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The Angel of Death again Visits the College Fold.

When some three weeks ago word came to the College of the accident to our friends, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, few, if any of us, thought of such a sad result as the death of Mrs. Reynolds. We were aware of the serious nature of her injuries, but thinking of her as we knew her, bright, buoyant, full of the warmth of a kindly and gracious nature, meeting even the most serious and trying events of life with a cheerful front, we never contemplated her death. But the veiled figure of the angel has glided in and touched our friend, and she is dead.

To many and many a one of the former students and employes of the College scattered over the land, and to those of us remaining here, will come a depth of sorrow that can be occasioned only by a personal loss. Our hearts are most deeply touched.

For years the home of Secretary and Mrs. Reynolds was the centre of the social life of the College. Always bright and homelike, made so by a kindly, lovable woman, there we loved to go. The older people could there find rest by association with cheerful friends. Younger ones, just making their homes at the College, were set at ease. Young folks staying here for the winter vacation hailed with joy Mrs. Reynolds' frequent "at homes," and as for the children, why, that was their headquarters, full of life and merriment.

One can't think of that home and Mrs Reynolds with sadness, she was so bright and cheerful and good. It is a blessing to have known so noble, sincere and unaffected a woman. To such a one the lifting of the veil of the angel of mystery reveals a face of joy and gladness.

A daughter of the south, she loved warmth, sunshine and flowers. These she craved and to us it seems good that she could go to the bright and sunny land to live. And there, amid the flowers, her life went out.

Our sorrow for those she left is beyond words, but surely they will find no more sincere and heartfelt sympathy than among their College friends.

W. S. H.

The Burning of Pilgrim Church.

Last Monday at one o'clock the recently erected Pilgrim Congregational Church in Lansing burned to the ground. The church was not yet completed but was to be occupied the following Sunday. At the close of Dr. Moulton's lecture, while the church was still burning, the faculty and students of the College passed the following resolution:

"In view of the calamity which has this day befallen our friends, the pastor and the members of the Pilgrim Congregational Church, in the destruction by fire of the beautiful building just erected and about to be dedicated."

"Resolved, that this meeting of students and faculty of the Michigan Agricultural College tender their sincere sympathy to the heroic congregation and their indefatigable pastor and wish them Godspeed in the efforts that they will surely make to replace their loss."

Since that time the faculty and students have made their sympathy negotiable by endorsing it with subscriptions amounting to about \$240 to aid in rebuilding the church.

Memorial Services.

The services in chapel last Sunday morning consisted of short addresses by members of the faculty in honor of the late Justin S. Morrill. After the singing of a pleasing solo by Prof. Joslyn, of Lansing, Dr. Kedzie read "A Memorial to the Father of Industrial Education in America," in which he paid a high

"What this College Owes Senator Morrill," in which it was shown that the College now receives annually, from appropriations fathered by this man, \$75,000, a sum that will be increased as more of the College lands are sold and their proceeds made available.

Again Our Poultry Wins.

Mr. C. S. Brooks returned last Monday from Detroit, where he had been for several days exhibiting College fowls before the State Poultry Association. Seventy birds, including ten varieties, were exhibited from our flocks, and over forty prizes, regular and special,

THE LATE SENATOR JUSTIN SMITH MORRILL.

tribute to the memory of Senator Morrill. In his closing remarks he called attention to the custom of naming our buildings after men to whom the College owes some debt of gratitude, and suggested that our new building for young women, when erected, be called "Morrill Hall."

Dr. Beal spoke of "Senator Morrill as a Statesman, and called attention to the fearlessness with which he advocated measures he thought right

"Senator Morrill, the Father of the New Educatton" was the subject of remarks by Professors Weil and Smith. The former spoke of his work in building up American technical schools and closed by saying that the grandest memorial to this grand old man is found in the lives and works of an educated industrial citizenry; the latter spoke along the same line but confined himself mostly to giving an idea of the man by quoting from his speeches in congress.

