Ricketts, W Douthit; Augustus Woolcot; Alvin Adams; Thomas Ewing; J. G. Peck. W. O. Hampton is fined 5 cts for nonperformance. A resolution was adapted for fining every scholar each successively time for nonperformance, they be fined 5 cts and each successively time to double it.

By motion the house adjourned.

J. G. Peck, Pres Jno B. Wellman, Sec

#### Marshall Hall July 11, 1856

Society convened agreeable to order minutes read and adapted. Members absent James Laidly, Mary Hotchkiss, Amelia Walace, F. R. Moore, John Ewing. The

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> This is most likely Eliza Kyle, mentioned earlier.
 <sup>27</sup> It has not been determined if this is the same student as Asa Kimball, who appears elsewhere in the minutes.

12 Continued election of officers was next in order . For president W. Olline Hampton : Vice president James G. Peck : Secretary Sidney Laidly: Treasurer S. Burkes! Reviewed J. F Stuarts Sibrarian Willie Ann Buffington : factotano J. B. Wellmond ; The essay clafs was called, The performers were, & Unidly: S. W ullugh; James Black: John Russel : 6. Ong! Menter Theenand : Ino. B. Wellmand Sidney Laidly . 6 Hyle: 36. Saidly : 6 and W. Auffington. house adjourhed Samery, Jeck, Ches Ino, B. Willing. Ser. Marshall Hall Jocishy convened agreestly to order; munutes read and udopted. Estays were chits cized; Installation of officers; Role called; menters absent: J. Laidley, A. Scott, S. Buffing in A. Hardin, Asa Rimball, Declamation Class called: The perforgners ance; S. Enning. A. Wolcott. L. Richetts Byohnston W. Low thit , Ardams , F. S. Moore, J. J. Pech Gat Sain men. W. O. Hampton. \_ . A. Burys fine I do for ann-perform Society adjourned 1 . O. Manpton Bres

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James G. Peck, Pres Jno. B. Wellman, Sec

# Marshall Hall July 25<sup>th</sup> 1856

Society convened agreeably to order; minutes read and adopted. Essays were criticized; Installation of officers, roll called; members absent: J. Laidly, H. Scott, S. Buffington, H. Hardin, Asa Kimball. Declamation class called. The performers were: T. Ewing, A. Wolcott<sup>30</sup>, L. Ricketts, B. Johnston, W. Douthit, Adams, F. R. Moore, J. G. Peck, Jas Summers, W. O. Hampton. L. H. Burks fined 5 cts for non-performance. Society adjourned

> W. O. Hampton, Pres W. S. Laidly, Sec

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> This was William Oliver Hampton, born in Boyd County, Ky. Age 15 in 1850, son of Rev. William Hampton and Sarah (Buchanan) Hampton. He left Marshall in 1857 to study law. Admitted to the bar in 1859. Sarah Hampton died in 1874 and Rev. William Hampton married Salena Mason, who purchased Marshall College for \$1,500 during the Civil War and kept it in business.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> This may have been Samuel N. Keenan, age 6 in 1850, son of Andrew S. Keenan. They lived next door to the Ricketts family in 1850 census of Cabell.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> This may have been B. A. "Gus" Wolcott, age 17 in 1860, son of Augustus S. Wolcott, the wharfmaster in the Cabell County 1860 census. Gus joined Co. E (Border Rangers) of the 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA when the Civil War started.

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# Marshall Hall Aug 1<sup>st</sup>, 1856

Society convened agreeably to order.

Minutes read and adopted. Declamation class called: performers were: Jas Black, Wm Kyle, J. McCullough, Jno Russell Class excused. Essay class called. Performers-viz: E. S. Buffington, W.A. Buffington, H. Laidley, Eliza Kyle, P. Wallace: Class excused. Essays were criticized.

It was motioned and adopted that Proff: McKee[?] AU<sup>31</sup>. of Urbanna O, be invited to deliver an oration at the exhibition. The President appointed the following committee to extend the invitation. They were: viz: W. S. Laidley, J. B. Wellman, J. G. Peck, L. H. Burks, Jas Laidley.

Society adjourned W. O. Hampton Pres W. S. Laidley Sec

Marshall Hall Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> 1856.

Society convened agreeably to order.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> We have not been able to identify if this is a college or university or some other type of school at Urbanna, Ohio.

16 December 314.1836 We the students of marshall academy, filing the need of a literary association for the motion benefit of such of our member, as are willing to this combine for imprevenuent, are desirous of forming said appreciation on the following plan. Viz, that we be allowed to compile and adopt, a constitution and by-laws suited to our wants. To must in a bull at our disposal, and also the time, but, not to conflict with the appointments of the academy proper agreeing at the same time, to must twile in every Academic month, or alternate week, and further we humbly petition the Acatemy proper, to grant us this privilage by affinding the respective signatures of Dimeipal and assistante, asking at the same time that the male assistant Mr. Stuart Compose one of our number; Normes of Beachers Charter members James, G. Dock Sevi, G. Wilson J. F. Strent . A. John B Wellman J. H. Hanna, Thomas J. Ewing John , A. Ering John W. Poule Strather, F. Busgefs James . H. Laidler William . P. Holderby

## December 31<sup>st</sup> 1856

We the students of Marshall Academy, feeling the need of a literary association for the mutual benefit of such of our number, as are willing to thus combine for improvement, are desirous of forming said association on the following plan, viz, that we be allowed to compile and adopt, a constitution and by-laws suited to our wants. To meet in a hall at our disposal, and also the time, but, not to conflict with the appointments of the Academy proper. Agreeing at the same time, to meet twice in every Academic month, or alternate week, and further we humbly petition the Academy proper, to grant us this privilege by affixing the respective signatures of Principal and assistants, asking at the same time that the male assistant Mr. Stuart compose one of our number;

Charter members James G. Peck Levi G. Wilson<sup>34</sup> John B. Wellman Thomas P. Ewing John A. Ewing John W. Powell Strather F. Burgess James H. Laidly William P. Holderby<sup>35</sup> Names of teachers Wm. R. Boyers, Prin.<sup>33</sup> J. F. Stewart, Assn L. H. Hanna, Assn

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Pages 14 and 15 of the ledger were blank.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> His name appears in historical documents as Boyer. He was President (principal) from 1854-1858.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> The only Levi Wilson in the Cabell County 1850 census, was living with Albert Laidley, and was age 15 in 1850.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> This is William, age 8 in 1850, son of James Holderby a Cabell County landowner. (Cabell 1850 census.) This is the James Holderby who conveyed a deed for the land where Marshall Academy stood "to be used for educational purposes."

17 Constitution of the Endelphian Siterary Society No 2. of Transhall Acasterny Addeted January 11the 1857. Preamble We a portion of the Students of marshall Academy desiring to improve ourselves in Siterary affairs do for our metade improvement associate ourselves into one body, and shall be known by the name of the Evodelphian Situary Society No 2. of marshall academy, and will be governed by the following, Constitution and By Laws Article 1th . The officers of this society shall consist for President, Vice Plesident, Secretary Treasurer, Previewer, and marshall. Art. 2 . The above named officers shall be elected every alternate meeting by ballet, and the one receiving the highest momber of votes shall be declared elected . Section 2th of President Art. 1th, It shall be the duty of the Resident to Call the house to other at the proper time, preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not therevise provided or, give the casting vote in case of an equal election, and execute all requirements pertaining to his office , At the expiration of his term of office N.A. it shall be the daily of the President to deliver a valedictory address. Ast, 3. He shall not take his seat ushill one meeting after his election. Art. 4th, It shall be the daily of the President light with the Secretary to select two members

### Constitution of the Erodelphian Literary Society No. 2 of Marshall Academy

Adopted January 10<sup>th</sup> 1857.

Preamble

We a portion of the students of Marshall Academy desiring to improve ourselves in literary affairs do for our mutual improvement associate ourselves into one body, and shall be known by the name of the Erodelphian Literary Society No. 2 of Marshall Academy, and will be governed by the following,

Article 1 <sup>st</sup> Art 2 <sup>nd</sup> .	Constitution and By-Laws Section 1 <sup>st</sup> of officers The officers of this society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reviewer, and Marshall. The above named officers shall be elected every alternate meeting by ballot, and the one receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.
Art. 1 <sup>st</sup> . Art. 2 <sup>nd</sup> . N.A. <sup>36</sup>	Section 2 <sup>nd</sup> of President It shall be the duty of the President to call the house to order at the proper time, preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, give the casting vote in case of an equal election, and execute all requirements pertaining to his office. At the expiration of his term of office it shall be the duty of the President to deliver a valedictory address.
Art. 3 <sup>rd</sup> .	He shall not take his seat until one meeting after his election.
Art. 4 <sup>th</sup> . N.A.	It shall be the duty of the President together with the Secretary to select two members

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> These two "N.A." notes are added in pencil, along with the one on the following page.

18 Constitution Continued from the original class to debate a question, which they shall select from questions handed in by the assay class; it hereby being made the duty of the members of said claps each to hand in a question. Art, 5th, Before the regular delate it shall be the N.A duty of the president to appoint a Comittee three to decide on the merits of the arguement, which decision shall be written on papers sprovided for them, in the words aff. or Neg. and the name of the individual of said committee to be optimal on said paper. Sect 3rd of the President Act, 1. It shall be the duty of the tree president in the absance of the president to discharge all the duties of the ffice of President. Sect 4th of Secretary Art. 1t. It shall be the duty of the Secritary to take change of all the Broks. poper Se. Gelonging & society, preserve them carefordy, Art, 2. The shall truly and faithfully record all the proceedings of society, which, after being adapted, he shall enter in to the minute Box in a near & groundical Style. Art. 3 ed. all minutes, Comminications, reporte, 9: 8. Shall be read by the Secritary in open tracely. Art 4th He shall when authurged by society notify members of any special meeting &c. Aut 5th Yes shall Reep a faithif record of ell moneys due society in order to balance his Book with the treasurers report. Aut 6th, He shall act as correspondent for society and shall perform such other duty pertains

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Sect 3 <sup>rd</sup> of Vice President		
Art. 1 <sup>st</sup> .	It shall be the duty of the vice president in the absence of the president to discharge all the duties of the office of President.	
Sect 4 <sup>th</sup> of Secretary		
Art. 1 <sup>st</sup> .	It shall be the duty of the Secretary to take charge of all the books, papers & c, belonging to society, preserve them carefully, and deliver them to his	
Art. 2 <sup>nd</sup> .	successor in office. He shall truly and faithfully record all the proceedings of Society, which,	
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Art. $3^{rd}$ .	All minutes, communications, reports & c, & c, shall be read by the	
Art. 4 <sup>th</sup> .	Secretary in open society. He shall when authorized by society notify members of any special	
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Art. 6 <sup>th</sup> .	balance his book with the Treasurers report. He shall act as correspondent for society and shall perform such other	
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to his office, as the President or Society may direct.

## Section 5<sup>th</sup> of Treasurer

- Art. 1<sup>st</sup>. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of all moneys belonging to society and collect all money due society.
- Art. 2<sup>nd</sup>. He shall when authorized by society purchase such articles as may be directed. He shall purchase nothing unless duly authorized, He shall take receipts for all moneys expended, which, in settlement with his successor shall appear the same as money.
- Art. 3<sup>rd</sup>. He shall faithfully and truly deliver to his successor in office all money, books, papers & c belonging to society.
- Art. 4<sup>th</sup>. He shall at the expiration of his term of office, present to society a written report stating the situation of the Treasury, Viz the money in hand, money due, initiation fees paid, initiation fees not paid, money expended, for what, which must correspond with the minutes on docket. And if found correct shall be received, and inserted in the minutes, if not said report shall be returned to treasurer who shall correct before society closes, unless otherwise directed by society.
- Art. 5<sup>th</sup>. He shall be held responsible for all money paid to him belonging to Society and in case of loss & c he shall well and truly pay to his successor a sum equal to the deficit, unless exonerated by a majority of the members present.

9.0 Omstitution Continued Section 6th of Reviewer. Art 1th. It shall be the decty of the Reviewer to take charge of allossage read in society Carefully and Strictly, Criticize them in the follow marmer, Viz, the gramatical construction, puntuation, plenmanship, orthography, Sentiment, and Style which, report shall be received the following meeting, and delivered in the following manner, Viz adian to be written in a legible hand on the back of Essays, and read in open society. Art 2 red. Before proceeding to read the Argenter the shall call upon the marme of the author of the Essay. and if her she be present he shall proceed with the reading of it but if the auther be absent he shall not read his criticismos, but shall retain it untill such time when the arther is present. Article 3rd, He shall Reep all Essays as his non private documents, and shall not read his criticisms to any person, or person out of society during the intermission of the same . Art. 4th. He shall excercise no partiality toward an one but shall criticize with a view of improvement, and shall after reading his criticisms deliver the Essay to the auther, l Art. 5 th. He shall not be permited to retain sis us to meetings except the author be absent , on in case of sickness or inability to comply with any of the requirements. Art, 6th He shall criticize all performances valally after which the President may call for criticisms from members.

#### **Constitution Continued**

## Section 6<sup>th</sup> of Reviewer.

- Art. 1<sup>st</sup>. It shall be the duty of the Reviewer to take charge of all essays read in society carefully, and strictly, criticize them in the following manner, Viz the grammatical construction, punctuation, penmanship, orthography, sentiment, and style which, report shall be received the following meeting, and delivered in the following manner, viz criticisms to be written in a legible hand on the back of essays, and read in open society.
  Art. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Before proceeding to read the criticisms he shall call upon the name of the author of the essay, and if he or she he present he shall proceed with the
- author of the essay, and if he or she be present he shall proceed with the reading of it but if the author be absent he shall not read his criticisms, but shall retain it untill such time when the author is present.
- Article 3<sup>rd</sup>. He shall keep all essays as his own private documents, and shall not read his criticisms to any person, or person out of society during the intermission of the same.
- Art. 4<sup>th</sup>. He shall exercise no partiality toward any one but shall criticize with a view of improvement, and shall after reading his criticisms, deliver the essay to the author.
- Art. 5<sup>th</sup>. He shall not be permited to retain essays to meetings except the author be absent, or in case of sickness or inability to comply with any of the requirements.
- Art. 6<sup>th</sup>. He shall criticize all performances verbally after which the President may call for criticisms from members.

