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### Editorial.

NEVADA'S representatives in the Legislature have so far dealt very kindly with the University, having passed favorably upon a bill which insures the institution at least a regular income. This action shows the esteem in which our alma mater is held throughout the State. Although it is very necessary to practice econ-

omy along all lines at present, the people of this commonwealth have left no stone unturned to offer their children the best possible educational advantages. Every student in our halls owes it to himself and to the State to do his utmost for his own advancement and that of his fellows. The people have done their share and we must do ours.



SHOULD a stranger peruse some of the excuses handed in daily for absence from drill, he would probably imagine that the University of Nevada was a sanitarium for the cure of almost every disease that flesh is heir to. Gout, rheumatism and sprained ankles seem to be contracted with alarming frequency. The military training received here will prove to be of inestimable value in after life and the man who derives the benefit of it is by no means the one who "skips" on every possible occasion.



PROF. Lewers, Prof. Cowgill and Mrs. Michael have been appointed a committee to decide the Artemisia prize-story contest and will report in a few days. The small number of stories handed in was a decided disappointment to the Board, almost compelling them to declare the contest off, but the sense of justice to those students who labored faithfully prevailed and the winners will receive the promised reward.



EMMET D. BOYLE has been elected Associate Editor of the Artemisia. No better choice could have been made, as Mr. Boyle not only possesses literary talent of a high order, but he has been all along a most enthusiastic supporter of the project.



OWING to a combination of unfortunate circumstances this issue of the RECORD is rather late. We beg the indulgence of our subscribers.

COPY for the Artemisia is now due. Members of the staff are requested to hand it in immediately.

THE offer of twenty-five dollars for a prize

song is one that should stimulate every student to put forth his best efforts in this line. We need a college song and the opportunity has come for some one to benefit the institution and receive a very liberal reward at the same time.

## ❧ Literary. ❧

(Reported by W. C. Lamb '99.)

**Senator  
Ernst's  
Address.**

*Mr. President, Ladies and Students:*

On this auspicious occasion, with all nature in harmony and sympathy with our gathering to do honor to the noblest institution in the State, this University dedicated to modern civilization and the future welfare of our children. Two years ago I paid you a visit, very unexpectedly to myself. I was just stepping from the train into a conveyance going to the Asylum, when the eagle eye of your President spied me and pounced upon me with his restless vigor, and informed me that I was not yet a fit subject for the Asylum; that a visit to the University and its surroundings and the coming in contact with the young and growing intellect of our State would cheer me up and imbue me with new ideas. So I came, I saw and, unlike Cæsar of old, I was conquered. I shall never forget on that occasion, like to-day, the excellent drill of the cadets and our pleasant visit to the dormitories, halls and class-room.

You have all heard the poetical allusion that "Every rose, however fragrant, has a thorn; every cloud, however somber, has a silver lining." Little did I dream on that occasion that I would soon feel its realization. During the afternoon, the Doctor, in his nice, affable and persuasive manner, invited us to visit the Assembly Hall on the third floor of yonder building. My ambition not permitting me to lag, I soon found my two hundred and fifty pounds avoirdupois upon the threshold panting for breath, and my astonished vision gazing upon a

host of sparkling eyes and gallant chivalry there assembled. Scarcely had I taken a seat upon the platform when the Doctor pressed the thorns by asking me to address the audience. I was flustered and was beginning to think that I had not made a mistake when I started for the Asylum. However, as I have always made it a rule to do the very best I could under all circumstances, I pulled my wits together and talked to you about the trials and tribulations of a youth in search of knowledge without the aid of a dictionary, and illustrated the same by partly referring to the "pricippees" (precipices) along the banks of the upper Mississippi, and to the "dilipated" (dilapidated) mills by the babbling brooks in Ohio. I have forgiven the Doctor, and trust that you who were then present have also forgiven me for that infliction.

