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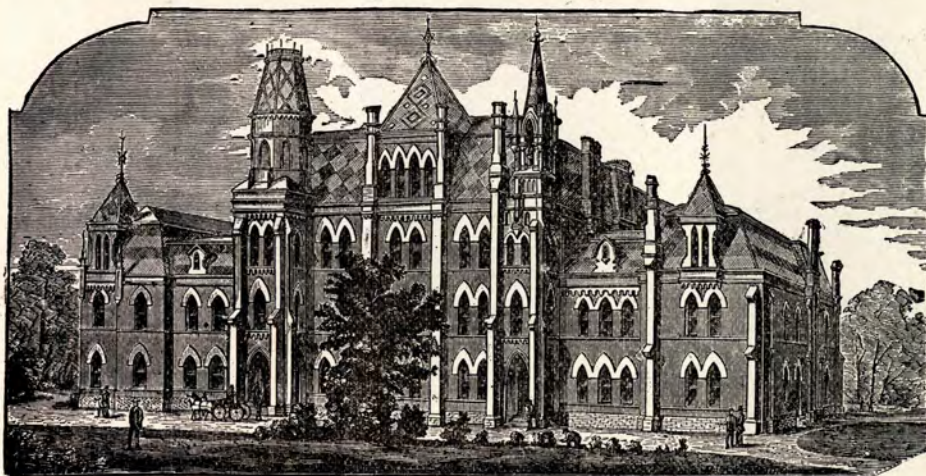


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### EDITORIAL.

**T**HE *Practical Student* discusses the question of having an editorial association of Ohio college papers. Several efforts have been made to form such an association, but all have resulted in failure. And yet there is no reason why we should not form such an association. It is certainly needed, and would be a great benefit to Ohio college journals. Why not appoint a place and date for meeting and make it a reality?

**T**HE new equipment recently placed in the gymnasium by Mr. John Dodds, of Dayton, has given a new impetus to the school of physical culture. This together with the new heating apparatus is making the Association Building useful as well as ornamental. It is to be hoped that the other necessary furniture

will soon be supplied, and the building made what it was designed to be, the center of the social and religious activity of the school.

**W**E publish in another column of this number "A Lesson in Economics" from the pen of Prof. W. J. Zuck. It is surely a timely article, for the continual increase in expenses in college life threatens to deny a college course to any except those of large means. Prof. Zuck shows how economy is an important part in a college training in the individual as well as in the mass of students. It is well worth our consideration, and this article should be carefully read by all of our readers.

**O**TTERBEIN University is what we call our school. But have we a university? To this question there can be but one answer. Then why not call things by their right names? Otterbein college would not sound quite so dignified as our present name, but it would cover all we have without giving a false impression. Call a university a university, and a college a college, and do not cover with a name what we do not possess in fact. True the old name has become dear to many of us, but who would not give it up for the sake of calling our school by its right name?

**T**IME is one of the most essential elements in our lives—none so precious and valuable whether used rightly or not. It is so precious, that there is only one moment in the world at once and that is always taken away before another is given. Since time is so precious, and when lost is never found, it behooves us, as students, to see to it that we improve our time the best that surrounding circumstances



will permit. And they will always permit, if we simply make them come under our control. Truthfulness is the most valuable thing in the world; an education is the most important thing. But the best thing in the world is a noble character. Truthfulness and honesty are the requisites of a genuine character. Let us see how much we can accomplish by improving our spare moments, and by the careful upbuilding of our characters by observing these two things—truthfulness and honesty.

HOW many of our readers have made resolves for the New Year? The first of January is regarded as the time for turning over a new leaf, and beginning a new and clean record. But for some reason the clean white page is soon blotted, and before January is past we feel like tearing the leaf out and beginning all over again. And yet in spite of our failures these noble resolves are uplifting and a means of moral strength. It is better to have made an effort and failed than never to have tried at all. But if we have kept our New Year's resolves for only a week it is not a failure, for it shows that the desires of the soul are for something higher, and helps us to learn the great lesson of self-reliance. The soul that will not make resolves for fear of breaking them is cowardly, and lacks decision of character. Make resolves and keep them, but if you do fail do not be afraid to try it all over again and again till you have succeeded and left the new leaf unstained.

THE excellent remarks given by President Sanders in prayers a few mornings ago about taking special care of our health should be observed by all of us. The man who, strong and vigorous, full of health and strength gives his years and best efforts to the bettering of his fellow beings, whose life is full of good actions and kindness towards those who need them,—his life is worth living. The only way to obtain this much desired strength is not by abusing our bodies by late hours, over-work and other vices common to all. Carefully abide by the laws laid down by nature and we shall

receive a just recompense. Such a thing as neglectfulness has never been known to strengthen a man in any way, while on the other hand it has been the active cause of ruining many. The future of this world rests upon us and only by carefully preparing both mentally and physically for it can good result. In other words a well rounded man by placing his trust in God will finally be able to accomplish all that he may desire to undertake.

