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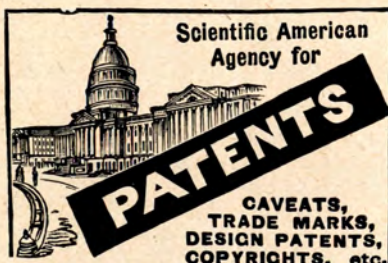
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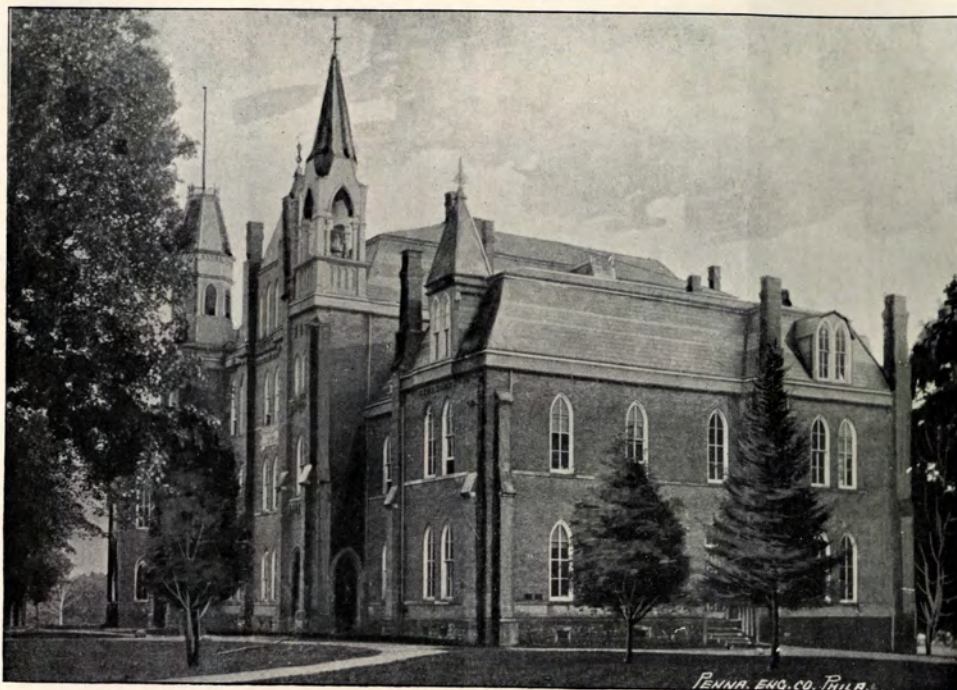
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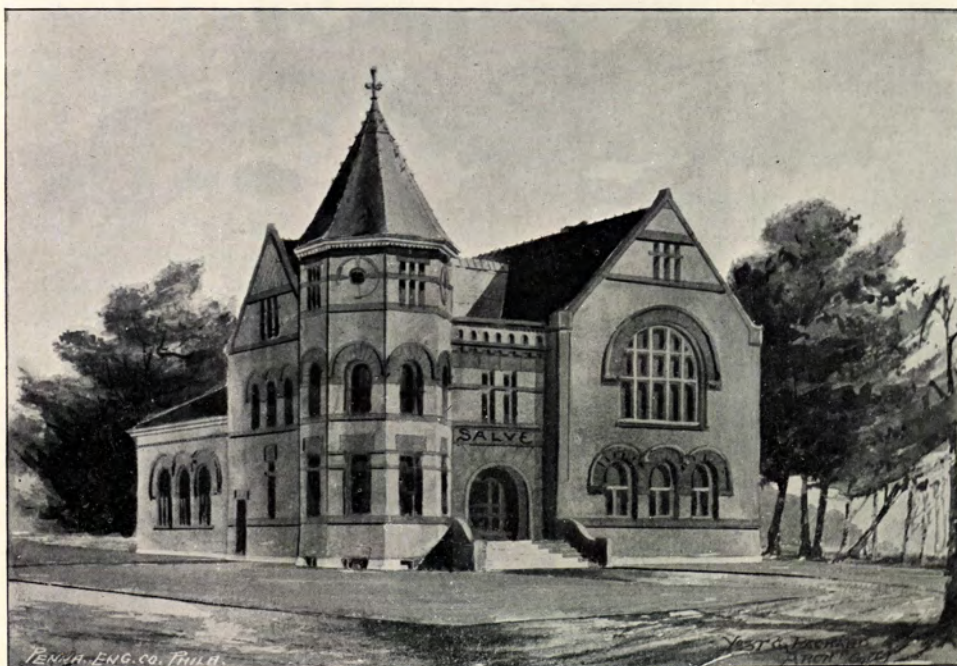
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EDITORIAL.

WITH this number we finish the third volume of the ÆGIS. This child of the College that three years ago was launched on the uncertain sea of college journalism now has the record of three years upon which to stand. For the kindly aid and sympathy of our many patrons and readers we are very grateful. Our only aim and effort have been to represent Otterbein and her interests in all her departments. Our publishing company still have confidence in our mission, and purpose carrying on the work on the same plan. The athletic department has not had as full representation as it should have had, but arrangements have been made that due notice may be given to our work in this direction.

WE close with this number the series of articles by Dr. Custer, but can promise our readers a continuance of this rare treat, since F. H. Rike has consented to finish the "Tour" in our next volume.

NEW HOPE FOR OTTERBEIN.

The Board of Trustees have come and gone. Their coming was looked forward to with much anxiety and the hope that they would take hold of the work as never before. This they have done. The financial interests claimed their best thought and energies. Everything was looked into with unusual care, and the real situation is better understood than ever before. A plan of operation whereby it is believed all claims of the University can be met in a year, after most careful investigation and thorough discussion, was enthusiastically adopted. It was further agreed that when the debt is paid we create no further indebtedness upon the institution in the future. That which gives special encouragement and hope for this movement is that it was projected and is heartily supported by our wealthiest and best business men, and that the committee at once subscribed a handsome sum.

Now, let all rally to this enterprise and to Otterbein. Let every nerve and muscle be tightened, and all hearts united in this most important work. The work can be done. It must be done. It will be done. Prompt, united action, and the shout of victory can be heard.

