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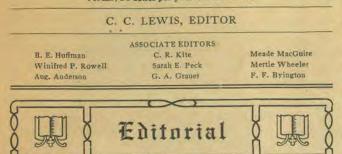
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CHARACTER cannot sustain violent and spasmodic changes. There is no such thing as pursuing one course during youth and health, and then suddenly and forever leaving it to pursue another.

IF anything is absolutely necessary to make an individual valuable, it is that he should clearly recognize his own power and mark out his own way in the world. When he finds out that whatever he is to accomplish must be in one direction, and accepting the discovery, applies his energies resolutely in that line, he has usually laid the foundation of a useful and happy life.

Joys come to us like blossoms, and we think we have them; and then, when, like blossoms they fall, we think we have lost them, although the seed of shadow is left; but they are not gone because they have passed through a particular period of their development.

GOOD nature is the best feature in the finest face. Wit may raise admiration, eloquence lead the mind captive, judgment command respect, knowledge attention, beauty inflame the heart with love, but goodnature has a more powerful effect. It adds a thousand attractions to the charms of beauty and gives an air of benificence to the homeliest countenance.

WISDOM—The character of a wise man consists of three things—to do himself what he tells others to do, to act on no occassion contrary to justice, and to bear with the weakness of those about him. The wise man makes equity and justice the basis of all his conduct, the right forms the rule of his behavior, deforence and modesty mark his exterior, sincerity and fidentity serve him for accomplishments.

A Wonderful Meeting

ALTHOUGH there were many good meetings throughout the week of prayer at College View, the most wonderful of all was that held in the college chapel Friday forenoon, December 18th. It was at the time of the regular chapel exercises. Elder H. R. Johnson had presented the reading for the day and had followed it with a very impressive exhortation and a spirit-indited prayer. Then Elder F. M. Burg, in a few well chosen words, suggested a social meeting. Immediately a score or more were on their feet. The number increased until there were sixty or more persons standing, and for about an hour the meeting continued, with from thirty to sixty on their feet all the time. Gradually and quietly the unconverted began to yield, standing and bearing their testimonies with the rest. Elder Johnson again exhorted. Brother C. L. Benson followed with pointed scripture illustrations. All this time the social meeting was going on with intermingled exhortations and hymns of praise, and now individuals began to speak quietly to their friends. Students and teachers passed about the room to speak to the unconverted, and every moment or two new victories would be gained and indicated by some one's rising in his place and bearing a few words of testimony. Recitations were forgotten, but we still expected to hold the usual prayer band meetings at the close of the session. The meeting would not stop, however, but continued until a quarter of one o'clock, having been in progress three and one-half hours. Hardly any left the meeting, except a few near the close whom other duties called away. There was no excitement, no undue urging, nothing extravagant or fanatical, but throughout the quiet, deep moving of the Spirit of God. Teachers who have been longest in the school say that it was a meeting such as the chapel of "old Union" had never before witnessed. The result was not of human planning, but of faithful prayer.

Recognition of the College of Medicine of the University of Nebraska

WE are pleased to receive from Dr. Henry B. Ward, dean of the College of Medicine of the University of Nebraska the following announcement of the recognition of the Medical Department by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in England:—

"College teachers have stimulated us to greater efforts by the many encouraging comments on our advance and our plan of developing the professional work in medicine so as to appeal to college trained men. More than half of our freshman class already possess college degrees. The atmosphere tempts college men while the opportunities and the ideals of the institution hold them here. We want more of your graduates; we are anxious that they should know that it is no longer necessary to go far East to find exceptional facilities for medical training.

"After long and careful consideration the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in England has agreed to admit our graduates to their licensing examinations on presentation of credentials. This is the highest honor they grant and they have bestowed it on very few medical colleges in this country. It enables our graduates to register in England and all English colonies under the minimum conditions prescribed for their own graduates. We all regard it as an encouraging recognition of the hard work done here in establishing and maintaining high standards. It will also enable medical missionaries to enter on work anywhere with ease and prestige.

"Our faculty strongly recommends that you encourage students to include in the college course at least one year of physics, chemistry, German, and animal biology. We wish to have the privilege of welcoming you or your representative to an examination of our work and students. We desire also to ask your suggestions as to means of making this course more helpful to your students."

A Call from Mexico

WE are pleased to receive from Elder G. W. Reaser the following letter in regard to opportunities for missionary teaching in Mexico. We hope that some of our young people will take notice and will lay this article aside for reference that in the near future a number of well qualified, consecrated teachers may offer themselves for pioneer work in this interesting field:—

"We find considerable demand in the best families in Mexico for teachers from the United States to teach their children English and other branches. An owner of a large hacienda approached me on one of the streets of Mexico City to-day and addressing me in very good English, requested me to secure a gentleman teacher for his five children.

