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Judge Holt's address to the students on the occasion of the return of the victor from the internormal oratorical contest, was, like most public utterances by that brilliant and scholarly gentleman, worthy of the closest attention of all his auditors and of being remembered in its entirety. With his consent we certainly shall hear him again under even more auspicious circumstances.

There seems a veritable transformation in life and enthusiasm coming over the entire school. So long as this new life militates in no serious degree against good school work let the transformation go on.

The state educational campaign, opened in our city on the 24th ult. un-

der the supervision of State Superintendent Miller and carried on by such men as Col. Hodges, Waitman, Barbe, and Superintendent Kern of Illinois, cannot but prove a veritable boon of support to the cause in our state. Let it become perennial instead of periodical.

The next catalogue, if completed as outlined, will be something of a departure from old lines in favor of at least a reasonable combination of the useful and the beautiful; and why not so?

It has been found necessary, owing to lack of time, to defer the personal issue till the July-August number which will appear sometime between the 15th of July and the 15th of August. It is in that number that you will find yourself "talked about."

The July-August number of the Parthenon will be gotten out in colors, enlarged to about 50 pages, and nicely illustrated. It is desired to make it the handsomest number ever sent out. Much of the contents of that number will be such as will be valuable for reference.

In the May number of "The International Studio" is an excellent picture accompanied by a brief outline of the art career of the distinguished,

perhaps America's most distinguished living sculptor, Franklin Simmons, who, while he has made Rome his art home and work-shop for more than thirty years, is as true an American as we have ever met. It was our good fortune and very great pleasure to meet and know personally both Mr. Simmons and his accomplished wife some years ago. It was in the summer, 1899. We were crossing the Alps from Milan to Switzerland, and on reaching the border between the two countries we got out of the coach to look after our baggage at the custom house. By mere chance our "turn" with the custom officer came next to Mr. Simmons, and finding he could speak English we passed a few words. His good wife was sitting by the coupe of their private apartments in the coach and noted from our watch charm that we were a member of the Masonic fraternity. Herself an enthusiastic friend of masonry she told her husband when he re-entered the coupe that the gentleman with whom he was conversing outside was as she put it, "a 32d degree mason," (though she missed it three degrees at that time), and she wished to meet him. Mr. Simmons found me in another part of the coach and escorted me to his handsome private apartments where, for the remainder of the trip to Lucerne, we found ourselves delightfully entertained. After inquiring about very many things and persons in America, the subject, to our great delight and benefit, turned to Rome, Roman life, customs, living expenses, distinguished Romans, Roman politics and Roman art, indeed art in general, on all which topics both Mr. Simmons and his wife seemed almost

equally well informed. At their ex-pense,—we fear somewhat at their wearing—we took advantage of the situation and many questions of interest to us were cordially answered or discussed in detail.

Mr. Simmons was visited in his studio by the royal family on the occasion of the completion of his bronze statue of Gen. John A. Logan, was enthusiastically congratulated on the completion of so magnificent a piece of art, and was knighted as a mark of the king's high appreciation of the work of this modest but highly gifted American.

The statue of Gen. Logan stands in Washington at the foot of Capitol Hill on Pennsylvania Avenue, the splendid work of a master hand and brain, one of the finest pieces of equestrian statuary in America, if not the finest. In almost every large city in America will be found one or more pieces from the hand of Mr. Simmons whose genius as a sculptor has brought him both fortune and fame in large measure.

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The art exhibit in the Carnegie library some weeks ago, while not a Louvre, a Dresden, a Pitti, an Uffizi, a Padre, or Metropolitan collection, was a very creditable and interesting one, and its good effects will tell, especially upon the youth of this community to the great benefit of all.

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Why, pray, do some young persons when away at school not learn the A. B. C. of thoughtfulness for their parents. Even with the most petty ailment word goes home, "mamma, I am not very well:" "mamma, my eyes are hurting me:" "mamma, I believe

I am goin' to be sick;" "mamma, I'm not at all well," etc., etc., etc., ad *ridiculosam*. Of course the mother grows uneasy and often, being about as indiscreet as the child, answers, "come home, dear." For a girl to do this is bad enough; but when a boy—a b-o-y; what, A BOY! Yes, when a boy so-called, at least, does such a poor whiny thing, what is one to think of him and his chance in the world? Poor fellow. At home is his place not only to go but to **stay**, for he will never make much of a man. Put petticoats on him at once and call him by his right name.