THE board of management have arranged with Prof. E. D. Williams, of Ashland County, Ohio, to take charge of elocution the coming year. Prof. Williams is a graduate of King's School of Elocution, of Pittsburgh, and comes highly recommended as a gentleman of high Christian character.

Mrs. Thompson, the teacher in art, has resigned after a successful service of 25 years.

A BICYCLE TOUR IN EUROPE.

BY L. E. CUSTER, D.D.S.

VI.

Just as we were entering Munich, Fred broke the sprocket-wheel of his machine. It was probably injured when the chains became filled with mud in the rain early in the day. It could not have happened at a better time, for a new one was made during our visit at Munich. We spent three days sight-seeing here, and were sorry to leave. We visited galleries and palaces, and spent no little time in the alluring shops.

On Saturday evening, July 16, we were off for Switzerland and France. We had saved the best of our trip till the last—the scenery of Switzerland and the beautiful roads of France. There only remained a few miles of Germany. Not far out from Munich, Fred and the writer met with an accident, which, had it not been for the good material in our wheels, might have ended the rest of our trip. We were riding quite fast, and came up with a man with a load of telegraph poles. Instead of keeping in the middle of the road, he was polite and wished to give us the left. We arrived just back of the poles as they made their sweep. We were going too fast to stop. On the left was a steep embankment, and on our right were the ends of the poles which would in a moment cut off our passage. We made a rush for the fast closing space, but were too late. The telegraph poles, two cycles, and their riders met on the edge of the embankment. As we gathered ourselves together to find who was who, it was discovered that, frightful as it appeared, no physical injury had been received by either. The injury to our wheels was confined to the front wheel of the writer's machine, which was so badly sprung that it would not revolve. After the combined efforts of all four it was straightened and we proceeded.

We had supper that evening at a summer

resort on the shore of a beautiful lake, the Ammer See. In the dusk we rode on to Landsberg, where we remained all night. Sunday morning, July 17, found it drizzling, and the prospects for riding that day not very encouraging. After breakfast we sat down to an American Sunday occupation, letter-writing. About ten o'clock it promised better weather, and the writer started a little ahead of the others. Just out of town the road divided, and he took the one marked Kaufberen, the next town, where he arrived in two hours. The others of the party did not read the sign and took the road to the south, and when they arrived at Kaufberen at four o'clock a terrible tale of woe they had to relate. They had lost their way, they had encountered rainstorms, wild animals, bad roads, and in some places no roads. A glimpse at their wheels convinced the writer that their statements were not without foundation. The writer was held responsible for all this, as he carried the map; but on consulting the map it was found that the place where the roads branched was not marked at all. It was expected that the traveler would read the sign-board. We spent the rest of the day at Kaufberen, hoping that the morrow would bring better weather.

Next morning we found it raining heavily, and no prospect of it stopping for a day at least. We were but a few miles from the long anticipated Switzerland, and, as much as we preferred cycle to car riding, we could not content ourselves to stay in that miserable town another day, and so rode by rail to Lindau, on Lake Constance. Here we took the steamer across to Constance and thence by rail a short distance to Schaffhausen, at the falls of the Rhine. The lake was rough that day, and although good dinners were served, we all preferred being on deck for some reason or other. One said the car ride had given him a headache, and he could not find words to express his indignation at car riding; another

said he was not hungry because he had not been riding his bicycle as usual; the third said he never ate any when it rained real hard; and the fourth said that eating was all a habit anyway, and he proposed then and there to break such expensive habits. Not one was frank enough to acknowledge that at that moment his gastric apparatus was somewhat flighty.

We reached Schaffhausen about three o'clock, and had each to pay \$3.00 import duty on our bicycles. This was refunded on leaving Switzerland from Geneva. Towards night it ceased raining, and we went by carriage to the falls of the Rhine, a mile below Schaffhausen. On certain evenings they are illuminated by electric search lights. We were fortunate this evening, and saw one of the most beautiful sights on our trip. The falls cannot be compared to Niagara in height and volume, but by this artificial arrangement are very beautiful. We were not satisfied with our view that night, and next morning returned on our bicycles. We spent some time on both sides of the river above and below the falls.

At about eleven o'clock we were off for Zurich, where we arrived in the evening. We were nearing the snow-capped Alps, and the weather was very changeable. We were driven for some hours by a threatening cloud, but it did not rain till we reached Zurich. The roads were so good that they were rideable half an hour after a rainstorm. The evening was spent in a stroll about this beautiful city, during which we began our collection of Swiss souvenirs. No country in the world, perhaps, is so frequented by tourists as Switzerland. In fact, the chief income to Switzerland is through the tourist. So we find almost every shop and store in these Swiss towns devoted to merchandise which appeals to the tourist. Jewelry stores are legion, and almost every corner is converted into a bazaar for the sale of Swiss carvings.

Some of these carvings are very beautiful, and the tourist sighs for more money in his pocket, and more room in his trunk. In the evening we attended a delightful concert given by a military band of some sixty pieces.

The next morning we awoke and found it raining again. Although Zurich was a delightful city and the pure blue water of the lake inviting, we were anxious to get to the mountains, whose snow-capped peaks we had seen for days. Our trunk awaited us at Luzerne, a few miles distant, and the writer went ahead by rail to secure the trunk and rooms. We anticipated the usual delay in getting our trunk from the customs, but this time it was sent to the hotel without any examination whatever. The others arrived about noon, and we soon again made our appearance in those stunning, hand-packed, trunk-pressed citizen's clothes. The natives are accustomed to tourists from all countries, and in all sorts of dress, but even among these our appearance was not without commotion.

The principal attraction of Luzerne itself is the Lion of Luzerne. This is a lion cut in the solid rock which juts out near the center of the city. The lion is represented as dying in the act of protecting Switzerland. Its front feet are upon the coat of arms, and the broken spear is still intact. Below it are carved the names of valiant defenders.

From Luzerne excursions are made to the adjoining mountains. To the south is Pilatus and to the east is Rigi. Luzerne is also the starting-point for excursions to Italy, to the eastern route through Switzerland to Geneva, and also the western route by way of Interlaken or Berne to Geneva.

