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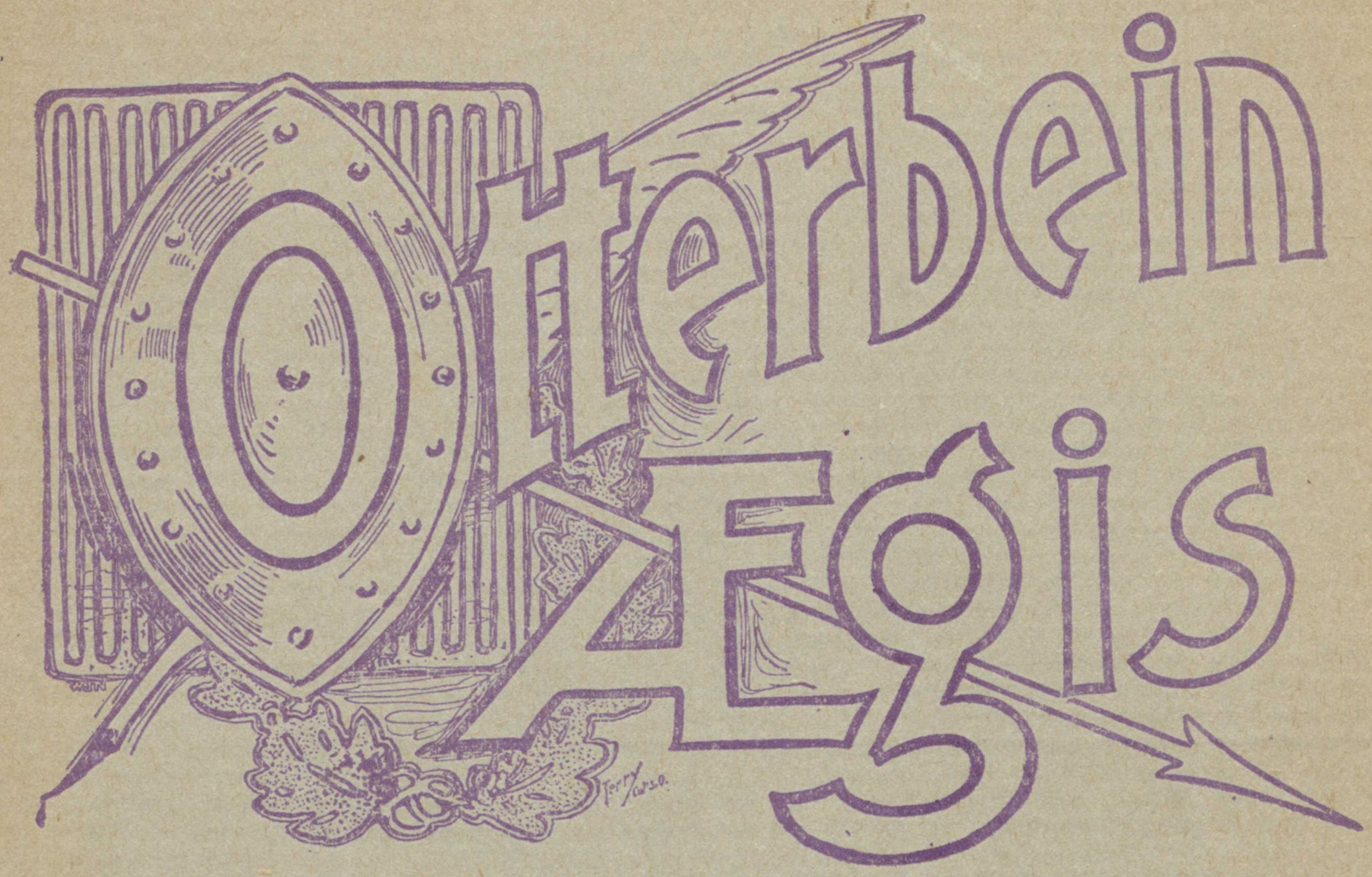

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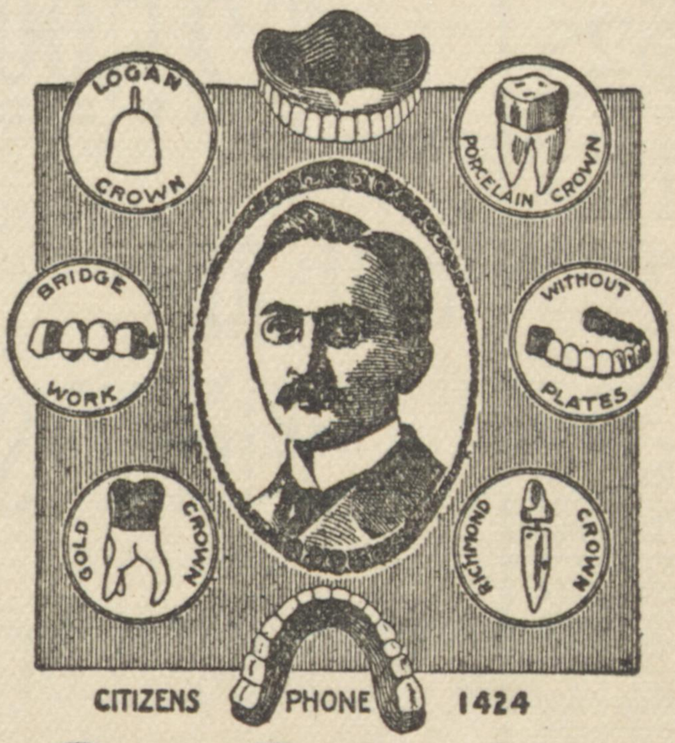

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Editorial

EVER since the founding of the first college in the United States an incurable disease has been prevalent among students. The results are more serious in some colleges than in others. From historical facts we find that the eastern colleges suffer more from the pestilence than the western.

The disease comes upon the victim at any time, often when he is walking along the street the pest seizes him, and is characterized by tossing back the head, the neck, apparently, is stiff and the eyes are fixed.

Sometimes it attacks him in class and he utters sharp words, his eyes glare about the room and frequently these symptoms are followed by a smothered laugh. Doctors pronounce it incurable and to a limited extent contagious. The physical results are very limited. It only affects the mind. But the social disturbance is very great. Students have often been divided into classes because of it and not infrequently has its evil effects driven them from college. Perhaps you would like to know the name of this plague. It is not found in the present medical books but originated from the Greek word *ego* with the suffix *ismos* and when joined together the full word is egotism.