On the other hand some parents are so thoughtless as to write that "Johnny is sick, Mary cries every day to see you, your mamma is lonesome, your papa is not very well, the baby is not at all well, we all are lonesome, etc., etc., etc.," ad infinitum.

Well! At last the chief fault is with the parent. Why make the child away at school homesick by writing such "stuff." Of course he or she will get homesick before such a picture, over such a foolish letter. Any weak-hearted child would, many a strong-hearted one would. "Foolish?" says some one. Yes, decidedly **foolish**. There must come a time in the life of every child when not only a temporal but an eternal adieu so far as this world is concerned, must be said to parents. It is better that this should come by degrees. Absence need not cause the slightest slackening of the tender, noble chords of parental love; if absence be on missions of duty and preparation for spheres of action by which a son or daughter may more largely honor his parents by **doing** things in the world, honorable, manly

things, doing them better than he possibly could do them, uneducated, and untrained to absence and like bitter privations, if absence be for this purpose, why abuse it by aggravating the feeling it arouses. And yet that is just what some parents do, what some brothers and sisters do.

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But says some one, you never have been a parent and you don't know what you would do. Granted. But we do happen to know what hundreds of parents do under these circumstances, and we happen to know that it is the children of parents, as a rule, who thus write, that make the poorest, most dissatisfied, least satisfactory students; naturally so, almost essentially so. We have taken special pains to watch the effects of such home correspondence, now for nearly ten years, and all goes to prove that **this will not do** if a child is to succeed at school.

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Absence, as stated above, need not weaken the chords of filial love; on the contrary it strengthens, purifies, exalts, ennobles it. Never did we appreciate our dearly beloved, self-sacrificing, sainted mother till we had tasted the bitterness of absence. Never did we love her so dearly, so truly and so unselfishly as when we contemplated her motherly devotion as shown in a thousand little things we had never been able to see till "away from home." True, we tried to make our absence as free from things wrong as when at home; more were we, infinitely more careful, for then our **first** thought was, "will this please, at least honor, my parents? Will it wound my mother, disappoint my fa-

ther?" Never did we so deeply and so tenderly love and honor our mother as during the last days of her life. Long sieges of absence, at first only a few weeks, then a month, then ten months of each year, all these but tested and purified our love for mother. It grew in depth and tenderness with the years till we found it absorbingly tender and sweet and ennobling. And when that awful telegram said, "mother died at four this morning. Come home" then we felt for the first time the value of the preparation absence had made for this sad experience. Love less tender or heart less nearly broken? No. Not that. Love more tender, heart more nearly crushed; but trained by the trying ordeal of absence to endure it, true in deeper sorrow but in greater calm. Love has to be educated as well as brain.

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In all our years of schooling or other forced absence we never wrote home that we were sick, (though often so and not unfrequently severely so), nor did we write in any tone but that which would give happiness to mother.

In one instance some one else wrote for our father because the physician had reported us dangerously ill, but not with our consent.

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Neither did our father or mother ever write us a letter that gave anything except encouragement to stick to our work till it was finished. Their letters were few and pointed. They lent strength for the labor of school life and for the endurance of absence.

But what is a good rule for the student to follow when away at school, some one may inquire. This! When you go to school, take your courage with you; **go to stay** till the period for which you enter has elapsed, and return home just as seldom as possible per session; not more than once per term if avoidable: 2. Keep your petty ailments to yourself; do not worry a loving, indulgent parent with these; you have worried them enough with your small affairs; if they write you homesick letters, answer them in the most cheerful, satisfied air possible; **never write a sad letter** home if possibly avoidable; send sunshine into the home, not sorrow or worry: 3. If you feel that you are really sick, consult your class officer (the matron if in the hall) or the principal; Take his or her advice about sending for a physician; and if both advise sending word home, or going home, obey. Do not take such matters into your own hands. You are sure to make a blunder of it. Remember that the heroic endurance of absence from home is an essential part of your education, an essential part of your training as a good and useful son or daughter. If you can't follow some advice like this we candidly advise you to stay at home and thus save your parents the worry and your teachers the pains your going to school causes them. It is wise to wait till babyhood is past before going away from home to school. Babies should remain close home. Only young ladies and gentlemen, made of the material of which men and women are made, and those boys and girls who are made of sterner stuff than whiners and weaker children, only such should go away from

home to school, for only such will ever amount to much as students.

Never let a week pass, when away at school, without writing one letter home. One is enough. Let it be a carefully written, cheerful one.

