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Martin Luther was such a reformer and his age was one of the world's crises. The old epoch was nearing its close. Great events were forming modern civilization. The invention of gunpowder had rendered useless the knight's coat of mail, crushing feudalism at a blow; Columbus had opened a vast field for adventure in the mysteries of a newly discovered continent; the Turks had battered down the walls of Constantinople, driving its scholars out to be wandering teachers in all Europe, while the art of printing had spread the culture of the ancients open before the world. The physical and mental horizon had been vastly extended. With these great material and intellectual developments, men were groping for higher spiritual ideals. But here their progress was barred by the mighty opposition of the Roman Church. Bernard and Savonarola had thundered against the crimes of papacy, but both were swallowed up by that gigantic organism before which nations had quailed. Great men were these; but the fields were not ripe for the harvest. Neither the hour nor its leader had yet come.

On the 10th of November, 1483, Martin Luther was born. Cast into the simple surroundings of the sturdy German peasantry, his sensitive religious nature knew nothing of the dissembling and hypocrisy of the world. At the age of eighteen, he entered the Erfurt University. As he thrummed his guitar or engaged in the boisterous sports of his companions, as he dipped into the mysteries of Latin and Greek, little did he know that on these moments hinged the history of all future ages. Little did he know or care about the great world of action which was demanding a leader, and the world, though expectant, knew not that sheltered within the walls of Erfurt was the mighty man for this mighty hour. But invisible forces were at work purging the soul and shaping it for its divine mission. Martin Luther peered beneath the crust of externalism and found error. He saw men bending the knee, not to worship a God of love, but to appease the wrath of a revengeful judge. He prayed, but his words returned like clogs to his soul. The struggle with his conscience and his God was as stern and tumultuous as a struggle between the elements of nature. Was it then all a mockery? Should he retain the sacred hopes of childhood, or should he cast his lot with the world and drift aimlessly on its sea of unbelief? The question was answered in a marvelous manner. In the midst of a terrible storm, his college friend, Alexis, was slain at his side by lighting. To Luther, this scene was like a message from God. His doubtings were over. His ideal religious life
became triumphant. Amid the roar and crash of the storm, he pledged God that he would leave the world for the holy seclusion of a convent; for, "What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" In the storm of that night, Luther, the boy, became Luther, the man. By that irrevocable vow, he placed between him and the world an impenetrable barrier. He pushed aside forever the civic laur els; he chose the long and weary road which leads to the palm of the martyr.

Two weeks later the convent door closed behind him. All his aspirations and hopes had ended in the monastic vows, the cloister, and the cowl. The University of Erfurt had lost its idol; Martin Luther had become Brother Augustine. His new environment was far different from what he had anticipated. He had expected to become a scholar and a philosopher; he was made a scullion and a drudge. He looked for seclusion from vice and sin; he found himself caught in a network of corruption—powerful, organized corruption. His mental agony was intense. Struggling in the deepest mires of spiritual darkness, every breath was a prayer for relief; and that relief came. A Bible was placed in his hands and he found that a man is saved by the divine grace of God, not by the saying of masses. His progress was rapid. He was consecrated a priest and made a professor of divinity in Wittenberg University where his broad humanity, his earnest magnetic presence, his love of music, society and friends, drew about him the whole student body. There was little in these pleasant years at Wittenberg to show that Luther was to be the leader against the corruption surrounding him.

A visit to Rome showed him the covetousness, idolatry, and juggling of the Sacred City. He returned with an indignation which he did not hesitate to express; but even then he failed to realize that he was to purge this den of wickedness. Yet the struggle was inevitable, for divine revelation had stirred his soul and the darkness of sin was all around him. Truth and falsehood cannot dwell in peace together. It was not Luther who was to speak and act; but truth which should thunder from his lips and hurl its withering strokes against falsehood. As if by supernatural direction, the forces were maturing for the great attack. It needed but a spark to release the latent fury raging within the breast of Luther, and that spark was supplied by the Roman Church itself.

