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A day is too long to be spent in vain—
Some good should come as the hours go by;
Some tangled maze may be made more plain,
Some lowered glance may be raised on high;
And life is too short to be spoiled like this,
If only a prelude, it may be sweet;
Let us bind together its threads of bliss,
And nourish the flowers around our feet.

"THEY COULDN'T STOP THEM,
For Forrest Taught Them to Always,
Always, Always. Go Right Through."

The season is over, and the team have made good the words of the song. In five successive games, the most desperate efforts of the opponents have proven futile against their charges, and even Hillsdale's powerful line fell steadily back before the fierce, terrific plunges of the Normal backs.

Last Saturday the Adrian College team came to play the return game, and if possible to retaliate their defeat of 16 to 0 of two weeks before. It was a cold, raw day, such as no one but a football enthusiast can endure with indifference. The roosters were there, and the variety and spirit of their demonstrations seemed a revelation to the visitors.

The Normals kicked off to Adrian and downed the ball on the 25-yard line. Then happened what might easily have been more than a revelation to the Normals.

CLASSICS IN SCHOOL AND LIFE

The News of Oct. 31 quotes, or rather interprets, Howells in The Easy Chair of November Harper's, to the effect "that pupils come to dislike the masterpieces of English literature which they read in school to such an extent that they cannot bear to read them again." What do I think of it?

Well, I have no fixed opinion on this head and am quite open to conviction as evidence comes to hand, but at this "instant minirit," as Jane Barlow makes her delightful people say, the opinion seems to me highly reasonable. Reasonable, but not important, and significant of what exists in the nature of the case rather than of wrong procedure in teaching.

To a generous and gifted spirit I suppose that all school subjects have points of attraction, and that some portions of some subjects have an attraction amounting to an enthusiasm—at times to an ecstasy of enthusiasm. The favorite theme in the hands of a favorite teacher may hold and possess us and exalt almost beyond belief. As such a student
goes out from such a class-room he treads on air. Life is no longer commonplace. Loudness and banality flee away.

While this may be true to an extraordinary degree of gifted souls, it is also true to some extent of all; and true not only of one line of school work, but of all lines. For only a narrow sympathy or slight observation will attribute to the moral sciences, or to any one of them; or to the physical sciences, or to any one of them, any great pre-eminence in this matter.

Hence many students go away from high school and college with the hope and expectation of renewing, often and often, the delightful experiences of the classroom. And why is this expectation in the main unrealized? Uncalculated equally for the Horace, the Sir Thomas Brown, the Faraday, the Ostwald, or the Mommsen?

Mainly because life is so interesting and absorbing. School is interesting; but life, with its activity, its reality, its novelty and its wealth of expectation is far more interesting. What a blessing it is to live the full life of this century. Often hard, sometimes filled with heart-breaking disappointments, and even with untold pain and misery, yet how real, how interesting. The great classics of our literature tell us how men have lived, but here is life itself. What wonder that the literary classic lies dust-covered and neglected in its presence.

E. A. Strong

REPETITION

BY MELA WHITELER WILCOX

Over and over and over,
These truths I will weave in song;
That God's great plan needs you and me,
That will is greater than Fate's will,
And that love moves the world along.

However mankind may question
It shall be seen and hear the Creed;
That God may ever be found within,
That the worship of self is the only sin,
And the only devil is greed.

Over and over and over,
These truths I will say and sing;
That love is mightier than hate,
That a man's own thought is a man's own fate,
And that life is a readily thing.

SCIENCE NOTES

A recent report on scientific education in English secondary schools shows that there were, in 1902, in such schools, 758 chemical laboratories, 320 physical laboratories, and 34 laboratories in all biological subjects combined. To these a grant of nearly a quarter of a million dollars was paid, after competent inspection, by the State.

The leading topic at the summer meeting of the British Association at Southport was meteorology. This was due in part to a revival of interest throughout the world in this subject, and in part to the fact that the International Meteorological Committee met this year with the British Association. See current number of Nature and Science for interesting matter on this head.

Does the method of finding the height of a tree by means of a cross-staff belong to mathematics, or geography, or natural science, or physical science? A senior claims to have been taught this interesting bit of information four times already in his course.

