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ALL rejoice that President Spangler is again able to assume the duties of his office. During the weeks of his sickness, all expressed the hope that he would soon be able to again take the helm of Ursinus and pilot her to the port whither she is going. The reception given him when he appeared to conduct chapel service on the morning of November 18, came from students who were grateful to the Great Physician for having restored to them him whose interests are centered in the welfare of Ursinus and as we thus rejoice we hope that he will be spared many years to carry on the work of our Alma Mater.

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URSINUS can well feel proud of her class of students. There has been no need of speaking of the conduct of the students. They have conducted themselves as gentlemen. Now and then, however, some improprieties are noticeable. At a recent entertainment this was the case and some students were guilty of conduct of which we are certain they would not be guilty in their homes. The spirit of fun is a good one for a student to have, but do not let it lead you into acts which are questionable.

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DURING the recent drought the students of the college were subjected to many inconveniences. The water supply of the college became very low, which necessitated the careful expenditure of the supply. Notwithstanding the inconveniences the student body adjusted itself to

the circumstances awaiting the action of the Board of Directors. Fortunately the supply has become as good as ever and all can use it and appreciate it all the more after having been deprived of the benefits for a few weeks.

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THE action of the Athletic Committee in suspending some of the students from participating in athletics seems to have been necessary. The committee has sole charge of the athletics of the college, and it is expected that they will do all in their power to improve this department. Those who participate in these sports are under the same rules and regulations as the other students and are to be punished if they do not conduct themselves as they should, no matter whether they are around the college or are away on a trip. The action of the committee may be severe, but it was thought necessary to prevent any further trouble and will undoubtedly prove wholesome to the athletics of the college.

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THE season is approaching when out-

door exercise can no longer be indulged in. As students it is necessary to keep up the regular physical exercise. For this purpose the gymnasium has been fitted out and it is hoped that all the students will make the proper use of these privileges. A sound body is one of the essentials for good work in whatever sphere of life you may go. The body is only kept sound and in normal condition by regular exercise. It will not pay to neglect this. Those who have achieved success in life have been men who have taken care of the body. Numerous prominent men come before us at the thought and by studying their habits and lives we find that they did not neglect this, but that they exercised regularly and thus were enabled to do the work which has brought their names to the front as the thinkers and master-minds of the day. We may think that we have not the time for this, but those who follow it systematically find that they are able to do all that is required of them easier and more readily than if they did not take such care of the body. Try it, fellow students, and you will find it to be so.

## LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

### SUCCESS.

Life is a piece of paper white  
Whereon each one of us may write  
His word or two, and then comes night.

"Lo, time and space enough," we cry,  
"To write an epic!" so we try  
Our nibs upon the edge, and die.

Gently begin! tho thou have time  
But for a line, be that sublime,—  
Not failure; but low aim is crime.

—Lowell.

After the rose-tints have faded away from our youthful spectacles, and left our vision clear and unclouded; after the passion gusts of early years have spent their force, and fancy lessens the speed of her wild and treacherous flights; we awake to find ourselves in the midst of a busy, jostling, ever changing scene. We find that we ourselves are nothing. Tho the end we cannot see, we know that, as sure as death follows life, there are but two

alternatives: success, the result of all that is good and noble; and failure, the end of a misdirected life. There is no station midway. There can be no stopping; but ever on, on, on, either to the one destiny or to the other.

Each of us has in his possession a priceless gift—his life. We have been endowed with intellect. It is ours to use the latter to the best of our ability in directing the former. The power within us is new; we know not what we can do until we have tried. Our success depends upon ourselves. It is not by what others say of us, but by our deeds we are known.

The immortal Socrates, the world's founder of moral philosophy, lived by the simple maxim, "Know thyself." This is the first requisite of success. It is here that the first great difficulty lies—in fully knowing our ability, and then in choosing that course which will result in the greatest good and happiness. Second to Socrates' maxim, I shall place one of our own Emerson's: "Trust thyself." Don't be afraid to think the world wrong and don't be afraid to tell it so. Never for one moment let us think that we can do good by living the life of a hermit. By so doing we can be good, but that is not the thing; we must *do* good and create happiness.

Success ever appeals to the future. The ideal never is, but is ever to be reached. Each person has his own standard of success, which cannot be higher than he is. The height of the ambition of him who is avaricious, is wealth; the born ruler's aim is power; the student's only desire is knowledge; the end of all is happiness; but the pinnacle is never reached, for as the person advances, his ideal advances.

Then it should be our aim to be honest, sincere, genuine. We should not be satisfied with an apology. Even tho our lives be in a lowly strain, let them be true, good, noble; not glittering, glaring, unsteady. The former is true greatness; the latter, mere sham. And as we draw nearer and nearer to life's sunset, when all our work shall have done, we shall be brought to realize more and more that true greatness is true goodness; that the greatest success is the greatest happiness.

