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HURRAH for McKinley! The great contest in which nearly thirteen millions of people were actively engaged is over. Sore defeat stifles the enthusiasm of half of our countrymen and thousands of defeated candidates in every hamlet, county, and state in the nation strew the fields of the ballots' battle.

Some say that the result will prove to be a national calamity. But in the midst of the restoration of business, the starting of trade, the stream of money and the flood of gold, all else is lost sight of, and the country is breathing a sigh of release from the wretched depression of the past three years.

The campaign has been a remarkable one. Enthusiasm was without bounds. Men, women and children joined in the tongued battle. Political friends became enemies in a day, and men whom partisanship had long estranged became the warmest friends in a single night. Men never heard of before leaped liked meteors into the political sky, and old leaders, tried and chivalrous, for a time have been relegated into political obscurity. Eloquence gushed out in streams of opulence, and the best political thought of the country was poured into the great crucible of public contention.

The most difficult and perplexing question before the people since slavery broke its shackles has the verdict of the American people set upon it. The character of the candidates has passed without a spot through the strict surveillance of public criticism. The results have been peacefully acquiesced in and the happy exclaim of that golden-tongued man of the south, the immortal Henry W. Grady, again re-echoes from Key West to Puget Sound—"All is well with the Republic, all is well."

THE recent disturbances which have been made by different parties of students during the progress of class socials and banquets arouses our holy indignation and calls out most emphatic denunciation from every person who has any respect whatever for the rights and pleasures of others.

"Fun is fun," we often say, but we fail to see the point when it comes to bursting open doors and crashing bricks through windows, and thereby not only damaging property but, what is of greater moment, endangering the lives of those who are within.

A good trick well worked is always appreciated, but a mean plot, carried out with
Mephistophelian intent, is revolting in the extreme, and can but bring the originators into the worst disrepute.

If these young men would but think of the relation which each sustains to the world, the college, his fellow students, and above all, to his home, surely when the hand would be raised to hurl a brick, he would throw a kiss, and instead of the crash of broken doors and glass, there would be a warmth of kindred love and a feeling of perfect pleasure.

SOCIALS, receptions, and banquets! The unusual occurrence of these events during the term has been a matter of no little concern in our college circles. Let us hope that they have come to stay, we need them. These enliven the long weeks of hard work. Students are brought into closer contact with each other. Members of the same class get better acquainted. They work up class spirit. Dignity is added to the college, and much good comes out of them. Every student should attend them. The faculty should have a reception, too. Everything possible should be done to improve the social phase of our college. We are far behind many of the schools of the state in this respect now, but that will not be so much longer. Our class and college receptions are here to stay. We are semi-centennial students and this is a semi-centennial departure, and let us hope that it shall be the ushering in of a more pleasant social life in this semi-centennial year.

NOTHING as yet has been done in preparation for the oratorical contest which will be held early next term. No interest is manifest, indeed. The officials have not even attended to the election of a president to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Minshall. Something must be done to create interest and arouse enthusiasm. It should be talked up. Contests are good things for aspiring orators; they are good things for the college. We have good speakers; a large number should enter the contest. But first of all let the association do something. Let us get together and elect a president and let people know "where we are at."

"MAX AND ZAN AND NICODEMUS."

MAX and Zan and Nicodemus," is the quaint title bestowed upon the novel which has been given most recently to the public. The author of this little story is Mrs. M. A. Haynie Fisher, who for a number of years was a resident of Westerville.

She graduated from Otterbein University in 1858 and is thus one of the representatives of the second class which was graduated from the institution. Shortly afterward she again identified herself with this university, this time as an instructor.

Some years later she visited an estate which she owned in Tennessee, and decided to remain, for a time at least, in the Sunny South. And here living among the scenes which she has so clearly pictured for us, she wrote the little book which is destined to become very popular among the girls and boys, as well as those who are older.

The story is the portrayal of a family living among the mountains of Tennessee. Max is a sturdy little fellow, and the right-hand man of his father who is crippled, while Zan, the little sister, is a beautiful, golden-haired child, bubbling over with fun and mischief.

Both children dearly love their invalid mother and the most pleasing parts of the story are those wherein some of their childish efforts to bring joy to her are related. The family is in very poor circumstances, consequently luxuries are unknown in their humble abode.

By a series of events a silver spoon and a linen napkin come into the home, and the shining beauty of the one and the snowy purity of the other, so appeal to the love of beauty in the natures of the children that,
dating from this time, a change begins which determines the course of their whole lives.

Nicodemus is given a prominent place in the story and by means of this character we have a glimpse of some of the hardships which slavery entailed upon a number of that unfortunate race even after the days of the war.

Childhood is drawn throughout, in all its joyousness and purity, and in this lies the chief charm of the story. The book contains 119 pages printed in large, clear type, is nicely bound and altogether makes a handsome addition to the book world. The volume is published by W. J. Shuey, Dayton, Ohio, and is sold at the very nominal price of 75 cents.

The AEGIS acknowledges the receipt of a copy of a song with a waltz chorus, entitled, "Won't You Give Your Love to Me?" Our readers may obtain a copy at half price by sending 20 cents to the Union Mutual Music Co., 265 Sixth Avenue, New York.

ASTRONOMICAL FOR DECEMBER.

PROF. JOHN HAYWOOD, LL. D.

