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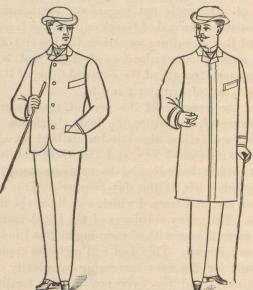
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LOVE AND THE LILY. [PROF. JOHN FRASER.]

In costliest vase the ashes of her heart I placed, some solace for my grief to find; And in the Springtime, lo! there did upstart A Lily-perfectest of lily kind.

And I did tend it; watering it with tears: Nursed it, as mother her first-born, and sought To wring from out the unavailing years Surcease of sorrow and release from thought.

From root to stem, from stem to snow-white flower, [Reflecting the white radiance of her soul], The Lily grew in beauty hour by hour,

And swittly ripened to the perfect whole.

And so it flourished till, one summer morn,
A fresh love caught my fancy—a new face;
My sorrow died, for Love doth Sorrow scorn,
And a new Passion did the old replace.

Then, in the gloaming, did I seek the flower, To show it to the woman I had wed,
When lo! the Lily—born of sun and shower,
From out Her heart, my first Love's heart—was dead

THE SONG OF THE WEST WIND. [MARY G. CROCKER.]

I come from where the setting sun, each day, On his unwearied way,
Pauses awhile, to fling
Back to the world, ere twilight's sombre wing

Brood over it, his farewell offering,

So precious that each cloud Doth echo all the strain in songs of gladness loud. I come from where the meadows green and fair,

By clover-scented air,

Lie lulled to quiet rest,
By sweet song soothed, by twilight dim caressed,
The sun's last message to their bosom pressed;
By quiet meadows sweet
With breath of countless flowers, I haste with winged

I come by waving wheat fields, fair and wide, Ripening for harvest tide;

I pause, anon, to greet
Pale flowers, withered by the day's fierce heat; I whisper to them tender words, so sweet

That they lift up again
Their drooping heads, forgetting the day's heat and pain.

Their drooping heads, forgetting the day's heat and par
And on my way o'er silver rivers calm,
I send my breath of balm;
The laden ships I hail,
Swell with my fragrant breeze each snowy sail,
And send them on their way with favoring gale,
And on the great blue deep
I make the crested billows laugh and dance and leap.

Thro' forests, and o'er meadows, every day,

Upon my happy way Unwearied do I come; O'er smiling hillsides with their wealth of bloom, Thro' shadowy vales of beauty and perfume,

And when the fair daylight Fades slowly out, I whisper still, "songs in the night."

TO WHAT END?

to-day, and we accept it with all sincerity, yet to the age in a manly attempt to win a broader freedom. thinking portion of mankind, this question naturally arises: To what end is this ceaseless toil, this ever not for a purpose, an end, why renewed? As a sumbeginning, never-ending task of life? Wherefore mary answer to this question, it may be said that the these strained muscles, these quivering nerves, this true and worthy end of culture in the struggle of life, throbbing brain? Is there not a purpose in all this— is to make the most of ourselves, for all the high pura plan to be worked out—an end to be achieved? Or poses for which man was made in the image of God. is life an aimless jumble, the merest hap in the vast The God-element is essential to man's highest reach round of existence, without an intelligent purpose to in the art of living, for is not living an art?—the guide its action, or a worthy end to stimulate its enhighest, the noblest, the most enduring, the very art

thy answer can be returned to our question, and yet a more to-day than it meant yesterday. The civilizafitness for the life that now is, for the duties, the tasks, tion of our age is not pagan nor semi-pagan, it is the responsibilities that meet us in all the walks of Christian. The end of Greek culture was beauty; the human activity, is to have a controlling influence in end of Roman culture was strength; the end of Chrisshaping the end for which we dare, and do, and en- tian culture is love; love as strength and beautydure, in the battle of life.

All will concede that in our time but little thought in man, and of symmetry in life. is required to ask the most difficult questions, since out the ages.

"In every rise and fall of freshening breeze That comes with sweetest morning melodies. To break the silent spell of clinging mist And meet the sun, we hear, if we but list, A sad, underlying minor strain, Like whisper of wind before the rain, That murmurs in mournful, soft refrain. Wherefore, wherefore?

Pathetic, yearning faces everywhere, With hope that raises but beyond despair. For life's great secret search, the hollow heaven, And find it not, but some heroic leaven Persistently stirs the dragging clay That fetters their souls, and day by day, With passionate longing, they steadfastly!pray, Wherefore, wherefore?"

ing, purposing, willing, acting, must be able to satisfy soil. This raises the standard of true living higher, himself that all this activity is not for itself, that there as the hours fit by. must be a wise and beneficent purpose, all compre- Is it not imperative, then, that we ask ourselves, hending, going before, running through and anticipa- "To What End?" This is the old Roman's "Cui ting the final outcome of life.

Man, as made for activity, was also made for prog- To what end all this vast array of means? To what

struggle for improvement. Man's effort to rise is in-The age is practical, utilitarian, inquiries after re- stinctive, and this effort is aided by all the forces that sults, seeks fruit, and will not be said "nay." But surround him, friendly and hostile. Between a have not the generations which have gone before us, man and a boy's kite, there is this in common: both also been practical and utilitarian on the lower and need a stiff breeze of opposition to lift them to their narrower plane of their thinking and purposing? possible altitude. Under this impulse to rise, man Thirty centuries ago the wisest man of his age said: early learns to express his dissatisfaction with the "All things are full of labor." The fact remains true limitations of his surroundings, and to show his cour-

Thus the struggle for life is ever renewed; but if

Bounded by time and the objects of sense, no wor- Human life in relation to its destined end, means beauty and strength of the outward form, of the spirit

For the demands of the present, that we may win humanity has been asking the same question through- the crown of the future, the body should be trained to the best action, the mind to its best thought, the heart to its purest love, and the whole nature to the most perfect balance and harmonious uses that the many-sided life of the day requires. This is a goal all can see, and toward which our lives should daily grow. The many-sidedness of the life demanded today, gives it a breadth of meaning human life hitherto has not known. This fact will go far to explain and account for the ever increasing complexity of life's machinery, and the ever multiplying facilities for making practical cultured life what the age requires.