#### FIRST PREDICTOR OF AN ECLIPSE.

To-day, surrounded as we are with instruments to scour and measure the heavens and with extended works of science to act as our guide, we are able to study the stars, the planets, yes, all the heavenly bodies as they come into view. The conjunctions of these bodies and the eclipses of the sun or moon, total or partial, are foretold with accuracy.

These occurrences have come to us to appear very simple in their explanation; but we have before us the results of ages of study. How do you think the first predictor of an eclipse was able to make the bold assertion, "The sun shall expire in dark eclipse, blacker than a thousand nights?"

In the first place we would note that a mountain's summit was his observatory; his only instrument, his logical mind.

By continued and patient watching, year after year, he discovered that the moon's course in the heavens crossed that of the sun; and further, that the point of crossing was not fixed. The sun, he found, always travels in the same path while the moon does not, but continues

in its endless windings among the stars entirely around the ecliptic.

This was one step toward revealing the mystery. Still he continues his watching and reasoning. He notes each eclipse and the circumstances attending it, and after a long time makes a grand discovery. He finds that there will be no eclipse of the sun unless the new moon crosses its path. He now thinks he has the key which will open the door and reveal to the world what has hitherto been unknown.

Accordingly he looks forward from new moon to new moon, noting that each one approaches nearer to the sun's course, and at length determines upon the one which will cause an eclipse. He now announced to the world a total eclipse of the sun. With great eagerness does he watch the moon's course. Revolution after revolution passes by. To the weary watcher time seems to fly on leaden wings.

At last the time has arrived. The day for the predicted eclipse has come. In the early morning the philosopher is perched on the mountain top. He sees the great sun glaring in all its splendor rise above the horizon. Higher and higher it rises and still there is no sign of an eclipse. The midday hour is approaching and he is beginning to lose courage; he begins to waver in his faith. But he is soon to be rewarded. Nature is beginning to put on a pale and ghastly hue; the great disc of the sun is clouded and at length begins to disappear. A dark veil is being drawn over its bright surface. Slowly but steadily it moves and finally the entire face is covered. Darkness now reigns supreme.

The valley below is rent with cries of despair and agony from the frightened

and horror-stricken people. On that mountain-top, however, the lonely occupant is pouring forth his heartfelt thanks in gratitude to God for the wonderful victory he has achieved.

The prediction of the bold predictor was fulfilled. His works remain but his name to us is forever lost. It has been said of him: "He has perished from the earth; name, age, country, are all swept into oblivion. But his proud achievement stands. The monument reared to his honor stands, and although the touch of Time has effaced the lettering of his name, it is powerless, and cannot destroy the fruits of his victory."

H. O. WILLIAMS, '96.

#### RUSKIN AS AN EDUCATOR.

The world can never pay the debt it owes John Ruskin. Even the younger readers have been charmed with his fascinating style, his perfect, transparent clearness, his purity, his brilliance, his unfettered imagination, his subtle insight into all the forms of beauty. And who can pay heed, and not learn? As an educator, his has been a work "of all time."

Ruskin has taught us the value of words. He has let us plainly and distinctly understand that it is not a mere gabbler of languages, not a dusty bookworm, who is the educated person. He says in one of his lectures, "Words, if they are not watched, will do deadly work sometimes." Then again, "The accent, or turn of expression of a single sentence, will at once mark a scholar."

It is he who has taught us that it takes a whole life to learn any language perfectly. It is he who has advised us, young or old, boy or girl, to study our

dictionaries; to learn the Greek alphabet—even tho we do not try to know the language—as a means of ascertaining the origin of our words.

Ruskin plead for a more thorough knowledge, a better use of books, science and nature. He deemed it better “to build a beautiful human creature than a beautiful dome or steeple.” Wisdom he prized as a treasure more valuable than gold and jewels.

FRANCES GAYNER MOSER.

### A RHINE-TOUR.

One of the many pleasures which I enjoyed during my recent stay in the Fatherland was a delightful Rhine-tour, made in company with my brother-in-law. Leaving my home—Wermelkirchen, a town of about 16,000 inhabitants, twenty miles north of Cologne—early on the morning of August 12, we made our first top at Koenigswinter. East of this place the Siebengebirge is seen, its best known mountains being the Drachenfels, Petersberg and Oelberg—each more than 1000 feet high. We first ascended the Drachenfels, taking our way through the exceedingly charming Nachtigallenthal. The splendid views from the summit of the Drachenfels at once cause us to think of fairy land. The country of the Lilliputians is spread before us. It is extremely interesting to watch the little people below, their dwelling-places, their pretty little houses and carriages, their labors and pleasures. Just now a boat approaches and we observe a number of people entering it and taking a pleasure-trip on a silver brooklet. The country of the Lilliputians extends far to the west, where in an open plain a multitude

of peaceful and quiet villagers is seen. But toward the east many mountain giants clad with green appear, which separate the country of the little people from the outside world.

Descending the Drachenfels, while yet enraptured by the scenes of fairy land, we were reminded of the practical side of life by a sign at one of the hotels, “English spoken.” This opportunity of practicing for a little while my lately neglected English I would by no means let pass by. So we entered. Yes, they did speak English. And we paid like Englishmen, too.