We are glad to say that it has never been beyond control in Otterbein. Some students come and others are sent here simply because of the social equality. However cases of this disease have been known to break out even among the students of this school, but because of their unpopularity and the eagerness with which they are avoided the victim has been easily quarantined and the spread of the plague without difficulty has been prohibited.

WITH the approach of spring and the bright sunny days, one has an anxious desire to be out doors to enjoy a part of the awakening nature. The grass, the trees and the chirp of the spring birds are all interesting to the strollers and lovers of nature, but for the student and especially the athletic inclined, the campus, tennis courts and baseball field are more attractive. And while we are enjoying the beauty of our campus and the conveniences of our athletic fields we should not forget that they deserve a great deal of attention and care.

In respect to beauty the grounds stand second to none in the state. The attention of

students and citizens of the town has been awakened, repeatedly, that now is the most critical time of the year for the preservation of the college grounds. New paths are easily made, young grass is greatly damaged by walking over the soft soil, and there are many other ways in which the campus can be disfigured. And while we are anxious that a proper observance is made for the protection of the grounds we also see some ways in which their beauty and convenience can be improved.

If some of the trees over the campus, and especially those near the tennis courts were surrounded with seats, they would not only serve as shade but would be a source of comfort to students desiring to study near the college and would be a source of convenience to admirers of tennis.

Also, hitherto, the baseball games have been much disturbed by spectators crowding too near the diamond and interfering with the players, so much so that the progress of the game has been hindered. Near the trees just west of the backstop is an excellent place for a grand-stand or some *bleachers*. These accommodations could be made with but little labor and at a small cost and would not only be more convenient for the players but also would give the onlookers a better chance to enjoy the game.

FOR the past two years, seemingly, the interest in our oratorical contests has been declining. While the privilege of entering is open to all, upper classmen, and those who ought to enter and who are better prepared to represent the college have refused.

The cause to which this is attributed we do not know. But this year the inter-society and inter-collegiate debates have lessened the interest and enthusiasm formerly manifested in the oratorical contests.

Undoubtably the debate is more valuable and more effective in making a public speaker than the oration. The debator learns to think while on the floor, he learns to meet arguments and his language in a great measure is extemporaneous. While it is not intended to discourage or to draw the attention of students from the oration, nevertheless, as far as value to the students and to a public speaker is concerned the debate is more profitable.

Both the inter-society and inter-collegiate debates should be continued.

There is now a movement among a few colleges of our standing, in the state concerning the formation and organization of a debating league. In Otterbein this has been talked of and discussed in former years but its actuality has never appeared so promising as now. While we are in the spirit and while we have the enthusiasm let us push it to a completion. There will never be a more opportune time than now for Otterbein to enter. The worth is incalculable.

LITERARY

The Prestige of Purity

E. E. BURTNER, '06

SOME years ago there appeared in one of our leading magazines a cartoon of this description. A tall, well-dressed, dignified looking young man, evidently of good parentage, a child of luxury and ease, possessed of a handsome face and a magnificent physique, but withal bearing the unmistakable marks of dissipation and misspent energy, stood before a barred door which opened into a field of great possibilities. Desirous of entering this realm where, to his narrow and warped mind, he could obtain all for which he wished, and having in his hand a bunch of keys, he tried with each one to unlock the door. But he could not. Sorrowing because he had not realized his darling wish, he turned away. A friend observed the pitiful expression on his face and inquired of him the cause

of his grief. The young man told his story—how he had longed to enter this realm, and though he was permitted to stand at its very threshold, yet was debarred from it. His friend, after seeing the seemingly noble impulses that swayed his soul, replied to him in the words of the sweet-spirited, beloved and lamented poet, Alfred Tennyson, "Doors barred with gold, open but to golden keys." To this the young man replied, "I have used the keys of wealth, education, high-birth, respectability and others, but to none of these has it responded." "Ah!" said the other, "the keys that you have tried are silver, not gold. The key to unlock that door is purity. It is the key of gold."

The thought of this is, that anything possessing a high degree of excellence will be responsive only to that which has an equal worth and quality; for the gold key would have influenced the gold lock because it was gold, and an iron or copper key, even though precisely the same in size and shape, would not have unlocked the door. It is sad enough that so few have learned this peculiar but all important truth, that anything worthy and good and worth the striving for, is influenced or attained by something having the same inherent qualities. What is true of tangible things is true of the more abstract matters of life and conduct.

So then, it has ever been, and must for all time be, that lives operated upon principles other than that of purity in the largest sense are failures, and this very significant fact is the reason for a premium being placed upon it. Let a short illustration serve to show you how much we all really regard purity. Look, if you will, at that young lady who has been presented with a piece of jewelry that looks as though it were gold. See how carefully she inspects it to see whether it anywhere gives evidence of tarnish or alloy, all the while wondering whether it is pure gold or only gilded. And when she has satisfied herself that it is genuine, she values it not so much for the dollars it represents, but because it is pure gold.

Men have made melancholy commentaries upon the absence of virtue and these commentaries, no doubt, have strengthened its hold upon us. Ever since Adam answered to his name from his hiding place in the garden, ever since Jacob halted at Penuel where, no doubt, he was reminded of having maltreated his brother, ever since Pharoah broke his nine consecutive promises, and every hour since the betrayal of Christ by Judas, have men come more and more to appreciate and to love purity and uprightness of character. All men have some standard of worth for which they have the utmost regard. Probe down into the life of the most ignorant and benighted heathen, and you will find lodged there a noble regard for that one of his fellows who proves himself to be the best and exhibits a life freest from taint according to his own conceptions, however inferior they may have been because of his unfortunate surroundings. In our own land the meanest and most wayward have a kindly regard, and in some cases, a profound love for virtue wherever and by whomever it is manifest.

One of the most wonderful things in the life of Him who came to this world when, seemingly, it had wandered wellnigh irrecoverably from its first estate, and who taught truths which, though new to men, were so powerful that they transformed society, changed the current of the whole world's thought, and laid the foundation upon which it was to erect a more nearly ideal structure, was the mighty impression he made upon men as a pure man. But what made his life so powerful was not so much the truth he taught as this towering, over-mastering, immaculate purity, so manifest that men had confidence in him and laid hold of his teaching, implicitly believing that the things to which He laid claim were true. This, this I say, is the most marked illustration of the prestige of purity in the history of the race.