Every person who is interested in the Philippine question should send for the April number of "The National Geographic Magazine." It contains, by very much, the best article on the statistics of the islands, the people, their habits, customs, etc., etc., the forests, minerals, fauna, flora and other items of interest. The article is excellently illustrated. The number costs 25c. Address, "The National Geographical Society, Hubbard Memorial Hall, Washington, D. C.

Now that the weaker ones have been thinned out, and a few have been called home, let there be a full attendance of all the rest up to the end of the exercises, Monday night, June 12, 10:30 o'clock. Stay and get the good things of commencement. It is a pretty sight to see the home-going parties gathering in throngs, after the work of the year is over, passing cheerful good-byes at the station till September brings us all back, then quietly, not boisterously, taking charge of the train so far as the conductor is willing, and incidentally giving the college yell on the platform at each station. We somehow admire the boy and the girl who stays to the very last of the term and enjoys the going home as well as the coming and the work.

ATHLETICS.

Hoo gah hah! Hoo gah hah!
Marshall, Marshall, Rah, Rah, Rah!
Who are we? Who are we?
We're the stuff from old M. C.

Rah, Rah, Rah! Rah, Rah, Rah!
Marshall!!

Give em the ax, the ax, the ax,
Where?
Right in the neck, the neck, the neck,
There.

Oh, Base Ball Boys of 1905,
Eat 'em alive, eat 'em alive.
If K. U. won, if K. U. won
'Twas by a scratch of 4 to 5.

The Marietta boys: Venimus, vid-
imus, victi sumus.

THE RECORD UP TO DATE.

Won from Ceredo Stars, 9 to 5.
Lost to Kentucky University, 4 to 5.
Won from Ashland, 15 to 0.
Won from Marietta College, 4 to 0.
Won from Parkersburg, 20 to 6.

Marshall's record upon the diamond this season has been one of unprecedented victories. In the spring of 1902 Marshall prided herself upon an aggregation of base-ballists that at the close of the school term possessed the laurels of 12 straight victories. This year stronger teams of wider reputations have been encountered and Marshall's showing has been splendid. After April 8, when in a practice game with the Ceredo boys, the team made its debut, the outlook was promising but all expectations have been sur-

passed. The fast Kentucky University boys were made to quake with fear, Ashland High school and Marietta College were administered a dose of whitewash, the former 15 points thick, the latter 4 points. Parkersburg High school which continually plays teams above High school class, met the worst defeat making a score of six against 20.

Tuesday April 25 was a dry sultry day. Overhanging clouds threatened rain, but a big crowd turned out to see Marshall's first game against fast college company. Kentucky University boasted one of the best base ball teams in the south, having won the inter-collegiate championship of Kentucky in 1904. Marshall's fans expected a good game from their favorites even though they didn't win and they were not disappointed. Champion, Kentucky's best twirler, did the pitching for K. U. and Chewning went on the slab for Marshall. It was a pretty contest. In the first inning Kentucky scored two runs, but Marshall made four. Then for four innings it was a battle royal without a run. Finally a visitor lined out a three base hit and scored after a fly to deep left field. In the sixth inning they made another and in the seventh another. Several times Marshall men were left on second and even third bases but hits were not bunched sufficiently to earn the runs. Chewning did excellent work, striking out seven of the visitors and allowing only one base on balls. Barnett played a star game at third.

Saturday April 29th was the date for a game with Ohio University but they canceled. Instead a game was played with Ashland. The home boys showed much improvement and shut

out their competitors. They were not in the game at any stage. Twice by errors they had a runner from third to home but each time they were put out by Brumfield the catcher on throws from Barnett. Walter Brumfield was in the box for Marshall. He allowed the visitors not a single hit and struck out sixteen of the opposing batsmen. The final score was 15 to 0.

Marietta College was the next victim. The boys from that institution with its long and glorious record in athletics came down on the morning of May second with not a thought, but that on that evening they would have Marshall's scalp dangling at their captain's belt. It was the prettiest closest diamond contest played in this city. The Marietta boys were a fast bunch. They had a battery hard to beat, support hard to beat, but they found both beaten here. Arrayed against them was Chewning and the tribe of Leonard. Five hits were all they could get from Chewning and they were scattered. Twice they had the bases full but then Chewning seemed to be only "starting to fight" and the next batsman went down before his delivery in one, two, three order. The game ended and the boys from up the river had never reached home plate. What had Marshall done? In the second inning, our players bunched their hits and came racing home. One, two, three, four, but not any more. But that was enough. Our boys felt good, the crowd was happy, the grand stand was elated. Our boys had a hard fight to win. They had to play an errorless game. They had to do things out of the ordinary. Barnett took a sensational run after a foul fly and Brumfield, waiting for a

slow grounder, had to slide to first to get the third man out, just as another was racing across home plate.