After we had ascended the Petersberg we crossed the Rhine and were now at Godesberg, a beautiful village celebrated for its mineral waters and beautiful flowers. Some of the villagers have acquired great skill in conversing in French. I have been told that owing to the mild climate and other advantages peculiar to Godesberg no one will find any difficulty at that place in learning: *j'aime, tu aimes, nous aimous*. Unfortunately time did not permit me to make a trial.

The next scenery was so terribly grand that persons with weak nerves should not read this part. Hemmed in on every side by towering mountains, the train rushed through the Ahr valley. Remember that here is the place where under the dark shadows of night witches and goblins used to have their secret meetings, devising some new nefarious deeds of bloodshed and murder. The train stops. We are at Altenahr. Surely, if you desire to see real wild, natural romance, here you have it to your heart's content. It seems as tho nature had her workshop here, where all the mountains of the world are manufactured and then promiscuously scattered. Huge rocks

threaten to fall and crush every living being under their weight. The wild surroundings have given rise to many a tale now current among the inhabitants of that region. In these tales the devil and his grandmother generally play a prominent part. Once the devil became dissatisfied with his wicked ways and desired to reform. So he stole the necessary timber and built a chapel. Then he stole a clerical gown and a prayer-book and commenced in earnest to be real good. The devil's grandmother, however, did not like such doings. Knowing the power of beauty she assumed the form of a pretty girl. When she passed by she attracted the devil's attention, and now all thoughts of reform were abandoned. Woman's cunning outwitted even the devil, for when he tried to imprint a kiss upon the rosy cheek of the maiden, lo! her features changed and his old, ugly grandmother stood before him. Enraged with fury, the devil seized an immense stone and threw it at his grandma. But she escaped and the stone hit and pierced a mighty mountain. The hole is still to be seen.

Travellers in the Ahr valley should make a foot tour from Altenahr to Neuenahr, a distance of about eight miles.

We now visited Ems, an aristocratic town, famous for its mineral waters. Here it was, on the 13th of July, 1870, that King William refused to be further troubled by Benedetti, the French ambassador, which event was closely followed by the declaration of war on the part of France. A beautiful marble statue of Emperor William has been erected here.

Next morning we took the first train to Bingerbrueck, a village on the left side of the Rhine, separated from fair

Bingen by the Nabe. East of Bingerbrueck Ruedesheim is seen and the Niederwald with the national monument of the German empire.

*(To be continued.)*

WM. TÖENNES, S. T. '97.

### CHALK.

I don't mean those chalk pencils which you can buy in boxes, and which are manufactured for the use of schools, but the little piece of common chalk which a carpenter uses to chalk his line.

A very common uninteresting thing it is; but like most common things it has a history which invests it with peculiar interest, which makes us look at it with much the same reverence with which we regard relics of the most remote antiquity.

To the celebrated scientist Prof. Huxley, we are indebted chiefly for what we know about it.

The whole bottom of the Atlantic is a vast plain of chalk, covered by a soft grey muck, which also is chalk not yet hardened.

All over the world this chalk is found—in Europe, Asia, and Africa. The white cliffs at Dover, from which England takes the name of Albion, are chalk. The city of Paris is built upon chalk.

That vast mass of chalk which forms the bottom of the Atlantic, to say nothing of the thousands of miles of it all over the globe, is composed of the petrified bodies of innumerable tiny things which come to life in the sea, float about awhile, live their own life, and die and sink down, down, so slowly that it takes years to reach their burial place, which in some places is from ten to fifteen thousand feet deep.

For ages countless myriads of these tiny things went on living and dying, falling to the bottom and becoming hardened into that friable white substance which we call chalk.

These tiny creatures are mere particles of living jelly, without mouths, nerves, muscles, or distinct organs; and yet capable of feeling, growing, multiplying, and dying; of drawing into themselves the carbonate of lime which is in the water, and out of which grow the skeletons or shells which help to make chalk; for chalk when analyzed is simply carbonic acid gas and lime, or, as chemists call it, carbonate of lime.

If chalk is heated to a high degree, the carbonic acid gas will fly away, and there will be only lime left, or if you scrape some chalk into a good quantity of strong vinegar, it will bubble and sizzle for a while, and then there will remain only a clear liquid. In this experiment you see the carbonic acid gas going off in bubbles; the lime, dissolved in the vinegar, disappears.

Chalk was discovered through the sounding of the Atlantic by means of which some of the greyish mud was brought to the surface. This was dried and put under a microscope, which revealed the corpses of these jelly-fish of all sizes and in all stages of petrification.

This species is called *Giobignerae*, and the scientists soon found out that these were exactly the same as found in the great chalk cliffs and other formations all over the world.

J. M. STICK, '99.

#### LANDSCAPE GARDENING.

Standing on the very threshold of the twentieth century as he does, it is a very

serious matter for the young man of today to decide what his life-work shall be. We are told to study our abilities, our tastes, and make our decision according to them.

