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## BEHOLD, I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY, WHICH SHALL BE TO ALL PEOPLE.

### The Message.

Calm on the listening ear of night  
Came Heaven's melodious strains  
Where wild Judea stretches far  
Her silver mantled plains.  
The answering hills of Palestine  
Send back the glad reply  
And greet from all their holy heights  
The Day-Spring from on high.  
"Glory to God" the sounding skies,  
Loud with their anthems ring  
"Peace on earth, Good will to men  
From Heaven's eternal King.

### The College Debt.

In 1897 notes were collected to pay all debts against Milligan College. The first payment on these notes was due Dec. 1, 1897; the second Dec. 1, 1898, and the last payment was due Dec. 1, 1899. If those of the donors who have not paid their notes will do so now the college debt will be entirely paid; and the policy which the trustees have declared, to stay out of debt, will make friends of the school feel more secure in all their efforts for new improvements. We ask every donor who has not settled his note to be sure and do so now. Important interests rest on these pledges and the most happy results will come by their prompt payment.

Please answer this call at the first hour possible, for which we will sincerely thank you.

J. HORWOOD, President,  
and Financial Agent M. C.

### The Normal Class

Letters continue to come from young teachers who have been in Normal class expressing how much this department has helped them.

"I have just reviewed my normal notes; they help me so much" says one. "I think of your Normal class every day, I thank you for its good lessons," says another. "I owe so much to the good instructions in the normal class" and like expressions showing how helpful this department has been.

The Normal Class will begin this session Tuesday Feb. 6, 1900.

The discussion will touch every phase of the "Theory and Practice of Education." History organization methods and the Philosophy of Education will each be treated in the measure which may seem most beneficial to the members of the normal school.

The management of the department will be under President Hopwood and the work will be done by different members of the faculty and by specialist of public school work and teaches from other colleges. Young teachers and advanced students entering college now will be in good preparation for the teacher's class by Feb. 6.

A large number of our present students will be teachers, these

with the young men and women coming in from their first or second effort at teaching will together make a full class and we expect the best work which this department has ever done

### Conscience.

Among other questions the members of a mental philosophy class were asked to define conscience. Here are some of the answers:

"Conscience is a moral obligation to choose in accordance with that which is highest, either to approve or disapprove."

"Conscience is that within us which approves or disapproves our acts and all we do."

"Conscience is to affirm the obligation to choose a higher end when it comes into competition with a lower one. It never acts with reference to a single end, but always to decide between two, each of which furnishes in itself a reason for action."

"Conscience is that moral nature in us that accuses or excuses us for what we do. It judges of the moral quality of our choices and may change on a subject as our knowledge enlarges."

"Conscience is that ever present something that tells us the difference between the right and the wrong."

"It is that ever present inexpressible something which hurts or causes an uneasy feeling when we do a mean act."

"Conscience is our moral consciousness in connection with our choice."

### Sowing and Reaping.

Whatever station in life one works in, if he sows a good thought, awakens a righteous ambition or helps fix a noble purpose, these will multiply after him. Every kind and honest effort has a good influence on the doer and on the receiver. A young man returned to college who was but a child when he left. His memory of most faces and facts connected was gone, but one woman was well remembered because she had made him a pretty little gift. An act of kindness to a child is both a picture for him to look upon and a sustaining force in his after life.

Has not the spiritual energy of the great apostle who was beaten so often caused millions of those living after him to hold on to Godly purposes? For such purposes Jesus came into the world. "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me." He began this drawing by giving His thoughts to the twelve, these gave to the multitude, thence the Roman empire was evangelized and His glad mes-

sage started to all the world. He will continue offering His love until the whole world has been won. He will make complete connection between the ever-living God and the divine nature in the souls of men, so that at the conclusion of earth's great problem God will be all and in all, and we will have complete life in Him through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Fair Play.

To choose and plan to murder another for the sake of revenge or greed of money is a criminal offense, the penalty being death or imprisonment for life. This is society's safe-guard—the means of protecting her own life. If a man carries a revolver society says he shall be punished because he might become involved in a quarrel and take some citizen's life. If a man raffles off a horse he must pay a penalty because the unwary will thus spend their money and most of them get no returns from it. If a man steals food for his hungry family he is arrested, tried and put in the penitentiary. This is necessary for the protection of society. Prize fighting is outlawed, lest it encourage grossness and immorality. If one deceives another and gets money under false pretenses he is put in prison.

