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"Say unto Wisdom, Thou art my Sister; and call understandingly thy kinswoman"

THE NIGHT EXPRESS.

(By Bliss Carman.)

Out through the hills of midnight,
Hurling and thundering on,
The Night Express from the outer
world
Speeds for the opening dawn.

Out of the past and gloom-wrack,
Out of the dim and yore,
Freighted as train or caravan
Was never freighted before.

Down to the morrow country,
Into the unknown land!
And the Driver grips the throttle-bar
Our lives are in His hand.

His wreckers, grinning and lean,
Are lurking at every curye;
And the Driver plays with the throt-
tle-bar;
He has the iron nerve.

We pant up the climbing grade,
And coast on the tangent mile,
While the Driver toys with the throt-
tle-bar,
And gathers the track in His smile.

The dreamer weary of dreams,
The lover by love released,
Stricken and whole, and eager and
sad,
Beauty and waif and priest.

All these adventure forth,
Strangers tho' side by side,
With the tramp of time in the roar-
ing wheels,
And haste in their shadowy stride.

The star that races the hills
Shows yet that he night is deep;
But the Driver humors the throttle-
bar,
So you and I may sleep.

For He of the sleepless hand
Will drive till the night is done—
Will watch till the morning springs
from the sea
And the rails grow gold in the sun;

Then He will slow to a stop
The tread of the driving-rod,
As the Night Express rolls into the
Dawn;
For the Driver's name is God.

QUERIES.

What is gravitation?
What is electricity?
What is matter?
What is life?
What is thought?
What is conscience?
What is love?
Where is heaven?
Is the universe of worlds coexten-
sive with space? Try answering
some of these.

"Thou must be true thyself
If thou the truth would teach.
Thy soul must overflow
If thou another's soul would reach.
It takes the overflow of heart
To give the lips full speech."
underneath the clover,
For he cannot read his tombstone
when he's dead."

WHY EDUCATE YOUR BOY.

The following excerpts are from a leaflet by W. W. Smith, A. U. L. L. D.

"Admitting that the sound body is the necessary starting point for the best results, the strong and active mind is the most potent factor in producing them. Thought is the constructive force in the world. The thinker is the creator of values beyond any other worker. Take, for instance, the man who thought out the Bessemer process for making steel. By that one thought he does each day the work of more than a hundred thousand men in making steel. Or take the combined thoughts of the men who step by step developed the modern locomotive, the telegraph, the telephone, and other appliances to make electricity work for man. What are these thoughts worth to the world and to the comfort of its inhabitants? The standard of education is constantly rising. Thirty years ago a man might put up prescriptions as a druggist's clerk for six months, and then turn himself loose on the community as a doctor and learn the art of healing at the expense of his patients. Or he might read law for a few months in a lawyer's office, and go at once to the bar for all the business he could get. But this is all changed. For every profession a larger and better training is required and each decade sees an advance in the standard.

Your boy is entitled to a fair chance in life. If you do not educate him, you rob him of his right, you doom him to be a hewer of wood and a drawer of water. Your boy then ought to go to college. To the well-educated young man of character and force every avenue is open. He is welcomed in every circle of influence. His life cannot be tame or commonplace, though he will have his difficulties to struggle against, which is the common lot of man, and for our good. Equip him thus, even at a sacrifice, to take care of himself, and some day, in your old age, he will be to you a prop and a stay of whom you will be justly proud. It is YOUR duty to educate your boy; it is HIS duty to obey you, and the day will come when he will thank the kind and wise father who set aside his foolish ideas and sent him to college to prepare for the battle of the twentieth century."

STUDENTS' ESSAYS.

Following are a few regular class exercises of English students. Some of those studying "Working Principles of Rhetoric" have produced specimens of verification which may be prophetic of future fame:

STRONG WORDS FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Every christian college in America is now being challenged to its utmost powers to furnish leaders in God's world-movement. There has already gone out to the Church of Christ alone a call for a thousand young men and women filled with holy enthusiasm and undying devotion to consecrate themselves to the service of a world-wide evangelization.