The first great battle came in 1517. Pope Leo X. needed money and inaugurated a wholesale auction of indulgences. Tetzel set up his booth in Saxony and the cry went through the country: "Ho, all ye who want a royal road to heaven, ye who love sin's sweetness, yet would escape eternal wrath, buy and be saved." The volcanic forces of Luther's nature were aroused; he dared to defy the mightiest power in Europe. He formulated ninety-five propositions, declaring that no man can be saved by the pope's decree; every Christian receives pardon by the free gift of God. He challenged all the wit and wisdom of the age to overthrow his position. His theses spread like wild-fire; his name was on every lip. The pagan serenity of the pope was disturbed and a decree went forth consigning Luther's books to the flames. Luther's defiance was a stroke of genius. He burned the papal decrees in the eyes of Wittenberg. While his townsmen applauded, Germany stood aghast. A German emperor, Henry IV., had once dared to defy the Roman See, but he had stood for three days at the papal door humbly seeking forgiveness. Not so did Martin Luther, this peasant's son. The pope hurled at him that final instrument of the Church, the bull of excommunication. Luther laughed the decree to scorn and retaliated by excommunicating the pope. The papacy flinched and Charles V. was called in; Luther was summoned to the Diet of Worms. See him as he stands before that august assemblage. It is the greatest moment since Christ knelt in Gethsemane. On the one hand are arrayed the imperial court of Charles and the vast power of the Roman Church. The
pomp, the wealth, and royalty of the world are gathered here. Opposed to them is the humble monk of Wittenberg. But back of that monk is a nation ofbondaged people crying for deliverance, and above him is God. Will he falter? Will he recant? Never! The ages of the future cry, "On." Listen to his burning words as they roll over that vast audience: "Here stand I; I can do no other. God help me. Amen." The papacy had burned men for less offense than this; but Luther's magnetic genius stood wrapped in the sympathy of the people and threatened the pagan powers with an appeal to the court of God. They dared not kill him; and, amid universal rejoicings, he was triumphantly welcomed back to Wittenburg. The first great battle was won; the foundation rock of Protestantism had been laid. Roman Christendom had received a blow from which it could never recover.

A new task confronted Luther. Not the radical agitator was now needed; but the conservative preserver, the constructive organizer. Luther threw himself into his new work with all the energy of his mighty genius. From confusion he developed order. He reorganized his University; he gave his Bible to the world, and established his doctrine of omnipotent Grace. With a firm hand he held back the waves of discord which, in the guise of Lutheranism, threatened to overwhelm him. Until the 17th of February, 1546, when God pronounced his work finished, Martin Luther, the priest, the prophet, the conqueror, stood in his massive rugged nobleness, in his death defying strength, a lonely conspicuous figure; surrounded by a tempest of tumult and violence. Once more right stood unchallenged before might; once more the power of conviction had crushed organization; once more the searching lightning of God's truth had been launched against a traditional evil and consumed it with its fire. The spell of eclesiasticism and monasticism had been broken and their corruption laid bare to the searching eyes of public opinion. In place of the Crucifix, had been raised the Cross, typical of an empty tomb and a risen Savior. Luther's thunder-voice rose not against the sublime truths of Catholicism but against the corruption of its leaders. His philosophy was not that of destruction but that of elevation. His work was to startle the world from its lethargy of centuries. Its conscience still tingles from the cutting strokes of his withering sarcasm. In grim defiance and ferocious daring, he has never been equaled; in moral and physical courage he stands alone. He was a mountain in grandeur, a flowing river in gentleness and piety, a dashing cataract in wit and humor. He was a mighty torrent, bearing the German nation out upon the broad Sea of Truth, and baptizing the whole world in its holy waters. So long as a man recognizes nobility, in struggle, in power, in virtue, Martin Luther will be remembered as a second Moses—a man who dared, who acted, and who conquered.

THE SHOWERMAN CUP CONTEST.

The long awaited contest between the girls of the senior and junior class for the possession of the new Showerman cup was held at the gymnasium Saturday evening, May 5. The prize is a beautiful new silver trophy cup presented by the jeweler, Mr. Showerman, to be contested for each year by the classes in the gymnasium. A great deal of enthusiasm has been manifested as is shown by the fact that the reserved seat and standing room tickets were all sold within two hours after they were put on sale.