People approve all of these laws and give time and money to have them enforced. They do well. But here is the whiskey traffic which leads men to the loss of reason and self-control, wherein they commit theft, murder and every vile offense. Yet this business is not outlawed, but protected by the law. A thousand men might carry revolvers and only one be liable to hurt anybody. Make a thousand men drunk and there is liability of a hundred fights and half a dozen murders. Yet it is lawful to sell the whiskey, but is against the law to sell the pistols. A young man puts his money into the raffle and is likely to get nothing in return. He gives his money for whiskey and is sure to receive that which ceases his manhood. Law lets the whiskey traffic go on—protects the business, although through it money is wasted, drunkards made and life destroyed. But it is unlawful for even a sober man to risk money in a raffle.

Money is so sacred. Only man is worthless in the eyes of some modern legislation. In all prize fighting within the last thousand years not as many men have been killed as have been destroyed through the whiskey traffic within the last six hours. Yet prize fighting is outlawed, branded with infamy. But the whiskey business is established by law, protected and held in bonded trust by the great United States government. It is sham, it is mockery for people to profess to love virtue, love, order and sobriety, and then give

legal sanction—make laws for a vicious business which is the enemy and destroyer of the very things which they say they love and pray for.

If Christians have any business in politics at all it is their work to carry righteousness into our country's laws and the administration of them. But the legalized whiskey traffic is full of sin and uncleanness. The saloon is a hotbed for starting vices to be planted abroad in society. Yet it is as lawful as a school or a store. How can a Christian refuse to cast his ballot with his prayers against the whiskey traffic?

### Questions and Answers.

1. What will it cost me to go to Milligan College one school year?

For board, tuition and fees it will cost you from \$10.00 to \$14.00 per month, depending upon where you board and what you study.

2. What will board cost me?  
From \$7.50 to \$10.00 per school month of four weeks.

3. Can I rent a room and do my own work?

Yes, you can rent rooms in the village for \$1.00 per month.

4. How much will it cost me to live that way?

Whatever you make it cost. From \$1.00 to \$2.00 per week.

5. How much will washing cost?

It can be well done at from 50 cents to 75 cents per month, or you can spend three times that much at the laundry.

6. How much will books cost?

From \$6.00 to \$20.00 per school year, depending upon the studies taken and the changes of classes.

7. Have you a Business College?

We have the largest and best, a thorough and practical Business College. BUSINESS SCHOOL OPENS JANUARY 2, 1900.

8. What will the course cost?

It will cost \$40.00, including diploma and books. \$25.00 of this sum must be paid when the student receives his books to begin work.

9. Have you a library at Milligan?

Yes, there is a handsome library hall with two to three thousand volumes in it, and the librarian is present to aid the students all of the day.

10. What kind of a looking place is Milligan?

When you get off at the little station in the woods, nearly three-fourths of a mile from the College, it is a bleak prospect. But come up Buffalo Creek and stand on the College hill, look up the valley on to the mountains and the scene is beautiful—always to be remembered. The College building and the Girls' Home are both on this hill.

11. How do you come to Milligan?

Come to Bristol from the east, to Morristown from the south or west, thence from each place to Johnson City, thence on the Narrow Gauge 3½ miles to Milligan. By notifying us you can be met at Johnson City.

12. Do the young men have any sports?

They have excellent grounds for baseball and other games, but they do not play football. Match games with other than their own school are absolutely forbidden.

13. What else?

They have mountains to climb, caves to explore, gorges to see, whirling, gliding water courses to follow; and all nature declares the place healthful and beautiful.

14. How are new students received?

With the kindness of well-bred people from the first, by both teachers and older students.

15. To whom shall I go when I arrive there?

Always go direct to the President of the school or to one of the Faculty. It is the business, duty and pleasure of the teachers to help students in selecting studies, homes and associates.



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## The Two Words.