As I am again called upon to address you, I will without any apology select for my subject, "The Babes in the Woods." But be indulgent and allow me to digress a little. These gentlemen here are fellow legislators, selected by your kindred to make laws and provide ways and means to carry on the University for the coming two years. They, like myself, are really glad to see so many of you here. Your attendance is an honor to your parents, your relatives and yourselves. We sympathize with your noble efforts to train and cultivate your minds for the active duties of life. Many of you are here under adverse circumstances, and feel the need of comforts. To those let me say: Continue to be brave and victory will be yours. The time will soon come when you will fully realize that you

are amply rewarded for all the sacrifices you now make. In a few years you will take the place of your parents and upon you will rest the cares of society, the government of the State and that of the Nation. Our domestic and public institutions rest upon the foundation of truth and honesty of purpose. Surround this with a cultivated intelligence and you have an ideal state of affairs, one that will make us all happy. It therefore behooves each of you to be strictly honest in all things, thus gaining the approbation of your instructors and college-mates—an approbation that in after life will be a pleasant reminiscence to you. A close attention to the lectures in the class-room, a concentration of your thoughts upon the topic under consideration will soon train your mind to safely handle any question that may arise in your pathway of life. A University education not only stores the mind with useful data and general knowledge, but it enables you of your own accord and without any further assistance to dig into the mysteries of nature and to follow with absorbing interest any path that may have been hewn out by the scientist or metaphysician. What a comfort your studies will be to you in the future; whether you find yourselves in the company of learned men or in the midst of periodicals and books, you will instantly understand any allusion to astronomy, electricity,

history, mathematics or any branch of knowledge. The education you acquire here will be a reference book of one page, a mere glance at which will direct you where to seek the desired information.

Now let me for a few moments call your attention to the great social advantages you enjoy. The acquaintances you make here with your fellow students will in after life be a source of great pleasure to you; whether fortune smile upon you or not, will make no difference to the friendship sealed here. Wherever you meet a fellow student, be it in the ordinary walks of life or on some enchanting plaza abroad, he will joyously grasp you by the hand, lead you to his fireside and talk to you more freely and a thousand times more gladly than he did on the Campus yesterday or to-day. This is the experience of your President, your professors and every collegian; hence you readily perceive that it is your bounden duty not only to apply yourselves to study and exercise, but also to cultivate and merit the good opinion and esteem of your fellow students. This you can best accomplish by being charitable and never forgetting that ladies and gentlemen are always courteous to whomsoever they meet. This is the sunshine of life.

Now, Mr. President, it gives me pleasure to say that the Babes in the Woods have been very attentive, and I thank them.

**Principal  
Character  
in Hamlet.**

BY the name of the play we may readily see that Hamlet is the most important character. There are many opinions offered as to the character of the man. He was regarded by many as insane, but I believe there are sufficient proofs to convince one that Hamlet was always perfectly rational. He was a man of the greatest justice and honor. In his treatment of Ophelia this is shown, for, knowing that if he killed his uncle he would be regarded as a murderer, he refused to see Ophelia or to marry her. He has been severely censured for not killing the king

sooner, but Hamlet was a man of great foresight and he knew that there would be a time when his action would have greater effect. It was not cowardice that made him hesitate, nor the fear of any evil results to himself. He evidently made a mistake in the time of the murder, but it was due partly to his sense of justice and partly to the fear that he would not accomplish his purpose if he killed the king immediately.

Hamlet scorned to take the king at a disadvantage or to kill him by any unfair means. When thinking over the condition of things, he reached conclusions which made it impossible for him to act. Another reason for his not kill-

ing the king sooner is the fact that he was not positive of his uncle's guilt. By nature he was not superstitious and the appearance of the ghost was not very clear evidence. He did not become convinced of the king's guilt until the latter's action at the play produced by Hamlet led him to believe that the king had murdered Hamlet's father.

It is said that Hamlet was dishonorable when he opened the packet on the ship bound for England.

When he became convinced of the king's guilt he naturally suspected him in every action. He knew that his uncle was anxious to send him to England, and, as he thought, to murder him. He knew that the contents of the packet would kill him, what the king intended to do with him. Wasn't it human nature for him to open it? Is there anyone, placed in the same position, who would not do the same? There was nothing underhanded in his trying to find

out another's treachery, especially when that treachery was to be visited upon him.