All true life is on the up grade. We stand to-day on the shoulders of vesterday, as to-morrow, prophetically, we shall stand on the shoulders of to-day. To-Man, as made for activity in mind and body, think- morrow's richer vintage is noted in to-day's richer

Bono!"

ress. This statement needs no proof; it is one of the end our schools, our seminaries, our colleges, our unifundamental and self-evident truths in the order of versities, our literature, our science, our art, our polinature, the world-system of which man is a part. tics, our religion? To what end our reading, thinking, The complex life of humanity is a growth, a ceaseless speaking, acting? What is the product now? What

vileness, and to respect others as himself."

of our hopes-

"High hopes that burned like stars sublime, Go down in the heavens of Freedom, And true hearts perish in the time We bitterest need 'em. But never sit we down and say, There's nothing left but sorrow: We walk the wilderness to-day, The promised land to-morrow.

O youth, flame earnest, Still aspire with energies immortal: To many a haven of desire Our yearning opes a portal And though age wearies by the way, And hearts break in the furrow, We sow the golden grain to-day: The harvest comes to-morrow

Though hearts brood o'er the past, Our eyes with smiling futures glisten; For lo! our day bursts up the skies; Lean out your souls and listen. The world rolls Freedom's radiant way, And ripens with her sorrow: Keep heart-who bear the Cross to-day, Shall wear the Crown to-morrow.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ENGLISH DRAMA.

who possessed the good qualities of originality and ern drama than anything written before. They were

is the prophecy of the future as interpreted by the knowledge of theatrical effect. The dawn of the present? In the sphere of education we must look to drama was not long after the Norman conquest. As completeness—a comparative completeness, it is true early as the twelth century it was the custom to but still in a real available sense, completeness. A represent, in a dramatic form, the lives of saints and completeness set forth by Prof. Huxley, whose definicertain passages of scripture, for the purpose of givtion of education may be accepted as far as it goes ing religious instruction to the people. These earliest and for the end it is intended to reach. He says, dramatic attempts were here as well as in older coun-"That man, I think, has had a liberal education who tries called Mysteries and Moralities. They are also has been so trained in youth that his body is the ready divided into two other classes, Miracle-plays and servant of his will, and does with ease and pleasure Moral-plays, by other authors. The earliest Mystery all the work that, as a mechanism, it is capable of; was enacted in the convent of Dunstable, in the whose intellect is a clear, cold, logic engine, with all year 1119. It was called the play of St. Catherine and its parts of equal strength and in smooth working was a representation of the miracles and martyrdom order; ready like a steam engine to be turned to any of this saint. This was presented in French and kind of work and spin the gossamers as well as forge therefore shows that the English custom of acting the anchors of the mind; whose mind is stored with was taken from a foreign country. The plays were a knowledge of the great and fundamental truths of at first composed and performed by monks. The stage nature, and of the laws of her operations; one who, was a platform divided into three parts, one rising no stunted ascetic, is full of life and fire, but whose above another, and the costumes were supplied by the passions are trained to come to feel by a vigorous will, church. The three platforms into which the stage the servant of a tender conscience; who has learned was divided, were to represent Heaven, Earth and to love all beauty, whether of nature or art, to hate all Hell, and the persons in the play came on to the stage on the platform which represented the place This, then, is our goal, and whatever may beset us, in which they were supposed to be. It was necessary in the way, we must not falter nor be turned aside, that there should be some comical part in the play to Onward and upward, leaving our difficulties far behind enliven the solemn parts and to gain the attention of as we scale the mount of vision and reach the summit the people, especially when some play, as for instance the "Creation and Fall of Man," occupied several days in its performance, and therefore they placed wicked persons in comical positions. Some of these plays contained a great amount of pathos and often, parts which must have affected the hearers with great awe and reverence. The first Miracle-play written in English was the "Harrowing of Hell," which is supposed to have been written about 1350. In the early part of the fifteenth century these Mircle-plays were gradually supplanted by the Moralities. Moral and abstract qualities were personified in these plays, in place of the purely religious representations of the former ones. A better idea of them may, perhaps, be obtained by describing one. "The Cradle of Security" was written as a lesson to careless kings. The principal character is a king, who, having neglected his duty for pleasure, is put to sleep in a cradle, in which he is bound by golden chains held by four ladies, who sing as they rock the cradle. Suddenly the courtiers are frightened by a terrible knock at the door and the king awakening, finds himself in the The drama is said to be the most national part of power of two stern figures sent from God to punish our literature, that is, that its origin and develop- him for his wickedness. Bishop Bale wrote a great ment differ from those of any other European many of these Moralities and is also considered one country. The English are especially rich in this de- of the founders of the drama. The Interludes spring partment of literature and can boast of many writers from the Moralities and are now more like our modshort, merry dialogues, which were generally played at once so sublime and so simple, should be the work Moralities seem to have been broken in two to pro- his replies! cure the two forms of dramatic composition which we Where is the man, where is the sage who knows how some ludicrous event or accident of life and are usu-tentation? ally of a light and amusing character, while the When Plato painted his ideal JUST MAN, covered unlimited jest." The early tragedies are almost all character Christ. noted for their gravity and refined language, and also The resemblance is so striking, that the Church the dryness of their style, although the plays are Fathers have felt it, and indeed, there can be no miscrowded with murders, treason and regicides. As take about it. facilities for education increased and the public mind What prejudice, what blindness, or what evil faith by such men as Kyd, Greene, Lyle, Peele, and Mar-tween them! lowe. Many of these are not without merit especial- Socrates, dying without grief, without disgrace, passed. But these men are obscured by Shakspeare was anything more than a sophist. who is now acknowledged to be the greatest genius He invented morality, some say: but others before the world ever produced. The principal contempora- him had practiced moral conduct; he only expressed ries of Shakspeare were Ben Jonson, Beaumont and in words what others had done, he arranged in in-Fletcher. There were no theatres until the year structive discourse their glorious examples. 1576, when James Burbadge, under the powerful pat- Aristides had been just, before Socrates had defined ronage of the Earl of Leicester, succeeded in erecting justice; Leonidas had died for his country before one. This was so successful that very soon there Socrates had decreed it to be a duty to die for one's were twelve built by the citizens of London. The country; Sparta was abstinent before Socrates had boxes, or rooms as they were called, were very much praised abstinence; before he had defined virtue, the same as those of the present time, but the musi- Greece had abounded in virtuous men. cians instead of being placed between the audience But where had Jesus found among his own people and the stage, had a position in the gallery built that elevated and pure morality of which he alone has above. They had no painted scenery but a card was taught us and given an example? exhibited on which was written the name of the coun- The death of Socrates philosophizing peacefully try or city in which the scene was supposed to be. with his friends, is the sweetest that one can desire; Though the stage was poorly furnished in some re- that of Jesus Christ, who expired amid torments, inspects, yet in others it was magnificent, for the cos-sults, raillery, mocked by all the people, is the most tumes were all as handsome as could be procured.

