He stood alone!
Alone he stood upon the deep-sea shore,
Around him waves reverberating roar
"With never-ending moan;"
And wild winds bluster as they did of yore
In ages that have flown.

And yet no woe—
No bone of fierce contention ever tore
Him from the threshold of his father's door,
Or made him helpless groan.
Then why his brow a shadow broodeth o'er?
Why standeth he alone?

Was it some crone—
Some aged crone he met upon the moor,
That prophesied of ill, and clouds in store,
And turned him into stone?
Or was't a raven flecked with human gore
That shrieked a warning tone?
Or p'rhaps a cone—
A pyramid, erected on the floor,
Of fancied evils threatening evermore
To seize upon the drone,
And hurl him from the height of human lore—
His literary throne?

Can it be shown?
Or proven by experience what a bore
It is to have to poetize galore,
With naught to call your own
But shapes fantastic that unruly soar
Throughout your mental zone?

It's a conundrum.

It is easier to tear down than to build up, easier
to waste than to acquire, easier to destroy than to produce.
I was standing, not long since, on a crowded thoroughfare of a great city; the seething, bubbling masses of humanity came surging up and down, but they were not occupying my thoughts, and I took but little notice of them. I was watching the movements of a gang of workmen who were busily engaged in uprooting a gigantic old elm that reared its majestic form above the broad, smooth walk. It was a noble old tree, and I could not regard its destruction as other than a species of vandalism.

A young man leaves the sheltering protection of a fond home and loving, pious parents, to force his way alone through the crowded avenues of life. He is young, and visions of future usefulness and future honor displace the feelings of natural sorrow at the sacrifice he has made; but misfortunes come, not singly, but trooping like legions of demons upon the pathways of his untried life. He is not strong; he has not yet learned that which bitter experience alone can teach him—to bear and forbear. To his passionate, untutored heart mole-hills of troubles are magnified into mountains. Difficulties weigh him down like the incubus of a frightful nightmare. To drown his sorrow or banish it from his mind he drinks—not once, for that does not help the matter—but deep and often. Like the bankrupt who forges one bill of exchange to pay another, he adds crime to misfortune, and only when it is
too late realizes the fatal mistake he has made—there is where he has torn down that which he can never wholly replace—his reputation!—married and blotted the spotless scroll which God unrolled before him! Does he try to reason down the upbraiding voice of conscience by the shallow sophism that he is not a free agent? Quite likely; but oh! he knows better! He was free to choose the pathway in life which he would follow, and now when he realizes that he has made a bad choice he cannot escape the responsibility of his action. Perhaps in his rash temerity he will affect the belief that there is no future reward for well-doing, no punishment for evil. One step farther and he is ready to affirm there is no God. It is a progressive course, and oh! so very common at the present time! But can this transition take place without a struggle? Can that which is divine in man be torn out, trampled upon, destroyed, and all without a parting pang? We saw how grandly the old elm clung to the earth that nourished it, and how the soil clung round its roots to the last moment. Is it not so with those early lessons of piety—that sweet and wondrous history of Bethlehem and Calvary? Those convictions of later years which like a fair and thorny forest of trees had thrust down their roots, spread afoft to the sunlight their graceful branches and become indeed a part of his life; can these be torn away uprooted, without causing pain, without leaving a ghastly, unsightly blank? No; it cannot be. The man who would pull down old Trinity if he received the proper "checks" could not doubt so without a shadow of remorse—nor would he be so very wrong—for he was only obeying the orders of his superior; but in this case mark the difference: the mandate comes alone from no higher source than his own weak, perverted heart. It is better to build up than to tear down.

In this eager, rushing world, whatever impedes the progress of public sentiment must be cut down and removed. It is a race in which each man feels impelled to remove every obstacle from his path—to cast aside every superfluous garment, that he may win the prizes and preferments rewards are conferred in consequence of intellectual abilities and attainments, and great punishments follow negligence and ignorance. Now, it is evident that, independent of the intrinsic value of the former class, and the disadvantage attending them, though the separate words expressing praise or blame must instantly, from repetition of the producing cause is accompanied, afford in each instance a peculiar compound of pleasure or pain, which, by the custom of our language, has the word honor or shame respectively connected with it.

This general account may apply to each of the four classes of ambition; but the feelings of honor or shame connected with them require a more minute analysis. A great part, perhaps the greatest, is derived from the high encomiums, applause and flattery paid to talent and learning, and the ridicule and contempt thrown upon folly and ignorance, in all the discourses and writings of men of genius and literature. These persons are extremely partial to their own excellencies, and carry the opinion of the world along with them by the force of their abilities and eloquence. It is also to be observed that in the education of young persons, and especially of boys and young men, great rewards are conferred in consequence of intellectual abilities and attainments, and great punishments follow negligence and ignorance; and rewards and punishments being respectively associated with the words expressing praise and censure, and with all their other circumstances, gives to praise or censure more vivid memories of those pleasures and pains.

In like manner the kinds of honor and shame, by being expressed in words and symbols, which are nearly related to each other, enhance each other; thus, for example, the caresses which are given to a child, when he is dressed in fine or new clothes, prepare him to be much more affected with the caresses and encomiums bestowed upon him when he has been diligent in getting his lesson; and indeed it ought to be remarked that the words and phrases of the parents, superiors, governors, and attendants have so great an influence over children, when they first come to the use of language, as instantly to generate an implicit desire or a high degree of pleasure. Unless very improper treatment has been practiced, they have at that early period no suspicions, jealousies, recollections or expectations of being deceived or disappointed; and therefore a set of words expressing pleasure of any kind which they have experienced, put together in almost any manner, will raise up in them a pleasurable feeling, and the opposite words a painful one. Hence it is easy to see that the language expressing praise or blame must instantly, from the mere associations connected with the separate words, put them into a state of hope and joy, or of fear and sorrow; and when the foundation is thus laid, praise and blame will keep their influences, from the advantages or disadvantage attending them, though the separate words...
The honor and shame arising from intellectual accomplishments do often, in learned men, after a time, destroy in a great measure their sensibility in respect to every kind of honor and shame; and this seems chiefly to arise from their conversing much with books and learned men, Insomuch as to have a great part of the pleasures which they receive from such intercourse closely connected with the encomiums on abilities and learning, hearing all terms of honor applied to them, and the keenest reproach and the most insolent contempt cast upon the contrary defects. As the pleasures which raillery, ridicule and satire afford to the bystanders are very considerable, so the person who is the object of them, and who begins to be in pain upon the first slight mark of contempt, has this pain much enhanced by the contrast, the unseasonableness and confusion rising in proportion to the degree of mirth and insolent laughter in the bystanders. Thus it happens that very few persons have courage to stand the force of ridicule, but subject themselves to considerable bodily pains, to losses, and to the anxiety of a guilty mind, rather than appear foolish, absurd, singular, or contemptible to the world, or even to persons of whose judgment and abilities they have a low opinion.