A NOTICEABLE fact in the recent history of American colleges is the growth of the "Amherst system" or self-governing idea. The enforcement of the college regulations is placed in the hands of a college "Senate" composed of ten members, four seniors, three juniors, two sophomores and one freshman. These are selected by their respective classes. The function of the Senate is judicial, not legislative, and its decisions must be ratified by the president of the college before they are binding. Such questions as cheating in examinations, 'cribbing,' and hazing, as well as the violation of other college rules, come before this Senate for decision. The plan is in successful operation at Princeton, Cornell, Northwestern and some other colleges. The unpleasantness with which the faculty has to deal each term has suggested that some such system might be adopted in our college to the advantage of all concerned. Every student has a sense of honor which, if appealed to, will respond and when the good name of his college is in danger of being brought into reproach, he will not hesitate to give his voice toward removing the danger, for the good name of the college is dear to the heart of everyone. The student does not like to feel that he is under the discipline of the faculty. It arouses in him a feeling of opposition, and destroys that confidence which should exist between pupil and teacher. The student should be made to feel that the interests of the faculty are his own interests, and that he is as much a part of the school as his teacher. When the faculty is forced to resort to severe measures in matters of discipline, a certain class



of students will invariably look upon it as tyranny, and thus create a sentiment against the faculty which is detrimental to that confidence which is necessary to a well regulated college. If the ideal government in state is a democratic government, why should not the same principle apply to the college? For surely the average intelligence of the student body is higher than that of the average citizen. Again, it is hard for the faculty to procure evidence against anyone, no matter how guilty he may be in the violation of the rules. No student likes to turn informer against his fellow, for it is a violation of an unwritten code of honor which he has regarded from his very first school days, and which makes the informer feel as guilty as the culprit. The honor system would make every one feel that the good name of his school was in part dependent upon him, and that it was his duty to discourage everything detrimental to the best interests of his chosen college. It would also remove the objectionable features referred to above, and lighten to a very great extent the most unpleasant task the faculty has to endure. It is at least worth giving a trial, for what has proved a success in other schools may also be made a success at Otterbein.

#### A CHAPTER ON ECONOMICS.

PROF. W. J. ZUCK.

**W**HILE searching in a drawer for a certain thing a few days ago, a little book fell into my hand and suggested at once the subject of this article. The book is of no interest or value to anyone but its owner, but to him its worth is increasing as the years hasten along. It is a book of accounts, and to be specific, contains the itemized receipts and expenditures extending over seven years, five of which were spent in college.

Turning the pages of this little book, the whole story of those years is easily and vividly recalled. Indeed, the story told by this book begins long before college days were reached.

It tells with the aid of a little reflection how the sum of twenty-two dollars was made and saved by a boy about twelve years of age. It recalls the giving of that sum to a friend to invest for profit, not for himself, but *for the boy*, and the increase of that amount to eighty dollars, returned to him and used during the first year in college. In the meantime as much and more had been earned and saved, and with the other amount constituted the cash in hand with which to begin a college course. This book contains the dates and amounts of all receipts during the years following down to the day of graduation, and an itemized account of all expenditures covering the same period of time.

The science of economics refers more particularly to the production and distribution of national wealth. Its earliest application was, however, to household affairs, or domestic management. It is in this sense with decided leaning to the student in the management of his finances that the term is here and now to be used. And such management there must be. The boy at college is in business, has money in his pocket or at his command which he may use wisely or unwisely. He is a capitalist, and his capital or stock in trade is to be invested for profit, and the result of his investments will determine whether in this respect he is a success or a failure.

A matter of prime importance in every business is system. As the trades are conducted now, it is indispensable—in the simplest and most complicated alike. There is not a business in which men engage to-day, if prosecuted without purpose, without aim, without method, that will not bring ruin and financial disaster. Experts engaged upon the books of insolvents agree that in nine cases out of ten the accounts are in a muddle—kept without plan or method. In the expenditure of money, system is especially needed. Let a man note down all the items of his expenses for a year, and if he has never done so before, he will have a revelation entirely new. He will have the satisfaction of knowing not only where his money has gone, but how another year he can make more out of



it. If he is wise, his investments the second year will be more carefully made, and more thoroughly enjoyed. The student will discover that it is not his board-bill or tuition that makes the term bill so unexpectedly large, but the little things of which at the time of purchase he scarcely had a thought. Washington and Wellington, no doubt, were cautious and systematic in the discipline and movements of their great armies, but not more so than in the details of their own personal affairs. It is said that each kept an account of all the money received, and scrutinized with great care the little items in the outgoings of his household. No other method will so easily help to a practical and needful economy in the management of one's personal finances.

As a rule, the college student does not accumulate his own money, and, therefore, his experience is not such as to give him much of an idea of its worth, or what it represents. It comes to him, perhaps, with little or absolutely no effort from himself, and the danger is that it will go as easily. Now that he is thrown to some extent upon his own judgment, he must learn to discriminate between legitimate and illegitimate demands. The purchasing power of money will open up a field he never explored. He will awake to the consciousness that his wants are without number and his needs surprisingly numerous and pressing. Temptations to useless expenditure are on every hand, and his ability to keep his money will be put to a severe test. These are necessary parts of a practical education, and for good or ill, consciously or unconsciously, the business habits they fasten upon a young man or woman in college will in all probability be a permanent possession. No one can afford to be a spendthrift when he has honestly earned his own money. How, then, can he afford it when the money has been given him by another for a certain definite purpose. Such money is of the nature of a trust, for the use of which an account is to be rendered. It is a terrible thought and comment on a man's integrity and life that he was not true to his trust.

