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O'er meadow lands or summer-scented lawn,
Chases, with eager swiftness of a fawn,
A gilded butterfly of colors gay,—
Till caught at last upon some flow'r's spray,
Behold! 'tis crushed—its former beauty gone.
And lo! delusive fancy proves untrue.
Its beauty vanishes in empty air,
While by the dead delight a soul is stained!

E. J. M.

**Commencement Week.**

**MONDAY MORNING.**

The Annual Commencement exercises began on last Monday. The day was one most favorably suited for such an occasion. Although the sun came out stronger than it had for two or three weeks previous, yet a cool breeze swept across the grounds, making it in all a very pleasant day. The exercises began at 9 o'clock, a.m., the College Cornet Band playing in the Senior yard before entering Washington Hall. Then the visitors could be seen flocking in from all sides. The Band having seated the audience with some choice music, Mr. T. F. O'Grady, the representative of the Archconfraternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, appeared upon the stage. He commenced by stating that as the history of the Archconfraternity, the oldest Society in the College, had been spoken of many times, and was familiar to most present, he thought nothing would be more deserving of their attention for a few moments that morning than a few words on "Devotion to the Blessed Virgin." He spoke at some length of the misments that morning than a few words on "Devotion to the Blessed Virgin." He spoke at some length on the attention paid to oratorical composition. That it, like poetry, was a gift bestowed in a high degree on comparatively few individuals; that it is an art most pleasing to all; and that when revolution is about to sweep a nation, it is then that eloquence sways and curbs the passions of men. He showed the gratitude they owed to their kind and generous director, and concluded by thanking him, as also the other Rev. gentlemen of Notre Dame, for their zeal in their welfare, and in behalf of the Society bade farewell to all.

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wilds of this western world to be changed to beautiful cities and cultivated fields.
The address of Mr. Burger, the representative of the Archaconfraternity of the Immaculate Conception, was indeed "short and sweet." It was, like some of the others, read. It is a pity he did not commit it to memory, which would have complemented his audience. And last, but not indeed the least, as far as composition is concerned, appeared the representative of the Society of the Holy Angels, A. Coghlin. He spoke in a clear and distinct manner, and was loudly applauded by the assembly.

MONDAY, S. F. M.
The annual examination of the Elocution Class,—which is always looked forward to with great interest by our visitors, insasmuch as they are sure to witness a display of elocutionary ability seldom if ever seen at any college, took place Monday, June 24th, at 8 o'clock p.m., in the College parlor. Many distinguished visitors were present, and the large parlor was filled long before the appointed hour. The Senior Orchestra opened the exercises of the evening by discoursing two or three lively pieces of music in a manner which elicited hearty applause. Prof. Lyons, the teacher of the Elocution Class, stepped forward and said that the examination would begin with a declamation by Mr. P. Douglierty—subject, "Henri's Address to the Romanis. Mr. Douglierty delivered his declamation in a most praiseworthy manner. He is the possessor of an excellent voice, though his delivery was not faultless. He well merited the round of applause which greeted his effort. Master T. J. Fischel, of Milwaukee, Wis., was next on the list, and delivered in a very graceful manner a eulogy on "The Father of our Country." The selection was a splendid one, and was well rendered. Master T. Nelson, of Chicago, followed with "The Hesians Captives." This young gentleman is to be commended on his graceful gesture and ease of delivery. He was certainly one of the best delivered declamations of the evening. Next came Master Frank McGrath, of the same city, who, though by far the youngest member of the Class, is by no means the inferior. His subject was "The Battle of Fontenoy." The delivery was good, the gestures graceful and appropriate, but a little more care in inflection might, we think, be suggested.

To vary the exercises they were interspersed with either vocal or instrumental music, and Prof. M. T. Corby, of Chicago, was called upon to favor the audience with a song. This he kindly consented to do, and delivered it with ease. We must admit that he was encored. He gracefully responded to the toast of "Pope Leo XIII," in eloquent terms. He, like his hearers, felt proud of being recognized as one of the children of the far-distant potentate, the Pope. One year ago, it would be remembered, they honored the name of an imposture, as no Catholic Prelate would, unless one as grand as the Pope, fall from grace, commit himself to an attack on Pope Pius IX, of holy memory. The Monsignor concluded by warning his hearers against this imposture to persons who set themselves up as critics of the Papacy. They were presumptuous fools, that ought to be despised, if not denied.

"The United States of America" was the next toast and was ably responded to by Rev. Father O'Sullivan, of La Porte, Ind. He briefly and, at the same time, comprehensively embodied the idea of the sentiment, typifying the progress of civilization, religion, government, and nationalities down to the dawn of independence in this country and its glorious realization. He also spoke in high terms of the American people, who, although occasionally given to prejudice, were, on the whole, liberal-hearted, and hated tyranny in every form that it may assume. As to the fact that the spread of Catholicism in America was conducive to the benefit of the country, he alluded to the growth of this belief among the Protestant people of America in sending their children to be educated in Catholic universities, where they were certain that their morals could not, by any chance, suffer. [Applause.]

Speeches were also made by Messrs. Wile, Fitzgibbon, and others. The following telegram was received from Rev. R. E. Kilian, Master of the '74, of Notre Dame:

"Sorry cannot attend the banquet. Should the Alumni Association see fit to open an endowment subscription for the University, put my name down for $1,000."
The entertainment and reunion were extremely pleasant.

TUESDAY EVENING.

The evening exercises in Washington Hall were witnessed by an immense audience. The first part was chiefly devoted to instrumental and vocal music, in which the University Band and Orchestra were most distinguished. The "Laughing Song" was given by A. Sievers and the Choral Union. H. V. Hayes, of Chicago, read an interesting poem on "Reminiscences of College Days," which was very heartily applauded. His effort was as follows:

If strong desire could inspiration breed
In one unused the glowing pen to spend,
And best intentions anything avail
To guide the scholar's mind, I should not fail
Instead of rhyme, a poem grand to weave,
Worthy the occasion, in memory long to live.
But faith I must on friendship kind rely,
Faults to excuse, deficiencies supply.

It seems to me of all assembled here,
Old students most enjoy Commencement cheer.
Away from pressing cares of toilsome life,
Away from cities' noisy, ceaseless strife.
We come to rest in this dear spot again.

Amidst what scenes we live, or whence we come,
It matters not, or where our race is run.
For, O Time, we find thy halcyon day,
Here midst these walks of learning and of ease,
For here, "O Time, we find thy halcyon day,
Brought back anew by each familiar scene.
We find a world of pleasure in your presence,
So let us live our life to the last.

But sweetest music to attentive ears.
The startled bell peals forth no wild alarms.
Within this circle of so many charms;
But pleasure reigns, and innocence, and peace,
And brain and muscle to the contest lend.

The Epilogue was spoken by Mr. Joseph P. McHugh, and it over, there was music by the Band.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The closing exercises of the thirty-fourth Annual Commencement of the University occurred on Wednesday morning in Washington Hall. The grand march, by the University Band, summoned the professors, students, and visitors, who at this hour was more than two thousand, to the hall at 8 o'clock. "Semiramis," from Rossini, was finely executed by the Orchestra. At half-past 8 o'clock, the Very Rev. Father Corby, President of the University, introduced John G. Ewing, Chancellor, O. T. T., and the Valeflectory. The young gentleman displayed hereditary talent in dealing with a subject which has become rather threadsome. He made his speech both original and highly interesting, and delivered it in a manner which redeemed the effort from the traditional melancholy and monotony
of such addresses. Bouquets and applause were showered upon him when he concluded. He said:

RIGHT REV. BISHOPS, FATHERS, YOUNG GENTLEMEN:—

There are times in the life of all that tell most powerfully on their future career. There are moments when the threshold of old Alma Mater, looking back wistfully on the pleasant and happy days of college youth; and looking forward, let us trust, with steadfast courage to the struggles and triumphs of our race. On this field of honor, in the Land of Promise, we must go; our paths now lie before us. Comrades, standing here, let us reflect and let us think on our future days. For each and everyone of us a special duty has been placed, a work of the passing years has been allotted. Perchance some one of us may be stricken in the moment of triumph, when his days lie happy before him, and perchance we may live to tread together, in spirit if not in person, the downward path of the years, touched and "mellowed by the sweetest hours of time." Only the All-Wise can tell our future; we can but tread the unseen road, relying on His guidance. But the moments are fleeting, and our farewells are not yet. The moments we pass review the characteristics specified. He spoke as follows:

To you, our guide of discipline—to you, esteemed Father Kelly, farewell. We boys have had in you one who knows the best of your school and who with zealous assistants, our devoted Prefects, may many years be given: may many a generation of college boys in the future enjoy and praise your mild and gentle spirit.