Let us contrast the character of Hamlet with that of Laertes. Laertes' revenge was sought as Hamlet's was. He did not succeed far in it; he was himself involved. He was regarded as a brave man, because he acted on the impulse of the moment and tried to kill Hamlet immediately. Did he not use unfair means when he fought with the poisoned sword? As a result of this, he was killed himself with the same weapon with which he prepared to kill his opponent in the duel. He resorted to treachery and in return for it was killed himself.

He lacked Hamlet's foresight, for he did not realize the danger he would be in when he used the poisoned sword.

In everything that Hamlet did he was perfectly straightforward and upright, and, to quote one of our professors, Shakespeare's object in writing this play was to show a noble failure.

## ❧ Society. ❧

**Dramatic  
Club En-  
tertainment**

THE University Dramatic Club, organized as an adjunct to the Athletic Association, will give an entertainment during the latter part of March. The program will consist of two short plays, of which one has been cast already and regular rehearsals are now in progress. The title of this is "Mars Van," a Virginia romance in one act.

### CAST.

Lieut. Vandreth Carter.....	Mr. G. R. Richard
Rick Fetter.....	Mr. W. J. Luke
Barbara Reece, of Reece Royal.....	Miss Maud Nash
Helena Reece, Barbara's Aunt .....	Miss Della Boyd
Zeb (Dexter).....	Mr. Wm. Hunter

The second play is entitled "The Decision of the Court," a farce. Mr. J. B. O'Sullivan, stage

manager of the club, was to have taken a prominent part in this play, but will be unable to do so on account of his visit to the Hawaiian Islands. The cast has not been made as yet. Of course the Mandolin and Guitar Club, Glee Club and University Orchestra will be there. It will be an entertainment of great merit; but its object—to pay off the debt incurred by last fall's brilliant football season—is one that should make every student consider it his duty to see that every seat in the opera house is sold long before the night of the entertainment.

Under the able leadership of Miss Bailey, the Symphony Club is making very rapid progress. It is rumored that this club will take part in the entertainment to be given by the Dramatic Club immediately after lent. We should be glad to



hear the Symphony at General Assembly, but unfortunately, its members like to hide their light under a bushel.

The regular monthly meeting of the Social Club was held Friday evening, Feb 10. An extra large number of students enjoyed the dancing. Several out-of-town visitors were present, among them members of the Nevada Legislature.

Sigma Alpha is the name of the new Greek letter fraternity that has sprung up in our midst. This frat. was organized in May, 1898, so gossip has it, and has been kept a close secret until the present time.

Saturday evening, February 11th, the Young Men's Christian Association, under the direction of the Social Committee, gave a reception to the members of the Y. W. C. A. A delightful evening was spent with games and music, and the young ladies expressed themselves as well pleased with their entertainment. The reception was given as a return compliment to the Y. W. C. A. for their reception in January.

Rev. Robert Whittaker, D. D., of Oakland will address a joint meeting of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Dr. Whittaker is recognized as one of the leaders of religious thought on the Coast and is a speaker of marked ability. His visit to Reno as Supervisional Secretary of the Baptist denomination gives this opportunity to listen to an address from him which our students will appreciate. The meeting will be open to all students and a large attendance is assured.

The Y. M. C. A. religious meetings are now held at 2 o'clock on Sunday instead of at 3 as formerly. The meetings are increasing in interest and attendance. Seven men joined the Association at a recent business meeting.

The T. H. P. O. Society are making very complete arrangements for their first reception, which will be given Feb. 21. Invitations have been extended to all departments of the University. This society is very progressive, having in contemplation a frat. house on the University Campus. For this purpose a sinking fund has been established.

The following interesting program was rendered at the meeting of the Philomathean Society, Feb. 17, 1899:

PART I.

Artists and Their Work .....	Miss Enid Williams
Michael Angelo.....	Mr. Frank Ellis
Song .....	Miss Myrtle Montrose
Corregio and Titian.....	Mr. Mayhugh
Raphael.....	Mr. Miller
Leonardo de Vinci .....	Mr. Paul Keyser
Ten minutes for fun and recreation.	