The opinion is among too many that for a man to be really great, he must have much money, boast of high-birth, be gifted intellectually, or have spent enough time in some school to get a degree and be called educated,

But against all such nonsense I declare my protest. Money, royal blood, diplomas, so called social prestige, are all transient and light as vapor and are worse than a curse unless purity is enthroned as their king to direct and control, and though one may be doomed to mediocrity, and be forced to walk the beaten path of hardship all his days, and though he have all forms of human woe and suffering for his companions, if this one thing be reserved to him, he shall finally triumph.

The roster of every nation contains the names of men who, though prominent in its public life, were a bane and hindrance to the highest welfare of the race, and that very fact excludes them from that other list who merit the world's praise and honor, many of whom are buried in obscurity, but to whom time will see to it that justice is meted out. Julius Cæsar was a smart man, Lord Byron was intellectual, Napoleon Bonepart was shrewd Alexander was brilliant, Nero was powerful, but D. L. Moody was a good man. And what could it avail for Byron to sing, Nero to legislate or Cæsar to conquer, when this one essential, purity, was wanting to give immutability to their labors.

Only a few days ago, as a nation, we bowed in sorrow at the grave of one whose life deserves exaltation, Thomas Brackett Reed was a model citizen and an eminent statesman. Seldom, indeed, do we see such pure love, such perfect loyalty and such self-sacrificing service to one's country. He poured out his life like water for the prosperity of this broad land. It touches every heart, be it never so hard, to read the story of his giving up personal ambition for wealth and placing himself into the hands of the nation he loved so well, and which he served so untiringly though many years fraught with heavy toil, until he saw the gray light of life's day burning in its western sky, and then, impelled by that affection which only a tender and loving husband and father can bestow, he turned his back upon those interests which lay so near his heart to make for his family competency. This world needs men of such exalted character and can but ill afford to give them up. Yet sublime nobility like his will always be green in the love of this people, for his name is on that list of the few who form the objects of adoration for that oldest of all religions–hero worship.

Again in our reflection, we find our vision blurred as we think of the name so recently added to the roll of our martyr presidents. The power of human language is too great to give adequate utterance to the emotions of the heart. But we do not mourn because we fear his place can not be filled by another, but because so powerful was he as a model of purity in public life, that we loved him and delighted to honor him. Like that other American whom we call the nation's father, "he was first in the hearts of his countrymen." The marble that we rear above him will disintegrate and the letters inscribed thereon will soon become illegible, but his work will ever endure; and in the affections and ideals of his fellows there have been erected imperishable monuments, and on the heart of this nation are written his deeds and virtues in letters that shall never grow dim.

"Chieftain, could we but build of love
A monument, 'would reach to heaven above,
High in the unity of love's design
And all that glory thine.

"Chieftain and father to the nation all,
High-souled American, the shadow fall
Has not obscured thee, for thy life and name
Shall have immortal fame.

"Wherever strength and tenderness are met,
Wherever toleration bids us strive forget,
And when the common good men first shall see,
Must they remember thee.

"Chieftan, in pity for the parting thus–farewell,
It hurt our hearts the hour we heard the twilight bell,
But you have met, above the stars and sun,
Lincoln and Washington,"

Happy, indeed, will be the lot of that man, the single and whole endeavor of whose life is to be good; for then, evil conscious of his might will shun him, and virtue will seek him.

Then it will matter little wether he claims a cottage or a palace for his home, wether many come at his nod and beck to do his every behest, or whether he himself is one of this earth's scavengers. It may not be his to climb the heights of time and hear the great world's praises ring; and he may answer to his final summons all unhonored, unplumed and unsung; but he has the only thing which will glorify adversity, dignify defeat, conpensate loss and diadem life. But what is richest and best is the thought that so great will be his prestige with Him who is best fitted to reward well doing, that all things shall be for his inheritance. Such convictions as these must have welled up in the breast of the poet when ha said,

"For, ever we go by the field we sow,
And the peasant and king in state,
Shall the lesson learn ere the green sod turn
That only the good are great.

"Here are the trumpets blaring,
Here is the wreath of fame,
Here in the crumbling marble,
Write you the hero's name.

"But there by the arch of glory,
Under the cloudless gate,
Tallest of all the angles
Is he who is truly great."

Random Sketches

J. M. MARTIN, '96

THE tourist always lingers long in the Swiss Alps. After remaining as long as I could in the shadows of these mountains I turned northward stopping briefly at Bingen and Cologne on the Rhine. From the Rhine I passed on to Antwerp, where I boarded a channel steamer for Harwich, England. The following morning I landed again on British soil and hurried on to London. This trip is a pleasant one, giving the traveler a good idea of the life of the English peasant class. The farms are neatly kept and there is abundant evidence of a healthy and legitimate thrift. Wheat and oats seem to be largely raised, while near the cities, gardening is the chief occupation. It is surprising to note how late the seasons are in this section. I saw the farmers reaping their wheat almost the middle of August.

On this brief run of one and a half hours, you wind through hillside pastures and meadows, and beside fields of waving grain, which are intersected, now and then, by low zig-zag stone walls or a green hedge; and, as the scene changes from time to time, we catch glimpses of lovely green lanes, shaded bowers and shining streams. Again you pass by long white roadways that lose themselves in distant groves. Then in the distance some wayside church can be seen with its tower lifted to the dome of blue above and its gray and tarnished walls, covered with vines of ivy and clusters of roses. Daisies and poppies, which are so plentiful here give a remarkable touch of beauty to the country regions. Soon after passing these fascinating and fleeting scenes we find ourselves at the station in the heart of London.

Among the first things that met my eye was the great dome of St. Paul's. Yes, this is the same old London I saw only a year before. In the distance I could see the lofty tower of the House of Parliament and near by it the sacred towers of Westminster Abbey.