THE GOSPEL.

(TRANSLATED FROM ROUSSEAU.)

The holiness of the Gospel is an argument which life and death of Jesus are those of a God. speaks to my heart. Behold the books of philoso- Shall we say that the story of the Gospel was inphers with all their pretensions; how small are they vented to please? My friend, it is not in this way

in the intervals of a festival. Little by little the of men? Can it be that He, of whom it relates the plays lost their purely religious character and became history, is only a man himself? Has it the tone of an more profane. The demand for dramatic entertain- enthusiast or an ambitious sectarian? What sweetment became so great that finally, about the middle ness, what gentleness in his manner! What touching of the sixteenth century that class of writings arose, grace in his instructions! What elevation in his maxwhich by the actions and conversation of the charac- ims! What profound wisdom in his discourse! What ter, represented some social or historical event. The presence of mind, what virtue, and what justice in

call Tragedy and Comedy. The Comedies represent to act and to suffer without weakness and without os-

Tragedies represent some catastrophe. "Tragedy is with all the opprobrium of crime, and deserving of all poetry in its deepest earnest; comedy is poetry in the rewards of virtue, he depicted in every detail, the

became better able to perceive the beauties and faults must a man have had in order to compare the son of in composit.on, we find the improved tastes gratified Sophroniscus to the son of Mary? What a gulf be-

ly Marlowe, who wrote the plays "Edward II" and sustained himself easily to the end; and if this easy "Faustus" which are thought by Charles Lamb, to death had not honored his life one would doubt if contain passages which even Shakspeare has not sur- Socrates, with all his knowledge of human nature,

horrible that one can fear.

Socrates, taking the poisoned cup, blesses him who, weeping, presents it. Jesus, in the midst of frightful suffering, prays for his bloody executioners. Yes, if the life and death of Socrates are those of a Sage, the

in comparison with that! Is it possible that a book that one invents, and the deeds of Socrates, which no

one doubts, are less attested than those of Jesus

From the outset, it is to avoid the difficulty, without making it clear; it would seem to be more incompatible that four men had composed this book by agreement, than that one man alone should have been the subject of it.

Never had this tone, this morality, been found in Jewish authors: and the Gospel has some characters, indeed, so grand, so striking, so perfectly inimitable, that the inventor would have been more remarkable than the hero.

BEST THOUGHTS.

Prefer knowledge to wealth; for the one is transitory, the other perpetual.—Socrates.

A taste for books is the pleasure and glory of my life. I would not exchange it for the glory of the Indies.—Gibbon.

In my study I am sure to converse with none but wise men; but abroad it is impossible for me to avoid the society of fools.—Sir William Waller.

Of the things which man can do or make here be- tion, we give the latter, in this issue. low, by far the most momentous, wonderful, and wor- The delay of the last issue was through accident thy, are the things we call books.—Carlyle.

of some sure and certain books oftentimes over; for fall numbers, February and April. Please send in, to read many books produceth confusion, rather than and at the end of the year we can persuade our pubwhere at home.—Luther.

Some readers are like the hour-glass—their reading is as the sand. It runs in and runs out, but leaves not a vestige behind. Some, like a sponge which imbibes everything, and returns it in the same state, only a little dirtier. Some, like a jelly-bag, which allows all that is pure to pass away, and retain only the refuse and dregs. The fourth class may be compared to the slave of Golconda, who casting away all that is worthless, preserves only the pure gems. Coleridae.

and Shakspeare's about 15,000. Some diligent stu- will come when, like Hon. John Wentworth, who dent of Carlyle has found that in "Sartor Resartus" writes to Dartmouth, the history of an alumnus of '38, alone that author used not less than 7,500 distinct who had recently died, our own alumni may send in to words. As "Sartor" was the earliest of Carlyle's our Volante the history of all who go out from our books to be published in volume form, this showing is common Mater. surprisingly large. It would be interesting to know We have been complimented on the non-appearcomplete works.

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EDITORIAL.

At Williams the editors are excused from essay work: but ve western editor can write essay, editorial, scraps of news, and attend to all, each week.

In exchange of Mr. King's for Miss Baume's ora-

of fire at the printer's.

All who would study with advantage, in any art We are glad to report that some of last year's whatsoever, ought to betake themselves to the reading Volantes are now on file, but we lack all the learning, like as those who everywhere are not any- lisher to bind them with this year's volume, and place in the library. The Volante of '78-'79, we hope to secure through Mr. Esher. We are glad to report our mistake, in that two volumes—'74-'75 and '77-'78 are now bound and in the library, the latter the present of the publisher, Ed. L. Bowen, an old-time friend who did not graduate but was in the class of '80. We hope other publishers who may have the volumes will send them in.

A year-book is much desired. A start in that direction will be the complete list of alumni we hope to obtain, and an increased interest on the part of alumni. The publisher has sent out circulars to them and we hope they will respond in sending us news and Milton's vocabulary comprised about 8,000 words, keeping up their interest in us; and that the time

the result of as equally diligent examination of his ance of the tobacco advertisements of last year. That they appeared was only a reflection on the character

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of those who published the paper at the beginning of last year. The present form and cover, the appearance and increased circulation of the Volante among alumni, trustees and other colleges, are due to the enterprise of the publisher. And we think that Mr Perrine should have cordial support from all students and alumni, by their payment for volume XIII. of their college paper, when the price is so low.