Wiles and Cunnings had to work like veterans about second, Ward had to catch two trying to steal second, and Baker, Leonard and Harper had to do their share. In fact one error, or two errors many times would have meant the breaking of the goose egg.

The Parkersburg High school team visited us on the afternoon of Friday May 5th. The contest was one sided 20 to 6 in favor of Marshall. Chewning and Ward constituted the battery for Marshall, while Taylor and Taylor occupied those positions with the Parkersburg boys. In the fourth inning the home boys weakened and allowed the Third city players to add 4 to their score, but they were shut out during the remainder of the game. Chewning struck out sixteen men and granted no one his base on balls.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Holton has confessed.

There are two tests of the victor: first, how he won; second, how he bore his honors. Mr. Lee seems to have measured up to both tests.

"Multum in parvo" is an ancient Latin phrase, but Mr. Chewning is a good modern English translation of it.

Miss Cassady continues indisposed we are sorry to chronicle, and will not be at her post for yet another week or two.

The Marshall "nine" is about as nearly invincible as any other eigh-

teen of previous years. Why not keep up this "game."

Col. Hodges, Supt. Miller, Waitman, Barbe, and Supt. Kern made an excellent "Big Four" in speech-making. They were thoroughly enjoyed.

To Miss Johnson and Mr. Williamson is due the sincere gratitude of every one who rejoices over the inter-normal contest. Theirs was the delicate and difficult duty, to say nothing of the drudgery of going over the productions time after time with the writers, criticising here, cutting out there, detecting faults great and faults small and returning the orations for improvement. The duties of this committee are the most onerous of all that fall to committees of the faculty because so much of drudgery, and often, ingratitude on the part of would-be plagiarists or indifferent and overestimated (by self) writers,—and most young persons feel a sting of wounded pride when they see their fancied jewels of thought going into the waste basket because either borrowed or poorly clothed.

See I. L. Dadisman's advertisement of the Equitable Life in another part of the Parthenon.

Supt. Miller, W. M. Straus, C. B. Graham, Harry Snyder, S. H. Bowman, and R. S. Carr, members of the state board, were most welcome visitors to chapel on the 20th of April.

Bishop Peterkin of the Protestant Episcopal church will preach our annual sermon and Dr. Chas. W. Dabney, president of the University of Cincin-

nati, will deliver the commencement address. These able and distinguished gentlemen assure all in advance that the class of 1905 is to have a fine commencement. To add to the dignity, interest, and delight of the commencement season Mr. Ernest Gamble, the celebrated basso who has endeared himself to the people of this community, will sing for us both on the occasion of the commencement sermon and on commencement evening.

If you are interested in Life Insurance call on I. L. Dadisman who can show you policies that will suit your needs.

Hon. Elliott Northcott and Col. R. S. Carr have been appointed as regents on the normal school board. It is doubtful if better selections could have been found in the entire state and certainly none more interested in the normal school and its branches.

Dr. Perry, president of Marietta College was a delightful visitor at Marshall on the 2nd inst.

Rufus Switzer, class of 1875, and his class-mate, Lewis Cheeseman, were very welcome visitors at their alma-mater, May 3.

THE NEW BUILDING.

The regents of the normal schools will meet the state board of public works on May the 17th for the purpose of adopting plans and specifications for the new Marshall College building. This building is to be quite a large one, 101 by 140 feet.

The place of locating the new building was taken up with the state board of public works, who recommended that it be built as a west annex to the present series of buildings instead of separate from them, and the regents have decided to accept their suggestions. The 140 ft. dimension will face 16th street, but the 101 ft. dimensions facing 3rd Avenue and College Avenue will be made fronts also.

The plans of the new building as decided upon are as follows: Basement, besides coal bin, furnace, etc., two student lavatories, two laboratories, and a gymnasium. First floor, principals office, reception room, vault for documents, book closets, and lavatory; lavatories for the lady and for the gentlemen teachers, three class rooms, library, and commencement hall. Second floor, gallery to commencement hall, study hall, and five class rooms. The building is to be three stories in height but the third story is to be left unfinished till necessity demands it.

The combined floor area of the two sections of our present school buildings proper, omitting the basement floor not used for school purposes such as lavatories, etc., is 30,850 square ft., or something over two-thirds of an acre. The corresponding floor area of the new building will be 48,600 sq. ft., or quite an amount over one acre.