Venus is now very brilliant in the southeast during the early morning hours. This planet may be seen all day long by one who knows how and where to look—at least during the hours of the forenoon. On the fifteenth Venus was near the moon, and, as the moon could easily be found, the planet was seen by large numbers of people.

The department of Physical Science has just received from Harvard Observatory, by the kindness of Professor Pickering, a consignment of photographic star-maps. They are on glass, eight by ten inches, each covering a portion of the heavens about thirty degrees square.

PROFESSOR TEETZEL IN TOWN

Professor Teetzel, former director of athletics in this school, was in town for a little time on the twenty-second. He recently passed the examination for the bar at Springfield and is now a full-fledged lawyer.
MICHIGAN STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

The 51st annual session of the State Teachers’ Association meets in Ann Arbor, Dec. 29-31. The following is a very nearly complete program:

Meetings

The general sessions of the association will be held in University Hall, which faces State street, on the west side of University Campus.

The section meetings, the kindergarten, primary, grammar school, high school, and college sections will meet in the Law building, which is located next north of University Hall.

The drawing section will meet in Tappan Hall, which is southeast of University Hall.

The music, manual training, school board and commissioners’ sections will meet in University building.

All meetings on standard time.

Synopsis of meetings

Tuesday, Dec. 29th.

2:00 p. m.—General Meeting. -Address by President Angell.

3:30 p. m.—General Meeting.—Stereopticon lecture by Col. C. H. French on “India.”

7:30 p. m.—General Meeting—Address by President George E. MacLean of the State University of Iowa.

Wednesday.

9:30 a. m.—General Meeting.—Address by Professor S. D. Fess, of Chicago University, on “Intimations of Two Civilizations in America.”

10:30 a. m.—General Meeting—Symposium on “The College” by the college presidents of Michigan.

11:30 a. m.—Business Session.

2:00 p. m.—Section Meetings.

4:30 p. m.—Stereopticon lecture by Col. French on “Alaska.”

7:30 p. m.—General Meeting.—Address by Catherine Chapman Catt, President of the National American Woman’s Suffrage Association.

Thursday

9:30 a. m.—General Meeting. —Paper by Dr. C. O. Hoyt, of the Michigan State Normal College, “The Theory of the Course of Study.”

11:00 a. m.—General Meeting.—Address by Miss Jessie L. Newlin of Chicago.

The section meetings promise to be of unusual interest. The kindergarten section takes for its general theme the educational value of music, the papers to be illustrated by work with children. In the primary and grammar section Professor Laird will deliver an address. In the high school section Professor Webster Cook of Saginaw will act as chairman, while Professor Putnam will take charge of the college section. Miss Cole of Saginaw will preside over the music section, Miss Foster of the training school acting as secretary.

An article of unusual interest will be read by Professor Pease upon “The Pedagogical Relations of Public School Music.”

Further Information

For further information regarding the section programs, write the chairman of the several sections. Regarding local arrangements, write Supt. H. M. Slauson, Ann Arbor. For entertainment in private homes, write D. W. Springer, Ann Arbor.

Regarding the general program and other matters, write the president, H. R. Patterson, Lansing, or the secretary, E. D. Palmer, West Bay City.

NOTICE TO MICHIGAN TEACHERS

Are there not many teachers of Physics and Chemistry in the state who have invented or adopted some piece of apparatus or some device or contrivance for the better teaching of these subjects who would be willing to exhibit it at the meeting of the Physical Section of the Schoolmasters’ Club next Spring? If so they are invited and urged to communicate with Professor Strong, of the Normal, or with Professor C. F. Adams, of the Central High School, of Detroit, stating the nature of the invention or device. Write soon, even if the device is not perfected, so that the program may be made up.
Prize Announcement for High School Students

The Normal College News offers a cash prize of FIVE DOLLARS for the best short story submitted under the following conditions:

CONDITIONS
1. The contest is open only to students in the high schools of Michigan.
2. The story must not be less than 800 nor more than 1200 words in length.
3. All stories must be submitted before January 5th, 1904.
4. The Normal College News is to have the privilege of publishing all stories submitted. A year’s subscription to the Normal College News will be sent to the writers of all stories so published.

SUGGESTIONS
Do not write your name on the manuscript. Use a nom de plume.
On a slip of paper write your name and address and nom de plume, place in an envelope, seal and mail to the Normal College News the same day that you send your manuscript. In this way the judges will be prevented from knowing whose story they are judging and absolute fairness will be secured.
The names of the judges will be announced later.