To the student interested in Astronomy this month furnishes an intellectual treat. Mercury is an evening star, having passed the Superior Conjunction last month. It is so far south it is not easily seen. Dec. 31st it sets at 6 hrs. 6 m. local time.

Venus is evening star. It continues to recede from the sun, and to grow brighter and larger to our view; and it will continue to attain a greater height in the early evening hours, as it reached its greatest southern declination last month. But it will be some months yet before it attains its greatest brilliancy. It sets Dec. 1st at 6 hrs. 58 m.; 15th at 7 hrs. 29 m.; 31st at 8 hrs. 5 m.

Mars is also an evening star, rising early in the month at sunset, and shining its prettiest through the whole night. Its motion is retrograde. This can easily be seen by ranging it with stars north and south of it. It passes its opposition (180° from the sun) on the 10th. The moon passes by it and quite near it about midnight of the 18th. At that time the planet will be about one degree south of the moon. The parallax of the moon will make the nearness of approach greater or less in different parts of the country; varying with the longitude and latitude of the locality.

Jupiter is chiefly a morning star. It rises on the 15th at 10 hrs. 44 m. p. m. An hour later on the 1st. An hour earlier on the 31st. It is approaching opposition and its motion is slight; it becoming stationary on the 25th; and after that retrograding until next April.

Saturn is too near the sun to be easily seen this month, as it passed conjunction with the sun last month. It is therefore at its greatest distance from the earth.

Uranus is also near the sun.

Neptune is in opposition on the 9th. It can be seen only by the aid of a telescope. Anyone who wishes to look it up will find it about 5° 45' south of the moon at 4:00 o'clock a.m. of the 19th. But as the moon is then nearly full the planet will be difficult to find, and it differs little from a star as seen through a small telescope.

The starry heavens now look their best; and many brilliant constellations adorn our winter skies. Andromeda, Cassiopeia, Perseus, in the north, Taurus, Orion, Caudus Major further south will attract the eye by their display of bright stars.

The sun reaches the winter solstice at 2:00 a.m., 21st. This makes the beginning of winter astronomically; and according to the weather proverb, the cold becomes more intense, though the days begin to grow longer.

The relic room of the Association building has recently been very much improved by papering in the college colors. Much credit is due the Athletic Association for their careful toil in fitting out this room in such an exquisite manner.
ALTRUISM.

N. FAITH LINARD, '00.

We must live for others; for ourselves we can not live. One great and perfect example of this is ever found in the life of our Savior. He was so entirely forgetful of self; so kind and thoughtful of the comfort and happiness of those about Him. His life was beautiful in the fullest sense of the word. Did Christ live for Himself or for others? Ah! He lived for those about Him; and that is one reason why His life was so beautiful. Even in this age of the world, although Christ has returned to His Father, He still lives for us; He daily gives us blessings in order to make us happy.

You are awakened some beautiful morning in spring by the sweet greetings of the birds as they sing their morning lays. The sun is just peeping over the hilltops; every blade of grass, every leaf and flower, laden with dew, sparkles in his golden light, as if covered with diamonds. His rays are reflected by the dancing brooklet, nature's own mirror. Or perchance, after night has enveloped the earth with her sable robe, you notice the beauty of the heavens, which are decked with countless multitudes of stars, "the forget-me-nots of the angels." Are not all these beauties for you? Each song, each flower is for you. Every ray of sunshine should awaken within you a responsive chord. Then God has created nothing for Himself, but for others than Himself. Cannot we repay Him a little by trying to live for Him and for His children?

Altruism is one of the noblest elements that rule mankind. Men and women will learn that it is only by living for others, that they can be truly happy themselves. This should not, however, be their sole aim; they must be altruistic, because they can thus make other people happy as well as themselves. From the day when God created man and placed him upon this beautiful earth, which had so recently been hurled into space by His omnipotent hand, he has expected and desired, nay, even commanded, that we should not be self-centered, but that we should live for one another. Ought we come short of the divine command? And ought we disappoint Him, who desires that we do that which is well for us to do? No, we must be watchful and guard against all selfish actions.

Our very ideals must be altruistic. Indeed, the true ideal is one which is an embodiment of all that is grand and noble. Therefore it is necessarily unselfish; and must contain those qualities which so strongly characterized our Savior. We must, then, do our very best to live up to our ideals, so that they will ever become higher and higher. It will cause many a hard battle. Not a battle which the eyes of man can perceive, but a great contest between our lower and our higher self. It is in our power to say which shall be victorious. Will we sacrifice our higher self to the lower? No, we cannot, we dare not do that. The true man will sacrifice his lower self. All your forces will watch the issue: whether the temptation is so great as to overthrow your better nature, or whether your soul will stand as firm as steel and proclaim right against might. But, as has been said, the true self will be victorious, if the man is a noble and upright man. And so this battle to make our very natures altruistic will be decided; and altruism will stand victorious.

How often we withhold that which would be a pleasure to our brother. It may only be a word of cheer or an expression of appreciation. Many a soul may be hungering for a word of kindness, or a smile. We can never tell how great is the burden which our brother bears; and yet we are unwilling to extend to him a helping hand. But you say, "We have cares enough of our own; surely we are not expected to carry the burdens of others." Remember, friend, some one else has a heavier trial than yours to bear. You do not know it, and so are accustomed to think that your trials are more severe than those of others. Extend a helping hand and you will find that you can be much happier and much more useful. Do not
be afraid to speak the little word of appreciation to your fainting brother. It will spur him on to new efforts.