PART II.

Current Events.....	Mr. Nelson Bruette
Pen and Pencil Work.....	Miss Elizabeth Stubbs
Art in Photography.....	Mr. J. B. Jones
Mandolin Selection .....	Miss Agatha Henry

These meetings of the Philomathean are becoming more and more popular. New members are being added to the club, which is a proof that it is a live and instructive institution. Students that are not members of this club are missing one of the most enjoyable features of college life.

## ❧ Athletics. ❧

**T. H. P. O.  
vs. a Pick-  
Up Team.**

ON Saturday, Feb. 11, after a general sugaring off and toasting by the Legislature, the game between the T. H. P. O. and a nine composed of other

'Varsity students, was played on the athletic field. The Legislators and visiting friends, as well as the students, turned out to witness the game and add their support to the respective sides. A cold west wind prevailed which de-

tracted somewhat from the ardor of the bystanders but the rooters for the teams remained and froze it out until the last.

During the first five innings the picked team had the best of it and, while they displayed no superiority of playing over their adversaries, they managed to keep this end of the score somewhat the larger. There was no very excellent playing; both sides put up a poor game and presented poor playing in every respect. Notwithstanding this, the interest displayed on both sides and general determination to win was manifest.

There was one exceptionally unsportsmanlike

feature of the game, in the line of manifested dissatisfaction with the decisions of the umpire. It should be the part of every true lover and participant of sport to abide by whatever decision the umpire may make, especially when that umpire is impartial and disinterested. Furthermore, the umpire of Saturday's game is one whose efforts have always been towards the best interests of athletics in our college and should, therefore, receive the respect and courtesy of every player.

The game ended with a score of 27 to 25 in favor of the T. H. P. O. There is some talk of another game between the same teams in the future.

### Basket- Ball.

**Q**UITE a lively interest has been developed among our young ladies by the arrival of Miss Edwards of Stanford, who came to fill the position of basket-ball coach in our college. Our co-eds have looked forward with great anticipation for the privilege of having an instructor in their sport, and as their hopes are realized at last, they seem determined to take advantage of every moment. Miss Edwards comes to us with the very highest recom-

mendation as being one of the finest coaches on the coast, and we therefore look forward to great results from our young ladies.

Games have been almost definitely arranged; one to be played on our Campus with Stanford and the other in San Francisco against the Berkeley girls. While the editor has no technical knowledge of the rules of basket-ball, we are of the opinion that our college girls will furl the banner of our 'Varsity, unconquered, over the heads of their opponents.

The first of the series of class baseball games will be played on Saturday, Feb. 18, between the Senior and Junior Classes. Both teams are out and at practice, and from the general interest shown, the game will be a most interesting one. Class spirit has been aroused to a high degree and we look forward to a lively time on that eventful day. We want to see the class rooters out with the banners and emblems to make the event a general class day and give support to the players.

opment of a track team. A hole has been dug on the northeast corner of the athletic field, but it still stands unfilled with sand for the jumpers. Advantage should be taken of these bright sunny days, and those who do not take part in baseball should be at track work.

We have a coach here at great expense to our Association, also poles, standards and shots; yet no definite move has been made towards devel-

From close observation on our part, we observe many points in baseball in which our men are deficient, there are many little points in base-running, fielding, etc., in which our men might be instructed, and we are pleased to see our coach out on the field looking out for these points and giving the boys a little information(?).

## ❧ Campus. ❧

M. A. Feeney '97 was on the Campus on the 9th.

Miss Theodora Stubbs left for San Francisco on the 6th.

Mr. C. W. Gallagher of Yerington visited the University on the 15th.

Mr. R. S. Meacham of Virginia City paid the University a visit on the 4th.

President Stubbs has offered twenty-five dollars for the best college song.

Miss Ada Edwards of Stanford, our new basket-ball coach, arrived on the 14th.

Jack Frost was kind enough to favor our students with skating on the 11th and 12th.