L. O.

A Model Student.

Youth is the foundation of manhood; and the habits good or evil, formed in early years cling to us through life. That we do not make more generous efforts to rectify our lives when young, is because we have not succeeded in convincing ourselves of this truth. Of the many young men who enter college, or elsewhere pursue studies, very few there are who had not at the beginning of their class, after finishing his preliminary studies, John was put under the care of Father Peter Emeric, a Fenestrating monk, who seems to have had a great admiration and affection for his young charge. The portrait of this good old man may yet be seen in the sacristy of the village church. Later on, Berchmans moved to Mechlin, where in the house of a certain canon, he continued his studies, making a return in domestic work. His sweet disposition endeared him to all, and his company was eagerly sought by many young men far above him in the social scale. Such was the exquisite delicacy of his conscience that he did not know even by name vices to which boys are generally not strangers. A new college having been founded at Mechlin by the Jesuits, Berchmans decided to enter it, and was found fit for the class of rhetoric. He now redoubled his zeal for study, and was soon at the head of his class.

A desire for the religious life, of which his professors were such perfect examples, soon sprung up in the heart of Berchmans. His father, being poor, opposed this inclination, fearing to lose the help he hoped to receive from his son when he had finished his studies, and it was with great reluctance that he finally gave his consent that John should embrace the religious life in the Society of Jesus, for which he had a predilection on account of its being the religious family of which the angelic Aloysius was a beatified member. John was seventeen years of age when he presented himself at the door of the Jesuit novitiate, then in Mechlin. There he was affectionately received, and passed the first term of his religious life; and his amiable virtues rendered him an object of love and admiration to his superiors and religious brethren, who called him the “angel of the novitiate.” Those only who have experienced it can know the happiness of the first years of a religious life, when the soul tastes for the first time how sweet it is to serve unreservedly the King of kings, where that peace which the world knows not of takes full possession of the heart.

In 1618 Berchmans was sent to Rome, where he was to spend the few remaining years of his saintly life. His residence was the famous Roman College, of which Father Oepari, the biographer of St. Aloysius, was rector. The wonderful talents of the young scholastic soon attracted the attention of his professors and fellow-students. His method of study has been preserved; it is remarkable for three qualities—care of time, order in its distribution, and unwearied perseverance. At the close of the day, he was accustomed to examine how he had fulfilled the obligation of study, and renewed the resolution of applying himself more earnestly to the work in hand.

That care of time and persevering effort are indispensable for the attaining of success in an occupation or pursuit requires no demonstration. But something more is required. A student may be industrious and persevering, and careful not to lose an hour of the time allotted to work, but unless he makes a careful distribution of time, allowing to each study just the amount it requires, and allowing no other task, however important it may seem, to interfere with it, he will frequently be found unprepared when the class hour comes round, and, at the close of the day, with much work undone.

Among the resolutions which were found in a little memorandum-book of Berchmans, after his death was one which shows how careful he was to profit by the instructions given in class by his professors. It was to take down in an abbreviated form whatever might have been said regarding the subject of the lesson. Very often the remarks
of a good professor are of more value than what is contained in the text-book; and a teacher who is communicative and full of his subject will throw a flood of light on what was but obscure on the written page.

Before class, Berchmans was accustomed to make a short visit to the Blessed Sacrament, where, in the words of Solomon, he prayed for a share of wisdom. He was always the first at the class-room, and, while waiting, pulled out his book and began to read. During the professor's lecture he never raised his eyes from his paper. If there was anything he did not understand, he frankly asked an explanation when the lecture was finished. He spoke Latin admirably well, but made no parade of it; he simply said, *Vere Pater, non intellectis,* and then awaited a reply.

It must not be supposed that Berchmans' application to study was detrimental to his practice of virtue; quite the contrary. Study he regarded as one of his duties, and, like all other duties, he tried to perform it perfectly. But we have exceeded our limits of time and space. We wish we could say more on the life of Blessed Berchmans. It seemed but an ordinary one; he differed very little, apparently, from those around him. However, it was in reality an extraordinary life—extraordinary for fidelity in little things. If Berchmans were living now in our midst, no doubt he would be thought simply a good Christian student, but the inaffable Church asserts that he practised virtue in an heroic degree, and proposes his example for imitation to Christian youth.

Benchman died on the 13th of August, 1621, and was beatified by the present illustrious Pope. S. H. H.

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**Woman's Influence.**

**AN ESSAY READ AT THE ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT AT ST. MARY'S, JUNE 23, 1875.**

Woman's influence! what a profoundly interesting theme! one that has elicited the attention of divines, sages and philosophers. Woman's influence! so extensive, pervading all the relations of life, entering into the destinies of nations, and, still grander, so entering into the economy of Divine Providence as to be potent even in the realms where eternity is the measure of duration!

The pages of both Sacred and Profane History teem with examples illustrating the influence of woman. In the family-circle she is indeed the moral lever on which turns the destiny of nations; and so acknowledged was the power of woman's influence radiates till it affects even the destinies of nations.

We take up the Holy Book, and lo! on its first pages we find woman's influence exercised—we blush to say, to the apparent injury of the human family—but immediately we find recorded that a Second Eve shall repair the fault of the First Eve, and mankind rejoices in anticipation of the coming of that peerless woman whose power is to crush the serpent's head and whose benign influence is to be felt for all eternity.

We read of Miriam, watching over the frail basket among the flags of the Nile, where Moses, the future leader of the Israelites, lay concealed,—that Miriam whose song of triumph inspired the Jewish hosts with grateful enthusiasm, as she sang the psalm of their deliverance. We read of Deborah, whose great wisdom in counsel was equalled by her bravery. It was her influence that nerved the little army of the Israelites to give battle to the countless hosts of Sisera. Her battle-cry was the expression of her faith in the God of armies, yet when she chanted her sublime, her glorious song of victory, she named herself as the Mother, not the captain of her people, and with delicate humility let the timid Barach share the glory herself had won. Shall we allude to Judith, who, decked with modesty and armed with faith and undaunted courage, entered even the camp of the enemy—there to use her influence for the salvation of her people? Or shall we not praise the timid Esther, who, though fainting at the frown of the mighty Ahasuerus, was so powerful in her timid, pleasing beauty as to avert the impending destruction of her nation and win for it its sovereign's protecting smile, as he benignly said: "This law is not made for thee!"