If you inquire into the lives of our great men and examine them closely, you will find that they lived not simply for their own glory but for the good of their people. Many years ago there nestled down among the hills of Old Virginia a quiet home. In that home dwelt one of the greatest men of his time. His life was like a massive pillar, so strong and noble was it. He lived a beautiful life. And when the call of Freedom sounded through the hills and valleys, he gave himself willingly to the cause. The name of Washington is immortal to us. We call him a noble man. Did he live for himself? No, it was for his people that he gave his life; for the happiness of the nation. Consider the life of Whittier, our own dear poet. He did not write his poems for his own enjoyment alone. It was simply the outpouring of his great soul for the good of his race.

We do not, however, have to leave our own firesides to find those who are just as unselfish and altruistic as these men, whom we have mentioned. Our loved ones sacrifice things for us, of which we know little. And yet we are indifferent to all this.

Oh! we must cast aside our selfish motives, and live for those about us. It is our duty, our opportunity. Think, will we let it slip useless away? We must let altruism rule us; and it should be a pleasure to us to let this spirit fill us. Oh altruism! thou spirit of the age! Come thou and dwell in every heart! So fill us that we may be able to live even as God would have us, after his own pattern and plan; and cause us to live lives unselfish and consecrated to the happiness of those about us.

The Philomathean, Philalethean and Philo­phronean literary societies recently held very creditable open sessions—the two gentlemen's societies being installation sessions, Mr. Bender being installed president of the former and Mr. Lambert president of the latter.
hood to bear upon the working out in their lives of the ideal citizen. Nor, have they been devoted entirely to the perfection of themselves, but have continually presented to the people the dignity of citizenship, and labored to bring them to a realization of their power as arbiters of national destiny.

Ours is a new era in national life. In it men are learning the worth of the title “American.” Many teachers have arisen, and, inspired by the divine love for right, and aided by persuasive power and human sympathy, have thundered out in tones which shall reverberate throughout the ages, the greatness of man, the power of independence and the supreme glory of manhood. They have accomplished much, but have only begun a work, which will attain completion only when every American shall be American in all that he does and is.

The greatest prerogative of American citizens to-day, is the right of suffrage. Every man, freed from prejudice and with firm conviction should vote for country and for home. But the real wants much of the ideal. Around the ballot box clusters a host of evils, infecting the government with untold corruption. It is an age of political bosses, ignorant partisanship, demagogery, bribery and illegalities and frauds unnumbered. Fierce inroads are constantly being made on the American ballot. The demagogue, the one thirsting for popularity and power, the anarchist and the base intriguer, all make it their objective point. Very often the ballot is not the sentiment of a man exercising his sovereign right, but that of a being who has sold his manhood for a paltry sum, and thus expresses the wish of a corrupt, unscrupulous being, who only waits to get into a position of power and influence, until he shall prey upon not only the government, but also the misguided men who helped him to that place.

Our fatherland has long been know as the home of all oppressed and the refuge of the persecuted. This might be cause for pride but she has been grossly misused. She has become the resort of paupers, the abode of alien refugees from justice, and haunt of anarchists. Owing to corrupt laws, these undesirable immigrants may, soon after arrival, be shrouded with the right dearest to every true American, the right of suffrage. This accounts for much of the present political corruption. These newly created citizens know very little, and care less, concerning our government. They cannot see the true meaning of American citizenship, but can only see in this right a new and easy way of making money, thus despising that right denied to many of the wisest, noblest and truest of our land. Every stroke at the ballot acts with terrible force upon the integrity of citizenship, thus not only clouding our present, but menacing our future.

But the only assault upon citizenship comes by no means through the right of suffrage. Many institutions, fostered by law, and many popular practices destroy the finer elements of manhood, weaken mental and will power, crush independence and vitiate the whole being, thus rendering men unfit for the pure use of the ballot which liberty demands. These effects are very difficult to avoid, since to shun some requires a change in governmental management, and to escape others, a radical change in the lives and thoughts of individuals is demanded.

The mere mention of the legalized saloon and licensed brothel, fostered by that law, supposed to be the highest expression of the people, ought to cause every true American to blush for shame. What wonder citizens despise their right, when the government butters with wrong! The question is undeniable. It is utterly and forever wrong and all attempts to dodge the issue are acts of cowardice, meriting the condemnation and scorn of all, and support of none.

Insatiable thirst for supremacy and gain has clouded the finer sensibilities of men, and handed down to us as an heritage, an age of policy. This tendency operates both in private and public life. Something, eminently just and right, but seemingly capable of subtracting from his wealth or power, is presented to a man. Manhood urges him to do right at what-
ever cost, but policy says: "Do not injure your power, but rather hold and add to it; thus you will be able to do more good." And he obeys that deceptive voice, forgetting that doing evil can never give power for doing good. Shall we say that he is right? What then of any organization, which, for like reasons, not only refuses to do good, but favors evil? Do increased numbers make its use of policy praiseworthy? Can we say that policy, in private or public, is more or less than cowardice?