The conquest of the world for Christ depends upon efficient leaders and consecrated workers. Our colleges cannot meet the demand or answer the clarion call with their present financial handicap. Milligan College is called upon to furnish its quota of well-trained young men and women for the world-wide task. This call cannot be answered without better equipment. To this end, therefore, we are asking the whole church in Tennessee to get behind the whole educational task and provide its educational institution with the necessary means to carry forward its great work.

We are asking that every minister in Tennessee begin at once to prepare his congregation for a great offering on Education Day. Make January first Milligan College Day in every church throughout the State. Let us have at least \$2,000 for Education this year. Milligan College needs financial support. Her needs is God's call to every minister and to every loyal disciple in the State, to a burning patriotism for the Kingdom of God, and a fuller realization of the imperative need of bringing the college and the church into a more active and vital relationship. Make these coming weeks until Education Day a real prayer season for Christian education in your church.

Gifts for Milligan College will be adequate only when they flow spontaneously from men and women who have been brought through prayer to a full realization of the world's crying need and their power to help. Milligan's call is God's call to the whole brotherhood of disciples in Tennessee to a season of prayer and giving. It is God's call for the consecration of self and money to the educational task of the people in our State. It is God's call to the world-wide needs of humanity.

If it is possible for you to observe Education Day on January 21st in the churches to which you minister, be sure to do so at your earliest convenience. Milligan is calling for the earnest support of every church in the State. Most sincerely,

G. O. DAVIS,

Your brother in the service of the Master.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

The glad season has slipped by so quietly, the pleasant happenings seem already a half-dream. But the tangible reminders stay with us—reminders in the form of letters, cards, and gifts which will be kept as sweet mementos of the joyous Christmas of 1916 and of the New Year just stepping in. These messages are most sincerely appreciated and our hearts go out to each individual sender with grateful love and every good wish for their happiness and prosperity. We should be glad to fill this page with extracts and names but space allows only the names, and some of those may have been missed in the wilderness of papers around the office. They are: Rose Comforth, Helen Chevannes, Mary Lyon Peebles, Annie Lucas, Nell Campbell, Milton Wright, Sloan Benson, Jesse Allgood, Mr. and Mrs. Hayden, Leota Hendrix, Mr. and Mrs. Isaacks (formerly Mary Hanen), Lamar and Roxie Adamson, Lucy Taylor Huff, Sinclair and Mary Burleson, Louise Baker, Cordie Hopwood, Robert and Mae Wilson, Aline Smith, Cora Godby, Daisy Boring, Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas, Harry Garrett, Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Finley, Mary and Louise McCown, Erva Mumford, Grace Elma Davis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lem Keevil, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Payne and Edward, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Preston Gray, Ada Bagwell, Margaret Godby, Elma E. R. Ellis, H. R. Garrett, the Perry family, A. E. Corey and R. H. Miller, Margaret and S. T. Snead, Lillian E. Draper, Oscar and Myrtle Helsabeck, Margaret Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McWane, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Records, Mabel Fuller, Keith Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Brumit, W. E. Gilbert, Linda Baker, J. P. McConnell, T. O. and Rose Slaughter, Mary Prather, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Book, Violet Cox, Carl McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, Mellie Williams, D. S. Walker, R. M. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wood, Roy Schmucker and family, Rose Tate-Stewart, Lettie Tate, Tempie and Joe Morrell, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hardin, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hopwood, J. T. Watson, A. D. Reynolds, Lew Sue Ben Laura Rutherford, Maud Wilson Mock, Addie Wade, Pearl Shelburne, Wm. Blevins, E. H. Swarthout, Paul Cooper, Adele Janblatt.

THE SECOND TERM.

The Second Semester begins February 5. If you cannot come earlier that will be a good time to enter classes. Some preparatory classes will be formed early in January, thus giving such students full opportunity for the remainder of the school year. Write us at once or come.

