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THE editors of our local columns have begun a policy which receives our heartiest commendation. It is the purpose to keep out of these columns all such items of nonsense as have from time to time under the misconception of a "joke" found a place in the local department. This department is maintained for the purpose of publishing short news items of a local and personal character, and will be carefully edited with this idea in view. If we were to institute a "Wit and Humor" column in which jokes might find a proper medium, we would not object to publishing them, but until contributions of this kind become much more numerous and of better quality we will conduct the BULLETIN strictly as a literary and news journal, and allow the puns and jokes to find publication through the other student publication, whose proper business it is to publish such material.

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Now that there is a growing disposition to contribute to our literary columns, perhaps a word about the character of these contributions might be in order. Of course we are just as anxious as the contributors themselves that they should be the very best possible. In the selection of subjects students would do well to choose such themes as naturally appeal to them as being interesting. Such subjects may always be found arising out of the various lines of study pursued in the college course.

With the specialized courses which we have at Ursinus, there is a rich field

thrown open for work of an original character, which if wrought out and written up will be of great profit to the writer as well as of genuine interest to the reader. Reviews and discussions of standard literature, historical essays, papers on scientific and philosophical subjects, such as are suggested by class work, make the most desirable kind of contributions for the literary department of a college paper. Next to the importance of selecting a proper subject is the time taken in preparation. The greatest danger is in too hasty preparation of the article. Our best literature is that which was long in the hands of the author and his critic.

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WITHOUT condemning "college slang" on the grounds of its own baseness, there are other evident and ample reasons why an effort should be made by the student to avoid it. If we study it in its effects we find that it has a tendency not only to vitiate the language but also to weaken it. As a rule slang expressions in their form are opposed to grammatical rules. The chief element of value in a slang phrase seems to be its utter disregard of

grammatical form, by virtue of which it may have an almost unlimited application in use and meaning. From this as a leading characteristic of slang we find that there are two ways in which its use degrades the language. In the first place the appropriation of these set expressions which have no well defined and accurate meaning, for expressing what should be told in good, clear English, not only introduces inaccuracy in the particular instances in which they may be used, but at the same time acts as a sort of license for other malconstructions and misappropriations in the use of words and phrases. The introduction of slang has a tendency to render the language ineffective and misleading.

The second evil which the use of slang works in the language is very much like that which is wrought in society by the introduction of bad company. The purest and best language is that which expresses fully and without fault, by means of a good and pure diction, the meaning intended. Slang is a menace to this standard and its introduction means immediate and rapid corruption. Fortunate is he who has not permitted this poison to enter his language.

## LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

"IF."

If every heart were filled with love,  
And every love were true,  
The world in which we live today,  
Would change from old to new.

If every tongue would speak the truth,  
Nor dare to tell a lie,  
How few would be the number then  
Of those who fear to die!

If every thought were only pure,  
And every act sincere,

Men's deeds would never be forgot,  
Nor ever perish here.

If every frown would be a smile,  
And tears were wiped away,  
Life in its course would ever be  
Like sun at break of day.

Oh! if our lives would only be  
The gifts we want to give,  
God would look down from heaven above,  
And show us how to live.

B. F. P., '99.

## THE ELEMENT OF PERSONAL CONTACT IN COLLEGE LIFE.

Education! a much-hackneyed word. A trite subject, but the subject which is paramount in the life and work of the scholar. Since the revival of learning the "problem of education" has held man's intellect at bay. Partial solutions have been offered, but only partial. Every advance in learning brings a corresponding advance in civilization with a further corresponding change in society and politics. The "problem of education" is a "perpetual metamorphosis" full of interest and profound in its meaning. The "problem" persists. Every year attention is focused on some new educational doctrine as promulgated by some individual or organization. Within the present year everybody has heard of the announcement—which suggested this subject—of the correspondence courses offered by the Cosmopolitan University.

It is not the purpose of this article to criticise the means and methods of the Cosmopolitan University or any other school of correspondence. Those schools bring a liberal education to many whom circumstances deny admission to college. It is purposed, however, to show that an institution in which there is a community of students and an associated corps of instructors can, from its nature, do better work because of this element of personal contact.