Surely it is time to call a halt. Liberty is horrified, as she gazes at the citizens of America rushing onward to the precipice of destruction. Columbia stands aghast, for she fears that her land will destroy itself by avarice. But already the hosts of evil are wavering. As said before, each age has known some bold enough to stand against policy and corruption for justice and right. To-day, their words are heeded as never before. Having fiercely struggled against public sentiment, they have finally, by their earnestness, compelled the people to think that nothing is so imminently good in itself and results as right. More, than ever before in our nation, are to day pleading for the liberation of our land from error's chain, and doubtless more will arise until success shall have been achieved and American citizens freed from vice shall arise and with one mighty blow strike off their shackles, and declare that liberty still rules.

Citizens to-day, arousing to a knowledge of themselves and their land, realize that suffrage implies a conscientious study of public questions, making possible an intelligent and impartial ballot; and, leaving behind prejudice and corruption, are voting for principle and the good of humanity. No man has a right to vote for unknown principles. Nor can any government become as great as it should on ignorant ballots. But it may achieve some success, owing to a partially educated ballot, and the manhood of the leaders of thought.

Thus, America has by the virtue and integrity of the American citizen been empowered to ascend higher up the rugged peak of perfect government than any other nation. If she would fulfill her mission as a standard-bearer of civilization, she must preserve untainted that principle. Then, guided by the omnipotent hand of emancipated humanity, she shall ever advance and raise ever higher o'er the world the standard of universal love and brotherhood under righteous law.

THE THIRST FOR KNOWLEDGE.

ALMA GUETNER, '97.

EVERY age has had its system of education. The early Egyptians gave some attention to learning, though of their methods of instruction we know but little. The Greeks are the earliest people who had a systematic form of education. They knew nothing of many of the aids to progress that we have, but in intellectual attainments some have dared to claim that they were farther advanced than we. The leisure time of the Greeks furnished opportunity for such thorough political, moral, social and artistic training as is an impossibility for us to attempt in this day of haste and crowded hours of constant work.

Yet it seems safe to assert that in no age of the world have the power and the value of an education been so universally recognized as they are at the present day. This may be proved by reference to the large number of institutions of learning which have been established during the last half century and the constantly increasing number of young people who are seeking to obtain an education in these institutions.

Not many years ago it was thought necessary to educate only the young men of the land and but a limited number of them were given this privilege. But with advancing years came greater enlightenment, and as the desire and demand for higher learning increased, so the opportunities for meeting this demand became more abundant. Not alone to colleges and universities do persons turn when they are seeking for further pursuit of studies, but now
clubs and night schools furnish these advantages to those whose time is taken up in other employment during the day. Almost every city of any size now has its organizations for the purpose of giving to those who could not possibly obtain it in any other way, the opportunity of acquiring some education. Many of these are for persons who have not had the advantages of instruction even in the public schools, while others are for more advanced students.

With this demand for knowledge in the mind, and the willingness to satisfy it on the part of those who have the ability, the questions naturally arise, “In what does education consist?” “Is it simply obtaining knowledge from books?” To this we would answer emphatically, No. Education is simply begun by what we receive from our text books. One of the essentials of an education is the ability to think and study for oneself without being guided and controlled constantly by the one book which should be used chiefly to awaken an interest in the subject, and which ought to offer us a stimulus to independent work. If one who is taking a college course fails in this, he has refused to take advantage of one of the important things his course is offering. Another thing which should be done is to make practical use of the knowledge we are obtaining. Theories are good in their places, but it is practice and not theory that we are in need of now. Why not begin now to apply the knowledge of chemistry, mathematics, ethics and psychology, instead of waiting for years and then being driven to it by existing circumstances?

One thing that is often overlooked, but is nevertheless a very important factor in a broad and complete education, is our spiritual training. There can be no true culture, no real development of our better selves without the influence of a truly spiritual life. It is from a realization of this fact that the Christian Associations and other religious organizations have become such prominent features in every institution of learning. Their growth has been very rapid and goes to show that their work is what has been needed, and is filling a long felt want in the cause of higher education. Nowhere can an institution nor an individual meet with the highest success unless the intellectual and the religious instruction are united, and this fact is being recognized more and more fully as time goes on.

A Christian education is the broadest education that can be acquired, for it matters not how learned and how scholarly one may be, if he has neglected the spiritual part of his nature there is something lacking which only a Christian life can supply. In our search for knowledge, in our attempt to acquire a liberal education, let us not forget the command and promise, “Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.”

ON THE GRIDIRON.

Our Trip East.

Editor of AEGIS:

It was a hazy, misty morn when the Otterbein team started east on the longest trip ever made in any year of our football playing. We took our departure laden with the best wishes of friends and the wildest hopes of victory. Scarcely had the journey commenced when that good natured fun, so peculiar to the college student, began in the way of songs, jostling the trainmen and saluting the crowds that had gathered along the line to gratify their curiosity as we went by. At times there would be a lull in the merriment, a pause to gaze at some weird scenery, only to shriek forth in those wild and hideous strains involuntarily called out by delving into a long, dark tunnel.

Now we are on the mountain top, and the houses below look like a miniature Noah’s ark. Now we are in the valley beneath the massive rocks above. All this was attractive, but not until we came to Bellaire did our amazement reach its highest point. At this place we stood upon the platform one hundred feet above the
dark and muddy waters of the great Ohio, stood silently entranced at the bewildering sight. It was still drizzling; a heavy mist had settled over the river, and the shades of evening were swiftly coming on to darken the scene. But through the dusky twilight could be seen in the distance, glimmerings of the many factories along the river. It was a picture never to be forgotten by a thoughtful witness. Harry, who was forcibly struck, said "If there ever was a picture of hades this is it." Now and then the silence was broken by the foghorn whistle of a steamboat or by a ruffle in the waters below.