The exercises closed with very brief remarks by Pres. Snyder on

were secured. Considering the fact that 1,100 fowls and 2,000 pigeons were exhibited by members of the association, and that competition was very sharp, Mr. Brooks very naturally feels well satisfied with the result.

The prizes secured were as follows: Cornish Indian Games-1st and 2d on cocks, 1st and 2d on cockerels, 1st and 2d on hens, 1st on pullet, and a special prize of \$5.00 on best display of Cornish Indian Games; Dark Brahmas and Silver Gray Dorkings-all prizes; White Plymouth Rocks-1st on hen, tie for 1st on pullet, and 3d on pen; Golden Wyandottes-1st on cock, 2d and 3d on hen, and 3d on pullet; Black Langshans—3d on cockerel; Pekin Ducks—1st on drake, 2d on young duck, and 3d on young drake. There were 16 firsts, 12 seconds, and 9 thirds—a total of 37 prizes from the association. The specials included a silver trimmed cane on the best Pekin drake, a silver bread tray on the best pen of Dark Brahmas, a stand on the highest scoring Indian Game

cockerel, and a three-dollar hat on—Mr. Brooks had the grip, couldn't remember what the hat was on, so put it on his head. The most gratifying thing of all to Mr. Brooks was the very high compliment his exhibit was given by the association. He was told that in the last three years he had made a greater improvement in his birds than any other poultry fancier in the association.

Interesting Masterpieces of Biblical Literature.

The first of a series of lectures on "Masterpieces of Biblical Literature" by Dr. R. G. Moulton, of the University of Chicago, was given in the Armory last Monday afternoon, before an audience of about 400 students, faculty, and friends from the city. The subject of this lecture was "The Bible as a Story Book," and Dr. Moulton showed himself such a master of the art of story telling that he completely captured his audience.

In his introductory remarks the speaker stated that the Bible is a library of sixty or more books, which contains such literature as you would find in any library poetry, oratory, philosophy, history, lyrics and dramas; but many of us do not appreciate this fact because it is the worst printed book in the world. It is printed solid; that is, all the original headings, all titles, names of authors and names of speakers in dialogues have been cut out. Then it has been divided into stanzas of a convenient length to parse, without reference to grammar, meaning, or anything else; these have been grouped into chapters and the whole printed. If the works of Shakespeare, Browning or Emerson had been treated in this way, we would not appreciate them.

The Bible is full of stories, interesting stories that appeal to the imagination and emotions, but they are scattered through the history without anything to distinguish them as in ordinary story books. Most of them are attracted to the prose form of history, but occasionally we find mixed epics as in the story of Balaam. The story of Joseph, running through several chapters of Genesis, meets all the requirements of the popular storythe hero who rises from one of the lowliest positions to the highest in the empire. This story and that of Balaam were told by the speaker in a most vivid and entertaining style. As an example of the idyl and of the nearest approach to humor found in the Bible, Dr. Moulton related the story of Sampson's Wedding Feast. The last masterpiece mentioned was the story of Esther, which is distinguished from the others in having a double plot centering around Esther and Mordecai, and as he related the incidents of the plot everybody sat as if spellbound.

The next lecture by Dr. Moulton will be given next Monday afternoon on the subject of "The Oratory of the Bible," and if the interest taken by everybody in the first is any criterion the crowd will be larger than that of last Monday.

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ECLECTIC SOCIETY—Meetings every Saturday evening at 7:00, Fourth Floor, Williams Hall, E. D. Gagnier, President. A. C. Williams, Secretary.

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HESPERIAN SOCIETY—Meetings every Saturday evening at 7:00, West Ward, Wells Hall. F.N. Lowry President. J. H. Skinner, Secretary. OLYMPIC SOCIETY—Meetings every Saturday evening at 7:00, Fourth Floor, Williams Hall. W. K. Brainard, President. H. J. Eustace, Sections

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Meetings every Friday evening at 7:30, East Ward,
Wells Hall. Eugene Price, President. M. Haywood, Secretary.

THEMIAN SOCIETY.—Meetings every Tuesday afternoon at 4:00, Phi Delta Theta Rooms,
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UNION LITERARY SOCIETY — Meetings
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A New Book by Dr. Beal.