When a boy is sent to college, it is fair to assume that his income or remittance from home will supply everything that he absolutely needs, and leave a balance in his hands for the unexpected in his budget of expense. No doubt that income in many cases is larger than it needs to be or ought to be, while in others more would, indeed, serve a good purpose. But it is difficult to see the necessity, in the vast majority of cases, for the contracting of debts of any kind soever. By this is not meant, of course, the little delay in meeting a tuition or room-rent bill because the remittance from home is past-due a few weeks, but the buying on credit of articles not needed, and the borrowing of money for purposes in no way connected with a student's life or work. To contract a debt for something essential is bad enough; to contract one for something unnecessary and foolish is wholly without excuse. And it brings grief in the end. An old writer has said: "No man is rich whose expenditures exceed his means, and no one is poor whose incomings exceed his outgoings." There is a world of wisdom in the words of Dickens's Micawber: "Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure nineteen, nineteen, six; result happiness. Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure twenty pounds, ought and six; result misery." The formation of a habit of economy in all the details and affairs of college life will at the time and in the end bring greater respect and satisfaction than luxurious living and unpaid bills with the merchant or tailor.

Has it ever occurred to you that money is a test of character? It was Bulwer who said that money would betray the secrets of its owner; and so it will, both of virtue and vice. A man's expenditure of money is usually in the direction of his tastes, for no one buys what does not please him, or is not in some way essential to his well-being. What estimate does the sober and self-respecting part of humanity put upon the one whose tobacco bill is greater than that for bread? Or, whose expenditure for luxuries is the largest item in the expense account



of one of limited means? Between the lines of the debtor side may be read much that a man thinks, feels, hates and loves. His character is unfolded to a large degree, and though that record may never be made in written form and therefore his true character never be known by others, he carries it about with him in the consciousness that he has abused what ought to have been the means of his uplifting. The memory of it will remain to worry him while life lasts, and it is not often that any amount of struggle in later life will atone for these financial sins of youth. Scan carefully your expense account with reference to the light it throws on your life and character.

It comes to us frequently of late that education is costing too much, and unless there is a radical change it will not be long until only rich men will be able to educate their children. It has been said, and with some emphasis, that the college is no longer for the poor man, and his children must be satisfied with the rudimentary education of the public schools. There is more than a grain of truth in these statements as revealed in the life of many students in college. Nor is the student altogether to blame. Enthusiasm in certain directions may rise so high that, even when the object is good, and no fault can be found with the thing itself, its demands are costly and even extravagant. It is perfectly fair to say that no college wants a student to spend for amusement and sport an amount equal to his yearly tuition, or for eating and banqueting at unseasonable hours as much as his regular board bill. And if he does, who is to be censured? College authorities owe it to their patrons to give an accurate estimate of the necessary expenses of a student. They owe more than that. They owe it as a duty to discourage and, if necessary, restrict the expenditure of money in ways that threaten the success of the student *as a student*. It is no argument either to say that some can afford to use money in this way, because they or their friends have it in abundance. There are perfectly legitimate opportunities for such expenditure, and though some institutions insist

rigidly on a perfect equality in this regard, it seems to be more in accord with the very nature of things to allow a furnishing and equipment for which everyone can afford to pay. When the college has done that, then begins the responsibility of the parent or the student himself. Every parent ought to know what use the boy is making of his money, and when the requests come frequently and unusually large, then should come also a satisfactory explanation.

In all the details of the student's life, college authorities and those who hold the purse strings at home need to act in hearty cooperation. May the time never come when it can be truthfully said of Otterbein that to complete its fullest and best course of study, and enjoy its richest and most helpful advantages, is an impossibility to the poorest boy in the land.


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EULOGY—LADY HENRY SOMERSETT.

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BY DAISY CUSTER, '95.

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HE present is a fitting time to honor those to whom honor is due. To present the lives and services of those who have listened to the voice of conscience, and found a recompense for blighted hopes in conscious uprightness. All honor to those who are striving to augment the influences which will in time achieve the regeneration of humanity! Such are the characters that have a reserve force of mental and moral power which wields an influence other than that of words, and applies to human action the utterances of Him whose teachings are words of life.

Such are the characters that have been rounded into the symmetry of usefulness and wisdom by all the tides of life moving in right directions. Such are they who laugh at impossibilities, and with an energy that makes success out of other men's failures, push on through every obstacle. The real worth of any movement consists in its principles, and only by the development and application of these principles can their nature be known. All honor to those



who have placed their first offerings upon the altar of sacrifice for the defence and maintenance of just principles!

All honor to Lady Henry Somerset, champion of justice, advocate of purity, friend of the oppressed! A moral heroine who has proved by her life that she possesses a character, strong, noble, true. Talents, wealth and title have made many lives selfish and narrow. But they have broadened her conceptions of life, revealed the true value of a human soul, enlarged her sphere for activity. In her life there arose conditions of which she took advantage to make herself useful. Doing well the duties that lay nearest, at last came a call to loftier heights, to more conspicuous victories.

Her pure life like the setting sun leaves a trail of light by which others may be guided, shedding its rays into undreamed-of places, touching some heart, reclaiming some life. She is wielding an influence that radiates to the farthest limits of society, leaving a fibre that will be interwoven in the history of the world. The ideas she has advanced are being enthroned in the hearts of the people with whom she comes in contact. In striving for the better protection of home in leading the hosts in a great reform, she is not content with a mere surface view of what effects humanity for weal or woe, but with her searching mind delves beneath the apparent, to find the root cause and permanent remedy. Again and again have her words been the strength and stay of weak hearts; her work is just begun but it is destined to affect humanity as has the work of but few women.

She will live in the ever widening results of the victories achieved by her genius. Her efforts are for immortal souls and the principles she has engraved upon their hearts will brighten to all eternity. The British government has been touched by her womanly devotion to humanity, and to-day, America and England are bound by inseparable ties, as our own loved Francis Williard clasps hands with Lady Somerset, the uncrowned queen of British womanhood. Devotion to humanity is her guiding

star; and her sweetest memorial will be the success of her endeavors for God and Home and Native Land.