One day a harsh word, rashly said,  
Upon an evil journey sped,  
And like a sharp and cruel dart  
It pierced a fond and loving heart;  
It turned a friend into a foe,  
And everywhere brought pain and woe.

A kind word followed it one day,  
Flew swiftly on its blessed way,  
It healed the wound, it soothed the pain;  
And friends of old were friends again  
It made the hate and anger cease,  
And everywhere brought joy and peace.

But yet the harsh word left a trace  
The kind word could not efface;  
And though the heart its love regained,  
It bore a scar that long remained;  
Friends could forgive, but not forget,  
Or lose the sense of keen regret.

Oh, if we would but learn to know  
How swift and sure our words can go,  
How would we weigh with utmost care  
Each thought before it sought the air,  
And only speak the words that move  
Like white-winged messengers of love!  
—Sunday-School Times.

## Life.

Life is in truth, in hope, in love.

Enthusiasm for a great thought is a flow of life coming from the love of that thought and the hope of reaching it, of giving it out to make others happy.

Conscience is our guide for the rough ways of life. As we heed his guiding he leads us to liberty and fields of growth—natural healthy growth. Going contrary to conscience results in moral friction, spiritual unrest and, these to the soul's death. True, conscience may lead to error and things that are destructive of life, yet it is the highest moral sense which any one has and must be implicitly obeyed.

The corrective to this seeming paradox is in the nature of conscience itself. That is, man's moral nature of which conscience is the exponent recognizes its obligation to give honest attention to new knowledge and this knowledge wrought into true wisdom may and sometimes does bring a new conscience as to an old subject. Thus thought grows clearer and deeper and the spirit feels the quickening of a higher life.

## Brotherhood.

Slowly the true principles of government evolve. Two Massachusetts towns elect men for mayors who believe that the whole people should own and conduct the water works, light plants, telephones, street cars and all natural monopolies. They advocate that the town employ all unemployed citizens to work on streets, parks and other public works; that they purchase and improve slum property and rent it at low rates. If need be, that the city enter into the manufacture of their own goods or other articles sufficient to employ all the people who want labor.

Mayor Jones, of Toledo, Ohio, whose motto, "The golden rule in business," has made him famous over the nation, has received 100,000 votes. The advocates of public ownership, of income taxes, of government insurance and many other cooperative features in Germany, have increased from a few hundred votes fifteen years ago to one fifth of all the votes cast, and these constitute the determined aggressive force of the nation.

In New Zealand there is one voice over the land. "We do not want either millionaires or paupers." The state, i. e., the people, own all of the railroads, telegraphs and other public enterprises, and have gone so far as to institute an old age pension to all who have been on the island twenty-five years and have not now an income as much as \$180 a year.

The feeling is growing among Christian people that we are not living and helping as brothers. Cooperative colonies and circles of brothers and institutional churches are all pointing to a truer economic organization of society than the present selfish competitive one. Jesus' thoughts and feelings worked out in social and business life will give us Christian commonwealths.

## O Beautiful, My Country.

"O Beautiful, my country!"  
Be thine a nobler care  
Than all thy wealth of commerce,  
Thy harvests waving fair;  
Be it thy pride to lift up  
The manhood of the poor;  
Be thou to the oppressed  
Fair freedom's open door.

O Beautiful, our country,  
'Round thee in love we draw;  
Thine is the grace of freedom,  
The majesty of law.  
Be righteousness thy sceptre,  
Justice thy diadem;  
And on thy shining forehead  
Be peace the crowning gem.

## Why Should it Live?

The following is a part of the report made by a grand jury in Chicago, Ill.

"Repeatedly witnesses before us have testified to the fact that in saloons which are the resort of thieves, hold-up men and dissolute women, robberies and burglaries are planned; and criminals with well known records issue from these vile dens to waylay men, women and children. In many cases saloonkeepers and saloon employes serve as receivers of stolen property. In no less than six cases before this grand jury it was shown that murders were committed either in saloons or as a result of saloon influence. The police, when striving to detect criminals, at once visit the saloons, proving that those officers are aware of the character of the men who habitually fill them.