Omitting the dormitory, the new building is to be over 60 per cent larger than the entire area now utilized for school purposes proper.

Truly we are not to be crowded at

least for a few years. But if the school continues to grow as it has, present space plus the new building will serve us only a few years.

Those who have gone into "ecstasies" over the tower that ornaments (?) the west end of our present buildings will be obliged to hasten up and get their fill of artistic feastings on fine towers, for it has been solemnly decreed that it "go." The fact of the matter is, the old tower is in entire architectural accord with its building and, per se, is not unsightly. The famous veranda at its base, however, is so miserably out of harmony with the tower that the whole western facade is **unsightly, indeed.**

By joining the new structure to the old not only will the old tower "go," but unsightly features of the western building will almost wholly disappear, and the fine old beech on the extreme west end of the terrace will be saved except the loss of the ends of a few branches.

The architecture of the new school building is to be Tudor Gothic.

The gymnasium is to be in the south-east corner under the new commencement hall.

When the new edifice has been completed the buildings will face 140 feet on Sixteenth street and nearly even 400 feet on 3rd avenue, a splendid and imposing architectural pile.

COLLECTED.

In the year 1894 the butchers of the city of Berlin slaughtered 7,627 hors-

es for the meat markets of that city. 10,815 were slaughtered in the year 1900, and 13,000 in the year 1904. There are 64 meat shops in Berlin where only horse flesh is sold.

Paris consumes the flesh of 40,000 horses per year at an average price of 6 cents.

The density of the earth, according to latest estimates, is 5:45. Its weight is estimated at **twelve and one-half quadrillion lbs.!!**

Supt. Carr of the Anderson, Ind., schools, is the new president of the Dept. of Superintendence of the N. E. A.

The board of education of New York City has declared war on fads and decided to substitute "readin" "writen" and "cipheren" for the fads. They may have gone too far, but there is room for middle ground ideas.

The latest authoritative count shows that the Philippine group of islands is composed of 3,141 different islands and islets. Of these 1,668 have names; the remaining 1,473 have so far gone nameless. The area of the group is 115,026 sq. mi.

There are **two** islands with an area of over 10,000 sq. mi., Luzon with 40,969, and Mindanao with 36,292. There are **nine** islands with areas varying from 1,000 to 10,000 sq. mi. There are **twenty** with areas from 100 to 1,000 sq. mi., **seventy-three** with from 10 to 100 sq. mi., and 262 with between 1 and 10 sq. mi. each. The remaining 2,775 islands have each an area of less than **one** square mile.

The population of the islands is

7,635,426, of whom 647,740 are yet in a wild state. Of the entire number 14,271 are white (8,135 Americans), 42,097 yellow (921 Japanese and 41,035 Chinese) and the remaining 7,579,058 are black. Truly this Philippine question seems to be a pretty "dark" one.

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"There may be failures even in college success; yet it is the trained man and the trained woman that succeeds at last. We often hear of learned dunces, but we have many more ignorant dunces. Education does not hurt one. If there is anything in a person, education brings it out. A strong, untrained man may accomplish much; with education he will accomplish more."—(Culled from among the many good things in Judge Holt's address to the students.)

WEST VIRGINIA EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The next session will be held at White Sulphur Springs June 28 and 29, 1905. There will be two sessions each day, namely 9:30 a. m. and at 8:30 p. m.

The Hotel at the White Sulphur Springs will make a rate of \$2.00 a day two or more in a room. The Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad will make a rate of one fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip on the card order plan. The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad will make a rate of one fare and one-third for the round trip on the card order plan. The West Virginia Central & Pittsburg Railroad will make a rate of one fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip from Piedmont and from Belington to the intersection of

the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad at Durbin.

From Huntington to White Sulphur Springs is 192 miles.

On Friday morning June 30th a special train will convey the Association to Natural Bridge Station, Va., a distance of 86 miles for \$1.50 for the round trip. From Natural Bridge Station to the Natural Bridge, a distance of three miles, the Association will be conveyed by carriages at \$1.00 for the round trip, including admission to the Bridge; this is half rate. The Natural Bridge Hotel will furnish meals at fifty cents cash; the regular price is seventy-five cents. The special train will return to White Sulphur Springs Friday evening.

Those desiring card orders for reduced rate to the Association, should write the undersigned.

A. J. WILKINSON,
Grafton, W. Va. President.

MARSHALL REMEMBERED.

