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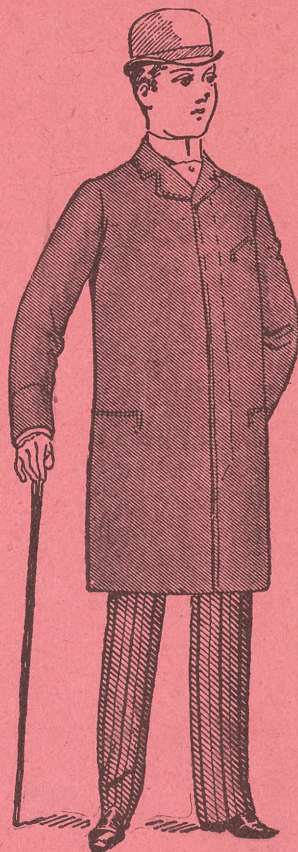
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We may well inquire why so few of our young men and women are availing themselves of the advantages offered to obtain a good education. It is not too much to say, that the steps leading up to the college hall are in these days the stepping stones to perferment and the widest usefulness. If we could only get the attention of the boys and girls who are closing up their work at the common school, we would say to them, don't stop there, you have laid a good foundation; go on and build the house; rear the noblest structure possible with the material within your reach. How many young people there are in Nevada who have the intellectual ability to climb to the top and take their place as leaders in human affairs, who are satisfied, because of the lack of a noble ambition to remain at the bottom. While we are aware that all have

not the talent to be leaders or fill the eminent positions, yet many could rise to these who are making no effort to do so. No doubt there are also those who have the desire to fill the wider spheres of usefulness, but are deterred from attempting the necessary preparation because of financial difficulties in their way. To such we would say, these obstacles are not insurmountable. What others have done you can do. Many of our most eminent statesmen and scholars have had to contend against poverty, while acquiring an education. The very effort made to overcome difficulties toughens the moral and mental fibre, produces self reliance and leads up to success. The best type of manhood and wamanhood can be produced only by wrestling with obstacles and overcoming them. A collegiate education is beyond the reach of none. All that is necessary to obtain it is determination. Push and pluck cannot fail to win.

The University has the reputation of being rather backward in athletics. The students are not so egotistic, however, that they cannot see themselves as others see them. They take a reasonable interest in sports and are enthusiastic considering the disadvantages

under which they labor. Their number is few in comparison with most colleges. While teams of other institutions are selected from several hundred students those of the University have to be chosen from less than one hundred. Another serious drawback is the lack of competition. There can be neither contest nor spirit of rivalry with only one party in the field. If the University students were so situated that a few hours ride would take them to the campus of Berkeley or Stanford, genuine enthusiasm would attend their efforts for athletic supremacy. A gymnasium is still a thing of the future. The need of such an institution is felt by every student, and to its absence may be attributed their poor work in athletics. In vain have efforts been made to secure an appropriation from the State legislature. The students of necessity appealed to some of the wealthy men of the State who, they feel confident, will donate the sum necessary to provide one. Notwithstanding these obstacles the young men have not allowed athletics to fall into destitute. A baseball game has been played nearly every Friday since the beginning of the term. A football team has been organized. A number of the students have begun training for the annual field day. We feel assured they will prepare to do their best on that occasion. Tennis is again coming to the front and will likely, in the Spring, re-

ceive its share of attention. The students are, as a whole, more enthusiastic in these matters than ever before, and we trust that enterprise and activity will characterize their year's work.

The Commercial Course.

There are many young men and women who for various reasons, do not wish to take a college course. To meet the demands of this class the Commercial Department was established, none of the higher branches are taught, but a thorough course is given in the common studies, grammar, arithmetic, etc. Commercial law is studied so that the student becomes familiar with the nature of contracts, deeds, etc. Political Science is taken up that students may be assisted, in so far that this science can help, in judging economic questions. The great cry of Business colleges is practicability. This one is up with the times. In this department typewriters, telegraph instruments and a college bank are found. Students receive instruction in short hand, and the young men work a year in the mechanical shop. In this course the student gets a good business education, and is expected to be a competent clerk and book-keeper. While the course is not preparatory to any of the college courses, a few of the students graduating from it have, by diligent study, been able to successfully carry a college course.

E

The arrival of Troop C., 4th U. S. Cavalry, on its way from Fort Bidwell to the Presidio, Cal., was an event of considerable interest to the cadets, as their military instructor, J. M. Neall, is its first lieutenant. The men composing it looked dusty and tired after their march of two hundred miles. Many of the cadets went down to Parry's corral where the troop halted, and were greatly pleased with its maneuvers preparatory to camping. The stay of the troop was brief. It arrived on Saturday morning and departed by rail for its destination Sunday morning.

The Library.