"The fact is, that in the opinion of competent men whose duties call them to the consideration of crime in Cook County, seventy-five per cent. of the criminal offenses committed within the county are traceable directly or indirectly to the saloon, and the further fact is that the greater portion of expenses for the regulation and punishment of crime is caused by the evil of drink. All those facts are ample evidence that there should be immediate and stringent measures adopted for the suppression of the frightful evil and influence of open saloons."

Here is a report made by plain citizens in official capacity. These are not even the statements of prohibition orators. They are no stronger because made by jurors under oath but

they appeal to the judgment of those who can hear a jurymen and may be prejudiced against prohibitionists.

Brother what will you do with this blaspheming vice-fed beast? It was born of ignorance and gross appetite. It is cared for by greed and feared so much by party lovers that they allow it to take its own course and even turn in their sons and daughters to fill its maw. Sooner than stand out and fight it in the political field some of these faint hearts dare not strike at it even from the secure pulpit, or if they do, vote next day with the men who conduct the business.

I would not for all the world nor for life itself stand in the place of the man who professes Christ, sees the sin of the whiskey traffic and then will not raise his voice and cast his ballot against the wicked business.

## What is Best?

Each one feels that he wants to do the best he can. One young man thinks the best thing he could do would be to educate himself. But he is unwilling to part with his property or to stop making money and begin spending it. He would love to have the larger life an education would lead into but he is unwilling to deny himself present pleasure or money for that life.

He looks about him and sees educated men holding the places of trust and honor and the untrained ones living at a disadvantage both in serving themselves and in helping others. Still he is young and hopeful and thinks he can make a fortune and that will carry him through. When this is made if he is a man of good natural sense he sees the need of early education in order either to use or enjoy his gains, and wishes he had gone to college or studied diligently in early life. If, through the happy turn of affairs, he gets into a responsible place he then sees the need of knowledge and training and wishes he had educated himself. President McKinley is reported as stating lately how he was disappointed in not getting to finish his college course, and advises boys to take a college course. Is it not best then to learn wisdom from others experience and prepare in youth and early life for greater usefulness and happiness? Solomon says wisdom is better than gold. The experience of men who have seen most and done most for the world shows the same. Gladstone has done much more for man than Vanderbilt. Get wisdom and get understanding while young. Begin now. Do your best.

## Bonds

Why should our government ever issue an interest-bearing bond? They are to be paid some time, and interest is to be paid each six months. When the government must go in debt why not issue a non interest bearing currency payable at different dates in the future and pay current expenses with this money? It would have the credit of the government back of it just the same as bonds and would answer as a currency just as well as

bank notes. If any of it should be burned or destroyed the whole people would be the gainers of the amount lost. It would increase the currency for transacting business and be in the hands of the people and be even a financial blessing to all except a few thousand people who want government bonds from which to draw interest. Let the people issue this currency of non interest bearing notes payable in the future the same as bonds. It will save interest and give confidence on the money question and do away with the friction and prejudice between the banking class and multitudes of the people.

## Short Thinks.

The world's progress in science, politics and religion has been made by breaking up old faiths and reconstructing on truer principles.

A school is valuable in the degree that it develops a love of learning, a love of God and a willingness to give unselfish service to advance the human race.

It is not to be believed that the principles of true religion change; but as man understands these better and comes more fully into the life of God the old statements of views are modified.

A lover of truth is willing to hear the other side and give its thoughts honest consideration, and whether he likes to do this or not he feels it a duty to himself and to any honest man who addresses him.

Each man is valuable to society according to what he is, what he knows and what he does. What he is is character, what he knows is power, what he does is the application of this power to man's service.

Truth gains by investigation and comparison. There is something in the nature of mind to know truth. The comparison must be without prejudice or this power of the soul will not be seen and the man will adhere to his old notions.

Truth makes man feel secure. It somehow complements the demands of his nature. When the presentation of another honest man's plea makes one uneasy or angry there is need of one's patient re-examination of the positions assailed.

If men in forming political and religious judgment hunted truth with the same honest directness that students seek the correct solution of a problem or the right translation of a sentence society would make leaps and bounds toward man's most perfect state.