Thursday, July 20, was another rainy day. It was so miserable that we could not leave the hotel. None of us were in the best of humor. The day was mostly spent in planning for the rest of our trip. The writer had arranged to attend the meeting of the American Dental Society of Europe at Basel,

Switzerland, August 1 to 4. Ten days is a very short time to spend in Switzerland, and it was thought no difficulty would be experienced in filling in the time, but some of the party thought differently, and would not promise to remain till all could leave Switzerland together. The writer, having made a tour through Switzerland, although it would have been more delightful by bicycle again, preferred a trip to Italy, which he had not yet visited. My wheel was stored at Luzerne, and in company with Mr. McIntire we went by rail as far as Venice together. John returned and joined Fred and Irv. in Chamouni. I went as far south as Naples, stopping at Florence and Rome on the way, and returned by way of Piza and Milan in time for the convention.

We did not think, when we parted at Luzerne just as the very best of our tour lay before us, that we would not all ride together on our bicycles again in Europe. Fred, Irv., and John left Switzerland July 29 for Paris. A day was spent there, and they rode to the Belgium frontier by bicycle, and then by rail to Antwerp. They returned to Paris in citizen's clothes, where they were met by the writer. We spent almost a week in a reunion and sight-seeing, and the writer left for Antwerp by bicycle a few days ahead of the others, going west as far as Havre, and thence north along the coast. An interesting description of the ride through Switzerland and across France may be given in detail at a future time. John remained a month longer in Europe, and the others sailed for home on the *Friesland* August 20.

At the close of the trip our cyclometers registered variously between 2,464 and 2,600 miles. When they reached 1,200 miles they began to lose, and it is quite probable that we traveled by bicycle nearly 3,000 miles. In all the tour there was no physical injury to any of us with any serious results. There was no injury to our bicycles which could not be re-

paired by ourselves or a blacksmith. The pneumatic tires then were an experiment. There was but one puncture, and that was easily managed. The writer still uses the same bicycle with as much pleasure as he did down the avenue to Kenilworth, along the Rhine to Bingen, or on the shores of Lake Geneva.

THE EVENTS OF THE WEEK.

COMMENCEMENT FESTIVITIES REPORTED IN DETAIL.

SOCIETIES' OPEN SESSIONS.

The commencement programs of the Cleiorhetean and Philalethean literary societies were held in the Philophronean and Philomathean halls on the evening of June 8. The halls were tastefully decorated, and the youth of Otterbein University congregated to do honor to the last and crowning event of the societies for the year. The musical and literary features of the programs were characterized by their usual excellence.

Later in the evening the ladies banqueted their friends in their own halls. At the Cleiorhetean banquet the toasts, "The Past and Present of the Cleiorhetean Literary Society," "Otterbein Girls," and "The Future of Cleiorhetea" were proposed and responded to by Mrs. Flickinger, J. A. Shoemaker, and Mrs. I. L. Oakes. This is the first time the ladies have given banquets, and all the gentlemen at least pronounce it a brilliant success.

On Friday evening, June 9, occurred the installation exercises of the Philomathean and Philophronean literary societies. The sessions were entertaining throughout, but the specially interesting features were, in the Philomathean Society, the valedictory of J. B. Toomay, on "The City Problem"; inaugural of president-elect Snaveley, "The Verdict of Time," and the oration of H. L. Pyle, on "True Philanthropy";—in the Philophronean, the valedictory by President D. N. Scott, on

"Contentment," the highly imaginative narrative by S. C. Markley, and the excellent singing by the quartette. Our societies maintain their reputation as being among the best in the State.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.

A merry company gathered to enjoy the hospitality of President and Mrs. Sanders Saturday evening at their home. Though the reception was given in honor of the seniors, there were present, also, the members of the faculty, all the trustees then in town, and many resident and visiting alumni. The affair was in every way a delight to all the guests, and a great credit to the generous hosts. The Otterbein band furnished good music, and excellent refreshments were served.

THE BACCALAUREATE.

The baccalaureate sermon was preached by Dr. Sanders before the class and a large audience Sunday morning. Dr. Thompson read the scripture-lesson, and Rev. W. M. Bell, general missionary secretary of the Church, offered prayer. The hymns were read by President W. S. Gilbert, of Philomath. The text of the discourse was the ancient question, "What is man?" The president drew the thought of his hearers to the dignity and majesty of God's creation, especially the starry world, and by contrast showed how exceedingly lofty is the position occupied by man. The address to the graduating class was especially inspiring and elevating. The music of the morning was fine. Dr. Garst dismissed the congregation.

THE ASSOCIATIONS' ANNIVERSARY.

The joint anniversary of the Christian Associations was this year the usual interesting occasion. Miss Mabel Duncan presided. The speaker of the evening was Rev. Dr. A. A. E. Taylor, of Columbus. His address on "The Duty of Confessing Christ" was richly suggestive and helpful.

MONDAY EVENING.

The anniversary of the literary societies on the evening of June 12 was attended with great interest. The exercises were introduced with music furnished by the Philomathean Octet, who were followed by the Philalethean Mandolin and Guitar Club. The first speaker of the evening was Miss Daisy Custer as the representative of the Cleiorhetean Society, Mrs. Kumler, the society's chosen representative, being unable to attend. Miss Custer gave an able and interesting address, and was warmly applauded at the conclusion. The second speaker was W. S. Gilbert, in behalf of the Philomathean Society, on the subject, "Odd Moments." He was followed by F. J. Resler in a baritone solo, "The Voice of the Ocean." Mrs. A. T. Good, in a paper on "Civilized Man Cannot Live Without Cooks," represented the Philalethean Society. H. M. Rebok, the representative of the Philophro-nean Society, then gave an address entitled "The Ethical Age." A selection by the Otterbein Quartet, who were vigorously encored, closed the program.

TUESDAY EVENING.