In the November number of the North American Review, was an article which caught our eye. We note this fact, not from any boastful desire to call attention to the general incomprehensibility of the editorial organ of vision, but from the conviction that By "utilitarians" for the past twenty-five years or the article in question must have been hailed with joy more, the study of Greek, in colleges has been satirby every muse within the picket fence (pale has gone out with cracked china) of this famous institution sides referring to his own case, was that of his great-We speak of the vigorous sally made by four illustrious women, upon the rash and provoking Dr. Ham-the drill of the Harvard course, having put so much mond. The field of contention is a most tempting time on the Greek and not having learned to speak one. Male and female excellencies in the abstract are the French, he was sent to France as minister and so cast into the arena, and, after being trampled upon, experienced some inconvenience in perfecting his and torn to pieces, are triumphantly plucked from knowledge of French at the age of forty-two. the dust by their several owners and petted into shape again. The subject of the natural impediments to these wild skirmishers appear, the gentleman on the into the course a young man pursues at college? offensive, waving triumphantly the best preserved remnants. Immediately upon his well advised exit But in pressing arguments in this direction, we all from the scene of action, no less than four champions of the "neurotic" sex come prancing into print, clutching proudly some fragment of the artillery of the foe. It is almost sad to see bright women like Mrs. Blake and Miss Lozier in this enlightened age, single instance. One thing is manifest, specially in actually bestirring themselves to prove, by argument, his case, that Greek is not studied for the sake of a question, the very discussion of which proclaims an acknowledgment of inferiority. The debate was in-dreaming in the language which depicts Ulysses' teresting in that it refreshed in our minds, certain facts in connection with the structure, weight and peculiarities of the brain; besides this it was amusing.

DEAD (?) GREEK.

No longer, O scholars, shall Plautus Be taught us. No more shall professors be partial To Mart al. No ninny Will stop playing "shinney"
For Pliny.
Not even the veriest Mexican Greaser
Will stop to read Cæsar. No true son of Erin will leave his potato To list to the love-lore of Ovid or Plato. Old Homer, That helpless old roamer, Will ne'er find a rest 'neath collegiate dome or

Anywhere else. As to the Seneca Anywhere else.

Any cur

Safely may snub him, or urge ill

Effects from the reading of Virgil.

—Oct. Century.

In this time of telegraphic facilities and newspapers, let one man advocate some much-mooted question with vigor, or present something new, and, as with the Greeks of old, the men of to-day are anxious to hear, and what is said is soon heralded from one part of the country to the other. A perfect furor has been raised by Mr. Adams who, a few months ago, presented himself as the champion of utility in education, ridiculing Greek as a part of the college course. ized. The chief illustration to defend his point, begrand-father, John Adams. Briefly it was, that after

Now this was a stray case. What if Adams had been sent to Athens to represent the colonies! Would woman's ever breathing the same rarefied intellectual not all the Greek he had, have been of untold advanether which surrounds the masculine being, has been tage, and being harder to acquire than the French, so torn to tatters and, we had hoped, dropped; but now much the more in this case should it not enter largely

> This is as plausible a single case as his single case. miss the mark. A Mr. Merriam comes to Mr. Adams' support by declaring how he, after six years, could not read half a page of Xenophon with ease without the lexicon. That is another very remarkable reading Xenophon fluently, declaiming the Iliad or wanderings.

> That those who are at present studying Greek at college, are so many of them, through the college papers, taking up this in debate against those who are in sympathy with Mr. Adams, is a good indication of the feeling in the college communities. This is natural. They are all enthusiastic over their hobby, some may say. Let them get out in life and they won't be. This is not shown in the past. Mr. Adams is one dissenter among thousands of non-dissenters. But it is said that the indications of this age of progress are for scientific and more practical studies to be put in the place of Greek.

> That the courses laid down in colleges have not changed with the times is false. Time was, when Greek and Latin were the chief studies in England.

many of our colleges.

We know then that in sympathy with the times, pursuing special lines of mental work afterward. phraseology).

man, or for producing a full-fledged geologist.

lawyers or ministers of the gospel, because law, be- its own character does not change more than it has in cause evidences of christianity or theology, are not the last two hundred years, so long Greek will be the taught here.

know more of English than of Greek and Roman lit- in its language and thought, balances mind to-day. erature, it is something unaccountable. They mistake, in considering it the duty of the college course to fit a man for a profession. That is not its province The lawyer seeks knowledge at the law-school, and Leo XIII. has thrown open the contents of this nothe young chemist takes an extra course to fit him ble library to scholars, and the act is one of the greatfor his duties; and so if one wishes to fit himself est events of the year, significant of the strides of adfor the position of plenipotentiary at Paris, he had vance in every direction to-day. the specialty-school.

Mr. Adams does, that he owes more than he will also, who was librarian about 1480, Sixtus V.

Science came and took its share of attention. About admit. It is the drill of the mind that a college the same time is devoted to mathematics, Greek and course furnishes. This point, in our definition of Latin to-day, these occupying each about a third of the utility of a college education, we hold. And we the course up to the Junior year. In the classical see how in the case of our opponents this is overlooked course of the University, the Latin has a year more or not considered as the true character of that course. than the other two. Within the past few years, some They have confused means with ends. Specialtyof the work in these three departments has been made schools in their courses, present ends, that is, optional with scientific or modern language study, in full equipment for particular lines of work; but college curricula present means only, preparation for

corricula have been varied. Then if these men wish Then whatever knowledge of customs, peoples, pure so practical a course, why do they not attack the language and expressions of thought, incidentally atmathematics? We can affirm, and no more broadly tends the study of Greek, is an advantage, and with than they, that the mathematics of the whole college some is far more enjoyable and advantageous than course are of no "practical use," (employing their that accompanying mathematics. This point established, we are shown to be, in the highest sense, utili-Now what is the practical use, the utility of an edu-tarians. It is the point of utility that leads the mecation? That part of education spent in a college is chanic to place the perfect piece of steel into its place pre-eminently for drill, for the application of the mind in the machine. If he shapes a raw piece of through such methods as shall train it for work, try pig-iron for the accurate cog or axle, he makes a it, cultivate it for application after the course is fin- worthless machine. Now the raw pig-iron represents ished. What is inevitably raised by the opponents of the mind in its crude state. By the purifying, per-Greek is, that in the college course, there is not pro- feeting process of the college course, it is converted vision for studying the English literatures, or our own into steel, ready now to be shaped for its particular history, or learning French to speak it like a French- work, and not fit for that work before. Then, as Greek is the equal, perhaps altogether the superior of any Just as well may we fret, if we contemplate being method for training the mind, as long as the mind in master study. Greek shall not go!