Washington and Lee University is commended to the consideration of any one of our young men who may desire to avail himself of the benefits the scholarship carries with it. One of our last year's graduates accepted a similar offer for the current session and is now a student at that historic institution, which, under the vigorous and up-to-date administration of President Denny, whom most of our faculty have the honor to know, personally, is a decided success.

The following letter to the Principal of Marshall College explains itself; "Lexington, Va., February 20, '05.

My dear sir:—I have the honor to inform you that this institution offers

your school a scholarship for next session (1905-1906.)

The scholarship is worth fifty dollars (\$50) and exempts its holder from payment of tuition fees in the academic and engineering departments of the University.

It is expected that you will make proper announcement of the matter in your catalogue or prospectus. In the absence of such announcement for the current session, you are requested to publish a notice concerning the scholarship in order that the award may become known at once to the students of your school.

It is understood that the scholarship will be awarded to one of the best of your most advanced students prepared to enter the University.

I shall have a catalogue mailed to you, and if you will send me the names and addresses of any students interested in the scholarship, I shall take pleasure in sending to them our University bulletin.

Your very truly,

GEORGE H. DENNY,

President.

P. S.—I shall be glad to forward to you, upon application, a blank form to be filled out and presented by you at the proper time to the recipient of the scholarship. Please send me your catalogue."

OF INTEREST TO FARMERS AND BUSINESS MEN.

The quiet little city of Hurricane, Midland City, as it has been referred to owing to its being just half way between Huntington and Charleston, has been attracting quite a bit of attention in a quiet way from men of

means and influence in the last few years. This attention is due to the fact that the little municipality is developing into a very prosperous and promising tobacco mart, lying, as it does, in the center of what seems to be one of the finest tobacco districts in the country, the soil being suited to growing an exceptionally fine quality of that staple article.

We refer to this matter in this connection merely to show what can be done on some of the thin soil of this state;—for most of the soil about Hurricane is of the lighter quality,—what rewards the farmers in that community are reaping from their honest toil. The following statistics were sent us recently by the cashier of the bank located in Hurricane, which show some very remarkable yields; the cashier is personally acquainted with the men and has verified the acreage figures; the monetary considerations received, he is familiar with, having cashed the checks issued by the tobacco company to pay for the crops:

H. W. Bird, Burdett, 6 acres,	\$652.20.
Carpenter & Willis, Burdett, 5 acres	\$550.85.
T. C. Easter, Burdett, 5 acres	\$510.76.
W. P. Thornton, Frank, 4 acres	\$655.50.
C. M. Bird, Frank, 6 acres	\$1,067.55.
W. T. Oxley, Byrnside, 8 acres	\$922.45.
W. R. Young, Nye, 6 acres	\$952.75.
J. H. Hill, Scary, 7 acres	\$915.75.
W. S. Eggleton, Scott, 8 acres	\$1,056.00.
Henry Lawson, Eggleton, 12 acres,	\$1,425.70.

John Roberts, Eggleton, 8 1-2 acres \$1,288.30.

M. F. Akers, Eggleton, 10 acres \$1,147.25.

L. R. Riffe, Hurricane, 4 acres \$784.20.

J. S. Handley, Teays, 3 acres \$456.85.
Total acres 92 1-2, \$12,386.11.

The above fourteen crops, covering a total acreage of 92 1-2, brought an average of \$133.91 per acre. There are not many crops that will yield their owners, on light soil, this splendid figure, and we are assured that the small crops keep up this average over practically the entire territory.

The American Tobacco Company bought 630 crops in the Hurricane district this season, a total of 1,200,000 pounds for which they paid the good round sum of \$125,000, or 12 1-2 cents per pound.

Including the purchases made by individual buyers and by Cincinnati purchasers, the output of the Hurricane field foots up about \$175,000. Practically all the land on which this crop was raised can be bought, or has been bought, for \$10 to \$15 per acre.

The town of Hurricane is in the immediate vicinity of the new oil and gas field and its name, "Hurricane," may soon become appropriate for the speed and vigor that characterizes its business interests.

As though there were not enough of the rapid suggested in the name of the metropolis of this new center of tobacco, oil, and gas, "hurricane," the newspaper of this rapidly developing municipality is called "The Hurricane Breeze;" that is, not satisfied with the movement indicated by the name of the town, a second section of the hurricane in the form of a

"breeze" is added. This certainly should be the breezyist paper in the country.

The faculty and students of Marshall college appreciate very thoroughly the genuine interest shown by Mr. Wilkinson in the normal schools of the state, and regard the general excellence of this year's contest as a merited tribute to the success of his efforts.