Marshall academy January 1857. This meeting was called to order, by calling L. G Wilson to the choir & J. B. Willman Secretary. motion it was agreed that the by-laws be read. J. G. Peck was appointed to read them. The election of officers was next in order . For president J. G. Prek Vice president formes Locidly : Secretary John & Welling Treasurer J. F. Stuart , Reviewer L. G. Wilson ! Marshall John A. Cowing, J. B. Willman . J.G. Bek and J. F. Stuart were appointed on a Committee to establish the petitions in the Minute book . The declaiming class for the next meeting. consist of . John Powell, John A Guing Strather Burgers, Essay Class J. F. Stuart Thomas J. Ewing William Holderby Original Oration Debatt . G. Wilson J. B. Wellman Jour G. Beck. Pres Ano, B. Wellman, Sec Marshall hall January 24 th Society convened agreeable to order, Roll called and minutes read and adapted, officers were installed , James Black was received as a member, The declimation, class John Ening and Atrather Bruges, The Essay

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Marshall Academy January 10<sup>th</sup> 1857.

This meeting was called to order, by calling L. G. Wilson to the chair & J. B. Wellman Secretary. By motion it was agreed that the by-laws be read. J. G. Peck was appointed to read them. The election of officers was next in order. For president J. G. Peck, vice president James Laidly; Secretary John B. Wellman; Treasurer J. F. Stuart, Reviewer L. G. Wilson; Marshall John A. Ewing, J. B. Wellman. J. G. Peck and J. F. Stuart were appointed on a committee to establish the petitions in the minute book.

The declaiming class for the next meeting,

Consist of: John Powell, John A. Ewing Strather Burgess Essay class J. F. Stuart Thomas J. Ewing William Holderby Original oration James Laidly Debate L. G. Wilson J. B. Wellman

House adjourned Jas. G. Peck, Pres Jno. B. Wellman, Sec.

Marshall hall January 24<sup>th</sup>

Society convened agreeable to order. Roll called and minutes read and adapted, officers were installed. James Black was received as a member. The declimation class performed the performers were John Powell, John Ewing and Strather Burgess. The essay class. The performers were J. F. Stuart, Thomas A. Ewing

22 Continued. and We P Holderby. The debating class performed, The performers were John By Willman affin: Levi Wilson Meg, The sentimental debate decided on the affismative, Mr Beck delivered un address to the society on the importance. of for ampuformance, The declimation class for the next meeting que Black Thomas Ouma John Ewing Essay Clafs William Holden Jonnes Louidly John Powle Mather Burgels Criginal Clafs Beck J. Wilson affer B. William J. F. Stuart, Reg House adjourned J. G. Peck, Pres J. B. Hellman Sec Marshall Hall Mach. 7th 1857 Society convened agreeably to order, Noll called and minutes read. and adopted. Mars Surter was received as a member. Whe declamation Class performed. Whe performers & Black Thomas fing, & A. Swing. The Bessay Class performed, "The performed avera

and Wm P Holderby. The debating class performed. The performers were John B. Wellman, Affir; Levi Wilson Neg. The sentimental debate decided on the affirmative. Mr. Peck delivered an address to the society on the importance of perserverance. Mr. Laidly gave his excuse for nonperformance. The declimation class for the next meeting are

James Black Thomas Ewing John Ewing Essay class William Holderby James Laidly John Powell Strather Burgess **Original Class** Oration Debate J. G. Peck L. Wilson, Affir J. B. Wellman J. F. Stuart, Neg House adjourned J. G. Peck, Pres J. B. Wellman, Sec.

Marshall Hall Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> 1857

Society convened agreeably to order, roll called and minutes read and adopted. Mr. Suiter was received as a member. The declamation class performed. The performers J. Black, Thomas Ewing, J. A. Ewing. The Essay class performed. The performers were

Continued W. P. Holderby James Laidley and J. Howell, Strouther Hergel. The frigueal clafe herformed. Wellman D. G. c performers were, P. Ve boles mere H. J. Wilson Mioass The Reviewers Orticided whow the last meetings energy my way illes received as a menter The election of officers next in order. How hree. J. M. Heward. Vice Pres. J. Powell. Sec. 2. g. Wilson Agricion p. H. Lais Sudley Trees. W. Atolderby. Marshall. R. B. Wellen Resolved that none but the speakers reviewer shall eritieve on the speaker This Motion was established. My Street a made a motion to appoint 2" edit a paper to be read in the the society this motion was agreed to, The declimation class for the next meeting are J. B. Wellman J. G. Beck G. G. Wilson 9. J. Hurst. Essay clafs Thomas Elving James R. Block John Ewing all Aratin James Aridly John Power Debato William Holderly S. Burges. G. Cell, Ches 18. Wellman Sec

#### Continued

W. P. Holderby, James Laidley and J. Howell & Strouther Burgess. The Original class performed. The performers were J. B. Wellman, G. Wilson. The debaters were L. G. Wilson & J. Stewart. The reviewer criticized upon the last meetings essays. W. Williams was received as a member. The election of officers next in order. For pres. J. H. Stewart, Vice pres. J. Powell, Sec. L. G. Wilson, Reviewer J. H. Laidley, Treas. W. P. Holderby, Marshall J. B. Wellman. Resolved that none but the speakers reviewer shall criticize on the speaker. This motion was established. Mr. Stuart made a motion to appoint 2 to edit a paper to be read in the the society this motion was agreed to. The declimation class for the next meeting are

J. B. Wellman P. G. Peck L. G. Wilson P. F. Stuart Essay class Thomas Ewing James R. Black John Ewing Original oration James Laidly John Powell Debate William Holderby S. Burgess J. G. Peck, Pres J. B. Wellman, Sec

24 Marshall Academy Feb- 31 - 185-7 Society convened a greable to order voll Called and minutes read, and appled, Officers installed, The declamation Class Mas called the performers were J. B. Wallman, By Hick, L. G. Milson, & Where criticised upon by the renewer, The essay Clops was then called the performed Were, of Black. Dubsecto the Schooldory That Ewing, now performand, her Sorten absent melis - Black & Ewing performen On ginal Class Hames Laidely, John Howel, William Holderby and S, Burges, Question, are the Morks of matuke more beautifue than the arts of man, 1 afferma tea 2. Burges & J. Laidley D. M. Faluel } W. N. Holderby Thefs. Burges, Lardey and Healderby performed, her bould did not The Commutes Where Millman, Renovana baing who decided in the altimative \* Ais celeaneous, business motion by her Heck. "That members entern the month after performances be admitted to que their performance, mr Williams, performed, Thotion By my Landley Show the ex mesident deliver his Valedictory Which he did,

# Marshall Academy Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> 1857

Society convened agreeable to order, roll called and minutes read, and adopted, officers installed. The declamation class was called the performers were J. B. Wellman, J. G. Peck, L. G. Wilson & J. L. Stuart. All who performed and were criticized upon by the reviewer. The essay class was then called the performers were, J. Black. Subject: The schoolday[?]. Thos Ewing, non performance, Mr. Sooter absent, Mess[?] Black & Ewing performed.

#### Original Class

James Laidley, John Howel, William Holderby, and S. Burges. Question, are the works of nature more beautiful than the art of Man.

Affirm	Neg			
S. Burgess	J. Laidley			
J. W. Powel	W. P. Holderby			
Mess <sup>37</sup> . Burges, Laidley and Holderby performed, Mr. Howel did not. The committee				
were Wellman, Renoe[?] and Ewing who decided in the affirmative.				

#### Miscellaneous business

Motion by Mr. Peck that members entering the room after performances be admitted to give their performance. Mr. Wiliams performed. Motion by Mr. Laidley that the ex-President deliver his valedictory which he did.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> This appears to be a form of the title or address of Messrs, for more than one Mr.

Clabs Declamation class Vames Laidley. John, Mowel William Holderby, S. Burais Essay Class. V. B. Wellman, D. G. Feck D. H. Stuart, Longy, Wilson W. Williams Black, F. Ewing Suter and Ewing) The Farmer is more useful than the merchant Ano Renne and Thos Ewing How Ewing and Same Black notion by her Freck "that aboy anonymous literature be exceed in the have as man Shall Academy for the use of Society These Should be no anony mous Communication of an ill Character which passed, Excuse Here recured from & somel and I. Com by Walson Sich

Classes

Declamation class James Laidley, John Howel William Holderby, S. Burges

Essay Class

J. B. Wellman, J. G. Peck J. F. Stuart, Levi Wilson, Wm Williams Original Class J. Black, T. Ewing

J. Suter, Jno Ewing

Debate

The farmer is more useful than the merchant.

#### Affirmative

Jno Renoe and Thos. Ewing

Negative

Jno Ewing and James Black

Motion by Mr. Peck "that a box anonymous literature be eseched[?] in the hall at Marshall Academy for the use of Society which was seconded and passed. Also that there should be no anonymous communication of an ill character which passed. Excuses were received from J. Howel and J. Ewing.

J. H. Stuart, Pres L. G. Wilson, Secy

Marshall Academy March 7th 1837 Nociety commend according to order and Was Opened by prayer from my buck HollCallea minutes of lass meeting read and adopted, Declation, Mm Holderby & Jos farally performent mels drowel and Burges were absent mels Lardley and Holderby were cuticised upon by the retreaser. The gesdy class was called who ever L by Milson D. B. Weleman & h. preck and D. A atuarty my Auch delivered an Original all the others performed a grun toorder, a betatend Claps called. Thos Ewing, B. Black, J, Ewing and D. Renver Al-s That lewing, + A. Hanne, Rance aid not speak Negative Ame Ewing, For Black, The committee were Wellman, Buch & Holderby Who decided in the offirmative, The reviewers cuticisms being in order were given, Election of Officers being next in order the following it ese Elected, I, Laidley, Mus- J. A. Stuart. Sect I. 4 Suck Greas- D. Black reviewer, That Ceringmarshall, The paper Edeted by Strack & Wellman was head in open Society by them, Sal Saidly moved. Shat the poper be first read by the teachers at the academy next by the tuestees of the Same which was 2 2 4 possible Mr Seek moved that maridleys motion be reconsidered, which Was I'l and possed, mr Laidleys motion was reconsidered! Mr faidley moved "that the Seachers I read the paper there the trustees then the poper Shall be returned to the Editors, Who can dispose of it as they suppor which was 3? and possed years ( mays 1. atters not whing,

## Marshall Academy March 7<sup>th</sup> 1857

Society convened according to order and was opened by prayer from Mr. Peck. Roll called. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted. Declation<sup>38</sup>, Wm Holderby & Jas Laidley performers. Mess Howel and Burges were absent. Mesrs Laidley and Holderby were criticized upon by the reviewer. The essay class was called who were L. G. Wilson, J. B. Wellman, J. G. Peck and J. F. Stuart. Mr. Peck delivered an original All the others performed agreeably to order. Debating class called

Thos Ewing, J. Black, J. Ewing and J. Renoe,

Aff

Thos Ewing & J. Renoe. Renoe did not speak. Negative

Jno Ewing, Jas Black

The committee were Wellman, Peck & Holderby who decided in the affirmative. The reviewers criticisms being in order were given. Election of officers being next in order the following were elected. J. Laidley, Pres, J. H. Stuart Sect, J. G. Peck Treas, J. Black reviewer, Thos Ewing, Marshall. The paper edited by Stuart & Wellman was read in open Society by them, Jas Laidley moved that the paper be first read by the teachers at the academy next by the trustees of the same, which was 2d & passed. Mr. Peck moved that M. Laidley's motion be reconsidered, which was 2'd and passed. Mr. Laidley moved "that the teachers read the paper then the trustees then the paper shall be returned to the editors, who can dispose of it as they see proper which was 2'd and passed yeas 6 nays 1. Others not voting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> This was probably meant to be the word Declamation.

Classes 27 J. Essay Clafs J. Saidely, When Holaity & d. Burges Declamation Class M. Black. Thos Ewing, Ams Ewing, & Ranne Criginal Class L. G. Willow & J. H. Sterarts B. b. Frech X J. B. Wellman Justino Agnorance is troise than layiness brick J. Wellman Nocuty adjourned . H. Strack frees Special meeting docuty convened by a call of the members, mh healt moved that the paper toublished by the Society be entitled the spout? which passed, motion by & lewing that the Society provide poper to be used Monting the Spring, motion by mo frech than all contributions coming in for the spont be handed in by the 5 of march 13% L. J. Wilson, Siely

#### Classes

Essay class J. laidley, Wm Holderby & S. Burgess Declamation Class J. Black, Thos Ewing, Jno Ewing & J. Ranoe Original Class L. G. Wilson & J. F. Stuart Debate J. G. Peck & J. B. Wellman

Question

Ignorance is worse than laziness

Aff J. G. Peck Neg J. B. Wellman

Society adjourned.

J. F. Stuart, Pres L. G. Wilson, Secry

February 26<sup>th</sup> 1857

Special meeting

Society convened by a call of the members. Mr. Peck moved that "the paper published by the Society be entitled <u>the Sprout.</u>" Which passed. Motion by J. Ewing that the society provide paper to be used writing the Sprout. Motion by Mr.Peck that all contributions coming in for the Sprout be handed in by the 3 of March /57.

J. F. Stuart, Pres L. G. Wilson, Secty

Orodelphian Hall March 21 1851 At the proper time Society was called to order, and opened with prayer, Whe roll being called the following were apsent; The hong, & Eving, J. Rehoe. p. Laidley, J. W. Powell, & Burges. Q. Suite. Installation of officers in order, The following were installed, Weleman, Peck Black and Stewart: Laidley and Twing for being absent. The expressed delivered his official address. Agreeably to the order of the day the Declam. ation class was called, Black performed and was remarked upon by the member the remainder of the class was absent Also Essay clops called, Holdery herformes they absent, Original class being no order Wilson performed. Wilson was appeinted Marshall pro tempore. Debote in order question Is ignorance worse than Lagues Hf. Peck. Den; Wellman. Committee, Wilson Black and Holderby. The question was ably discufsed and decided in fabor of Negative. The reviewing of essays being in order the essays were hunded to lociety by Peets as herald of the reviewer whoney absent. Miscellaneous busines ine order. The Secondo humber of the Sprout was read by the Editors, Peck and Abellanan Performences for next meeting Sec. Nilson Stewart, deck and Wellman, Jesoy Block Ling Srietofr. Original Landley Holderby et Bergy tes, Is the drunkard to be pittied more than his family Alf Judley Dry Holdaly. Adjourned. Pres Willing

## Erodelphian Hall<sup>39</sup> March 21 1857

At the proper time Society was called to order, and opened with prayer. The roll being called the following were absent; Tho. Ewing, J. Ewing, J. Renoe, J. Laidley, J. W. Powell, S. Burgess, J. Suiter. Installation of officers in order. The following were installed. Wellman, Peck, Black and Stewart; Laidley and Ewing Jr. being absent. The ex-president delivered his official address.

Agreeably to the order of the day the Declamation class was called. Black performed and was remarked upon by the members, the remainder of the class was absent. Also essay class called. Holderby performed others absent. Original class being in order Wilson performed. Wilson was appointed Marshall pro tempore.