The cry is that the professions are crowded; too many lawyers, doctors, preachers, teachers, now. Even the trades are full. There are more painters, carpenters, mechanics of all kinds, than we need. Demosthenes was not a born orator. It took years of practice, severe practice, before he could sway the multitudes. We read that he put pebbles into his mouth and stood by the sea-shore, speaking against wave and wind. If Demosthenes could *make* of himself an orator, a young man can educate himself to a work to which he is not naturally inclined.

We cannot afford to be worse men than our fathers were. If they have become great in life, how may we become great, knowing as we do that almost every avenue of life is crowded. One of the great needs of the day, a need calling for educated, earnest, hard workers, and one which will utilize men in an art which is not crowded with artists, is landscape gardening. The need is self-evident. In the rush and bustle for a place of business, the building of miles of railway, the magic springing up of cities, and the carelessness of man in general, nature has been soiled by human hands. And now those same hands intelligently employed must beautify nature.

To become a landscape gardener, the young man must first cultivate himself and his powers of observation and that love for natural beauty which is more the direct result of study than the gift of birth or nature. A thorough knowledge of botany is absolutely necessary. Ex-



tensive traveling is essential. And since much of landscape gardening is done in connection with building, architecture should be studied in a general way. The foundation once laid, the work still is not easy, tho pleasant. Year after year the young man must plod on and on, seeing failure sometimes, but more frequently achieving success which will be a grand memorial to him thro his entire life.

When one thinks of what Central Park once was and now is, he can form an idea as to what landscape gardening can do. Less than twenty-five years ago the greater part of the area of the present Central Park was a mass of rude rocks, tangled brushwood, tumble-down shanties, and ash heaps. It had for a long time been the ground for depositing city refuse. To-day it needs only the maturing which the lapse of time will give to its trees to make it one of the most beautiful parks in the world.

Young men, seize your opportunity.

Others have been great in war, in oratory, in literature, in work of every kind. Make for yourself a name by becoming a skilled trainer of nature. In the present condition of the country, it will require years before any very real effects are perceptible or appreciated. But once accomplished, this glorious land of America will not only be the home of the brave and the free, the grandest of nations, but also the most beautiful country on the face of the earth. May the time soon come when we shall realize that as the bright and morning star shines with a more brilliant lustre and is more noticeable than the surrounding stars, so nature trained and made to appear beautiful will cause this country to stand out and above the other nations of the world even more perceptibly than she does at present, and will raise the standard of morality, of Christian citizenship, of culture, and of love for home and native land.

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## COLLEGE NEWS.

### ZWINGLIAN SOCIETY.

The following are the recently elected officers: President, E. J. Laros, '96; Vice-President, J. P. Spatz, '97; Recording Secretary, J. S. Heiges, '98; Corresponding Secretary, Jay Newton Kugler, '99; Treasurer, W. Garrett, '99; Critic, L. A. Williamson; Chaplain, C. A. Waltman, '99; Musical Director, A. L. Horst, '99; Editors, W. M. Rife, '98, and H. H. Shenk, '99; Janitor, William Buchanan, '99.

On the 5th of October the following

program was rendered by members and friends of the society: Instrumental Music, Laros family; Select Reading, R. L. Johnson, '97; Declamation, William Delaney, A; Piano Solo, Miss Agnes Hunsicker; Essay, E. M. Scheirer, '96; Recitation, J. D. Hicks, S. T.; Piano Duet, A. L. Horst, '99, and W. Garrett, '99; Oration, H. H. Shenk, '99; Zwinglian Review, W. M. Rife, '98; Mandolin Solo, Miss Francis Moser.

These annual meetings, to which the friends of the society are invited, are entertaining, instructive and encouraging.

On November 22 the two societies met in the Zwinglian Hall. The political editor of the *Philadelphia Times* had promised to address the meeting, but pressing business did not allow the gentleman to be present. The evening was, however, delightfully spent in reciting choice selections, in declaiming original compositions, in reading the Zwinglian Review, in making impromptu addresses and in discoursing fine music. It is hoped that the congratulatory remarks and expressions of good-will may linger long on the memory of all.

E. M. Scheirer, '96, A. N. Stubblebine, '96, and R. L. Johnson, '97, will represent the society in the debate on February 22.

#### SCHAFF SOCIETY.

On Friday evening, November 22, the society visited the Zwinglian Literary Society in Zwinglian Hall. This was the first meeting of the two societies as one body, in the history of the college. It is earnestly hoped that many meetings of this kind may follow, in order to establish a most friendly relationship between the two societies. The meeting was presided over by Williams, '96, of our society. A very interesting program was rendered, consisting of music by members and friends of the societies, and impromptu speeches by several members of both societies and alumni members. We contemplate holding a similar meeting in our hall in the near future.

The society has decided to secure the services of the Glee and Mandolin clubs to furnish the music for its twenty-fifth anniversary, on Friday evening, December 13, 1895.