The words of Noah Porter, "The most effective instruction is that which is personal and familiar," need no commentary. Their truth is an observed fact. The shot is most deadly when fired at short range. Though, in a sense, every man is "selfmade" he becomes the architect of his own fortune only after having served

a proper apprenticeship in school; after having received instruction in the principles of his trade under a master workman. "Mindbuilding" is the function of the college. To make a man of the best sort possible is the object of education. As the artist works upon the canvas and the sculptor chisels from the cold marble a beautiful form, so the highest results of pedagogy are observed where teacher and pupil meet face to face.

The work of education is more than a handicraft; more than a heaping together of facts; more than mere knowledge; more than making a "word-cistern" of a man. Teaching is more than telling; more than guiding; more than supplementing the student's efforts; more than the development of thought-power; more than mental discipline. It is an epigram of Emerson's, "Hitch your chariot to a star," and let the enjoiner be added, make the "hitch" short. The true teacher is a sympathetic friend as well as a monitor and guide. As works of biography are proper literature for the young, so, in a greater degree, it is profitable to associate with men of liberal culture and great attainments. It is the "clash of mind" that strengthens mind. One cannot be brought into contact with a cultured man without being conscious of the subtle influence of that culture. We feel the utter insignificance of our imbecile selves in the presence of one whose

"Very name is a title-page, and next  
His life a commentary on the text."

A mind beautified and enriched by wisdom and experience is elevating and refining in its contact with mind. The sober judgment of an intellect that has drunk deep the "Pierian spring" is an effectual inspiration to vigorous intellectual manhood. Personal contact with

educated men of strong personality is a potent stimulus to the student to raise himself above mediocrity and prepares him for the enjoyment of learning. A good teacher is a worthy example. "The teacher that stands behind the teaching, the man that was before the scholar and that helps to constitute the scholar, is more important than the teaching or the scholarship."

This element of personal contact in college life extends to a student's contact with his fellows. Teachers are not the only educational influence in college. One learns much from the successes and failures of others. The student's intellectual life is strengthened by the discussions in the class room, by the forensics in the society hall and by the general literary sentiment of the student body. But it is in the political and social life of the community of students that the student is trained to become a man of affairs. The controlling influences of home are, in a great measure, wanting. Upon his own resources, the student moves in a world having its own public opinion, its own traditions and laws. Here he becomes a citizen of a democracy with the happy privilege of belonging to its aristocracy of brains and greatheartedness. Here the student becomes a political economist; he is called upon to make ethical judgments and to exercise his moral powers, whereby he may accumulate a fund of experience with which to enter upon a new sphere of life when he must pass beyond the college. Citizenship in college is typical of citizenship in the state; and it is reasonable to expect that four years spent under the immediate influence of college life should develop a superior type of manhood.

W. M. RIFE, '98.

## HISTORICAL TREES.

There is nothing in nature that has been and ever will be the object of greater veneration, and upon which most persons look with greater interest and delight, and around which cluster a greater variety of pleasing associations, than the trees. The writings of all ages abound in poetical imagery drawn from the princes of the forest. Beneath their shades exhilarating raptures have been conceived, strong convictions have been expressed and genius has been inspired. The sacred writers draw some of their most beautiful imagery from this source. What words can be more impressive than those in which the righteous are declared to be "like a tree planted by the river of water, that bring forth his fruit in his season" and "whose leaf also shall not wither," while, on the other hand, the ungodly are compared to "an oak whose leaf fadeth, and a garden that has no water."

Trees are the only living links between us and the remote past. Such as were the companions of the grey beards generations ago, yea, ages ago, are yet standing in all their vigor and around which memories cluster like the trailing vines. In the shadows of the dark forest, in the light of the lofty hills, in the warmth and beauty of the broad plains of this great globe, they stand in matchless dignity. With what eloquence do they address us! With what moving pathos do the trees of Olivet discourse of Jesus, His beautiful life, His sublime death and victorious resurrection! How the cedars of Lebanon talk of the wonderful alliance between Solomon and Hiram, and the elaborate temple in Jerusalem! However,

we need not go to foreign lands, but in our own country and our own time there has been and are still trees intimately connected with our own history as colonists and as a nation, and which command reverence of every loyally American heart.