Old cities grow rich in association as they grow older. This is true of London. But it is also great because of its great extent and influence. Its old features make it greater than Rome, for all that is ancient in London, indicates what were England's stepping stones to greatness. The ruins of Rome, while interesting tell us only of a fallen nation. I was glad to get a glimpse of St. Paul's again. It is a noble piece of architecture, and stands as solid as ever in spite of the report that the underground railway trains are jarring the foundations. The space within gives a capacity for 13,000 people. Sometimes they have 400 in the choir. The floor is of the finest marble and the sculpture and general

architecture of the building shows a high degree of skill. I think that the moist atmosphere of England is somewhat injurious to the fretwork and delicate carvings in the cathedrals and other stone structures. It is unfortunate that a climate which produces such picturesque landscapes, should also be an agent of destruction. Already they are making many much needed repairs on the Abbey. It is not until one enters St. Paul's and sits long gazing in wonder at the great temple, that he really grasps the lesson it has for him. It is to be questioned whether an age as materialistic as the present age could create such a structure as St. Paul's or Westminster. In the basement of St. Paul's are a large number of tombs which bear the remains of many deceased dignitaries of the church. The whispering galleries of St. Paul's are also quite interesting to tourists. You pay a small fee and ascend several flights of stairs to a gallery extending around the inner circle of the dome. Here by sitting near the wall, and placing the ear at a certain angle with the wall you can hear the whisperings of a person who speaks on the opposite side when he throws his voice against the wall, at the proper angle. The attendants are scrupulously polite and extend any courtesy in their power; but I will not weary the reader with a detailed description of this church. I might add as a matter of interest to some that the height to top of the dome is 405 feet and the whispering gallery is 150 feet in diameter. The chimes of St. Paul's are very beautiful. I remember during my first visit to London that I could hear them from my room and that I used to sit of an evening and listen to them until the last tone had died away.

It was my pleasure also to visit Westminster Abbey. I do not know of any building in England, except the tower, that can compare with the Abbey of Westminster in historic interest. It was originally built by Edward the Confessor, whose shrine is still back of the altar. Then in the twelth century Henry III. rebuilt most of it. It is from this time that its present beautiful Gothic architecture dates. I think however that some of the transepts, if not all, and the choir are of the old English architecture. When Henry Tudor, the Seventh Henry, came to the throne he destroyed a part of the abbey and built a chapel into the Abbey which now bears his name. He and his queen are buried in this chapel, along with Addison, Johnson and others. The tourist is bewildered by the historic associations and surroundings. After looking about for some time I sat down to rest, and found myself soothed by the beauty and grandeur of this wonderful church. It was some time before I could grasp the full meaning of this palace of the dead. I could scarcely realize that I was "amid rows of warriors and walks of kings and queen."

The "Poet's Corner" attracted me most. Here I stood at the grave of the great Handel. Near by were the tablets marking the resting place of the remains of Dickens, Thackeray, Chaucer, Spencer, Dryden, Macaulay, and many others.

I remember seeing "I W., 1658," scratched on a stone, in that year by Izaak Walton, author of "The Complete Anglers." It is in the poet's corner, I think. It was interesting to know that I could stand near the spot where all the Kings and Queens of England have been crowned since William I. in 1066. I saw also the coronation chair. Here William Rufus, who was killed in the new forest was crowned in 1087. Richard, the Lionhearted, was crowned here in 1189, and later all the Tudors, Plantagenets, Stuarts and Hanoverian rulers. The first rulers remind us that it was the time when barons and knights went forth from their castles with their vassals and retainers, to fight with crossbow and battleaxes, or went as crusaders to the Holy Land. The last shrines made in the Abbey tell us that to England has come a greater liberty, comfort and security than has ever before been known. There are nearly one thousand graves in the Abbey. Mostly, now, the graves are dug so that the body can be buried in a standing position.

This is done to economize the space which is exceedingly valuable. As indicated above, the delicate carvings are disintegrating under the action of the moist atmosphere. This is being done slowly but surely nevertheless. The matter of who may be buried in the abbey is decided by the dean and the trustees or officers in charge of the abbey.

But as I lingered, dusk came on and I needs must tear myself away from this peculiarly fascinating place. As I passed out the sound of a few belated footsteps in the corriders and the rustling of the breeze as it blew over the cloister green were all the sounds that could be heard. On reaehing the noisy street again I turn for one last look at this historic structure. The shadows of time, have indeed darkened the stones of the Abbey but it is none the less beautiful and graceful. He who stands within the sacred walls of this church, indeed, stands on sacred ground. He stands in the presence of mighty achievements, long since finished, of careers now gloriously ended, and to memories that are immortal. In the sacred dust of these tombs is all that remains of what once represented the highest, in human thought, passion and labor.

It seems this chapter must be entirely about old castles and churches. I am sure the reader will pardon me for writing so much of these. The object of my travels being chiefly to study history, I must be expected to write about that which is uppermost in my mind. But, I, myself, sometimes grow weary of old castles and wasting graves. When I visit these places I tire to think of the thousand years of history that lies decayed at my feet, and when I feel that way I begin to wish for roses and green fields, and school, or anything other than this. Yet this is only a passing fancy. When I pause and think deeper into the lessons of history, I study with more vigor than ever. Some one has said, "To-day builds on the ruins of yesterday as well in the soul of man as on the vanishing cities that mark his course." As I have walked through the crowded throngs in London, I have been impressed with the indifference of the great masses of the people to the historic lessons taught by the monuments, shrines and historic features of their city. By night and by day, there flows through this city a great tide of human activity and hundreds are trivial and vacuous. They seem ignorant and common place and go in and out among all the storied antiquities of London seeming heedless of their existence. So that with the exception of other wanderers like myself I traveled alone like one living in the long ago.

I had a good day for my visit to The Tower. While there I visited the bloody tower in which the two princes were murdered and spent some time around the site of the scaffold where Anne Boleyn and others were beheaded. London tower is indeed a historic spot. Not far from where the scaffold stood is the white tower, the chief place of interest within the walls. The grim old tower looks down upon the pilgrim as if it had a long story to tell. I felt myself on historic ground when within the walls of this place. If indeed the spirits of the dead ever come back to haunt any place, surely they come back to the Tower of London. The same hall where Richard denounced Hastings is now used for an armory, but the ceiling that reflected the stentorian tones of his voice are the same. Hundreds of coats and suits of mail are to be seen; I noticed among them one worn by Henry VIII. The room where the princes were murdered is grim and uncanny in appearance. I was permitted to peep down the stairway which leads to the dungeon where Sir Walter Raleigh was confined so many years. In one room they show the regalia and crown jewels. They are kept in a large glass case. Among these are the scepters and crowns used for centuries back. The salt cellar of state is there. It is valued at about $6,000, and is used at coronation banquets. I saw also the baptismal bowl used in baptizing the royal babes. They show you many instruments of torture used in the ancient days, such as the stocks, rack, thumbscrew and steel maiden. These tell of the

cruelties of long ago. Occasionally you see a block and an ax beside it. Though mute, they tell a story of cruelty and crime which fortunately is no longer known. Anne Boleyn is buried in the little chapel of St. Peter near by where she was beheaded. Some say that she and Lady Jane Grey haunt the tower yet. The tower is used for quartering a garrison of soldiers and though this seems to cheapen, in a sense, its grim glories, yet to me it shall always remain a place of mystery and crime and horror.