Farewell, honored Professors. You have devoted your lives to the care of the hope of our land, the youth of the coming generations. With unifying zeal have you worked, and your talents have you devoted to the cause of education. May God grant you in this and in the future life the reward promised to those who toil and labor to lead others in the way of life.

Farewell, fellow students, to those who may and who those who may not return to this our college home. True honor, fame, and success be yours. To one and all, farewell.

Old Notre Dame, how the heart thrills as we stand here with our last farewell said, and as we linger to glance but for a moment at thy well-known walls and thy cherished walls! O thou second Mother, may never a stain be cast upon thee, and mayest thou ever increase in honor and glory as the years glide by. And as we, one by one, drop from life's stage, may we see thy renown shine brighter than ever, and may thy name rank higher in the estimation of all. And may it be filled with the crowd of seekers after knowledge, and may thy sons point with loyal pride to the beauty and the prosperity of their Mother. Mother of learning, we leave thee.

The bygone days are but a memory of the past. We can but linger in spirit in thy midst. O thou, our bounteous and beauteous Mother of learning, farewell, farewell.

Comrades, our duty is over, and I turn to you to speak my last good-bye. May all success attend you, and may your names be recorded on the scroll of time and of eternity as those who deserve the praise of their fellows. May we meet once more, if not in earth, at least above.

As true men, we can do much good; as false and recreant ones, how shall our heads be filled with the untruths of the unseen road, relying on His guidance. But the years glide by. And as we, one by one, drop from life's stage, may we see thy renown shine brighter than ever, and may thy name rank higher in the estimation of all. And may it be filled with the crowd of seekers after knowledge, and may thy sons point with loyal pride to the beauty and the prosperity of their Mother. Mother of learning, we leave thee. The bygone days are but a memory of the past. We can but linger in spirit in thy midst. O thou, our bounteous and beauteous Mother of learning, until we hear the call for that journey which shall end in the Land of Promise. We must go; our paths now lie before us.

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Bishop of Peoria, delivered the oration of the day, which was marked by stirring eloquence, broad liberality, and political as well as sacerdotal philosophy. Notre Dame never heard anything to rival Bishop Spalding's oration in the characteristics specified. He spoke as follows:

YOUNG GENTLEMEN:—To few men does life bring a gladness or a brighter day than that which, placing the crown of honor, won by toil, upon their brows, bids them go forth from the dear old halls of their Alma Mater into the great world's battle-field. There is a freshness and joyousness in these early triumphs, which, like the bloom and fragrance of the flower, are quickly lost, never to be found again even by those to whom fortune reserves the most glorious victories. Fame, though hymned by a thousand tongues, is but a charm contenting how the delight we drink in from the beaming countenances of our mothers and sisters. Suffused with tears that gather to the eyes from the proud, overwelling heart, in the sacred hours when we can only think of them.

The love of higher things, and better days;
That unbounded hope and heavenly ignorance
Of what is called the world, and the world's ways;
The moments when we gather from a glance
when we are all unreal in our sentiments and crude in our feelings, clad in forms so divinely beautiful, that, at a time of life and over which alone is suspended a crown worthy of a glory, appeal with such irresistible power and appear as if to justify the kingdom of God: or as Carlyle has emphasized the idea that men are truly noble, I can find nothing better than this—"Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."—Love not pleasure; love God. This is the ever-revolving idea manifest in this, that the best is not far removed from any of us, but is near alike to the poor and the rich, the strong and the weak, the prosperous and the poor, the young and the old. All-important, therefore, to the body, is the soul's repose and contentment.

Life is not mean or short to the young, because the infinite freedom of youth has power to make it noble and immortal. You, young gentlemen, are standing upon the threshold of the busy world. Of the thousand careers which are open to human activity, each of you will choose one. Your fortunes will be various, and so will your merits. Position, fame, and wealth are often denied to the most persistent efforts and the best ability. It is consoling to know that they are not the highest. It is easier to begin than to end. The life of an ideal is more than rules or precepts, must form your character; and then, your young instinctively holds cheap the material comforts of life, and live by, is at once the truest expression of our nature and the most potent agency in developing its powers. Now, it is in youth that we form the ideals to which in later years we are all directed and adhered. That which we have strongly desired in youth is preserved, or not, have an ideal of some sort, base or lofty, which to a certain extent molds their character and shapes their destiny. Whether it be pleasure, or gain, or renown, or knowledge, or several of these, or something else, we all associate with life in some way and our standards of judgment are often mistaken for the best. But fame is nominal. They who have deserved it, care not for it.

A great soul is above all praise or disparagement, which are ever given ignorantly and without fine discernment. The popular breath, ever winnowed by the winds of centuries, is hardly pure. And other fame cannot be the good of which I speak, for only the very few can even hope for it. To nearly all, the gifts that make it possible are denied; and to others the opportunities. There are many, indeed, who are not in a position to make it noble and immortal. You think it full of happiness—it is full of cares and disappointments. This double illusion, which widens the horizon of life and tinges it with gold, gives to youth its peculiar charm; esteems it a blessed state to which, like our first parents driven forth from Paradise, we ever turn regretful eyes. But I am wrong to call illusion that which is true; it is the shadowing forth of the divine possibilities of man's nature.

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The love of pleasure is the end or ideal. They who love God, or freedom, or growth of mind, or strength of heart, shall feel pleasure as his deadliest foe. A king of feasts, and flowers, and wine and revel, and love and mirth, was never king of glory. The love of wealth is the end or ideal. Or even a special aim of life, I should not, it would seem, in addressing young men, be compelled to speak. As a contempt for life, an eager willingness to throw it away in defense of any just cause or noble opinion, is one of the finest privileges of youth, so the generous heart of the young instinctively holds cheap the material comforts which money procures. To be young is to be free, to be able to live anywhere on land or sea, in the midst of deserts, or among strange people; to fit the mind and body to all outward circumstances, rising almost above nature's iron law. He who feels this high and heavenly spirit of liberty in his soul will dream of flying and not of sitting through life on golden crutches. Nevertheless, I may not pass this subject by, lest I should hear from you the question: What is that which I should turn to, lightning upon days like these?

Every door is barred with gold, and opens but to golden keys. The very law of power—preeminence of wealth—seems to point to wealth as the chief good. Contemplate the objects of this people's good," says Dr. Newman, and his words are as true of America as of England: "survey their standards, ponder their ideals and judgments, and then tell me whether it is not most evident, from their very notion of the desirable and the desirable, their value of the world, their love of the best, and judgments, they are often mistaken for the best. But fame is nominal. They who have deserved it, care not for it.

The fame that follows death is nothing to us; and what is fame in life, but half-remembered names; and of names, those which are charged with debt to the world still live. A great soul is above all praise or disparagement, which are ever given ignorantly and without fine discernment. The popular breath, ever winnowed by the winds of centuries, is hardly pure. And other fame cannot be the good of which I speak, for only the very few can even hope for it. To nearly all, the gifts that make it possible are denied; and to others the opportunities. There are many, indeed, who are not in a position to make it noble and immortal. You think it full of happiness—it is full of cares and disappointments. This double illusion, which widens the horizon of life and tinges it with gold, gives to youth its peculiar charm; esteems it a blessed state to which, like our first parents driven forth from Paradise, we ever turn regretful eyes. But I am wrong to call illusion that which is true; it is the shadowing forth of the divine possibilities of man's nature.
intimate sentiment of their hearts that, however a man may look, poor, mean, starved, decrepit, vulgar, yet if he be half in pity, half in contempt, we rise into higher regions, but we are not long in discovering that wherever we may be there also are the inequalities of the human heart: we find that in whatsoever sanctuaries of learning we may hide ourselves we still belong to the common crowd, and, like them, see darkly, through a glass, dimly, the things high, and therefore, there remains ever a background of insecurity whether in health, or in disease, or in vice, or in virtue, or in the mind.

A charge brought by Buckle and Strauss against the Christian religion is to the effect that it does not inculcate the love of money or inspire a passion for wealth; and one who should listen attentively to the general tone of the pulpit in this country would little suspect that it was caught from the lips of Him who said, "Blessed are the poor," or hardly shall a rich man enter the kingdom of heaven. Nevertheless, here as elsewhere, faith and reason are in harmony. Wealth is not the best, and to love it as such is idolatry; and, as St. Paul declares, the root of all evil. Man is more than money, as the workman is more than his tool. The spirit that is in man craves quite other nourishment than the bread which he eats.