Hon. F. G. Newlands has presented the library with fifty volumes of valuable books. This is a most acceptable gift, for the library contains only three thousand bound volumes and about eighteen hundred pamphlets. This collection, although not large, is very good. The State's small appropriations have been judiciously spent. Some of the best books of history, fiction and English literature together with reference books pertaining to all the University courses have been purchased. Students have access to the library from 8:30 A. M. to 4 P. M. The librarian is always pleased to help them select books, and they are allowed to keep them a reasonable time. But, however good be the judgment exercised in purchasing, three thousand volumes cannot contain the matter essential to a good library. It is hoped the State will soon be able to add more books to this collection. In the meantime all donations will be thankfully received. In other States large libraries and colleges have been founded by individuals, and, no doubt, would be in our own State if Nevada's citizens only recognized that one dollar spent in this manner would do more good; would make their names dearer, and their fames more lasting than ten spent in fine residences in California, or thrown to a horde of hungry politicians.

E.

State Normal School.

The Nevada Normal School is an institution of great promise. It begins the present year's work with a large roster of students. Nothing is lacking in its equipment to thoroughly fit, for the profession of teacher, all who enter. Mrs. Emery, the principal, is a lady of wide experience and admirably qualified to fill the important position she holds. The students of this school have all the advantages afforded by the University. If, at the close of the prescribed course, any of them go forth unable to take a position in the front rank of teachers of our common schools, the fault will not lie with his or her alma mater, but in personal inability or carelessness to avail himself or herself of the superior advantages which the school offers alike to all.

H.

The Adelphi.

The Adelphi had a large attendance last Friday evening. Some of the Professors had kindly consented to render the following programme: The Literary Society's place in college.

- Professor Hillman
- Recollections of college life. Prof. Thurtell
- Talk on Mark Twain. Prof. Lewers
- Roman Education. Prof. Church
- Select reading. Prof. Cowgill

In the course of his remarks, Professor Hillman made many suggestions that the Adelphi might well follow. From Professor Thurtell's pleasing and instructive discourse the students learned much of the work done by literary societies in other colleges. Professor Lewers' talk was highly appreciated. He cracked jokes that would do credit to Mark Twain. One young lady said she "just died laughing." Roman education was treated in a very interesting manner by Professor Church. Professor Cowgill's reading was well rendered. During the exercises Miss Stanaway favored the society with a song and was heartily encored. The programme as a whole, showed a spirit unknown to the Adelphi Society. It showed a standard of work that we will not reach until a majority of the members take a greater interest and cheerfully perform their duty. Our condition calls loudly for reform, and reform we must have if we wish the society to withstand another year. I think some radical changes in the constitution necessary, and urge the members to take the matter in hand at the next meeting.

E.

An Englishman in a hotel in New York asked if there were any oysters in the hotel. "Oh, yes!" was the answer. "Step right into the restaurant. We don't keep them in the office." "I think you misunderstood me," said Mr. John Bull. "You know I mean an 'oister, don't you know, a lift, a helevator may be you call it in this country."

Photographer, You've spoiled about a dozen plates by moving. I don't see why you can't keep quiet half a second." Boy: Don't wanter." "Why not?" "'Cause after you get through with me, Mom is goin' ter take me to the dentist's ter have a tooth pulled."

African Gold Fields.

Within the last few years no other gold region has received more attention than that of South Africa. The gold reefs in the Transvaal are being worked on an extensive scale. Many of the largest mines and mills are superintended by Americans. In the hands of competent men, the cyanide process has been profitably employed there in working tailings.

Two or three years ago the British South African Company was formed for the purpose of developing the country north of the Transvaal, known as Mashonaland. There were rumors of rich gold fields in this region. After many hardships experienced by pioneers in cutting a path through a trackless wilderness this rumored land of gold was reached. The company was disappointed, however, in not finding the mineral reefs that were expected. The country had been worked out by gold seekers of past ages. Many traces of these ancient workmen were found, such as crucibles, retorts, etc., which were in a fine state of preservation. Being thus disappointed, many miners sold their tools and returned to the Transvaal. The employes of the company and a few others that remained, found that the Matabele kingdom, near Mashonaland was very rich and had never been worked for gold. Operations were stopped in this region by the Matabele King. It being impossible to get any concession from him war was declared by the British. If they are victorious there will likely be a good opening in that country for experienced miners. I

At Ascension Church, in the choir: Dr Elliot was preaching. The tenor was sleeping peacefully.

"See if you canticle his neck a little," the soprano suggested.

"I wouldn't duet," came from the first bass.

"If I can't make a better pun than that my name an't Psalm," said the boy who pumps the organ.

But he said it solo that none of them quartet.

The University buildings are now lighted by electricity.

Local Notes.

Miss Agnes Bell, '93, is attending Stanford University.

E. E. Caine, B. A., '93, is principal of the Verdi school.

The members of the Signal Detachment are drilling daily with the flag.

Pugh & Cook are the decorators and painters who do fine work, and they are also well patronized. *

The malleability of gold is so great that a sheet of foil, it is said, can be beaten as thin as the slice of ham in a World's Fair sandwich.

A man traveling one of the saw-mill roads in Dooley County, Ga., avers that the road was so crooked that he met himself coming back.

Those who failed to get certificates at the last teacher's examination will have another chance in January. Study, and success will be yours.