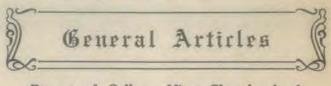
"The salaries offered here are not large. This man will pay 50 pesos a month for a single man and 60 for a married man, and will furnish house and I think board. You understand that the value of a pesos is only equivalent to fifty cents American money.

"It seems to me that supplying teachers for these positions would enable us to present the truth to some of the best families of the Republic, and would also afford opportunity for our workers to acquire the Castillian language without expense to the mission board, except in the matter of transportation from the United States to destination in the Republic of Mexico. As a rule these families prefer a gentleman teacher, but there are some instances in which they would except a lady teacher. We have two calls now from Mexico City for lady teachers.

"Personally, I feel that our work must move forward with far greater impetus in this field in the future than it has in the past. I am sure that we have consecrated young people in our schools in the United States to fill openings here, and I also believe that the Lord is opening the way before us, so that with consecrated help and full co-operation of our mission board, our work in this Republic can be put on a good strong footing. There is such a mere handful of believers in the Republic after some fifteen years of missionary effort, that at first thought the outlook does not seem encouraging; but I am convinced that the Lord has set His hand to the work here, and if we fill opening providences, many honest-hearted souls will be won to the truth.

"I am extremely anxious to start one good training school in some favorable location in the Republic. To this end I am looking about trying to secure a tract of land.

"Have you anything to suggest in regard to the prospect for our securing some of our consecrated young people, who would be likely to give satisfaction in teaching family schools, and who would, after acquiring the language, give promise of becoming valuable workers in this field? Will you kindly advise me as to what you think of the plan of supplying teachers as suggested above?"



Report of College View Church-school

SARAH E. PECK

THE first three months of our school year are now in the past. How rapidly the weeks have gone! What record have they carried to heaven? May it be that of approval for every sincere effort and pardon for all our shortcomings.

We call our school a "model church-school," and it is our one purpose that this shall be true in fact as well as in name. Some progress has without doubt been made, but let us glance for a moment at our record books and see if perchance there is not yet room for improvement.

Our enrolment has been 192. This is larger that it has ever been at any previous time. But let us remember that "numbers are not always an evidence of success." Success is measured not by humbers but by the faithfulness with which we carry out the principles which the Lord has told us should be the basis of our work. In the moral and spiritual life we have had our share of work. The Lord has certainly worked for us and as a result many have been getting truer views of the Christian life. We are trying to implant the idea that genuine Christianity consists in doing faithfully the humble duties that come to us day by day.

The cheerful and earnest co-operation of parents has been a source of great encouragement, the result of which cannot fail to be manifest in the work of the school.

The per cent of attendance has been 95.

This is good, but can we not make. it even better during the winter term? It should be remembered that attendance at school is the business of every child of proper school age, and sickness ought to be almost the only valid excuse for absence from its duties. Every case of absence not only breaks the child's continuity of progress in the various lines of study, but it becomes a hindrance to those pupils who are regular. For the sake of the one who has been absent the teacher must take the time of the others to explain over again the points that have already received attention.

Punctuality goes hand in hand with regularity, Promptness is considered one of the cardinal virtues of school life; tardiness is one of the greatest evils, and this is so not so much because of the amount of time actually lost, not even because of the disturbance which it brings into the school, but its chief evil lies in the effect that this habit has on the character of the child himself. Any child who does not early learn the value of being prompt at every duty will not likely be found at his post when he is old enough to assume the responsibilities of life.

Our ideal is godlikeness, but God is never tardy. Day after day His sun rises at exactly the same moment when it should and as promptly does it set. What would be the result if God was a tardy ruler? The very universe would be in jeopardy. And in a less degree, because we are smaller than He, yet no less certainly does tardiness jeopardize the prosperity of a school.

It has been truly said that "The best laid plans, the most important affairs, the fortune of individuals, the weal of nations, honor, happiness, life itself, are daily sacrificed because somebody is behind time. There are men who fail in whatever they undertake, simply because they are behind time. If there is one virtue that should be cultivated more than another by him who would succeed in life, it is punctuality; if there is one error that should be avoided, it is being behind time." In our school only 74 pupils out of the 192 enrolled have not been tardy; and of these (let it be said to the credit of our little folks) 33 are in the primary room.