"Oceans of Hocheimer, a throat like that of Ophiuchus: for man's willing faith is properly the one thing needful; how, with it, martyrs, otherwise weak, can endure the shame and the cross; and without it worldlings puke up their sick existence, by suicide, in the midst of luxury."

There is but one method," said Sidney Smith, "and that is hard labor; and a man who will not pay this price for distinction, had better dedicate himself to the pursuit of some work worthy to be done.

Difficulties assuredly there are, underlying not only faith but all systems of knowledge. How can I tell if I know anything? is a question left in all past time debatable in all future time. But we are none the less certain that we know.

The man mind is governed by laws which no philosophy can change; and the ever varying metaphysical theories pass away and are forgotten, and the eternal problems present themselves ever anew, clothed in the eternal mystery. No great knowledge is required to show us how poor and symbolical are the thoughts of the multitude.
life is feverish; we are in a hurry and are very busy; but that we are laborious is not so evident. He who has learned the secret of labor is content, because he knows its power, and is not therefore in a hurry, is not over eager. To climb steep hills requires slow pace at first—the fire that mounts the step. It is not in seeming to augment, wastes it. Our young men are apt to be like children, to rush forward to pluck the fruit ere it is ripe.

They promise better than they perform. They are too busy to rest, too ambitious to loaf. Notoriety seems to them a good, and they think it something to be in the legislature, or to be an alderman, or a governor, to live in a marble house. Unhappy youths, from whom the fire of life is hidden, who stand in the centre of immensities, in the conflux of eternity, must write heaven and hell, with all the divine possibilities around them which freedom holds out to the young, and yet can dream no better dream than some aldermanic nightmare. Not by the spiritual growth of the soul, kindling itself at the fire of infinite truth and love, do we hope to become men, but by tackling on our poor bodies the forms and rags of office or position.

Like our fathers, we are prostrate before the Juggernaut car of the hideous idol—Success. Let a man invent a Reaper or a Sewing-machine, let him compound a patent medicine, let him open a new way of winning soap, and thereby grow rich, and straightway he becomes a national hero. Or let him accidentally win a decisive battle, or successfully run a faro bank, or so manipulate the ballot-box as to put in office one who was not elected, or combine popular talent with a scandalous life, or rehearse with coarse humor the more superficial arguments of the atheist, he is at once worthy to be placed in Emerson's gallery of representative men. We all, like whimiscal Emerson, confuse success with greatness.

But it is not my purpose to be censorious, lest I should never think so.

Old Age, sitting in his easy-chair, may lament that he has fallen upon evil days, and laud the times when he was young. No days are evil to him who feels that God gives him the strength to make them better. It is yours, young gentlemen, to act and not to complain. Your age and your country are as your father and your mother. There may have been, there may be, better, but you should never think so.

The best ages have not been good. I do not find one that might even serve as a standard for comparison. But with liberty we can endure all things, and for a reason. Never complain, I implore you, that your Catholic faith is, in this country, an obstacle to the achievement of any noble purpose. True manhood needs no recognition, as excellence demands no praise. If you are the best, but your eminence will not be denied by Americans because you are Catholics. If, however, you unfortunately are of the breed of men who are made content by very ordinary qualities, it may be noted that the Protestant backwoodsmen have not yet lost sight of the Pope's cloven foot. To be a Catholic is certainly in the United States an argument against choosing politics as a profession, but this I cannot look upon as a hardship. I think it not only a civil but a religious duty to take an interest in public affairs; the fate of this country will, I believe, be that of democratic government. Should liberty and civilization fail here, thoughtful men everywhere will hold this to be an all-sufficient proof of the radical incapacity of the people for self-government. Again, I believe there is in the wide earth nowhere a more hopeful future for the Catholic Church than in this country of ours, which I love ever as I love freedom and my religion. And yet I cannot regret, except as part of a general evil, the obstacles which are thrown in the way of the political career of Catholics. In a society like ours, the qualities which go to make a successful politician are not the highest. It is not in being presumed that the lowest will elect the highest; that the fool will say for the just, nor that the chief will elect the poorest. He who is above the crowd, if he would win it, must stop. Nor, if the ablest man should be chosen, is there reason to think he could work to good purpose in the present condition of parties. It is idle to urge the best to come forward and elect the best. The best are the few. Every attempt at reform is abortive, because nothing can be accomplished in politics without the aid of cliques and strong rings. Another consideration which weighs not a little with me is this: If Catholics were popular the temptation to promote the interests of religion by political means would be great; and there is nothing so little to be desired. Politicians are like fortune—they sell what they seem to give. Turn Diaconos et dona jertentes.

But what I would specially call your attention to is the danger to which the Catholic aspirant is exposed. They are thereby thrust forward into the noisy babbling crowd, and are thrown into rude contact with disenchanted experiences of life, when they should be occupied fashioning mind and heart in the sanctuary of silence. That every college graduate should be a statesman, eager to enlighten the multitude with his views upon the state of the country and the remedies for existing evils, is not well. Our civilization seems to provoke universal utterance; superinducing thereby ineffable vanity. In a blatant land let the young learn the golden wisdom of silence. The noblest characters are fashioned in secrecy, through long travel, like

Wines that, heaven knows, have, and sicken, fire of some forgotten sun, And kept it thro' a hundred years of gloom, Yet glowing in a heart of ruby.

It seems to me it were well worth the labor and expectation of a lifetime to be able even once to do the right thing excellently well.

The courage to wait, not in idleness, but in patient diligence, is a mighty power; and he who has the courage to excel himself in that way, has the eager passion to display one's self, to speak and act in the eyes of the world, is boyish. Will is concentration, and a great purpose works in silence.

Of young men just graduated at college, people are wont to say—They have finished their education. This is unfortunately true of a majority of college graduates. They finish their education, just when they are prepared to begin the work. The most brilliant course of learning is valuable chiefly because it fits us to enter intelligently upon the sublime duty of educating ourselves.

To cease to study, therefore, upon leaving college is to sacrifice the very position for which through years of labor you have been contending. What would be thought of a general who having sacrificed the lives of many of his soldiers to gain a stronghold, should at once, without cause, abandon it to the enemy? Year after year large numbers of graduates, crowned with honors, go forth from the colleges and the country, and people ask of the students, What becomes of them? As a stone thrown into the water creates for a moment a commotion and a noise, then sinks beneath the silent wave to lie forever still and unnoticed, so the gradu­ate, with his one day of triumphant progress, is greeted with a mutter of applause; the ripple extends to his immediate circle; then quietly, with folded arms, he seeks repose, and of him nothing is heard for evermore. He becomes one of those people who prefer to think about the fair mother who had looked to him for the fruit of her labors. They are thereby thrust into the noisy babbling crowd, and are thrown into rude contact with disenchanted experiences of life, when they should be occupied fashioning mind and heart in the sanctuary of silence. The noblest characters are fashioned in secrecy, through long travel, like

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find themselves, it matters not how, where there is room and space. Take anything which it is well to do, learn how to do it thoroughly well,

Better if possible than anyone else, and you shall be at the head of a realm, high or low, but in any event away from the crowd's pressure. The land is filled with young men who can find nothing to do, because they do not know how to do anything thoroughly well. To be able to do what ten thousand others without special training can do also, means low wages and uncertain employment. The fine skill which places us in the front, where there is always room, can be acquired by patient, assiduous labor, in no other way. Even the instances which seem to be in contradiction to this law, are easily brought under it. It is God's law of progress, the law of unselfish devotion to a noble cause? We get no sceptic blight of a materialistic age to eat into your souls. It is God's law of progress, the law of achievement which it opens up to the young who would have them fly. Take strength, young gentlemen, and dry up the forms of high hope and generous courage.

If they dare choose, a glorious life or grave.

To follow up the worthiest till he die.

In a boundless universe

Is boundless better, boundless worse.

Choose ye the boundless better:

For all may have.

If they dare choose, a glorious life or grave.

Better not be at all than not be worthy. Suffer not the sceptic blight of a materialistic age to eat into your souls and dry up the forms of high hope and generous courage. Upon my ear has fallen the question: "Why wear out life in unselfish devotion to a noble cause? We get no thanks." It is the fiend's phrase denying that God is. It is enough to have done the thing one ought, whether it brings a crown or a cross. Be bold and confident; labor for the good cause,—for truth, justice, and freedom; and, though all men should bend the knee to idols, do you trust to God alone. Each day gives me stronger faith in the power of a great-hearted man. Have courage. Despondency is good neither for life nor death.