C. M. BOOKMAN

C. O. CALLENDER

C. G. WISE

Debate

THE Inter-Collegiate debate, between Otterbein University and Wittenberg College was held in the college chapel on Saturday evening, March 14, 1903. The question was, Resolved: "That the Goverment of the United States should Own and Operate the Coal Mines and Railroads of this Country." Affirmative, Otterbein University, Negative, Wittenberg College. The debate was a spirited one from beginning to end and was ably discussed on both sides. On account of the statement of the question Wittenberg had the advantage and won the debate. The affirmative had to much to prove, and if they failed in any way to do it the question would be lost. The following is the order of the speakrs: C. M. Bookman, first affirmative, Otterbein University; Waldo Winger, first negative, Wittenberg; C. O. Callender, Otterbein, second affirmative; C. W. Circle, second negative, Wittenberg, C. G. Wise, third affirmative, Otterbein; A. I. Zimmerman, third affirmative, Wittenberg. Dr. T. J. Sanders presided and announced the various speakers. Dr. Chas. Snavely was timekeeper. Prof. F. C. Clark, of O. S. U., Prof. Walton, of Kenyon College and Hon. Joseph H. Outhwaite, Columbus, were the judges.

This is Otterbein's first inter-collegiate debate and we trust, that since the start has been taken in this direction, a mo e vital interest will be taken in the matter. It was evident on Saturday night that we have strong debators who cannot help but win in the future.

State Oratorical Contest

THE State Oratorical Contest was held at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, on Friday evening, March 13. The contest was a good one and each production showed faithful and earnest work on the part of the orator. Otterbein was well represented by thirteen and as usual these made themselves heard, as the other representatives at Antioch can testify, and as was manifested by the hoarseness on the part of several when

they returned. The colleges represented were Baldwin, Heidelberg, Antioch and Otterbein. Since there were thirteen from O. U. and the contest was held on Friday, the thirteenth, and the car upon which some went from Springfield to Yellow Springs was thirteen, O. U. lost first place by one-sixth per cent. Baldwin came first, Otterbein second, Antioch third, Heidelberg at the end.

The chapel was very artistically decorated with the colors of the various colleges, and excellent music was furnished by the Excelsior Mandolin and Guitar orchestra. An elaborate banquet was served in the dining hall where each college gave vent to its pent-up energies. Some excellent toasts were given, among the number being L. Weinland, president of O. U's local association.

At the meeting of the State Association on Saturday morning, C. M. Bookman was elected president.

Mr. E. E. Burtner, who won second place, is a member of the Freshman class and a member of the Philophronean Literary society. As this is his first oration delivered in public much can be expected from him in the future, and the delegation of O. U. felt proud of him as he ranked five per cent. above any of the others in delivery. The delegation consisted of Misses Maxwell and Emma Barnet, C. W. Snyder, W. N. Deller, B. F. Shively, B. F. Cunningham, L. Weinland, R. A. Callender, C. Baum, U. B. Brubaker, W. E. Riebel and F. A. Edwards.

ALUMNALS

J. M. Martin '96, spent Sunday, March 15th renewing acquaintances here.

W. S. White '99 is located at North Lawrence as pastor of the U. B. church. He reports having had a good revival meeting and that he has received fifty five members into church since the first of October.

Geo. W. Walters '02, is making an excellent record as a law student in Buffalo.

J. D. Riebel '97 visited his parents, who reside in Westerville the first of the month.

W. C. Whitney '95 has been appointed graduate manager of all athletics in Otterbein.

Clelia Knox '00, and Bess R. Detwiler '02 have opened an art studio at Uniontown, Pa.

F. O. Clements '96, and wife, Luella Fouts Clements '89 visited their parents here March 7 and 8.

L. B. Bradrick '98, pastor of the Methodist church at Junction City, O., recently visited his alma mater.

Hon. L. D. Bonebrake, '82, state school commissioner of Ohio, is making a tour of the New England States.

Earl Bohn '02, of Cincinnati, O., attended the Y. M. C. A. secretaries conference at Columbus the first of the month.

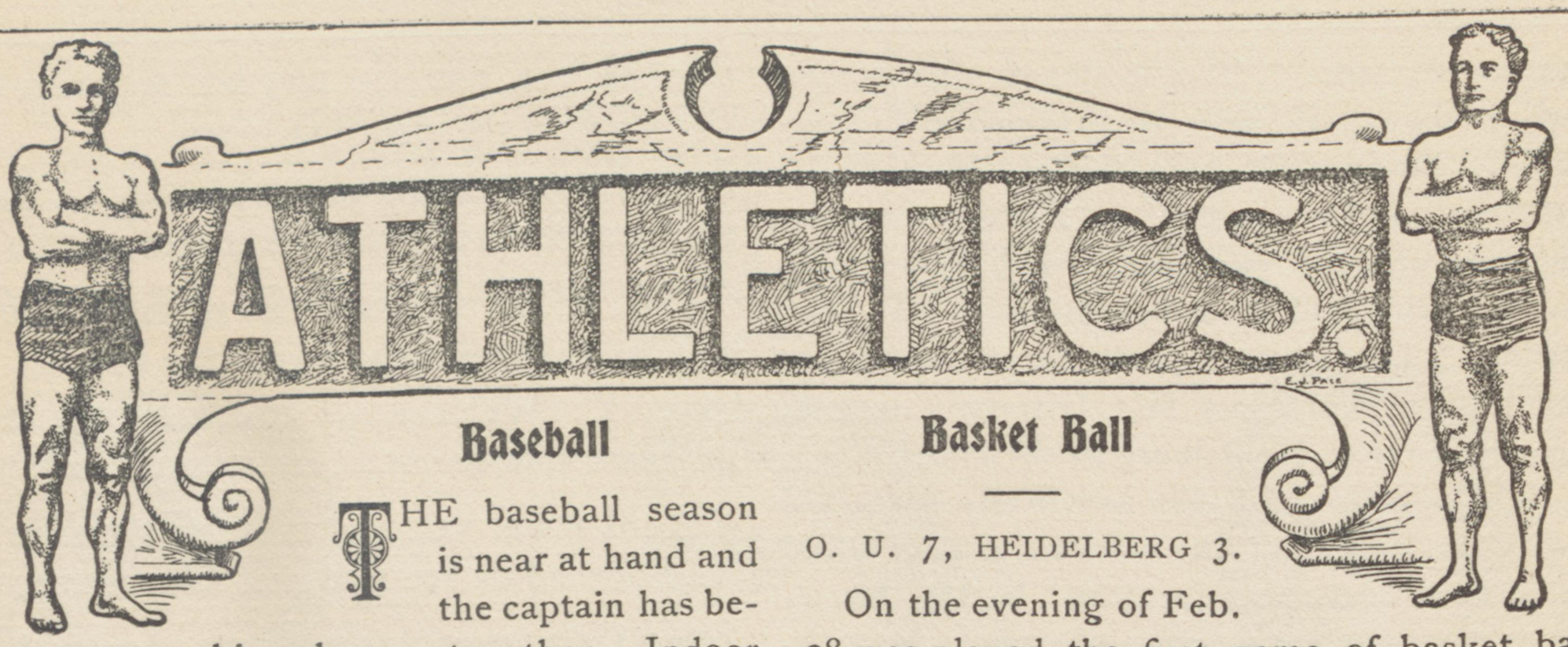
E. S. Barnard, '96 formerly Sporting Editor of Columbus Dispatch, has accepted the position as secretary of the Cleveland Base Ball club.