Even among the Pagan nations how important the influence of woman! The Spartan mothers and the mother of the Gracchi are familiar examples, and we all know how the mother of Coriolanus, by her influence over her son, saved ungrateful Rome from his vengeance. Marcus Coriolanus could brave all dangers and prove imitable to his enemies and the appeals of his distressed countrymen, but he did not think it unmanly to soften before the tearful entreaties of his mother, wife and other noble matrons; and so acknowledged was the power of woman's gentle influence that even the fierce Volsch, though seemingly wronged, did not blame his tenderness of heart. Many other Pagan and infidel women have immortalized themselves on the pages of history by the influence they exerted in the destiny of nations, but the greatest number have used their power so wickedly that they but serve as the dark background which gives prominence to the beautiful and majestic figures of those God-fearing women who used their influence on the side of virtue, humanity and patriotism. While the mother of Boabdil was urging her Moslem son to deeds of daring and revenge, Isabella of Spain by her influence over the minds of Christian men inspired them with the patriotic heroism that enabled them at Granada to break the Moslem power and give back to Spain her Christian rights. And surely no American can forget what we owe to this Catholic queen, whose influence cheered and sustained the great Columbus then with sublimest faith he set out to explore unknown seas in search of that mysterious land which his inspired vision saw beyond the western horizon; and when our America shall erect a noble monument to Christopher Columbus, Isabella of Castile should be there represented as the angel of his destiny, the noble type of woman's influence.

Many other beautiful illustrations are found upon the pages of history. Spain has her Maid of Saragossa—France her Maid of Orleans. Our own America has her gentle Indian maiden, the famed Pocahontas; and when we speak the praises of our Nation's Chief, do we not love to speak of her whose wise and gentle influence made him noble, true and brave—her whose memory is enshrined in our hearts as the mother of our Washington?

Why have we thus so freely called attention to the power our sex has wielded over the destinies of nations? It is to inspire ourselves with a high sense of our responsibility. It is to learn, by the examples of those we have named, how to use the influence God has so generously given us for good and noble purposes; and though content to work out our destiny in the safe, ordinary field of feminine duty and gentle benevolence, yet when some fearful crisis calls
for lion hearts and iron nerves, to step forth courageously like the heroines of old, strong in the strength of God, powerful in weakness, safe in our defenselessness. For has not God Himself been pleased to honor our sex by personifying His Church under the figure of a woman—which beautiful fact has by the great orator Montalembert been graphically embodied in one of his sublime flights of oratory. “The Church,” he says, “is a defenseless woman, bares her breast to her enemy, saying, ‘Strike!’ but who so unmanly as to strike? None.” Then let us be true to the holy, gentle mission of our sex. Let us keep before us the heroic examples of noble, God-fearing women—but above all, the sublime example of her whom all generations shall call blessed—that Maiden Mother whose influence over her Divine Son made Him at the marriage-feast of Cana of Galilee anticipate the hour of His manifestation. Thus may it even be our happy privilege often to change the sorrowful waters of bitterness into the wines of consolation by that gentle power given by our Maker that acknowledged power called Woman’s Influence.

S. A.

Art, Music and Literature.

—Preston Powers is at work at Florence on a bust of Grant, which is excellent.

—A bust of Beethoven, the work of M. Vital, has just been placed in the new Paris Opera-House.

—Mr. Theodore Thomas’ next series of symphony concerts in Boston will begin on the 17th of November.

—a work has been published in Germany edited by Herr Ferdinand Sieber, containing 10,000 popular songs catalogued and classified, with their themes noted.

—Mr. Franklin Simmons, the sculptor, is to receive $15,000 from the City of Providence for the bronze figure of the proposed Roger Williams’ monument in that city.

—The Museum of Art in Boston has become the possessor of Corot’s picture of “Dante and Virgil,” which is not a figure-piece, as might be supposed, but chiefly a landscape.

—The New York market for good pictures is said to be improving, so that the dealers—Goupil, Schaus, etc.—are buying fewer pictures, but of a better class, this season than last.

—The marble statue of Gov. Andrew, intended for his grave at Hingham, was made by Thomas Gould, at Florence, and is now in Boston. The cost of this statue was $10,000.

—Mme. Le Vert is in Salt Lake City. She is reading for the Mormons, and collecting materials for a volume of her Western travels, to be called “The Wonder Land of the West.”

—The statue of Goethe to be erected in Central Park, New York, is expected to arrive in this country from Germany in time for a celebration upon the 190th birthday of the poet.

—The Academy states that the bust of Beethoven by M. de Saint Vital that was exhibited in the last Salon, has been bought by the Administration of Fine Arts for the new Opera House in Paris.

—The managers of the Art Department of the Essex Institute, Salem, Mass., are making arrangements to hold an art exhibition there during the latter part of October or the first part of the following month.

—Mr. Sullivan has been commissioned, rumor states, to compose an opera expressly for the Italian Theatre in St. Petersburg for the season 1876-7, provided Madame Nilsson is engaged to enact the principal part.

—for the Committee to act upon the Summer models in Boston, a dozen well-known gentlemen were selected, among them being Richard H. Dana, Jr., Charles Elliot Norton, Alexander H. Rice, and Richard Frothingham.

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—the Thomas Orchestra start on a Western tour Sept. 27, returning to New England Nov. 1. The West demands a larger supply of “Wagner” than even Mr. Thomas can furnish, as he cannot accept one-half the engagements offered him there.

—the New Yorkers are startled to hear, in a letter from Col. Forney, of a monument by the French sculptor, Bartholdi, to be paid for by French Republicans, and to be placed on Bedloe's Island, in the harbor. Nobody has ever heard of it before.

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Among the new operas ready to be produced in Italy are "Iram," by Donizetti; "Gioconda," by Ponchielli; "Marie e Fernanda," by Ferrari; "Opera of Lucca;" "Cleopatra," by Rossini; (Reggio di Turin;); "Don Giovanni d'Austria," by Marchetti; a new edition of "Fosco," and "Maria Tudor," by Gomes; "Marian Delorme," and "Il Giorgio Gandi," by Perilla; "Diana," by Sanguvigi; "Diana," and "Salomé," by Petrelna, and new operas unnamed, by Punnagali, Schira, and Giro Pinsuti. During the forthcoming season will be mounted at the Milan Scala, Joffen's "La Loga"; at the Reggio di Turin, Rossin's "Cleopatra," and Marchetti's "Gustavus Vasa;" at Venten's "Oedipe;" "Gosto Verdi;" at Trieste, Verdi's "Don Carlos," and the ballet "Brahma."

The New York World, speaking of the New York Philharmonic Society, says: Another evidence of un- walled tera is shown in the following arrangement of concerts of those nights already chosen by Mr. Theodore Thomas for his symphonic soirees. Competition is said to be the soul of business. It really looks as if the Philharmonic had at least business. But these sudden awakenings often lead to indecision. As many of us would like to verify the promise of new vigor by being present at the concerts, we can only regret that they should be offered on Thursday night especially as Thursday nights threaten to be Von Bulow nights as well. We suggest to the reviving Society, now that it has risen in its strength and changed its programmes, that it go on in the good work and change its nights.