The "Big Tree" that stood on the bank of the Genesee river, near the village of the same name, in New York state, is probably the most ancient of these living links connecting the present and the past. As soon as the colonists saw it, it was declared to be the patriarch of the Genesee valley, and was the object of great reverence. From it an eminent Seneca chief derived his name, who was a mutual friend of Washington and his cause.

Next in age may be said to be the famous Charter Oak in the city of Hartford, Conn., which was standing in the height of its glory and estimated to be thirty score years old when Hooker and his followers planted the seed of a commonwealth there. It stood until 1854 when it perished during a stormy night in August. What makes it so prominent in history is the fact that with it is connected a curious episode. When James II. ascended the English throne he took strenuous measures to suppress the growth of free government in America and in consequence sent Edmund Andros whom he licensed to take away the charter from the different colonies and rule over them as governor-general. The brave men of Connecticut, having had a taste of that form of government, refused to part with their charter, and when Andros attempted to seize it during a night session of the assembly, Captain Wadsworth bore the charter away and secreted it in a hollow of the old oak, whence its name, "Charter Oak." When the king became

deposed and Andros was banished from New England, the Charter was taken from its hiding place and the government reestablished under it.

The Old Elm Tree known as Penn's Treaty Tree, which stood in the Kensington Precinct, Philadelphia, is remarkable for the incident that took place in its cool shade between the renowned Quaker and the Indians. His address to the red men is familiar to almost every American school boy. What words can be more beautiful and more sublime than those uttered by Penn when he said, "The friendship between you and me I will not compare to a chain, for that the rains might rust or the falling trees might break." "We are all one flesh and one blood." This tree was carefully preserved until 1801, when it was blown down. A monument now marks the spot.

When the battle of Bunker Hill was fought the great conflict for American Independence was begun. Washington who was appointed Commander-in-chief of the Continental force, numbering but 14,000 men, by the Continental Congress, on July 2, 1775, took up his headquarters at Cambridge, Mass. On the following morning he proceeded to a great elm tree at the north end of Cambridge Commons, and drawing his sword, formally took command of the army of Boston. The tree was afterwards known as Washington's Elm and has ever since been famous in song and story.

The capture of Stony Point, by General Wayne, was one of the most brilliant exploits of the Revolutionary War. Under a black walnut tree in the stillness of night Wayne gave his orders to his little band and stealthily as tigers they approached the fort and surprised it. In the morning the general wrote to the

chief, "The fort and the garrison and Colonel Johnson are ours." The walnut tree has perished but its history is ever fresh.

Thus a large number of trees could be enumerated which are of minor importance, such as the one at Drummond's Pond, in Dismal Swamp, Virginia, under which Washington is said to have passed a night in Colonial times, and a number of others around which cluster some of

the sweetest associations, which the student of history cannot help but admire. Who does not, with fancy, read the account of Washington and his little hatchet? Although the particular tree is not mentioned, yet the very story brings to the reader in glowing terms some noble thoughts of him who afterward became the father of a glorious country.

C. A. B., '99.

## COLLEGE NEWS.

### MUSICAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Musical organizations are a necessary element of school life and are one of the most important factors in the work of any institution. While great activity is noticed in other spheres, this phase of college enterprise has not been neglected. The men meet twice a week for practice and commendable progress is being made. Many of the members are football players and are in both the Glee Club and the Orchestra. Yet they are usually present during practice hours and faithfully perform their part of the work. The outlook is encouraging and a good concert may be expected in the near future.

The following is the organization of the Glee Club:

President, Garrett, '99; Manager, Hershey, 1900; Leader, Ralph Royer, Collegeville, Pa.; First tenor, Waltman, '99, Stick, '99, Alden, '99, Kugler, '99, Hershey, 1900; Second Tenor, Garrett, '99, Gildner, 1900, Willier, 1901, Bell, Special; First Bass, Kepler, '98, Landis, '99, Oswald, 1900, Rinker, 1900, Welker, A.; Second Bass, Laros, S. T., 1900, Kopen-

haver, G. E., '99, Appenzellar, 1900, Bisbing, 1900.