The musical recital of Tuesday evening, June 13, was one of the most pleasant entertainments given during commencement week. It consisted of a piano selection, by Professor Kinnear and Misses Baker, Cook, and Pinney; "Annie Laurie," sung by Columbian Quartet; a selection on the piano, by Misses Pinney, Major, Cook, and Fetzner; a solo by Mrs. Neer; and a third piano quartet, by Misses Fetzner, Guitner, Newcomb, and Bradrick. A song by the Choral Society concluded the exercises.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The anniversary of the Alumnae Association, Wednesday evening, June 14, was an occasion noted for its brevity, and its pleasant character, both from a literary and a musical standpoint. On account of the necessary absence of A. L. Keister, one of the speakers

of the evening, the exercises were shorter than had been anticipated. A very able paper was read by Mrs. Lorenz-Stevens on "Woman's Work in Germany." After a short, but well written poem by Daniel Surface, on "Old Times," and music by the quartet, the people adjourned to the Philomathean and Philophronean halls to spend the night in banqueting. The toast-masters were Judge Shauck of the Philophronean, and J. A. Weinland of the Philomathean banquet. The Philomatheans drank to the Past, Present, and Future of the Philomathean Society, Daniel Surface, A. C. Streich, and Fred Rike presenting the glory and greatness of those periods. Addresses were also made by F. A. Z. Kumler and W. N. Miller. The Philophronean toasts were responded to by N. R. Best and J. C. Blackburn. Professor Shauck was then called upon and gave a witty, an able, and an eloquent address. The banqueters from both halls adjourned toward the hour of midnight and Westerville slept.

THE DAY OF DAYS.

If the day of commencement had been made to the order of the class of '93, it could hardly have been more auspicious or more ideal. Dashing showers Wednesday afternoon and night made way for a clear and sunshiny sky Thursday morning. The air was warm, but balmy. In the crowded and overflowing chapel an enthusiastic crowd could have early been found gathered. In the gallery overhead, the college band, a magnificent organization under E. L. Weinland's leadership, was stationed to furnish music for the occasion. They opened the program shortly after nine o'clock with music, and the invocation was offered by Rev. W. O. Siffert. Another musical selection followed.

Then the three graduates of the Literary Department ascended the platform to deliver their orations. Mr. C. B. Brown, of Hicksville, Ohio, spoke first. In treating his sub-

ject, "Anonymous Journalism and Its Effects," he spoke of the unfortunate tendency of the prevalent custom of concealing the names of editorial writers from the public. Miss May Irwin, of Westerville, showed how the poet becomes to the masses of men "Nature's translator," to interpret the meaning of her works. "The Evolution of Taste" was discussed by Miss Laura V. Smith, of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, who brought out how the tastes of mankind have grown higher and better with the passing centuries.

After more music the Philosophical graduates appeared on the platform. Miss Lizzie Cooper, of Westerville, in a bright essay, talked of the "Ethics of Music," developing the moral power of the divine art. Edward Everitt, of Teheran, Illinois, speaking to the theme "Nothing Suffices Except Thyself," emphasized the fact that the best gift which any man can give to the world is the gift of his own self. "The Responsibility of Tolerance" was the subject of the oration of F. J. Resler, of Westerville. He pleaded for fair play and just toleration for the Catholics of America.

Music again intervened, and the candidates for the Arts degree were heard. The first oration was by Miss Maud A. Bradrick, of Westerville, whose thesis upon "Our Inheritance in the Anglo Saxons," traced the hereditary characteristics which our race has derived from their ancient English ancestors. W. H. Fouse, of Westerville, rose to speak amid a round of applause. He is the first colored man to graduate from the University, and his many friends rejoiced with him at the triumph of a long and desperate struggle. His subject was "The Afro-American," and he made a magnificent plea for his brethren by race. He was several times interrupted by applause, and received a perfect ovation at the close. "The Fate of Genius" was discussed by E. E. Lollar, of Saratoga, Indiana, who pointed out how genius must usually wait for

posterity to bring its reward. Miss Myrtle Miller, of Clearport, Ohio, had taken as a subject, "The Dignity of the College Student," and clearly outlined the advantage which the college-bred man or woman has in life.

Once again the band furnished attractive music, and the last division of the class, also Classical, went upon the rostrum. W. W. Stoner, of Sulphur Grove, Ohio, under the theme "Growth Essential to Education," laid stress on the fact that not acquirement, but development, is the real end of education. A. C. Streich, of Cincinnati, demonstrated that "The True Principle of Action" is an earnest purpose to harmonize the life with the will of the almighty Father. The program was concluded by the address of J. B. Toomay, of Denver, Colorado,—an eloquent plea on behalf of "The Russian Liberal," which he felt to be a juster term than "nihilist."

The degrees, both graduate and post-graduate, were conferred by President Sanders as follows, after which the benediction was pronounced by Rev. R. W. Wilgus:

A.B.

Maud Acton Bradrick, William Henry Fouse, Ezra Elliott Lollar, Myrtle Miller, Walter Wells Stoner, Albert Clarence Streich, John B. Toomay.

Ph.B.

Mary Elizabeth Cooper, Edward Everitt, Frank Jordan Resler.

Lit.B.

Charles Burton Brown, May Irwin, Laura Victoria Smith.

A.M.

Elmer Arthur Gilmore, Canfield, Ohio; Horace Mishee Rebok, Tama, Iowa.

Ph.M.

John Stanley Wilhelm, Fostoria, Ohio.

Ph.D.

John Franklin Sheperd, Akron, Ohio.

On June 10, W. G. Kintigh and J. A. Shoemaker made a flying trip to Granville on their wheels and witnessed the baseball game between the Wittenberg and Delaware college teams.

PROSPECTIVE STATEMENTS.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE.

The department has had a prosperous year. The class in Anglo-Saxon, while not large, was enthusiastic, and did a full year's work, reading the usual selections in prose and poetry found in Sweet's Reader, and all of the Elene besides. Much time was given to a comparative study of language forms and characteristics.

During the spring term the Sophomores studied the historical development of the literature to 1660, and read in class with comment Chaucer's Prologue, the Nonne Preestes Tale, and all of the first book of Spenser's Faerie Queen.

The Juniors studied rhetoric during the winter term. The class was large, and did excellent work both from the text-book and assigned topics.