To honor God, to benefit mankind,  
To bless with lofty gifts  
The lowly needs of a poor race  
For which Godman died,  
And do this all in love.  
Ah! This is great and she who does this  
Well achieves a name not only  
Great but good.

### THE MINISTRY OF BEAUTY.

BY PRES. JONATHAN ALLEN.

**W**HAT IS BEAUTY? In the efforts that have been made through the ages to find its nature, principles, and laws, manifold are the questions that have arisen, puzzled and divided philosophers. Is it, as held by Plato, a species of good and a branch of ethics? Is its origin to be found in order and regularity, symmetry and proportion? Is it in the sentiment springing from association? Is it in truth and genuineness? Is it in fitness and functional use? These are some of the questions that have guided and divided students of beauty.

Beauty as we conceive it is an expression of the perfect. This manifestation awakens aesthetic sentiments. God is perfect. His ideals, laws, activities are all perfect. The manifestations of these perfections, through finite symbols, constitute beauty. These perpetually pervade the universe. The train of their holiness sweeps through the temple of the universe.

All beauty has a divine and a human side. This is again both subjective and objective—ideal and real. Ideal beauty can find expression only in and through realities. Real beauty is thus the manifestation of embodied ideal, beauty. The divine ideals partake of the divine perfections; the human ideals partake of the human imperfections. Realities, whether the product of divine or human power, partake of the imperfect. Hence all realities are of imperfect beauty. Ideal beauty is, not what is ex-



pressed in the real, but what would be if the ideal could be perfectly embodied. Thus beauty has a threefold manifestation—the divine ideals, the perfect, human ideals, the imperfect, and the real, in which these are imperfectly embodied. This embodied, imperfect beauty has, however, always and everywhere, the splendor of the perfect illuminating it.

No scene in nature, no work of art, no music, oratory, or poetry, no deed, life, or character is so perfect but the imagination, touched and kindled by the actual, sees the still more perfect. Thus nothing is truly beautiful that does not kindle the imagination, awakening the ideal, in which shines the light of the perfect. All nature has this trend toward the higher and the perfect. From atom, fluid, crystal, vegetable, animal, to spirit there is an upward gradient and a higher type of beauty. The highest earthly type is man, because in him is expressed the most life, personality, and spirituality. The same holds in all activities and arts. They increase in beauty as they increase in the capacity of expressing high spiritual sentiments, and those are the highest which reveal most spirit. This is eminently true in respect to the highest of all life work, that art of arts, character making. Of all beautiful products, that of a beautiful character, stands pre-eminent. As all lower forms of physical beauty center and culminate in man physical, so do all spiritual truths, laws, and influences, and activities culminate and crown in character.

Again, in this ascending scale, beauty is in proportion to the expression, not in individual peculiarities, but of the characteristics of the species. In proportion as an individual embodies and expresses in himself the archetypal plan of the species does he rise in the scale of beauty. Beauty and science thus have a common root. When the ideal type is thus complete in the individual, perfect beauty is attained. Jesus, the most beautiful character of time, embodied in himself not simply the moral beauty of the Hebrew character, but the typical, spiritual beauty of humanity in all races and times. Hence it is that, both in art and in life, the completest

beauty is attained not by being simply servile pre-Raphaelistic copyists of an individual scene, or person, or character, but by selecting and combining the perfections of many, rejecting the imperfections.

The outcome of these principles, laws, and tendencies, is an ascent from the particular, accidental, and individual, to the generic, typical and universal; from the lower to the higher; from the indefinite to the definite; from the physical to the spiritual; from the real to the ideal; from the imperfect to the perfect. In this realm is attained the "beauty of holiness," the "perfection of beauty." Here beauty, holiness, perfection are, at root, synonymous terms. They are simply different ways of looking at, and different modes of explaining, the same essential spiritual excellency. No character can be ideally beautiful without the holiness of perfection, nor holy without the "perfection of beauty," nor perfect without the "beauty of holiness."

To aid in the attainment of this perfection, all things are to the intent of ministries, workers together for good, to man. Utilities, truths, laws, joys, sorrows, beauty, religion, throng about him, standing as ministering agencies, appointed to do his service. In this ministry the lower is the servant of the higher. Even the earth-bounded and life-limited utilities, food and drink, clothing and shelter, rest and toil, gain and loss, health and sickness, want and wealth, when rightly accepted, appropriated, and used, yield experience, insight, patience, wisdom, ample power, higher character—thus spiritual beauty. Above these utilities there ever spans the ideal life, to which all things light and lead the way. The best and highest culture does not come from books and schools. The amount of soulhood is not determined by abstract knowledge, but is received and imparted as the flowers impart odor, the sunlight, all native beauty—unconsciously.

Seekest thou the highest and best? The sky and flowers and trees and birds can teach thee. Ah! many a man can better be spared from the earth than such teachers; when the former die,



a great burden is lifted from the shoulders of the world; but when a noble tree is slain or a flower bed robbed, mourners may well walk the streets for great though silent teachers have fallen.

In the earlier years of life, before retrospection begins, or the higher teachings of the spiritual world are comprehended, the soul is open-eyed, receptive, and responsive to all that is beautiful in nature. Then every tree and flower, every sweep of meadow and woodland, every stretch of river and plains, every tuneful brook and waterfall, every expanse of ocean and sky, every glad morning and quiet evening—all give culture and beauty to the receptive spirit.