The following is the organization of the Orchestra:

First Violin, Laros, S. T., '99, Laros, S. T., 1900, Laros, A.; Flute, Rinker, 1900; Clarionet, E. Bernd, Collegeville, Pa.; First Cornet, Stick, '99; Second Cornet, Kochenderfer, 1901; Violincello, Laros, '99; Trombone, Heffner, '98; Second Violin, Kugler, '99, Oswald, 1900, Gildner, 1900, Appel, A.; Double Bass Viol, Bickel, 1900; Piano, Miss Kate Laros, 1900; Conductor, E. J. Laros, S. T., '99; Manager, Stick, '99.

### ZWINGLIAN OPEN MEETING.

In accordance with the custom of the society for years, Friday evening, October 22, 1897, was set apart for the open meeting. To this meeting, as was announced in the last issue of the BULLETIN, the friends of old Zwing were cordially invited. All but the necessary routine work was dispensed with and new features appeared on the program. The hall was crowded, many being obliged to stand. The following program was successfully executed:

## SELECTION.

## ORCHESTRA.

DEBATE: *Resolved*, That the annexation of Hawaii would be an advantage to the United States.

Affirmative: EHRET, 1900, ZERBE, '98.

Negative: KEITER, 1901, STEINER, 1900.

RECITATION: The Unknown Speaker.

MISS GRACE GRISTOCK.

## SELECTION.

## ORCHESTRA.

BARITONE SOLO: Love's own Sweet Song.

BELL, S.

## ZWINGLIAN REVIEW.

SHENK, '99.

ORATION: Christianity a Potent Factor in Civilization.

GARRETT, '99.

## SELECTION.

## ORCHESTRA.

The Orchestra was composed of members of the society and was under the leadership of E. J. Laros, S. T., '99.

## LIBRARY NOTES.

Among the recent accessions to the library are two extremely valuable atlases, a Rand and McNally of 1897, and an historical atlas of German make. The Germans, with their infinite capacity for painstaking, (which comes near to Mr. Howell's definition of genius) are the best map makers in the world, and the volume in question is a beautiful specimen of their skill.

Dr. Dodge has presented to the library a copy of a work on psychology, of which he is the author, and Dr. Barnard has added a set of the reports of the postmaster-general during the incumbency of John Wanamaker.

To Dr. Spangler we are indebted for a set, in four volumes, of "Messages and Papers of our Presidents"; Craik's "English Literature"; Thornton's "Physiography"; "Studies in English and American Literature," and two books on teaching

by Raub; Pattee's "History of American Literature"; Andrew's "Institutes of History"; and Tharpe's "U. S. Government."

The fifth volume has been added to the set of Official Records of the navies during the War of the Rebellion; and we are the richer for two volumes of the Statutes at large of Pennsylvania.

## Y. M. C. A.

The regular meeting of September 29 was given to the bible-study committee for a formal beginning of the bible-study work for the ensuing year. The meeting was conducted by Shenk, '99, chairman of the committee, who made a very practical address, setting forth the great importance of pursuing systematic study of the Bible. During the last four weeks the work of organization has been carried on. The plan of having group classes which worked so satisfactorily last year, has been adopted again. Four such classes are now at work in the dormitories and there are five others, composed of students not rooming in the college buildings. It is the purpose of those having the matter in charge, to extend the privilege of bible study to every student and it is gratifying to know that there is a growing disposition to take advantage of these opportunities.

## LOCALS.

It is time to elect a baseball manager.

Knoll, 1901, and Seifert, S., recently visited their homes in Reading.

The first Senior orations will not be delivered until after Thanksgiving.

The Athletic Committee has placed guard ropes around the athletic field.



Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wanner, Norristown, paid a visit to the college October 10.

The Seniors are reading critically the Merchant of Venice under Dr. Dodge.

Our football players have been playing hard games with but few injuries thus far.

Miss Young, 1901, visited her parents at Easton during the middle part of last month.

The Rev. Charles E. Schaeffer, Norristown, was seen on the college grounds on October 19.