That it becomes no man to nurse despair, but in the teeth of clinched antagonisms

To follow up the worthiest till he die.

Prof. Corby, of Chicago, rendered "Let Me Dream Again" in a highly artistic manner, which produced vivid enthusiasm.

The distribution of prizes, honors, medals, diplomas, and conferring of degrees was then proceeded with, the Very Rev. President being aided by Rt. Rev. Bishop Dwenger, of Milwaukee, Wis., and Thomas Francis O'Grady, of Washington, D. C. The Degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred on Hon. Philemon B. Ewing, of Lancaster, Ohio. The Degree of Master of Arts on Rev. C. Kelly, of Notre Dame, Ind., and Rev. N. Stoffel, of Notre Dame, Ind. The Degree of Master of Science was conferred on Rev. A. M. Kirsch, of Notre Dame, Ind.; and Benjamin L. Evans, of Watauga, Ill. The Degree of Bachelor of Arts on John G. Ewing, of Lancaster, Ohio; Joseph P. McHugh, of Lafayette, Ind.; A. Morrissey, of Notre Dame, Ind.; W. K. Roche, of Trenton, N. J. The Degree of Bachelor of Science on Eugene F. Arnold, of Washington, D. C. The Degree of Bachelor of Laws on Daniel E. Maloney, of Milwaukee, Wis.; and Eugene F. Arnold, of Washington, D. C. Medical Certificates were awarded to Albert W. John- son, of Milwaukee, Wis.; and Thomas Francis O'Grady, of Newmarket, N. H.


The Quan Gold Medal, Senior Class, Classical Course, was awarded, 2nd honors, to John G. Ewing, of Lancaster, Ohio, and Joseph P. McHugh, of Lafayette, Ind. The Junior Class Gold Medal, to Ambrose J. Hertzog, of Nachitoches, La. The Sophomore Gold Medal, to J. P. Quinn, Tolono, Ill. The Freshman Gold Medal, to Frank W. Bloom, Vincennes, Ind. The Quan Gold Medal, to Martin J. Mc- Cue, of Greenwood, Ind. The Quan Gold Medal, to Martin J. Mc- Cue, of Greenwood, Ind.
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The Sophomore Gold Medal, to Anthony J. Burger, of Reading, Pa.
The Freshman Gold Medal, to Peter F. McCullough, Dubuque, Iowa.

COMMERCIAL COURSE.
The Commercial Gold Medal was awarded to M. H. Bannon, Waukesha, Wis.
The Gold Medal for History was awarded to James J. Quinn, Tolona, Ill.
The Senior Gold Medal for Elocution, to Eugene F. Arnold, of Washington, D. C.

COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT.
The Grand Gold Medal of the Art Department was presented to Prof. Luigi Gregori, of Rome, Italy, in recognition of his eminent talent.

THE RENDITION
of "Home, Sweet Home," by the Band was the signal for dismissal.
Most of the students and their friends left for home on the afternoon train, having fully enjoyed themselves.

The exercises were the most interesting held at Notre Dame during many years.

PREMIUMS.

The following is the list of those who received premiums at the Annual Commencement:

SENIOR DEPARTMENT.
Arnold, E. F.—1st Premium in Evidences of Christianity.
Cloggett, B.—Accessit in Instrumental Music.
Cooney, J. E.—3d Premium in 7th Latin.
Christensen, L.—1st Premium in 5th German; 3d Accessit, Theory, in Book-keeping.
Congar, A.—1st Premium in Elocution.
Dougherty, P.—2d Premium in Elocution.
Davenport, E.—1st Accessit, Execution, in Book-keeping.
Dorion, A.—2d Accessit in 3d Arithmetic.
De Vries, C.—4th Accessit in 1st Arithmetic.
Evers, L.—3d Premium for Progress in Instrumental Music; 1st Premium for Progress in Evidences of Christianity.
Eisenman, L.—1st Accessit in 1st Grammar; 3d Premium in 1st Arithmetic.
Ewing, F.—1st Accessit, Execution, in Book-keeping; 2d Premium in Evidences of Christianity.
English, J.—1st Premium, Execution, in Book-keeping.
Michel, T.—Premium for Progress in Instrumental Music; Accessit in Elocution.
Fitzgerald, J.—2d Premium in 8th Latin; 2d Premium in 2d Algebra.
Ginz, A.—3d Accessit in 1st Grammar; 2d Accessit in 2d German; 4th Accessit, Theory, in Book-keeping.
Garret, J.—2d Accessit in 3d Grammar.
Hertzog, A.—Premium in Evidences of Christianity.
Heilman, F.—Premium for Progress in Piano; 2d Accessit, Theory, in Book-keeping.
Houck, J.—1st Premium in 1st Geography and History; Premium for Proficiency in Instrumental Music.
Horne, L.—1st Accessit in 2d German; Accessit in Reading and Orthography.
Hagan, P.—1st Premium in Elocution.
Hale, T.—1st Premium in 1st Reading and Orthography; Premium for Proficiency in Instrumental Music.
Owen, T.—1st Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography; 2d Premium in 1st Grammar; 1st Premium in 1st Arithmetic; 3d Premium in Elocution.
Hoffman, F.—1st Accessit in 1st German.
Hoffman, L.—1st Accessit in 1st Arithmetic; 1st Accessit in 5th Latin; 3d Accessit, Execution, in Book-keeping.
Hettinger, A.—1st Accessit in 2d Algebra; 1st Premium; Theory, in Book-keeping; 2d Premium in Public Reading, 2d Premium in Evidences of Christianity.
Hamilton, O.—3d Accessit in 8th Latin.
Horne, P.—Premium in 2d Reading and Orthography; 2d Accessit in 3d Grammar.