Samuel Zecker '99, who is Y. M. C. A. secretary at Cleveland, spent several days with friends at Westerville during the first of the month.

On the evening of March 13 the following old graduates visited the Philophronean Literary society: W. F. Coover '00, Dr. W. C. Teter '98, I. W. Howard '01, J. G. Sanders '01, E. A. Sanders '02, H. E. Shirey '02, A. W. Whetstone '02, E. G. Lloyd '98, W. E. Lloyd '02.

Jones: "Say, Smith, do you know how it goes to be kicked by a mule?"

Smith: "No, nor do I want you to show me."



Baseball

THE baseball season is near at hand and the captain has begun to get his players together. Indoor practice has been begun and enthusiasm worked up among the students. Nearly all of last year's players are in and will be in the game again. "Bill" Lloyd and "Peck" Chapman are the two that will be most missed. Flick, who has been on the team in other years will be in and able to take Chapman's place behind the bat, but it is uncertain, yet, who will play second base. There will be several competitors for pitcher, and Captain Bates is anxious that some good material may be developed for this place. Several trips will be made and games played on successive days, which makes it necessary to have several who can execute the twirl act.

The schedule is not yet completed, but as is thus far arranged is as follows:

April 18—Kenyon at Westerville.
April 25—Opened.
May 2—Capital at Westerville.
May 8—Wittenberg at Springfield.
May 14—Kenyon at Gambier.
May 23—Opened.
May 20—Capital at Columbus.
June 5—Heidelberg at Tiffin.
June 6—O. N. U. at Ada.

June 13 will probably be with the alumni if such a game can be arranged. Without a doubt the opened dates will be filled and the schedule made complete.

Basket Ball

O. U. 7, HEIDELBERG 3.

On the evening of Feb. 28 was played the first game of basket ball that Otterbein's girls ever played with a college team, and the result was certainly what any one could wish. The game was played with the girls of Heidelberg college at the Heidelberg gymnasium, Tiffin, Ohio. The gymnasium being much smaller than the home gymnasium served as an inconvenience to the Otterbein girls. However they soon overcame the difficulty and before the game was half over, it was plainly seen that they were outplaying their opponents and were to be masters of the evening.

The first half was begun with a determination to win on both sides. No goals were thrown by either side until the half was nearly over when Miss Ressler threw one field goal and the opponents two goals from fouls. Several fouls were called on both sides and when time was called the score stood even, 2-2.

The second half started out with renewed zeal. Each side seemed determined to raise the score in their own favor but it was soon decided and another ball found its way into Otterbein's goal. After a few more minutes of rapid and hard playing Otterbein was favored with another goal from the field. During the latter part of the second half a goal was thrown by each side from fouls making the score 7-3 in Otterbein's favor.

Our girls are certainly to be commended on their fine playing. It was with difficulty

the opponents got the ball and having obtained it they could not keep it long. The teams were evenly matched and each showed good training and practice. Otterbein should well be proud of the center, Miss Maxwell, who was decidedly pronounced the champion of the evening. Miss Ressler also did excellent playing, throwing all the goals for Otterbein. It is hoped that other games with college teams may be arranged for and that our team may meet with like success.

ASSOCIATION NOTES

Y. M. C. A.

The state committee reports all debts paid and a balance on hand of $11.50 at close of year.

The Y. M. C. A. president's conference was held at Wittenberg March 12 to 15. Mr. Deller and Mr. Shively attended. They report a very interesting and helpful conference.

Since Mr. Wilbur has resigned the office of state secretary to accept the call to the general secretaryship of the Dayton association, Mr. G. B. Landis, assistant state secretary, has been elected to fill the vacancy.

On February 26 was given the third number of the life-work series. Mr. Mahony, of the Mahony, Martin & Cooke Real Estate company, of Columbus, addressed the Association on the subject "Business as a Life Work." The speaker presented in an entertaining manner, both the advantages and the disadvantages of a business career. Mr. Mahony is an attractive and a forceful speaker and all enjoyed the address very much.

Y. W. C. A.

Tuesday evening, February 24, the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mabel Moore; vice president, Alice Keister; recording secretary, Ora Maxwell; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Amy Ward; treasurer, Grace Ressler.

Miss Ford, the general secretary of O. S. U., has given our Association a very cordial invitation to attend the Geneva rally at O. S. U. April 10. It is hoped that a number of our girls will plan to attend.

The mission study class will make a study of our own foreign mission fields during the spring term. The work will be given in five lessons, and the class will meet but once in two weeks. In connection with these studies, we hope to have several lectures given by men prominent in the mission work of our church. The following is the program as arranged by the committee:

April 5—"Our African Field, Its Workers Past and Present," C. W. Snyder.