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IS IT RIGHT?

The following quotations from scientists, physicians and men who have had special observation on truant boys and prison subjects ought to convince honest, reasonable men that the tobacco habit is unworthy a christian. Five cents a day will feed a woman or child one day. Many live on less. A man professes to be a christian worker, even a preacher, and deliberately smokes from three to ten cigars a day, while innocent women and children are starving by thousands.

If the tobacco using church members of America would all quit the tobacco habit and send one half of the money they now use indulging this filthy lust that money alone would feed every hungry being now in the warring zone. At least five million professed christians use tobacco. Count only ten cents a day for each one and you have a total of one-half million dollars each day.

Is it not a sin for a christian to indulge this useless, even hurtful lust of the flesh when he knows he could save the lives of two children each day by abstaining from the habit and at the same time himself would have better health and be in a position to wield better influence in his life?

"Ninety-three per cent of all criminals use tobacco before entering the prison."—The Criminal.

"Among the boys in an Illinois Reform School, 92 per cent had used tobacco."—George Torrence.

Americans spend \$1.00 for religion and \$5.00 for tobacco; \$1.00 for foreign missions and \$85.00 for tobacco.

Among 300 boys brought before Magistrate Leroy B. Crane, of New York City, charged with crime, 295 used tobacco.

"The use of tobacco perverts the conscience, induces laziness, selfishness, deceitfulness, cruelty and sensuality."—Dr. Zeigler, Philadelphia.

"I have seen bright boys turned into dunces and straightforward, honest boys made into cowards by smoking."—Dr. A. C. Clinton, San Francisco.

"Boys having the cigarette habit do not seem to appreciate the difference between right and wrong."—C. B. Adams, Supt. Boys' Industrial School, Lancaster, Ohio.

"Pupils under the influence of the weed are subjects of constant discipline, untruthful, deceitful and unreliable."—Prof. H. H. Seerley, State Teachers College, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

A tabulation of nine moral charac-

teristics made by H. D. Hervey, Superintendent of Schools, Malden, Mass., gives a ratio of 71 points to 1 in favor of non-users of tobacco.

"My long experience in rescue work has convinced me that tobacco is one of the deadliest things we have to fight, for it is the vice of the virtuous."—J. J. D. Hall, Supt. Galilee Mission, Philadelphia.

THE LAST LORD'S DAY.

It was the last day of 1916. I had no engagement, but somehow felt there was something to be done, so started on foot three miles to be at Watauga Sunday School. On arriving the church was vacant. The Sunday school was in the afternoon. Just then the Narrow Gauge train sounded. Stepping on I paid 20 cents for passage to Valley Forge and arrived there two minutes after the Methodist Sunday school closed, but calling the people back we had a good half hour with them and learned that the village was to have a watch night at the Christian church. After taking dinner with Bro. Williams we visited three or four families and talked to groups of boys and young men on the road. At 7 o'clock the watch began. The first real joy was to hear a whole crowd of boys and young men sing—not so artistically, perhaps, but better—heartily, meaningly. It was good to hear them. The prayers were earnest. The neighborhood rejoices in good will one for another.

In a talk to the younger boys and another for the general audience we felt that the past year has hardly furnished a happier occasion or one richer in opportunity. The people were royal hearted and ready to hear. Thus the soul's desire to do some service can and will find the place and occasion if we surrender to carry forward this desire. Happy the memory of that last Lord's Day in 1916.

SEND US YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.

If you ever came to school at Buffalo Institute or to Milligan College any time since 1867 and you have any doubt about us having your address, send your name and address to us. Send it now. It may afford you a real pleasure to receive copies of The Light, to hear through it from old friends.

The College will be glad to send you catalogue. Send us names of old students whom you may now know and their address. Send us names and addresses of former students.

Sanitary.