One part of college life is to treasure helpful memories. The young man or woman whose study and conduct are honest and hopeful is always ready to take in every valuable and pleasant thought. Such a student makes friends under the happiest conditions because students are old enough to form intelligent friendships and young enough that they may be moulded for life. Every day new experiences, some fresh thoughts come into life. These make happy memories in days to come.



## PERSONAL and IMPERSONAL.

Leaf, bud and blossom are folded away;

The sturdy brown branches are stripped for the fray.

Now welcome be Winter! His chorus of storm,

Glad answer shall have from our hearth snug and warm.

Ice, snow and tempest awaken no fear

For the charm of the season, glad Christmas, is here.

Health.

Industry.

Good behavior.

Holidays in sight.

The shorthand class is doing good work.

Only two school days will be given for Christmas—Saturday and Tuesday.

Mr. Lance, an earnest student from Kimberlin Heights, recently entered school.

Miss Gracie Banner's school has closed and she expects to be in school with us soon.

A good letter from Miss Annie Williams tells us she hopes to come to commencement.

Mr. John Hanen, who has been spending several months in Milligan, left for Washington a few days ago.

Miss Minnie Bolton writes a cherry letter from her school-room at New Castle, Va. She is enjoying the work.

Miss Geneva Wallace writes that she will be here in perhaps a week or two. Her sister Monnie will also come.

Tommie Anglin, who went home to recruit from a severe illness writes that he will return to school in a short time.

W. J. Shelburn, class of '95, is making commendable progress in Kentucky University where he is spending his second term.

The students in senior Rhetoric lately entertained the morning class with an excellent program of essays prepared for class use.

Prof. McCounell's Sunday school class recently gave an interesting program of orations pertaining to the life and times of Christ.

Mr. W. G. Payne has moved to his nice new home on Forest Hill in the northern part of the village and has put five children into school.

The class attendance this session is reported as a high average, and this is always an element of successful teaching and of a student's progress.

Among late enrollments we are glad to see the names of Messrs. Richard Barry, Jerry Wilson and Misses Burley Rowe and Lizzie Snodgrass.

Mr. Jerry Wilson has come in from his second school. We speak that some day his whole heart and life shall be in preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The continued critical illness of Mrs. Mollie Hardin Epps, class of '85, at her home in Jonesboro, causes deep anxiety to the many who love her. She bears her suffering with sweetest Christian fortitude.

Mrs. Cornforth is on a ten days' visit to her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Tate, in Dyer, West Tennessee. Miss Annie Bolton keeps the library during Mrs. Cornforth's absence.

Miss Laura Clark writes us a good letter and says her brother John wants to reenter school but can hardly get his own consent to give up the good business position he holds.

Come to the Normal School and study teaching as an art and as a science. Men experienced in city school, country schools and colleges will all take part in the work.

The Sunday-school entertainment for Christmas promises to be up to the average or above it. The little ones are singing and practicing their pieces. Everybody expects a good time.

The young ladies gave an open and very interesting session of their literary society in the library on last Saturday evening. Two of the young men's literary clubs were guests.

A good letter from Mrs. Etta Brown Reynolds tells us she has recovered from a severe spell of typhoid fever. Mr. Reynolds is doing efficient pastoral work in Rockwood, Tennessee.

A number of new students expect to enter after the holidays. Several of these are teachers who will have full advantage of the Normal class besides being present at the organization of new classes which will be formed at that time.

Prof. James Johnson, class of '97, made us a pleasant visit lately. He is doing excellent work in the Johnson City schools and occasionally spends Saturday in Milligan library and class rooms.

Prof. Garrett sometimes conducts the morning class on Tuesday, Prof. McConnell on Wednesday, Prof. Thomas on Thursday and Mrs. Hopwood on Friday. Their short addresses are gladly heard.

At this writing Bro. A. A. Ferguson's meeting in the church near the college is still going on. Twelve conversions to this date. It is hoped the clear earnest Gospel preaching will bring many more to Jesus.

The last payment on the notes to place Milligan College out of debt is now due. There is a healthy gathering in going on at this writing. Let it continue until all the notes are paid and save us any further reminders.

The Commercial School opens January 2. Everything is in fine trim for the work. No better system and no more thorough teaching can be found. Every graduate of Milligan Business College can testify to its excellence.