By and by we were in the beautiful city of Washington, Pa., where we were entertained in a highly pleasing manner. The early hours of the night were whiled away in various ways, and not until the eleventh hour did we get tired of the situation and retire for sleep. The morning dawned bright and clear and was given to a canvass of the city, the college, gymnasium, oil wells, glass factories, &c.

But after dinner comes that better sport, the battle of the elevens. Washington and Jefferson said they would beat us and they did, too, but not so badly as they had anticipated. All fought like Trojans, but the opponents were wily, stronger, heavier and better trained. We were defeated, but played a very creditable game.

W. and J. has great facilities for football and is well supported by the city. Every public place flaunted pictures of that team, and every resident of the town, seemingly, knew each player and the position in which he played.

We reached home at 8:00 o'clock the next morning feeling tired and sleepy; but taking it all in all it was a memorable and highly enjoyable trip.

The following persons constituted our company: Dempsey, Beacon, C. Teter, Coover, Haller, Seneff, Lloyd, W. Teter, Bash, Kunkle, Barnes, Moore, Gantz, Long, Prentiss, Stewart and Garst. Score, W. and J. 16, O. U. 0.

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Otterbein 6, O. W. U. 8.

On Saturday morning, October 31, the team, accompanied by a goodly number of rooters, went the overland route to Flint and thence by rail to Delaware, where arrangements had been made for a conflict on the gridiron. Heretofore we had found the Wesleyans easy fruit, and it was pretty generally believed that they would be ours again. But when the hard-fought battle was over and the smoke had cleared away, it was plain to be seen that we were whipped.

O. U. won the toss and took the west goal. Welch kicked 35 yards and O. U. was downed with no gain, and lost the ball on three downs. Ehnes 10 yards around right, Tarbil 8 around left, and the ball went to O. U. on a fumble. O. U. failed to gain and was forced to kick. O. W. U. went down the field 5 yards at a time, around the ends and through the center, scoring the first touchdown in 10 minutes and 30 seconds. No goal. O. U. kicked 35 yards. Welch went through the center twice for 8 and 12 yards. Ball lost on a fumble. O. U. gains slowly but steadily, holding the ball in their possession on the 30-yard line at the end of first half.

Second half—O. U. kicked and ball was fumbled and downed on O. W. U.'s 7-yard line. Welch kicked out of bounds and O. U. took ball on O. W. U.'s 10-yard line; bucked twice, then sent Teter around right end for a touchdown. Teter kicked goal. Score, O. U. 6, O. W. U. 4. Welch kicked off again and Teter carried the ball well forward. By splendid interference and good line work O. U. carried the ball near to O. W. U.'s goal and lost on downs. O. W. U. made 10 and 12 yards on bucks, then Tarbil 25 around left and Ehnes 14 around right. Kline made 8 yards on a quarterback, Tarbil around left end for 25 yards and the second touchdown for O. W. U. was scored. No goal. From this time until the end the ball went forward and back,
with O. W. U. making the greater gains and holding the ball on O. U.'s 7-yard line when the game ended. Following is the line-up:

O. W. U. POSITIONS O. U.
Martz Left End Beacom
Cosler, captain Left Tackle Coover
Norton Left Guard Haller
White Center Seneff
Crawford Right Guard Bash
Hodges Right Tackle Kunkle
Madden Right End Moore
Kline Quarterback Lloyd
Ehnes Right Half C. Teter
Tarbil Left Half Long, captain
Welch Fullback Gantz

O. W. U. has a strong team and put up a hard, dirty game. The stony ground was a sore hindrance to us, and our team was not up and at it eternally and unitedly, as it must needs be in order to win. We have first-class material, but are no doubt handicapped by having no coach, for it has been said that as the professor is to the recitation room so is the coach to the gridiron.

Otterbein 4, O. M. U. 0.

On Saturday afternoon, Nov. 14, the Otterbein team lined up against "the eleven" from the Ohio Medical University, of Columbus. The latter team was in better shape than when it visited us at the opening of the season. They were unable to score but played Otterbein down to the low tune of 4 to 0. The game was too slow to interest spectators on such a cold day. The main features of the game were scrapping, slugging, and wrangling over the decisions rendered by the officials. It seems that the Medics came not to play ball but to kill time so that darkness would compel the game to stop with a low score against them.

Nothing is more disgusting to lovers of the sport than to see the captain, for two-thirds of the time, wrangling with the officials instead of playing ball. That, together with vile language and slugging frequently witnessed, greatly discounted Saturday's game.

In the first half Otterbein went repeatedly through O. M. U.'s center and around the ends for good gains, keeping almost undisturbed possession of the ball, and scoring a touchdown early in the game. The boys were in good shape, and had the visitors not delayed the game until darkness the score would, no doubt, have showed up quite differently.

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Seniors 0, Preparatory 4.

On the afternoon of the 17th inst. the Senior and Preparatory football teams played one of the closest and most interesting games witnessed this season. The fact that the teams were known to be very equally matched made the contest seem more interesting from the start, and at 3 o'clock, when the two elevens lined up for the kick-off, one of the largest crowds seen on the side line this year was there to cheer for their favorites.

During the first half neither side scored, although each team had the ball at different times on the other's 10-yard line.