The New York correspondent of the Boston Saturday Evening Gazette says: Whether it is Gilmore's music, the refreshing garden, or the energetic management of Shook and Palmer that has made the success of the Gilmore Concert-Garden, I shall not pretend to say. That it is an unequivocal success there is no denying. Seven thousand persons is the fewest that have attended that garden on any night since its opening. The management is going strong, and if Mr. Gilmore's personal profits continue as they are now, he will have a comfortable fortune before the season is over. The music, which makes no pretension to the best of its kind, and Arbitrage and Levy need no blowing other than their own to prove their popularity is well earned; and may they live long to blow their own trumpets. No one can ever do it as well as them.

The New York Herald of the 18th says: "That name of Mozart has lost none of its magic powers with the music-loving people of New York, even during the sultry nights of August, was amply shown last night at Thomas Garden. The audience was very large and correspondingly appreciative of the old composer, whose memory will be revered long after many of the would-be musical reformers of the present day are entirely forgotten. Mr. Theodore Thomas prepared an entire surprise even for those who were familiar with Mozart's works. In a field generally supposed to have been thoroughly gleaned, he has found new attractions that were rapturously received last evening. The "Concerto" for two solo violins, oboe, and violoncello, with orchestral accompaniment—the solo quartet being magnificently rendered—were rapturously received last evening. The "Concerto" for two solo violins, oboe, and violoncello, with orchestral accompaniment—the solo quartet being magnificently rendered—were rapturously received last evening. The "Concertone," works which will be given at the Theatre of the Residency.

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March, by Michaelis; and "Reception Waltz," for piano or cabinet organ, by Baker. There are in all, thirteen full pages of good music—a feast for players and singers. The literary departments are of more than ordinary interest, embracing articles by well-known musicians, writers, and the usual quantum of editorials and short notes of interest to anyone who has the "finestest glimmer of love for music and art." The subscription price of the Visitor is $1.50 a year, which includes a valuable premium. Send stamp for sample copy, to the publishers, John Church & Co., Cincinnati, O.


The Vox Humana, published by Woods & Co., Cambridgeport, Mass., for September has been received and contains the usual amount of interesting reading matter on music; together with a selection of vocal and instrumental pieces, among the former we are pleased to see our old favorite "The Joy Green." It is one of the very best musical magazines that we receive.

Building a Bonfire.

"Let us have an illumination; let us build a fire out here on the water," said one of our party. We were "picnicking" that sultry July day at a summer resort on the banks of a delightful little lake—a lovely sheet of crystal water, and we had rowed far out from the shore to see what is everywhere pronounced beautiful—a sunset on the water. Some of our party were engaged in sketching (for future exhibition) the glorious panoramas of sky and clouds and reflections from the waves; others were well pleased to sit in silent yet eloquent admiration, scarcely heeding the low ripple of conversation that ran from boat to boat, while I was watching (somewhat anxiously, perhaps,) a small eddy containing a thousand of them. Those fragrant flashes of lightning darted down, from time to time, like serpents' tongues, to sting the softly murmuring waves. The sun had set, and the rosy amber of twilight was fast yielding place to the deeper shadows of night when the foregoing remark aroused me from the reverie into which I had fallen. "A romantic idea, Miss Blank," I replied; "but unfortunately, water will not burn." "How stupid! of course I know that! but here is every boat half filled with straw,—and perhaps you know straw will float; you are a confirmed smoker, and, of course, have matches,—lo, the materials! and now for a bonfire, (hiss, meaning good)."

We went to work at once and soon had a great mass of straw heaped up on the water, in the centre of a circle surrounded by our boats. When all was readiness, the torch was applied, and we withdrew to a safe distance, where we could watch our weird illumination and admire its ghastly effect upon the surrounding objects. It was grand; the flames shot up until they seemed to reach and scorch the stars; the darkness was driven back to the sheltering protection of the far-distant, wooded shores, and our boats lay like great black phantoms upon the larid-crested waves. But it was of short duration; our bonfire died out with a suddenness that was startling and the darkness rushed down upon us again with an intensity that almost took away our senses. The illumination was over; it seemed to me that the shadows had become palpable, and that I could feel the pressure of their wings as they rushed past; it was not a time for conversation; we could not talk if we would, and we returned in almost unbroken silence to the shore.

The next morning I was up early and away on a fishing excursion to the deep floods that lay along the northern margin of the lake. Here I met the evidences of our last night's illumination—little eddies filled with fragments of burned and blackened straw, two or three pieces of fine boards, and a few splinters of broken oars. That was all, the darkness had gone, and throwing my lines into the deep water, I leaned back in one corner of the boat and let my thoughts drift—like the useless debris around me—whither they would. Was not our amusement last evening a type of what we see so often—alas! too often—in this gilded age? Behold the men whom we recognize as geniuses—men who flashed up like stars in a stage sky, or like the flames of our last night's fire; our admiration knew no bounds, so long as it was popular to admire; but they could not last, the magic of novelty was chief among their credentials; they disapproved, and the waves of oblivion rolled back upon the pathways they had brightened, deep, black and impenetrable. Well, we must have our heroes, and we must worship them, be they politicians, capitalists, vegetarians, prize-fighters, speculators, spiritualists or balloonists—men of one idea all, and that perhaps a bad one—little men whom we have chosen to call great, men whom we might have inflated and elevated far above their sphere that we might satisfy our morbid love for the marvellous; rockets that we have thrown into the midst of the night sky that we might enjoy the brief illumination caused by their destruction. Where are they now? "Here!" said I, suddenly rousing up; "here, scattered all around me. That little eddy contains a thousand of them. Those fragments of blackened straw, those bits of broken oars, what are they but the wrecks of geniuses drifted ashore after the world's great carnival? They might have been useful in some lowly sphere, but the world wanted amusement, and so it made a bonfire of them—built it, too, upon the most antag­nistic and unstable of elements—water; and lo! the result—their destruction. Where are they now? "They are a confirmed smoker, and, of course, have matches,—lo, the materials! and now for a bonfire, (hiss, meaning good)."

"Did they deserve this fate? I fancy not. They were no doubt ambitious; they were perhaps vain and haughty—proud of their petty brilliancy—weak men, counterfeiters, usually are; every one of them peradventure fancied that he was the hero-seeking throng who out of their weakness moulded a toy to be the pastime of an idle hour. "Ah, well!" said I, as I pulled my boat around a headland and anchored it in a little secluded bay, "it is bad enough to build a fire of straw, but it is the perfection of folly to build it upon the water."
The Study of German.