The girls have been practicing for several weeks and the good results plainly showed, many of the participants proving experts in their lines. The first event was a game of Newcomb between twenty Juniors and twenty Seniors. It had been agreed that each score and each foul should count five points. The Juniors showed their superiority in this and won by fifty points. The next was swinging and traveling rings. The Juniors again showed their strength and won by twenty-five points. The following contested for the Seniors: Misses Castor, VanBuren,
Ballou, Wolfe; Juniors, Misses Gephart, Agrell, Follmer and Bacon. The class club swinging was especially good and the individual series by Miss Harrison for the Seniors and Miss Cross for the Juniors showed careful practice and weeks of training. The basket ball game was the last event and the Seniors worked desperately to raise the score for each basket from field counted ten and each from the foul line five points. The following was the line up:

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The final score was fifty to fifteen in favor of the Seniors, but this did not even up the score made in the other events and the Juniors won by twenty-five points. After a selection of music and the announcement of the decision of the judges the cup was presented to the Junior class by Miss Pauline Maier. The Juniors had won the cup in a nobly fought contest and the Seniors can only wish that they may win it again next year. The score was as follows:

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<th>Ring work</th>
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THE INTERCOLLEGIATE CONTEST.

E. C. K.

The great oratorical event of the year occurred Friday evening, May 4, at Kalamazoo, when the representatives from eight of Michigan's colleges, each competing for the honor of placing his college in the first rank as a home for the cultivation of fluent and forceful expression.

The contest was held in the Academy of Music and was attended by a large and enthusiastic audience that was in itself an inspiration and incentive to the best possible effort. C. C. Mitchell of Hillsdale presided. Excellent musical numbers—both vocal and instrumental—lent an added charm to the evening's program.

James McGee of Kalamazoo was the first speaker. His oration, "Patriotism's Messiah," paid a touching tribute to the memory of Abraham Lincoln. Mr. McGee handled his subject in his usual graceful style and completely won the hearts of the audience, including the judges, who rewarded his efforts by awarding him first place.

Second place was won by Miss Mathilda Bower of our own college. Miss Bower's oration on Martin Luther is one of unusual strength and composition. Her delivery was easy and natural, and her magnetism enabled her to carry her audience with her in a state of rapt attention.

Mr. Frank M. Whitney, Olivet, took third honors. His oration, "The Hero of Hungary," was delivered with a directness that promises much for his future success.

The other speakers of the evening were Harlan L. Freeman, Adrian, "Conscience incarnate in Politics;" George M. Oldium, M. A. C., "The Anglo-Saxon and his Destiny;" John F. Guns, Albion, "A Century of American Expansion;" May B. Gurney, Hillsdale, "The Passing of a Century;" Cornelius Van der Meulin, Hope, "Robespierre."

The contest was a great success, and, although our contestant did not win first honors, we have every reason to be proud. Miss Bower displayed marked ability and has
won for the college a prestige that we have long wished for but never before attained. The good will of the entire student-body is with her, and she is entirely worthy of the enthusiastic reception accorded her upon her return. May she continue in the work and be as successful in the future as she has been in the past. The following is the ranking of the judges:

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| James McGee, Kalama100 | 85 | 1 80 | 2 96 | 3 86 | 4 85 | 5 85 | 6 514 | 7 12 | 8 1 |
| G. M. Odlum, M. C.     | 79 | 5 90 | 6 96 | 7 75 | 8 70 | 9 67 | 10 17 | 11 6 | 12 6 |
| Mathilda Rower, State Normal | 74 | 6 92 | 5 92 | 4 79 | 3 88 | 2 86 | 1 594 | 2 21 | 3 2 |
| F. M. Whitney, Oliver,  | 80 | 8 84 | 7 89 | 6 85 | 5 80 | 4 78 | 3 179 | 2 6 | 1 6 |
| H. L. Freeman, Adrain,  | 70 | 8 81 | 7 82 | 6 85 | 5 85 | 4 78 | 3 179 | 2 6 | 1 6 |
| J. F. Gums, Albion,     | 75 | 7 83 | 6 86 | 5 86 | 4 78 | 3 179 | 2 6 | 1 6 |
| May H. Garrett, Hillesdale | 83 | 5 84 | 4 79 | 3 74 | 2 84 | 1 694 | 0 10 | 9 8 |
| C. VanderMeulen, Hope   | 76 | 6 80 | 5 78 | 4 73 | 3 83 | 2 77 | 1 664 | 0 10 | 9 8 |

“A NIGHT OFF.”