Miss Thielan of St. Clair has been visiting her sister, Miss Minnie Thielan, at the Cottage.

J. B. Jones '00, on account of illness, has not been able to attend classes for the last week.

Professors Lewers and Emery were unable to meet their classes last week on account of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Fassett with Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bender, paid the University a visit on the 15th.

Miss Lulu Culp '99 has been confined to her home for quite a while with an attack of rheumatism.

Miss Martha Hinch of Virginia City has been visiting friends at the University for the past two weeks.

Mrs. Howe of Carson, mother of Howe '01 and Miss Howe, Nor. '99, visited the University for a few days last week.

The T. H. P. O. Frat. pins were made by Will G. Doane.

President Stubbs made a trip to the Capital on the 15th.

D. P. Stubbs '01 returned from San Francisco on the 11th.

Miss Ida Holmes '00 has just recovered from an attack of the mumps.

Assemblymen Gedney and Patterson were among our visitors on the 4th.

Miss Victoria Godfroy '97 left on the 9th to take charge of a school near Genoa.

H. L. Darrah a former student of the University, was on the Campus on the 15th.

The University flag was at half-mast on the 15th in honor of the heroes of the Maine.

Mr. C. W. Patterson the editor of the Yerington *Rustler*, visited the 'Varsity on the 15th.

Mrs. C. C. Powning has very generously donated a set of Bancroft's works to the library.

Battalion Review and appropriate exercises will probably be held on Washington's birthday.

The Battalion was reviewed on the 10th in honor of the committee from the State Legislature.

We regret to chronicle the death of Mrs. Stoddard, grandmother of Instructor Doten and Doten '99.

Mrs. J. T. Wright of Elko spent two or three days of last week visiting her daughter, Miss Gedney.

Mr. John Staunton, brother of Staunton '02. was on the Campus last Friday and Saturday.

Blue was formally adopted as the college color by the Student Body at General Assembly on the 16th.

The latest laboratory joke is the "ferocious" solution of Sadler '01. For further particulars, inquire of "the governor."

Mr. Cann has a good camera. He tried it on the Assaying and Surveying Classes on the 14th and it stood the test. N. B.—This is no josh.

At General Assembly on the 16th, President Stubbs delivered an address on "Some Recent Changes in the Theory of Higher Education."

Lieut. R. M. Brambilla departed for San Francisco on the 12th. During his stay with us he almost completely regained his health. He will sail for Manila in about a week.

Dr. Miller has received a sample of natural soda from a gentleman who is anxious to find a deposit just like it. Parties owning soda deposits would do well to send the Doctor samples for comparison.

A box for the reception of grinds has been placed on the bulletin board. It you want to keep square with everybody on the score of joshing, the best thing you can do is to fill the box with roasts on some one else.

Prof. Cowgill has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to walk from his home to the 'Varsity. Although the Professor doesn't appear to be the healthiest man on earth, we trust that it will not be long until he is back in his place in the class-room again.

J. H. Clemons '96 and W. T. Hitt of Alameda have bought the business of S. O. Wells. We wish the new firm success.

This spring weather reminds us that it might be in order now for the Battalion to adopt the much-talked-of duck trousers.

J. B. O'Sullivan, Special, went to San Francisco on the 12th. Before returning to the 'Varsity he will take a trip to Honolulu.

The epidemic of "grip" has about run its course. It is reported that measles have broken out in our midst, but the matter is not serious.

Judging from the number of dead soldiers lying around, College Spirit, St. Valetine and Cupid must have celebrated St. Valentine's day after the manner of Bacchus.

Mr. F. H. Norcross has given a windmill to the University. The windmill will be set up in the rear of the Mechanical Building and will be used for running light machinery.

Patterson '01, who has been at Lane's Hospital San Francisco, undergoing treatment for rheumatism of the eyes, reappeared on the Campus on the 7th. He will resume work with his class the first of next week.