One of the latest books from the press of Ginn and Company is "Seed Dispersal," by Dr. W. J. Beal, professor of botany and forestry at M. A. C. It is a popular work intended to help young botanists and teachers, and might well be called "How Plants Travel," for it not only treats of seed dispersal but also devotes considerable space to the spread of plants by means of roots and stems. There are interesting chapters on the transportation of seeds by wind and by water, on plants that shoot off their spores or seeds, on plants that are carried by animals, and on man's agency in the dispersal of seeds and plants. Many ingenious little devices that plants have for getting about are described, and this description is made clear to

the most unscientific reader by the simplicity of language and by a large number of well executed drawings by Mr. B. O. Longyear, instructor in botany. In fact, the work reads like an illustrated story book; you pick it up and cannot lay it aside until you have read every page. And not only this; you are all along given the impression that what you are reading is merely a suggestion of other equally interesting wonders to be found by a study of nature, and a desire in you to make that study for yourself is awakened and stimulated. Prof. Wheeler says, "It is nature study along the right line; it can't help but interest young people in botany if they read it."

Christmas in Ponce, Puerto Rico.

A LETTER FROM BRONSON BARLOW.

Saturday, the day before Christmas, after inspection we had the day to ourselves. I went for a walk with Nahm in the morning. Perhaps I did not tell you that we have moved again from the Playa or port to the Pueblo or city and are now quartered in a school house. Well, we went up the street for our walk and straight on up the mountains northward, stopping first to look through the high iron gate into the old Spanish cemetery, and to admire the roses and other flowers, which grow in profusion among the crowded graves.

It was hot climbing, for the sun comes out early in a clear sky in the winter season here. We soon had a good outlook over the city and port and, indeed, over the whole valley. It is as beautiful a scene, I suppose, as there is in the whole world; indeed it reminds one of another world. The buildings are so quaint, all of stone or masonry in Spanish style of architecture and bright with various colors. The city is half hidden among the trees -royal palm, coco and date palms, mangoes, tamarinds, hucar, and very many more, which grow in the courts and yards but are never planted in the streets.

Well, we went on up to the signal station. The man in charge, a native, invited us in and showed his charts of national flags and colors and signals, which ships fly to show their class, etc. He has also the flags of all nations, which he flies to show the city what ships are in. The American flag was flying, and he let us see through the telescope to the harbor, where we made out the "Mississippi," loaded, he told us, with "soldados Americanos," though we could not make out any soldiers. Nahm bought some brandy and I some candy. I went into the man's garden and found lechosa plants growing with green fruit. He hinted that he had "lechosa maduras," so I paid him ten centavos and he brought out a large yellow one and we cut it up and ate of it. It is a very pleasant fruit with a bright yellow flesh much like a muskmelon but of a different flavor. I send some of fruit and I want Gunson to plant them in the greenhouse and grow a plant or two. .

Going down there was quite a company of us, as a young American who is investing here and a native boy joined us. I discussed the various trees and plants. Here I found the source of "green peas" sold shelled out on the market. These peas grow on a small tree. . . . In the afternoon of Saturday

we were not allowed to leave the barracks after four o'clock. Christmas eve is a great holiday with these people and they celebrate after their own custom. The town was given up to them.

Christmas morning I walked down to the Playa and took a swim in the ocean. I am so fat I can float. I also dived down and picked up pebbles with corals living on them, and sponges and sea-weeds. The natives not only take a morning plunge, but you can often see them ride their ponies out among the waves and wash them. There are always five or ten pelicans fishing awkwardly in the shallow harbor.

After our Christmas dinner I took a long walk with Bolinghazen down the railroad track. We did not see much of interest, being all the time in the river plain, but we passed a large plantation of bananas, the largest I have yet seen. It takes a native to discuss the various kinds of bananas and to distinguish between guineo, guineo colorado, manano, platano, mafafo and the rest.