Normal College Reunion

Hello former Normal students, your classmates and friends will be in attendance at the State Teachers’ Association at Ann Arbor Dec. 29-31. There will be warm greetings and hand-shakings and reminiscences. Old songs will be sung and old stories retold. Your friends will be ready to tell where they have been teaching since you bade them good-by; they will tell you whom they married and how many children they have; and then they will forget that they are superintendents and principals, and fathers and mothers. They will go back to the old days and ask whether you remember the first time you classified in the Normal, and if you remember how green you felt the first time you went to chapel, and if you—well, in brief, it will be a Normal college reunion. Let every one plan to be present.

President T. A. Conlon of the Alumni Association has appointed as executive committee: Miss Kate R. Thompson, chairman; Dr. Thomas W. Paton, Fred M. Churchill, Mrs. B. J. Howlett and H. O. Severance. This committee is making plans for a banquet and a general good time. Once more we say let every one be present.

Geography

In Germany, where chairs of geography exist in every reputable University, it is now decreed that customs officers shall receive instruction among other things in commercial geography. According to Science at the most important customs offices in every province a laboratory, together with a library of technical books, will be established, where the minor officials will receive technical instruction from the customs officers of higher rank.

It is well known that the center of population of the United States is near Indianapolis, less that a third of the distance from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It has moved westward over 500 miles in the interval 1790 and 1890. A similar study for Germany appears in the September Petersmann and responds admirably to the different stage of development represented by the two countries. The German center of population is west of Halle, in Saxony, not far from the geographic center of the country, and has moved only thirteen or fourteen miles in the eighty-four years between 1816 and 1900. There has been no opening of new territory possible in central Europe. The little movement noted is due to the growth of several great cities and the development of manufacturing centers in the north. Climatic diversity makes it unlikely that our population will ever be so evenly distributed through the area of our country.
The editors have been considering the advisability of inserting a current event column in the News, a column in which the leading events of each week might be summarized and presented in compact, readable form. We wish to find out what our readers think of the plan. Would it be a valuable part of the paper or could the space be filled with something more interesting? We solicit correspondence on the subject. Let us have your opinion.

The News congratulates the Normal College on the enthusiasm and loyalty which the students have shown for the football team this fall. We believe that this spirit, shown in the face of the discouragement at the beginning of the year, has been a great aid toward our success in the later games. It is this earlier loyalty in which we have special reason to be proud. It is easy to be loyal to a winning team, but loyalty to a defeated team shows the true metal.

DR. FORD'S LECTURE

Dr. Ford gave a very interesting lecture to all the students of his department last Friday. His discourse resolved itself into (1) the acquiring and teaching of a language; (2) Martin Luther as a man, a scholar, and an educator. To master a language he said it would be necessary to have patience, enthusiasm, and industry. In beautiful, striking, and vigorous English Dr. Ford portrayed Luther as a conscientious, valiant, and intellectual hero who had won renown by translating the greatest book into a simple style easily read by the common people, who had added stability to the German tongue, and bequeathed to his own country and to the world such pedagogical principles as were destined to last forever. The religious Martin Luther was touched upon only to bring out his character as a man. Dr. Ford's next lecture will be upon some subject connected with French literature.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE

Query, of the Juniors, what is the Aurora Board?

For Sale—A mitten. Inquire of Johnny Ruppert.

Mr. Worcester proposes the theory that a thick skull produces an round voice. Is this a reflection on the Normal debaters?

Ypsi. boarding-house keeper, after the cup has been sent back for the seventh time—Mr. —, you must like coffee. Mr. —. —I am very fond of it. If I wasn't I wouldn't drink so much water to get a little.

Teacher in Physiology—Name the senses, please. Student, who has been taking teacher's history—Sight, taste, hearing, smelling, touch and the historical sense.

Freshman—Never put off till tomorrow what you can do just as well—the day after tomorrow.

Sophomores—Junior politics.

Juniors—We WILL perpetrate a joke on the Seniors.

Seniors—We are the people.
CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

The Shakespeare club held its regular meeting, Saturday evening, Nov. 21, with Mr. Milliken.

At the last meeting of the Portia club the question debated was:—Resolved, That the study of the languages has greater reason culture than that of science. The negative won.