General Assembly was held on the 10th in honor of the Ways and Means Committee of the State Legislature, who visited the University on that day. Dr. Stubbs opened the meeting with a few appropriate words and then introduced in order Hons. Ernst, Comins, Leavitt, McMillan, Denton, Williams, Martin, Dooley, Tremont, Summerfield and Flannigan, each of whom made a few remarks expressing his satisfaction with University affairs and intention to do all in his power for the furtherance of our interests.

## ❧ Spectator. ❧

**V**ERILY, the customs that go to make college life different from the humdrum existence at a district school are sadly neglected at the U. N. In the matter of pre-

servicing the custom of wearing the Junior and Senior "plugs" we are especially derelict. This is too good a habit to let die out. It is already introduced and the wearing of "plugs" will occa-

sion no comment—excepting favorable. Why don't the upper classmen revive it by wearing their class hats to General Assembly at least?

It seems to be necessary to call attention again to the article in the drill regulations referring to the proper wearing of the uniform.

We had hoped that the active crusade against the practice of wearing the uniform improperly had effected a permanent cure, but the offenders are becoming numerous again. Uniform trousers and blouse worn with a light gray hat appears to be a particularly fashionable costume just at present. Civilian coats with uniform trousers and vice versa seem to be regaining their old-time popularity, and the wearing of the coat unbuttoned is supposed to give a jauntiness to the apparel unattainable by any other means.

However, any one of these practices, if indulged in, will be quite sufficient to make the wearer of the uniform look about as unmilitary as a Cuban reconcentrado and about as artistic as a Piute buck.

We are glad to hear that the commissioned officers have been empowered to report all offenders in the future, and hope that this practice will meet with the speedy death it merits.

THE editor in charge of the "grinds" and "joshes" in the Artemisia, with a view to making his department more broadly representative of the whole body of students, placed a box in the corridor of Morrill Hall with the request

that anyone possessing the facts of a college joke, place the same therein.

The prompt response to the call was gratifying, but the contributors in the main seemed to forget that humor is a real requisite in all good jokes.

Is the literary interest so dead within the institution that the thousand and one really funny happenings of campus and class-room are forgotten so soon that no one can remember to donate at least the facts to an enterprise which reflects the credit or discredit it merits on the whole University? Or are we to take the following examples—about the average of what was found in the box—as representative of the grade of humor to be found in the institution? On a slip of paper the question:

"Why did Wood J. run?"

And hark ye to the sparkling answer!

"Because he had cold feet!"

Other equally startling facts were disclosed—

That certain young gentlemen—mainly "freshmen preparatories"—ate "because they were hungry," went to bed "because they were tired," and winked with both eyes at the little girls in their class "because they wanted to."

Shades of our fun-loving ancestors!

Love affairs in the training school were well aired through this medium, and true we learned of the existence in our midst of many young people whom we will probably be glad to know in future years; but for the real live, college joke we searched, and almost in vain. One now and then was dug out of this mass of pathos, but the editor has felt like resigning ever since he tried his experiment.

## ❧ Joshes. ❧

BY some unaccountable mistake the report of a Philomathean meeting got into the "Josher" department. As it was too late to make any change, we print it under this heading:

### A SPIRITED MEETING.

President Lawrence called the meeting to order in a few well chosen words, saying hardly anything about the "Annual."

The first number on the programme was a

song. Mr. Ralph Stubbs in his liquid tenor voice sang "My Dream of Love is Orr" with much tenderness and feeling. After the applause subsided he sang with Mr. Roy Richard, the duet, "Why Don't You Get a Lady of Your Own," which was highly appreciated.

Miss Vera Davis came next with a recitation, "Oh Philly, Happy be That Day." Her manner was quite irresistible and for an encore she gave "My Love is Like a Red, Red Rose," from Burns.

Tom Brown, who was down from Verdi, was here called upon for an impromptu talk on Matrimony, but said "No; not by a damnsight."

The debate was now called and question, "Resolved, that the co-eds want the earth," stated. The affirmative was eloquently argued

by Messrs. Howe and Bonham, and Misses Dodd and Henry presented a weak negative. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative.

The programme now called for "Ten Minutes with Hoyle," and it was proven by logical deductions that it is not discreet to bet your pile on a bobtail flush. This feature was especially commendable.