Kratzer, B.—3d Accessit in 3d Arithmetic.
Kroat, J.—1st Accessit in 2d German.
Kinney, J.—1st Accessit in 5th Latin; 1st Accessit in 5th Greek.
Luther, F.—2d Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography; 1st Premium in 1st Grammar; 1st Accessit, Theory, in Book-keeping.
McKinnon, V.—Premium in Landscape Drawing.
Murphy, W.—2d Premium in 6th Latin; 2d Premium in Evidences of Christianity.
McCue, M.—1st Premium in 6th Latin.
Murphy, J.—1st Premium in 3d Arithmetic; Accessit in Reading and Orthography.
McCullough, P.—1st Accessit in 6th Latin.
McKone, O.—3d Accessit in 1st Geography and History; 1st Accessit, Theory, in Book-keeping.
Montgomery, J.—Premium for Progress in Piano.
Murphy, H.—1st Accessit in 1st Geography and History; 2d Premium in 4th Algebra; 1st Premium, Theory, in Book-keeping.
Mueller, G.—3d Accessit in 5d Arithmetic; 1st Accessit in 2d Geography and History.
Maley, E.—2d Premium in 1st Reading and Orthography.
McHugh, J.—1st Premium for Proficiency in Instrumental Music; Premium in Violin; 1st Premium in Evidences of Christianity.
Nodler, C.—2d Accessit, Execution, in Book-keeping; Accessit in Elocution.
Newans, H.—1st Premium in 2d Grammar; 2d Accessit in 1st Arithmetic; 1st Premium in 5th Latin; 1st Premium in 4th German.
Oldman, W.—3d Premium in Algebra; 1st Accessit in 3d German.
O'Brien, O.—2d Accessit in 2d Arithmetic; 2d Accessit in 2d Geography.
Price, H.—1st Accessit in 3d French; Premium in Telegraphy.
Quinn, J. J.—Accessit in Instrumental Music; 1st Premium in Public Reading.
Quinn, J. P.—1st Accessit in 5th Greek; Accessit in Instrumental Music.
Regan, M.—2d Accessit in 5th Latin; 2d Accessit in 6th Greek; 1st Premium in 2d Geometry.
Roulledge, R.—2d Accessit in 1st Geography and History.
Rogers, J.—2d Accessit in 2d Geography and History.
Rice, J.—1st Accessit in 2d Grammar; 1st Premium in 2d Arithmetic.
Reitzig, O.—1st Accessit in 2d Reading and Orthography.
Rothert, J.—3d Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography; 2d Accessit in 1st Grammar; Premium in Violin.
Robinson, E.—2d Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography; 2d Accessit in 2d Grammar; 2d Premium in 1st Geography and History; 1st Premium in 5th German; 1st Premium, Execution, in Book-keeping.
Schmidt, A.—1st Premium in Figure Drawing; 2d Premium in Water-Colours.
Shugrue, J.—3d Accessit in 7th Latin; 1st Accessit in 1st French.
Smith, J.—2d Premium in 2d Arithmetic; Accessit in Violin.
Sheridan, J.—1st Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.
Arantz, J.—2d Premium in Penmanship; 3d Premium, Execution, in Book-keeping; Premium in Telegraphy.
Bloom, F.—1st Premium in 6th Greek; Premium for Progress in Violin; Premium at Semi-Annual Examina-
Draw.  
Arithmetic.  
ium in Water-Color Painting; 2d Premium in Figure  
ography; 2d Accessit in 4th Grammar; 2d Accessit in Public Reading;  
Baker, J.—1st Premium in 1st Grammar; 1st Premium in 1st Arithmetic; 1st Premium in 1st Geography and History; 1st Premium in 4th Algebra; 2d Premium, Theory, in Book-keeping; 2d Premium in Elocution.  
Baker, J.—2d Premium in 2d Geography; 3d Accessit in 2d Arithmetic; Accessit in Violin; Premium in Christian Doctrine; Premium at Semi-Annual Examination.  
Burger, J.—2d Accessit in 2d Geography.  
Burns, E.—1st Premium in 2d Geography; 2d Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography.  
Burns, M.—3d Premium in 1st Christian Doctrine; 3d Accessit in Greek; 1st Accessit in 4th German.  
Burr, E.—1st Accessit in Penmanship; 1st Accessit, Theory, in Book-keeping.  
Brinkman, C.—2d Premium in Christian Doctrine; 2d Accessit in Landscape Drawing; Accessit in Vocal Music.  
Bushey, A.—1st Premium in 3d French.  
Burket, G.—3d Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography; 1st Accessit in 2d Geography.  
Betting, J.—1st Premium in Evidences of Christianity; 2d Premium in Public Reading.  
Clarke, F.—1st Premium in Christian Doctrine.  
Cannon, W.—1st Premium in 4th Grammar; 3d Accessit in 3d French; 1st Accessit in 5th German; 2d Accessit in 3d German.  
Cannon, W.—1st Accessit in 2d Reading and Orthography; 1st Accessit in 3d Grammar; 1st Accessit in 3d Geography; Premium for Politeness; 3d Accessit in 5th German.  
Cox, W.—5th Premium in Penmanship.  
Cavanagh, C.—1st Accessit in 2d Grammar.  
Cassard, J.—3d Accessit in 2d Geography; Premium in 5th Latin; 1st Premium in 5th German; 2d Accessit in Pastel Drawing.  
Carroll, E.—3d Accessit in 1st Arithmetic; Premium in Piano; 1st Accessit in 7th Latin; 2d Accessit in 4th Algebra.  
Carroll, E.—1st Accessit in 3d Geography; Accessit in Vocal Music.  
Cassidy, G.—1st Premium in 7th Latin; 1st Premium in Evidences of Christianity.  
Cavanaugh, T.—Accessit in 3d Reading and Orthography; Accessit in Arithmetic.  
Cassard, J.—3d Accessit in 2d Geography; Premium in 2d Geography; 1st Accessit in Christian Doctrine.  
Dwyer, W.—1st Accessit in 3d Geography; Accessit in 3d Arithmetic.  
Garcia, L.—2d Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography.  
Guthrie, G.—1st Premium in 1st Reading and Orthography; 2d Accessit in 4th Grammar; 2d Accessit in 2d Geography and History; Accessit in Vocal Music.  
Gibbons, J.—2d Premium in 1st Reading and Orthography; 2d Accessit in 2d Grammar; 2d Premium in 1st Arithmetic; 1st Accessit in 2d Geography; Accessit in Violin; 1st Premium in Christian Doctrine; 1st Accessit, Accessit, in Book-keeping.  
Graham, H.—.2d Accessit in 3d Grammar; 2d Accessit in 3d Arithmetic.  
Itzenbach, J.—2d Accessit in 2d Reading and Orthography; 1st Accessit in 4th Grammar; 1st Premium in 2d German; 2d Accessit in Landscape Drawing.  
Healy, J.—1st Premium in 4th Greek; 3d Premium in 5th Latin; 3d Accessit in 2d Algebra; 1st Accessit, Theory, in Book-keeping.  
Healy, J.—3d Accessit in 2d Reading and Orthography; 2d Premium in 4th Grammar; 2d Premium in 3d Arithmetic.  
Heitkam, A.—1st Premium in 3d Arithmetic.  
Hogan, T.—1st Premium in Christian Doctrine; 2d Premium in Water-Color Painting; 2d Premium in Figure Drawing.  
Harlow, M.—2d Accessit in 4th Arithmetic.  
Hanes, T.—3d Premium in Christian Doctrine; Accessit in Arithmetic.  
Keenan, R.—2d Accessit in Penmanship; Accessit in Piano; Accessit in Latin; 3d Premium in Elocution.  
Itenbach, G.—1st Premium in 2d Reading and Orthography; 3d Accessit in 2d Arithmetic; 2d Premium in 2d German; 2d Accessit in Pastel Drawing.  
Lang, F.—1st Accessit in Landscape Drawing.  
Lemarie, J.—2d Accessit in 1st Grammar; 3d Premium in Penmanship; 1st Premium in 4th Algebra; Premium at 1st French.  
Matthews, J.—3d Accessit in 1st Grammar; 3d Premium in 1st Arithmetic; 1st Premium in 1st Geography and History; 2d Premium in 5th German; 2d Accessit, Theory, in Book-keeping.  
McNally, J.—1st Premium in 5th German.  
Mayer, R.—1st Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography; 4th Accessit in Penmanship; Accessit on Flute; Premium in 4th Algebra, 2d Division; Accessit in 4th German; 3d Premium in Elocution.  
McGrath, F.—2d Premium in 1st Reading and Orthography; 1st Premium in Christian Doctrine; 2d Premium in Public Reading and Vocal Music.  
Moseley, S.—4th Accessit in Reading and Orthography; 3d Accessit in Geography and History.  
McKinnon, C.—2d Accessit in Reading and Orthography; 2d Accessit in Penmanship; 3d Accessit in 2d Grammar; 2d Premium in 2d Arithmetic; 3d Accessit in 2d Geography.  
Neilson, T.—3d Accessit in 1st Grammar; 4th Premium in Penmanship; 2d Accessit in 1st Geography; 2d Premium, Execution, in Book-keeping; 2d Premium in Elocution.  
Newmark, H.—3d Premium in 2d Reading and Orthography; 2d Premium in 1st Arithmetic; 1st Premium in 1st German; 1st Accessit in 1st Geography and History; 1st Premium in 2d Algebra; 2d Premium, Theory, in Book-keeping.  
Neilson, P.—2d Premium in 2d Geography.  
O'Donnell, J.—1st Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography.  
Perea, T.—1st Premium in Elocution.  
Plains, R.—2d Accessit in Figure Drawing.  
Pennington, E.—Accessit in Christian Doctrine; Accessit in 2d French.  
Reynolds, R.—3d Accessit in 1st Grammar; 3d Accessit in 2d Algebra.  
Rietz, A.—2d Accessit in Penmanship; 1st Premium in 2d Arithmetic; 2d Accessit in 2d German; 2d Accessit in Reading and Orthography.  
Schoob, J.—1st Premium in 3d Grammar.  
Sievres, A.—1st Premium in 1st Grammar; 2d Accessit in 1st Arithmetic; Premium on Violin; 2d Premium in Vocal Music.  
Sugg, G.—Premium on Flute; 2d Accessit in 7th Latin.  
Singer, F.—1st Accessit in 2d Arithmetic; 5th Accessit in 4th Grammar.  
Siegler, W.—1st Premium in 3d Reading and Orthography; 1st Accessit in 4th Arithmetic; 2d Accessit in 3d Geography; 1st Accessit in 5th German.  
Scanlan, J.—3d Accessit in 2d Geography; Accessit in Christian Doctrine.  
Walters, E. S.—3d Accessit in 3d Grammar; 2d Premium in Christian Doctrine.  
Walters, E. S.—1st Accessit in 3d Grammar; 2d Accessit in Arithmetic; 2d Accessit in 5th German.  
Widdicombe, W. A.—1st Premium in 5th Latin; 1st Accessit in Christian Doctrine; 2d Premium in Public Reading.
Walsh, C.—3d Accessit in 1st Reading and Orthography; 1st Accessit in Penmanship; 1st Premium in evidences of Christianity.
Van Mourick, C.—3d Accessit in 4th Grammar; 1st Accessit in 3d Arithmetic; 1st Accessit in 2d Geography.
Berry, F.—3d Premium in 3d Reading.
Boose, J.—3d Premium in 3d Arithmetic; 2d Premium in United States History; 4th Premium in Penmanship; 1st Accessit in 2d Geography; 1st Accessit in 2d Orthography.
Bushey, C.—4th Premium in 5th Arithmetic.
Bushey, S.—3d Premium in 5th Arithmetic.
Coolbaugh, W.—1st Premium in 1st Arithmetic; 4th Premium in 1st Orthography; 2d Premium in 1st Geography; 1st Accessit in 1st Reading.
Crehan, O.—2d Premium in 2d Christian Doctrine; 3d Accessit in 2d Reading; 2d Accessit in 3d Orthography.
Costello, R.—4th Premium in 2d Reading; 2d Premium in 3d Orthography; 1st Premium in 2d Geography; 3d Accessit in 2d Grammar.
Coghill, W.—2d Premium in 3d Arithmetic; 3d Premium in 2d Christian Doctrine; 1st Accessit in 1st Geography; 3d Accessit in 1st Reading; 1st Premium in 1st Grammar.
Coghill, A.—2d Premium in 1st Reading; 1st Premium in 1st Arithmetic; 1st Premium in Penmanship; 2d Premium in 1st Orthography; 1st Premium in 1st Grammar; 1st Accessit in United States History.
Courtney, Joseph—1st Premium in 2d Christian Doctrine; 2d Premium in 2d Grammar; 1st Accessit in 2d Reading; 1st Accessit in 3d Arithmetic.
Courtney, James—1st Premium in 2d Reading; 5th Premium in 3d Arithmetic; 5th Premium in Geography; 2d Accessit in 2d Geography.
Crowe, C.—1st Accessit in 2d Orthography; 2d Premium in 2d Geography; 1st Accessit in 2d Reading; 2d Accessit in 3d Arithmetic.
Crowe, J.—3d Premium in 3d Geography; 3d Premium in 3d Reading; 1st Accessit in 3d Penmanship.
Devine, J.—1st Premium in 4th Reading.
Devine, M.—4th Premium in 3d Reading.
Deemer, E.—2d Premium in 3d Penmanship; 3d Premium in 3d Geography.
Farrelly, O.—4th Premium in 1st Reading; 3d Premium in 1st Arithmetic; 1st Premium in 1st Orthography; 2d Premium for Proficiency in Piano; 4th Accessit in United States History; 5th Accessit in 1st Geography; 5th Accessit in 1st Grammar.
Hartrath, A.—2d Premium in 1st Reading; 1st Premium in 1st Geography; 3d Premium in 1st Orthography; 6th Premium in 5th Arithmetic.
Inderrieden, Joseph—1st Premium in 1st Geography; 2d Premium in 3d Reading.
Kitz, H.—1st Premium in 3d Orthography; 2d Premium in 4th Geography.
Lambin, G.—1st Premium in 1st Reading; 3d Premium in 2d Arithmetic; 2d Premium in Penmanship; 5th Premium for Proficiency in Pino; 4th Accessit in 1st Orthography; 3d Premium in 4th Geography.
McDevitt, W.—3d Premium in 1st Reading; 1st Premium in 1st Christian Doctrine; 3d Premium in Penmanship; 3d Premium in United States History; 3d Accessit in 1st Grammar.
McGrath, J.—1st Premium in 3d Reading.
Nelson, N.—1st Premium in 3d Arithmetic; 2d Premium in 3d Reading; 3d Premium in 2d Orthography; 5th Premium in 1st Geography; 4th Premium in 3d Grammar.
Parsons, F.—4th Premium in 5th Arithmetic.
Rhodius, C.—1st Premium in 2d Grammar; 3d Premium in 2d Arithmetic; 2d Premium in 1st Christian Doctrine; 5th Accessit in 1st Reading.
Rheinhardt, W.—2d Premium in 2d Geography; 6th Accessit in 3d Reading.
Welty, C.—2d Premium in 3d Orthography.
Young, C.—5th Premium in 2d Penmanship.