The second half was warmly contested on both sides, and but for the approaching darkness, neither side would have scored. But the Preparatory team, having the ball in the last 5 minutes of the half, made around the end and touched the ball down squarely behind the posts. Gantz failed to kick goal and the game was called on account of darkness.

The seniors claim that the ball was put in play while the captain was calling time and protested against allowing the touchdown. The best of feeling prevailed between the classes during the entire game. Score: Seniors 0, Preparatory 4. The following was the line-up:

**SENIORS.**
Moore Right End Altman
Bush Right Tackle Kunkle
W. Stiverson Right Guard Flick
Seneff Center Springer
J. Stiverson Left Guard Plack
Haller Left Tackle Shoemaker
Bender Left End Dempsey
Mathews Quarterback Loft
Prentis Right Halfback R. Gantz
Gilbert Left Halfback M. Gantz
Bowers Fullback Mathews

**PREPARATORY.**

Offici­als—Lloyd and Thomas. Timekeeper—Teter.
Linesmen—Funkhouser and Barnes. Time—25- and 20-minute halves.
OFTEN, gentle reader, it may afford you recreation and pleasure to look upward toward the ethereal regions of my abode and get a glimpse of things as they occur to me Above The Clouds.

WHO I AM.

Strange, mysterious, beneficent I am like Melchizadek. I am not bound by human limitations. I am polybious, at my own sweet will I may inhabit the earth or air or fire or sea. At present I am dwelling above the clouds, looking down upon the interests of humanity in general and college life in particular. My thoughts, my language, my life are supernatural. So you will please assimilate what is natural to you and only smile at the "super." To me is given the benefit of all modern sciences, all modern applications and all modern inventions. For example—electricity, x-rays, telepathy and the painless (I know this is so for I had one pulled the other day) extraction of teeth.

My heart is the heart of a dove. My eye the eye of an eagle. It is now fixed on Apollo who beckons me to send a message to the Ægis. So, by means of a thunderbolt I shall at once send a communication that way; and if you notice his hair discolored you will know that it struck the editor on the head. But if you observe him unable to button his vest, think not that it struck him in the heart, for that may result from his keeping on from the woods to dance with the Graces and the Hours "a-ring-around-the rosy." The next day these will all resume their inactivity with a feeling of estrangulary degaciation, but Æsculapius and all his sons will be busy as busy can be.

Yes, and Dear Old Grover can lay aside his gun and fishing-rod and assemble himself with his accustomed fellow-worshipers and thank his lucky stars for a "big find" or a "large catch."

The football fiend on that day makes his last touchdown, breaks the last bones (the bones of the turkey) and lays his corporicity down to rest while the laurel bedecks the brow of his beloved enemy. He now contemplates a cycle of absolute freedom in the relaxation of self-dissolution. Peace to his immortal lively memories!

BEHIND THE SCENES

"There are thoughts that make the strong heart weak and bring a 'color' upon the cheek and a 'horse' before the eye." These are the thoughts of a rosy-cheeked boy who in the best of spirits entered Prof. Scott's class in prose composition and gradually metamorphosed into a bony, briery skeleton.

SOCIAL REVELATIONS.

Is Venus dead and has Cupid lost his darts? Let the Seniors speak, who have transcended their infelicitous incongruities of former days; for recently they melted their iron hearts in the warm sunshine of an inter-class socio-sucesso-jubileeoso.

Let the "Preps" speak, who know what it is to lay out fifteen cents for a banquet. They would have been ridiculed by the higher classes and would have been financially embarrassed, had not some kind friend thrown fifteen cents worth of bricks in at the window, thereby enabling them to come out even.

Let the "Sphas" ring in their testimony although they love mystery. You could not see them hie away through alleys and by-ways, in secret silence mount upon a rickety elevator
and ascend to their mystic rendezvous—to them a paradise, to a certain merchant, a store room for coffins and rough boxes. There they pulled taffy, etc., and enjoyed themselves hugely, so they say. No doubt, in the midst of such inspiring externality they actualized a funny feeling.

If you should give ear to the bombastic voice of the Juniors you would find them exquisitely beyond. They are too brilliant for the naked eye. With them nothing goes like the ego. Recently they surpassed all contemporaneousness in the plutocratic evolution of sociology. Their luxurious displayology is as “free and unlimited” as the liberality of words in my kingdom.

I must leave them alone in their glory to make observations of a solar eclipse caused by a cloud of rising echoes from the Freshman yell, that occupied six weeks of industrious generation. After photographing some of the awful scenes of this eclipse I may marvelize you with an elaboration of Freshman incomprehensibility.

OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY AND THANKSGIVING.

BY PRESIDENT SANDERS.

In harmony with the call of the president of the United States, the authorities in the Dominion of Canada, and the governor of our great and good state of Ohio, to observe Thursday, November the twenty-sixth, as a day of Thanksgiving to Almighty God for his abundant mercies and blessings, let us, the friends, patrons, and students of Otterbein University, in this its Semi-centennial and Golden Jubilee year, not forget the great goodness of God and his providential guidance through all these years.

Surely we have great reason for deep humility, devout thanksgiving, and loud praises to our Heavenly Father. In every way God’s blessings have been abundant.

When the financial crisis came on the country, then, too, came the great financial crisis to the institution, its life was in the balance, but multiplied thousands of dollars came into the treasury and to-day the financial standing of the college is the best it has ever been.