The much talked of play, A Night Off, was presented before a fair sized audience in Normal Hall, Friday evening, May 11, under the direction of the Oratorical Association. This was one of the most humorous as well as most successful events (financially and otherwise) that has occurred here for some time.

The parts were unusually well taken, and each participant is to be congratulated on their ability as an actor. The piece showed a vast amount of work and practice and considering the limited chance for stage settings, the whole was a decided success.

The story of the play was as follows: Justinian Babbit, professor of ancient history, had written a tragedy and the manuscript had remained hidden for a long time until finally one Marcus Brutus Snap who was in pursuit of a fortune under various aliases, persuades the professor to let him put it on the stage. The professor’s wife, Zantippa, who has been away visiting at the sea shore, does not know of this and a very fitting climax comes when she discovers some of her husband’s plans which he has vainly endeavored to keep from her.

Along with this are woven several opportune visits from the professor’s friends, and as a result many pleasing incidents. Angelica finds alarming evidence against her husband, an old colleague of the professor, and Lord Mulberry comes inquiring after his son Jack who has consented to take the part of Cassius in the professor’s tragedy now being staged. Many difficulties arise in assigning the parts but Snap is equal to them, and with the help of his proverbial wife the play is to be performed the next Saturday evening. Nisbe, the other daughter of the professor, has a striking fondness for Jack who is to play Cassius and determines to go to the theatre, much against her mother’s will.

Zantippa has all her family at home on the night of the play and insists that they stay there. As has been agreed upon, Nisbe displeases her father and, getting angry, he sends her to his room; soon he leaves the room after her and then Harry goes after them. His wife and daughter do not know what this means, but soon they return sadly discouraged and excited. The play was a failure in the second act. The audience cheered the tragedy and the professor must now suffer the consequences. An explanation makes matters still worse until finally some very touching news (?) concerning Jack and Nisbe diverts their attention. Just here Harry arrives and announces the great mistake; the people applauded because it was so good and the play was a grand success, owing to the inventive spirit of Snap’s wife! The professor is now famous and they resolve to go on a trip and the closing scene is the usual hubbub of packing them off.

Excellent music was furnished between the acts by an orchestra of seven pieces under the direction of Mr. Howard Horton. The Orator-
ical Association is once more above board with about $25 cleared. They wish to take this opportunity to thank those who so willingly gave their time and work toward making the play a success, and also the college and public in general who gave them their support. The following is the cast of characters:

Justinian Babbitt, professor of ancient history in the Camptown university

Harry Damask, his son-in-law J. W. Mitchell

Jack Mulberry, in pursuit of fortune, under the name of Chimley T. A. Lawler

Lord Mulberry, in pursuit of Jack

Marcus Brutus Snap, in pursuit of fame and fortune under various legitimate aliases W. P. Needham

Prowl, usher at university G. W. Hand

Mrs. Zantippa Babbitt, professor of conjugal management and mistress in the professor's household Beatie Nesbitt

Nisbe, the youngest "imp" of the household and the other daughter Anna Stevenson

Angelica Damask, eldest daughter of Professor Babbitt and wife of Dr. Damask Laurel M. Harper

Susan, servant in the household of the professor of ancient history and a "forward girl" Ada Spalding

Maria, Damask's servant Stella Zacharias

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EDITORIAL.

Important Notice! All seniors who have secured positions for next year are earnestly requested to leave your name and future position at Room 46 or with the editor or manager of this paper. We wish to publish in our last number as complete a list as possible of our new teachers and we ask your cooperation in the matter.