The society has selected G. W. Zimmerman, '96, A. C. Thompson, '96, and H. O. Williams, '96, as its representatives in the contest on Washington's birthday.

The membership of the society is constantly increasing. During the month Elias S. Detwiler, A., Yerkes, Pa., was received into active membership.

#### Y. M. C. A.

The week of prayer, November 10-16, was duly observed by the Y. M. C. A. The meetings were very well attended, the average attendance being seventy. The collection during the week amounted to \$4.16, which will be devoted to missionary work.

Altho there are no visible signs as a result of the meetings, still there is no doubt but that those who attended the meetings were raised to a higher plain in their Christian experience, and encouraged to persevere in the Master's work. The first meeting was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Sechler, of Philadelphia. His subject was, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" Several beautiful lessons were taught through the talk by the Rev. Mr. Haslam, of Norristown on Tuesday evening. His subject was, "For me to live is Christ; to die is gain." Wednesday evening the Rev. Mr. Kurtz, of Trappe, spoke on "Devotion." The Rev. Prof. Wm. Hinke, of the college, spoke Thursday evening on the subject, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." Friday evening Dr. Good addressed the students. As usual his remarks were very earnest, sincere, and touching. Dr. Good also sang two solos, which were even more impressive than his words.

The week of prayer was fittingly brought to a close on Saturday evening by the Rev. Mr. Schmidt of Schwenksville. His subject was, "Practical points in Christianity"

The week of prayer is ended. Whether the work begun during the week will continue, or whether the association will take another rest remains to be seen. Only in so far as the work is followed up and pushed hard, can the week of prayer be called a success.

### LIBRARY NOTES.

#### REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

The following contributions in money were received last year (1894-95), all of which were applied in the purchase of new books in the departments of Theology, Philosophy, Biology, Physics, Mathematics and Current Literature:

The Rev. E. J. Fogel, D. D.,	\$100 00
M. Peters,	150 00
"A friend,"	50 00
The Hon. H. K. Boyer,	50 00
Prof. J. Horace Landis,	50 00
Mayne R. Longstreth, Esq.,	26 50
Prof. E. M. Hyde, L. H. D.,	25 00
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	\$451 50

All the books are card catalogued and entered in the accession book, credited to the donor, with the price paid for each book. Valuable contributions in books were also received from the Rev. James I. Good, D. D., F. G. Hobson, Esq., the Rev. J. R. Miller, D. D., the Rev. R. S. Appel, Prof. A. Lincoln Landis, the Hon. Marriott Brosius, the Hon. I. P. Wanger, A. D. Fetterolf, and from the Legislative Departments at Washington and Harrisburg and the Smithsonian Institution. The Library is open to all students for

reference and the drawing of books during the day and evening and for reading on Sunday from two to five o'clock P. M. The students in general make faithful use of the privileges thus afforded.

M. PETERS,  
Librarian.

### MUSICAL CONCERT.

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs made their debut in Bomberger Hall on Monday evening, November 25. They were frequently encored. The following interesting program was rendered:

#### PART I.

1. THE BRIDGE, *Lindsay*  
GLEE CLUB.
2. MANHATTAN BEACH, *Sousa*  
MANDOLIN CLUB.
3. { *a.* QUEEN OF THE VALLEY, *Miss Weinberger, '84*  
*b.* MY KENTUCKY HOME, *Foster*  
MR. LONG AND GLEE.
4. BANJO SOLO—"The Voyage," *Armstrong*  
W. R. MOYER.
5. SCHNEIDER'S BAND, *Mason*  
GLEE CLUB.

#### PART II.

1. BRAVE URSINUS, *Rambler*  
GLEE CLUB.
2. ATLANTA WALTZ, *Weaver*  
MANDOLIN CLUB.
3. DOWN BY THE RIVER SIDE, *Shepard*  
MR. ROHRBAUGH AND GLEE.
4. THE 'POSSUM DANCE, *Weaver*  
MANDOLIN CLUB.
5. CATASTROPHE, *Sprague*  
GLEE CLUB.

### LADIES' ENTERTAINMENT.

The young ladies, assisted by the celebrated "Automatic Warblers," gave a very successful entertainment on Tuesday evening, November 19. The auditorium of Bomberger Hall was filled with an

appreciative audience. The Automatic Warblers called forth much applause. Clad in pink and blue, wearing white kid slippers and carrying crooks in their hands, the young ladies were very attractive, altho we hardly believe that the ancient shepherdesses wore white kid slippers. The program was as follows:

- DUET, PIANO, *Lutspiel*  
 MISSES HENDRICKS AND HUNSICKER.  
 RECITATION, "The Frontier Wedding"  
 MISS STEARLY.  
 MUSIC, *Selected*  
 AUTOMATIC WARBLERS.  
 RECITATION, "The Old Actor's Story"  
 MISS GRISTOCK.  
 SOLO, VOCAL, "Tell Her I Love Her So"  
 MISS WERNER.  
 RECITATION, "The Child Martyr"  
 MISS BOWMAN.  
 SOLO, VOCAL, "The Distant Shore"  
 MISS MENSCH.  
 MUSIC, *Selected*  
 AUTOMATIC WARBLERS.  
 RECITATION, "Nicodemus Dodge"  
 MR. HICKS.  
 LANDOLIN SOLO, Caprice, E Minor  
 MISS MOSER.  
 SHEPHERDS' DRILL,  
 SIXTEEN YOUNG LADIES.