Shelley, S. T., 1900, has changed his residence and again occupies his old room 79, East College.

Fogel, 1901, visited his home at Fogelsville, over Saturday and Sunday, October 16 and 17.

A number of Ursinus students attended the Penn-Lafayette game on Franklin Field October 23.

More students should provide themselves with hymn-books and help improve the chapel singing.

Shenk, '99, has been suffering for some time with a sore eye which has prevented him from studying.

Orr, '98, assisted by Hottenstein, 1900, conducted the services at the Alms House on Sunday, October 10.

The attendance at the Delaware game last Wednesday was good. The students especially turned out well.

Mr. James Buchanan, Philadelphia, spent Sunday, October 17, with his brother, W. T. Buchanan, '99.

The college papers received in exchange for the BULLETIN are given a special table in the reading room.

Gilds, S. T., delights to spend his leisure time in bicycling. On October 16, he took a spin to West Chester.

President Spangler and Drs. Sechler and Good attended the meeting of Synod at Milton, during the latter part of last month.

Miss Mary S. Drumm, Garrettford, Pa., and Mr. W. A. Parke, Wayne, Pa., visited friends at Collegeville, and also visited at the college.

Revs. J. H. Watts, Eureka, J. W. Meminger, and J. D. Hicks, Lancaster, were visitors to their Alma Mater one day during last month.

The Rev. T. M. Yundt, Superintendent of Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, while on a visit to Collegeville, also took in the sights at the college.

Mr. H. E. Lerch and family, Easton, visited their friend Kepler, '98, on October 17. Mr. Lerch also attended the football game between the second team and Phœnixville.

Dr. Brandt, wife and daughter, Philadelphia, were guests of Dr. Barnard and wife on October 16. Dr. Brandt is Professor of Pedagogy in the Philadelphia High School.

Miller, '98, and Lerch, S. T., '98, visited the Rev. J. H. Watts, Eureka, on Sunday, October 24. In the evening Mr. Lerch occupied the pulpit for Mr. Watts in the Pleasantville Reformed Church.

The Rev. Mr. Jones, Field Secretary, assisted the Rev. H. H. Hartman, pastor of East Vincent Reformed Church, in the Sesqui-centennial services on Sunday, October 17. Mr. Jones preached the morning sermon.

## ATHLETICS.

On October 23 our team visited Swarthmore and in a spirited game was defeated by a score of 12 to 0. Notwithstanding the fact that the Swarthmore team was ten pounds heavier to the man our team played equally as well as did their opponents, save for five minutes of the second half. During the first half, the greater part of the playing was done in the centre of the field. The ball changed hands quite frequently as both teams were obliged to kick on the third down. The first touchdown was made ten seconds before close of first half. This was due to the fumbling of a long kick by one of our men.

During the first five minutes of second half our team was demoralized and allowed Swarthmore to make a second touchdown. The remaining part of the half Ursinus played a faultless game. The ball was kept in Swarthmore's territory most of the time. Our team came very near scoring, having had the ball on the five-yard line. Here a place kick was tried, but was blocked. A punt took the ball to the centre of the field and the half closed.

The line up :

Swarthmore.	Position.	Ursinus.
O. Jackson	left end	Kepler.
Miller	left tackle	G. Kopenhaver.
Downing	left guard	Heffner.
Booth	center	Roth.
D. Jackson	right guard	Bodder.
McVaugh	right tackle	Most.
J. Verlenden	right end	Steckel, Reimert.
Taylor	right half-back	Bell.
Seaman	left half-back	Waltman, Capt.
A. Way	quarter-back	Kelley.
Farquhar	full-back	Lerch.

Touchdowns: Seaman, Farquhar. Goals, Farquhar 2. Referee, Clothier. Umpire, Heiges. Time, 25 and 20 minute halves.

On Saturday, October 16, Ursinus went to Newark, Delaware, and lined up

against the Delaware College team. For the first ten minutes of play it looked like an easy victory for Ursinus, for she had pushed her opponent down the field and had placed the ball over the goal line. But this had been done in an off-side play. Again Ursinus had the better of the situation, but when only about a yard from the goal line she lost the ball on a fumble. Delaware played with much snap and the ball was gradually moving into Ursinus's territory. Indeed it reached Ursinus's five yard line, where Delaware was unable to gain a yard on three downs, and on Ursinus receiving the ball Lerch kicked it to midfield, when time was called, neither side having scored.