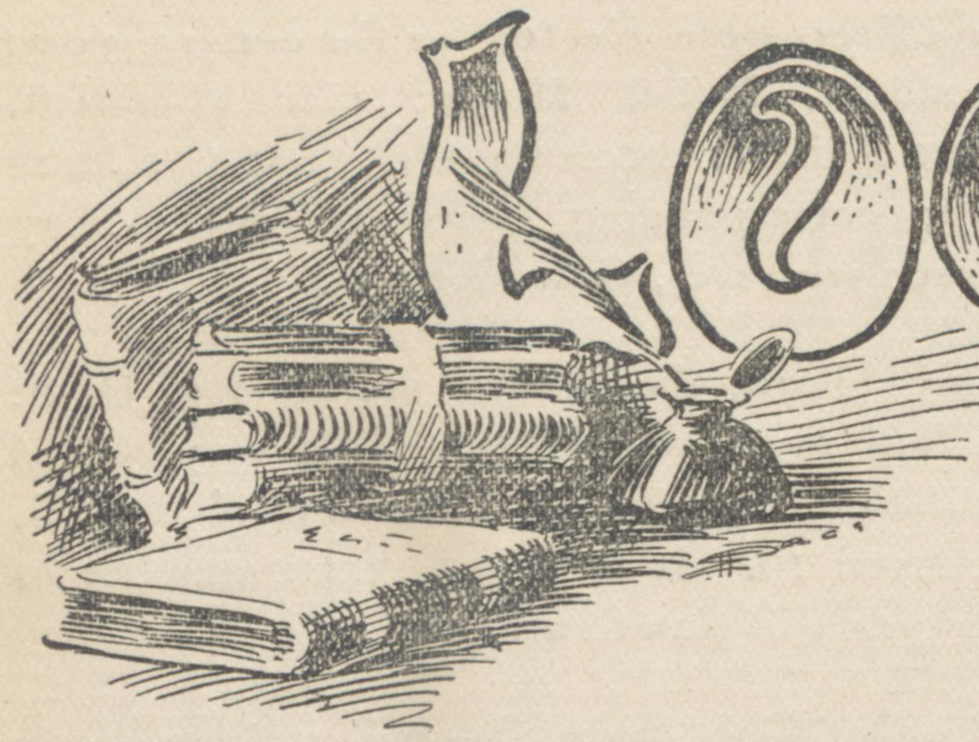
April 19—"Our Chinese Missions and Missionaries," Caroline Lambert.

May 3—"The Growth and Outlook of Our Japanese Field," W. N. Deller.

May 17—"Our Church in Porto Rico," S. L. Postlethwaite.

May 31—"The Philippines—Our Opportunity and How We Are Meeting It," Emma Barnett.

Mr. D. Leigh Colvin, of the University of California and, president of the Intercollegiate Prohibition association, spent a day among the Otterbein students. He gave a stirring talk at chapel and there organized a Prohibition League of O. U. with the following officers: President, E. J. Pace; vice president, W. E. Ward; recording secretary, E. M. Hursh; treasurer, Karl Rymer. The association is planning for a systematic study of the liquor problem from the social point of view.



LOCALS.

Earl Needam was in town a few days looking after his interest.

Hursh says he is counting the days until the beginning of the Spring term. Can you guess why?

Miss Estella Davis, of the Business department, is stenographer in the office of J. A. Dunn & Co., of Columbus.

Wednesday evening, March 4th, Dr. Whitney took some members of his advanced physiology class to O. M. U. witness the work carried on in the dissecting room.

Prof. Newman was confined to his room for a few days on account of vaccination. Later he had a severe attack of tonsilitis and was compelled to go home for a week.

Dr. Snavely was unable to meet his classes for a few days owing to the fact that he was vaccinated. Pres. Scott announced one morning in chapel that the Dr. S. could not meet his class as Mrs. S. thought he had better stay in the house.

The past two weeks there was a constant stream of students from the college to the sugar camp, one mile south of town. There were a variety of groups. Sometimes two could be seen sauntering along apparently insensible to everything about them. Then next there would be a group of jolly boys and girls each vieing with the other in walking on the rails. Coming back they looked different. Every one had a piece of taffy in his hand and at the same time trying to masticate another chunk, while the face presented the appearance of the little boy's face who got into the 'lasses jug. Events occurred this year which will long be remembered by some of the preps. Boys better be a little careful hereafter and not get into any more such scrapes.

Mr. O. Maxwell, brother of Miss Ora, spent Sunday, March 8 in town. When E. J. saw him his countance fell because he thought, "Well, I am again compelled to take a back seat." But when he learned that it was a brother he hastened and gave him a hearty greeting.

Bookman, Callender and Wise, attended the debate between O. S. U. and O. W. U. last Friday evening and meet their opponents from Wittenberg. The Wittenbergers, after sizing up our boys replied, "Well I guess we can do you." This issue shows wether they did or not.

Prof. Cornetet was greatly interested the other morning when Dr. Scott announced that he had found a Greek pony. Of course it was a great surprise to the Professor that any of his Greek students should be guilty of using a pony. The owner can have same by calling on Prof. Cornetet and proving property.

Last Friday evening the students of the Business department met at the home of the Misses Cockrell, on East Home street. Progressive crokinole was the order of the evening, the prize being won by F. W. Riggle. At 10:30 a neat luncheon was served and it was evident by those present that this was the most interesting feature of the evening. At

11:30 the merry makers went to their home each claiming that it was one of the best events of the season.

What trade we have we will hold and what we haven't we are trying to get.

MARKLEY.

G. A. Lambert, of Anderson, Ind., spent Sunday, March 1st, with his daughters, Marguerite and Mary. He is a warm friend of O. U. and thoroughly interested in her welfare.

The Philalethean Literary society rendered a dramatic session on Thursday evening, March 12th, which was thoroughly enjoyed by a large audience. The following program was rendered:

The past month has been a harvest for the photographers at Columbus as a great many pictures were taken for the Annual. Five galleries were represented and each received their share of work.

Mr. J. A. Brady, one of the traveling agents for the Keystone View Co., spent a week in town in securing and training agents for the summer. Mr, Bookman will be the local agent and any who wish to handle them should see him at once.

The appearance of Ben Hur in Columbus will attract many of the students to the city to see this master piece of Lew Wallace. This is possibly the only oppurnity to see it and as many as possible should avail themselves of this opportunity.

A number of students went to see "Everyman" played and all were well satisfied with the same. It was of special interest to the student of literature and the development of English drama. The lecture given by Prof. Zuck a few days before on the Morality play proved very helpful to all who heard it and afterwards saw the play.

J. W. Markley, with the assistance of his clerks, who are up-to-date, active, accommodating, obliging, polite, ready at all times to meet friends and customers, has been able to build up a large modern department store that is a credit to Westerville and surrounding community.

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Seventy per cent. of the positions secured for teachers by the Central Teachers' Agency in 1902 were by direct recommendation of the Agency. The outlook for 1903 is exceptionally good. Office in Ruggery Building, Columbus.