We print with this number the oration on Martin Luther which won second place in the Michigan Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest. The first place was won by Mr. James McGee of Kalamazoo College. The students here will remember Mr. McGee as one of the debaters in our debate with Kalamazoo, and can better understand what our contestant had to compete with. It is very amusing to read in our many exchanges the various "wailings" of the several colleges represented. Some lay it to the poor work of the judges, others the lack of support, others to the place of holding it, while others were sure they would win if — something hadn't happened. We will take the safest ground and say that the college is very thankful it won: the place it did, for it shows unusual ability to successfully compete with representatives from Michigan's best smaller colleges.

Are you going to field day? It will be held at Lansing, June 1 and 2. Although definite plans have not been made we will probably leave here on Thursday afternoon and arrive in Lansing by special car from Ann Arbor about 8 p.m. The traveling expenses for the round trip will not exceed $3.00 at the most and M. A. C has guaranteed free entertainment for all visiting ladies. Now is your time to think seriously of the matter. Our baseball team is almost sure to be in the finals and we need everyone's support to bring back the cup. Our track team is doing good work also, and we feel sure of winning eight or ten medals. The boys' club swinging class is practicing regularly and although the girls have been excluded we still hope to have the beautiful cup to decorate our library next year. Now is your time to think about it and save up the pennies! Ypsi should send a large crowd this year and we feel sure that no one will ever be sorry he went.

The blooming idiot uses flowery speech.

The furniture van is always on the move.

It's bad enough to be a dude, but it's worse to be subdued.

A young man was once asked in a Latin examination to give the principal parts of the verb "to skate." This is what he wrote, skato, slippare, fallui, humpturn. He was surprised to find his paper marked; faillo, faillere, flunxi, suspendum.—Ex.
Only five more short weeks of work!

Mr. Carl Barlow has a position for the afternoon and evening as clerk in the D. V. & A. A. waiting room at Ypsilanti.

Prof. B. L. D'Ooge, who is now studying abroad on leave of absence for the year, has been granted an extension for another year.

Prof. C. T. McFarlane was away last week inspecting schools in the state. His classes have as a result been unusually (?) busy writing theses.

Mr. Dan W. Kimball, '99, visited friends in Ypsilanti May 5 and 6. Mr. Kimball has a good position at his home in Grand Rapids as car accountant for the D. G. R. & W. Railroad.

Prof. W. P. Bowen's resignation as director of the gymnasium has been accepted. Prof. Bowen is about to take his bachelor's degree at the university and proposes to devote himself to a somewhat different line of work.

The following was a poster put in the bulletin board one day last week by the Y. W. C. A.:

"Gymnasium Entertainment.
Benefit Y. W. C. A.
May 13.
Everybody Come."

It seems rather questionable as to whether the Christian Association should hold their gymnasium exhibitions on Sunday. (The date has been changed.)

At the meeting of the state board Friday, April 27, Mr. Lyman H. Roberts, of Winona, Minn., was elected superintendent of the training school. Mr. Roberts is superintendent of the training school and professor of pedagogy at the Winona state normal, and is considered one of the highest authorities on this particular subject in the country. He has a bachelor's and a master's degree from Amherst college and has a long record for successful professional services in New York state, California and Minnesota.

The library is steadily growing. One of the latest new books has the accession number 20275.

Supt. W. J. McKone of Albion recently visited the Normal in search of teachers. (There were several applicants.)

The third of the series of Senior recitals was given on Tuesday, May 15, by Miss Mabel Oliff, assisted by Mr. Minor E. White of the Conservatory.

Prof. S. B. Laird has been away for two weeks visiting schools in the state. For a few days last week he attended the meeting of the state superintendents.

Extensive preparations are being made for the Junior reception to be held at the gymnasium on May 19. Invitations have been issued and every Junior is endeavoring to make it a great success.

Announcement has been made of the first excursion under the direction of the geographical department to be given May 29-31. The trip is planned to Niagara Falls and return by a special steamship from Detroit on the night of May 29, spend May 30 at the falls and neighborhood and return on the same evening by the same boat. This is offered as a special inducement to geographical study and is open to all, especially those in the geographical department. Only a limited number can go as the party will be joined by another party at Cleveland. Further information may be obtained by inquiring of Prof. MacFarlane.