**LOCALS.**

One!  
 One! two!  
 Thanksgiving.  
 $x$  plus  $y$  equals  $41$ .  
 Subscribe for the BULLETIN.  
 Williams, '96, whiled away his vacation at Arcola.  
 The "Warblers" are hunting for Mary's little lamb.  
 The foot-ball players have returned their bloomers.  
 Fogelman's favorite tune is "Shadows on the Water."

Eddie had his hair cut for the season. Where are the locks?

Not long ago Messrs. Ker and Lodge surprised Mr. Rowland.

Shelley, '97, is among the frequent visitors of the Ladies' Hall.

Reagle, '97, is assisting Prof. Saunders in the physical laboratory.

Touch ye, O Samson! the sourest points with sweetest terms.

W. U. Helffrich, S. T., '96, has returned after a long absence.

Mr. Foot-ball, step in to the box and give an account of yourself.

Shalkop, '98, mutilated his face, but it is neither red nor swollen.

W. B. Duttera, S. T., '97, is doing mission work in Easton, Pa.

W. H. Erb, S. T., '96, preached at Summit Hill on November 24.

Scheirer is glad that the Demorest silver medal remains in the family.

Rhodes and Algebra are synonymous terms, but they are not identical.

Alexander, A., thinks he will embrace photograpy in all its departments.

On state occasions, Stubblebine, '96, is a graceful master of ceremonies.

"Joe Shaner" will retaliate "bodily" upon the man who threw the water.

On November 10, Maurice Samson, S. T., '97, preached at Prospectville, Pa.

Many of the students visited in Philadelphia during the Thanksgiving recess.

The young ladies of the college were photographed in their "Shepherd Costumes."

Stauffer, S. T., '97, and Omwake, '98, are exceedingly interested in the Mandolin Club.

The second hall of the East Wing was not on fire even if smoke escaped from Spatz's room.

Lebanon has lost its charms; for Andy says, "Where my thoughts are there my heart is also."

The verdict of the Sophomore class is that a treatise on Conic Sections is not a readable discourse.

On November 17, J. D. Hicks, S. T., '97, preached for Rev. Henry A. Bomberger, Philadelphia.

On November 17, J. Hunter Watts, S. T., '97, preached in Bethany Lutheran church, Philadelphia.

The Freshmen have a second-hand yell in their throats. The author is welcome to his laurels.

Cadwallader says, "I have ever held my cap off to thy fortunes yet without grace thou hast refused."

L. J. Rohrbaugh, S. T., '97, spent a week in York county, Pa. While away he preached at several places.

Examinations are becoming a familiar topic. Boys, screw your courage to the sticking place and you'll not fail.

Gilds, '97, is jack-of-all-trades. His latest development is in the culinary art—hot buckwheat cakes a specialty.

Buchanan is not willing to pay much for his photograph. Billy, remember that a thing of beauty is a joy forever.

The Seniors delight in quoting:

"Small curs are not regarded when they grin,  
But great men tremble when the lions roar."

On November 28, Ross F. Wicks, S. T., '96, lectured in Rev. Mauger's church at Stone Church, Northampton county, Pa.

The Thanksgiving recess began at 8.30 o'clock on Wednesday morning but many of the students went home on Tuesday.

On November 1, the Prospect Terrace was on fire. The student-body was there and did invaluable service if their own reports are worthy of credence.

By permission of the "Sophs" the Freshman class and "Butz" were photographed. The negative has a very revengeful expression.

The manager of the Ursinus Boarding Club did a charitable act in serving a turkey that filled the dish as nicely as the pudding his skin.

The Sophs above with joyful glee,  
Did duck the little Freshmen three,  
Who were below in rows arranged  
To have their photographs obtained.

Prof Kline, Ernest Preuss, Maurice Samson and Ross F. Wicks attended the Inter-Seminary Missionary Alliance Convention held in Lancaster, Pa.

On November 24, President Spangler and Prof. Hinke preached at the sesquicentennial celebration of the Lehigh church in Lehigh county, Pa.

During the Thanksgiving recess A. Theodore Wright, S. T., '98, presented his lecture on "Light and Shadows" before different audiences in Northampton county, Pa.

General W. H. H. Davis, a veteran of the Mexican war, will give his popular lecture, "Cortez and the Montezumas," in Bomberger Memorial Hall on Monday

evening, December 16. It will be a free lecture.