A small boy had a bad cold and snuffed abominably, to the great annoyance of the other passengers in the car in which he was riding. Finally, says the Manchester Guardian, one of the suffering men turned on the offending youngster and said, "Have you a handkerchief?"

"Yes, sir," said the boy, "but mother don't like me to lend it to strangers."

PLANTING COLLEGES.

"Planting colleges," said Judson, "and filling them with studious young men and women is planting seed corn for the world."

It is sometimes said, "We have schools enough; better endow what we have."

Yes, if they can be endowed with able men and women who love God and love to help young people grow into beauty and strength of character. If the colleges can have these forces in connection with money endowment, our race will be doubly blessed. Let the smaller schools which though not endowed, are devoting their energies to the spiritual and intellectual development of young people, be distributed in more rural sections where they can reach youth before business currents and social allurements have turned their heads. Such schools are far more likely to lay the foundation for christian manhood and womanhood than others which so largely depend upon money, talented professorships and material equipment. These all are helpful, but only as they serve the higher ideals of life. The planting of a christian school every two or three hundred miles will do infinitely more for the human race than the concentration of all of these in a few overcrowded centers.

NEW YEAR REMINDERS

A few years ago United States mail was carried on horseback trip made once a week, and postage paid in silver. Now it is carried on land, on water, under water, in the air, above land and water, goes by stages, steam, rail, electricity, wireless, telepathy, thought wave, any other possible method.

Then the parents governed children by counsel, authority and the switch. Now the children govern the parents by their wits, their social fads and by doing as they please.

Then boys made their own bats, most of their balls and all played at recess with enthusiasm for good exercise. Now they buy balls, bats, gloves, face gear, shin and stomach pads, hire coaches, drum up boosters, and while most of the crowd yell a few fellows play ball, not so much for exercise as to beat the other team.

Then wheat was cut with a hand cycle or a cradle, bundles gathered and tied by hand, bunched, shocked, stacked, dried, then laid in circles and tramped out with horses, put through a windmill and measured into the bin. Now the one machine cuts, threshes and sacks the wheat the same day.

Then two or three men would set type a week and make up forms for a weekly newspaper. Now one machine will turn out a much larger paper each day.

Are our methods and means for true education developing as rapidly and as well as the material side of life? Are the ideas of government and of preparing the people for self government growing as fast as the

population increases and the complexities of society multiply?

Is our religious education keeping pace with all of these forces so that it may direct their energies toward righteous ends? If not all of our seeming progress will result in but a greater fall.

LORD'S DAY.

A work horse will do more service in six days with a good rest on the seventh than in seven days' continuous work. Any one who will do without a meal once each week and give his organs rest will have better health. Men who run machinery must occasionally stop. The very steel needs rest. By the same law our bodily powers must relax, change and rest. In God's scheme for the perfection of human life the Lord's day or Christian Sabbath was provided to answer nature's requirement. Thus nature and revelation give one voice, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Just as it is necessary to feed and exercise the body that it may have full strength, so in order for the intellectual and spiritual nature to grow, be strong and able to meet the trials of life, it must have regular food, exercise and rest. Jesus' words and example, our songs, prayers and exhortations, are God's means to make us spiritually strong—able to bear the crosses, trials, disappointments of the coming week as well as to walk humbly and sincerely under increased blessings and successes. Hence the welfare of the individual and of the social order alike has one voice with the word of God, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

GOOD BYE 1916.

Old year, we have known better friends. Some of your older brothers were kinder and helped us forward more. You shut our mouth to too much, dulled our pen and tied our hands. In a small way you did allow us to scratch for a present living, but not to plant and plan for a great future. Yet you gave a ray of light on a greater plan, if I would be patient until some of my large-minded friends could make our country a business tour and secure many more shackles for my treasury. Old year, we want you to certainly put your coming brother, 1917, into all the secrets of success which you have learned and tell him how he can take advantage of your experience and bring me many good students and much fortune. Good bye, old friend—remember you are to die January 1st and can never again stand in the way of my health and progress.