Debate in order. Question Is ignorance worse than laziness. Aff. Peck Deny, Wellman. Committee. Wilson, Black and Holderby. The question was ably discussed and decided in favor of Negative.

The reviewing of essays being in order the essays were handed to Society by Peck as herald of the reviewer who was absent. Miscellaneous business in order: the second number of the <u>Sprout</u> was read by the editors, Peck and Wellman. Performances for next meeting Dec. Wilson, Steuart, Peck and Wellman. Essay Black Ewing Sr, et. Jr. Original Laidley, Holderby et Burgess. Qes. Is the drunkard to be pittied more than his family. Aff. Laidley, Neg. Holderby. Adjourned. Pres Wellman, Sec. Stewart.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> It is believed that during this period, the society obtained its own permanent meeting room, probably on the upper floor of the main Marshall building.

Prodelphian Hall Apatt 18, 1857 time Roll called. me mbers all abse but Welling Stewart Black & Giving p. Minutes of last meeting read and Adopted, Motionest by Ewing in that The regular literary performances beho ponell till next meeting. which carried In accordance with order of exercises. Ampton was received by a unanimous vote. Election of officers in order, the following way the result, for preg. Stewast or vicepres. Wellmans for sec. Wellman, or frees. Hampton, Reviewer, Hampton harshall Black. Miscellaneous busineps in order. By motion it was agreed that Hampton Should be associate editor of the Sprout in future. Adjourned with the Sauce classes to perform that are found minates of last meeting. Sa. Stewart. Pigs. Wellinger

# Erodelphian Hall April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1857

Society convened at the propper time. Roll Called, members all absent but Wellman, Stewart, Black & Ewing Jr. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted. Motioned by Ewing jr that the regular literary performances be postponed till next meeting, which carried. In accordance with order of exercises, J. Hampton<sup>40</sup> was received by a unanimous vote. Election of officers in order, the following was the result, for pres. Stewart for vice-pres. Wellman, for sec. Wellman, for treas. Hampton, Reviewer, Hampton, Marshall Black. Miscellaneous business in order. By motion it was agreed that Hampton should be associate editor of the Sprout in future. Adjourned with the same classes to perform that are found minutes of last meeting.

Sec. Stewart, Pres. Wellman

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> This was John Hampton, son of Rev. William Hampton and brother to William Oliver Hampton, another student. (See footnote 28)

30 Marshall Academy . May 2nd 1857. Agreeable to order the society convened soll called and minutes read, Mumbers all absent but Hampton, Wilson, Black, Ening is and Steart Installation of officers in order, the officers elect were installed ., The valedictory adduls of Pres, Wellenan was postfuned till the ment meeting. The Declimation class was next in order, Wilson and Streast parformed. The Essay class was next in order, the performers we James Black and Thomas Coving . The Original clafe were all absent, and the Debating class was also absent, By motion John Hunter was received into the society, also Julias Mcallugh was elected mande, providing he desires to come in . Miscellaneous buileness must in order. The Editors read the 3rd de of the "Spont". The Declaimers next week are: John Hunter J. Mcallugh. J. B. Willman J. M. Hampton J.G. Wilson 9. F. Stuart Debating class Aff. J. C. Ening ja Is the drumbard to be fitted Arg, J. R. Black. J. F. Staart, Ores. J. B. Wellmann, See

Marshall Academy, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1857.

Agreeable to order the society convened roll called and minutes read, members all absent but Hampton, Wilson, Black, Ewing jr and Stuart. Installation of officers in order, the officers elect were installed. The valedictory address of Pres. Wellman was postponed till the next meeting. The Declimation class was next in order, Wilson and Stuart performed. The essay class was next in order, the performers were James Black and Thomnas Ewing. The original class were all absent, and the Debating class was also absent. By motion John Hunter was received into the society, also Julias Mcullugh was elected member, providing he desires to come in. Miscellaneous business next in order. The editors read the 3<sup>rd</sup> No of the "Sprout."

The Declaimers next week are:

John Hunter J. Mcullugh

Essay Class J. B. Wellman J. N. Hampton J. G. Wilson P. F. Stuart

Is the drunkard to be pitied more than his family.

Debating class Aff. T. E. Ewing Jr Neg. J. R. Black

J. F. Stuart, Pres J. B. Wellman, Sec

Petarola Ma College for Wh A.S. 1861. Parsnant to notice the Audents of Marshall College met in Marshall Hall, for the purpose of Organizing On motion Shop M. thruth a Viterary. Dornety was called to the chair, and I Varidly elected as " Decretary, The Aresident Then Staded The object of The meeting, When On motion of DA Johnston a Commute has appointed to draft a Consti Justion and by lais for the government of the by the Phan Consisted of SA Johnston 50 Vaidley, and I I stewart, Whice after a short delay reported the following four Sitution, which was read there by Schole and adopted On motion it was agreed that The officers of This meeting serve until mi sit The officers elected under The constitution be mistalled, The following persons were Then nominated for the respective offices to be roled for at the next Pres DM. Thrush, her Pres. meeting S. A. Johnston, The see Sol Saidley, bor see S. & Buffington, Fras J. A Thuast, There terns no fur thes huisness on metion the meeting ajourned to meet in one week from This night J. H. Thrush Srep Saidley See affilosségé.

D. W. Thrush. Pres.

# Marshall College<sup>41</sup> Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1861

Pursuant to notice the students of Marshall College met in Marshall Hall, for the purpose of organizing a Literary Society. On motion Prof. D. W. Thrush<sup>42</sup> was called to the chair and G. S. Laidley<sup>43</sup> elected as secretary. The President then stated the object of the meeting, when on motion of D. A. Johnston a committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws for the government of the Society. The committee having been appointed by the chair consisted of D. A. Johnston, G. S. Laidley and J. F. Stewart, who after a short delay reported the following constitution, which was read article by article and adopted. On motion it was agreed that the officers of this meeting serve until im----[?] the officers elected under the constitution be installed. The following persons were then nominated for the respective offices to be voted for at the next meeting, Pres. D.W. Thrush, Vice Pres. D. A. Johnston, Rec Sec G. S. Laidley, Cor. Sec. S. E. Buffington, Treas. J. A. Stuart. There being no further business, on motion the meeting adjourned to meet in one week from this night.

G. S. Laidley, Sec.

Marshall College Marshall College Marshall College

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> This is the first mention of Marshall College in the record book. Marshall Academy achieved college status in 1858.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> D. W. Thrush was not only a teacher at Marshall, but also served as President until the start of the Civil War in April, 1861.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> This appears to have been George S. Laidley, age 19 in 1860, son of John Laidley and Mary J. (Hite) Laidley. (1860 census of Cabell County.) There was more than one George Laidley in Cabell County, and Wallace (in "Cabell Annals") states he was of another Laidley family.

32 Marshall College Jan 15: 1861 Procinde Whereas we believe That many advantages result from fiterary associations, and that hinging mind in con-tact with mind is one of the most effectual means of intellectual deceptine. Therefore be it resolved That we the Students of Marshall College do mut - nally agree to associate ourselves, into a literary body to be governed and regulated by The following Constitution and By Sang Constitution And 1st Storety shall be called the Diagnothean Siterary Society of Marshall College, Art 2ª The officers of this Secrety shall consist of One President, on Vice Resident on Rec Secretary, One Con Secretary, One Treasur One Librarian and Sexton, Art 3d Each of the above officers shall be cleeted monthly, by Ballot, They shall be mominated one week previous to election and not more that three candedates shall be named for each office and The person having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected, Any person daly elected any office and repusing to serve without a good excuse shall be subject to a fine of Tuenty por cents

Marshall College Jan 15th 1861

# Preamble

Whereas we believe that many advantages result from literary associations, and that bringing mind in contact with mind is one of the most effectual means of intellectual disciplne. Therefore be it resolved that we the students of Marshall College do mutually agree to associate ourselves, into a literary body to be governed and regulated by the following constitution and By Laws.

### Constitution Section 1<sup>st</sup>

Art 1<sup>st</sup> This Society shall be called the Diagnothean Literary Society of Marshall College.
 Art 2<sup>nd</sup> The officers of this Society shall consist of one President, one Vice President, one Rec Secretary, one Cor Secretary, One Treasurer, One Librarian and Sexton.<sup>44</sup>
 Art 3<sup>rd</sup> Each of the above officers shall be elected monthly, by ballot. They shall be nominated one week previous to election and not more than three candidates shall be named for each office and the person having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. Any person duly elected any office and refusing to serve without a good excuse shall be subject to a fine of twenty five cents.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> A Sexton is generally defined as: an official of a church charged with taking care of the edifice and its contents. The word "Sexton" and "sacristan" both derive from the Medieval Latin word *sacristanus* meaning "custodian of sacred objects".

Construction 33 Section 29 It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings, to conduct the some in an orderly and parliamentary manner, He shall ting all fines, Appoint and descharge all committeed, the shall have power to call special meetings shall declare The result of elictions and in case of the votes shall immediates add a new election between the Two highest condidates, In my other roles except in the election of officers he shall have The Casting Fole when a lie shall becould Section 3? Arts 21 shall be the duty of the lice President As preside in The absence of the Buddent, the shall have herealy power to conduct the buisness and dischall all the duties of the Pres, But shall exercise no authority in an official capaci Is except when acting as president Section 4" Artin It shall be the duty of The Roe. Secretary To keep a twee and faithful record of the Minutes of Society, in a book, to be Rept for the purpose At?? The Shall Take charge of all bootby papers, which relate to the burnets, of Society Shall Take charge of all spays from the hands of The critics and deliver, and deliver them to the Authors at Their request,

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings, to conduct the same in an orderly and parliamentary manner. He shall levy all fines, appoint and discharge all committees. He shall have power to call special meetings, shall declare the result of elections and in case of tie votes shall immediately order a new election between the two highest candidates. In any other votes accept in the election of officers he shall have the casting vote when a tie shall occur.

# Constitution

# Section 3<sup>rd</sup>

Art 1<sup>st</sup> It shall be the duty of the Vice President to preside in the absence of the President. He shall have penalty power to conduct the business and dischall[?] all the duties of the Pres, but shall exercise no authority in an official capacity except when acting as president.

### Section 4<sup>th</sup>

Art 1<sup>st</sup> It shall be the duty of the Rec. Secretary to keep a true and faithful record of the minutes of Society, in a book, to be kept for the purpose.

Art 2<sup>nd</sup> He shall take charge of all books & papers, which relate to the business of Society; shall take charge of all essays from the hands of the critics and deliver, and deliver them to the authors at their request.

34 Constitution 121 3" It shall be the duty of The tree See So notice all members of any special meeting of Seculy When ordered by the President, by Inching a willen notice upon the door of the Hall, Sichen sh Soll It shall be the duty of the preasures to Lake Charge of all the funder belonging to Secrety; Collect all fues, fines and moneys, whatever, due Locuty Arts He shall select the payment of all money and shall report the hames of such member as shall refuse to pay, Sits " He shall report Monthly in Society The amount of funds in his hands the ammount due, The names of members refusing to pay, and shall have no pried So ment any expendetu-The except by add of Decrety Though The President. Arth " He shall on reting from office delva fully and faithfully all moneys receipter, negreeable paperdy to his succept me quice Section 6 7 Art I shall be the duty of The Schaman to Take charge of the Library belonging to society Va that all book are properly numetered and enter--ed in a book for the purpose 1.10

Art 3<sup>rd</sup> It shall be the duty of the Rec Sec to notice all members of any special meeting of Society; when ordered by the President, by tacking a written notice upon the door of the Hall.

#### Section 5<sup>th</sup>

Art 1 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of all the funds belonging to Society; collect all fees, fines and moneys, whatever, due society.

Art 2<sup>nd</sup> He shall solicit the payment of all money due and shall report the names of such members as shall refuse to pay.

Art 3<sup>rd</sup> He shall report monthly in Society the amount of funds in his hands, the amount due, the names of members refusing to pay, and shall have no power to incur any expenditures except by order of Society through the President.

Art 4<sup>th</sup> He shall on retiring from office deliver fully and faithfully all moneys, receipts, negociable papers & c to his successor in office.

Section 6<sup>th</sup>

Art 1 It shall be the duty of the Librarian to take charge of the Library belonging to society, see that all books are properly numbered and entered in a book for the purpose.

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Art 2 He shall whenever any book is taken from the Library, record the No. together with the date and the name of the person receiving the same. He shall see that no book remain out more than one week unless the same be recorded as taken-out for a second week and in the same manner from week to week. He shall see that all books are returned in good condition.

Art 3 If any book be defaced he shall present the same to Society, where a suitable penalty may be inflicted. Should any book be detained longer than one week whith[?] renewing, the Librarian shall report the same to society where a fine may be inflicted.

Art 4 He shall not permit any person to receive a book or books from the Library who is not upon the list of active or honorary members of Society.

#### Section 7<sup>th</sup>

Art 1 It shall be the duty of the Cor. Secretary to conduct all correspondence relative to the business of Society, and shall report the same to Society when called upon, in open Society.

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#### Section 8

Art 1 It shall be the duty of the Marshal to see that the room be in a comfortable condition at the time of meeting.

Art 2 He shall guard the door and see that all visitors be comforibly seated & c

Art 3<sup>rd</sup> He shall apply to the President whenever he desires an order upon the treasurer for necessary expenditures.

#### Section 9<sup>th</sup>

Art It shall be the duty of each member to answer to his name when the roll is called, and on failure of so doing shall be subject to a fine of one dime unless a reasonable excuse can be rendered.

Art 2 It shall be the duty of each member to perform in his respective class when called upon and failing to do so is subject to a fine of one dime, unless a good excuse is rendered.

Art 3 It shall be the duty of each member respectfully to obey the Constitution and By-Laws, and to exert himself to promote the general interests of Society.

Art 4<sup>th</sup> Each member on being initiated shall pay the sum of twenty five cents as a fee, and shall enroll his name among the list of active members which shall be deemed equivalent of signing this constitution.