Personal.

—Rev. F. Frére Is taking a vacation at St. Vincent’s, Ind. —J. C. Kelly (Commercial), of ‘67, is banking at Le Mars, Iowa.
—F. P. Wode, of the I. P. and C. R. R. was present at the Commencement exercises.
—James B. Gray (Commercial), of ‘76, is Deputy County Treasurer of Carroll County, Iowa.
—Thos. Nelson, Esq., of Chicago, witnessed for the twentieth time the Commencement exercises at Notre Dame.
—We are happy to say that Wm. Clarke, of ‘74, received the nomination for Prosecuting Attorney of Franklin County, Ohio. The people of Columbus could not find a better man for whom to vote than Mr. Clarke. We hope that he may be elected.
—We were pleased to see during Commencement week Rt. Rev. Bishop Dwenegue, of Fort Wayne; Rt. Rev. Bishop Bpeling, of Peoria, Ill.; Rt. Rev. Monsignor Seton, of South Orange, N. J.; Rev. Fathers Tichie and Egan of Chicago; O’Sullivan and Oechtering, of Laporte; Oechtering, of Mishawaka; Duhming, of Avilla; Ghonney, of Ohio Station, Ill.; Shea, of Ingalls, Ind.; Capon, of Niles, Mich.; Becks, of Michigan City; Hallinan, of Lafayette; Hannan, of Toledo; Lath, of South Bend; Baroux, of Chesterton; Lambin, of Pittsburgh; Creighton, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Maloney, of Lodi, Ill.; Noll, of Elkhart; Wardy, of Chesterton; Baldi, O. S., of Chicago; Koenig, of Fort Wayne; Thomas, C. P. S., Wapakoneta, Ohio; Czyzowski, of South Bend, and Reynolds, of Omaha.
—Among the visitors during Commencement week were Hon. P. B. Ewing, Lancaster, Ohio; Hon. Jas. Forrester, Laporte, Ind.; Hon. Thos. Anderson and wife, New Orleans, La.; Col. R. King, Chicago, Ill.; A. G. Schmidt, Toyo, Nelson, J. J. McGrath, Chicago; F. M. Guthrie, Carroll, Iowa; Cusa. M. Ford, John C. Carroll, and W. H. O’Brien, Chicago; John C. English, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. and Miss Jones, Columbus, S. R. Claggott, Lexington, Ill.; J. Matthews, Kenosha, Wis.; Noll, of Elkhart; Wardy, of Canton, Ind.; Capon, of Niles, Mich.; Becks, of Michigan City; Hallinan, of Lafayette; Hannan, of Toledo; Lath, of South Bend; Baroux, of Chesterton; Lambin, of Pittsburgh; Creighton, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Maloney, of Lodi, Ill.; Noll, of Elkhart; Wardy, of Chesterton; Baldi, O. S., of Chicago; Koenig, of Fort Wayne; Thomas, C. P. S., Wapakoneta, Ohio; Czyzowski, of South Bend, and Reynolds, of Omaha.
Mrs. J. R. Pialz, St. Clair, Mich.; Mrs. J. M. Bohn, Fowler-Perley, Miss Kirwin, Miss Neteler, Miss O'Connor, Mrs. Mich.; lirs. Quinn, Tolona; Mrs. and Miss Veasey, Mrs. and Mrs. Danaker, Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Cavenor, Mrs. Miss Smith, South Bend, Ind.; Mrs. and Miss White, Reynolds, Cassopolis, Mich.; Mrs. Honel, Miss B. Pechts, Prof. Ivers, Mrs. Ivers, Prof. Howard, Prof. Schnurrer, Brown, Dubuque, Iowa; Mr. Higgins, Chicago; Sirs, and Mrs. Russell, Wisconsin; Mr. and Mrs. Van-Kavanagh, Chicago; Mr. A. R. Lerbin, Mishawaka; Mr. J. Irving, J. M. Miers, Lancastur, Ohio; Hon. L. G. Tong, Mayor of South Bend, Ind.; J. Lyle, Laporte, Ind.; Jno. Single and wife, Plymouth, Ind.; E. B. Balde, Jr., Green Bay, Wis.; Mrs. A. garnier and daughter, Escanaba, Mich.; Mrs. N. Hake, Grand Rapids, Mich.; F. Honor, Jno. Pruey, South Bend, Ind.; J. Grace, C. Bois, Notre Dame; J. J. Fitzgibbon, J. J. Finerty, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. Kirchner, Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. Phelan, Lansing, Mich.; Mr. P. Creighton, who was also here, was a prominent member of the Columbian Club held a meeting on the morning of Tuesday, June 20th. A vote of thanks was tendered to Bros. Theodore, John and Timothy for favors shown the Associations.