As years increase and life becomes care-encumbered, the outward world is apt to appear barren of all but utilities, but a soul true to life itself and the divinity within, rises into the higher plane of these ministries.

The lower types of beauty are preparatory and prophetic of the higher, and they become helpful inasmuch as they suggest and lead up to the higher. The artist catches these suggestions and seeks to retain, embody, and express the higher beauty in painting, by color; in plastics, by form; in music, by sound; in poetry, by word; in life, by character; while the divine artist uses all these and more, for the embodiment and expression of his perfections. All nature is formful, voiceful, and lifeful, with the teachings of the divine Artist. They are all apostles speaking to man in diverse tongues of the divine glories. Their speech is caught up and repeated by the artist. It flows out in the soul of man. All forms of physical beauty find their prototype in the soul of man. He is so constituted as to spontaneously love and appropriate beauty in whatever form manifested.

Above these, new truths, great arts, sublime living, religious verities touch the spirit, as live coals from off the divine altar. When the divine beatitudes kindle and shine in the higher life, the "be ye perfect" becomes both a behest and an inspiration. All realities then become ladders by which we climb to the perfect. In thus climbing the lower forces die out, and the

higher become more and more established.

"Persons," says Hawthorne, "who can only be ornamental, who can give the world nothing but flowers, should die young." Not a few sons and daughters of the land, though they toil not, neither do they spin, yet even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these, for their fathers and mothers care for them—they too should die young. All ornamenters, merely for ornament's sake, are deformities, and should die young.

On the other hand, all who, as they grow old in years, and objects lose their freshness, and their delicacy of perception, take on the higher and more spiritual beauty, by learning, as Thoreau says, to "fish in the skies whose bottom is pebbly with stars,"—such can never grow old, but freighted with the divinest treasures, they break the sea of life into fadeless beauty as they sail, thrilling, enthralling, and inspiring all beholders.

Reverent and unfaltering faith, and the truthful and calm assurance springing therefrom, is the first essential element in such living. The calm vigor of a high purpose, the restful quietude of duty fulfilled and victory won, and toil and tempest are full of divinest beauty. Such faith leads to the unselfish being born of love and devotion. Many there be who consider themselves umpires of tastes, who prate of elegant art and aesthetic tastes, yet, instead of beautiful souls and lives with deeds like fair pictures, are selfish and low, and blur everything lovely and noble with which they come in contact. Many, like the poplars of Lombardy, selfishly hug all their boughs about themselves, fit only as a background to all fair scenery, or like those of Normandy, trimmed by the hand of utility of all beauty for firewood, only a top tuft of deformity left. Life, like art, to be beautiful must needs, while standing centered and poised in the strength of the noble reverence of faith, have the moral energy of unselfish purposes, and the divine glory of sacrificial living.

As gracious and tender forgiveness is the crowning beauty of the Lord, the crowning



glory of his perfections, so are they of the human. When Jesus said, "Be ye, therefore, perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect," it was to be perfect in the perfection of his unconditioned graciousness and love, that made the sun to rise on the evil as well as the good, and sent rain on the just and unjust alike—a perfection that would lead to the love of enemies, the blessing of them that curse, the doing of good to them that hate, and the praying for them that persecute. This is the crowning beauty of perfection and the crowning perfection of beauty. When this is attained, it vitalizes the whole being, becoming formative of life, architectonic of character, moulding circumstances, shaping actions after the divine type.

Sprinkled over the earth are a multitude of spirits whom the beauty of the Lord perpetually overshadows, making radiant their being, and whose lives make the world purer, sweeter, more wholesome, and giving to other lives a higher, more beautified, and diviner significance. They may not be cedars of Lebanon or oaks of Bashan, crowning the heights of humanity, only simple violets or clover blossoms, making sweet and beautiful the highways and byways and lanes of life. It may not be given them to poise or sail on steady wing, like condor or albatross, in the high serene heavens, or soar sunward as the eagle, or sing skyward as the lark but they may be song sparrows or robins, furnishing music and joy in multitudes of homes.

The favorites of heaven are seldom the favorites of fortune. The costly monuments of our centuries are not so much reminders of noble lives as of money. Those of the most beautiful lives may be laid away in the potter's field, devoted to the stranger and the poor, with stoneless, nameless graves or graves whose inscription

"Written with little skill of song craft,  
Homely phrases, but each letter  
Full of hope, and yet of heartbreak,  
Full of all the tender pathos  
Of the here and the hereafter."

Many a life is spent like the low lying stratus clouds, in the dull everyday utilities, perhaps even full of fog and mist and sad Ossionic

poetry, but gradually rise and sit, in the evening of life in the cloud-enthroned grandeur, patriarchs of the heavenly horizon, crowned with divine glories of the "after glow," as the fever heats of life flash, and the darkening folds of the coming night of death gather about them.

I have attempted to show that the highest quality of perfection, either divine or human, is love, beneficence, self-forgetting ministry. All perfection in quality ever aspires to perfection in quantity. As the young pine, though perfect in kind, climbs skyward, till it attains the full measure of grace and majesty of the nature true, so let your spirits grow towards absolute perfection or the "beauty of holiness," which, though never reaching, you will be ever approaching. All realities of life and of eternity will furnish the ladder wherewith to climb.

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#### Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

The association girls observed an hour of prayer in their own rooms each day of the union evangelistic services.

Dr. Clokey and Rev. Fries visited the association on the evening of the 8th inst. Dr. Clokey gave a short and helpful talk.