37 Consumion Arts & Cach member apon enrolling his name Whall be required so answer the following questions So you promise faithfully to okey The Pon Statution I By Lang of this Society, and to perform all the duties and requirements of the Samey That you Will will be obedien I and respectful to its officers and mutually cooperate with them me the des charge of Their Farrous duties Bit 6 Each member shall answer to his name at all roll callings, and princtually mutall The performances made otherating by Society and on facture of any of these requirements shall be subject to fine of not lip than fine cents not more Than Swenty freat. The option of the President, Sily: Ins member whe shall be Constitutionally elicted to any office in this Society and shall not decline before his cliction shall be subject ta a fine of Jen Centy Art si Person Shall be eligible to the office of Bus - ident the shall not have attained the age of Sixtun Mears, Art 9' Any member of this drove to who Shall represense to pay his fine for, one month and Shall not be exonorated by a tur third Wite of all members present, Shall have his name shisten from The roll, and be dismiked from Society "

Art 5<sup>th</sup> Each member upon enrolling his name shall be required to answer the following questions. Do you promise faithfully to obey the Constitution & By-Laws of this Society, and to perform all the duties and requirements of the same & that you will ----[?] be obedient and respectful to its officers and mutually cooperate with them in the discharge of their various duties

Art 6 Each member shall answer to his name at all roll-callings, and punctually meet all the performances made obligatory by Society and on failure of any of these requirements shall be subject to fine of not less than five cents nor more than twenty five at the option of the President.

Art 7<sup>th</sup> Any member who shall be constitutionally elected to any office in this Society and shall not decline before his election shall be subject to a fine of ten cents.

Art 8<sup>th</sup> No person shall be eligible to the office of President who shall not have attained the age of sixteen years.

Art 9<sup>th</sup> Any member of this Society who shall refususe to pay his fine for one month and shall not be exonerated by a two third vote of all members present, shall have his name stricken from the roll, and be dismissed from Society.

38 Ju Constitution Art 10 % No pusson shall become a member of this securely who is not a member of Marshall college, and This shall ombace all who are at trisent or may have been within Seve years Not 11" No Student shall be a member of this security who shall have been expelled from from This mobilation. isteliaios Tis had tori

Art 10<sup>th</sup> No person shall become a member of this society who is not a member of Marshall College, and this shall embrace all who are at present or may have been within two years.

Art 11<sup>th</sup> No student shall be a member of this society who shall have been expelled from this institution.

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#### Marshall College Jan 18<sup>th</sup> A D 1861

The Society was called to order by the President. The roll being called; the exercises of the evening were opened authorized[?] by prof D. W Thrush. The minutes of the last meeting were then read and adopted. The officers elected under the Constitution were then installed, Pres. D. W. Thrush, Vice Pres D. H Johnston, Recording Sec G. S Laidley, Treas J. A. Stewart, Cor Sec S. E. Buffington, Marshal E. S. Holderby. On motion the Constitution and By-Laws were read by the Sec. before Society. On motion W. S. Laidley, John Pollard, John Herndon, A. G. Ricketts & C. W Burks were proposed as active members. The orators of the evening were then called upon who performed their duty in a satisfactory manner

John W. Johnston Joseph S. Stewart Orators L. G. Ricketts

Essayists being next in order. The following gentlemen read before Sociey in a creditable manner W. H. Kyle

B. B. Burks<sup>45</sup> Essayists G. S. Laidley<sup>46</sup>

The following question was then discussed, viz:

Is intemperance a greater evil than war. Which was decided in the negative.

Aff D. G. Johnston

Debaters

J. F. Stuart N. B. Johnston Thos Harden

Neg

W. H. Stewart S. E. Buffington

There bei9ng no further business on motion Society adjourned

G. S. Laidley, Sec.

D. W. Thrush, Pres

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> This was probably Bluford B. Burks, age 16 in 1860, son of Luther Burks. Lewis H. Burks, Bluford's older brother and brother Charles also attended Marshall during this period. (1860 Cabell Census) B. B. was a Corp. in Co. D, 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA during the Civil War.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> This is George S. Laidley, age 19 in 1860, son of John Laidley one of the Marshall trustees and Mary Hite Laidley (1860 Cabell Census)

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### Minutes, Diagnothian Society Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> 1861

Society met and was called to order by the President. After the calling of the roll, the proceedings were opened by prayer, Prof. D. W. Thrush.

The minutes of the last meeting were then adopted. Committee on essays reported and were discharged. Committee appointed to procure a minute book reported success, and were discharged the committee consisted of D. A. Johnston, W. S. Laidley and J. F. Stewart. On motion the names of T W Flowers<sup>47</sup> D I Smith<sup>48</sup> and W. O Wright<sup>49</sup> were proposed as active members of Society. The names of John Laidley, M. R. Jenkins, Gov. Letcher, Rev Mr McMillen, Rev John Johnson, Hon J. C. Breckinridge, Hon G. W. Summers, Hon Abraham Lincoln, Hon H. Hamlin were then proposed as honorary members.

The chair then nominated W. S. Laidley John Pollard and John Thornton committee on essays. Readers J A. Johnston, Thomas Harden, J. F. Stewart. Orators H N[?] Stewart, James H Stewart, henry harden.

The following question was then discussed, Is art more pleasing to the eye than Nature. Which being discussed at some length, was decided in the Neg. Declarers, W. S. Leidley, P. P. Puele, W. H. Kule, Aff

Laidley, B. B. Burks, W. H. Kyle, Aff.

John Thornton, C. W. Burks<sup>50</sup> and B. B. Burks, Neg. There being no further business on motion adjourned.

D. W. Thrush, Pres.

G. S. Laidley, Sec.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> This is most likely Thaddeus W. Flowers, age 19 in 1860, son of Alfred Flowers and Sarah. (1860 Census Cabell County.) When the Civil War started, Thaddeus joined Co. E (the Border Rangers) of the 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA, along with several other Marshall students. He was captured in 1862 and was a POW at Camp Chase, Columbus, Ohio.(Dickinson, 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> This is probably Dudley Irwin Smith, age 18 in 1860, son of Dudley D. Smith, a Cabell County merchant (1860 Cabell County.) D. I. was sheriff of Cabell County in the 1870's, at the same time that L. C. "Cooney" Ricketts was prosecuting attorney.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> The only W. Wright in either 1860 Census of Cabell or Wayne Counties was William O., 23 years old in 1860, son of Edward Wright, a Cabell County farmer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> This is Charles W. Burks, age 18 in 1860, son of Luther Burks, and brother to Bluford (B.B.) (1860 Cabell County census)

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### Minutes of Diagnothian Society Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 1861

Society met and was called to order by the President. Calling of roll, prayer by Prof Thrush. Minutes of the last meeting read and adopted. On motion a tax of five cents was levied on each member for necessary expenditures. The chair then announced the election of officers on the next night. Whereupon, the following persons were nominated as candidates of the several offices to be voted for at the said election.

> Pres. D. W. Thrush W. S. Laidley

Vice John Pollard Thomas Hardin

G. S. Laidley Rec. Sec A. G. Ricketts C. W. Burks

B. B. Burks Cor. Sec D. A. Johnston E. S. Holderby

> John Thornton Treas W. H. Stuart J. A. Stuart

L. C. Ricketts Marshall J. T. Stuart

W. H. Kyle

On motion T. W. Flowers, D. I. Smith & W. O. Wright were elected active members, and John Laidley Esq, Gov. Letcher, Rev. Mr. McMillen, Rev. Mr. Johnston, Hon Mr. Jenkins<sup>51</sup> were elected as honorary members. Readers, W. S. Laidley, S. E. Buffington, and John Thornton, Orators L. C. Ricketts, C. W. Burks, Joseph Stuart. Debaters, D. A. Johnston, J. T, Stuart, G. S. Laidley, A. G. Ricketts, T. Harden, J. T. Stuart, -----[?] Johnston Laidly Ricketts Aff. And Y T.[?] Stuart, T Hardin and W W Stuart Neg. Question: Is printing more useful than narration. Decided in affirm. On motion adjourned.

G. S. Laidley, Sec.

D.W. Thrush, Pres.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> This was Albert Gallatin Jenkins, who had attended Marshall Academy earlier, and at this time was the representative to the US Congress of the district containing Cabell County. At the start of the Civil War he commanded the Border Rangers, a company of the 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA, in which several of these students served.

4 Dilinides of Dragnodjean Bocrely Fil 9 1861 Regular meeting of Society. The President in the chart Roll called, Pager by Prof Thrush, Ministers y last muting read and adopted, Committee on criticismo reported. Report recircol, Commute on Rension of Anuts asked to be continued, agreed, On metin Henry Tannes has elected an active member, On metion the Horn Mor. Moror was mounated as an Hon member Com on Essays DA Johnston, If Hardin & Checketts, 6 MBerts excusused from Claps, Estagento B B Berks W Saidley II Stwart, Orators John Wyohnstn Henry Heardin John Thomaton, Delate has the ensured into by the following person of SA Johnston & Davilly, A Scholatto, Neg. I F Stewart, 16 96 Stewart J' A Stewart, often which the Election of offices had entered into which risulted in the election of the following parsons Jus, S.W. Thrush Ric See AS Richetts Treas John Thomson bor See It Jelmston Marshall I I Stewart, No further hussup on motion Arcut ady AW. Thush & Pus 6 Saidles See

## Minutes of Diagnothian Society

### Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 1861

Regular meeting of Society. The President in the chair roll called, prayer by Prof Thrush. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted. Committee on criticisms reported, report received. Committee on revision of minutes asked to be continued, agreed, on motion Henry Stannard was elected an active member. On motion the Hon. Mr. Moore was nominated as an Hon. member. Com. On essays D A Johnston, T J Hardin, L. C Ricketts, C. W Burks excused from class. Essayists B B Burks, W S Laidley, J F Stuart. Orators John W Johnston, Henry Hardin John Thornton. Debate was then entered into, by the following persons Aff D A Johnston G S Laidley, A G Ricketts. Neg,. J F. Steuart, W W Stewart J A Stewart. After which the election of officers was entered into which resulted in the election of the following persons

> Pres D W Thrush Vice W S Laidley Rec Sec A G Ricketts Treas John Thornton Cor Sec D A Johnston Marshall J F Stuart

No further business. On motion Society adj.

D. W. Thrush, Pres

G S Laidley, Sec

43 Mundes of Fraguolycan Fociely Fil 15 4 1861 Vocity met and called to order by The Pres, Cell called Prayer, Prof. Theushan, Munites of the last meeting read and adepled, Committee on essays himy called upon reporter Then entered into, How I More was then elected un house member of This Society, Committee on Mays them affemted, which consisted of the following parono I W Floures & A Johnston J. & Richetts, Essayests of the econy I Hardin BB Berts, IF Stewart, Orators A 16 Style, So Techetts. The debate was then entered into , In The following question, Here our Store futhers justificable in expelling The, Alongines, The question ling ally descussed was Hundred in the Key, Affirin Delaters, John Thomason, 6 11 Berks, Books, M. W. Sudley John Pollard James & Stewart, The chair Then appointed the following clep for next evening Casagists IN Standley 6 1 Bornd, IS Richetts. Orabors John Pollard John Thomton, S& Buffayton Delatus Off, & Standley St Flowers J, 6. Richetts + + 1 Ho Style, Nos IA Jelmston DJ. Smith I Worden D B But hs, quistion for discussion is File more neful than hater, No purthe trushed on motion Idjanmed S.W.Shrush SPus S. S. Sandley See

## Minutes of Diagnothian Society

### Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 1861

Society met and called to order by the Pres. Roll called. Prayer, Prof Thrush. Minutes of the last meeting read and adopted, Committee on essays being called upon reported and were discharged. The installation of officers was then entered into. Hon. G. T Moore was then elected an honorary member of this Society. Committee on essays then appointed, which consisted of the following persons T W Flowers D A Johnston L. C. Ricketts. Essayists of the evening T. J Hardin B B Buirks, J. F. Stuart. Orators W W Kyle, L C Ricketts. The debate was then entered into, in the following question, Were our forefathers justifiable in expelling the aborigines. The question being ably discussed was decided in the Neg. Affirm debaters, John Thornton, D W Burks, B B Burks S E Buffington, Aff. W. S. Laidley John Pollard James H Steuart. The chair then appointed the following class for next evening. Essayists W S Laidley, C W burks, A G Ricketts. Orators John Pollard, John Thornton, S E Buffington. Debaters Aff. G S Laidley T W Flowers L. C. Ricketts & W W Kyle. Neg D A Johnston D I Smith T F Harden B B Burks. Question for discussion is fire more useful than water. No further business on motion adjourned.

D. W. Thrush, Pres

G S Laidley, Sec

×46 Feb. 22nd 1861. The society met, and was called to order by the Pres, and was opened by prayer. The minutes ever read and adopted \_ mombers absent; D. J. Smith and N. W. Honors - The committee to revise the minutes reported and very discharged-On motion of W. S. Laidley, the Constatition was read and adopted\_ A. S. Bichett \_ J. C. Pollard V b. H. Wardin nere excused for non-performance. I.S. Laidley, M. of. Johnson & C.S. Horder by here alpointed orities on Essays and orations - The performens were ' Grating Ossayist 26. 6. Hardin. No. 26. Stinark S. J. Hardin. 1. W. Johnson Jos. Stewark J. Wer Ward Henry morrid Ludges of debate \_ a. S. Rickett. J.a. Stewart. M. H. Kyle R.S. Smith Fin, Farmes. Question for debate "Is fin mon. useful than water" - The performers how! hegatin afirmatin W. a. Johns For 9. 8. Daialy U. J. Smith J. n. Elenus L. C. Rickuts J. J. Hardin n. 26. Kyle Bh Burks Decided in favor of the negative John b. Follard and b hBurks how Ex overaled, from 6. S. Herduly was fined 5 ct for absence. S. S. Laisly has nominated and elected for Librariace. On motion of and Lociety adjourned A. W. Shrush Pris. A.S. Rickett Rec. Lec.

Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> 1861

The society met, and was called to order by the Pres, and was opened by prayer. The minutes were read and adopted. Members absent, D. I. Smith and T. W. Flowers. The committee to revise the minutes reported and were discharged. On motion of W. S. Laidley, the constitution was read and adopted. A. G. Ricketts, J. C. Pollard & C. W. Hardin were excused for non-performance. G. S. Laidley, D. A. Johnson & E. S. Holderby were appointed critics on essays and orations. The performers were:

Essayıst	Orators
W. C. Hardin	W. W. Stewart
T. J. Hardin <sup>52</sup>	J. W. Johnson
Jos. Stewart	J. Wm Ward <sup>53</sup>
	Henry Morris <sup>54</sup>

Judges of debate- A. G. Ricketts, J. A. Stewart, N. H. Kyle D. I. Smith & T. W. Flowers. Question for debate "Is fire more useful than water" The performers were:

Affirmative	Negative
G. S. Laidley	D. A. Johnston
T. W. Flowers	D. I. Smith
L. C. Ricketts	T. J. Hardin
W. W. Kyle	B. B. Burks
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Decided in favor of the negative.