Wehler, '97, and Schwartz, A., sojourned a week in Adams county, Pa. Beside attending teachers' institute and spelling bees, they were present at dinner parties and sundry other gatherings of no less importance.

On November 22, Shellenberger, S. T., '98, Scheirer, '96, Thompson, '96, Gilds, '97, Reimert, '98, took part in a literary contest held in Masonic Hall, Trappe, Pa. For divers reasons the boys did not want the medal.

Some of the students attended the revival meetings at Evansburg. Though they tipped their hats gracefully and bowed deferentially yet they came back with sad but kindly exceptions to their proffered courtesy.

The Second Federal Council of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip held in Philadelphia on Nov. 16 and 17 was attended by Dr. Good, Prof. Peters, J. Hunter Watts, J. D. Hicks and J. M. S. Isenberg. Dr. Good addressed the Brotherhood on the 16th.

#### MEETING OF DIRECTORS.

The Fall meeting of the Board of Directors was held in the President's rooms Tuesday morning, Nov. 20. Before en-

tering the session Dr. James M. Anders, Professor of the Practice of Medicine in the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, and several other Directors inspected the newly equipped Physical Laboratory, and expressed themselves as greatly pleased with the progress made in the equipment of the college for scientific work.

The Board elected Dr. Saunders to the Professorship of Mathematics, &c., the duties of which he has been discharging since November 1 as Instructor under appointment of the Executive Committee. A subscription of \$500.00, from Hon. Henry K. Boyer, a director of the college, toward the equipment of the Physical Laboratory was gratefully acknowledged by the Board. The Field Secretary, Rev. H. E. Jones, rendered a very satisfactory report. To meet immediate wants of the institution he was instructed to raise \$100 or more in each contribution in at least fifty congregations before June next. The BULLETIN is gratified to announce that at this writing, members of Trinity church, Collegeville, and St. Luke's, Trappe, have already contributed to this movement, almost the whole amount requested of their respective congregations, and bespeaks for the Field Secretary the cordial cooperation of alumni who may be approached on the subject.

Other routine business was transacted and the members dispersed at 12.30 o'clock encouraged and hopeful.

#### ALUMNI NOTES.

'76, S. T. Rev. C. H. Coon, A. M., held revival services in one of the prominent churches in Washington, D. C. Eighty conversions were the result of his

labor. Rev. Coon is the pastor of Trinity Reformed church, Philadelphia. His congregation is taking a lively interest in all church work. The C. E. society

connected with his congregation recently celebrated its anniversary. The progressive spirit of Trinity Reformed church is due to Brother Coon's zeal and energy.

'79, S. T. Rev. N. W. Helffrich, A. M., of Allentown, had the privilege of conducting, on Sunday, November 24, jointly with the Lutheran pastor, A. R. Horne, D. D., the sesqui-centennial of the Lehigh church, located one mile from Alburts, Pa. From 1745 till 1845 the congregation was exclusively Lutheran. In the latter year a Reformed congregation was organized and equal rights were accorded to it in the church property. A similar courtesy had been extended in 1810 to the Lutheran congregation at Longswamp, two miles distant, where the Reformed had previously held exclusive ownership of the church property. Mr. Helffrich is pastor of both congregations and is indefatigable in his efforts to build up the churches of which he has charge.

'83. A. Lincoln Landis, M. S., Philadelphia, is engaged in the manufacture of files. "Link" takes as much interest in Ursinus as he did when professor of mathematics.

'86. D. Charles Murtha, M. S., is extensively engaged in the manufacture of bricks. The Field Secretary tells us that whole blocks of houses are being built with Murtha's bricks, and he thinks a dormitory of the same material would look well upon Ursinus' campus.

'88. Rev. J. Lewis Fluck, A. M., B. D., on Sunday, November 10, supplied the pulpit of the Durham charge. Rev. Fluck is now doing post-graduate work in Philosophy in the University of Pennsylvania.

'88. Rev. C. U. O. Derr, A. M., B. D.,

Spring City, Pa., recently celebrated the fifth anniversary of the Christian Endeavor society belonging to his congregation, and at the same time completed the first year of institutional church work.

'90, S. T. Rev. C. B. Alspach, A. M., Danville, Pa., has been elected President of Junior work of Columbia-Montour county.

'90. Rev. C. H. Brandt, A. B., has been elected President of the Christian Endeavor Union of Columbia and Montour counties.

'90. Prof. G. H. Meixell, A. M., is fast climbing to the top of the ladder. His many friends will be pleased to learn that he has been elected a member of two learned societies.

'91. Rev. P. E. Heimer, A. B., Abbotstown, Pa., is meeting with a great deal of success in his charge. The communion season just closed, and the fall collections show that his people are working in the right direction.

'92, S. T. Rev. E. F. Wiest recently celebrated the third anniversary of his pastorate among his people. Judging from the zeal with which his people take hold of church work, we conclude that they must have caught some of "Ed's" spirit.