The utility of the study of the German language is recognized by all persons, but more especially by citizens of the United States. But though the utility of this study is recognized, it may not be amiss to give briefly some of the many reasons which should induce students to take it up.

There are in the United States many German citizens, some of whom occupying positions of trust and honor. It is with persons of this nationality that all must more or less come in contact. With them business must be carried on. There are few merchants who have not commercial relations with them, either as purchasers of their merchandise or as sellers to them. There is scarcely a man in politics that has not many Germans among his constituents, and in many places theirs is the controlling vote. There are few, if any, lawyers who do not number among their clients a large number of persons of German birth who are wealthy and influential, and whose patronage is of great service to them. The doctor, too, finds them among his patients, the farmer among his purchasers, the contractor among his laborers, and the laborer among his employers. People in all stations of life find themselves brought into relations with them—sometimes as their employers, sometimes as their employees.

That a knowledge of the German language is useful and beneficial to all, then, needs no proof. It is self-evident that he who is able to transact business with these men in their own language is the gainer by it. Many transactions in business may be accelerated by a knowledge of this language; and though in this country a thorough knowledge of English, the language of commerce and of the majority of the people, is the more essential, yet a knowledge of German, the language of the great majority, is very important to all who embark in commerce. It should be studied by all, not slightly and superficially, but thoroughly and with care. They should be able, if possible, to master the language.

But the German language is not only useful to the student to assist him when entering business, it is an accomplishment which will be the means of affording him much pleasure. The language is one of the richest in the world, strong, manly and flexible; and, since Frederick the Great, much of the world's wisdom has been written by German scholars. Poets like Schiller, Goethe, and others, have sung undying strains in their native tongue; philosophers like Schlegel, and Gores, and hosts of others, have written with a profundity unsurpassed by writers of other nationalities. In every branch of knowledge, the sons of Germany stand eminent. She has produced great Biblical critics, like Heg and Stolz; profound Biblical exegetists like Alber, Ackerman and Molitor; divines like Wiest, Schwartz, Mohler and Liebermann; ecclesiastical historians like Count Stolberg and Alzog; archaeologists like Hammer and Schloesser; and publicists like Gentz, Adam Müller and Haller. Writers on art, music and literature, men of the highest order of genius, have served to enrich the German language and make it one of the most elegant and refined in the world. Nor have the writers of German confined themselves to the more serious studies. The minor poets and the novelists of the country have given to the world many of the sweetest tales of modern romance. Surely he who would claim to be accomplished in letters, who would drink deep draughts at the springs of human knowledge, who would sound the profound depths of philosophy or cult the flowers of poesy wherever found, cannot afford to neglect that language a knowledge of which will open to him these great treasures.

It is because the German language is of such prime importance that the authorities of the College have determined to give more especial care to its teaching. Competent teachers will take charge of the different classes of German, and will give thorough and efficient instruction to the students. Prof. O. M. Schnurrer, whose ability as a teacher is recognized by all, will take charge of the most advanced class this year, and will give that satisfaction to all which his ability is sure to command.

The students here should, then, endeavor to take advantage of the opportunity afforded them of studying the German language, knowing as they do that they will be under the instructions of able and accomplished teachers.

A Word about Education.

We wish to say a word to students about that for which they came to Notre Dame—education—and endeavor to give them a hint or two in regard to the proper attainment of it.

There are three different kinds of education—moral, intellectual and physical—and if a man is destined of any one of them he is the less fitted for the life he is to lead.

A moral education consists in the training of the heart, enlarging the moral sentiments, and curbing the passions which are more or less predominant in all persons. This is what is needed by man in order that he may be a good citizen. Society depends for its very existence on this education of the heart, for experience proves that crime is not confined to those who are ignorant of the sciences, but that some of the greatest criminals were men whose intellects were educated to a high degree. The immense public robberies and political corruption of which we read daily, are due, not to the ignorance of the people (for we are told by all, that as a people we are the most enlightened in the world,) but to the fact that in the education of youth it has been customary in our country to neglect the cultivation of those moral qualities which are necessary to make the honest man. Our people have in their great desire to
educate the intellect paid no attention whatever to the heart. It is for the purpose of making good citizens that in all Catholic schools the morals of the students are first looked after, and as there are no young persons who do not desire to become good and faithful citizens of the Republic, they should in return co-operate freely with the teachers in forming the heart for good.

Intellectual education consists in enlarging and developing the faculties and powers of the mind. This is done by the student at College by a systematic drill in the principles of the different arts and sciences. Education cannot, it is true, be completed at College, but there one obtains that great foundation on which he is to build in after life. Science has many branches, and in no one branch has man ever succeeded in attaining a knowledge of all that can be known. New discoveries are made each day. The telescope brings to us a knowledge of new stars in the firmament; the microscope brings to us information of vegetable and insect life; the geologist and botanist and scientist open to our minds new stores of knowledge. They are at work to-day, they will be at work to-morrow and when cycles of years shall have come and passed away they will still be laboring on, delving into the earth or with the telescope penetrating the vast regions above, bringing to us newer information of the great universe in which we live.

But though we cannot learn everything at College, we can as we said above lay the proper foundation on which to build our knowledge in after-life. The College is the place in which the mind is trained, is disciplined; where the knowledge of the general principles of science and art are obtained. It is the place where that knowledge is received which enables us in after-life to obtain still further knowledge without the assistance of a preceptor, for the mind once drilled and disciplined so as to comprehend that which is presented to it, the necessity of a teacher ceases. But that the mind may obtain this power it is necessary that the student should apply himself diligently to his studies, commencing with the simplest elements and proceeding gradually in acquiring a knowledge of the more difficult principles. When he has mastered the elementary studies then he should proceed to others, and not before, for there is nothing so foolish as advancing too rapidly in acquiring knowledge. That which is acquired rapidly and without reflection goes quickly. Cramming takes the place of solid information, and in the course of a few short years all the knowledge of which the student made use to dazzle the eyes of friends and acquaintances disappears, and he finds that he is less fitted for the acquiring of information than his slower neighbor who toiled laboriously while he ran. It should be the determination, then, of the student in the beginning of the year to devote himself to obtaining a thorough and reasonable knowledge of the studies he undertakes, and not to waste his time by idle reading and make up for it at examination by cramming.

As in our great desire to obtain an intellectual education we should not neglect the moral education, neither should we pay no heed to the physical. It is sad to think of the many students of talent who have gone to an early grave simply because they devoted all their time and attention to their studies and took no care to strengthen their physical constitutions. Plenty of exercise should be taken every day by those who study, otherwise their health will give way. A good walk, a little ball-playing, a row on the lake, is what is needed that the student may keep in the proper condition for study. But as the physical education must not be sacrificed for the intellectual, on the other hand the physical should not wholly engross the attention. Give to each the time allotted by the authorities of the house, and both will be well attended to.