We do not know how it was at Harvard twenty- Lastly, there is this consideration. A balloon withseven years ago, but we know that to-day it is expect- out ballast; what is it! The mind to-day, evidently ed that a youth will know the history of his country needs ballast, else theorists, hot-headed schemers, before he enters the preparatory department, and that would get away with us. But the influence of the if the college graduate does not, under our system, past, specially of that age of glory, the age of Greece,

THE VATICAN LIBRARY.

better take French in a French-school. Specialists But what are the contents of that library? We have do not generally demand instruction from a college found an account of these, in a co-temporary daily pacourse. They attend college for the drill, in order per. As to its history, the library was founded by to learn to apply their minds to their specialties at Nicholas V. (1447), by transferring the manuscripts collected in the Lateran, first in dignity of the Roman Mr. Adams admits that he received a sort of churches, to his own palace. At his death there were drill by learning Greek paradigms, equal, at least, to about 9,000 manuscripts, a large part of which were "drill on the tread-mill," Now that drill benefited scattered by his successor. But Sixtus IV. was very him. It is doubtless to that drill throughout two zealous in increasing the library, so much so that years in his youth, counting all the time together as Ariosto celebrated his zeal in verse, and Pladeletina erected the present building in 1588. The celebrity This is considered the oldest Latin manuscript extant. were Latin and 2,160 were Greek.

the convent of San Basilio.

American, 2 Iberian, 22 Indian, 10 Chinese and 18 Rex. Slavonic MSS.

The amount of the whole collection of Greek, Lat- Letters from Henry VIII. to Anne Boleyn, sevento be 30,000.

are the following: The celebrated "Codex Vaticanus," the Decameron, to which the signature of Johannes or "Bible of the End of the Fourth or Beginning of de Certaldo is affixed, and with notes said to be by the Fifth Century," in Greek, containing the oldest Petrarch. Tasso's autographs, Petrarch's autoversion of the Septuagint and the first Greek one of graphs. Several manuscripts of Luther and the printhe New Testament. This most important document cipal part of the "Christian Catechism," translated inin Biblical literature was published by the late Cardi- to German by Melancthon (1566); the Latin poem of nal Mai in 1857. The "Virgil" of the fourth or fifth "Donizo, in honor of the Countess Matilda," with her century, with fifty miniatures, including a portrait of full-length portrait, and several historical miniatures Virgil, well known by the engravings of Santo Bartoli; of great interest which represent the repentance of the the "Terence" of the ninth century, with miniatures, Emperor Henry IV., his absolution by Gregory VII., a "Terence" of the fourth or fifth century, the oldest and similar subjects. known; "Fragments of a Virgil" of the twelfth century. The "Cicero de Republica," the celebrated An overwrought Senior to the prep: I have three Palimpsest discovered by Cardinal Mai, under a ver- transporting studies—Psychology, Geology and—and sion of St. Augustine's Commentary on the Psalms. Literology

of the library dates from the close of the sixteenth The "Palimpsest of Livy, lib 91," from the library of century, when important collections were added to Christina, Queen of Sweden. The "Plutarch," from what the zeal of the Popes had gathered. In 1600 a the same collection, with notes by Grotius. The large collection of Palimpsests were obtained from "Seneca" of the fourteenth century, with commentathe Benedictine monastery of Bobbio, and the library ries by the English Dominican monk Triveth. A then contained 10,660 manuscripts, of which ,500 "Pliny," with interesting figures of animals. "A Menelogia Græca; or Greek Calendar of the Tenth Cen-The Palatine library belonging to the Elector Pala- tury," ordered by the Emperor Basil; a fine example tine, captured at Heidelberg by DeTilley and present- of Byzantine art, brilliantly illuminated with repreed to Gregory XV. in 1625, was the next accession. sentations of basilicas, monasteries, and martyrdoms It contained 4,388 manuscripts, 1,956 Latin and 432 of various saints of the Greek Church. The "Homi-Greek. In 1658, the library of Urbino was added, lies of St. Gregory Nazianzen" of the year 1063, and containing 1,711 Greek and Latin manuscripts. In Four Gospels of the year 1128, both Byzantine manu-1600, the Bibilotheca Alexandrina, the collection of scripts of great interest. A Greek version of the Christina, Queen of Sweden, was added to the library, "Acts of the Apostles," written in gold, presented to comprehending all the literary treasures taken by her Innocent VIII. by Charlotte, Queen of Cyprus. The father, Gustavus Adolphus, at Prague, Wortzburg large "Hebrew Bible," in folio, from the library of and Bremen-2,291 MSS., 2,101 Latin and 190 Greek. the Duke of Urbino, for which the Jews of Venice of-Clement XI., in the beginning of the last century, pre- fered its weight in gold. The "Commentaries on the sented 55 Greek MSS. to the collection, and in 1746 New Testament," with miniatures of the fourteenth the library of the Ottobuoni family-3,862 MSS.- century, by Nicola da Bologna. The "Breviary of was added. There were some other additions, the Matthias Corvinus," of the year 1492, beautifully writlast of importance being that of 162 Greek MSS. from ten and illuminated by Allavanti. The parchment scroll of a Greek manuscript of the seventh century, Peace being made with Prussia in 1815, Pius thirty-two feet long, with miniatures of the history of VII. restored many of the manuscripts taken from Joshua. The "Officium Mortis," with beautiful mini-Heidelberg, being of great importance to Humboldt, atures. The "Codex Mexicanus," a calendar of imthe celebrated German. No additions are known to mense length. The dedication copy of the "Assertio have been made for twenty-five years, and the Vati- Septem Sacramentorum adversus Martinum Luthercan Library contains now, in the Oriental collection, um," by Henry VIII., printed on vellum at London in 590 Hebrew, 787 Arabic, 80 Coptic, 71 Ethiopic, 459 1521, with the King's signature and the autograph in-Syriac, 64 Turkish, 65 Persian, 1 Samaritan, 13 scription on the last page but one, "Finis, Henry

Anglorum rex Henricus, Leo Decime, mittit,

in and Oriental manuscripts is 23,580, the finest in teen in number; nine are in French and eight in Engthe world. The number of printed books is thought lish. The "Dante" of the fifteenth century, with miniatures by Guillo Clovio. The "Dante del Boc-The principal manuscript treasures of the library cacio" in the very beautiful writing of the author of

PERSONALS.

communications from our Alumni, or corrections and ogy class. the occupation and whereabouts of the Alumni; and, Monmouth, Ill. second, the personals relating to the undergraduates, faculty and friends.