MILLIGAN COLLEGE.

BASKET BALL.

The Milligan College basket ball team, with Albert A. Trusler, captain, has been doing some very good work. The boys have won three games out of the five played. Two very close games have been played with our old time friendly rival, the East Tennessee Normal.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

We were glad to see Miss Evelyn Love, who has been spending part of her holidays with friends in Milligan. She is in school in Graham, Virginia.

The cheery face of George D. Hardin appeared on the campus a few days since. He is progressing well in the Polytechnic Institute in Atlanta.

Professor W. E. Gilbert of East Radford, Virginia, gave the college a happy little visit recently. His early college days were spent here and we are always pleased to see him on the ground.

Twenty-three and a half million persons, or about 24 per cent of the country's population, were enrolled in educational institutions in the United States during 1916, according to statistics collected by the Bureau of Education.

Everybody rejoices to see Mr. Thomas Allgood, one of our finest seniors and christian workers, out again after a two months' illness. He and his wife will visit their Georgia homes and return after holidays to resume class-work.

The students of Milligan College are always glad to have Dr. Dobbs, the Presbyterian pastor, at Johnson City, to address them. He recently gave us an inspiring talk on the life of David, and we expect to have from him several more of his splendid delineations of Bible characters before the session closes.

S. J. Cory, Secretary of the Foreign Christian Missionary Society gave a thrilling address in the college auditorium on Sunday afternoon. His descriptions of African missionary life and work are clear, natural and realistic. He takes his hearers with him to see and hear for themselves and remember the touching scenes he describes.

Milligan College has a full chair of education. This entitles the student who graduates in the college, his work including this department, to receive a high school State certificate without examination. Professor W. B. Boyd is the active, wide-awake teacher of this department. Let young teachers investigate. Milligan College graduates have made successful teachers.

The Milligan Sunday School gave an interesting program in College Chapel on Christmas night. After the last song the curtains were drawn back, revealing a large and beautiful Christmas tree loaded with gifts for all. Santa Claus, formerly Lloyd Perry, with others, kept the carriers busy distributing boxes and bundles. Everybody went away happy. Prof. Wright is the efficient superintendent and Mrs. Wright did much toward making the entertainment a success.

Do not wait till life is over and he's The holidays have taken most of the students to their homes or to the homes of friends away. Many of them have sent us cheery Christmas messages. We hope to see all back in their places January 3, filled with enthusiastic determination to make the New Year the greatest and the best. Several new students are expecting to enter after the Holidays.

The second term begins February 3. This is an excellent time to enter. Young teachers, or those actually preparing to teach, will be given a special reduction of one-half of their literary tuition. We want a large class of young teachers to take advantage of this offer and receive the kind of training that will fit them for greater and better school-room work. Come and be with us.

"The country must learn to use its own artistic, forensic, and intellectual talent. There is scarcely a community that does not have within it a wealth of ability in these fields if it were developed. We must have in our country schools as teachers, men and women who can direct the recreational and social interests of the young and old in wholesome ways by the utilization of local talent and surroundings. To do this requires an intimate knowledge and keen appreciation of life on the farm and in the farm home.

What shall we do with our misfortunes? Turn them into blessings. A front door of the Young Ladies' Dormitory fell, shattering the elegant plate glass into fragments. In less than ten minutes a number of students and teachers organized and arranged a literary and musical program to be given a week later in the college auditorium to raise money for a new door. The program was carried out successfully. The public was pleasantly entertained, the performers themselves were strengthened by their efforts and the new door is now being put up.

**MILLIGAN COLLEGE
COMMUNITY WORK**

At a very enthusiastic meeting composed of representative citizens a movement was inaugurated looking toward a study of community problems and general betterment of community life.

Bro. L. D. Riddell delivered a most excellent address dealing with the question of rural life and how it may be improved.