Personal.

—Jno. Copinger is practising law in Alton, Ill.
—D. E. Moloney, of '74, is studying law in Elgin.
—Thos. O'Neill is cashier at Burke's Hotel, Chicago.
—F. McDevitt, is a reporter on the Chicago Times.
—Mrs. M. M. Phelan, is at present residing at St. Mary's.
—P. B. Ewing, of '72, is on a visit to New York city.
—Sebastian Wise is in the dry goods business in Alton, Ill.
—N. S. Mitchell, of '73, was at Notre Dame a few days ago.
—Father Sullivan, of Laporte, made a short call this week.
—Mrs. P. B. Ewing, of Lancaster, Ohio, is visiting at St. Mary's.
—L. S. Hayes, of '74, is in the City Comptroller's office, Chicago.
—George Crumney, of '75, is studying medicine in Chicago.
—C. M. Proctor, of '75, is the Civil Engineer of Elkhart, Indiana.
—Charles Dodge, of '74, is practising law in Burlington, Iowa.
—Prof. J. F. Edwards will occupy the same position this year as last.
—George Ruger is travelling for Wm. Schilling & Co., of Chicago.
—James Crumney, of '75, is book-keeping in a Chicago establishment.
—Arthur M. D. Ransom is a student of Medicine at Michigan University.
—John Nash, of '70, is in the merchant-tailoring business, in Rockford, Ill.
—Mr. M. J. Moriarty is playing this season at MeVicker's Theatre, Chicago.
—J. H. Gillespie is with M. S. Foote & Co., paper dealers, Burlington, Iowa.
—Mr. A. Klingel, the boot and shoe man of South Bend, visited us on Wednesday.
—A. W. Arrington, of '70, has left Galveston and is now practising law in Chicago.
—E. J. McLaughlin, of '75, is at present in San Francisco, recruiting his health.
—Mr. Hoeb, of Dubuque, who attended class here in 1865, was at the College on Monday.
—J. Noonan, of '74, is in the Chief Engineer's office of the L. S. & M. S. R. R. Co., Cleveland.
—Prof. T. E. Howard practised the arts of agriculture and architecture during vacation.
—Dr. McBrier and lady, of Portsmouth, Ohio, spent a few days at Notre Dame this week.
—We made a pleasant call on Mr. P. L. Garrity, 100 Van Buren street, Chicago, last week.
—John J. Hyland is Contracting Agent for the Erie and North Shore line. He lives in Chicago.
—Michael Skilling is practising medicine successfully in Philadelphia; he is one of Jefferson's Alumni.
—L. Mayr, Esq., of Rockford, Ill., and Mr. F. Mayr, of South Bend, were at the College on Wednesday.
—Dr. McBrier and lady, of Portsmouth, spent a number of days at the College at the beginning of the week.
By an oversight we did not mention last week that Prof. L. G. Tong would be at his old post as usual.

Henry Blum, Esq., of South Bend, intends going to Europe for the benefit of his health some time this fall. He is now in the Office of the Gen'l Superintendent of the Chicago & Pacific Railroad, Chicago.

Among the clergymen who were with us at the beginning of the week was Rev. E. Vattmau, of Dungannon, Ohio.

Mr. D. A. Clarke, of the Catholic Columbian, visited here Sunday last. He found the Scholastic as large as ever.

We received a call from Mr. Crockett of the South Bend Tribune on Monday last. We are always glad to see him at Notre Dame.

James L. Reddman, teacher of Telegraphy last year, is at present employed by the Metropolitan Telegraph Co., in Chicago.

Mr. DeWitt Smith, a popular conductor on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway, made a short visit to the College this week.

James P. Sewell, formerly a Scholastic typo, and more recently a Chicago Inter Ocean reporter, is at present engaged as a Boston Evening Journal reporter.

Frank Ingersoll, after a three years' sojourn in Europe, has commenced the study of law and is pursuing his course at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Prof. Lyons spent some four weeks of his vacation in St. Louis, Milwaukee, and other cities in the West and Northwest. He is now teaching in the College.

J. F. McHugh, of '72, is now a member of the law firm of Wallace, Rice & McHugh, Lafayette. We are happy to learn that he is prospering in his business, as all who knew him here expected him to be.

Wm. Hoynes, lately editor of the New Brunswick (N. J.) Times visited the College a few days ago. He is looking well, and is prospering in his business. He has promised to send us a line or two once in awhile.

Prof. M. A. J. Bassen writes us from his home in Milwaukee that the Scholastic is a welcome visitor and that the daily papers must always make way for it. The Scholastic has no better friend than Prof. Bassen.

R. H. McCarthy, of '71, is now in Washington, D. C. After leaving Notre Dame he graduated as Ph. C. and M. D. from Michigan University; attended Jefferson College, Post and 3 Tail, Chicago, Brooklyn, and Milwaukee that the West for the benefit of his health, and from present appearances this week at Notre Dame. He is travelling in the United States Navy last June.

Mr. James McDermott, a special correspondent for the New York Times, visited the College and a few days ago. He is looking well, and is prospering in his business. He has promised to send us a line or two once in awhile.

—Plenty of work in the printing-office.

—The performance has now commenced.

—The Minnies are quite numerous this year.

—A welcome to all, both old and new comers.

—The “tars” are already at work on the line.

—There are many old faces in the College halls.

—Class Honors will appear in our next number.

—The Minnies’s yard looks quite lively.

—The weather is beautiful.

—Delicious moonlight every night.

—Michael was kept busy by visitors.

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—And now study is in order from the word “go.”

—Is the chimney of the steam-house tall enough?

—Jeff. Davis is now attending class at Notre Dame.

—The promenade in the Juniors’ has been repaired.

—Now, let us have a boat-race on the 13th of October.

—Which Society will you join? That’s the question.

—Seventy five thousand brick in the new steam-house.

—Classes have begun, and all are in fine working order.

—The Fearless Baseball Club is not to be reorganized.

—The year opened with solemn high Mass on Wednesday.

—There have been no changes made in Washington, Hall.

—“The old, familiar faces” are to be seen on the Campus again.

—Mr. Slickey has been doing a big business this past week.

—We think the grass in the Campus will soon be tramped down.

—A fine walk is building from the Scholasticate to the Presbytery.

—There have been some improvements made in the Students’ Office.

—Do you belong to the Lemonnier Circulating Library Association?

—The Sodality of the Holy Angels will be reorganized immediately.

—The students will occupy the front pews in the new Church.