The following is a summary of the work of the Seniors for the year:

Historical study of the literature from 1660 to the present time; the origin and growth of the English novel, and the reading and discussion in class of Thackeray's *Vanity Fair*, and Dickens's *David Copperfield*; Gummere's *Handbook of Poetics*,—Epic, Lyric, and Dramatic Poetry; reading of Tennyson's *Idyls of the King*, and Books I. and II. of Milton's *Paradise Lost*; Shelley's "Defense of Poetry"; origin and development of the drama; reading and discussion of the plays of Marlowe, Jonson, Beaumont and Fletcher, Webster, and Shakespeare. In addition to these studies of the literature, the class took a rapid survey of the history of the language, using Lounsbury's little book as a basis.

For the coming year the courses in the department as outlined in the catalogue have been slightly changed, but promise a very full year of profitable and delightful study.

In the preparatory department the usual classes in grammar, literature, and retorich

were organized and carried forward with great success. The classes in some instances were so large that they had to be divided; but students and teachers found a real delight in the work.

LATIN DEPARTMENT.

The following courses have been given during the year:

1. An elementary course for the purpose of mastering the general principles of the language. This also was intended as a good introduction to Cæsar, and embraced a portion of the first book of the Commentaries.

2. A course in Cæsar and Cicero, in which a more minute knowledge of the grammar was acquired, as well as considerable facility in translation.

3. A course in Cicero and Virgil. In Cicero rapid reading was the object sought. In Virgil the object has been to learn something of the real life of the Romans and their amusements, literature, and religion.

4. Cicero's letters, including an investigation of the history of Cicero's times. Much attention given to sight reading.

5. Ovid. A systematic study of Roman myths, their origin and signification.

6. Cicero's philosophical writings. An investigation of his ethical and philosophical systems. The works read were, *De Senectute*, *De Amicitia*, *De Natura Deorum*, *De Officiis*, and *Tusculanæ Disputationes*.

7. The Roman drama, with the reading of several plays of Plautus and Terence.

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC.

The Department of Music will remain in charge of the present director another year. During the year just closed, good work has been done in all branches taught.

The piano department has naturally received the majority of private pupils, in grade from beginners to those able to play classical solos creditably in public. Recitals have been given at which works of leading composers

were performed. It is the intention to do much more in this line.

In voice culture, excellent work was done, and increased interest is hoped for, corresponding to the importance of the study.

Theory is too much neglected. Pupils generally are content to be mere superficial players and singers, without studying the underlying principles of the art. If all could realize the importance of thorough theoretical training to the musician, and the impossibility of sound musical growth without it, all pupils, whatever their specialty, would be in the theory classes.

A choral society with an active membership of twenty-four has been kept up throughout the year. Two public concerts were given, at the last of which "Farmer's Mass," in b-flat, was sung entire. The chorus also sang single numbers on a number of public occasions. It is confidently hoped that students and citizens will take such active interest in this organization the coming year that the chorus may be at least doubled in membership, and that in addition to much good music of a lighter character, Haydn's popular oratorio, "The Creation," may be studied and given in public.

The orchestra has played on various public occasions, besides giving the closing concert commencement evening. A course of study in music has been outlined. Information concerning this and the department in general can be obtained by addressing the President or the director of music. On the whole the outlook is bright for the future of good music at Otterbein.

THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

The Business course has been planned and introduced to meet the wants of those who can spend but a short time in school, and wish, in that time, to become acquainted with those branches of study which are necessary to the transaction of business.

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year, includes bookkeeping, banking, commercial law, business forms and business practice, together with a thorough drill in arithmetic and grammar. It is a mistake for a young person to enter into any business without a thorough knowledge of the English branches, and it is much more a mistake for one who is lacking along this line to undertake the work of a bookkeeper. We have a complete system of business practice, and no pains are spared to give each student just the instruction he needs. What we require is a good business education that will have prepared you to enter any business house as a bookkeeper.

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Any pupil completing either of the above courses will be granted a diploma.

MODERN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT.

This department has had enrolled during the present year about one hundred students, many of whom pursue both German and French. However, the tendency is to become familiar with the former.

In the German Philosophical course the required work consists of three terms of grammar and composition with selections for reading, and six terms devoted to writings of

Schiller, Lessing, and Goethe; also selections from modern prose. The French for the above courses consists of one year of required work, and a second of elective, and drills in grammar, composition, and translation, with special attention given to pronunciation. The works of Racine, Moliere, and Corneille, and other standard French authors afford the required texts. At the request of students, Italian has been introduced. Advanced work, elective, German and French, is offered.

In pursuance of these languages essays upon assigned topics form a part of the required work.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCE.

The department of Natural Science embraces two not radically distinct but natural sub-departments, namely, Natural History, and Physics and Chemistry.

Disregarding the breaks between the preparatory and college courses, natural science instruction may be traced pretty continuously from the first year to the last. In the first year two terms are spent on physical geography and one on elementary astronomy, thus giving a very comprehensive view at the outset of the earth and of its relations in space. In the second year, by the study of elementary natural philosophy, the student becomes acquainted with the properties of matter which he had studied only in gross before, and to some extent with the nature of the forces which produce the varied and interesting phenomena always appealing to the senses. The third year brings him to a brief study of his own body and its laws of action. From the study of self the attention is turned the next year to the intensely interesting study of the structure and life of plants. As much as possible the study is an objective one. The next year opportunity is afforded (or will be in 1893) to pursue the study of vegetation much more minutely; investigating especially

the life processes, or physiology, of both lower and higher plants.

In the junior year half of the student's work may be natural science, if he so elects, there being a continuous year's work in physics, including mechanics, two terms in chemistry and one in geology.

On account of the preparation afforded by science studies lower in the course, the aim is to make the work of the junior year much more than elementary, and in physics and chemistry to impress by mathematical demonstrations the exactness of the action of natural forces.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS.