The members of the Crescent and Atheneum societies met in the room on the evening of Friday, Nov. 20. The program was short but good; only one week had been given in preparation, the program was followed by games and refreshments, consisting of pop-corn and apples, after which the company broke up, all agreeing that the "Thanksgiving" evening had proven a decided success.

One of the most successful meetings of the year was held by the Olympic society on Friday evening, Nov. 20. A very interesting program was rendered, at recess games and refreshments were enjoyed by all. On Dec. 4 will occur the oratorical contest, also the election of officers. A full attendance is desired.

SORORITIES AND FRATERNITIES

The Harmonious Mysticks were delightfully entertained by Mr. Brown Thursday evening.

Saturday evening, Nov. 21, the Sigma Nu Phi welcomed into the society their pledged members, Misses Bess Hubbell, Mary White and Lois White. After the initiation ceremony, a sumptuous banquet was served, Miss Anne Culline acting as toastmistress. Miss Mary Clarke of Ann Arbor, and Mrs. Susan Fox of Detroit, were present.

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

Y. W. C. A.

The missionary committee entertained in an informal manner, Saturday evening, from 7 to 9 o'clock, with Miss Krikorian as their guest.

The Y. W. C. A. gave a thimble party on Thanksgiving Day from 3 to 8 o'clock. The guests brought their lunches. In the evening the young men were also entertained.

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Miss Laura Stendel spent Thanksgiving at her home in Detroit.

Miss Mildred Pullman visited friends in Howell, Thanksgiving.

Professor Lyman welcomed Mrs. Lyman home for Thanksgiving.

Miss Goodson goes to her home in Jackson for Thanksgiving.

Miss Frances Stewart, of the office staff, spent Tuesday in Detroit.

Miss Jennie Witt left Tuesday to attend the wedding of her brother at Marlette.

Miss Kathryn McDonald visited her sister in Detroit from Wednesday till Monday.

Students can get home-cooked food at 811 Ellis street, across from the gymnasium.

The Misses Eva Morris and Ruth Maun are entertaining their brothers from Belding, this week.

Miss Maud and Miss Mary McGuinness visited at the home of their cousin, Miss Clara McGuinness, from Wednesday till Sunday.

Miss Kate Thompson of the Mathematical Department spent Thanksgiving in Gregory.

Miss Edith Demorest is entertaining her brother, from Belding, during the Thanksgiving recess.

Miss Gertrude Lee went to Pontiac last Saturday to visit friends. She expects to return next Monday.

The Misses Emily Hale and Nellie Hill visited friends in Dexter during the Thanksgiving recess.

The Misses Margaret and Nora Murphy went to Chicago to attend the Chicago-Michigan football game.

We learn that we were misinformed in stating that Mr. Munson and Mr. Worcester were formerly opponents in debate.

The Misses Ella Moloney and Alice Mann go to Hudson for Thanksgiving. Miss Moloney expects her sister Mary, of Three Rivers, to be home also.

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Miss Ethel Clark went to Chicago last week.

Miss Mary Harding spent Thanksgiving at Hillsdale.

Miss Lynch did Institute work at Detroit last week.

Miss Leila Arnold spent her vacation at her home in Plainwell.

Miss Mayme Horner, of Detroit, spent Sunday with Ypsilanti friends.

All items for the next issue of the News must be in by Wednesday noon.

Professor King entertained a party of friends Thursday evening Nov. 19.

Miss Hazel Harding played Wednesday at a recital in the Detroit Conservatory of Music.

Misses Hazel Clark and Bessie Brown spent Thanksgiving at their homes in Clinton.

The Misses Eva Cole and Inez Fletcher, visited Miss Margaret McBride, '00, at Dundee.

Miss Marie Brockway was called home last week on account of the serious illness of her father.

If you want to secure a position to teach write to James F. McCullough, 639 Fine Arts Building, Chicago.

Miss Bessie Spaulding entertained her friend, Miss Hazel Kester, of Richland, during the past week. They spent part of the time in Detroit.

The Misses Helene Anderson, '03, and Halie Holden, '03, of Palmer, spent Thanksgiving Day at Marquette.

Miss Mary Creech, '99, who has been teaching in Union City, spent her vacation at her home in Ypsilanti. Miss Lott Nimms, '03, of Imlay City, was her guest during that time.