—We understand that the reading-room will surely be started this year.

—After two months of dulness, Notre Dame brightens up for the next ten.

—The St. Cecilians will begin work with a large crowd. We are glad of it.
—We have received a good number of new subscriptions to the Scholastic.

—Large additions have been made to the Lemmonier Circulating Library.

—The different committees were kept quite busy on Monday and Tuesday last.

—It is to be hoped that we will receive plenty of communications this year.

—Prof. L. G. Tong has charge of the Commercial Department as usual.

—The campus now looks gay with the boys promenading around the walks.

—There is a beautiful alabaster statue in the College parlor, lately placed there.

—There was any amount of hand-shaking last Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

—The rear of the old Church will not be torn down. It will be used as a Lecture Hall.

—Quite a number of students will attend the Drawing Class this year. We are glad of it.

—The Minims' had quite an enjoyable picnic at the St. Joe Farm on Thursday, September 3.

—We will receive all the communications you can send. Just drop them in the box in the hall.

—Students will remember to put their letters and papers to be sent away in the boxes in the Studies.

—The more local items you drop into the box in the hall, the more interesting will the Scholastic be.

—The Laboratory will be removed in a few days to the room prepared for it just west of the College building.

—There are two goats at the farm house which with their tricks give the residents of the house much enjoyment.

—A magic flute is heard of evenings, in the vicinity of the printing office. There is undoubtedly more flute than magic.

—The old church and old steam-house are dying together. It will be several weeks before they will be ready for interment.

—The Blinkers played the Buffers a game of baseball last Sunday. Logan pitched for the Blinkers. The Buffers were victorious.

—The Scholastic will be delivered at the Students' Office every Saturday at half-past three o'clock. Subscriptions will be received there.

—There will be a meeting of the Academia in the Scholastic Office next Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock, for the purpose of reorganizing.

—The gymnastic apparatuses over on the Campus have been repaired and improved. They will be just the things to keep the boys in good health.

—The walks around the lakes are in fine condition, and many there are who take advantage of this fact. That's right! walking is good for the health.

—The roads leading to the College were quite dusty last Tuesday. The carriages in South Bend were kept busy bringing students to the College.

—All parents desiring a weekly report of matters at Notre Dame, and of seeing the Roll of Honor and Class Honors, should subscribe for the Scholastic.

—If we were to imitate the young editor with the powerful mind who edits the New York Tribune, we would build a "den" on top of the new chimney.

—The Curator of the Museum gratefully acknowledges the receipt of several fine specimens donated to the Cabinet of Mineralogy by Master Clement Ham, of Denver, Col.

—Some papers frequently complain of hand-organ music. It is nothing in comparison to music produced by hammering on a boiler. We have just got through a siege.

—Mr. James McDermott is to deliver a lecture before the Total Abstinence Society of St. Patrick's Church, South Bend, sometime about the 20th. It will be a treat to all.

—Prof. — Was Diana or Luna supposed by the ancients to exert a deleterious influence on the minds of men? Student,—Yes, Professor, Diana was the crazy goddess.

—A promising student in Horace's Ars Poetica translates the 158th line, Alium genus pulvem cupitas extra nefarious Arius. "Nor let nefarious Arius cook human entrails on a shovell!"

—The attendance at class this first week was larger than at the same time in former years. The number of students entered will probably be larger than was ever known here.

—Musical Students are requested to call at the Music Hall, where they will always find a number of Musical Journals from which they can derive much instruction and entertainment.

—We hope that our friends in all parts of the Union will send us many items of interest, giving us the whereabouts and success of old students. These items will be thankfully received.

—Prof. Howard has charge of the Astronomical Observatory. He will be there every Thursday evening (weather permitting) to accommodate all persons who may desire to peep through the telescope.

—We have a specimen of G. W. Bliss' "copy" framed and hung in the "Den" which we defy any student to decipher. It is an article which appeared in the Cincinnati Enquirer a number of years ago.

—Two large coils of pipe were placed under the floor of the new Church, for heating purposes. It is to be expected that these pipes will be sufficient to keep the Church well warmed during the coming winter.

—In a few weeks the court back of the College building will be in better condition. The rubbish is being removed as soon as possible. It will be much more convenient for all concerned when the old steam-house is removed.

—The rooms of the Lemmonier Circulating Library are much moe pleasant and agreeable than the one used last year. The shelves have been put up, the books arranged in good order, and every one seems well pleased with the Library.

—Hand-ball season is about over. Some of the persons engaged in a few contests during vacation showed very much more pleasant and agreeable than the one used last year. The shelves have been put up, the books arranged in good order, and every one seems well pleased with the Library.

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—The Minims' Study Hall has, we see, had a general renovation. What with new blackboards, newly grained desks and woodwork, tastefully arranged pictures, and the carpet of beautiful flowers outside the windows, the Minims' Study Hall has quite a cheerful appearance.

—The Old Church has been nearly demolished. That part of it which was formerly occupied by the Choir, etc., will, however, be left standing for the next ten months. Work on the new Church will continue, and the frescoing will be finished by next September.

—The Library has been very busy for the past few weeks, building up and tearing down. Work at the old church, work at the new steam-house and work at the old steam-house make things look lively. The clinking of trowels and the cry of "Mort!" is heard from morning until night.

—When reorganizing, Societies should not be too hasty in admitting members. Sometimes persons are admitted who do not afterwards take that interest in the affairs of
The observance of this will secure the safe transmission of letters, etc., to these places, and prevent much annoyance arising from letters being mistied.

A good story is told of an applicant for a school near Laporte. When before the examination board, he was asked how he would journey from the place he was in to St. Petersburg. "Well," he answered, "I would hitch up the horse and drive down to Laporte and put up at the Tegarden House. Then I would go down to the depot and buy a through ticket to New York. I would put up at the Astor,—no, I would put up at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Then I would take a 'bus down to the landing; and then—well, let me see—then—I would ensure the way!"

The beautiful gilded door in the new Church was brought from Rome. It was formerly in the house which belonged to St. Bridge of Sweden, and through it she and her daughter were accustomed to hear Mass.

The following from the Chicago Evening Journal speaks well for Mr. James R. Runnion, of the Chicago Tribune, a graduate of the University in 1860:

Another bold and successful step has been taken to make Chicago a truly metropolitan city, sufficient unto itself and able to supply the wants of others. This advance was made in dramatic literature, and consisted in the representation of a home-made play on the stage of the New Chicago Theatre. Even more than this, we are happy to state, may be said of the play: it was well received on account of its own merits. Many have with a measure of justice, complained of Chicago's backwardness in this line of literature, and therefore it is that this rounding out of our powers, hailed with delight, and with high hopes of future progress, and independence of foreign plagiarists.