Several friends have written to know why their ERA does not come. The reason is that the paper has not been published since September. It will be sent whenever published, which we hope may be more frequent in future.

Mr. Sells and family have moved to their new home two miles west of Milligan. We regret very much that they are father away but congratulate them on getting into their own new home, and trust that we may still see them often.

Mrs. T. E. A. Sweet, of Bristol, whose son Clarence is one of our brightest young students, spent Thanksgiving with us. She was in school during the third year of our work here, and will be happily remembered by students then present as Miss Amner Millard.

The senior class has just started in the studies of Moral Philosophy and Christian Evidence, alternating the recitations. These are the kind of studies that do much to shape future laws and faiths of a country. And this class promises a high interest in the subjects.

Now is the best time to enter school. The first term closes at Christmas. Two full terms come after that and these will be the best two terms in our history. They will end with the Reunion June 10-20. Come and be a member of the happiest school in the happiest year of its life.

The community has suffered loss in the death of Mrs. Bettie Boyd at her home one and a half miles southeast of the college. Mrs. Boyd was an intelligent, earnest Christian woman and though in delicate health for years she never neglected an opportunity to speak a kind word or do a kind act for those about her.

The chalk talker, D. E. Allen, Morristown, interested and instructed us all. The man who can sketch five faces—one with each hand, one with each foot and one with the pencil in his teeth and make chalk talk in many other ways, is an interesting actor. The exhibition of his oil paintings is worth the admission fee.

R. M. Barry member of the senior class, taught his first school this year in Unicoi City. His entertainment showed care and interest. The preparation and the good word of patrons declared him to have equitted himself well in the daily duties. Success to the young schoolmaster. May he have the leadings of the Great Teacher.

A fine meeting is in progress conducted by Rev. A. A. Ferguson pastor at Johnson City. Mr. Ferguson has been preaching and teaching most of the time since his graduation at Milligan in '82, but for the last two years has given his time wholly to preaching. He is a clear, fluent and forceful speaker and very popular with his audiences.

It is with deepest regret that we learn of the death of Dr. R. J. English, of Rocky Mount, Virginia. He was a graduate of the class of '95 and was a clean Christian gentleman, beloved by teachers and students alike. After leaving school he entered medical college where he finished a thorough course and was just entering into the practice of his chosen profession. High qualities of head and heart made him a favorite among his many friends. The stricken family have our heartfelt sympathy.

Work for some good, be it ever so lowly; Cherish some flower, be it ever so lowly; Labor! all labor, is noble and holy.

Married—At the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Sallie Hendrix, near Milligan, Dec. 13 at 3 p. m., Mr. Walter Fields, of Hawkins county, to Miss Bessie Hendrix, President Hopwood officiating.

After the ceremony an elegant dinner was served and the bridal party then drove to Johnson City where they took the train for Rogersville. These young people were students for several years with us and always stood high in the estimation of their teachers and schoolmates. May the Master find many ways to make them happy and useful in His service and enable them to realize the bright prospects now opening before them.

Thanksgiving exercises were held in morning-class. Nearly every student joined in singing the opening song "America," after which the thirty-third and thirty-fourth Psalms were read.

The Divine message to us from the reading seemed to center in that most timely beatitude "Blessed is the man whose trust in the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for his inheritance."

Prayer was then offered followed by short speeches from most of the teachers. We give a brief extract for each.

Professor McConnell: "That for which I am most thankful this morning is life and its opportunities. My greatest fear is that I will not improve these opportunities."

Professor Thomas: "This is the especial season to remember the poor. Instead of sending good things to them let us invite them to our homes where they can receive the benefits of social intercourse as well as a greater supply of table comforts."

Professor Garrett: "The danger is that we forget the purpose of the day and spend it frivolously. It is ours to give solemn praise and thanksgiving to God for His manifold blessings during the past year."

Prof. Davis: "My deepest gratitude goes up to God for the prospect of international arbitration bringing peace to all mankind."

Mrs. Hopwood: "The day is given for our enjoyment and let us not forget that the truest enjoyment in this life comes from doing something to make others happy."

Benediction was then pronounced and the school was adjourned for the day. Everyone seemed happy and eager to render that kink of obedience

by Pope:

"For God is paid when man receives.