Sunday, Jan. 20th, was the day set by the world's committee of Y. W. C. A. as a special day of prayer for the work of that committee and for Miss Hill. It was on this day that Miss Hill was visiting the Christian associations of Jerusalem in the Holy Land. Our meeting held in the association building at 4 o'clock was led by Miss Turner and proved very helpful to all. "In our zeal to help others we help ourselves" A \$5.00 dime bank is to be filled during January and sent for the support of this work.

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

Of the meetings of the past month, mention should be made of the meeting held on the 17th, Dr. Sanders was present to add inspiration and interest to the meeting. The boys were unusually ready to participate. The leader Mr. Hostetler, gave a short and earnest talk which was heard with appreciation because of the life



back of the words. The boys talked from their actual experience in the Christian's life of struggle and vicissitudes, and many were the resolutions made to seek and maintain a higher ideal of life.

The new furnace for the association building is in place, and it remains to be seen whether it will do the work required of it, certain it is that the ground rooms can be heated, but during the recent cold weather the association hall was not as comfortable as it should have been, owing to the fact that the room has to be heated by one pipe through a small register in the corner of the room.

The Bible study work for this term has not yet been taken up, owing to the revival services. There is a tentative plan, however, in the minds of some of our members to combine a Y. M. C. A. class with the volunteer band, which is to be taught by Mr. Bear, the president of the band. Let us talk less of plans in the near future and do more real work in this department of the association work.

The presence of Dr. Clokey has been a strong inspiration to the Y. M. C. A. boys; his chapel talks, his life and his confidential heart-to-heart talks with the boys in their meetings, gave him a very warm place in the hearts of the members of the association. On the evening of the tenth, Dr. Clokey spoke to the boys in a short and practical address pressing upon them the need of settling the question of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

#### WEDDING BELLS.

Frank Jordan Resler and Mary Elizabeth Cooper, both of class '93, were married at the residence of the bride's parents on College avenue, Thursday evening, Dec. 27, at 6 o'clock. Since their graduation Mr. Resler has been in California, and more recently at Chicago taking voice culture, while Miss Cooper has been teaching music in this town. Both are accomplished musicians.

The residence of Mr. Cooper was tastefully decorated with greenhouse plants and cut flowers. The high contracting parties took their places under the arch to the strains of a wedding

march, played by Miss Minnie Brashares. The ceremony was performed by the groom's brother, the Rev. J. I. L. Resler, of Wilkinsburg, Pa. After the ceremony the wedding supper was served to a large number of friends, and the evening was given up to mirth and feasting.

Quite a large number of presents were received from their many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Resler left the following week for Chicago where both will continue their studies in music.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 3, there occurred a pink wedding at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Adams, parents of the bride. Promptly at 5 o'clock Dr. J. W. Bashford assisted by Rev. W. D. Creamer, performed the ceremony that made Clinton J. Lowry, of Lore City, O., and Miss Nellie M. Adams one. The decorations were tasty and profuse, consisting of pink and white roses, carnations and smilax. An excellent collation was served in three courses. Music was furnished by Miss Florence and Mr. Fayette Adams, Miss Brashares and others.

The bride and groom both graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University in the class of '94. The couple take their wedding trip through the south, coming back to Edginton May 1st, where Mr. Lowry is now engaged as pastor of the M. E. church of that place. The estimation in which these young people are held can be judged by the large number of fine presents received. May their married life be a continued success and a lasting happiness is the wish of the Ægis.

#### LOCAL.

The students showed their appreciation and love for Pres. Sanders by presenting him with an elegant watch chain on the fortieth anniversary of his birth.

Wednesday, the 16th, was observed as a mid-week Sabbath. All regular college exercises were dispensed with, and the day was spent in religious service.

Since the advent of the beautiful snow, everybody has been coasting and sleighing. The hills, especially at night, are thronged with young folks who are willing to brave all possible colds for the resulting sport. And probably it



would be safe to say that nearly every town in a radius of ten miles has heard the college yell given by the merriest crowds of students imaginable.

At the revival services on last Thursday evening Miss Susan Rike rendered in her most touching manner, Weintske's, "Callest thou thus, Oh, Master."

We also noticed in the line of Christmas parties, one held at Bradricks, one at Cornells and one given by Miss Crippen in honor of her friend, Miss Hoover, of Athens, O.

A surprise party was given to Miss Ada McCammon by her numerous college friends during the holidays. The surprise was complete and all considered the evening well spent.

The Philalethean Society held an election recently with the following result: Pres., Miss Sarah Mauger; vice pres., Miss Baker; rec. sec'y., Miss Irwin; critic, Miss Ada Lewis; chaplain, Miss Mary Mauger.

There seems to have been a revival of the old fashion of making New Year calls. Quite a number of people received, this last New Year. This seems like a good thing and many speak about it with good wishes for its continuance.

The Philophronean Society will be served during the coming term by the following officers: Pres., S. C. Markley; vice pres., W. B. Kinder; critic, R. E. Bower; rec. sec'y., W. L. Richer; censor, E. E. Hostetler; judges, Kintigh, Bear, Martin.

The ladies of the Cleiorhetean Literary Society elected the following officers for the coming term at their meeting on Thursday evening, the 17th: Pres., Miss Custer; vice pres., Miss Flook; rec. sec'y., Miss Ervin; chaplain, Miss Shanklin; critic, Miss Markley.