Prof. Riddell was followed by Prof. D. S. Burseson of the East Tennessee Normal School, who spoke in his usual forceful manner of the possibilities for a real community program and the great need of co-operation. Another meeting will be called at 2 o'clock p. m. on the second Sunday in January. Interest in the work is growing rapidly.

STUDENTS' COLUMN.

SOLITUDE.

A space of midnight ocean, silent save the soft rush of a tumbling white-cap and the low surf on the sands. Breathless, old ocean seems afraid to roll lest he break the brooding silence. The moon, fitfully disclosed and concealed by the scudding clouds, sheds a ghost-like gleam, seeming rather to heighten the darkness than dispel the shadows.

A barren, desolate shore, tempest-worn, gazing silent into the lonely centuries that passed and left their trace of care.

Here solitude reigns.
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Rolling desolation; sand, far as the eye can see, interrupted only by dune and thorny cactus. The nearer scenes blending by the blazing sun, farther scenes distorted and fantastically dancing in the fierce heat from the burning sands.

Monotony and never-ending sameness, unbroken, and overhead the angry sun set in a burnished sky vacant save for the wheeling vulture.

Here solitude reigns.
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A clang, a clash and a roar! The limited train has pulled in and men and women are thronging the station. All is confusion: train callers crying directions, news boys rushing about with their latest papers, and trucks jolting and rattling. Everybody is going somewhere and doing something. The loafer is thrust aside, the idler trampled upon. Outside the depot cabs and cars are calling fares; the same hurry and bustle and noise in the streets. Every one is intent; every one in a hurry; every one engaged in sincere worship at the shrine of Mammon. You look in vain for one token of recognition in all that hurrying, surging mass. Here is solitude—dense, palpable, depressing solitude.

HARRY WELLS.

**MILLIGAN COLLEGE BOY
SCOUTS**

Boy Scouts of America have a splendid organization with a fine spirit. There are two patrols—Patrol No. 1, the Buffalo Patrol, of which Ashley Greer is patrol leader; Patrol No. 2, the Panther Patrol, of which Lloyd Perry is patrol leader. W. B. Boyd is Scout Master and W. P. Blackwell is Assistant Scout Master. The boys plan to do a lot of fine work this spring and summer.

NIGHTFALL

When the warm, bright sun goes silently to bed,
He waves good-night with banners of gold and red.
Each moment these colors more beautiful grow,
As if angels were making the canvass to glow.
A tint of rose here and of violet there,
A soft misty gray like the breath of a prayer.

MARY KEEFAUVER.

**OUR LIVES COMPARED TO THE
FOUR SEASONS.**

Life may be fitly compared to the four seasons of the year. First comes the lovely spring-time when we are children, so innocent, happy and care-free; nature is budding and blooming forth in freshness and beauty.

Then comes the summer of youth, the time when we lay our foundation of character, gain facts and increase our store of knowledge. To some this is the happiest period of life, the time when our associations are most keenly enjoyed, when the truest and most lasting friendships are formed. These days are looked back upon with pleasure through all future life.

After this comes the autumn time. These days seem to most persons full of anxiety, mingled with the satisfaction of duties done and ends reached.

This autumn of life passed, the winter's snow begins to fall upon our heads. Soon our labor is done, the time draws near for us to bid farewell to this earthly home of strife and heart-ache. And if the days have been well spent, sweet will be our rest at the end.

MAE BALES

Soon I shall quit my latin, my English and logic, too,
Then don my socks of satin and board the big chu-chu.
For Christmas now is coming and not so far away

When I shall stop my bumming and have a holiday.

Milligan is growing dreary, I am tired of pen and book,
But I no more will be weary when I reach dear Meadowbrook.

There the glad home folks will greet me when I reach the old farm-gate,

And the embers of the oak tree will be glowing in the grate.

There I will eat such mince pie as never can be beat,

And turkey—no matter how you try you can never cease to eat.

But soon it will all be past and my heart will be filled with regret.
But the jolliest thing at last is, these joys are before me yet.

CHARLES LUCAS.