On the evening of May 8 Normal Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity to hear the recital given by Mr. Howard Brown as organist, assisted by Mr. Harold Jarvis of Detroit. Mr. Fred Ellis, who was to have assisted was unable to appear on account of a severe illness. The program was unusually good and Mr. Brown showed the excellent results of long continued practice. Especially pleasing was the Ronde D'Amour by Von Westeront with Prof York's arrangement. Altogether his work deserves high praise and
it was made doubly pleasing by the several
songs of Mr. Jarvis. Mr. Jarvis' reputation
and voice need no recommendation to an
Ypsilanti audience, and won hearty applause
for his masterful rendering of his pleasing
songs.

Everybody should turn out and see our boys
defeat M. A. C. on our grounds next Saturday.
We need your hearty support.

The following is our record to date:
April 21, Albion—13, at Albion; Normal—8.
April 28, Olivet—7, at Ypsi; Normal—16.
May 4, D. A. C. Deltas—11, at Ypsi; Nor-
mal—20.

Preparations are being completed for the
Showerman cup between the boys' classes.
There is plenty of good material in the college
and the contest will undoubtedly be very exci-
ting. Everyone should take an interest in
this as we must find out who is to represent
us at field day.

The baseball team intended to go to Olivet
last Saturday to win their fourth successive
game, but Mother Nature had mercy on Olivet
and decided to give them a few more weeks' practice before we met them on their home
grounds. We hope they will make the most
of it as they certainly need it, and we do too!

On the afternoon of Friday, May 4, a large
and enthusiastic crowd came out to cheer the
baseball boys on to victory against the D. A.
C. Deltas from Detroit. The Normals showed
the good results from their constant batting
practice and during the game of six innings
twenty runs were scored. Mr. Norris pitched
a fine game for the Normals, the Deltas being
shut out for the first half of the game.
In the sixth inning they found the ball
several times and several runs were made
through the assistance of some errors on the
part of the Normals. The final score was 20
to 11 in our favor. Several of our boys got
two base hits and Reese and Gunn each made
a three base hit. Messrs. Gorton and Gannon
were unable to play and their places were very
ably taken by Mr. Conklin and Coach
Clark.

On Saturday, May 5, the Normal team left
Ypsi determined to win if they played the
last game of the season. M. A. C. were the
victims and the report telephoned to the
proverbial "Corner Store" ran as follows:
"We won; score was 9 to 5; Failor struck out
13 men, Doolittle 6; nobody hurt; return about
11 o'clock by way of Plymouth and Wayne.
Won by good pitching and fine support."

It was not long before this news was spread
and everybody seemed unusually pleased as
we supposed this was our hardest game. The
victory was announced in the gymnasium
after the contest and a large crowd gathered
west of the "gym" to await the boys' return.
About ten o'clock two dray loads of boxes,
barrels and boards made their appearance and
soon a large pile stood awaiting the touch of
the match. The crowd waited patiently as
the cars went to and fro, and amused them­

selves by giving the various college yells,
singing, etc. The 11:15 car failed to bring
them and then the fire was started. It was
soon over and the weary crowd went home­
ward. Along in the wee small hours of the
night (12:45) the ball team made its appear­
ance with no one to greet them, having
had two long waits, at Plymouth and Wayne.
It is enough to say that they won in a great
game and the college is proud of them.

The last regular meeting of the Phi Delta
Pi fraternity was held at the Savery Club last
Saturday evening. A weary but wiser crowd
gathered there after giving the scheduled dose
to two new candidates, Messrs. F. C.
Clippinger and E. T. Cameron. Mr. Jay
Smith was also admitted as a pledged member.
Most of the boys are now wearing the new
monogram pins and are worthy the admiration
of all.
Sunday afternoon, April 29, Miss Chappell, secretary of the city association, led the Y. W. C. A. Her subject, "Joyous Serving," was forcibly presented, particularly impressing us with the power of secret prayer in each individual life.