And now, in the year of great stringency, when many young men and women are compelled to stay out of college because they cannot command the means, we have over two hundred on our rolls.

Let all friends of the college thank God for the great good he has enabled it to do and pray for greater and better things for the future.

ALUMNALS.

Old alumni and friends of our graduates we want to hear from you. Drop us a card and tell us what you are doing. We want to know.

‘56—J. Maurice Martin, superintendent of the Elmwood schools, paid us a short visit on October 7.

‘91—B. V. Leas recently spent a short time with his sister, Miss Flo Leas, and with college friends in Westerville. Mr. Leas is a genial fellow and a warm supporter of O. U. We are always glad to have him with us.

‘72—Rev. M. H. Ambrose, of Palestine Ill., was summoned a short time ago to the bedside of his mother in Westerville. Mr. Ambrose spent a few days here during which time his mother died. The interests of O. U. find a warm place in his heart.

‘58—Mrs. M. A. Fisher is the author of a little book entitled, “Max and Zan and Nicodemus,” which she has just issued. Mrs. Fisher was at one time professor and lady principal in the college. Our readers will find a brief review and notice of her book in another column.

‘77—E. L. Shuey was in Westerville Oct. 21, and conducted devotional exercises in the college chapel. After devotion he gave a
very happy talk to the students, which was well received. Mr. Shuey is a wide-awake man and a recognized leader in educational and Christian work.

'96—J. E. Eschbach has recently been elected manager of the Warsaw, Ind., football team. This is the first team ever organized in that thriving city and from our knowledge of Mr. Eschbach's hustling qualities, we are morally certain that the city will soon have a winning eleven.

'96—Rev. N. E. Cornetet is the author of an interesting article which appeared in the Religious Telescope a short time ago. The subject of the production is, "The World of Mind." We have good reports from Mr. Cornetet's work as college pastor and instructor in Avalon College, Mo.

'94, '95 and '93—B. L. Seneff, Miss Sarah Newell and A. C. Streich were unanimously re-elected by the board of trustees to their former positions in Westfield College, at Westfield, Ill. Mr. Seneff is president and professor of psychology and pedagogy. Miss Newell is lady principal and professor of German and History. Mr. Streich is professor of Greek and Latin.

'74—Judge C. A. Bowersox, of Bryan, formerly president of Otterbein, recently gave a very excellent address in the court house, at Pontiac, Mich., on the Life of Lincoln. He was greeted with a large audience which listened with rapt attention to his wonderful eloquence. The address is said to have been one of the most interesting that has been given in that city for years.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

Through the kindness of Miss Cora McFadden, the Association has now a complete file of the Y. W. C. A. Evangel from its first publication until the present time.

We are glad to announce that Miss Florence Simms, the secretary of the Inter-collegiate Association of the Y. W. C. A., is expected to spend a few days with us in the near future.

Misses Shoemaker, Stewart, Wallace and Guitner attended the state convention at Toledo and report an excellent convention. The following is a brief account given by one of the delegates:

The thirteenth annual convention of the State Association was held in Toledo, Oct. 29 to Nov. 21. Although it was not largely attended it was one of great spiritual value.

The fifteen-minute devotional meetings, held before each service, were especially helpful.

On Thursday evening, Mrs. Bacon, the president of the State Association, and a representative of the Toledo Association, extended greetings to the convention, after which Mrs. George Johnston, of Detroit, gave a most excellent address on "The Association and True Womanliness."

Friday morning the reports of committees and state officers were given; this was followed by a talk on Bible Study by Miss Mary Smith. In the afternoon Miss Florence Simms held a college conference in which we received good suggestions for our own Association. In the evening a tea and reception were given the delegates in the rooms of the Toledo Association.

Saturday morning the reports of the college Associations were given. In the afternoon the finances of the Association were discussed; after which Miss Simms addressed us on "The Association, a Factor in Spiritual Life."

Rev. J. S. Montgomery preached a very inspiring sermon on "The Noble Womanhood," on Sunday morning. The afternoon was devoted to missionary work. In the evening Miss Taylor gave an address on "The Life of Christ, Exemplified by the Y. W. C. A. After the service a very impressive farewell meeting was held in the Sunday school rooms.

Throughout, the convention was full of spirit and life and I am sure that each delegate re-
turned to her Association with a stronger determination to work for the Master than ever before.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

A special Thanksgiving service by the two Associations is being prepared by the joint executive committee.

Under the leadership of our efficient state college secretary, Mr. Wilbur, there is a harmony in the college work never before known in its Y. M. C. A. work.

The report of work done this year in our Association, which has just been sent in to the state secretary by our local corresponding secretary, shows a very successful year's work thus far.

The week of prayer for young men, instituted thirty years ago by the International Y. M. C. A. committee, and carefully observed ever since, has this last week been observed by the young men of the world. Our local Association has just ended a most successful series of such meetings.

On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 8, the young men met in the Association building for the opening service. Mr. May was the leader, and earnestly directed the minds of his fellows toward a deeper consecration for the week that was before us. A very spiritual meeting followed. The president of the Association then gave some directions regarding the work desired to be carried out during the week. Throughout the week an earnest and hearty response was given to this call by the workers of the Association. Twice during the week the evenings were so filled with other events, that it was necessary that the boys should meet at the early and inconvenient hour of 5:30, but every meeting was highly successful. Many outside of Christ were earnestly sought by his followers, and we believe the fruits reaped from this series of services will yet be abundant.