John C. Pollard and C. W. Burks were exonerated from fines. E. S. Holderby was fined 5 cts for absence. G. S. Laidley was nominated and elected for Librarian. On motion of Jas A Stuart Society adjourned

D. W. Thursh, Pres A. G. Ricketts Rec. Sec.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> This was most likely Thomas J. Harden, age 19 in 1860, son of John Harden, a riverboat pilot. (1860 Census Cabell County.) He was a Pvt. in Co D, 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA during Civil War.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> This may have been the William Ward that was the 12 year old son of the widow Adaline Ward in the 1860 census of Cabell County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> This was the Henry Morris who was age 16 in 1860, the son of Eaton Morris, a Cabell County farmer. (1860 census of Cabell County.) He was a Pvt. in Co D, 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA during Civil War.

47 march 1. 1861. The Society met and was opened by prayer by . 10. S. Smith . J. W. Flowers , Vo. W. Burks were appointed enties-The Orations and Essayist performed-Question for debate: Dace Porty alford more please That history - The performers how : affirmation negative martin J. C. Thomaton n.S. Laidly I. C. Pollard Hi He, Stewart E. S. Horachy 6. n. Bushi The question was decided inform of oteg. by 3 to 3 Saciety adjourned L. C. Richts Ha Thrush Rea A. G. Richette. Res 8 La aller anarila second 1011 THE FAINT 12 .....

March 1, 1861

The society met and was opened by prayer by the President. Minutes were read adopted. D. I. Smith, T. W. Flowers, C. N. Burks were appointed critics. The orators and essayist performed. Question for debate: "Does poetry afford more pleasure than history The performers were:

Affirmative	Negative
N. S. Laidley	J. C. Thornton
J. C. Pollard	E. S. Holderby
W. W. Stewart	C. N. Burks
S. E. Buffington	L. C. Ricketts

The question was decided in favor of Neg. by 3 to 2

Society adjourned

D. W. Thrush, Pres. A. G. Ricketts, Rec S

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## March 15<sup>th</sup> 1861.

Society was called to order and opened with prayer by Prof D. W. Thrush. Minutes read and adopted. The installation of officers was then duly attended to and J. C. Thornton was formally conducted to the chair. The treasurers report was received and the funds handed to J. C. Pollard.

A committee of critics was appointed consisting of D.A. Johnson, G. S. Laidley & A. G. Ricketts.

B. B. Burks was exonerated from fine for non-performance. The performers went through with their exercises in a satisfactory manner, the debate was discussed to some extent and decided in the negative by 2 to 1. The <u>Resolution</u> for an adjournment of Society for two weeks was lost, but adjourned to meet the following Friday.

Pres. J. C. Thornton R.Sec. C. N. Burks

# "Diagnothian Hall" March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1861.

The Society was called to order by the V. C. "E. S. Holderby." Roll called and the absent members were, L. C. Ricketts, J. C. Pollard, W. W. Stuart, J. C. Thornton, T. W. Flowers, D. I. Smith, G. S. Laidley, N. Kyle, D. A. Johnson, J. Johnson, L. Johnson, W. Ewing, W. Ward, J. A. Stewart, N. W.Johnson, D. W. Thrush. The minutes of last meeting could not be found and were ordered to be read by next meeting.

The oraters were C. E. Hardin, The essayist were E. S. Holderby & H. Stanard. All further business was ordered to be continued until next night. All absentees are fined 5 cts by order of V. C. On motion of W. S. Laidley the society adjourned.

E. S. Holderby, Vice Pres C. N. Burks, Rec. Sec.

49 march 29th 1861. society was called to order; minutes read and a dofated, Noll called and member about have D. C. Ballington. J. Costenait. M. Kyle: 2. C. Richetts. John W: Johnson Jas Ward. W. Ewing. U. G. D. chetts M. & Smit 9. This Hennes. - mendres fined. n. Kyle . H.a. Johnson. & Ho. Bucht. O. M. Thornburg. & Salias H. to Enterph Wen nomonated for action members. The minutes of march the. 15th hun read and adopted - The report of the hearaner was real Comother on criticism reported me discharge Cuties for the every 11.8. Laidly. 6. W. Buts and T.T. Hardin - the Berfinsen is in Madee besayistmatins a.g. Richtetto H. H. Stewart Lohn H. Johnson H. Stander, M. Pollard. Question for debate: "Is female addiciation advisable to standent." hegatin A. a. Johnson affirmationh. S. Laidle Po, B. Build 6. M. Bucks I. a. Stewart S. & Buffebryton le 16 Hardin for Stewart Judges John Pollard & S. Laidly & J. J. Hardin , Decided in favor of teg' by 2 to 1. The nomination of Officers has attended to Ondered that the following Every te publice J.b. Thornton The le W. Burks See

March 29<sup>th</sup> 1861.

Society was called to order; minutes read and adopted. Roll called and members absent were S. E. Buffington, J. A. Stewart, N. Kyle, L. C. Ricketts, John N. Johnson, Jas. Ward, N. Ewing, A. G. Ricketts, D. I. Smith & T. N. Harris[?]. Members fined. N. Kyle & D. A. Johnson, L. H. Burks, T. W. Thornburg & Julius W. McCullough<sup>55</sup> were nominated for active members. The minutes of March the 15<sup>th</sup> were read and adopted. The report of the treasurer was read. Committee on criticism reported & then discharged. Critics for the evening N. S. Laidley, C. W. Burks and T. J. Hardin. The performers were:

Orators	Essayist
H. H. Stewart	A. G. Ricketts
C.H. Hardin	E. S. Holderby
L. G. Ricketts	W. S. Ewing
John [?] Johnston	H Stanard, & J. Pollard

Question for debate: "Is female association advisable to student."

Affirmative	Negative
N. S. laidley	D. A. Johnson
B. B. Burks	C. M. Burks
J. A. Stuart	S. E. Buffington
Jos Stuart	C. H. Hardin
Judges- John Pollard, G. S. Laidley & T. J. Hardin	

Decided in favor of Neg by 2 to 1. The nomination of officers was attended to. Ordered that the following evening[?] by public. On motion of C. N. Burks the house adjourned.

> J. C. Thornton, Pres C. N. Burks, Sec.<sup>56</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> This appears to have been Julius W. McCullough, 16 year old son of Patrick and Rachel McCullough in the 1860 Cabell County Census.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> This was Charles N. Burks, brother to B.B (Bluford) Burks. See footnote 45.

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April 5<sup>th</sup> 1861.

Society was called to order and opened with prayer by D. W. Thursh. Roll called, minutes read and adopted. On motion of H. H. Stuart the time of meeting is changed from 6 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to 3 p.m. On motion of D. W. Thrusha committee was appointed consisting of D. W. Thrush, D. A. Johnson & G. S. Laidley to regulate a by-law concerning the time of meeting.

D. W. Thrush, N. Ward, John & L. Johnson were excused for absence. Members fined were S. E. Buffington, T. J. Hardin, & B. B. Burks.

L. A. Burks<sup>57</sup>, John Thornburg<sup>58</sup> & Julius W. McCullough were elected as active members.

W. S. Laidley, J. C. Pollard & W. W. Stuart were appointed critics for the evening. Thos. Hardin and B. B. Burks were fined five cents for non-performance.

The election of officers resulted as follows, viz:

For President		D. W. Thrush
"Vice Presiden	t	E. S. Holderby
"Recording Sec	c	H. H. Stuart
" Corres. Sec.		A. G. Ricketts
"Treasurer		Jas. A. Stewart
" Librarian		Jo. Stuart
" Marshall		T. J. Hardin

The performers were:

Orators	
G. S. Laidley	
Jas. Stuart	
C. N. Hardin	
S. E. Buffington	

Essayist W. S. Laidley D. A. Johnson N. H. Kyle L. C. Ricketts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> This is Lewis H. Burks, brother to Bluford and Charles, son of Luther Burks, and one of the children missing from the 1860 census of Cabell County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> There were several John Thornburgs in Cabell County in 1860, but this is most likely the John Thornburg, 16 year old son of Thomas Thornburg, the Barboursville merchant in the 1860 census of Cabell County. John was a soldier in Co. E, (Border Rangers) 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA during Civil War.

minutes Continued\_ april & Debators Officatione. negativo Jas. a. stewart 26. 2le. Stewart 6. S. Holderby. J. W. Johnson a. Q. Ricketts B. B. B. Minho Questino. Does Washington descor more praise than Coubes by L. Laidley. Solo, Buffington Will Syle. On motion of Las. A. Stewart the House adjuined. h. Purks Sec.

## Minutes Continued, April 5th 1861

#### Debators

Affirmative C. N.Burks Jas A. Stewart T. W. Johnson A. G. Ricketts Negative T. S. Hardin H. H. Stewart G. S. Holderby B. B. Burks

Question.

Does Washington deserve more praise than Columbus.

Judges

B. S. Laidley, S. E. Buffington, N. H. Kyle. On motion of Jas A. Stewart the house adjourned.

> J. C. Thornton, Pres C. N. Burks, Sec.

5 april 12th 1861. by Ples. Prof. D. W. Imush. Roll called members absent me, D.a. Johnson a. Richetts, W.t. Syle. At. B. Johnson. D.J. Smith J. W. Hunns. L. C. Micketts . W. Ward. John John minutes read and S. Johnson. adopted. The committe appointed To inform members. of their election upplied and whe discharged. The committe appointed to dragt resolu Two concerning the time of meeting, upon and the resolutions may adopted. Installation of Officers. They President yas duly conducted to the chair and the remain ing officers nove respecting installed On motion of H. W. Thrush, a vote of Thanks he tradened to the returing "Pysideret. On motion of D. W. Thrush, that members being absent on account of the time bain changed; be exercited from fine The appointed critics reported and descha The following merubus in appointed to devise & record the monwess up to the pusent: tore N. S. Laidley, D.a. Johnson. lo. W. Bushs. a. G. Ricketts. HA Stenach, Ordered that the performance be continued till next Son On motion of J. a. Stewart, sverity adjund 10. W. Thrush Pus. Ha He. Stewart See

April 12<sup>th</sup> 1861.

Society was called to order and opened with by Pres. Prof. D. W. Thrush. Roll called. Members absent were, D. A. Johnson, A. G. Ricketts, N. H. Kyle, N. B. Johnson, D. I. Smith, T. W. Flowers, L. C. Ricketts, W. Ward, John Johnston, S. Johnson. Minutes read and adopted. The committee appointed to inform members of their election reported and were discharged. The committee appointed to draft resolution concerning the time of meeting, reported and the resolutions were adopted. Installation of officers. The President was duly conducted to the chair and the remaining officers were respectively installed. On motion of D. W. Thrush, a vote of thanks be tendered to the retiring President. On motion of D. W. Thrush, that members being absent on account of the time being changed; be exonerated from fine. The appointed critics reported and discharged. The following members were appointed to revise & record the minutes up to the present, W. S. Laidley, D. A. Johnson, C. N. Burks, A. G. Ricketts, W. H. Stewart. <u>Ordered</u> that the performance be continued till next even[ing.] On motion of T. A. Stewart, society adjourned.

> D. W. Thrush, Pres W. H. Stewart, Sec.

april, 19th 1861. The Society was called to order Roll called : membrus absent men! D.J. Smith. J. W. Flowers. A. B. Johnson. monutes read and adopted. W.W. Walton. H. W. Heall. Ham. W. Stewart 4. S. Summers, Fred. Johnson YGeo. Ricketts how nominated as acting members. Critices on Orations: D.a. Johnson, He. H. Slewart The Essayist how VD. J. Wardine \_\_\_\_ N.a. Johnston & n. H. Ryll Oratons \_ G.S. Laidley for Stewart, 6. W. Haiden S.E. Buffington. The debate being able S. C. Buffington. discussed was desided in the leffermatic Is then more happiness in the Savage than in the civilized state. Debaters are: Offirmate Augative 4. 8. Laidley D.a. Johnson S. W. Thmis D.J. Smith H. C. Hardin Jos S. Stewart L. G. Richells W. Sigle udged 1. Olemant & John Do. Johnson. a. J. Cicketts. Orathis 6. S. Buffingtin J. A. Heurdin John W. Johnson 26, 26, Stewart a. J. Ricketts 6. E. Hourain Julio W. mcCullinge at. B. Johnson. Revervir: 10. W. Thush On motion of Jas a. Sterren Societ fill He la Steward. Dec

April 19<sup>th</sup> 1861.

The Society was called to order.
Roll called: members absent were: D. I. Smith, T. W. Flowers, A. B. Johnson.
Minutes read and adopted.
W. W. Walton, C. W. Hall, Hon. W. Stewart, G. L. Summers, Fred Johnson<sup>59</sup> & Geo.
Ricketts<sup>60</sup> were nominated as active members.
Critics on orations: D. A. Johnson, W. W. Stewart & T. J.Hardin. The essayist were D.
A. Johnson & N. H. Kyle.
Orators: G. S. Laidley, Jos Stewart, C. E. Hardin<sup>61</sup>, S. E. Buffington. The debate being ably discussed was decided in the affirmative by 3 to 1. Question for following eve: Is there more happiness in the savage than in the civilized state.

Debaters are:

Affirmate D. A. Johnson T. W. Flowers Jos S. Stewart L. C. Ricketts

> Judges A. G. Ricketts, W. W. Stewart & John W. Johnson

Essayist E. S. Buffington W. W. Stewart A. G. Ricketts Julius W. McfCullough N. B. Johnson.

Reviewer: D. W. Thrush

On motion of Jas. A. Stewart Society adjr.

D. W. Thrush Pres W. W. Stewart, Sec.

D. I. Smith W. C. Hardin N. Kyle

Negative G. S. Laidley

Orators

T. J. Hardin

Lemuel[?] Johnson

John W. Johnson C. E. Hardin

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> This was most likely Frederick Johnson, 11 year old son of William L. Johnson and wife Sarah, in the 1860 census of Cabell County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> This was George Henry Ricketts, brother to Albert G. "Gallie" and Lucien C. "Cooney" Ricketts, and son of Dr. Girard C. Ricketts, who deceased in March of 1859. George was 12 years old in the 1860 census of Cabell County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> This was Creed Harden, 13 years old in 1860, and brother to Thomas J., sons of John Harden the riverboat pilot in the 1860 census of Cabell County.