THE MOUNTAINS.

When unto the hills we lift our eyes
And we see those mansions above us rise,

They speak to us in their sombre tones

Of the fir, and the hemlock, and the pine tree cones,

Of birds that are building nests of their own,

Of the owls that hoot, or screech, or moan.

These same grand hills speak to us all

Of the seasons as they swiftly roll,
Winter and spring, of summer and fall,

The passing of years which come to us all.

All this and more these hills will tell
If we watch and think and listen well.

THIRD SUNDAY IN JANUARY.

This is "Education Day."

The churches have "Foreign Mission Day," "Home Mission Day," "C. W. B. U. Day" and others. But the subject which lies back of all of the church activities and upon which they must all depend for leaders, "Christian Education," was one of the last subjects to receive a recognized time. But now we have a day set apart to present the cause of Christian Education. Milligan College asks for your hearty, liberal co-operation in securing funds to clear all current expenses for the present school year. If every brother who has charge or works in a church will tell the people of Education Day and speak to them of the necessity for educated Christian workers that the church activities may all grow, then the purposes of the day will be served. The people will make their contributions, the current expenses of the college will all be met and when the time for the Men and Millions Movement canvass comes there will be no debt to absorb their labors, and the \$50,000 which they have set aside for Milligan College can be all added to the endowment fund. Let each preacher and Christian man or woman realize that it is part of each one's duty to do what he can to make Education Day a success. If the day should bring an average of one dollar per member from each organization the whole question of educating leaders for christian activities could be settled. Help to lead your congregation to act its part.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Thanksgiving came and brought an exquisite day. Faculty and students welcomed the rest and were devoutly grateful for the blessings so abundantly given. The programme for the day was varied, the first number being a Thanksgiving service at the church from 10 to 11-30, conducted by home forces. Different members of the faculty made brief addresses, each emphasizing some special blessings which we as individuals or as a nation enjoy. But all voiced the one sentiment that our supreme temporal blessing is peace and security.

From the church the audience repaired to their several dining-rooms where chicken and cranberries and all accessories were enjoyed to the full. At night the American Literary Society gave their annual programme to a large, appreciative audience. Thus one more Thanksgiving day passed into history with the prayer that the next one may celebrate the return of peace to the bleeding nations of the earth.

One of the most efficient State Secretaries of churches in the United States is George E. Lyon of Kansas, graduate of Milligan College, 1891. Of 379 Churches of Christ in the State 347 made report. Of the Bible schools 347 of the 377 made report.

"IT'S A LONG, LONG, WAY TO TIPPERARY."

Among the many modern painters and illustrators the name of Howard Chandler Christy stands prominent. He is one of the foremost influences of the day in the world of art.

Before me now hangs a representative work of his, worthy to be his masterpiece—"It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary." The subject, unlike the suggestion of the title, is a serious one, and brings before the mind in a poignant manner a thought of the present war.

The East is preparing another day of bloodshed, but as yet there is no sign of the coming conflict. A faint relief of the shadows is all that warns of the heightening day. There is the wall of the trench with rifles leaning against it and on the ground a sleeping figure in khaki.

With Her letter in his hand sits a young soldier gazing before him but seeing only the fair vision which rises above the smoke of the camp-fire—a beautiful young girl, one hand upraised, the other on the keys of a piano, and in her eyes the same far away, longing look. Gazing on this picture one becomes absorbed in the delicate but graphic portrayal of Europe's awful tragedy.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION.

A few weeks since A. Preston Gray, of Elizabethton, gave to the Morning Class a talk upon "The Seen and the Unseen." His address was interesting and helpful both to students and teachers. He is booked for a series of talks during January and February.

In looking through the Christian Evangelist I find a letter from Brother Gray, a part of which is as follows. We thank the writer for his kind words:

Dr. G. O. Davis brought inspiring message December 3. His subject was "Milligan College and Its Future."

We who live in the shadow of this great institution know how to appreciate her helpful ministry.