The work in this department begins with advanced arithmetic. In this the work commences with the metric system, and after its completion, including the subject of specific gravity, a rapid review of practical arithmetic is given. The conclusion of the work embraces logarithms, approximations, continued fractions, and a number of miscellaneous problems. There is a class in this subject each term. Also a class is organized each term for those who are not ready for the advanced work. The next work is Wells's *Academic Algebra*. Here the student becomes acquainted with the forms, principles, and processes. Plane geometry is the next, and in connection with the subject much stress is put on the training of the logical faculties. Considerable time is given to original work. The work in the college department includes solid and spherical geometry, higher algebra, plane and spherical trigonometry, analytic geometry, calculus, surveying, and astronomy. In all of these the aim of the department is to give as complete and comprehensive view as the time will permit.

GREEK LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE.

The study of Greek is required in the Classical course six terms in the preparatory

department, and six terms in the collegiate, and is elective six terms more in college.

In the preparatory years, the special aim, beside the disciplinary purpose always recognized, is to give the student a thorough acquaintance with the forms and inflections, and a good, working vocabulary of Greek words. In pursuance of this purpose, the so-called inductive method, modified by the necessities of the case, is employed, as furnishing a rapid and effective method of attaining the end sought. Some suitable "First Book," like "White's Beginner's Method," is used throughout the first year, in which the first book of Xenophon's *Anabasis* is read; the second year being devoted to the second and third book of Xenophon's *Anabasis*, with frequent exercises in translating English into Greek, and to the reading of two books of Homer's *Iliad*, with prosody and scanning.

Upon entering college a careful review of the work of the preparatory course is made, with advanced work in composition, comprising the translations into Greek of connected passages in English of considerable length. In the freshman year are read four books of Homer's *Odyssey* and liberal selections from Herodotus and Xenophon's *Memorabilia*. In the sophomore year a tragedy—this year, of Euripides—is read, with study of the development of the Greek drama; two or three orations of Demosthenes, with study of the rise and progress of oratory in Greece; and a dialogue or two of Plato, with a systematic view of the Greek philosophy and of the mission and methods of Socrates.

The Junior year elective course introduces the student to the beauties of Greek lyric poetry in Pindar, Theognis, and Tyrtæus, with more advanced work in epic and comic poetry. The Senior elective course requires special work in Greek philosophy, with extensive readings in Plato and Aristotle, beside rapid reading of large portions of the Greek Testament. In all the work of the Greek

department it is sought, first, to acquire a practical knowledge of the Greek language; second, to gain an acquaintance with the best monuments of Greek literature, and thus assist to the highest culture.

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL AND MORAL SCIENCE
AND ENGLISH BIBLE.

In this department are taught mental and moral science, Christian evidences, logic, political economy, history of philosophy, history of civilization, sociology, and English Bible.

In these studies, in general, the text-book and lecture methods are combined. Points of especial difficulty are freely discussed, and there is constant effort to lead students to think for themselves.

In mental science, the cognitive and motive powers of the soul are carefully studied. In moral science, both its theoretical and practical bearings are considered with a view to put the student in possession of the best results of modern research.

In the study of logic the purpose is to make the student familiar with the laws of thought and the prevalent forms of fallacious reasoning.

In Christian Evidences the effort is to place the student in possession of as complete and impregnable a defense of Christianity as possible.

In the study of political economy it is aimed to ground the student thoroughly in its principles and to lead him to note its social and national bearings.

Sociology is studied in its history and principles, and care is taken to lead to sound and safe conclusions.

The history of civilization is studied mainly from the stand-point of the middle ages, tracing many of the characteristics of modern civilization to the struggles of the middle-age period.

In the history of philosophy a rapid survey is taken to learn the origin, progress, and present condition of philosophic inquiry.

In the English Bible the study is pursued along the line of Christ's life and labors, the establishment and growth of the Christian church, concluding with a study of some of the Pauline and other epistles.

WOMAN'S CO-OPERATIVE CIRCLE.

Not the least interesting feature of commencement week was the third annual meeting of the Woman's Coöperative Circle of Otterbein University, which was held in the College chapel on Tuesday afternoon. There was a good attendance and a great interest prevailed throughout. Mrs. Harriet H. Smith was the presiding officer, and, after the opening exercises, she spoke briefly of the nature and purpose of the meeting. The traveling agents, Mrs. A. L. Billheimer and Miss Flora A. Speer, were present and reported concerning the progress of the work. These reports showed that over one hundred circles have been organized, and considerable work done in visiting families and soliciting students.

Mrs. L. K. Miller, Mrs. L. R. Keister, Mrs. J. L. Stevens, and Mr. D. L. Rike addressed the Circle on the best way of making the Circle helpful to the University. These talks were all interesting, and full of helpful suggestions. The treasurer's report showed that the aggregate collections for the year were not quite so large as the previous year. This was owing to the fact that there were no large donations, as in the previous year. The total receipts for the year, though being the penny-a-day dues, are still most encouraging, and show what can be done by collecting the mites. Some changes were made in the corps of officers. Mrs. T. J. Sanders was elected president, and Miss Cora McFadden both treasurer and corresponding secretary.

THE annual banquet to the Seniors by the Juniors was given at Hotel Holmes June 11.

FIELD DAY.

The fourth annual field day of Otterbein University was held on the athletic grounds June 3. The Otterbein band gave a half hour's concert before the exercises of both morning and afternoon. The day was beautiful and sunshiny, but a strong wind sweeping up the track necessarily hindered the long-distance runners, and the 2:20 men finished in the very face of it.

There is no hesitation in saying that the field day was the best ever held on these grounds. The entries were not numerous, but the events very interesting on account of the closeness of the contests. Out of eighteen contests, ten resulted in the breaking of home records. Mr. Hostetler, in the pole vault, and Mr. Kumler, in the running broad jump, surpassed the State records. Mr. Stine also lowered our records in the 440 and 220-yard dashes, showing himself a fast man. A silver medal was given to the winner of each standard event by the Otterbein Athletic Association.

The following is an official record of the contests:

16-pound-shot—First, E. W. Stine, 34 ft. 1 in.; second, J. W. Stiverson, 32 ft. 2½ in.

Kicking football—First, L. L. Barnard, 157 ft. 2½ in.; second, B. Kumler, 106 ft. 3 in.

100-yard dash—First, E. W. Stine, 11¼ sec.; second, C. B. Stoner, 11¾ sec.