Marshall College

April the 25<sup>th</sup>, 1879

58 Marshall College Jazette W. I. Friday April the 25th 1879 no. I DE is with deep interest that I attempt - 10 fring this paper befor the public! Dis object is not for the learned but for the unlearned, Hegek daily bread our literary life from the mews papers) and it is the duly of every one to pation. 138 one or more news paper, of prople have not had the opportunely of educating themselves which the calland man poses, it is his essential duly inform himself of the public essues of the day if no more, We have men of the present generation who knows more of the general news of the day than some of our Collegiates, The reason of this is that those men who are well informed; who keeps themselves posted, are those who are continally prousing the leading journals of the day Every man who wish to know something of pra tical life if he wishes to know something of the world he should take and read annually some good paper. Ju object of this paper has in via not only to give the general news of the day but To discuss subjects That will have some relation to the improvement of The age, the subscription is less Them any other paper that is published with reference to advantages and we hope that all who have the opportunity to provese the columns of this issue will mety this fact. With these brief suggestions we sub. mit our paper to the public hoping that it will be of use to the community. The celetor

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It is with deep interest that I attempt to bring this paper before the public. Its object is not for the learned but for the unlearned. We get the daily bread of our literary life from the news papers, and it is the duty of every one to patronize one or more news papers. If people have not had the opportunity of educating themselves in youth, and have lost that information which the cultured man posess, it is his essential duty to inform himself of the public issues of the day if no more. We have men of the present generation, who knows more of the general news of the day, than some of our (collegiates.)<sup>62</sup> The reason of this is, that those men who are well informed; who keeps themselves posted, are those who are continually perusing the leading journals of the day. Every man who wish to know something of practical life; if he wishes to know something of the world; he should take and read annually-daily some good paper. The object of this paper has in view not only to give the general news of the day but to discuss subjects that will have some relation to the improvement of the age. The subscription is less than any other paper that is published<sup>63</sup> with reference to advantages; and we hope that all who have the opportunity to peruse the columns of this issue will verify this fact. With these brief suggestions we submit our paper to the public, hoping that it will be of use to the community.

The Editor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> This word was enclosed with parenthesis in soft pencil.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> It is unknown if this was a tongue-in-cheek comment for a free publication, or if there truly was a subscription fee.

Marshall Colleget's Gazette 61 April the 25th 1879 Man's Conscience It is said by some, and indeed I believe, that all persons ac knowledge that thus a man does some things he ought not lide that he feels mean about it. Worv why should lefgel mean? Is man totally depraved? Has he no moral excellencies of his own natures Is he entirely bryond the reach of all things that pertain to a better fife? We think not. to man exists but what has in him along ing after some thing bytter The Savage hopes to to at rest in the happy hunting ground. Some of the prople of anciento times had brawtiful temples frected to their several gods, and hsides all these they had one to the un mour God' Why was this Because the little monitor within was not satisfied. It wanted some thing latter, And 80 it is mand is ever reaching after something higher, unless his conscience has be on 8 mothered, and it has ceased to war fim when he does any thing mean. Mom may so mususe and abuse hig conscience That it finally ceases to warn them, not ex actly ceases but they cease to heed its counsel; They may by doing the same Thing repeatedly. lose all abspect for the warning of the little monitor, fet me warn you my friends lot careful how you deal with a man who does not obry the warning of his better mature, That men is ripe for any wind of low degrading, detaining. infamous conduct, Going name, your property, your life is in danger when you are associated with such a mone, By cultivation and strict-

# April the 25<sup>th</sup> 1879

#### Man's Conscience

It is said by some, and indeed I believe, that all persons acknowledge that when a man does some things he ought not to do that he feels mean about it. Now why should he feel mean? Is man totally depraved? Has he no moral excellencies of his own nature? Is he entirely beyond the reach of all things that pertain to a better life? We think not. No man exists but what has in him a longing after something better. The savage hopes to be at rest in the happy hunting ground. Some of the people of ancients times had beautiful temples erected to their several gods, and besides all these they had one to the "unknown God" Why was this? Because the little monitor within was not satisfied. It wanted something better, and so it is man is ever reaching after something higher, unless his conscience has been smothered, and it has ceased to warn him when he does anything mean. Man may so misuse and abuse his conscience that it finally ceases to warn them, not exactly ceases but they cease to heed its "counsel." They may, by doing the same thing repeatedly, lose all respect for the warning of the little monitor. Le me warn you my friends to be careful how you deal with a man who does not obey the warning of his better nature. That man is ripe for any kind of low degrading, debasing, infamous conduct. Your name, your property, your life is in danger when you are associated with such a man. By cultivation and strict

62 Marshall College's Jugette Madence to the warnings of our bitter mating we may no may be come mero to be trusted, to be remen of our land, Lambaster. spected, to be associated of the great and good "Afficulties." Overy human bying dreads difficulties, Manual shin them whenever it is possible for him to de 30. This is right, For there is no other terrestial power that can make a man stoop so low or fiel as great pain as difficulties-some times, Indeed, he frels like calling upon God to relieve him of his load, But real difficultie an furr than the most of us suppose, Some of is magnify our difficulties to a very great degree, We let little trials make us despend entand discouraged, of we would closely en amine all our difficulties we would find that we could brar them much easier than we de; and that they are not near so grows as they seem to bo, When I hear prople forthing over little difficulties of life, I think of the fle of the old man and Death, The old man was trudgeing along with a very heavy load upon his back and be coming tired and dis couraged with his lot, he threw down his low and exclaimed & death relieve me of my low About this time the distrigueshed personage of down put in his appearance, The old man unmediately seized his load and saig he must he off. When a forogated by death he was heard to exclain "Ocanit you take a joke, And the old man more on, An so it is with all of us, we magnify our trials until they seem much grater there they are,

obedience to the warnings of our better nature we may we may become men to be trusted, to be respected, to be associates of the great and good men of our land.

Lambaster.

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# "Difficulties."

Every human being dreads difficulties. Man will shun them whenever it is possible for him to do so. This is right. For there is no other terrestrial power that can make a man stoop so low or feel as great pain as difficulties. Some times, indeed, he feels like calling upon God to relieve him of his load. But real difficulties are fewer than the most of us suppose. Some of us magnify our difficulties to a very great degree. We let little trials make us despondent and discouraged. If we would closely examine all our difficulties we would find that we could bear them much easier than we do; and that they are not near so grave as they seem to be. When I hear people fretting over little difficulties of life, I think of the fable of the old man and Death. The old man was trudging along with a very heavy load upon his back and becoming tired and discouraged with his lot, he threw down his load and exclaimed O death relieve me of my load. About this time the distinguished personage of death put in his appearance. The old man immediately seized his load and said he must be off. When interrogated by death, he was heard to exclaim "O can't you take a joke." And the old man moved on. An so it is with all of us, we magnify our trials until they seem much greater than they are.

Monshall College's Gazette 65 It is true life is one wast hill up which way man is forced to climbe, But Charles Dickens speaks the truth when he says that the hill has mot yet lifted its face to heaven that perseverance will not gain the summit It at last, Then it is the duly of man to por server and to observer all his difficultie dosely and mourn over more but real ones. \$ 200. "Every man is the architecte of his own fortune. Vor a proof of this fact we have but to turn to the formals of his tory. The worlds history is full d'examples to prove how much truth there is in this assertion, There is not a mance recorded worthy of mole that has not bren placed there by the presonal efforts of some one, Of the great works that have been accomplished, we have many but his long does not record one that has ever burn accomplished without the untering efforts I some architect, We not no example to prove this; find to deed done, and act completed a work pushed worthy of praise and you will find an untirong architect whose life has bern spint incasting for himself a fortune, Ste may have laid the foundation me poverty and seclusion, but by his untiring efforts it's dome has barne raised until it stands are enduring monument for it's builder, Some suppose that desting is The only artificer, and that he naw fortine for his favorites and more other that he preder line certain ones to do certaine works; and hathe put the matinal in their heads, and they had no thing to do but mould it in the propper form, We have simply to follow out the great persons who haves

It is true life is one vast hill up which every man is forced to climb. But Charles Dickens speaks the truth when he says that "the hill has not yet lifted its face to heaven that perseverance will not gain the summit of it at last." Then it is the duty of man to persevere and to observe all his difficulties closely and mourn over none but real ones.

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(3) Every man is the architect of his own fortune. For a proof of this fact, we have but to turn to the annals of history. The worlds history is full of examples to prove how much truth there is in this assertion. There is not a name recorded worthy of note that has not been placed there by the personal efforts of some one. Of the great works that have been accomplished, we have many, but history does not record one that has ever been accomplished without the untireing efforts of some architect. We need[?] no example to prove this; first a deed done, and act completed a work finished worthy of praise and you will find an untireing architect whose life has been spent in casting[?] for himself a fortune. He may have laid the foundation in poverty and seclusion, but by his untiring efforts its dome has been raised until it stands an enduring monument for its builder. Some suppose that destiny is the only artificer, and that he rears fortune for his favorites and none other; that he predestines certain ones to do certain works; and hath put the material in their hands, and they had nothing to do but mould it in the propper form. We have simply to follow out the great persons who have

66 lived to prove that this is a fallacy. If we would · follow the archited from the time he begins prop. eration, instead of from the time he browns to be famous we would say that man is governed by his own self and not by any superior personage, If we should follow him from the tre giving and 822 him toiling while others sleph. Of gove could here SEENhine Surmounting obstacles that intervined between him and his object while others were regaling themselves; and lastly when we had seen him accom plish that for which he wastoiling; and accomplish ing even graler Things Than he had anticepated he would no longer call it predestination but the result of dillegence, perseverance and energy Then if we do not do some thing worthy ourseland if we do not accomplish that for which we as fitted it is our own fault. All the predestination that men posess is within theneselves, it is for them to say as to whither they will pluck the fouil that hangs ripening for them, o, They will leave it to some less worthy person, who may posess a little more of that proservance upon which all haman fortunes are builts nihilum. Humorous. Weather sign. of the pear tour blosson toforg the 20th of men and you notice the cows and shrep rubbing again the meeting house door of the top rail of the fere the coming wheat crop, of the clods all move me way on november red headed girls are conspice oils; the new year will be prolific of thunder

lived to prove that this is a fallacy. If we would follow the architect from the time he begins preparation, instead of from the time he begins to be famous we would say that man is governed by his own self and not by any superior personage. If we should follow him from the beginning and see him toiling while others slept. If we could have seen him surmounting obstacles that intervened between him and his object while others were regaling themselves; and lastly when we had seen him accomplish that for which he was toiling; and accomplishing even greater things than he had anticipated he would no longer call it predestination, but the result of diligence, perseverance and energy. Then if we do not do something worthy of ourselves, if we do not accomplish that for which we are fitted it is our own fault. All the predestination that men posess is within themselves. it is for them to say as for whither they will pluck the fruit that hangs ripening for them; or, they will leave it to some less worthy person, who may posess a little more of that perseverance upon which all human fortunes are built.

Nihilum.

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#### Humorous. Weather sign.

If the pear trees blossom before the 20<sup>th</sup> of Mch. and you notice the cows and sheep rubbing against the meeting house door; if the top rail of the fence casts two separate shadows, it argues well for the coming wheat crop. If the clouds all move one way in November red headed girls are conspicuous; the new year will be prolific of thunder

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Levi Starbuck

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Poetical

From Mr Levi Starbuck.

Our Boys in rhyme. The president the foremost man you see, Keever of course his name must be. The next with equal talents endowed, Stand Harrold in our ready crowd Then on we come with cautious pace, Till Harper stares us in the face The paper with monstrous measures tread The brick Gillespie at its head Then comes in equal measures slow The ready Mentz to make the business go Still Behring from his lair doth start Altz-rhyme with equal force To march us on the goodly course, But Hubbord hears our piteous cries And to the rescue now he flies. But Jenkins come in ready rhyme, To join our glorious pantomime So now the last in rhyme we see, Do Connallee from old Kentucky.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> This is James A. Mentz, student from Monroe County, class of 1879. (Marshall catalog of 1879)

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Editorial. Assistant editor. We now being before the public the second issue of the Marshall College Gazette; and feel that it will be welcomed by all. It is a new paper borne into the kingdom, and will have a great deal of opposition to contend with, but nevertheless we mean business, and do not intend to feed the people on dry husks as many of our editors do. Our paper will bear to the homes of its readers no language but what is pure from all that is indecent & unfit for a family circle. Doubtless many children learn all or nearly all of their vulgar expressions by glancing over the indecent papers that so many of the editors place before the public. We hope our readers will tell to all around what an excellent paper they have found.

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#### What it costs to drink.

"Few men think seriously of what a fearfully expensive thing strong drink is. When one sits down and counts the cash of it he is shocked at the sum total. The drunkard puts in his money, and loses it; his time, and loses it; his character, and loses it; his health, and loses it; his self respect, and loses it; his domestic peace, and loses it; his wife's happiness, and loses it; his children's bread, and loses it; his hope of heaven, and loses it; his soul and loses it. There is nothing else which swallows down so much time, and money, and health, as intemperance. It is the great destroyer which consumes a man's best resources.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> This word appears to have originally been "found" and was overwritten to be "bound."

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#### Editorials

It is with pain that we have to announce to our many readers at whose homes the Gazette has been a welcome visitor for many years, that this will be our last issue. Yet when we reflect that we have always done our duty, and our efforts have always been appreciated it detracts a great deal from the pain, that might otherwise be felt. We feel that during the whole life of our paper, that it has what it promised. A paper devoted to the improvement of the mind morally and intellectualy, and one that was to keep up with the advancement of the age in all that relates to religion science and to politics. In religion it was non sectarian yet it kept up a colume for the religious topics of the day, and it was its aim to inculcate in the hearts of its readers, a veneration for religion and a love for morality. Our column devoted to science has been the authority for all the scientific discussions of the day. Through this column we have given to our readers the thoughts and discoveries of all the scientists of the day. The success which has attended this department of the paper, has surpassed the most sanguine expectations of the publishers. In politics, this paper has maintained a true independent character catering to the political intriguery[?] of no political party, but working for the interest of the whole country, and being independent of every thing, but the interests of the people. Our other departments have been kept up equaly well, and have been as thoroughly appreciated by the people. We feel then that in closing our paper that we have done our duty. The venerable founders of this paper feel, that in its name, they have reared for themselves a monument, which shall stand as a witness of their transcendant genius, long after they have passed into the land of spirits. They feel that the reward that they are to receive for their labor is so great that worldly riches will not pay them, but hope to reach their reward in another land. Our part of the work has been very small in comparison with that performed by its originators, yet we feel that though we have not performed as much work, we have done what our humble capacities would allow us to the best of our ability.