College, writes to us on receipt of the last Volante: "I was much pleased with its new dress, and especially delighted with the 'Index Alumnorum,' which his home in Wisconsin. will, I trust, be continued and constantly rectified. I notice a few errors, to which I call your attention." These, with other corrections, are as follows:

'65. We prefix Prof. to Joshua Pike's name; he is at Jerseyville, Ill.

'65. Rev. Jos. Rowley is at Vermillion, Dakota.

'67. Rev. Rob't E. Neighbor has accepted the call to the North Bapt. church Indianapolis, Ind.

'68. Rev. J. P. Philips has located at Beaver Dam, Wis.

'69. Rev. J. M. Coon is laboring at Whitewater, Wis.

'69. Prof. T. B. Pray is at Whitewater, Wis.

Co., Dak.

'70. Rev. J. N. Riddle's address is Cambridge, of the University Friday, Nov. 2. Mass.

'71. Rev. Wilson Whitney is at Carbondale, Ill.

'72. A. B. Price is Professor at Cassopolis, Mich.

call to the Memorial Baptist Church, Chicago.

We acknowledge receipt of corrections to Index Alumnorum from the above, which we have noted. the Volante? Several of his classmates would like

Chicago, after Dec. 25."

'73. Rev. Jos. Mountain has recently moved to Morris, Ill.

'73. J. H. Sampson, Morris, Ill., is attorney, instead of minister.

'74. Prof. G. E. Bailey has been appointed U. S. Geologist for Wyoming, and is situated at Cheyenne

'75. Rev. Jonathan Staley is at Morgan Park, Ill.

'76. Rev. John Barr has removed from Monmouth -where?

'76. J. E. Rhodes has come to Chicago recently.

'78. Rev. J. S. Forward lives at Lexington, Ill.

'78. Rev. H. E. Fuller called the other day,—is was ably read, and in its contents, he made mention

pursuing his studies at Morgan Park, and is located at Amboy, Ill.

'79. Rev. Elisha Anderson, of Rockford, made a We will, under this heading, place first, any short stop on the fly, one morning recently, in the Psychol-

news as to those personages, in this way setting forth '79. Rev. W. J. Watson moved from Kenosha to

'80. Prof. Ernest W. Clement, and '81. Rev. A. W. Fuller, and '81. Wm. M. Ege, favor Burlington, Ia., '80. Ernest W. Clement, Principal of Burlington with the use of their varied and excellent talents.

C. B. Beach is now in business in the city.

'86. Symes is now in business with his father at

'81. J. P. Gardner still circulates about the Uni-

'82. Frank Clark was in attendance upon Athenæum Friday evening, Nov. 2.

'79. Patterson has returned from his parish and is now living in the city.

'79. Meredith has been appointed by the Baptist Home Mission Society, to Sioux Falls, Dakota.

'81. Fuller's name appears in the report of the Baptist State Association of Iowa.

'79. John Sutherland is Latin Professor at Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

'74. George Sutherland is Professor of Greek in '69. Charles A. Stearns is located at Miller, Hand the Nebraska Baptist Seminary, Gibbon, Nebraska.

'83. Miss Cooley visited several old acquaintances

'89. Miss Maggie Robinson has left school to enter Seminary at Baltimore, Md.

'87. R. A. Holland visited his classmates and '72. Rev. Dr. Nathan E. Wood has accepted the friends on October 25. He now resides in New Orleans, La.

'81. Will C. B. Morse please send his address to He writes: "The address of self and wife will be to hear from him.

> '70. Rev. Henderson, of Detroit, appears prominently in state matters of the Baptist denomination of Michigan.

> '83. Miss Ella F. Haigh has been appointed treasurer of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of the West.

> '72. John R. Kippax is now Professor of Principles of Medicine and Medical Jurisprudence at the Chicago Homœopathic Medical College.

> '68. Rev. E. O. Taylor, of the Central Baptist Church of this city, on Oct. 22, read a very concise, well-prepared historical paper on the history of that denomination for the past fifty years, in this city. It

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of the founding of the university, adding: "Of which I am proud to be an alumnus."

'82. J. V. Coombs, now Prof. in Eureka College in this State, is also editor of the Quarterly, in the October number of which we find the following in Oratorical Association. answer to questions printed in the Quarterly of August: The author of "Forty years ago," is unknown. second prize at Rockford contest, kindly furnished by Mary's Little Lamb has a romantic history. Mary's name was Miss Mary Sawyer, she lived in Sterling, Mass. Her father gave her a little lamb to raise She not only raised it but brought it up, also. It followed her to school several days as well as one days But one day it became too familiar and was put out A school boy who was present, there and then wrote the poem that has a national reputation. Who he was, none can tell. It is fair to guess that it was Mary's second lover, for of course the lamb was her first love. This lamb became a sheep, and was hooked by a cow. Mary, tearfully and tenderly, watched it breathe its last. This was the sad story of Mary's Little Lamb.

"Go ahead" was coined in the West.

MARRIED.—'80. J. P. Lindsay to Miss Lizzie M Campbell, on Tuesday, October 16, at Indianola, Iowa

MARRIED: - '80. Alfred Eugene Barr to Miss Addie Louisa Crafts, formerly in '80. The marriage occurred some two months since, but we have no particulars.

MARRIED:-At Morgan Park, Ill., on Thursday evening, Oct. 25, 1883, Miss Alice M. Northrup, class of '82, to Rev. B. F. Simpson, pastor of the Baptist church, Jacksonville, Ill.