Throwing baseball—First, C. W. Stoughton, 329 ft.; second, H. H. Milliman, 290 ft.

120-yard hurdle—First, C. B. Stoner, 21½ sec.; second, S. C. Markley, 21¾ sec.

Standing hop-step-jump—First, S. C. Markley, 28 ft. 5 in.; second, S. E. Shull, 28 ft. 2 in.

220-yard dash—First, E. W. Stine, 23¾ sec.; second, N. P. Bennett, 26 sec.

Mile run—First, W. C. Teter, 5 min. 28 sec.; second, L. W. Thompson.

Running high jump—First, S. C. Markley, 5 ft. 2¾ in.; second, E. E. Hostetler, 4 ft. 11 in.

440-yard dash—First, E. W. Stine, 55¾ sec.; second, W. C. Teter.

Standing high jump—First, R. C. Kumler, 4 ft. 11 in.; second, S. C. Markley, 4 ft. 5 in.

Running hop-step-jump—First, R. C. Kumler, 42 ft.; second, S. C. Markley, 38 ft. 5 in.

High kick—First, R. C. Kumler, 9 ft. 1 in.; second, S. C. Markley.

Standing broad jump—First, R. C. Kumler, 10 ft. 4 in.; second, C. W. Stoughton, 10 ft. 1 in.

880-yard run—First, R. C. Kumler, 2 min. 18¾ sec.; second, E. W. Stine.

Running broad jump—First, R. C. Kumler, 22 ft. 1 in.; second, E. B. Brandenburg.

Pole vault—First, E. E. Hostetler, 9 ft. 3¼ in.; second, R. C. Kumler, 8 ft. 9 in.

Throwing 16-pound hammer—First, C. B. Brown, 70 ft.; second, E. W. Stine, 69 ft. 6¼ in.

The day of sport was concluded with a ball game between the two 'varsity teams.

ATHLETICS.

Otterbein's second game of baseball was with the National Team, of Columbus, May 20. The victory for the former was easy, as indicated by the score. The noticeable features of the game were the fine pitching of Resler and the excellent work of first-baseman Evans. The following is the score:

Innings.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Otterbein.....	3	1	0	3	5	2	1	0	*	—15
National.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	—2

On May 27 our team crossed bats with the Capital University of Columbus, on the Otterbein oval. The game was rather one-sided, resulting in our defeat. Capital University out-played us from the beginning, and the all-round good playing on their part showed much practice and careful training.

The work of Born and Eisenman was especially noticed.

The game was free from all kicking and quarreling, and was such as one enjoys witnessing.

The score was as follows:

Innings.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Otterbein.....	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	—4
Capitals.....	1	2	3	2	0	3	2	0	*	—13

The fourth and last game was with the deaf mutes on the Otterbein campus June 10. The following is its history:

Innings.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Otterbein.....	6	2	1	0	0	1	3	0	12	—25
Independents.....	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—5

Our baseball season has closed. Our record is not just what we would like it to be, yet we feel encouraged, all things considered, with the results accomplished during the season. The plan was to train new men, and we have succeeded quite well.

The new men are quite promising, and next season's work will certainly show improvement. The team has been entirely composed of college men and has been purely amateur. Such has become the feeling at Otterbein against so-called "professionalism" in college athletics, that imported men will be forever barred from our team. And this is as it should be.

With the consciousness of playing our games fairly and honestly, defeat is borne with much better grace, and victory seems all the more sweet.

Miss Grace Hooven, of Dayton, recently spent a week in town as the guest of Miss Blanche Lowes.

IN MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS, We, the members of the Otterbein Philanthropic Society, have learned with deep regret of the death of our beloved sister, Mrs. Edna Ginn Mills, of Buckhannon, West Virginia, whose amiable disposition and Christian graces endeared her to all her associates, and whose faithfulness and loyal, loving interest in this society were always expressed by her; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we recognize with tender appreciation her faithfulness and loyalty as a member of this society and the cheerful service she rendered in that capacity.

2. That we hereby express our profound sorrow and deepest sympathy, and tender our sincere condolence to all the bereaved relatives in their distress, and realizing our helplessness in conveying to them comforting words, we bid them cast all their care upon the One who has promised to bear all the sorrows of his children.

3. That we cherish the memory of her pure life and noble character as a precious heritage, and that we strive to emulate her many virtues.

4. That these resolutions be placed upon the minutes of this society; that a copy of them be sent to the bereaved family, and that they be published in the *Public Opinion* and the OTTERBEIN ÆGIS.

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LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

Miss Verna J. Fowler is visiting friends in town.

Miss Ziegler, of Columbus, is visiting Miss Helen Shauck.

Miss Rebecca Swain, of Fort Wayne, spent a week with her brother during the month.

Mr. E. D. Lollar, wife and daughter, of Saratoga, Ind., are attending commencement exercises.

The Otterbein Choral Society entertained the public on the night of May 30 with a very classical concert given in the College chapel.

Mr. C. Howard, of Schoolcraft, Mich., and W. M. Bell, of Elkhart, Ind., spent commencement week with the former's son, Mr. A. T. Howard, '94.

On the evening of May 23 the Otterbein Quartet, assisted by Miss Windle on piano and Miss Bratton on the violin, gave a concert in the College chapel. The large audience was not disappointed in expecting a musical treat.

There were about seventy of our alumni present during commencement, notably Daniel Surface, '62; Judge J. A. Shauck, '66; G. A. Funkhouser, '68; S. E. Kemp, '70; A. B. Shauck, '74; J. I. L. Resler, '76. The class of '92 had the largest representation, thirteen of their number being present.

One of the most happy events of the week was the quiet marriage of Mr. Wm. Harford, of Omaha, Nebraska, and Mrs. L. R. Keister, class '72, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. B. Resler, June 14. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Funkhouser in the presence of a few of the nearest friends. The Ægis extends congratulations to this distinguished couple.