It is certainly a matter worthy of mention that the following named persons have neither been absent

nor tardy during the first three months of this year-

First grade, Jacob Esau, Joshua Lorenz; second grade, Birdie Jenkins, Nancy Raburn, Roy Graves, Harry Glantz, Clare Whiteman; third grade, Freda Hickman, Dewy Hodson, Oscar Nelson, Edith Allen, Ruby Spear, Verda Burg, Mae Ames; fourth grade, Yoland Alix, Rhea Houser, Lillian Hamilton, Louisa Schafer, Elithe Soucey, Dorothy Northrup; fifth gra de, Herbert Nelson, Mark Strong; sixth grade, Everette Kirk; seventh grade, Alice Ames, Marie Hardt, Floy Bowers; eighth grade, Grace Butte, Maggie Jenkins, Lova Kite; ninth grade, Annie Harris, Vernon Larson, Leslie Spear.

In the report of the next three months it is to be hoped that a much larger number will be found on the roll of perfect attendance and punctuality.

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The Benefits of Social Life A. G. TAYLOR (Concluded)

THEN how just it is that to our homes we attribute a large per cent of the benefits of social life, for is not the home the temple of ideals, the sanctuary of the true, the beautiful and the good. Or put it in a scientific phrase and say home is the laboratory of character. It is there that your conceptions of all human relationship is formed. It is there that it is largely determined whether or not you will make life worth the living. Your future sits at the old fireside. The fate of the nation abides beneath the rooftree. And so it is that neither college, nor market-place, nor forum, nor editor's sanctum, nor anything that you may do, nor any environment that may hereafter surround you, is so important as the old home, and your early years.

Contrast for a moment the individual shut away from society as it exists in the home, the church, the college, and the many gatherings, with the one who is privileged to enjoy all these benefits. Picture in your mind the life of an exile on a lonely isle whose solitary shore lies far from the mainland, and then imagine the youth surrounded by every element which makes for him a cheery and entertaining home; he for whom parents spend time, money and earnest prayer, in endeavoring to provide for their child ways of intellectual development, both physical, mental and spiritual. Nothing that the resources of home can supply are withheld in order that the youth may acquire the broadening and culture acquired through study and travel.

We talk of success as an aim in life; but what better form can it take than that of easy and sympathetic relation with every one with whom we have to do? And in what way may we be more sure of securing this feeling of sympathy for our needy brother than by association and acquaintance. To interest one's self not only in the pleasures of others but in their sorrows snd needs, tends to broaden, elevate and strengthen one in a way that is gotten through no other source. We are naturally congenial beings. For the ordinary human being there is no such thing as a secret. The ordinary man who is compelled to keep everything to himself gets morbid and suspicious. He broods over what he thinks he must not utter to others. Not daring to talk with friends, he converses with himself. Thus his sympathies become narrow and his vision grows not only feeble but false. He gets the proportion of things sadly confused. Undoubtedly it is not only a relief but a real benefit to a man or woman to be able to unburden the soul to some other human being whom one knows to be faithful.

It is here that our great opportunity for gospel work presents itself. Many a heart that is hungering for that kind word, a pleasant smile, an act of friendship, is softened by the same and made ready for the blessed truth which will insure for it eternal life. Aht but how often we neglect those grand privileges and as our friend is laid in the silent tomb the words of the poet keep coming to our mind:

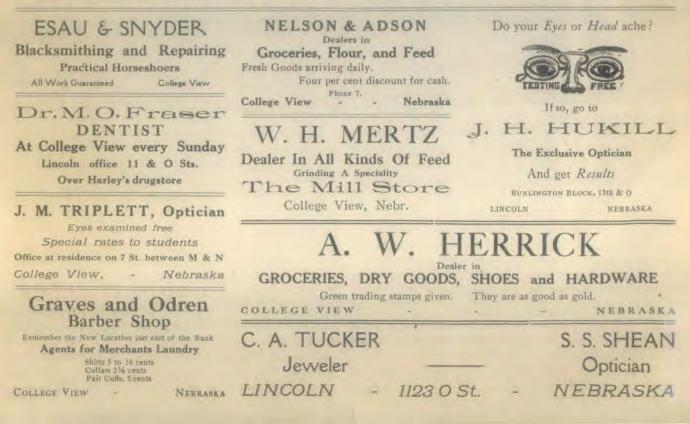
> "We'll see that friend, and make him feel The weight of friendship true as steel; Some flower of sympathy bestow; But time sweeps on with steady flow, Until, with quick repulsive tear, We lay our flowers upon his bier."