The Eighth Wilkinson Prize Contest, which took place at Grafton on the evening of April 29, was from every point of view eminently successful, each of the six normals was well represented. The presiding officer, Prof. Robert A. Armstrong, of the University, spoke in happy vein as he always does, establishing at the very beginning a feeling of good fellowship throughout the large and un-comfortably crowded audience. The music given by the Woman's Musical Club of Grafton directed by Mrs. Jas. Moran, was of unusually high order. The judges, Prof. Henry G. Williams, Dean of the state normal college at Athens, Ohio, Hon. J. S. Lakins, of Terra Alta, and the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, of Grafton awarded first place, with the prize of \$25 to Mr. H. B. Lee, of Marshall, second place with \$15 to Mr. Lester Miller, of Shepherd College, and third place with \$5 to Miss Pearl Vermillion, of West Liberty Normal School.

After the contest a most delightful reception was held at the home of the Hon. Ira Robinson, in honor of the contestants, members of the various normal school faculties, the musical

club, and a number of other specially invited guests.

The "Thuse" on the evening of the 1st was a notable occasion for Marshall. At seven o'clock a large number of the young men of the school met on the campus and were quickly arranged in double line, according to classes, under the direction of Mr. Ford. This double column proceeded to the B. & O. depot, arriving in good military order headed by the Second Regiment Band, just as the 7:30 train came in. Mr. Lee, the successful contestant, was met by Messrs. Williamson, Hundley and Sharp and escorted to the carriage that was in waiting. The carriage was driven past the long array of students standing with heads uncovered in courteous salutation, and took its place at the head of the procession. The line of march was continued down Third avenue, out Eighth street, up Fourth and back by way of Ninth to Third, then up Third to the College. The College yells that rent the air were intended to attract the attention and arouse the interest of the citizens, and judging from the surprisingly large numbers congregated in windows and along the sidewalks, that feature of the affair was both literally and figuratively a "howling" success.

The young women of the school were assembled in full force upon the campus and as the contestant escorted by the committee, walked between their ranks they greeted him with the Chautauqua salute. The light dresses and waving handkerchiefs made a very pretty picture, suggesting so strongly a flower garden that this feature might surely be called a "bloom-

ing" success. The whole student body together with a number of visitors repaired at once to the auditorium where after several excellent selections by the band, chairman J. H. Hundley in a few felicitous remarks introduced Mr. Lee. Mr. Lee spoke briefly, in very happy vein, and was followed by Mr. Williamson, who in a short speech succeeded in striking exactly the keynote of the evening. The address of Judge Holt, the main speaker of the evening, was of peculiar interest. The complementary truths of the necessity of training, and the necessity of an element other than training, were clearly presented and illustrated. A pleasant hour's reception followed the program, during which class and college yells and banners were much in evidence. Every student as well as every other friend of Marshall was gratified at the wave of enthusiasm which ran through the whole occasion, and gratified still more at the exceptionally good taste and self-control which characterized its manifestations.

Librarian's Report for the month ending April 26, 1905:

General Works, 172.

Philosophy, 3.

Religion, 23.

Sociology, 16.

Philology, 2.

Science, 48.

Useful Arts, 12.

Fine arts, 24.

Literature, 240.

History, 170.

Total, 710.

Fiction contained in Literature 99.

ELIZABETH F. MYERS,
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Librarian's Report for the month
ending March 29th, 1905.
General Works, 149.
Philosophy, 13.
Religion, 19.
Sociology, 36.
Philology, 9.
Science, 46.
Useful Arts, 00.
Fine Arts, 33.
Literature, 248.
History, 146.
Total 699.

Fiction contained in Literature 100.

ELIZABETH F. MYERS,
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Librarian's Report for the month
ending March 1st, 1905.
General Works, 279.
Philosophy, 30.
Religion, 15.
Sociology, 91.
Philology, 36.
Science, 45.
Useful Arts, 3.
Fine Arts, 47.
Literature, 360.
History, 196.
Total, 1102.

Fiction contained in Literature 188.

ELIZABETH F. MYERS,
Librarian.

Librarian's Report for the month
ending Feb. 1st, 1905.
General Works, 217.
Philosophy, 17.
Religion, 17.
Sociology, 54.
Philology, 23.
Science 44.
Useful Arts, 1.
Fine Arts, 33.
Literature, 252.

History, 157.

Total, 815.

Fiction contained in Literature 141.
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VIRGINIAN SOCIETY.