The next number was a song by Mr. Riordan, "And Her Golden Hair Was Hanging Down Her Back," followed by "Sweet Marie," rendered in a beautiful basso voice which excelled in the lower tones.

Mr. Angus Holmes then delivered an oration on the evil effects of soap and water when applied to the cuticle, after which the meeting adjourned, and in the frivolities which followed the members indulged in a game of leap frog.

## Exchange.

### COMMENTS.

The Utah *University Chronicle* remodels once more the Soliloquy of Hamlet in order to depict the all powerful fear of coming exams. Oh Hamlet! Should your ghost, as did that of your unfortunate father, return to this modern, cosmopolitan world of ours, and read some of the miserable contortions of your famous soliloquy, you would hasten again to the nether regions, exclaim as you made exit: "Spirit of my father! you were not compelled to suffer the torture now inflicted upon me by these miserable wits."

In the *Albion College Pleiad* for February 8th appears a poem by Ruth A. Ludlow. It is entitled "The Little Queen" and aspires to be a song of battle freedom, glory and laudation of the Anglo Saxon race.

Although the metre is at fault in many places and the diction is somewhat stiff and awkward in a few of the stanzas, all in all the poem is very readable and in occasional lines actually beautiful.

Observe this, the opening couplet of the poem:

"In southern seas there lies, underneath the balmy skies,

An isle between the Tropics, nestled in the billows blue."

Now here is another stanza with real music in it; amid its setting of rather commonplace verse it shines with a luster indicative of talent; undeveloped, it is true, but nevertheless first-class:

"From the icy Northern lands, to the hot Sahara sands;

From the Cretan's sea kissed shores, to the Scottish dunes and dales;

From the land of purple vine, to the hill of whispering pine

May be heard the song of freedom ringing, ringing through the gales."

We hope the author will favor us with another production in the near future. True poetic ability seems to be on the wane and one who may with sufficient application, write first-class poetry, should not allow the gift to rust.

## CLIPPINGS.

For years I've been afraid to kiss  
My darling Susan Snider,  
Because the horrid doctors say  
Dread microbes lurk inside her.

But now the careful chemists find  
In analysing cider  
No microbes can be found therein,  
Nor scorpion, nor spider.

So, though for years I've been afraid  
To kiss my Susan Snider,  
I'll press my lips to her's with joy  
Since microbes aren't inside her.

—*University Chronicle.*

"I'm a musician, madame," he said  
"Thirsty, cold and in want of bread—  
Nothing to eat for a day or more,  
For a piece of pie I'll play a score."

The woman smiled a cheerful smile  
"Truly," she said, "you have no guile,—  
Now to the woodshed go a hoppin'  
And I'll gladly listen to your Choppin."

—*Notra Dame Scholastic.*

Loud brayed an ass. Quoth Kate: "My dear."  
(To spouse, with scornful carriage)

"One of your relatives I hear,"

"Yes, love," said he "by marriage." —*Review.*

**A Trip to Lake Tahoe**  
At last Friday afternoon had come, and indeed it had seemed slow enough in arriving. Why should this particular Friday seem to approach more slowly than those before? For some strange reason do we become very impatient for weary hours of toil to pass and give way to those of sweeter promise.

At a seemingly late hour on the above mentioned day, school was dismissed and considerable haste was made in the way of changing a pedagogue's costume to one more suitable for him who intends to rough it for a few days.

A rig was heard to rattle up to the front door of the hotel "Central." A warning cry told that all was ready below. Quickly an abundance of fishing tackle, a rifle, two kodaks and a grip were hustled down stairs to the waiting vehicle, and in a moment more we were off.

A ten minute's drive brought us to the famous and ingeniously constructed grade which leads over the Sierra Nevadas to the lake. Owing to the mildness of the winter it was possible for us to go all the way by wagon. On nearing the summit, however, it was a frequent occurrence to be cast into a state of profound study as to whether the horses and wagon would keep their course, or be buried beneath those monster snow drifts, and which seemed everywhere.