The Cleiorhetean Society is evidently one of the most enterprising organizations connected with the University. During the past month they have recarpeted their hall with a fine light brussels. The windows have been artistically draped with elegant chenille curtains and silk sashes, the mellowing effects of which impart a very fine appearance to the hall. The rostrum chairs have been reupholstered with brocaded satin, and a brown chenille canopy now replaces the old one. The general effect produced by these improvements is so pleasing that we feel the society is to be highly congratulated on their good taste.

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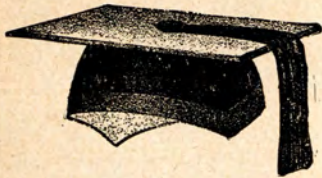
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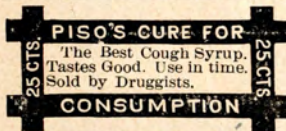
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5	Euclid Avenue.....Leave	8 14	8 14	1 19	3 40
9	Newburg.....Leave	8 25	8 25	1 35	3 56	A.M.
26	Hudson.....Leave	9 00	9 1	2 10	4 35	5 35
34	Cuyahoga Falls.....Leave	9 14	9 25	2 27	4 50	5 53
39	Akron.....{ Arrive	9 25	9 3	2 3	5 00	6 03
	.....{ Leave	9 29	9 40	2 40	5 05	6 08
41	South Akron.....Leave	9 48	2 48	5 13	6 16	
45	New Portage.....Leave	9 56	2 55	5 19	6 23	
46	Barberton.....Leave	9 45	9 59	2 58	5 21	6 27
52	Clinton.....Leave	10 1	3 08	5 32	6 38	
53	Warwick.....Leave	10 01	0 14	3 12	5 36	6 42
58	Marshallville.....Leave	10 26	3 29	5 47	6 53	
63	Orrville.....{ Arrive	10 19	10 35	3 37	5 55	7 02
{ Leave	10 23	10 42	3 42	Ar.	7 20
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77	Fredericksburg.....Leave	11 06	4 06	7 45	
81	Homesville.....Leave	11 14	4 14	7 53	
87	Millersburg.....Leave	11 01	11 27	4 25	8 03	
93	Killbuck.....Leave	11 12	11 40	4 38	8 18	
99	Black Creek.....Leave	11 53	4 50	.....	8 32	
107	Brink Haven.....Leave	12 12	5 08	.....	8 50	
111	Danville.....Leave	12 22	5 17	.....	8 59	
116	Howard.....Leave	12 31	5 26	.....	9 08	
120	Gambier.....Leave	11 55	12 40	5 35	10	9 17
126	Mt. Vernon.....{ Arrive	12 04	12 50	5 48	A.M.	9 27
	.....{ Leave	12 09	1 00	6 08	6 30	9 32
131	Bangs.....Leave	.....	6 18	6 40	9 42	
135	Mt. Liberty.....Leave	.....	6 26	6 48	9 49	
139	Centerburg.....Leave	12 30	1 28	6 36	6 58	9 58
145	Condit.....Leave	.....	6 50	7 11	10 10	
149	Sunbury.....Leave	1 49	6 59	7 20	10 19	
151	Galena.....Leave	1 52	7 04	7 25	10 23	
158	Westerville.....Leave	1 04	2 06	7 19	7 37	10 36
170	Columbus.....Arrive	1 25	2 30	7 45	8 05	11 00
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19	Galena.....Leave	12 44	6 39	1 18	4 37	
21	Sunbury.....Leave	12 48	6 43	1 23	4 41	
25	Condit.....Leave	12 56	6 51	1 33	4 49	
31	Centerburg.....Leave	1 09	7 04	1 46	5 02	
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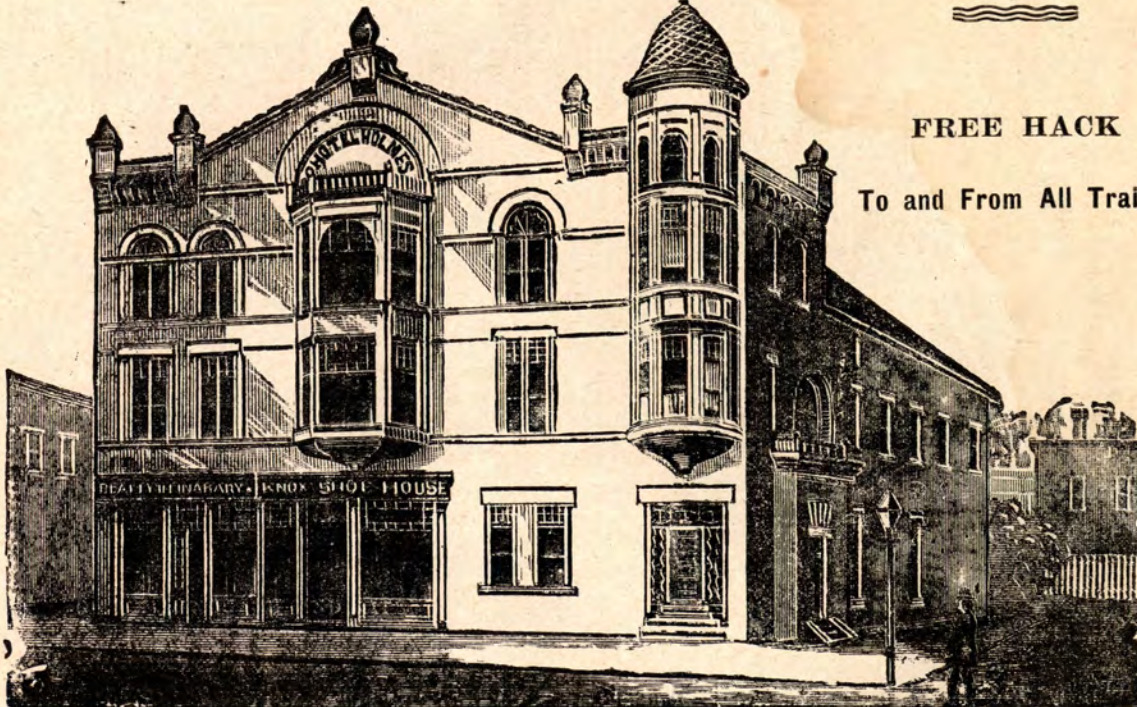
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