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Send postal for BLANKS to
Lewis Teachers' Agency
Muskegon, Mich.
Miss Bird enjoyed her vacation at her home in Gregory.

Miss Roe is absent from the Training school on account of illness.

Mr. Carl Rogner was the guest of Miss Pauline Kimberly, Saturday.

Miss Nellie McConnell visited Miss Iva Baird at St. Clair, during vacation.

Miss Louise Patterson went to Charlotte to spend her Thanksgiving vacation.

Mr. Arthur Stendel, of Detroit, visited his sister, Miss Laura Steudel, Sunday.

Students can get home-cooked food at 811 Ellis St. across from the gymnasium.

The concert last Monday evening furnished a musical treat for the many lovers of music.

Miss Amanda Thomas, who was in the college in the years ’69 and ’70, visited the Normal Saturday.

The life-sketching class were delightfully entertained by Miss Omstead last Saturday evening.

Final meeting of the football squad Monday afternoon at 5 o’clock. Arrangements for pictures and credits will be made.

The Misses Ethel Davis, Nellie Adriance, Jeanette Kopvis, Mollie Hartley, and Amy Barringer, spent the vacation at Lansing.

All men interested in basketball will meet in the gymnasium Wednesday afternoon, at 5 p. m. Arrangement for practice will be made.


The pupils of the eighth and ninth grades of the Training school gave a party in the kindergarten rooms, for their teachers, on the evening of Nov. 20. The boys and girls were dressed to represent either Indians or Puritans. All had a very delightful time.

Seniors, notice. Meeting Tuesday afternoon at 5 p. m. Election of Aurora editors.

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But in that same single instant, with one desperate rush, the entire Normal team had burst through the Adrian line, and the ball never reached the goal. Wilson had stopped it, and at the same moment had started it on its way in the opposite direction. From then on the Normal goal was never again in danger. Before the ball had ended, Hyames had twice carried the ball across the Adrian goal line for touchdowns. In the second half the Normals scored four more touchdowns—three by Hyames, and one by Bates. Hendry kicked every goal and the final score stood 36 to 0.

Both sides played hard, straight football. The perfect team work of the Normals was too much for Adrian. Every man did his share and did it well. Excluding punts, the Normals carried the ball four hundred and three yards by line backs. Adrian carried it seventy yards, sixty of which were made at the beginning of the game. Fagan and Michiner starred for Adrian. Michiner’s punting rolling up the number of yards that the Normals were compelled to gain.

On Thursday the team accompanied by thirty-five enthusiastic rooters, went to Hillsdale to play the last game of the year. A special D. Y. A. A. & J. car carried them to Jackson, where an extra coach had been provided for them over the
Lake Shore for Hillsdale. If there is such a thing as true healthy athletic spirit, that party was permeated by it. Hopeful and confident of victory, yet there was that strong undercurrent of genuine feeling that makes the score but of secondary importance. To win or to lose, the Normal College was putting forth her best and they were conscious of it.

The game was called at three o'clock. The field looked very unlike the Normal Campus during a game. There were men everywhere, outside and inside the lines. If there are any co-eds at Hillsdale they were conspicuous by their absence. The Normal girls outnumbered them two to one on their own field. The Hillsdale people were completely surprised at the little group of Normals on the side lines, and finally took recourse to a drum and three brass horns to drown the Normal yells. As one astonished wearer of the purple, with an H on his sweater, expressed it, with the exclamation, "Those Ypsi girls are so confounded loyal!"

Hillsdale kicked off to the Normal 5-yard line. If at first they were surprised, they were now completely dumbfounded. For one hundred five yards, without a stop, the Normals hammered their way through the heavy line for a touchdown. The angle for kicking was an almost impossible one and the ball narrowly missed goal. Hendry kicked off, and true to his old trick, sent the ball flying over Hillsdale's goal line. The drum ceased its pounding. Hillsdale punted from their 25-yard line and again the Normals slowly but steadily plowed their way towards Hillsdale's goal. The ball was but two feet from the line, the signals were being called, and the touchdown seemed secure when suddenly the whistle sounded and time was up. The Normals had carried the ball one hundred and eighty yards through the line without being held for downs.

Between halves the Normal rooters zigzagged the field singing, "The Ypsi Nor-
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