'93, S. T. Rev. Marsby J. Roth, A. B., has been elected pastor of Second Reformed church, Hanover, York county, Pa. Rev. Roth has resigned his Summit Hill charge and expects to enter upon his new duties about December 15.

'95. D. Irvin Conkle, A. B., has entered Auburn Theological Seminary, where he is pursuing a course in Theology.

**MARRIAGES.**

'91. William H. Knipe, A. B., M. D., and Miss Mary Anne Pennepacker were married Tuesday, November 19. The happy event took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B.

Pennepacker, Schwenksville, in the presence of a number of invited guests. Dr. and Mrs. Knipe will reside in McConnellstown, Pa., where he is practicing medicine. The BULLETIN congratulates.

**ATHLETICS.**

The football season closed about two weeks sooner than was expected. Not many victories were won but the work of the team in the games that were played showed that they were making headway in the game. That the season could and should have been more successful no one doubts, but when there is an interim of three weeks in which no game is played, as was the case between the Lafayette and Haverford games, a disastrous result is sure to follow. While we do not wish to criticise the management, yet we feel that a schedule could be arranged which would bring the harder games every other week and the lighter games between.

After the game with Haverford the Athletic Committee judiciously decided to cancel all games and relieve the men for the balance of the season. This conclusion was necessary for the good of athletics at Ursinus for some of the men did not seem disposed to obey the orders of coach and captain. Besides ending the season early some of the men will be debarred from participating in athletics for a period of six months.

It is very much to be regretted that such action was necessary, for the athletic committee endeavored to place athletics on a firm basis by raising the necessary subscriptions and over-seeing the work in general thereby removing all the responsibility from the students.

Several years ago the Athletic Association had all the care and trouble concurrent with the management of the several teams and upon the association depended the responsibility of raising the money to meet the expenses and as a result the season was often a financial failure. It was felt that if athletics were to be successful a different plan must be pursued and so an Athletic Committee consisting of two members from the Faculty, one alumnus and two undergraduates was formed who had charge of athletics. Profs. Peters and Mensch represent the Faculty and F. G. Hobson, Esq., the alumni association.

Thus encouraged athletics took new life and all united to place successful teams in the field. Coachers were procured for the baseball and football teams. A new course of training was established and a greater activity was apparent among the students. All looked for a successful season under the new order but altho the season was not what it might have been yet we can look for better results in the future for the new order will undoubtedly prove beneficial. The only sure way of making athletics successful is by all heartily cooperating and the teams being obedient and earnest.

We were glad to see the number of men on the field at the latter part of the season taking an active part in the second team. Many of those on the second



team are promising men for the team of '96.

E. J. Laros, '96, has been elected manager of the baseball team of '96.

H. S. Shelly, '97, has been elected captain of the football team for '96.

Ursinus went to Haverford on the 13th of November with the expectation of putting an end to Haverford's victories but sad to relate their noble ambition died amid the heavy rushes of their opponents. While our men played hard, yet there was a lack of defensive work which proved disastrous. The interference was by no means what it should have been and the fumbling was very costly. The ends played too near the tackles and would wait too long to break up the interference. The line seemed unable to stop the terrific rushes of Alsap. On the offensive Ursinus did well but just at a critical moment fumbling back of the line would lose the ball. Twice touchdowns were made by dropping punts.

There is no doubt a far less score would have been the result had there been active practice before the game. This defeat can be laid almost wholly upon the scrubs because of their unwillingness to line up against the first team, for then

Ursinus would not have been so deplorably weak in defensive playing. Scheirer was hurt soon after play began, and so was handicapped throughout the game. McKee, Shelley and Cadwallader played a very strong game, and they all made excellent tackles. Rahn worked hard at guard and did some good tackling. Keller fell off miserably in his playing and made some costly misplayes at quarter.

Score, Haverford 34, Ursinus 0.

A very interesting game was played on the home grounds on November 16 between Ursinus 2nd eleven and Phoenixville High School. There were many splendid runs and some good interference. From the way Lerch went at the line you would have thought Knipe of U. P. was playing. He would plough his way thro the line for big gain every time. Waltman at end played a splendid game, making three touchdowns after good interference and long runs. He did some splendid tackling. Landis and Spangler also played well. For Phoenixville, Essig, Gold and Bailets put up a good game. Near the close of the second half Phoenixville scored on a fumble.

Score, Ursinus 2nd 28, Phoenixville H. S., 4.

## EXCHANGES.

We wish to state to our co-laborers in sister institutions that our exchanges are placed, as soon as they come, on the reading tables in the library. Here they are at the hands of every student and professor in the college, and their appreciation of them is plainly indicated by the eagerness with which they are read. For the benefit of our own students we would say that many of these papers contain well-written and interesting articles on

collegiate subjects besides personal and general news of the college world which every student ought to know.

In an editorial article the *College Mercury* very justly takes exception to a resolution adopted by the Lutheran Synod under whose authority the college at Gettysburg is conducted. The resolution suggests the abandonment of inter-collegiate sports, and the *Mercury* makes many very timely protest.