Orders were received last week from the president calling the Y. W. C. A. militia into immediate service in behalf of the Geneva campaign. Forces were collected and without delay two regiments were on the march. Every fort and fortress will be stormed until the victory is won, and it is even reported that in the near future one company expects to pitch their tents upon the ball grounds and bid defiance to the ticket office. At any rate every effort possible will be utilized in securing enough booty to insure a representation at Geneva sufficiently large to give due honor to our college.

Sigma Nu Phi

Miss Mary W. Clark entertained the Sigma Nu Phi Sorority at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Harrison Soule, South University Ave., Ann Arbor, April 28th. All report a delightful time.

The last regular meeting of the Sigma Nu Phi was held with Miss Una Palmer on Forest Ave. After the short business meeting the evening was given up to games and other entertainment and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The Normal College Lyceum.

ATHENEUM SOCIETY.

May 4. The society met and after an interesting program a business meeting was held. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Hoyt C. Partch; vice-president, Bertha Reed; secretary, Edna Skinner; treasurer, Harry Luttenton; chaplain, Maud Becker; editor, Marie Nichols; ushers, Margaretha Rodger and Ivan E. Chapman.
Crescent Society.

The members of the Crescent society after an interesting program, the subject of which was Will Carleton, took part in a parliamentary drill which was both interesting and instructive. A short recess was then enjoyed, after which occurred the election of officers for the first semester of the coming year, with the following results: President, Joseph Gill; vice-president, Edith M. Thomas; secretary, Kate M. Morse; treasurer, Miss Dixon; chaplain, Mr. Hathaway, editor, Mr. Willard Barbour; usher, Herbert Munger.

Olympic Society.

On the evening of May 4, the closing meeting of the college year was held. After a very interesting program the time was taken up after recess by the election of officers which resulted as follows: President, A. O. Goodale; vice-president, Alice M. Hunter; secretary, Francis Follmer; treasurer, E. D. Rice; editor, G. B. Lull; chaplain, A. J. Dann; executive committee, M. E. Dick, Abigail Cook, and L. C. Paine.

De Alumnis.

Mr. John P. Everett is attending the U. of M. this year.

Miss Eva M. Taylor, '98, has primary work at Holt, Mich.

Miss Agnes Roosa, '99, has high school work at Harbor Beach.

Miss Margaret Clarkston, '99, has eighth grade work at Marshall.

Misses Carrie Hall, '95, and Carrie Barbour are attending the U. of M.

Miss Bertha E. Crosley, '96, is teaching the first grade at Harbor Beach.

Miss Carrie A. Haskins, '93, teaches in the public schools at Coldwater.

Miss Cleo M. Daniells, formerly instructor in History and English at the Normal, is now teaching in the Normal at San Jose, Cal.

Misses Emma Fisher, '98, and Katherine Atherton, '98, are teaching at Port Austin.

Miss Grace Thayer, '98, who has been teaching in Mason, has accepted a good position in Sycamore, Ill.

Miss Mabel E. Lathers is spending an enjoyable winter in California. She is at present at Covina, Los Angeles county.

Miss Georgia Robinson, formerly instructor in the history department at the Normal, is now Mrs. A. W. Rager of Eureka, Cal.

Exchanges.

If we could see ourselves as others see us it would be a severe blow to our ambition.

What is the difference between a sewing machine and a kiss? One sews nice seams, the other seems so nice.—Ex.

Every man has in himself a continent of undiscovered character. Happy is he who acts the Columbus to his own soul.—Stephens.

Miss Justout—What do you consider the marriageable age?

Mr. Ontal Knight—Anywhere between the seminary and the cemetery.—Ex.

It is amusing to detect character in the vocabulary of each person. The adjectives habitually used, like the inscriptions on a thermometer, indicate the temperament.—Tuckerman.

He—"Aren't your hands cold?"
She—"Yes."
He—"——?
She—"I can't. I've got to hold up my dress."—Ex.

Irate Dutchman (to stranger who has stepped on his foot.) "Mine frent, I know my feet was made to walk on, but dot privilege belongs to me."—Ex.

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