I am supernumerary on guard detail today and so have time to write. We and B. Co. are still doing the guard in the Playa. The detail rides down in two army wagons every morning, taking rations with them. When peace is ratified we recruits will be discharged and then I can return for my senior year at M. A. C.

Our Literary Societies.

ECLECTIC SOCIETY.

Program given January 7, 1899. William E. Gladstone was quoted. Prophesy-"Outcome of the friendship between Germany and Turkey," - M. L. Ireland. Paper-"The object and features of the carnival of fun,"

B. Laubach. Declamation - "Parody on Marc Antony's Oration," A. J. Decker. W. H. Flynn. Current Events, Jos. A. Bulkeley. Critic's report,

At the College.

Miss Bessie Lee Gaylord, Detroit, is the guest of Miss Keller.

Miss Ronan is now rooming and boarding in Howard Terrace.

Mrs. C. J. Monroe is spending a few days with her daughter, who is

The Union Literary Society building is now heated by a hot-air furnace.

Union meeting of Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Sunday evening January 22, will be led by Miss Edith Smith. Subject, Geneva Convention. All are cordially invited to attend.

The first Military Hop of the winter will be given in the Armory next Friday evening from 8:00 to 11:30 o'clock. All students who attend are requested to appear in military uniform.

At a meeting of the Natural History Society last Wednesday evening the following officers were elected: President, Prof. W. B. Barrows; vice president, J. M. Rankin; secretary-treasurer, A. J. Cook; directors, S. L. Ingerson and F. W. Robison.

The twentieth annual meeting of the Michigan Engineering Society will be held in Lansing January 24,

25 and 26. Prof. C. E. Greene, dean of the engineering faculty of the U. of M., who was first president of the society, will preside, and a large attendance of members is

The regular meeting of the King's Daughters will be held at the home of Mrs. Vedder Thursday, January 19, at 2:20 p. m. Please remember that this will be "pound week." All are cordially invited. Come prepared to sew.

A great many of the students and residents of Faculty Row are having trouble with the grip-some just coming down, some clear down, and some convalescing. Prof. and Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Gunson, and Miss Monroe were quite ill last week but are now improving.

Co-operative Book-buying Business.

The close of the second year of business of the College Co-operative Book buying Association by the second annual election of officers on December 10, makes possible the following interesting comparison of business between the two years:

Total amount of business transacted in 1897 \$3,036 65 366 55 Fall term 1,909 63 Total \$3,036 65 Total expenses for 1897 \$142 55 Stock on hand 300 89 105 84 Cash on hand . . 175 87 Number of shares during year 348. Surplus of receipts (exclusive of receipts from shares) over expenditures \$109 92 Total amount of business transacted in 1898 \$4,436 08 Fall term 2,080 07 Total \$4 436 08 Total expenses for 1898 \$190 44 564 62 Cash on hand 185 56 Number of shares sold during the year 166. Surplus of receipts (exclusive of receipts from shares) over expenditures . . . \$247 15

A comparison of the business done from term to term in the two years will show an increase in the term of the second year over that in the corresponding term in the first year, while the total business of the second year exceeds that of the first by \$1,400.

It may be a matter of surprise to some that in a co-operative association where merchandise is expected to be sold to shareholders at cost, there should be a surplus of \$247.15 from the business in the second year. This is accounted for by an under estimation of the probable amount of business for each term in this year and by the numerous sales of books at full price to those who are

not shareholders.

It is to be regretted that many students of the College allow themselves to increase this gain by not taking part in the co-operative plan. An analysis of the association membership shows that the upper classes are best represented. Only threefifths of the new students are memhers of the association while in every class the number of young ladies indifferent to the benefits of membership is proportionately much too large.

There Should be an Educational Qualification to the Right of Suffrage.

G E. CHADSEY, 'OI, OLYMPIC SOCIETY.