The second half was closely contested, much playing having been done in the territory of both Ursinus and Delaware. In this half Delaware scored a touchdown, but missed an easy goal. The score resulted 4-0 in favor of Delaware. The line up follows.

Ursinus.	Position.	Delaware.
Kochenderfer, Rapp	left end	Vansant.
Kopenhaver	left tackle	Green.
Bodder	left guard	McCabe.
Roth	centre	Hughes.
Heffner	right guard	Morris.
Most	right tackle	Mullins.
Steckel	right end	Baldwin.
Ball	right half-back	Wolf.
Waltman, Capt.	left half-back	Mason.
Kelley	quarter-back	Hartman.
Lerch	full-back	Pierce.

Referee, Dr. Marvel. Umpire, Mr. Rahn. Linesmen, Mr. Pie of Delaware and Mr. Shenk of Ursinus. Time, 20 minute halves.

On October 16 the second team defeated Phoenixville High School by a score of 22-0. The game was an interesting one and a number of fine plays were made. Reimert and Seifert distinguished themselves by their good work.

## ALUMNI PERSONALS.

'73. J. A. Strassberger, Esq. A. M., is completing his twentieth year at the Norristown Bar as District Attorney of Montgomery county.

'75. Rev. D. W. Ebbert, A. M., pastor of St. John's Reformed church, Milton, Pa., entertained the Eastern Synod in his church, October 20-26. The graduates of Ursinus who attended the Synod received very generous attention at the hands of their host and speak highly of pastor Ebbert and his people.

'76. John Keyser, A. B., is serving the United States Government as postmaster at Alburdis, Pa. His eldest son is looking forward to entering Ursinus at an early day.

'77. Rev. Silas M. Hench, A. M., of Frederick, Md., contributed an interesting paper on "The Present Condition and Future Prospects of the Reformed Church in the United States," to the Sesqui-centennial services held in the Evangelical Reformed church of Frederick city.

'82. Louis E. Taubel, A. B., M. D., has built up a very lucrative practice in his profession at 789 South Third Street, Philadelphia.

85. Rev. James B. May, B. S., is assistant to the rector of the Protestant Episcopal church at Pottsville, Pa.

'89. The engagement of Rev. Ernest Clapp, A. B., of Hopewell Junction, N. Y., to a New York lady has been announced.

'89. The Rev. W. H. Stubblebine, A. B., of Salisbury, N. C., attended the meetings of the Potomac Synod at Hagerstown, Md., October 19-25 and deliv-

ered several addresses in the interests of Home Mission work in the South.

'90. Ralph Royer, B. S., of Trappe, Pa., has again taken charge of the Glee Club and is making splendid progress in developing material for the best club Ursinus has been able to put in the field. He is prepared to make engagements for concerts near the college during November and December and will be pleased to correspond with alumni on the subject.

'91. Rev. Henry Tesnow, S. T., who moved to Denver, Colorado, several years ago because of Mrs. Tesnow's failing health, reports that his wife has fully regained her health and that the struggling mission of which he took charge on his arrival in Denver is making encouraging progress. His address is 2080 Jay street.

'91. Rev. Calvin D. Yost, A. M., principal of the Mahanoy City High School, was married during the summer vacation to Miss Wagner, of Mahanoy City, sister of Rev. I. F. Wagner, '91, of Pottsville, Pa. The BULLETIN extends congratulations.

'92. The summer vacation was improved matrimonially by another worthy son of Ursinus, the Rev. J. Abun Hunsicker, A. B., of Tipton, Iowa, who was married to Miss Kate Bromer, of Schwenksville, Pa., September last. The friends of the happy couple wish them long life and great usefulness in their chosen life work.

'93. Rev. William G. Welsh, A. B., pastor of the mission congregation of the Reformed church at Scranton, Pa., took an active part in the proceedings of the Eastern Synod at Milton, Pa., to which he was a delegate.