One of the most important and interesting events in our eventful history was the farce and reception given by nine young ladies last Friday night. The hall was appropriately decorated, one end of it representing a parlor in which Widow Sniggles' and her daughters entertained.

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..... Clara Nichols
First Daughter, Smanthy Ann, a
coquette.. Ethel Waddell
Second Daughter, Jerushy, afflicted
with hay-fever... Mary Berry
Third Daughter, Angelina Regina
Utopia, an aesthete
.... Florence Whitaker
Fourth Daughter, Silvicta Lorena,
the Prima Donna....
.. Matie Marcum
Fifth Daughter, Angina Pectoris,
the pathetic soul..
.... Cora Hutchinson
Sixth Daughter, Electoria Cassan-
dra or Poll, the elocutor,.. . . .
.... Mae Sullivan
Seventh Daughter, Graciana Sub-
lina or Mehitabel, the graceful
girl.... Helen Tufts
Eighth Daughter, Jemima, the
giggler,.. . . . Maud Harshbarger

After the play dainty refreshments were served by the "performers," and a general good time was spent by all present.

Especial honor is given Misses Berry and Harshbarger for the excellent way in which they carried out their parts.

One of the special attractions at one of our recent meetings was the music by our contestant in the inter-society "war" in June. Miss Sharp is a skilled performer, and we are always pleased when she can be with us. We already hear the hills and mountains sending back the echo of the applause that will be hers in June.

The time is approaching for the Mock Trial, to which all the students, including the members of the Erosophian Society are most cordially invited. Miss Waddell, the plaintiff, will sue Mr. Van Bibber for alleged breach of promise. Messrs. Sharitz and Love will represent the plaintiff in the trial, and Merrs. Thompson and Lambert the defendant.

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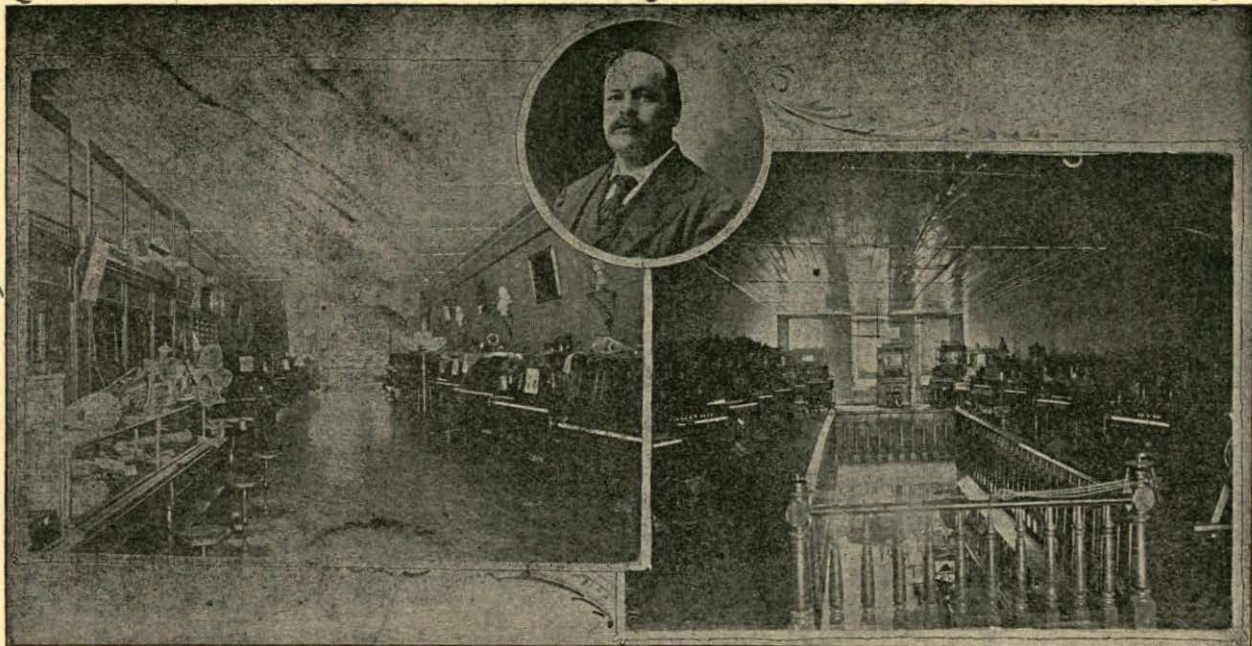
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