2 5 Editorial bortined I in future the Tim the sayette should be unrected, may it siccio he as great no it has been in the last: mon the net correr of haboren de as faithfue as Those Afre in its infanny fight for its success. May to terror be the same, That has through its past hoter characterized it and may the hinespel. Which it advicates to be provided to the principals dore for thick it lived is Tu part Readers forenell may The blevings of till altend you in all you efforts you have formed out are this that life is not salet, and though we cess may seem inpossible yet by toil and when it can be seemede Mar hall bollege withay society. have to can bld worked shick says, That Small Leginnings make loge endings. of bad beginnings, make good endings. The third. hat it would take bothe if their powerds to suit the energy the N. to To S. in the first protond ME get the arnall beginning, and from the second it get the specessful ending. He could not Day that in wint of mumber, That the ending of this society sould jugge the wind of car average mathematician. Get if here to offely the store large to precess, it might mole or protect de for the averes which has attended This society has exceed the exectations of it went conclousiaster friends. In taking the good ending from the second weber, We have one, That would be splicable to on seciet, That is a smal deginning makes a good ending. The beginning of The seciety was certainly small almost small enough to discovery The enthusiast the only kanted that in a society Ofter the foundary look of forward to ra highter day rand Left that by pression withit be economed with success sund from all spherranes it saws the their greatest expectations are to be realized. The societaful ending this or indications officers, while attend this Secret is Something that is me of its humble fireselle had thought if. Show it the few mender to commence with it have mereaged until grat a mumber I names have len derended to the constitutions, but it is not in this they that the have seen most we cost for but in the advancement

#### **Editorial Continued**

If in future th time the Gazette should be resurrected, may its success be as great as it has been in the past. May the next corps of laborers be as faithful as those who in its infancy fought for its success. May its tenor be the same, that has through its past history characterized it. And may the principals which it advocates be as fearlessly defended as the principals were for which it lived in the past. Readers farewell may the blessings of life attend you in all your efforts. You have found out ere this that life is a reality, and though success may seem impossible, yet by toil and labor it can be secured. ---O---

#### Marshall College Literary Society

There is an old proverb which says, that small beginnings make large endings, of bad beginnings, make good endings. We think that it would take both of these proverbs to suit the case of the M.C.L.S. In the first proverb, we get the small beginning, and from the second we get the successful ending. We could not say that in point of number, that the ending of this society would puzzle the mind of an average mathematician. Yet if we were to apply the word large to success, we might make our proverb do for the success which has attended this society has exceed the expectations of its most enthusiastic friends. In taking the good ending from the second proverb, and the small beginning from the first, we have one that would be applicable to our society. That is a small beginning makes a good ending. The beginning of this society was certainly small, almost small enough to discourage the enthusiast who only wanted three [?] in a society. Yet its founders looked forward to a brighter day and felt that by persistent labor their efforts would not but be crowned with success, and from all appearances it seems that their greatest expectations are to be realized. The successful ending, which our predictions affirm, will attend the ending of this society is something that no one of its humble friends had thought of. From a very few members to commence with it has increased until quite a number of names have been appended to the constitution, but it is not in this respect that it has been most successful, but in the advancement in literary attainment which the various members have made under the influence of the

96 eventy. There is not one of the mendles the have token not in the percises, but what will when, but he has bee such beninted I being a member of the sicile. The good felling which with m have listed from the beginning is guite and adjument infavor of it necessfor it is very addow that a society of this kind can lyst as low as this one has, without if feeling at some This wither arising between its members. The success of this south town to owind nothy to the member themselves, but mustly to the effecient officing with which it has been blest perticularily the "resident & (directory And the society has certainly oppicated Their worth for they have been elected on the there term an home That lacent as grail to by for Although the other officers have not beld their seats as long as the perileret I was not be easy they Are not oppresided, but simply from concurationes. It will not he agreat while men until the member of this society shall us. whom to meet no more on this corth, but if circumstance shaw throw them together in the great here of life, may the same lowely feeling which has existed here be exercised whenever the may meet Domestic Department How to make celes One all ful of flow. Two eggs. one Teadwon ful of sold smi I salt had hint of butternill, it sant to be alad two well det, no gill undermented Nino, half teacupped of syaching in a freek hetler, two nade ned reper seried recommon eye with whato, sived very Thing at a mall mantity of lecimon use, and face date of goose great and ten ils geottone Ster well for five inimutes, but in a wester and partill there Take out and at in a par and bake stouts. As us not to ignit the cotton until done there ut in a plate and at in al Hundow to cool on that is pass of access, por a publico i po and they fore ready for use, The above needed malaria health and initiations food, but is not addented to extering boucked miny to the over annut, of the cook and others. If flowerst

society. There is not one of the members who have taken part in the exercises, but what will affirm, that he has been vastly benefited by being a member of this society. The good feeling which exist and have existed from the beginning is quite an argument in favor of its success, for it is very seldom that a society of this kind can last as long as this one has, without ill feeling at some time or other arising between its members. The success of this society has-is owing partly to the members themselves, but mostly to the efficient officers, with which it has been blest, particularily the president & (directors,) and the society has certainly appreciated their worth for they have been elected for the third term an honor that ----[?] us afraid to try for. Although the other officers have not held their seats as long as the president, it was not because they services were not appreciated, but simply from circumstances. It will not be a great while now until the members of this society shall part, perhaps to meet no more on this earth, but if circumstances should throw them together in the great ---ey[?] of life, may the same kindly feeling which has existed here be exercised wherever they may meet.

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# Domestic Department.

# How to make cakes

One cup full of flour. Two eggs. One teaspoon full of soda, same of salt, half pint of buttermilk, it wants to be about two weeks old, one gill unfermented wine,<sup>66</sup> half teacupful of sugar, half pound of fresh butter, two pods red pepper, 4[?] common sized irish potato, sliced very thin. Put a small quantity of lemmon slice, and five drops of goose grease, and ten pounds of cotton[?]. Stir well for five minutes, put in a vessel and parboil them take out and put in a pan and bake slowly, so as not to ignite the cotton, until done then put on a plate and set in a window to cool, one that ease of access from a portico is preferred and they are ready for use. The above receipt makes a healthful and nutritious food, but is not addapted to catching Correllee<sup>67</sup> owing to the over anxiety of the cook and others. Ty[?] flowers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup> The gill is a unit of measurement for volume equal to a quarter of a pint.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> The Marshall College catalogs show that there were two students named Cora L. going to Marshall during this period: Cora L. Mathews and Cora L. Trice.

984 basualites The tilphone of sheet so have hard so much in our popus ceased to north a first thurs since total on account of the filiage of a successore once that stood mean its enere. left by the hereislant yorts of the processon resisted by the celebrated grammasts billedue & thrills the itstock. vere removed and the inshimment but in northing order, by one It S. .. lonello last a very relvable lange chimney, a fer dogs sino, by droppin whom du ploor. It is a complete week does an aut with a little weithwent was escaled, at the Isterny society, The other moning, by. Un unroly lamps some of the lache's sumed to to give wited over the matter. He heard of one that storted for the third stor for odely Personals, The peckinged gentleman has on symnathree, although he archt to to thankful that he was not more than fifteen minute, lehind. It under stand that the exceltor of the shart the narthon of his sheepiskin. is to leave this life of single blessitues for one of double envertnees hearg get war gripsach words for the Town and an estra pint of muscilage for you horiz rand one disan bothes of dir loomo Sei atreal bent curing menices conduct you'l ned it. The emborasing to give information, when its don't know but more so where, no one all listen the next time you to blow about secure attentions. If the guily good toke to you and you are so unwines to follow out the rules, clout bother the rest of refering humanity. with your molediers roles. Satinging on the gat is fashionable hat The gentleman from mischall bulled should not by to add any thing to long established eastown when he heldens to arounder articul he Trougth Amenes Dea attle more cuts next Time, or will be each to

## Casualities

The telephone of which we have heard so much in our paper, ceased to work a few days since. But by an account of the foliage of a sycamore tree that stands near its course[?]. Tgt[?] by the persistent efforts of the persons assisted by the celebrated gymnasts Gillespie & Snells the obstacles were removed and the inshrinment[?] put in working order. by one.

H. S. T. Conello lost a very valuable lamp chimney, a few days since, by dropping upon the floor. It is a complete wreck loss ten cents.

Quite a little excitement was enacted[?] at the Literary society, the other evening, by an unruly lamp. Some of the ladies seemed to be quite excited over the matter. We heard of one that started for the third story, for safety.

# Personals.

The ---keyed[?] gentleman has our sympathies, although he ought to be thankful that he was not more than fifteen minutes behind.

We understand that the exeditor of the Gazette upon the reception of his sheepskin, is to leave this life of single blessedness for one of double cussedness.[?] George get your gripsack ready for the tour. and an extra pint of mucilage for your hair, and one dozen bottles of Dr. Booms sciatical penteurial nervies cordial, you'll need it.

Its embarrassing to give information, when we don't know how, but more so when, no one will listen. The next time you blow to secure attention. If you think the girls wont talk to you, and you are so anxious to follow out the rules, do so don't bother the rest of suffering humanity, with your melodious voice.

Swinging on the gate is fashionable; but the gentleman from Marshall College should not try to add anything to long established customs when he happens to wander around on Fourth Avenue. Be a little more cute next time, or you'll be caught.

96 If the reference wont allout you to take to her during the well the is about enough to know that you would not come all the day from howels that in saturday to play a game of eroge it It, that word do and when you got a chance pit the time in better The society has lost in me corder a firm friend and ylandel debater and agreat adminer of Catric Herry. my he have a may former is the wish of the Drivets. Through respect for this gentlines the precity has made it ra finall office for any of its mentes to use the mane of Patric Henry he any monmer to this studemor had to copy what on the manne The announce with sorrow, the depative of M & D. Senkins from on society and school In the depative of Im Develoins The society has last a faithful member and the polored are of its ust students. In hig beleavement an perchas has the sunthis of the society, and fellow students Services of morshall betlege are engining to check from that they have not enough to bace the music in commenced with Two chinton is, that if they exercise helf as moch , as they have shown around here for the last light monthis they will have sufficient to do the wate splendidly Suit a little excitement was created on the eroquet ground a few weeks agov, which resulted in the breaking of a couche of heads. of y as may millet handles. Mandle them easy buys they are uplie propert. Let as here prace! Tot can recommend the ladies of mirshal bolige for good cake molus, if springiness and lightness to all that is required not as would uduise the fisherman to seele elsentine for bait unlies they work better on fich that they do on the average " student - din plowers. Subsent for The Capeto

If the professor wont allow you to talk to her during the week she is sharp enough to know that you would not come all the way from Powels Hall on Saturday to play a game of croquet. PS, that wont do, and when you get a chance put the time in better

The society has lost in Mr. Corder, a firm friend and splendid debater and a great admirer of Patric Henry. May he have a successful journey is the wish of the society. Through respect for this gentleman the society has made it a finable offence for any of its members to use the name of Patric Henry in any manner, as this gentleman Mr. Corder had to copy writ on the name.

We announce with sorrow the departure of Mr. D. J. Jenkins from our society and school.<sup>68</sup> In the departure of Mr. Jenkins the society has lost a faithful member, and the school one of its best students. In his bereavement Mr. Jenkins has the warmest sympathies of the society, and his fellow students.

Seniors of Marshall College are enquiring for cheeks[?], fearing that they have not enough to face the music on commencement night. Our opinion is that if they exercise half as much, as they have shown around here for the last eight months they will have sufficient to do the work splendidly.

Quite a little excitement was created on the croquet ground a few weeks ago, which resulted in the breaking of a couple of heads, off of so many mallet handles. Handle them easy boys they are public property. Let us have peace!

We can recommend the ladies of Marshall College for good cake makers, if springiness and lightness is all that is required, yet we would advise the fisherman to seek elsewhere for bait unless they work better on fish than they do on the average student. Ty Flowers. Subscribe for the Gazette.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>68</sup> Dudley Jefferson Jenkins was the son of Thomas J. Jenkins, a brother to Albert Gallatin Jenkins, another Marshall Academy student. Dudley Jefferson was born in 1861and was 18 years old at this time. He is listed as a junior in the class of 1879. His bereavement was for the death of his sister, Laura, who died May 11, 1879 and is buried in Spring Hill Cemetery, Huntington.

Reas hipy to grinoine to our walks that the doubt it ? The mon which way in ow last issue relating to the moon of the system Which the series editor so graphically described in orrigious has been sottled. The doubt par othing to a sudden revolution that had Then duce in the sugeting post report no went to men. It was surrout for some time that the planet border nould act as a satitute for our grand huminary. Then Horper appeald, above the horizon, but he very quickly enhinated when fine to the said that The planit Gillespie Now the Saided that the solvonomers decided should follow the sun in his mighty orbit his planet is ra luminous books, and can be san to best advantage In Shiday menings about half part sever or eight celoche immediated with of the Sun Reener, from which planet he ofter receives What scintellations of light Attracts ne object to the fimale, do a professional presonage Its do not affect to her trying her hands in the scientific protect recasionaly. portile the has sufficient certinity to give an examinent more Than one Trial. The last queriment that no Teke rute, of is one made by one of the tender so, it is to administer quatice to the fullow I by blocking up. The proposed to do this by concealing in some dough made in the form of a liberit, a grantety If give witten, affectient to blow the head of af an average sugar lightent and placing where it is supported that some one shy is in the hold I forsain when follo one not at home sill find it. The theory is that The percession of the teeth will of the gottor. This expressment faild the other day for want of a victim It is sygned that the mentor-and atteis concerned were to union. Ammantics Ben/united non the star bo star benefited und to dia minated to adored Dort le alfree par the strike. Camp part des much afteries of

#### Scientific.

We are happy to announce to our readers that the doubt<sup>69</sup> [several words scratched out] which was expressed in our last issue relating to the moon of the system which the senior editor so graphicaly described in our paper, has been settled. The doubt was owing to a sudden revolution that had taken place in the system just before we went to press. It was supposed for some time that the planet Corder<sup>70</sup> would set as a satellite for our grand luminary. Then Harper<sup>71</sup> appeared above the horizon, but he very quickly enliminated[?] when five to three said that the planet Gillespie<sup>72</sup> was the satellite[?] that the astronomers decided should follow the sun in his mighty orbit. This planet is a luminous body, and can be seen to best advantage on Friday evenings about half past seven or eight oclock, immediately south of the sun Keever<sup>73</sup>, from which planet he often receives bright scintillations of light.

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Although we object to the female, as a professional personage we do not object to her trying her hand in the scientific field occasionaly provided she has sufficient continuity to give an experiment more than one trial. The last experiment that we take note of is one made by one of the tender sex. It is to administer justice to the pilferer by blowing up. She prepared to do this by concealing in some dough made in the form of a biscuit, a quantity of gun cotton, sufficient to blow the head of of an average sized elephant and placing where it is supposed that some one who is in the habit of browsing where folk are not at home will find it. The theory is that the percussion of the teeth will off the cotton. This experiment failed the other day for want of a victim. It is supposed that the inventor and others concerned were to anxious.

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### Animatics[?]

Benjamin married sin he was she was benefited and he was animated. "Don't show my letters" wrote a young man to a young lady, whom he adored. Don't be afraid was the reply. I am just as much afraid of them as you are.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> Following were the words: "relating to the moon" which were scratched out.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> This was probably Edward Corder, student from Roane County, junior class of 1879. (Marshall catalog for 1879.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> This was probably Thomas S. Harper, student from Mason County, class of 1879. (Marshall catalog for 1880)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> This was probably George I. Gillespie, student from Kanawha County, class of 1879. (Marshall catalog for 1880.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> This was probably L. Francis Keever, student from Wood County, class of 1879. (MC catalog for 1880.)