At last, something that concerns all of us has transpired. The gymnasium has received a gift from Mr. Dodds, of Dayton, of appliances amounting to about \$100. The articles consist of a horizontal bar, three short weights, traveling rings, dumb bells and Indian clubs. Although this gift does not fit the gymnasium out in the manner in which it should be fitted out,

nevertheless this is a step in the right direction and we feel duly thankful for this kindness. Now much more efficient work can be done because of the aid that these few appliances afford. Now, let a few other liberal minded friends of O. U. help us out with other similar gifts and we will be in condition to strengthen body as well as mind. We also notice an increase in interest in this work this term. There is nothing like it. Let us all take more of an interest in this department.

Last Wednesday evening two sleigh loads started for Worthington. It is needless to say that they got there and probably got back again. The party consisted of twelve couples and was noted for its noise. A light supper was served, which was just the thing to make the occasion a success.

Never did Westerville put on livelier holiday apparel than during the recent Christmas vacation. This liveliness added to the skating made time pass rapidly, and Westerville a very desirable place. However, every one was glad to welcome the opening of school and the consequent return of increased life.

The proposed oratorical association has ended in failure. It never saw the light. It was foully dealt with. In fact it was nipped in the bud. Why this happened is hard to tell. There seems to be no special reason only it was not wanted. But is there not danger of neglecting this art to our own detriment? It is a part of our culture and certainly should be encouraged.

Among the pleasant events which have occurred since our last issue none could excel the party given by W. W. Moses in honor of his sister, Miss Herrman, of Fremont, O. Although this took place during vacation, a large number of our local young people of which any town may well be proud, assembled to do the occasion honor. Refreshments were served and all spoke of it as a very enjoyable occasion.

The Freshman class celebrated their attainment to the dignity of college students and their liberation from the enthrallment of prepdom by a sleigh-ride in the mud, on the evening of Friday, the 18th. The village of Worthington



was made the recipient of their visit, although Worthington had never done them any harm. It is reported that the gallant boys of the class were compelled to dismount and push on the upgrades, and this is no joke, either.

The Misses Baker invited a number of their college friends to the opening party of the Christmas season. Immediately upon arrival each person was compelled to choose his partner by various colored ribbons. This caused much merriment as well as the charades indulged in later in the evening. Music and an elegant supper were the features of the evening. May many more such pleasant events occur.

Why is it that some philanthropist does not establish a pension bureau for disabled football men? Here is a chance to give the narrow chested, overworked veterans of the gridiron an uplift. They have worked hard at this mild exercise to regain their lost physical powers, and to uphold the honor of the college, and it seems inhuman to cast them off when they become disabled without any reward for their services.

To understand what a nice Y. M. C. A. building we possess, we should examine the new book on the Christian Association building movement throughout the United States. In this a cut of our building is given, compared with colleges all over the country. An examination and critical comparison will surprise you. Our building, taking into account the size of O. U., stands at the very front. This is something that we can sincerely feel proud of.

On the evening of Jan. the 5th, occurred the third entertainment of the C. L. C. It was a musical given by the Franz Wilczek concert company. The concert in many respects was the best ever given before a Westerville audience. The adverse critics who usually tear in pieces everything in sight were silent, and all lovers of classical music expressed themselves as delighted. Perhaps the strongest feature of the entertainment was the violin solos of Mr. Wilczek. It was pronounced by competent critics as the best ever heard in Westerville. He unites purity and sweetness of tone with such technical skill as is rarely seen in one artist. Mme. Wilczek

crowds her husband for first honors, her tone is sweet and smooth, and she played with fine effect. There were no weak points in the concert, and it is spoken of in the highest terms by all who were in attendance.

The union revival services just closed have proved a great blessing to the religious life of the college. Amid the many duties of student life it is difficult to give that attention to the religious side of our nature that we should, and we are in need of such seasons to arouse our sleeping faith. Dr. Clokey found us sleeping and has left us thoroughly awake to the Master's work. The element of faith which the student is so apt to forget in his search for the reasons for all things has been stimulated and we have been made to feel that faith is greater than reason. He presented the truth in a manner which appealed to the most thoughtful, restoring confidence in Christ and His church. The results among the unsaved were not as great as had been hoped, but it is to be hoped that it is only the beginning of a work that will yet accomplish even more than was hoped. Praise is due to the faculty for lessening the burden of class work to give all a chance to attend services, also for the dismissal of school on the mid-week Sabbath, and the active part taken in all services. Many will look back to these meetings as a starting point in their religious life and others as the beginning of a new era in their Christian experience and work.

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#### PERSONALS.

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S. I. Gear spent the latter part of his vacation in Westerville.

We are sorry to chronicle the illness of Miss EdDith Crippen, '98.

W. H. Anderson, '97, spent last week in Cleveland on business.

C. R. Frankum has been promoted from the freshman to the junior class.

E. G. Lloyd and Miss Jean Landis have been admitted to the freshman class.

N. Cornetet, '96, who is at present supplying the U. B. pulpit at Newark, held revival services



in that place from the 18th to the 21st, inclusive. The services will be continued by the presiding elder of that district.

Messrs. Head and Hilburn, both of Canada, are among the new men of this term.

D. H. Seneff spent part of his vacation visiting friends in Wayne and Stark counties.

M. G. Pinney, of Toledo, has entered school with the intention of completing a course.

Miss Nellie Sniffen, of Columbus, spent several days of last week visiting her college friends.

Dr. H. A. Thompson spent Sunday, the 6th, in town, and assisted in the morning service.

Jesse Gilbert, '97, after a short absence occasioned by the death of his brother, is again with us.