We will gladly forward any information of him that may be sent us.

We intend binding some twenty copies of the Scholastic to be sent as premiums at the next Commencement. The Scholastic was the most desired premium given last week.

On Commencement Week Prof. Lyons closed his twentieth year at Notre Dame. He was never more gratified with the work of one year than he was with what was accomplished in 1877-8.

We understand that the Commercials of former years will next June form an Association similar to the Alumni. This is right, and the authorities of the College will do everything in their power to help it along.

The members of the Thespian Association and the Columbus Club held a meeting on the morning of Tuesday, June 29th. A vote of thanks was tendered to Bros. Theodore, John and Timothy for favors shown the Associations.

We are much pleased to learn that the examinations of the students of the college of St. Laurent, near Montreal, were extremely satisfactory, as the general average was a little over 25 per cent. The Annual Commencement Exercises took place on the 29th inst.

We call attention to the advertisement in another column asking for information as to the whereabouts of William Gates, aged 18 years, who was a Minim here in 1874-5, and resided afterwards in Chicago and St. Louis. We will gladly forward any information of him that may be sent us.

A game of baseball resulting in the smallest score on record here this year was played on the 20th ult., between a junior nine of Saint Vincent and a nine of the Quickssteps, a nine in the Minim Department. At the ninth inning the score was 4 to 0 in favor of the Quicksteps. On the 22d ult. the same two nines played a second
match game, the Quicksteps winning again by a score of 6 to 18.

—The many friends of Willie Oash, of '77, long and fa-
vourably remembered among the younger students, will be
sorry to hear that he met a serious accident last week near his
home in Chicago lately, falling from a high platform and
striking his side with great violence against a large stone.
Hearty assistance was at once given to escape death under God to the
special protection of St. Joseph, whose care and kindness he had
received during it during his sojourn here at college. We
trust soon to hear that he has been declared out of danger.

—The last regular meetings of the St. Cecilia Philo-
mathean Association were held Tuesday morning, June 1st.
After the diplomas and medals were distributed a vote of thanks
was tendered the Editor of the Scholastic; Very Rev. Father
Corby, Rev. Fathers Walsh and Kelly; Bros. Leander,
Paul, Lawrence, Simon, Stanislaus, Theodore, Columkille,
Celestine, Alban, Bruno; Messrs. Joseph McHugh, A. K.
Schmidt, M. Regan and R. Meyer. The members concluded
the meeting with "Three cheers for old Notre Dame.

—On Wednesday evening after all the exercises at Notre
Dame and St. Mary's were over, a little impromptu enter-
tainment was got up in the College parlor, and was one
of the most enjoyable affairs it has ever been our fortune
to attend. There were select readings given by Col. King
of Chicago, and Mr. Larkin, of Wheeling, and plenty of
music. Prof. Corby, of Chicago, gave quite a number of
artistic solos. It was a night long to be remembered and
regarded as one of the best in our experience. The toasts
abounded in choice sentiments, and the speeches were
all to the point, and abounded in choice sentiments, and the speeches were
very elegantly presented. The ceremony of
drawing for the ring was then performed. Mr. T. Nelson
Anderson, of Louisiana. The toasts were all to the point,
and sat down to a bounteous repast, gotten up under the
good nature invited the Thespians, Philopatrians, Colum­
ians, Band, and Senior Orchestra. The entire Faculty was
thus induced to ride out one day to see some real estate purchased
by his sister-in-law, but became so overpowered by thirst
that he bemoaned his imprudence in leaving the house,
July Examination.

GENERAL AVERAGES.

SENIOR DEPARTMENT.

E. Anderson, 75; E. Arnold, 93; W. Arnold, 93; J. Cooney, 73; J. Chatterton, 78; A. B. Congar, 94; L. Egan, 88; C. Crenshaw, A. Dorion, 84; J. Fitzgerald, 94; A. Gin, 78; E. Grant, 77; J. Garrett, 72; A. Hertzog, 90; F. Hellman, 84; J. Honeck, 92; L. Honeck, 84; P. Honeck, 89; T. Hale, 84; F. Hoffman, 90; J. S. Hoffman, 79; J. O. Hamilton, 90; J. Krost, 77; J. J. Krost, 84; F. Luther, 84; J. Lambin, 73; H. Maguire, 93; V. McKimmon, 100; J. Murphy, 75; W. J. Murphy, 100; P. W. Mattimore, 82; F. McLelland, 87; M. J. McNeill, 92; F. P. McPilch, 90; O. McKeen, 90; J. D. Montgomery, 99; H. Murphy, 93; C. F. Mueller, 90; E. Myer, 81; E. McKimmon, 73; C. Nodler, 93; H. Nevea, 94; A. Keenan, 84; W. Ohlman, 83; O. O'Brien, 90; F. Keller, 80; J. J. Quinn, 99; J. P. Quinn, 99; M. Regan, 85; R. Routledge, 76; J. Rogers, 91; J. Ries, 84; J. J. Schilling, 90; T. Cavanaugh, 90; J. J. Shugrue, 93; J. Smith, 87; P. Vogel, 93; Geo. Walters, 90; F. Williams, 87; F. Walter, 82.

The names of students whose average percentage for examination fell below 75 do not figure on the above list.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

W. Adams, 84; M. Bannon, 93; J. A. Burger, 100; J. Bertsell, 94; F. Bloom, 88; J. G. Baker, 86; J. A. Burger, 87; M. Burns, 86; M. Byrne, 79; C. Linkman, 87; A. Bushey, 85; C. Burket, 78; F. Cavanaugh, 96; G. P. Cassidy, 96; C. Clarke, 89; F. Clarke, 85; W. D. Cannon, 96; H. Canoll, 85; W. Cox, 84; F. Carroll, 94; G. Donnelly, 75; W. Doyle, 80; J. C. Cassard, 91; L. Garceau, 75; J. W. Guthrie, 90; J. Gibbons, 96; H. Graling, 68; A. Hatt, 79; J. Halle, 78; M. Herrick, 83; J. Herrick, 83; J. Hafer, 73; A. Heltam, 97; G. Hagan, 70; G. Ittenbach, 93; J. E. Ittenbach, 90; J. Kelly, 85; R. Keenan, 78; J. Matthews, 72; J. Lumley, 94; F. Lang, 76; J. Larkin, 84; J. Lemarie, 88; W. J. McCarthy, 93; J. McNeill, 85; F. McGrath, 83; S. Mosier, 90; C. McKinnon, 90; P. Nelson, 87; H. New- mark, 91; G. Orr, 88; F. T. Pleins, 69; R. Pearls, 76; S. Perley, 90; E. Pennington, 78; W. Rietsch, 90; A. Rietsch, 89; J. Schubert, 76; R. Schubert, 85; G. Simler, 88; F. Singer, 84; W. S. Smith, 83; J. Scanlan, 90; C. Van Mourick, 85; E. S. Walter, 82; S. Welty, 85; F. Weisert, 87; W. B. Walker, 89; C. Walsh, 84; J. Healy, 83; M. Reynolds, 81; G. Sugg, 85; W. A. Widlicombe, 83.

MINOR DEPARTMENT.

F. Berry, 93; J. Boone, 89; T. Barrett, 86; C. Bushey, 84; S. Bushey, 92; W. Coolbaugh, 100; J. Chaves, 75; C. Crennan, 89; B. Cushing, 94; W. Collins, 87; A. Coghlin, 100; J. Courterry, 93; J. Curverry, 92; C. Crowe, 98; J. Crowe, 90; J. Devine, 89; M. Devine, 96; E. Esmee, 79; O. Farrelly, 98; F. Farrelly, 87; P. Fitzgerald, 79; F. Gaffney, 92; C. Gerrick, 87; A. Hartrath, 100; J. Inderrieden, 94; J. Oslerieden, 90; H. Kitz, 97; G. Lambin, 90; R. Long, 94; W. Long, 89; T. McGrath, 96; N. Nelson, 90; F. O'Neill, 95; F. Parsons, 88; G. Rhodius, 94; W. Reinhardt, 92; J. Seeger, 98; H. Snee, 100; C. Welty, 89; L. Young.

Roll of Honor.

SENIOR DEPARTMENT.

[In the following are the names of those students who during the past week have by their exemplary conduct given satisfaction to all the members of the Faculty.]


MINOR DEPARTMENT.


Annual Commencement Exercises of St. Mary's Academy.

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE SISTERS OP THE HOLY CROSS.

JUNE 26, 1873.

(Taken principally from the Daily Press.)