LOCALS.

Examinations! Note-books.

Seniors. Notes.

Oh!

Ahem! Reflex Motor. Sold on cells! "Blame yourself if you're sold."

> Hands up! Primary school, eh?

Oh, how like infants, to raise the hand, in anxious haste to answer first—disgusted!

Behold the man who has the latest, in a part of the hair—A and a bang!

Juniors—"Look out for those lips!"

Nebraska desires admission into the Inter-State

We publish in this issue the oration which took Miss Baume.

Owing to the printers being burned out, the last ssue of the Volante was considerably delayed.

The hours during which students may obtain books from the Library are from 8:15 to 8:45 in the morning, and after the fifth hour during the school-days.

We are glad to find that our suggestions concerning the fire, have not been passed unheeded. If the rooms are as comfortable the entire year as now, no such complaint as in former years will be heard.

Professor Fraser has begun his course of lectures before the Chicago Athenaum Society, which are to be delivered during November and December. It would be well if all the students would attend these lectures, as they are interesting and instructive to all who may be so fortunate as to hear them.

Miss M. E. Dodson gave a party at her house on Monday evening, October 29th. Those who were so in fortune as to attend were highly entertained. A literary and musical program was the feature of the evening and was greatly enjoyed by all.

The Tri Kappians promise two very interesting programs to be given within the next month. The one to be a contest between Tri Kappa and the E. O. W. Club of this city, and the other an "Extra" to be given in the Society Parlors.

The students were at a loss for song books some time ago owing to their becoming mixed with the song books belonging to the St. John Episcopal Sunday School, which has been holding services in the chapel the past summer. This error on the part of some one was more than "repented" in the present, by the Rev. J. D. Wilson, pastor of the church, of twenty new hymn books, for which gift the students wish to return their sincere thanks.

We are glad to hear that our remarks concerning the need of a University year-book have not passed unheeded. We understand several are talking this matter up and there are good prospects of its final publication. This book should be published by the junior class properly, but owing to there being only a few in class it falls upon the Fraternities to carry on the work. Let us all unite to the end that we may have a good University year-book.

After so much work has been put upon the Univer-

sity Campus, we are sorry to see it go for naught. by a change. Mr. Kircher, who joined the seniors Although the winter is coming, yet some things can this fall, gave the criticisms. be kept straight, and thus much extra work in the Prof. G. W. Hough, Director of the Dearborn Obspring be saved. We speak more especially of the servatory of the University of Chicago, gives the folash-pile started by the janitor at the west end of the lowing account of some investigations of the planet building. We think this wholly unnecessary, and Jupiter: "This object, which is located seven seconds mars the appearance of the grounds for those coming south of the Jovian equator, is 30,000 miles in length from that direction. We hope this will be cleared up and 8,000 in breadth. For three successive years it immediately.

her house on Friday evening, October 25. The occa- much paler, and it gradually grew so faint as to besion being in honor of her birthday. This was one come invisible in most telescopes. At the Dearborn of the parties of the season, and was productive of Observatory, however, with the great Clark refractor much enjoyment to those present. As all remembered observations were secured as late as the 15th of May the old command of the Dr. with reference to the last. The planet was then so far from the earth and societies, "that lights must be out by 10:30," the so near the sun that the outline of the spot could not guests began to leave about ten, each declaring they be certainly traced, but its position was well indicated had had a delightful time and one long to be remem- by a depression in the equatorial belt. Subsequent

LANTE that all alumni of the University of Chicago, is now far enough from the sun to be successfully obwould occasionally send us some item of interest, to served, a few days since we computed an ephemeris of the student world, or a communication discussing the spot, based on the rotation period 9 hours, 55 some of the many educational topics now before the minutes, 38 seconds, as given by last year's observapublic. We would be glad to hear from you at any tion. The morning of the 11th ult. the time was fatime, and you may know that communications sent | vorable for observation, and on directing the telescope will be of interest to all.

The modest president of Athenæum, Mr. Lawrence Johnson, took his mallet in hand at a prompt hour on the eve of Nov. 2, with a fair audience in attendance The comparison of these observations with the ephem-The music of the evening was furnished by Miss Doud. The first number on the literary program was an essay by Miss Tolman, who read a well-prepared planet approaches nearer the earth the spot will bearticle on "The Story of the Little Maid of Domremy." A declamation—"The Dandy Fifth"—by Mr Dickerman followed. Miss Andrews read that ex- Mass. Every lover of college songs will find this a quisite poem of Shelly—"The Cloud." Mr. Bert most excellent work. Russell, in a Russell-way, worthy of his predecessors one on, "Whether the Republican Party should be meets the demands of the times. continued in power or not." Mr. Larned affirmed, holding that the good accomplished by the party, now in power, shows it to be able to hold out; that the Democraticp 11ty, which must go in if the former goes one. Address Swinton, Barnes & Swinton, 20 Lafayout, is not shown to be better or as good as the Re- ette Place, New York City, for information. publican. Any change would be serious for the country. Mr. F. J. Walsh on the contrary, he d that a party has no right to live, unless it has a mission; that we are to consider the present, not the past; that as an "old garment," the Republican party should issue, are put in first this time. now, its mission done, itself worn out, be laid aside. We take your extended hand, Transcript, and are He held that monied, selfish interests were keeping it in accord with you, being on dress parade too, and in power. No reason why we should not have a new wish to congratulate you. Come often, We are tryparty. Welfare of country would not be endangered ing to be more prompt.

retained its size, shape and color without sensible Miss Lucy Anderson held an informal reception at change. During the past year, however, its color was to this date observations were impossible, owing to the It is the desire and wish of the editors of the Vo- conjunction of the planet with the sun. As Jupiter on Jupiter the depression in the equatorial belt was well defined, and the spot itself was very faintly visible. A second observation was secured on the 13th. eris, shows that the assumed rotation period is substantially correct. I have had no doubt that as the come more conspicuous."