A financial journal has an article on "What Makes Stocks Unsteady," but it fails to enumerate the chief cause. They have taken a drop too much.

A sailor put a saddle on hind part before. A bystander showed him his error. The sailor exclaimed: "How do you know which way I am going to ride?"

The Reno public school now has fourteen teachers. The course of study is a good one and scholars should complete it or an equivalent before entering the University.

Professor Jackson is determining, for the Reno Fire Department, the heat producing quality of different kinds of coal. The object is to ascertain which is the most economical for their use.

The cadets drilled by company last Monday for the first time this school year. Up to that date they drilled in squads of four or five each in order that the new men might become thoroughly familiar with the manual of arms, setting up exercises and principles of marching before being admitted to the company. Rifles and accoutrements have been issued and instructions given for their care.

Answer to Longfellow's Bridge.

I stood on the bridge at sunset,
As the curfew was tolling the hour,
And the blue sky streaked with crimson
Seemed to rest on the tall church spire.

I saw the bright reflection
Of the brilliant clouds asleep,
On the rippling waves of silver
That gleamed in the river's deep.

And far in the dark'ning distance
Of that lovely sunset hour,
The midnight purple pine trees
Wrapt closely the mountain's tower.

Along the water's shadows
The waving sunlight played,
And "the current that came from the ocean,"
In its waves the sea-weed laid;

"As sweeping, eddying onward,"
The wavelets murmured soft,
And the cloud-lands that lay on its bosom
Were lifted and borne aloft.

And like those clouds reposing
On the river's murmuring breast,
My life, with its tranquil nature,
Seemed to me a very rest.

For my life was calm and peaceful,
But my soul could not be tame,
And I longed for a life of battle—
For victory's scorching flame.

"How often, O, how often,"
On the sunsets long gone by,
I had watched the river mirror
The clouds in the sunset sky!

"How often, oh, how often,"
I had gazed on the evening sky
And sighed for a glimpse of the Eden
That awaited me by and by.

And the heart's wild cry was answered
And the burden came at last,
And I cannot shake it from me
'Till my life's last hour is past.

I see the glittering wavelets
On the silvery crystal tide,
And the crimson cloudlets sleeping
On its breast so blue and wide.

—*Courier Journal.*

Jottings.

Burn a rag!

Turn out the guard!

What's the matter with the T. H. P. O.!!

There are at present seventy-two cadets in the company.

Miss Blanche Davis, '92, visited the University last week.

The Normal School has a larger attendance than ever before.

The Adelphi Society received quite a number of new members last Friday night.

The Admission Day exercises of the Training School were very interesting and reflected much credit on the second year Normals who had the matter in charge.

The address of Professor Miller at general assembly on the 22d inst., and that of Professor Jackson one week later, were highly instructive and entertaining.

The Normals are making better progress in their pedagogical work than usual. This is due to the fact that Mrs. Emery has been relieved of the responsibility of the Training School.

There came near being an accident in the work shop the other day. Some of the boys while using a gasoline blow lamp dropped it. The gasoline caught fire and might have done much damage had not a brave lad smothered the flame by throwing his coat on it.

A good game of base ball was played at the University last Tuesday, between the Down Town and T. H. P. O. nines. Although the day was disagreeable the boys played fairly well. The Down Town nine were victorious. In the evening the T. H. P. O. nine treated to an oyster supper.

If strict ideas ever come,
That Boston lady had 'em.
She never said "chrysanthemum."
She said "chrysanthe-madam."

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The initial number of the STUDENT RECORD is received. It is a college paper published semi-monthly by the Independent Association of Reno. The subscription price is \$1 for the Academic year, 35 cents for three months, and single copies 10 cents.

While its columns are freely offered to the public, they are especially tendered the University students as a medium through which they may voice their sentiments on all matters that affect their interests.

The RECORD is a bright faced, well edited periodical of eight pages, not including a neat cover, three pages of which are filled with advertisements. It contains several articles pertaining to the University, all of which are of general interest, and it deserves support from the public and a liberal allowance from the Board of Regents.—*Journal.*

A little magazine called the STUDENT RECORD has reached us. It is published by the students of the State University, and its aim is to inspire the young men and women of the State with a determination to obtain better educations. A good object. The RECORD is a neatly printed, eight page pamphlet. Success to it.—*Tuscarora Times Review.*

The STUDENT RECORD, a college semi-monthly, hailing from Reno, has been received at our exchange table. Long life to you, Mr. RECORD.—*Mason Valley Tidings.*

The first number of the STUDENT RECORD published at Reno, by the Independent Publishing Co., has reached this office. It was well edited and neatly printed.—*Dispatch.*

Stranger: "So that's the United States steamship Michigan is it? I don't see anything so remarkable about her."

Old Settler: "You don't, hey? Sir, Lake Michigan was named after that boat."

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Students and friends of education, throughout the State, are requested to procure subscriptions for the RECORD, and in this way assist in placing it on a firm financial basis, thus securing its permanency and aiding to make it in every respect a worthy advocate of the cause that it represents.

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