M. C. Meyer, of Columbus, state manager of the Topical Bibal, was at Otterbein for a few days soliciting for agents. Last summer a number of the boys handled the work and are now going to college as a result of their summer's work. The Topical Bible is an elegant work and a good seller. Any one wishing to handle it will do well by seeing Mr. Ward.

The Faculty has arranged for a course of lectures to be delivered from time to time by their own number, Dr. Snavely delivered the first one on Monday morning, Feb. 23d, on "George Washington as a Patriot." It was a fine address and showed much work on the part of Dr. Snavely in its preparation. He is building up his department and as a student of economics and history is pushing his way to the front.

Mr. J. S. Knox, field manager of the Personal Help Publishing Co., spent several days in the interest of the Purity books published by that company. A number of students contracted for the summer and will no doubt do splendidly. There are eight books in the set and sell for a dollar a piece. Any one who has read Dr. Stall's books knows the worth of them. Any students who wish to canvass the work should see Mr. Snyder.

The inter-society debate drew a large and enthusiastic crowd of students to the college chapel on Tuesday evening, Feb. 24. Dr. Snavely presided calling the speaders down

when they had filled out the alloted time. The questioned, "Resolved that the United States should have permanent control of the Phillippines" was ably discussed and it would have been a hard matter to render a decision. As no judges were selected both sides claimed the debate. Messrs. Bear and Lawrence of the Phiomathean society defended the affirmative and Messrs. Hughes and Bates of the Philophronean, the negative. The boys deserve much credit for their work.

The Ægis is indebted to the Columbus Press Post for cuts of debaters in this issue.

THE MINISTER'S WIFE

Cast of Characters.

MISS BENNET, Principal of Kenneth Seminary,
ELSIE SMITH

ROSE TRENTON, MILDRED LAWS, MOLLY CAMBELL, GERTRUDE ROSS } Pupils of Kenneth Seminary. { MAY COLLINS, BLANCHE BAILEY, MARY WEINLAND, MARY BAKER

MRS. CHARLES PARSONS, the Minister's wife,
UNA MARSHALL

Scene—Rose Trenton's room in Kenneth Seminary.

Synopsis of Play.

Four lively school girls set out to have some fun, to which the Principal of the school is not invited, but in which she unexpectedly takes an active part. They plan to entertain some boys, who are to gain access to their rooms by impersonating the minister and his wife, who are to call on one of the girls. The minister's wife coming in just when the plan seems to be succeeding admirably, is treated most unceremoniously, before the mistake is discovered.

Music

Piano duet, Overture.....*WebeP*
Leo Davis, Mary Dunkelburger

Vocal duet—"Tell Me".....*Robert A. Keiser*
Zoa Munger, Leo Davis

Final Roll Call

Adjournment

The Cleiorhetean Literary society held a senior session Thursday evening, March 12th, rendering the following excellent program:

Music—"Ava Maria," .....*Franz Ab*
GLEE CLUB.

Piano Solo—"Old Black Joe" (Paraphrase De Concert) Op. 33.....*Chas. Grinbel, Jr.*
MAUDE HANAWALT.

Address....."Genuineness in Culture"
EMMA BARNETT.

Song—"Villanelle,".....*Eva Dell' Acqua*
ALBERTA FOWLER.

Satire....."College Customs"
LOUISE MCDOWELL.

Piano Duet—"Je Suis Pret," Op. II.....*M. Lafuante*
MAUDE TRUXAL AND GRACE RESSLER.

Oration....."My Favorite Hero in Fiction"
MARGUERITE LAMBERT.

Poem.....ELSIE LAMBERT

Music—
a "My Lady Chlo'" (Negro Love Song) Op. 5, No. 2.....*H. Clough Leighter*
b "Carmena," .....*H. Lane Wilson*
GLEE CLUB.

The productions were of a high grade and showed careful thought in preparation. Every available seat was taken in the hall and several were compelled to stand.

COLLEGE MEN IN DEMAND

College men who are in a position to know say the demand from employes for young graduates to begin work this summer with a view to learning the business and working their way upward is unusually large. In fact at present it seems to exceed the supply. Hapgoods, of 256 257 Broadway, New York, a concern which makes a business of finding right men for right places and right places for right men, is having difficulty in securing enough 1903 graduates to supply the demand. One large manufacturing concern in the West wishes Hapgoods to furnish twenty five bright young college men to begin work in its office about July 1, and offers splendid inducements to men who are willing to start at the bottom of the ladder. Seniors thinking of entering commercial or technical work should write for booklet.

The February number of the Steel Review contains a number of excellent articles. Although a high school paper, in some respects it far supasses many of our college exchanges. Its rival, the High School Times, is equally as interesting.

Exchanges

At Princeton a new gymnasium is being built by the alumni and undergraduates. The total cost is to be $256,326.45.

In the University of France there are no papers, no glee clubs, no fraternities, no athletics, and no commencement exercises.

At Wooster, the faculty, contrary to the unanimous wish of the senior class, voted in favor of the old time commencement. The seniors are indignant and do not want to "speak their little pieces."

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pretty girl. Therefore an ugly girl is prettier than a pretty girl. Q. E. D.—Ex.

In the February number of the Spectator (C. U.) is an excellent discussion of "The Newspaper as a Social Factor." The article is well written.

The University of Calcutta, British India, claims to be the largest institution of learning in the world. Ten thousand students take the examination every year. The board of examiners is in session all the time.

We are always glad to see our exchanges coming in. Some are bound in attractive form, while others, perhaps, not so attractive on the exterior, have something within to make up for what they lack without.

"Mary, what are you sitting out on the cold porch for? Don't you know it is 11 o'clock?"

"George and I are looking for the new comet, mamma."

"But the comet is not due for several nights yet."

"Well, we are in no hurry, mamma."

There once was a man from Nantucket,
Who kept all his cash in a bucket.
But his daughter Nan,
Ran away with a man,
And, as for the bucket, Nantucket.

But he followed the pair to Pawtucket,
The man and the girl with the bucket,
And he said to the man,
He was welcome to Nan,
But, as for the bucket, Pawtucket.—Ex.

The Maniton Messenger is a well edited paper and generally brings us something we are glad to get in the way of "interesting and solid" articles. The February number is ex-

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cellent. We enjoy the stories that appear in the Oracle. Several college papers give too much space to literary society programs and comments on fraternity events, which are neither useful nor interesting to an ordinary reader. It would be far more interesting to see some of the orations which were given in local contests. The Susquehanna is a good example of fine editorship.

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