Friendship! a word so grand and yet so seldom truly understood. Think what it means to one who needs a faithful and true friend more than the weary river needs the sea; more than the faint roses need the refreshing rain; yet all may have a friend more live and more eternal than they all—our Saviour— He who stands a constant listener to the voice of His children. And as the weary traveler on life's journey wakes from a night's repose he breathes this prayer to heaven: "The day is breaking. As I rise from sleep, my soul, O God, seeks its strength in Thee. Forgive my sins, by Thy spirit keep the life of Christ in me. Hold Thou my hand, and lead me lest I stray. Alike through desert sands and pastures green, make firm my tread; and let my eye always be fixed on things unseen. When o'er my pathway steal the shades of night, my thankful heart shall sing Thy wondrous grace and in sweet peace abide, till in Thy light, I see Thee face to face."

A New Method for Sight-singing

PROF. GERARD GERRETSEN, who has for some months past been sending sample pages and pamphlets, in regard to his new method of sight-singing to our teachers, wishes us to announce that the third section of this course is now ready for distribution. The teachers, who have not already done so, are invited to subscribe to the course, if they desire to receive the third section.

Prof. Gerretsen also wishes us to announce that he is compiling a collection of school songs, suitable for our youth. He invites teachers and others interested in song study to send to his office copies of songs, which in their estimation have contributed the most to the musical and spiritual edification of the children. These song suggestions need not be confined to the lower grades, but the higher grades, including colleges, should not be omitted. Let all the teachers take part in this collection so that it may become the exponent of that which is best and noblest in school song literature. Address Gerard Gerretsen, 324 Dearborn St., Chicago, Illinois.





MISS RUTH OSBORN from Indianapolis, Indiana, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. S. DOCK.

MISS AGNES LEWIS is at home from Fremont, Nebraska, and will remain during the holidays.

MR. C. O. HODSON, of Artesian, So. Dak., is visiting his family in College View during the holidays.

MAMIE BOYD has left "old Union" for a few days visit with her aunt at Nebraska City, Nebraska.

WE are glad to welcome Mrs. C. C. Lewis back from her short but pleasant visit to Kansas during the holidays.

A SURPRISE even better than Christmas gifts came to the Misses Stella and Mamie Parker of South Hall. Mrs. Charles Parker, their mother from Longmont, Colorado, and Mrs. R. J. Jones, from Los Angeles, California, arrived unexpectedly to spend the holiday vacation with the girls.

An important young people's convention will be held in College View, January 10 to 14, which will be attended by the state secretaries throughout the Central and Northern Union Conferences and such general workers as Eld. C. R. Kite and Prof. M. E. Kern. The various conference presidents and many other laborers will also be present to assist in studying the problems of young people's work.

ELDER W. A. SPICER dropped in upon us without warning Wednesday morning, December 23d. He expected to meet the school at chapel exercises, but found us enjoying a vacation. He could hardly be persuaded to stop over long enough to hold a meeting at night, because he thought it would be difficult to get an audience on account of the vacation. We assured him, however, that the chapel would be well filled, and we were not disappointed. He spoke in his well known earnest and enthusiastic manner to an audience of five hundred students and citizens. At the close of the address an after meeting was held, of two or three hundred students, who were interested in foreign missionary work. In this meeting opportunity was given to ask questions and the remarks drawn out by these questions were of great interest and value to all present. Brother Spicer left at midnight for Berrien Springs, feeling abundantly repaid for stopping over. Good seed was sown which will bear fruit in recruits for the missionary field.

MR. AND MRS. ADOLPH CHRISTENSEN of Dallas, S. Dak. arrived in College View to-day.

THE following persons deliberately left College View to spend their vacation elsewhere: Mrs. C. C. Lewis, Misses Mamie Boyd, Vesta Field, Elizabeth Runck, Anna Peterson, Adeline Skyberg, Lulu Hiat, Marie Eden, Mamie Dunbar, Sophie Paulson, Frances Detamore, Maud Perkin, Eva Prussia, Evalyne Seward, Hazel Harvey, Laura Smith, Maude Ferron, Nellie Wells, Herma Ward, Olena Boose, Dagmar Jacobson, Edna Reed, Gretchen Bunnel Norma Bunnel, Miss Twing and Miss Norgard; Messrs. Smith, Rankin, Harry and Willie Hilliard, Deming, F. C. Miller, Harry Moore, Leslie Swift, Stevens, Lawrence Nelson, Fred Korgan, and Carl Schmidt.