R. W. Kohr, '94, of Lane Theological Seminary, spent his vacation with his parents in this place.

James Barnes, '94, now of Princeton Theological Seminary, spent his vacation at his home in Westerville.

Mr. Creamer, brother to the Rev. Creamer of the M. E. church of this place, has taken up work in school.

A. C. Biggs, of Gambier, will not be in school this term on account of ill health, the result of overwork on the gridiron.

Messrs. Rhodes and Moore were recently visited by Gilbert Manecka, a former classmate of theirs at Fostoria academy.

J. A. McKenzie, of Hood River, Oregon, has entered upon a course of study in the college. He will enter the freshman class.

Harry Brewer, of Bowling Green, son of the editor of the Wood county *Sentinel*, has entered college. He expects to take a classical course.

Wells Stanley will not be in college this term, owing to the illness of his sister who is a teacher in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware.

Miss Leonie Scott, '92, has succeeded Miss Lizzie Cooper at the Sunday services, and Miss Cooper, now Mrs. F. J. Resler, is with her husband in Chicago.

W. R. Pruner and sister, Miss May Ver, of El Dorado, O., arrived several days late, having been detained by the quarantine against diphtheria at their home.

Mr. Aisles and Miss Dessie Dixon, of Croton, attended the concert on the 5th inst. and visited the latter's sister. We also were pleased to notice a number from Sunbury.

F. S. Douglass, of Roanoke, Ind., a member of the freshman class, will not be in school this term owing to impaired health. He expects to take a position as reporter in Elkhart, Ind.

Prof. Bonser, a student here thirteen years ago, and now superintendent of the Carey public schools, spent a few days with Pres. Sanders arranging to do some non-resident college work, looking forward to a degree.

#### COLLEGE WORLD.

Wittenberg reports the accession of fifty new students at the opening of the winter term.

Dialogue at Christmas time, between student, who has been forbidden to play football, and stern parent:

Stern parent: —? —? —?

Truthful James: —! —! —! —!  
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Stern parent: "I knew that boy would not deceive me by playing that brutal game."

Truthful James (aside): "The old gent tackles hard, but not low enough. Ball goes over."  
 —*Practical Student*.

Once a Freshman was wrecked on an African coast,

Where a cannibal monarch held sway,

And they served up that Freshman in slices on toast

On the eve of that very same day.

But the vengeance of heaven followed swift on the act,

And before the next morning was seen,

By the cholera morbus that tribe was attacked,

For the Freshman was dreadfully green.

—*McMicken Review*.

Ohio State University will soon have one of the finest mastodons ever mounted in this country. It was found in Clark county, Ohio, some months ago. Parts of the skeleton which had been previously found and placed in the museums of Wooster and Wittenberg were re-



turned. Experts say that there is but one other mastodon in America comparable with it. The skeleton is nineteen and one-half feet in length, nine feet and eight inches in height and is valued at \$3,000.

The *Scholastic* has succeeded in unearthing the following code of rules from a Texan college:

I. The use of firearms in the president's room is strictly prohibited.

II. Saddles and bridles must not be hung on the chandeliers.

III. Vocal culture must be taken behind the barn.

Two hundred and nineteen courses are offered in the liberal arts and sciences at Harvard. President Eliot has calculated that it would take forty-four years to complete the whole number.—*College Rambler*.

The first requisite [for study] is, *concentration*, the ability to direct all his intellectual powers upon his subject and to hold them there for a definite period. One should be entirely obliv-

ious to the busy world outside. \* \* A roommate is a positive detriment, for he destroys and divests the power of concentration.

Another is *hard* but *honest* work. He who rides through college on ponies and keys, will have to crawl or limp in the great race of life, and will get badly left.—*Prof. T. H. Sonnedecker, in Kilikilik*.

His Freshman letters glowed with zeal,  
With "rushes," "scraps" and "larks,"  
He told about his quizzes, too,  
And sent home all his marks.

The "Soph" he found no time to write.  
In justice to himself,  
He promised not to work too hard  
And undermine his health.

The Junior found a lady love,  
One dreamy summer's night,  
And then she helped him spend the time  
In which he used to write.

The Senior didn't write at all,  
He never dreamed of it.  
He simply sent a printed card,  
"Dear father, please remit."

—*Rose Technic*.

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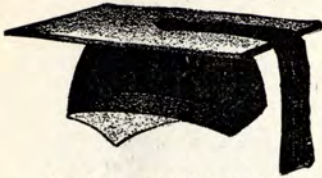
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Galena ..	---	†1 38	---	7 37	10 23	---
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Sunbury .....	---	†12 36	6 31	6 24	4 13
Centerburg ..	†12 57	12 57	6 54	6 46	4 36
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} Lv	†1 22	†1 37	7 22	Ar	†5 22
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Millersburg ..	2 26	3 06	8 47	5	6 49
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Orrville .....	2 59	3 55	9 32	A M	7 33
Warwick .....	3 04	4 05	9 37	†7 15	7 38
Barberton .....	3 22	4 28	9 56	7 34	8 01
Akron .....	3 34	4 51	10 13	7 52	8 18
Cuyahoga Falls	3 50	5 20	10 34	8 12	8 40
Hudson .....	4 02	5 34	10 46	8 25	8 52
Newburg .....	4 15	5 50	11 00	8 40	9 06
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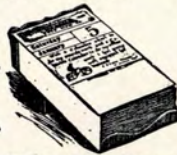
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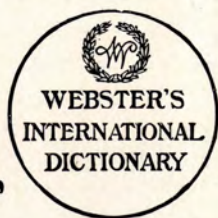
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