This topic is one upon which there has been no small amount of discussion. Every time we have an election, whether it be a presidential, a state, or a municipal election, this same question is brought to our attention. The ignorant voters do not urge it, neither do the scheming politicians; on the contrary its supporters are the few, comparatively speaking, whose education and culture cause them to feel the need of a better system of legislation, and of better men to act as legislators. The increase in numbers of this class of men has emphasized the demand for better office-holders, especially in our large cities, and to effect this result, bills for an "Educational qualification" have been introduced. Although the need is being more and more felt, it has been impossible to pass any such measure, simply because the office holders see that it would be very likely to throw many of them out of employment. This they could not agree to. Yet, since the question is raised, and by the better class of citizens, there must needs be some potent reason for raising it. In this paper we shall endeavor to show the merits of the question.

That the citizens of a country should make the laws by which they are to be governed is unquestioned. How can the best government be secured except by placing our best men at the head of it? How can we put the good man in the proper place except by raising the ideals of voters, and denying the right of age to those who know nothing of our laws or system of government? Here the objection might be made that there are thousands of good, law-abiding people in this country who have not had the opportunity of getting the required education, yet they are good citizens and should be allowed to vote. In answering this objection it is necessary to find out what is essential to

good citizenship.

A good citizen should be a person of sound mind and body, capable of reading and understanding what he reads. He should firmly believe that his country is the best country on earth, and resolve to use all his powers for its maintenance and perpetuation. Now we have nothing to say against such a man. The advocates of suffrage qualification do not aim their measures against such men; on the contrary, it is the ignorant, uneducated foreigner who will be affected. Even then such a measure would react to his own advantage, for the right to vote is considered and treated by law as a valuable privilege, and it would be a stimulus for him to educate himself and become a citizen. Where no incentive to education is given men do not strive to become educated. For these reasons we say that men who do not take enough interest in the welfare of our country to put themselves in harmony with its people are undesirable as citizens.

We say further that those who know nothing of our language or our country should not be allowed to make our laws. Our opponents on the negative would say, "deprive foreigners of the right of suffrage and they will feel that they have no part or privilege in governmental affairs, consequently they will care

but little what becomes of the country." Now, at first sight, this might seem to be a formidable argument. Let us take a second look. We would like to know, in the first place, just how much they are thinking of the welfare of the country when in the act of casting their ballots. In the second place, what basis or foundation have they on which to claim the privilege of exercising the right of suffrage? None, except that they went through a certain form and ceremony, knowing little of what it meant, and caring less, after which they were called American citizens. To illustrate, we may say they bear something of the relation to the country that an adopted child does to a family. In the first place they are ignorant of everything pertaining to our political economy. In the second place they are destitute of ideas as to what is good for them, just as the child who knows nothing either of domestic government or of what is essential for its own good. Therefore we say that unqualified persons should not, through their representatives, be allowed to make our

It is possible that some would refuse to become naturalized citizens if the right of suffrage were denied them. That might be of some disadvantage, but we think that its effects would not be far-reaching, because the advantages of citizenship together with the education acquired through fitting one's self for passing the qualification examination would be too apparent to deter any but the most obstinate or depraved. One thing is certain, we should not feel their loss very badly.

Another objection that might be raised is this: "Many property owners are foreigners who are not able to meet the educational requirements, and these should not be taxed without having a voice in elections." "Taxation without representation is tyranny." This objection is a positive argument by virtue of its weakness. If any one were to take the trouble to look up the matter and find out just how many of the property holders are too ignorant to pass any reasonable examination, he would be surprised to see what a very small per cent of them are uneducated. Why, it is well nigh impossible for any person to accumulate wealth-say nothing of holding it-without some education. The few, if anywhere found, would undoubtedly be willing to abide by the laws and policy of government laid out by their more educated fellows. Such an objection could not have much weight.

Common observation will support the assertion that our politics are corrupt because incompetent if not unscrupulous men have held positions of confidence and honor and then betrayed those trusts or in other ways abused their privileges. It is well known how unprincipled men will strive for office; and it is as well known, also, that they get their principal support from the ignorant or vicious classes. Those who read the daily paper will recall that such was the case in the nineteenth ward of Chicago. The outcome of it is, that the ignorant voter is used by scheming politicians as a means to a selfish end. These points are unquestionable, and the end sought is well worth the attention of any careful sound thinking person. We believe that our government would be greatly profited by the passage of an educational qualification.