MISS LOUISE M. SCHOLZE left Union College December 22 to engage in medical missionary work in India. She expects to stop in Germany for a short time to visit relatives. Sister Scholze canvassed her way from the East to Union College a year ago last fall, and has since paid her expenses in school by canvassing and nursing. She was nurse at South Hall, and taught the ladies' class in hydrotherapy, also the German class in physiology. On the day of her departure an impromptu farewell service was held at chapel time. Remarks were made by several teachers, also by Miss Scholze herself. Then opportunity was given for all who desired to bid her goodbv. At the opening of the chapel exercises, while some one detained her in an other room, an offering was taken for her, which amounted to nearly \$50.00. Also slips of paper were distributed and many wrote messages to be bound into a little booklet for her encouragement during her long journey. Sister Scholze has endeared herself to students and teachers by her self-sacrificing spirit and unselfish labors for others.

A GREAT merchandising sale is being inaugurated at A. W. Herrick's store in College View. It is the intention of Mr. Herrick to make this one of the most far reaching sales ever undertaken in this vicinity. Large full-page circulars are being distributed to the homes of the people giving dates, prices and a full account of this sale which begins Jan. 7 and continues 16 days. A great opportunity is being offered the public and no doubt people will come from miles around to take advantage of the bargains offered. Mr. Herrick has engaged the services of the New York and St. Louis Consolidated Salvage Co. of St. Louis. Mo., to assist in this great undertaking. Mr. A. F. Schott, the St. Louis manager, arrived at the village last Monday.

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Nems and Notes.

MISS RUTH TEASDALE and brother Homer Teasdale are pleased to have their mother and sister with them for a few days.

MARRIED, at Baltimore, Maryland, Dec. 24, 1908, Bernard P. Foote and Jeannette Rosella Scott. At home after Jan. 1, 1909, Sycamore Ave., Takoma Park, D. C.

Miss Louise Scholze, enroute to India, writes that she arrived safely in Chicago. She read the booklet containing the little words of cheer from her many friends, and thanks God for every one of them.

MRS. ANNA M. HANSON, of Modesto, Calif., in requesting calendars to be sent to friends, wri's as follows: "May heaven's choicest blessings ever rest upon Union College is the sincere wish of your sister in Christ."

ARRIVED at the home of Professor and Mrs. E. E. Farnsworth, Campion, Colorado, a little too late for Christmas day, a son-Harold Farnsworth. Congratulations of the event and of the season to our former preceptor and wife.

MISS BEATRICE BAHARIAN, a former student of Union College, now in Washington, D. C., writes that she is enjoying her work very much but thinks sanitarium life is more busy than college life because they were not granted a vacation.

"BECAUSE of changing our field of labor from Missouri to South America, I must ask you to send my MESSENGER to the following address: Mrs. E. C. Ehlers, Sta. Catharina, Brusque, Brazil, South America." Mrs. Ehlers was formerly Miss Anna Patzkowski, who finished the German course in 1904.

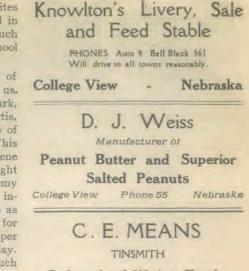
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J. H. SCHMIDT, class of 1906, writes from Chicago, where he is engaged in ministerial work, saying that he much enjoys the MESSENGER, with its school news.

THE sixth annual announcement of Lornedale Academy has reached us. This academy is located at Lorne Park, Ontario. We notice that H. J. Curtis, graduate from the scientific course of Union College, 1899, is principal. This means that he has retired from Keene Academy, Texas, where he has taught for several years past. The academy offers work to the eleventh grade inclusive, and promises other grades as soon as demanded. The expenses for boarding the students are \$10.00 per month and three hours' work per day. Where a school is able to offer so much work this is an ideal arrangement both from the standpoint of economy for the student, and from that of his physical, intellectual, and moral benefit.

BROTHER ARTHUR FULTON, a student of Union College, now secretary and treasurer of the South American Union Conference, writes as follows from Buenos Aires, South America. "It is a great pleasure to receive the MES-SENGER and above all to know the missionary spirit that is taking hold of our young people at home. I. hope many of the earnest students of 'old Union' may have their eyes turned this way, as South America has great need of more workers and offers opportunities for the development of any amount of youthful talent. The country is fast developing in every way. The modern ways are fast taking the place of the old, not only in the business world, but in the manner of thinking. The bitter prejudice against Protestant work and workers is not nearly so great a barrier as it was a few years ago. The field is ripe for earnest efforts for the advancement of the trath."



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