We have received since last issue a copy of "Students' Songs," published by Moses King, Cambridge,

For range of subjects, the People's Cyclopedia unread the "Enterprise." The debate was an interesting doubtedly surpasses all others. It is a work that

William Swinton, who is well known through his histories, is publishing "Swinton's Story-Teller," a monthly, containing four or six completed tales in each number. It is a new venture, and a plausible

Through lack of room, some notices left out last

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tremely neat paper. This month it devotes rather spirits, but has "Dr. S. P. Henson,"-"P. S." it too much space to the locals and personals. The should be. students are all jubilant because the debt, which hung like a dark cloud over them, has been lessened and is Denison Collegian, Hamilton Col. Monthly, Campus, in a fair way to be raised entirely. Would that some such good fortune might come to us.

interesting article on "The worth of a little learning." entertainments, which would be a good thing for any beam. college. We hope they will be successful.

The College Rambler, a semi-monthly from Jacksonville, gives a very spirited article on the prospect of England. It thinks that only a little more is needed to make the people rise in rebellion, and cites the condition of the Irish especially. As it says, we all need more college spirit.

We would remind the Wesleyan Bee that our Alma Mater's name is: University of Chicago.

The University Quarterly has a good paper on the advantages of New York City as a location for a university. We agree that the advantages of our large cities afford in these times the very best sources of versity, wishes to make the institution co-educational. inspiration, that the cities are the best locations for At Harvard the Freshman class numbers about 280 institutions of learning for young men especially.

live western State of Kansas.

The University Press writes "Alma Mater" in the "lower case;" and has no exchange department.

Georgetown Col. Journal has an attack on Illini, as regards co-education. It charges the college and col- dents in this country are Republicans. lege paper, where co-education exists, with frivolous- The first edition of Jas. G. Blaine's new book, ness, flippancy, ignorance and a lot of other truck. "Twenty Years of Congress," will require 75 tons of Now, Illini is able to answer,—we simply stand off paper. and back her with all our hearts.

typography.

old gent, who on seeing a sign, "Boots Blacked In- to keep his hat on when people sing "God save" his side," wonders how on airth those fellows can keep grandmother. their socks clean!

into political questions in argument that the times do ory of numbers to his Oxford pupils, he added the not call for a new political party. We are glad to see remark: "And the great beauty of the thing is that it college papers discussing politics.

College) is before us. Glad to see you—shake Larck! which the comet will apply has not been figured out. The Gleaner is having quite a tilt with Monmouth Collegian.

The Gleaner, from Hedding College, is an ex- The Asbury Monthly is in fashionable hue and good

We have received: The Delaware College Review, Polytechnic, Beacon, Swarthmore Phænix, Central Ray, Quarterly, Notre Dame Scholastic, Res Academ-The Illini contains a great amount of interesting ical, Lariat, Badger, Rockford Sun, Magazine, Portreading, especially for a semi-monthly. It shows folio, Lantern, Occident, St. Viateur's Col. Journal, much skill and taste in its composition, and has an Illini, Round Table, College Review, University Mirror, Berkeleyan, University Herald, Rambler, Dart-The literary societies have arranged for a course of mouth, Xavier, Colby Echo, Deaf-mute Mirror, Sun-

Cornell '87 numbers 140.

The son of Prof. Huxley took the highest classical honors at Oxford.

Pater: "Well, my boy, and how do you like college? Alma Mater has turned out some good men—" Young Hopeful: "Ya-as—she's just turned me out!" He had been expelled.

John G. Whittier, who is a trustee of Brown Uni-

The Baldwin Index is a live college paper in the At Yale the Freshman class numbers 257, 172 Academics and 85 Scientifics.

> Ben Butler is reported to be the only man in Massachusetts who can read Greek without a lexicon.

It is estimated that nine-tenths of the College stu-

Prince Albert Victor, eldest son of the Prince of The Ariel is produced in good style, paper and Wales, joined the Cambridge University last week. He has rooms in Trinity College, and will be treated The College Journal opens with an illustration,—an as an ordinary undergraduate, but he will be allowed

There is a story told of the late Prof. Henry Smith The Carletonia, in good trim in every way, enters that when explaining some new discovery in the thecannot possibly be of the slightest use to anybody."

The North Western has a good article on "Spain." Prof. Swift, of Rochester, N. Y., says that the comet The College Chronicle of Naperville (Northwestern of 1812 has returned. The amount of pension for

> "Here I've been talking for half an hour," exclaimed an auctioneer, "and I haven't got an offer."

"Half an hour, indeed!" murmured an elderly maiden; "What's half an hour to many long years, and still no hope of an offer?"

"Why," asked Pat, one day, "why was Balaam a first-class astronomer?" The other man gave it up, of course. "Shure," said Pat, "'twas because he had no trouble in finding an ass to roid."—Ex.

Prof.—"Now, gentlemen, we will represent the corner, "Is it inhabited?"—Ex.

A little Mexican joke from the Monitor of the Captal city of that country: Ambitious pupil to professor men can always be furnished at this institution with of mathematics: "A man half alive equals a man half stenographers, type-writers, book-keepers, bill clerks, dead; is it not so?" P. M.: "Yes, senor." A. P.: etc. The prospects for the coming season are ex-"I state the proposition on the blackboard, thus: ½ cellent. alive equals \(\frac{1}{2}\) dead." P. M.: "The equation is correctly stated." A. P.: "Suppose, now, that each quantity be increased or decreased in the same proportion, the relation of equality will remain unchanged, will it not?" P. M.: "Yes, senor." A. P.: "Therefore, one alive equals one dead." P. M.: "Enough of mathematics."

There are twenty-one universities in Germany. The total number of students attending lectures during the present summer is 25,084. Protestant divinity students number 3,558; Catholic divinity students 811. The law students are 5,426; the medical students 6,172. In the faculty of philosophy, which includes literature, mathematics and the sciences, the number is 9,117. The University of Berlin has the largest number of students, 4,062; next comes Leipsic with 3,097, and Munich with 2,295; the smallest number, 231, are being taught at Rostock. The largest num- Room 27, 103 State Street. ber of Protestant divinity students is at Liepsic; of Catholics at Würzburg.

Jonah was dejected, was subjected to the swallow, but objected to his position; the whale rejected all his propositions for better accommodations, and flnally ejected him.

"Give a History of the Angles young man," Pupil: "Euclid made some angles in the sand and wrote their general relatives or relations in mathematical terms, which please excuse me from reciting, Farther back than Euclid I cannot go in this history."

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