Blot forever from the face of the earth every vestige of her material equipment and the day will never dawn when our civilization will get beyond the inspiring influence of her uplifting hand.

There is a distinct and peculiar Milligan spirit, Milligan atmosphere and Milligan ideals. Milligan College stands for education—and more, Christian education.

Church here contributed \$282.62. They did it freely, cheerfully, joyfully. We hope to make it \$500.

When earth, as on some evil dreams,
Looks back upon her wars,
And the white light of Christ out-
streams

From the red disk of Mars,
His fame who led the stormy van
Of battle well may cease.
But never that which crowns the man
Whose victory is peace.

—Whittier.

HEROES OF PEACE

In times of great crisis, such as the present war, there are those few who, by use of their mental alertness, daring and determination, stand out above their fellows. These men have minds and bodies able to respond to the call of the hour. They are fitted and willing to accept responsibilities such as would weigh down the ordinary person. They accomplish ends and surmount obstacles that would be perilous indeed for their fellows even to attempt. They take chances that others dare not, and apparently never fail in their undertakings. These men are called heroes—so called, because, having the talent, they are not afraid to make use of it.

But all heroes are not in the war. Heroes are all about us. Too frequently we fail to recognize and appreciate them. One reason we do not always recognize them is they are not seeking recognition. Some of the reasons why they are not appreciated by all people are: They dare to do right; they resist temptation; they refuse to gossip; they are not afraid of being misjudged and their every act is unconsciously a rebuke to evil doers.

Yet, with hearts and intellects finely attuned to the needs of each moment, they are able to bear the scoffs, to withhold the unkind word and return the soft answer. Their intelligence speaks to the minds of men and their sympathies move the heart. These are the heroes of peace.

ROY M. BUCK.

For class, Eng. V, Dec. 21, 1916.

WHERE EDUCATE?

1. Where the atmosphere of college life is as near cheerful, christian activity as you can find.

2. Where the teachers are not only morally and educationally equipped but where their personal habits are such as you are willing for your boy or girl to follow.

3. In a healthy country where the natural scenery helps to stimulate vision and courage. Judge Henry of Cleveland says: "For undergraduate work, the Christian college of moderate size, though meagerly endowed and held in less popular esteem than many a richer and better known institution, is nevertheless the fittest place in which to educate your boy or girl and mine." "Educate men without religion," said Wellington, "and you make them but clever devils."

GIFTS.

It is a happy thought that many who usually send gifts to friends are this year offering their love freely but sending the gifts to the war sufferers of Europe. This is right and christian. The United States could make peace quicker and more world wide friends by sending two million dollars every month to the starving peoples than in any other way, that that much money could be used. And where is the American citizen who would offer any protest?

WHO HELPS.

Professor Davis, acting financial secretary of Milligan College, sent out a letter asking for holiday contributions to help make the college year clear of debt. The following friends have promptly answered the call and we sincerely thank them for this fellowship. We are trusting to hear from many more after they have balanced their accounts for the year:

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PROF. G. O. DAVIS.

Many readers of The Light know Prof. Davis. He has been in University studies for the last six years and is now well equipped for a great work. He is at present acting as financial secretary of Milligan College. In connection with this he gives a most valuable address on "A World Problem." Hear him if possible. The speech will give you a life thought of real value. Circulate his appointments and thus do him a favor and help advance the cause. Education Day is Jan. 21, 1917.

A GOAL.

To have a worthy goal and some definite plan to reach it is a great safeguard for any one but especially for students. The student who will plan and keep himself busy every hour of every day—busy at something worthy of his time and effort, will save himself from many temptations and regrets. Edison says he has never been seriously tempted in his whole long life. From boyhood he has been busy thinking, planning, working at plans, watching results, improving plans.

Some one has said hard work is the first aid to morality. The old proverb, "An idle brain is the devil's workshop," is still true. Keep an ideal before you and work to make it a reality.