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News from Graduates and Students.

P. S. Burnham with '93 is a railway mail clerk at Alamosa, Colo.

Marcus A. Frost with '84, Grand Rapids, visited the College Wednes-

Born, January 15, to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Doolittle '96, a nine-pound

Fred B. Moore with '93 is county surveyor and civil engineer, Albion,

Elmer Robb with '94 is engaged in lumbering at Eureka, Humboldt county, California.

R. E. Wall with 'or writes that T. C. Lewis with '99m, bugler in 35th M. V. I., is married.

George G. Torry with '61, one of the first students on the grounds, is in the employ of C. H. Little Co., Detroit.

John B. Gary Phelps with '76 is foreman of the iron department in the Grand Rapids School Furniture Co's establishment.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announces in its list of publications for December a reprint of "Money Value of Good Roads to Farmers" by Prof. W. C. Latta '77 of Purdue University.

W. D. Barry '84, accompanied by two neices, the Misses Turner, paid the College his first visit since graduation, last week, and expressed much surprise at the changes that have taken place in fourteen years. Mr. Barry is a civil engineer at Clarksdale, Mississippi.

W. H. Rayner, who in 1858-60 helped clear about 200 acres of the College farm, tells about helping to cut a big oak bee tree over six feet across the stump, from which, after 75 boys had eaten and wasted honey, four or five hundred pounds of the sweets were gathered up to use on the tables.

David D. Lee with '85, farmer and stock raiser, Edgely, N. D., writes in glowing terms of the prospects for the farmer in that region. He says wheat nets in Duluth 60 cents, flax \$1.05. "Farmers are getting on their feet in good shape and with the prices of hogs, sheep and cattle anyone who comes here and works is bound to get along."

From the Hillsdale Standard of January 3 we copy the following notice of the wedding of Harrie R. Parish '95m: "Guests to the number of one hundred and fifty assembled at the pleasant home of Capt. and Mrs. William Whitney, at Allen, last Wednesday evening to witness the marriage ceremony of their daughter, Jennie May, to Harrie R. Parish. The bride was beautifully gowned in pearl colored satin, trimmed with pearls and illusion.
A few minutes before eight, Miss Ethel Clark, of Coldwater, sang a very sweet song entitled, "Faithful." The wedding march was played by Miss Pearl Tyler and to its strains, the wedding party took their places remony. Two little flower girls, Bessie Swick and Margery Whitney, formed a ribbon aisle from the stairway to the large bay window, for the passage of the bride and groom to the improvised altar in the bay window." After the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. N. S. Tuttle, a delicious repast was served. There were many beautiful gifts to the young people, including \$50 in gold from

the groom to the bride and \$100 in gold from each of the fathers, the idea appearing to be that the newly married should start on a gold basis, or that the time for the golden wedding was in the beginning, when it would do most good. Mr. and Mrs. Parish left last Wednesday morning for Philadelphia, where the former has a position as draftsman with Neafie & Levy, ship and engine builders.

Distribution of the College Cal-

The Agricultural College calendar is being distributed to employees of the College, students' rooms, parents of students, and alumni. Additional copies will be mailed, as long as the supply lasts, to any address, postpaid, upon receipt of 10 cents at the Secretary's office.

Booker T. Washington - Commencement Orator.

The College has just received word from Hon. Booker T. Washington that he will accept our invitation to deliver the commencement address here the 16th of next June. We tried last year to get this noted leader in the educational work of the South, principal of the Tuskeegee Normal and Industrial Institute, but were unsuccessful; we are fortunate in securing him this year.

Colleges and Exchanges.

Representatives of the U. of M. won in a debating contest with Northwestern, Friday night.

Hon. William L. Wilson, ex-congressman from West Virginia, it is said, has been offered the presidency of Yale.

Prof. F. W. McNair, formerly assistant professor of mathematics here, has been appointed acting president of the Michigan College of Mines.

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