To enjoy, is to obey."

Turkey dinners, afternoon reception at Young Ladies Home, promenades and social games on the grass in the soft sunshine offered enjoyment for every body.

At 6:30 a pleasing performance was given in the hall by the young gentlemen of the American Literary Society, after which all retired to their rooms feeling that a full rich day was gone and a store of happy memories were laid away.

## The Reunion.

The reunion June 10th to 20th, promises to be a joyous and helpful occasion. Men and women who have not been on our grounds for ten to twenty years expect to be here. Some who left with clear eyes and black heads will come with grey hair and glasses. They bring experience and wisdom. Their hearts are greater also.

The program is not yet completed but we are hearing from many.

Jesus once said: "It must needs be that offenses come, but woe to him by whom they come." Human nature is so perverse that it seems some will offend. So in a school it seems there must be a few who will occasionally stay out of class, loaf about the stores instead of reading in the library, chew or smoke instead of following only clean habits, talk about guns and dogs instead of books, farms, improvements, and the elements of better living, but what a shabby little remnant of students these fellows are here.

## NOTICE.

Three houses and lots in the village of Milligan can be bought at reasonable figures. They are near enough the college to be homes for families who want to educate their children. Write to the President of Milligan College.

## Killing For Sport.

The craze for hunting is on, violent on. Whoever knows the haunts where a plump partridge, with her family, picks seeds through the day and tucks her pretty head under her wing at night, gets a savage dog to hunt her down. When she flies for life from this enemy the merderous gun cracks and the fluttering heart is stilled. By this act the sum total of happiness has been lessened and the gunner has betrayed the trust imposed when God gave man dominion over all things. This dominion carries with it the duty of guardianship and protection to the weak.

We say nothing about hunting birds or other wild animals for necessary food or for the sick or about reducing their number when they become actually destructive. What we speak against is destroying life for sport. He who does this embrates his own nature and defrauds the whole human race—defrauds it by robbing the earth-home of its loveliest adornments; and worse than this, robs society of a large degree of human compassion. He who takes the life of an innocent animal may soon grow bold enough to inflict pain or even death upon a fellow being whenever such a course gratifies his selfish, unrestrained instinct. This is proved by the fact that professional butchers are the most cruel class of people, as a rule, the police of the large cities testifying that the most atrocious crimes are committed by those who follow killing for a business.

## Dictionary Girl.

A disagreeable girl—Annie Mesity.  
A sweet girl—Carrie Mel.  
A pleasant girl—Jenny Rosity.  
A smooth girl—Amelia Ration.  
A needy girl—Cora Ander.  
A clear case of girl—E. Lucy Date.  
A geometrical girl—Polly Gon.  
Not orthodox—Hettie Rodoxy.  
One of the best girls—Ella Gant.  
A flower girl—Rhoda Dendron.  
A musical girl—Sarah Nade.  
A profound girl—Mettie Physics.  
A star girl—Meta Oric.  
A clinging girl—Jessie Mine.  
A nervous girl—Hester Ical.  
A muscular girl—Callie Sthenic.  
A lively girl—Anna Mation.  
An uncertain girl—Eva Nescent.  
A sad girl—Ella G.  
A great big girl—Ellie Phant.  
A warlike girl—Millie Tary.

## A Plea For the Birds.

"There is a stain of blood on every bonnet  
That has a dead bird stretched upon it"

Will there be a song-bird left in the country another year? Look at the milliners' openings, and answer the question for yourselves. The slaughter of the song-birds is something appalling. They are killed, not by the hundred, nor by the thousand, but by the million. Millions of skins are sold every year to the millinery trade.

While feeding its young, each bird will destroy hundreds of insects every day; and all through the summer they are busily at work feeding upon the grubs and worms that devour the grain and fruit and foliage of trees. When famine comes upon the land, it will be no "mysterious dispensation of God." It will be the result of this fearful sacrifice of bird-life.

Every woman with a woman's heart, in her breast should take a firm stand in this matter. She should say: "I will not wear the plumage; I blush to think I have ever done so." It may be too late already to save ourselves from the consequences of our sin, but at least we can leave such a supply of breasts and dead birds on hand that the few live birds remaining next season will not have to be murdered to satisfy the blood-thirsty demand of this cruel fashion.—Living Church.