The play of "Hearts and Diamonds" was a farce abundant in fine wit, light satire, and funny climaxes. Its real strength lies in its liveliness, which was keenly appreciated by the audience. The play in its three acts is so entertaining in dialogue that the author may feel confident of success. The play is from the facile pen of Mr. James R. Runnion, of the Tribune. All our citizens, as well as the dramatic profession, should thank Mr. Runnion for this first play, which indicates that we may expect something still better from him.

St. Mary's Academy.

The beautiful redbird presented by Miss Keeline now ornaments St. Luke's Studio. —

Classes commenced on the 6th. The routine of academic life leaves no spare time for homesickness.

The arrival of pupils from California, New York, Nevada, and New Orleans proves that St. Mary's has a wide-spread reputation.

The wax flowers attract much attention. More than twenty different designs in wax are being executed in the flower department.

The aquarium in the reception-room is now tenantless, the little gold fishes having, it is said, drowned themselves. Who will bring a new supply of wiser fishes?

The demand for more room in the Academy has made it necessary to apply to the Department of Education for the "Guest House" to the use of the permanent residents at St. Mary's.

Mother M. Anges Superior, left last Saturday for Germany, to bring to St. Mary's some young ladies who have vocations to be religious teachers. Her return in November will be most joyfully welcomed.

As usual, Chicago sends the largest number of pupils; for St. Mary's is such a convenient distance from that great commercial centre that the Chicagoans seem disposed to annex the Institution as their portion of Indiana.
The First Feast Day in Heaven.

FEAST OF ST. AUGUSTINE, Aug. 28, 1875.

St. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, was the Patron in baptism of Rev. Father A. Lemoine, C. S. C., who died Oct. 29th, 1874, and also the Patron in religion of Rev. Father N. H. Gillespie, C. S. C., who died just two weeks later, Nov. 12th, 1874. Side by side they now sleep, their graves embalmed by the tears and loving devotion of many a faithful heart.

The dawn of this Festival tells Of memories all sacred and rare, While their graves, like two hermitage cells, Draw ever to musing, to prayer.

These blossoms as white as the snow, These garlands as fresh as our love, For the cherished ones resting below, We are weeping and twining above;

Our tears half of sorrow, half joy, meekly fall. For the dear faces—our sweet face— Will draw ever to musing, to prayer.

In the clamp of the real, the true, They are holding their banquet to-day, The "Beauty e'er ancient, e'er new," Has scattered all darkness away.

The "Font of the waters of Life," They quaff, there to drink evermore, The doubling, the tumult, the strife, Die out on Time's dim distant shore.

Saint Augustine, thy clients bow low at thy feet, Their Santas, with thee, and the angels, repeat.

Our prayer with the breath of the flowers, Ascends, and we know as we kneel, That the hearts of those loved ones of ours Have garnered our earnest appeal;

And whether abroad on the sea, Or fighting our way on the plain, They are urging our cause and our plea, We know that their love will obtain.

Our tears are all joy, and they ne'erily overflow, When we think of their bliss since just one year ago.

—Salvini, on his return at Florence, told an interviewer that he would rather be a sculptor than an actor, as the latter leaves nothing behind at death, while the sculptor chisels his name on a few unfading stones. Hence he will make an actor of his son. The Salvini's have ever been noted, for their family, for their art, and for entertaining a lively feeling of animosity toward the family of Rossini, of which Enerato is the head.—Watson's Art Journal.

—Rubinstein gave his first piano concert at Moscow when he was nine years old; Liszt appeared as a pianist when nine, before a company of noblemen, who subsequently paid the expenses of his education; Gounod took the grand prize for musical composition awarded by the French Institute when twenty-one; Wagner composed four operas when twenty, and his "Rienzi" was brought out in Paris when he was twenty-four; Verdi became organist in the old Church of Busseto when seventeen, and his first opera was put on the stage of La Scala, Milan, when he was twenty-five; Offenbach became leader of the band at the Theatre Francais when twenty-six, and composed his first opera at that age; and Theodore Thomas began playing on the violin in public when only six.

—As every bit of personal gossip referring to the author of "Middlemarch" is interesting, we copy the following paragraph from a private letter addressed by an American lady to a friend in New York. It is but just to remark that the portrait it contains of the great novelist was sketched after a very slight opportunity for study of her characteristics. "I luncheoned with the T.'s the other day, and amongst their guests was George Elliot, or rather Mrs. Lewes. She is by no means handsome or agreeable. She looks like the picture of Lorenzo de Medicci, with very large, thin features, and possessing penetrating eyes. She dresses plainly, but well, neither in nor out of the fashion. Her manner is not at all pleasing; it is abrupt and harsh; and, indeed I was altogether so little agreeably impressed by her, that admiring her works as I do, I took quite a dislike to her at first, and was sorry I ever met her. The disillusion was too great.—Chicago Tribune.

—The Boston correspondent of the Springfield Republican, in alluding to the admirable manner in which the Monthly Bulletin of the Boston Public Library—the largest of American Libraries"—is annotated, recommends the form of cataloguing to other institutions of the kind, and contributes an interesting note by calling attention to the first edition, he believes, of the Latin poems of Mathew Casimir Sarbrewski, a Polish Jesuit, contemporary with Milton, and of whom Coleridge, who translated one of his odes, says: "If we except Lucertius and Silius, I know not in nor out of the fashion, of whom Coleridge has equaled Casimir in boldness of conception." The edition before me was printed in detestably small type, at Antwerp in 1634, and is dedicated to the learned Pope, Urban VIII, who had patronized Casimir. It is a little book of 236 pages, bearing the imprimitura of the Society of Jesus in Lithuania, 1631, and of Philip IV of Spain, who gives Baltasar Moretus the copyright, 1632, for a per cent of seven years. The poems are strongly Horatian in form, though treating of Christian subjects, and are chiefly odes and epigrams. The writer thinks the poems do not deserve the high praise of Coleridge any more than Vincent Bourne's poems, a century later, deserved Cowper's praise, who thought Bourne "a better Latin poet than Tibullus, Propertius, Ansonius, or any of the writers in his way, except Ovid, and not at all inferior to him." Dr. Watts also thought highly of Casimir, and translated (in his Horae Lyricae) several of the poems, or, rather, paraphrased them, for the translation is not very close. Of the "G. Hills," who, according to Coleridge, translated the whole of Casimir into English, the writer can learn nothing, and thinks it probably is meant for Aaron Hill.

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For my attention to the patrons of Notre Dame and St. Mary's, I refer, by permission, to the Superiors of both institutions.

P. SHICKEY.
# Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway

On and after Sunday, May 23, 1875, trains will leave South Bend as follows:

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## MICHIGAN CENTRAL R. R.

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