At last the summit was gained and all bid fair to a rapid descent, but which could not be, for we had not yet seen the worst.

We were soon more deeply involved than ever in those mysterious banks, which, as we were told, would not be there. We both had reasons for saying we hated to stay in that perplexing place, where we lost our way, all night. Surely, I felt too hungry to wait until the morrow for reinforcements. Al said he had not the slightest inclination of roosting out on one of those banks of snow.

By untiring plodding and planning we at last arrived at an old shanty about three miles from the lake. On inquiring, we found it was only eight o'clock.

After declining a warm invitation to stop all night with our friend, the wood-chopper, we journeyed on. After passing several famous summer resorts, we were at length in Bijou.

Fortunately, He who does all things well had created a man who could keep his word, for we were awaited and kindly received, as before promised.

It being our wish to get out on the lake early next morning, we agreed to retire without delay. It was not long before I could hear my companion, whose breathing reminded me of a sound I had heard once before, and which came

from a sheet being hung on a line one windy day. As for myself, I found that out of the fulness of the stomach cometh no sleep. I was doomed to lay and wait the calls of the little cuckoo clock as it would call out "cuckoo one, cuckoo two, cuckoo three" and so on until aurora had sufficiently lighted the coming day. During those sleepless hours I saw the moon go down behind the mountains across the lake. I ungratefully heard the wind come up from the east and which turned the placid lake into an angry sea and spoiled our day's fishing.

The morning dawned full windy. Never before were more pleasing hopes more completely spoiled by a wind. The waves were running too heavy for an unexperienced oarsman to venture out; but not by any means too high to satisfy his love for adventure. "Will you try her?" was the response of an old fisherman who surveyed the tangled surface of waves and spray caps. "No," was the reply, and which reply was questioned. Saying that my skill as an oarsman would not insure safety, but rather danger, brought forth an invitation to go with him, which invitation was accepted.

Again preparations were in order, but this time for a rougher ride than before. All being ready, we launched our little boat.

Straight out from shore we went. The shallow or blue water was soon passed and ahead could be seen a dark cast on the water, and still farther a purple hue. These demonstrations on the surface told of increasing depth. For several miles we had been trying to allure one of Tahoe's famous beauties from their snug repose, too far below us to be mindful of our approach. Being a long ways from shore, and facing a hard wind, we resolved to turn our course and make for that famous port, "Tallac," about five miles distant. An hour or so brought us to our port, and just in time to see the steamer "Meteor" swing round and pull toward the open.

"Hello! The steamer is just pulling out," was one of the very few remarks of my companion. "So she is," was the reply. By now I had thoroughly convinced myself that we must walk back to the place from whence we came, for the

increasing wind had brought frequent ejaculations of disgust and an occasional oath from my companion.

I was struck with the delight of riding back on the steamer, for I knew she went our way, so by means of an old hat I persuaded the Captain to be mindful of us. Soon the old boat swung around and bore directly for us. In a moment more we were hauled on deck. Our tiny shell was securely tied behind and we were soon crashing along against the swells. Twenty minutes more and we were at the point from which we had taken our leave a few hours before. Thus ended that pleasant, yet most exciting Saturday forenoon.

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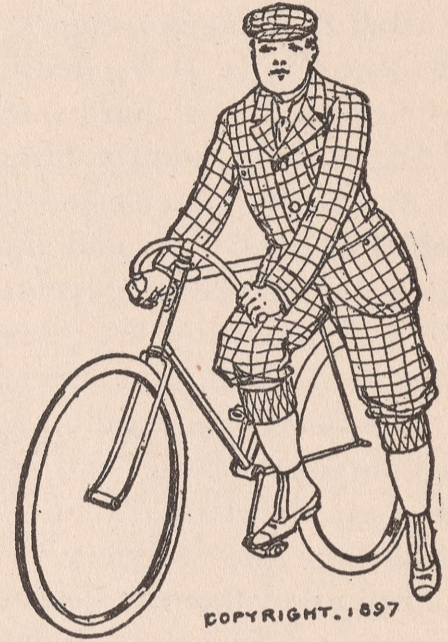
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