**News Notes.**

Taylor, republican candidate, is governor of Kentucky.

Haverhill, Mass., has re elected her socialist mayor and has also chosen three socialist aldermen.

The Belgian people are much in favor of their own blood, the Boers, in the south African contest.

Gen. Galacres in command of British forces attempting to take Stormberg is reported to have met a serious reverse, losing near 1,200 out of 2,000.

The people of the United States are to be congratulated on the vote of 300 against admitting Roberts to a seat in congress pending the investigation of charges, while only 30 voted to admit him.

Several late decisions of the courts against trusts which show their vulnerable points says the Chicago Record has made the stock holders uneasy and the holders are selling on a falling market.

The House of Representatives is now discussing the currency bill prepared by the republican committee on finance. It is to be hoped they will give light from statement of facts rather than a contention as to theories.

The Philippine war drags on. The insurgents are scattered today and assemble at some other point tomorrow. The last heard from Aguinaldo since his flight to the mountains is that he is at the head of a large force moving towards his old home, Cavite.

**Jenny Lind and Grisi.**

We have recently read a beautiful incident. Jenny Lind and Grisi were rivals for popular favor in London. Both were invited to sing the same night at a Court concert before the Queen. Jenny Lind, being the younger, sang first, and was so disturbed by the fierce, scornful look of Grisi that she was at the point of failure, when suddenly an inspiration came to her. The accompanist was striking his final chords. She asked him to rise, and took the vacant seat. Her fingers wandered over the key in a loving prelude, and then she sang a little prayer which she had loved as a child. She hadn't sung it for years. As she sang she was no longer in the presence of royalty, but singing to loving friends in her fatherland.

Softly at first the plaintive notes floated on the air, swelling louder and richer every moment. The singer seemed to throw her whole soul into that weird, thrilling, plaintive "prayer." Gradually the song died away and ended in a sob. There was silence—the silence of admiring wonder. The audience sat spellbound. Jenny Lind lifted her sweet eyes to look into the scornful face that had so disconcerted her. There was no fierce expression now; instead, a teardrop glistened on the long, black lashes, and after a moment, with the impulsiveness of a child of the tropics, Grisi crossed to Jenny Lind's side, placed her arm about her and kissed her, utterly regardless of the audience.—Our Dumb Animals.

Growth follows exercise. If grace, beauty, gentleness and love are qualities to admire, then let them be cultivated until they shall grow into full control of our lives, and let us condemn and cast out all that would make the the world less beautiful and c human heart less tender.

**William Gilliam.**

William Gilliam died October 8. He was a plain man and lived in a very plain house, but he was honest, kind, and a faithful, hard-working man. He treated others with respect and respected himself. He had a sensible good wife and four little daughters. He loved these all; they loved him. He worked in the field and the little girls played beside the road, while the mother worked and sang in the cabin. At dinner the six ate at one table and lovingly waited on each other. At evening the little girls would drive up the cow, the mother would milk and Mr. Gilliam would chop wood for night and morning. When all were in they enjoyed intelligent intercourse, for even the little eight-year-old girl could read in the Fourth reader. Disease came; then followed sorrow and fears. Their cup was full when death took the husband and father, and left mother and daughters to work alone. May the Father of mercies tenderly lead and comfort these bereft ones.

**A Fortune in Manners.**

"His manner is worth a hundred thousand dollars to him!" That is what one of the chief men of the nation lately said about a boy. "It would not be worth so much to one who meant to be a farmer, or who had no opportunities; but to a young college student with ambition, it is worth at least a hundred thousand." The boy was a distant relative of the man and had been brought up by careful parents in a far-off city. Among other things, he had been taught to be friendly, and to think of other persons before himself. Therefore, he soon acquired a cheery, helpful and affable manner that won for him an entrance into the esteem and confidence of all who knew him. His attractive address and quiet consideration made friends for him on every hand. A score of small courtesies every day unconsciously called attention to his value. That is why the shrewd man of the world ventured the foregoing opinion.—Selected.

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