180 A corres ion level Mants to lowed the delinchion of chala and thether it means and person who sels goods to int docsent. The dealer is the one who shiples the eards Turno Sock and dargs it alone. Sois sife caught him with his ann around the hires girls neck, but his codyage enen in this trying hoterinty, did me forsale him. I suspected come one of Italine the shirles would have told if she was the quilty persone The girls do not like to you marmed. The your fellows will see, that they have arms alast them. . A firm an lately monied says. It was youst so easy as a meetle could shell out mit a camele age, as to get the law rord mit a boman A letter of which the following its a simil. as near as the spelling would allow was preled up lately not a chousand miles from here. Dear herry and overound in Farth Munce this evening the is no one of home but me and the de vonon, and shis get the romation to bad, that she east her herself meest. Be sive and hours som if that early with sent out, cone serve goin to have frile infuns for upper your oron avenier P-fessor de you altoreate the are of the rocks asked a fond mother Miere elilitare vere making life in a rear to hole inendurable And wet in some eases baid he but no emergences I meher a revoluer

A correspondent wants to know the definition of "dealer" and whether it means any person who sells goods. No it doesn't. The dealer is the one who shuffles the cards turns pack[?] and plays it alone.

His wife caught him with his arm around the hired girls neck, but his courage even in this trying certainity[?], did not forsake him. I have suspected someone of stealing the whisky on he preserves Jane for some time and you know that I herewith[?] would have told, if she was the guilty person.

The girls do not like to go unarmed. The young fellows will see, that they have arms about them.

A German lately married says, It was youst so easy as a needle could velk out mit a camels eye, as to get the last word mit a woman.

A letter of which the following is a simile, as near as the spelling would allow, was picked up lately, not a thousand miles from here. Dear Georg cum round on Fourth hence this even in there is no one at home but me and the old woman, and she's got the roomatism so bad, that she can't hear herself sneeze. Be sure and bring some of that candy with sent out, cose were goin to have fried -----[?] for supper. Your own sweetness.

Professor do you advocate the use of rods asked a fond mother whose children were making life in a -----[?] hotel unendurable. Well yes in some cases said he, but in emergencies I prefer a revolver.

101 Lust. Shayed or stoken Lost a dish of ice crean and unplement addon last Saturday afternover, The finder Nil As libraly remaded by returning some to Room 1. Marthall college. Hantryton. A. U. Straged, a mallet head from the handle thick beage had in it house It to sysport that it eliped ras it was seen passing throut in nindan him vlot dide the other evening don't has not beer heard grince. Manted Every member of the society to sign the constitution, and page the attle innitiation fee. The works porder to of the bagette to bed little more prompt on handing in their productions. Rantid A rife by, b. f. mont, Could Hall Antirio MA 04 bood lock will not be discorded. money is no det although A umon with movey would not be repeated on account of it. For portier porteulors. addres Sagetto. Anertunent Discovery free by which a mustache can be fored AND the mother face in al days. I cano for a case in which it will fail send uldress to b. I. billestre poon on the fi new heavy adoming of the sport life, to de proof of the terreficial results of this reporter

Lost, Strayed or Stolen Lost a dish of ice cream and complement of cake[?]on last Saturday afternoon. The finder will be liberaly rewarded by returning same to Room 1, Marshall College, Huntington, W.Va.

Strayed, a mallet head from the handle which George had in its handle[?]. It is supposed that it eloped as it was seen passing through a winder pain that died the other evening, but has not been heard of since.

# Wanted

Every member of the society to sign the constitution, and pay the little initiation fee.

# Wanted

The correspondents of the Gazette to be a little more prompt in handing in their productions.

# Wanted

A wife by J. A. Mentz, Powells Hall, Hunting W.Va. Good locks will not be discarded. Money is no object although a woman with money would not be rejected on account of it. For further particulars, address Gazette.

## Advertisement

Discovery free by which a mustache can be forced on the smoothest[?] face in 21 days. \$10.00 for a case in which it will fail send address to, Dr. G. I. Gillespie, room 20 M.C. His own heavy adorning of the upper lip, is all proof of the beneficial results of the preparation.

102 Special Correspondent Sint from the telephonie peration Oust & ull sterns Misers hilleding and fulte an about toommencin their contract. Which is the Adianing of the last sing of marshall billege, that the buys have been intustrioral by ing to throw out of the devolor Me Students we cordially initial to alterall We use very borg to hear that the flower exercition effected the health of our toolly president. But as he has Talan a small decochion of Red pupier ten ve hope to effects will be such as fill prepart him for commencement. As and jugged to lowood they ther is that our fuithful Brithler my prents lingers wround the college after school to out youring I be don't mind the faculty of M.b. Will intermer him you court see her after school In border has left no but has left his name in lining letter. you every tree, that is within one will of the college further gent last his meals metuale by bring in an excusion Duy loys and see if you cannot reach the college in Time for Walfelst if nething more lad sign Walker Timbertale he about to deport from hence for the city of name He received an appointment from the West Regimed Igidation to transact brainces for that body. Althich is at preased, unknew To our reporters, My Die 6: Ramsay of East Good Mershall b. is annion to lanow if any one has made a noise. As understand that if a certain your gent down mind his finits his father will sug hot all ye that and demoralized Mento turley that was to have displeaved whe the morning dilat discapeor at the pierrie grounds, to our lanoulidge. The understand that for b, B, J. interes to follow no be & his everyte ofter the reception of the cheepsin Smuch day to be if you shout forget no for the want ar invit

## Special Correspondent

Hints from the telephone operator

East End Items

Mesrs Gillespie and Sults are about commencin their contract. Which is the repairing[?] of the last ring of Marshall College, that the boys have been industriously trying to throw out of the window this winter and spring. All students are cordially invited to attend repairs and lend a helping hand if necessary.

We are very sorry to hear that the flower excursion effected the health of our worthy president. But as he has taken a small decertion[?] of red peper tea we hope its effects will be such as will prepare him for commencement.

We are puzzled to know why it is that our faithful brother Mr. Ments lingers around the college after school is out of evenings, if he don't mind the faculty at M.C. Will interview him you cant see her after school.

Mr. Corder has left us, but has left his name in living letters, upon every tree, that is within one mile of the college. Another gent lost his meals victuals by being on an excursion. Try boys and see if you cannot reach the college in time for breakfast if nothing more, lad sign.

Walker Timberlake<sup>74</sup> is about to depart from hence for the city of Washington. He received an appointment from the West Virginia Legislature to transact business for that body, which is at present unknown to our reporter.

Mr. Jas C. Ramsey<sup>75</sup> of East End Marshall C. is anxious to know if any one has made a noise.

We under-stand that if a certain young gent don't mind his pints his father will say ho! All ye that are demoralized. Ments turkey that was to have disappeared like the morning didn't disappear at the picnic grounds, to our knowledge.

We understand that Mr. C. B. H.<sup>76</sup> intends to follow Mr. G. I. G's<sup>77</sup> example after the reception of the sheepskin. Much joy to both[?] of you. Don't forget us for we want an invite.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> There is no student or faculty member with this name in either the 1879 or 1880 Marshall catalog.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> This was James C. Ramsey, student from Nicholas County, middle class of 1879. (MC catalog)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> This was most likely Charles B. Harrold, student in senior class from Mason County.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> This was George I. Gillespie, frequently mentioned student in senior class from Kanawha County.

103 Ssepplement. Elere men, indeed, are contented in this worfel. you worthle the posesion of this works grade, hands, houses, everything is could want, motion worders contented. Surch the gide that used to share this earth still man, do with their friend. let this, eve they departicly do their partice gift. det mon Where to accept this prelease conduminors, that diffuer wich between heave equally unong the rich, the poor, the high the low, if they Hill but accept her companionship. A nun poor in this worlds, many to rich in contentment. While a month wich in this stortes wealth, mars to horr, and miserable, because he is not contented. What antro intiable sight. can any one tahold than on noon writer of a many conn--laining all the time about the way he gets along milite. dounding in the ears of every one his little troubles marring their densure, and testrought the peace of his away smind! But so should be thankful, that all mero are not of this day. It may find upoor east of anon or nomon, one That is unknown in the index of fashion, and observe as reports the north, but they may deffuse helpinessamony their friend and those with whom they come in contact. Just as the glinas Sur diffuses heat and light, report the pust, and unpust. They may be contented, and if they were they are also hoppy. They they cannot do atherities than make those about thems happy. If M Mothed made others how we must to help ortselves. No may to so if we are at seace, with our fellow man, and have made our proce with God. Contentiment. it is a more prescious and than those in the diadew of the easter monarch , and ow oun harts en bit siffe cent griand. Dear reader lateach is still to nosen this priceless levek and not rear away we work to short finds to mithing unschud aniser all Fambaster "

# Supplement. Contentment.

Few men, indeed, are contented in this world. How worthless the possession of this worlds goods, lands, houses, everything we could want, unless we are contented. Surely the gods that used to share this earth with man, as with their friends, left this, ere they departed, as their parting gift. Yet, many refuse to accept this priceless companion, that diffuses such perfect[?] peace equaly among the rich, the poor, the high, the low, if they will but accept her companionship. A man poor in this world's goods, may be rich in contentment. While a man, rich in this worlds wealth, may be poor and miserable, because he is not contented. What more pitiable sight, can any one behold than a poor wretch of a man complaining all the time about the way he gets along in life. Sounding in the ears of every one his little troubles marring their pleasure, and destroying the peace of his own mind! But we should be thankful, that all men are not of this class. We may find a poor cast of man or woman, one that is unknown in the circles of fashion, and observe as regards the nobles[?] but they may diffuse happiness among their friends and those with whom they come in contact, just as the glorious sun diffuses heat and light, upon the just, and unjust. They may be contented, and if they are they are also happy. Then they cannot do otherwise than make those about them happy. If we would make others happy, we must be happy ourselves. We may be so if we are at peace, with our fellow man, and have made our peace with God. Contentment: it is a more prescious jewel than those in the diadem of the eastern monarch, and our own hearts can be its sufficient guard. Dear reader let each of strive to posess this priceless jewel, and not rear away or move to short lives by making ourselves miserable.

"Lambaster"

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The former teachers of Marshall College Under the charter of M. C. : The first was Benjamin H. Thackston of Virginia

## Appendix A

### Marshall Academy Student List for 1855-1857

(Names in parentheses are ones we have identified to be the person from the 1850 Census of Cabell or Wayne County, Virginia, now West Virginia)

#### Males:

Adams, Alvin Adams, S. Beyers, W. R. Black, James Buffington, E. (Edward Stanard) Burgess, Strather (Strother?) Burks, J. L. (Jesse) Burks, Lewis Douthit, Jno. (John) Douthit, Wm. (William) Ewing, Thomas J. Ewing, Jno. (John A.) Hampton, J. (John D.) Hampton, W.(William Olliver) Harden, Henry Hiltbruner, S. (Stephen) Holderby, William P. Howell, John Hunter. John Johnson, B. Johnson, M. J. Keenan, Newton (Samuel N.?) Kimball, Asa Kyle, Thos. W. (Thomas) Kyle, W. Laidly, J. (James Laidley) Laidley, W. S. (Sidney) McCullough, L. Moore, F. R. (Fredrick)

Ong, E. (Ernest M.) Ong, Jno. (John W.) Peck, James G. Powell, John Renoe, Jno. Reynold(s), John Ricketts, A. (Albert Gallatin) Ricketts, L. (Lucien "Cooney") Russel, Jno. (John) Scott, Harvey Stuart, J. F. (Joseph?) Summers, James Swans, S. (Shelby Swan) Wallace, P. Wellman, John. B. (Jno.) Williams, W. Wilson, Levi G. Wolcott, Augustus Wolcott, B. A. "Gus" (Total=48)

<u>Females:</u> Buffington, E. (Eugenia) Buffington, W. (Willie Ann) Hotchkiss, Mary Kyle, E. (Eliza) Laidley, Miss N. Laidly, Helen (Laidley) Wallace, Melia (Amelia) (Total=7)

### Appendix B

### Marshall College Student List for Jan. to April, 1861

(Names in parentheses are ones we have identified to be the person from the 1860 Census of Cabell or Wayne County, Virginia, now West Virginia)

Buffington, S. E. (Edward Stanard)\* Burks, B. B. (Bluford) Burks, C. W. (Charles) Burks, L. A. (Lewis)\* Ewing, W. Flowers, T. W. (Thaddeus) Hall, C. W. Harden, C. E. (Creed) Harden, Thos. J. Hardin, W. C. Herndon, John Holderby, E. S.(Robert S.) Johnson, Fred Johnson, Lemuel Johnston, D. A. Johnston, John W. Kyle, N. H. Laidley, G. S. (George) Laidley, W. S. (Sidney)\*

McCullough, J. W. (Julius) Morris, Henry Pollard, John Ricketts, A. G. (Albert Gallatin)\* Ricketts, G. (George) Ricketts, L. C. (Lucien Cincinnatus)\* Stannard, Henry Stewart, James A. Stewart, T. A. Stewart, W. H. Stuart, J. A. (Joseph)\* Stuart, W. W. Summers, G. L. Thornburg, John Thornburg, T. W. Thornton, John Ward, J. Wm. (Total=36)

\*Also appears on the 1855-1857 list.

# Appendix C

# Partial List of Marshall Academy and Marshall College students\* Who fought in the Civil War 1861-1865

Buffington, Edward Stanard Burks, Bluford B. Burks, Lewis Flowers, Thaddeus W. Hardin, Thos. J. Holderby, Robert S. Jenkins, Albert Gallatin Morris, Henry Ricketts, Albert Gallatin "Gallie" Ricketts, Lucien C. "Cooney" Stuart, Joseph Thornburg, John Wolcott, Byron A. "Gus"

(\* All these have been identified as being members of the Confederate cavalry. Not all appeared in the ledger book.)

# Appendix D

# Erodelphian and Diagnothian Literary Societies Debate topics 1855-1861 (Extracted from the minutes)

- Are the works of nature more beautiful than the art of man.
- Is ignorance worse than laziness.
- Is the drunkard to be pitied more than his family.
- Is intemperance a greater evil than war.
- Is art more pleasing to the eye than nature.
- Is printing more useful than narration.
- Is fire more useful than water.
- Does poetry afford more pleasure than history.
- Is female association advisable to student.
- Does Washington deserve more praise than Columbus.
- Is there more happiness in the savage than in the civilized state.

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