June 26.—The Annual Commencement exercises of St. Mary's Academy were presided over by Rev. Bishop Spalding of Peoria, assisted by some thirty of the Rev. clergy from different dioceses and about one hundred and fifty invited guests, parents of the pupils and friends from various parts of the country, chiefly of course from the West, although the Catalogue shows a large number of students from the East and South. The hall was handsomely ornamented with evergreens, rose colored and lace curtais.

The exercises on Tuesday afternoon consisted of music and after the musical composers represented were Ambrose Thomas, Schumann, Von Weber, Chopin, Eckert, Beethoven, Liszt, and Haydn. Of the vocal numbers, Miss Cavenor's rendering of Bee-
Theo von Hugo's "Adelaide" was remarkable for purity of intonation and intelligence of delivery. Miss Cavener's voice is a pure soprano, of high range and uniform timbre; she will be a valuable acquisition to Chicago musical circles. Of the instrumentalists, Misses Cavenor, of Detroit, N. J., and Schumann of Cassopolis, Mich., were noticeable for that rare taste and the soul is the merciful strain of a grave obligation." Experiments will do in chemistry and the patent office, but not for Christians in ethics. Masters spent years in completing a single work of art. Mankind, said Miss Hennessy, should have a imagination and courage in preparing for eternity. Miss Cooney, of Cleveland, wrote of "Gratitude to Our Heavenly Father" for the beauties of the universe. We should be grateful for the power of loving and for the gift of faith. Miss Elizabeth O'Neill, of Peoria, rejoiced that it was the privilege of man to astonish the world with military successes, political exilpisia, and the utility of his inventions, and to guard with brave arm and strong mind the honor of his home and the rights of his loved ones; but that "The Privileges of the Christian Woman" were to preside in the home, to bind the wounds of war, and to cultivate peace, virtue, and quiet happiness. Man is the head, woman the heart of the family, as interesting as the Studio. Babes' dresses, gentlemen's shirts, all sorts of wearing apparel, plain and moderately cheap, were to be seen, the product of the pupils' daily activity. We noticed handsome slippers, worked by Miss Lucy Chilton, of Virginia, for the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Richmond, and another, equally as beautiful in design, which was made by Miss Keenan, of Canada, for the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Kingston. Connected with this department, or, more properly, with the art, is what may be called a miniature industry, manufacturing of several kinds of the art goods of Belgium, who learned the craft there, and whose nimble fingers fly about among the bobbins with indescribable rapidity, producing calenders and aprons at a rate which are almost exclusive of ecclesiastics, and are full of dignity and grace. None of this lace is for sale; a pious Association, under the inspiration of St. Mary's, has the monopoly, and presents it to the sanctuaries of the church, but too poor to purchase appropriate garments for their altar.

The Imperial Power of Genius," by Miss Gaynor, of Detroit, was a comprehensive review of the achievements, good and evil, of genius in ancient and modern times, in all departments of thought and action. This essay was written so well, and quite thoroughly, that we could not help thinking that the young writer had been the recipient of a good education. The "Graduate's Recompense to Her Parents for Favor Received" was the theme of Miss Mary O'Connor, of Chicago. The young lady lamented that, in return for the devotion and self-sacrifice of parents in affording education to their daughters, the latter too often carried home small scientific attainments, with unkindness of manner and selfishness of disposition. Filling affection, solicitude for the younger members of the family, a good example and correct precepts, were factors in the recompense to which the graduate's parents are entitled. Miss O'Connor's voice was lacking in volume, but her inflection and emphasis were exceptionally correct. The "Light of Science" was the theme of Miss Amelia Harris, of New York. Facts are less important than the interpretation of them. The noblest aim of science is to draw nearer to his Creator, whose omnipotence and love have bestowed upon the world such beneficent faculties and so vast a range of grand principles, whose gradual operation increase our delight. Much Minerva Spier, of Peoria, descended in graceful blank verse on "The Christian Home Circle" as the "stepping-stone to heaven." The essay in French, "La Religion is l'Ordre de la Creation," by Miss Mary McGrath, of Chicago, was warmly applauded, and deservedly, for it was not only well thought, but the thought was enunciated in a French whose composition was far more skillful than that. The essay was made in a manner which would scarcely be noticed in a solo, but which might wholly destroy the concord of six instruments. It is a charming idea of the graduates of Peoria, Cleveland, Chicago and Trenton to present their school-girls' last work to their respective Bishops as an offering to their Catholic sanctuaries. Miss McGrath, who received the Gold French Medal, worked and presented an equally beautiful one to Very Rev. E. Sorin, Superior General of the Order of the Holy Cross; and in the name of the one made and presented to Rt. Rev. Bishop Dwenger for the sanctuary of the Fort Wayne Cathedral. Each pri€ deut is an extremely beautiful illustration of George Eliot's happy phrase, "Women's small finger-tips have eyes." We noticed handsome slippers, worked by Miss Lucy Chilton, of Virginia, for the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Richmond, and another, equally as beautiful in design, which was made by Miss Keenan, of Canada, for the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Kingston. Connected with this department, or, more properly, with the art, is what may be called a miniature industry, manufacturing of several kinds of the art goods of Belgium, who learned the craft there, and whose nimble fingers fly about among the bobbins with indescribable rapidity, producing calendars and aprons at a rate which are almost exclusive of ecclesiastics, and are full of dignity and grace. None of this lace is for sale; a pious Association, under the inspiration of St. Mary's, has the monopoly, and presents it to the sanctuaries of the church, but too poor to purchase appropriate garments for their altar.

The Exibition Exercises Proper occurred on Wednesday. An immense concourse of distinguished guests and patrons was awaiting the time announced, to enter St. Cecilia's Hall, which, when the doors were opened, was immediately filled. Harps and pianos, in full harmony, gave the signal of the entrance of the Right Rev. Bishops Spalding and Dwenger, of Peoria and Trenton to present their school-girls' last work to their respective Bishops as an offering to their Catholic sanctuaries. Miss McGrath, who received the Gold French Medal, worked and presented an equally beautiful one to Very Rev. E. Sorin, Superior General of the Order of the Holy Cross; and in the name of the one made and presented to Rt. Rev. Bishop Dwenger for the sanctuary of the Fort Wayne Cathedral. Each pri€ deut is an extremely beautiful illustration of George Eliot's happy phrase, "Women's small finger-tips have eyes." We noticed handsome slippers, worked by Miss Lucy Chilton, of Virginia, for the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Richmond, and another, equally as beautiful in design, which was made by Miss Keenan, of Canada, for the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Kingston. Connected with this department, or, more properly, with the art, is what may be called a miniature industry, manufacturing of several kinds of the art goods of Belgium, who learned the craft there, and whose nimble fingers fly about among the bobbins with indescribable rapidity, producing calendars and aprons at a rate which are almost exclusive of ecclesiastics, and are full of dignity and grace. None of this lace is for sale; a pious Association, under the inspiration of St. Mary's, has the monopoly, and presents it to the sanctuaries of the church, but too poor to purchase appropriate garments for their altar.
The Gold Medal for improvement in French, presented by Mrs. Phelan, of Lancaster, Ohio, was awarded to Miss Elizabeth O'Neill, of Peoria, Ill.

The Valedictory, in short metre and alternate rhyme, was delivered by Miss Bay Reynolds, of Cassopolis, Mich.

The Right Rev. Bishop of Peoria gave a most eloquent closing address. This was his lordship's first visit, and he expressed the pleasure it gave him. He had heard much of these twin institutions, situated in the midst of smiling plains, heaven-reflecting lakes and beautiful foliage, for their reputation is world-wide like that of the founders of Notre Dame and St. Mary's. Here woman makes herself independent of man, and, raising her heart to God, devotes herself to His holy work in the education of youth. The Right Rev. speaker paid a magnificent eulogium to the labors as well as to the character of monastic institutions. Then, addressing the graduates, his lordship expressed his pride at the present the day previous at the reading of the essays. He remarked that the character of the compositions in English, French and German particularly pleased him. The ornamentation was always subordinated to ideas. If figures were used, they were for the purpose of bringing out more clearly some useful and grand thought. In conclusion, he spoke of his pleasure in finding among the graduates three of the fair daughters of the city of Peoria, "the city in which I dwell and which I love." Addressing the entire Class, his lordship gave a glowing tribute to the grand influence which woman should exert, and which educational establishments like St. Mary's are destined to ennoble, to expand, and to purify.

At the close of the exercises the Right Rev. Bishops and clergy repaired to a fine banquet prepared for them. The graduates, their parents and friends dined in a separate hall, and some four hundred invited guests took their dinner in another of the spacious halls of the institute.

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