LOCALS.

Why not tip your hat to your professor?

The recent socials have developed a number of new points.

The Republican students have had quite a spirited time jollifying since the election.

A student asked Professor Zuck the other day where he could find the works of Mr. George Eliot.

Professor in Greek: "Before you begin to read, Mr. O.—, please take your feet down off of the chair so I can see you."

Miss Johnson is giving one hour each week for the study of German Literature, in the third year class in German.

Prof. Zuck has assigned the subjects for theses in Linguistic Science. In English Literature theses are being reported almost daily.

C. K. Teter, who was seriously injured by having his leg fractured in the O. U. and O. W. U. football game, at Delaware recently, is so much improved that he is able to be about on crutches.

The Senior class held a very successful social on Wednesday evening, Nov. 4, in the Association building. A very enjoyable time was spent in the parlors of the building until 9:30 o'clock when light refreshments were served by our popular caterer, J. R. Williams, of this place. Following this the social functions were resumed until 11 o'clock, when all adjourned declaring that it had been an evening of rare enjoyment.

On Saturday evening, Nov. 7, the Preparatory students met in the Association building for social purposes. Their social occasion was one of the most successful of such events this year. However, much to their dissatisfaction, a miniature mob of persons who claim a better name, bursted from the cellar door below into the Association building. Expelled from this, they stormed and swore about the doors like
ruffians, finally ending with pushing the glass out of one of the doors, and throwing stones through two of the large glassed windows facing the west.

The Sophomore class held a Hallowe'en social in a hall on North State street, rented of Weibling & Mullen for the occasion. High up a dark stairway in this secluded retreat, they escaped the disastrous results of the unfortunate Preparatory students' social.

The Lemaile club is a social function organized Saturday night, Nov. 7, at the home of Miss Ada Lewis to promote the science of cooking. The meetings will occur weekly at the homes of the members, when a varied menu, prepared entirely by the young ladies, will be served. The club is composed of the Misses Ada Lewis, '95, Edith Creamer, '00, Martha Newcomb, '01, Lenore Good, '98, Edith Crippen, '99, Maude Barnes, '98.

The program of class receptions and banquets for the Fall term was concluded on Wednesday evening, Nov. 12. The gay and jolly Juniors have always been considered as "pretty hot stuff," and the event of that evening surely confirmed the opinion so generally held. The reception was held at the home of Miss Maude Barnes and brother, Walter, both members of the class. The decorations were of yellow and white chrysanthemums, the class colors. One of the daintiest menus ever set before a collegian's eyes was served to the party, following which, B. L. Kumler, acting as toastmaster, in a neat and pleasant speech introduced a number of the class, each of whom responded in the happiest vein. The class is composed of sixteen members.

Monday evening, Nov. 9, the first entertainment of the Citizens' Lecture Course was given in the college chapel by the Temple Quartette. It was a very masterly entertainment of the very best quality. It is reputed one of the finest musical companies of its kind in the country, and proved its reputation true on this occasion. Miss Grace Eldridge, of New York, the reader of the company, is a great artist, and completely captured her audience.

Dr. Haywood with his class in astronomy visited the Ohio State University observatory at Columbus on a recent Saturday evening. Prof. Lord who has charge of the building very kindly opened all the rooms and showed to the class all the instruments in use and explained the use of each. The large telescope was the one object of special interest and considerable time was spent in observing the moon, the Pleiades, and the planet Mars. President Sanders and a number of students and some town people accompanied the party.

Saturday in autumn without a football game either at home or abroad would be a poor day for local roosters. A game with Adelbert had been scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 7, but was called off by the boys from the Forest City.
Later it was arranged to have the second team of Otterbein meet the eleven from the Columbus North high school on the Otterbein grounds. The day was so unpleasantly chilly that but a small crowd was on hand, but those present had plenty of cause for rejoicing. Altman, Powell, Miller, Springer, Slack, Mathews, Dempsey, R. Gantz, M. Gantz and Thomas made up the Otterbein team and walloped the city chaps to the lively tune of 16 to 0.

The Freshman class held a banquet and reception at the Holmes House on the evening of the 18th inst. The affair was a most pleasant event in every particular. The wily Freshmen thought to keep the matter a secret but it leaked out and we are glad to announce the same in the present issue.

EXCHANGES.

We are pleased to add to our list of exchanges the "College Chronicle," of Naperville, Ill., a very attractive and ably edited college journal.

If the Steele Review of the Steele high school, of Dayton, keeps up its present standard of excellence, it is in a fair way to become a successful rival of the High School Times of the same school. Both are excellent papers, the equals of many of our college exchanges in every respect.

That a woman has no aim in life,  
A thoughtful minded person owns.  
And if you don't believe it sir,  
Just watch her when she's throwing stones.—Ex.

A National University under government control is to be established in China. The Faculty will consist of foreigners and the first president will be a former tutor of Li Hung Chang.

The editor sat in his sanctum:  
Penning a beauteous thought:  
Next day came his compensation—  
The professor recorded a naught.—Ex.

The management of the Oberlin Review are to be congratulated on their excellent literary number for October. This is a new departure at Oberlin and surely fills a need in college journalism. Space can scarcely be given to the more lengthy stories and discussions in a regular issue in which the other interests of the college are represented but very properly find their place in a number devoted entirely to literary articles.

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