Salutatio* 
AD
I. I. ET R. R. J. L. SPALDING, PRORIENSEM EPISCOPUM,
IN VIGILIA S. THOMAE AQUINATIS,
AU ALUMNIS NOSTRIS DOMINE.
ANNO DOMINI, MDCCCLXXXIV,
GRADUS ACCEPTURIS OBLATA.

Alma lux Nostræ Domiae nitescit,
Dulce quem nomen resonat per zedes:
Ridet at vultus, tua quum benigna
Risit imago.

Jam Bonum grato juvenes salutat
Ore Pastorem,—Pater atque amicus
Hic ades, cujus nequeant loquendo
Addere laudi.

Non quidem invictos animi labores.
Nee gregis curas, neque vivam tenacem
Effem: toto celebrantur orbe,
Magne Sacerdos!

Sed tuum lobur memorare suave est:
Pro Deo pugnas, Fideique causam
Advocans, sacro domitas superbum
Lumine pectus.

Doctor et Christi populo fidelis.
In viam recti revocas juventam:
Non parit pacem vitium, dat imma
Graudia virtus.

"Gloriam quaeras.—Dedecus voluptas
Reddit et vultus tacite remordet.
Arduus vitae labor, est vio moris
Dulcis honesto." . . .

Ut pater natos, patiens docendo
Admones, Veri faciem severam.
Temperans, nostrisque animos superno
Imbuís igne.

* This beautiful address was delivered by N. H. Ewing, '84, and presented to Bishop Spalding, on the eve of the festival of St. Thomas Aquinas, Patron of the Philosophical Academy. It is an ingenious specimen of acrostic, written in saphic stanzas of four lines. This graceful metre is looked upon as the most harmonious of all rhythms, both in Greek and Latin. The address itself had been beautifully copied—or, rather, engrossed—by Mr. W. Ramsay, of the Senior department, who deserves great credit for his taste and artistic talent.

The Angel of the Schools.*

While recalling the deeds of illustrious heroes of the forum and battle-field, such as a Cicero or an Alexander, we are sometimes compelled to pause in our enthusiasm and bestow our fair admiration on some less brilliant but certainly more worthy characters. For, above conquerors, and even founders of civil and political liberty, rise those intellectual geniuses who grace the pages of human history, who are to be looked upon as the greatest benefactors of mankind. It is of one such that I intend to speak: briefly considering him as a pupil, as a master, and as a saint.

In the same year that St. Louis became king of France, and St. Francis of Assisi died, Theodora, the wife of Landulf, Count of Aquin, gave birth to a child who received in baptism the name of Thomas. Though issued from a noble race, and having in his veins the blood of three royal houses, that child was destined by Divine Providence to be far more illustrious than his ancestors, and to shine forth like a luminous torch through the Middle Ages, owing to his eminent learning and virtue. Born a prince of the world, St. Thomas of Aquin was to be known in all future ages as a Doctor of the Church, and to receive forever the glorious title—"The Angel of the Schools."

Thomas was not quite five years old when his parents sent him to Monte Cassino, the Mother-House of the Benedictine Order. In doing this they were likely actuated by a pious desire to see their youngest son raised according to Christian principles, but, at the same time, blinded by a worldly ambition, they hoped that Thomas, once made a monk, would be appointed Abbot of the monastery, and sooner or later become master of immense possessions. Whether their too human hopes were frustrated or not I will not examine here, but only say that the child in growing up became more and more acquainted with the admirable rule of St. Benedict; and feeling daily a greater veneration for his masters, exhibited a sincere love for prayer, mental labor, and punctuality. There, indeed, he learned obedience and self-sacrifice; there was born his noble passion for solitude, silence, and meditation. Even at this early period of his life his genius and strength of character

* Oration delivered by ELMER A. OTIS, '84, at the students' reception to Bishops Spalding and Ireland, March 6, 1884.
were manifest. His companions, while looking on his broad, tranquil brow, his placid, meditative eyes, his commanding though modest countenance, would tacitly acknowledge Thomas’ superiority, and in spite of themselves yield to his precocious wisdom. But notwithstanding the great influence he had over his school-mates, there was one mysterious thought which seemed to oppress his youthful mind: though still a mere boy, Thomas was continually asking his masters, *Quid esset Deus?*—“What was God?” A question which gives the key to his character—to the whole history of his life. And, knowing this, it will be easy to understand that an education which formed both the heart and intellect must have left upon the noble youth an indelible mark. These were, indeed, for the youthful Aquino bright and fruitful days—days of growth, just as nature rests in the first warm days of early spring, before it bursts into leaf and flower. Thus it is that the boy, placed under the direct influence of a holy atmosphere, breathing, as it were, the pure air of heaven, was slowly preparing himself for his future life.

But a movement soon took place which gave an unexpected direction to the career of young Aquino. A storm which had been threatening for many years at length broke forth, and turned a shrine of piety and learning into a nest of thieves, desecrated the monastery, dispersed the monks, and forced Thomas to take refuge with his family. A storm which had been threatening for many years at length broke forth, and turned a shrine of piety and learning into a nest of thieves, desecrated the monastery, dispersed the monks, and forced Thomas to take refuge with his family.

After a thorough preparation under so great a master, Thomas himself is now ready to teach. He began lecturing at Cologne when scarcely 32 years of age, and becoming more and more acquainted with human science, and having received the greatest distinction the degree of Doctor, Friar Thomas soon became known as a most proficient Professor, and throughout the remainder of his life astonished the most celebrated universities of Europe, especially that of Paris, by his transcendent genius. Yet, it is above all owing to his colossal works that he has enriched mankind with an inexhaustible fund of learning; and it is in these that we see how strong, how deep, how marvelously gifted in heart and mind was the great Angelical. When still very young he wrote his wonderful *Opuscula* in which he treats with great wisdom of the most abstruse questions in metaphysics; but his stupendous work—“The Commentary on the Four Books of the Lombard” —seems sufficient to have occupied a lifetime. A truly gigantic monument of labor, skill, and erudition, filling over 1200 pages in quarto. And who has not heard of his *Summa contra Gentiles*—that remarkable storehouse of arguments in refuta-
tion of Atheism and infidelity? Time prevents me from speaking of his well-known "Office of Corpus Christi," where a Catholic is at a loss which to admire most,—the Seraphic devotion of the Saint, the faultless precision of the Doctor, or the beautiful inspiration of the Poet. But let us hasten on, for there stands before us the grand Summa Theologiae, which one might venture to compare to one of those immense cathedrals of the Middle Ages, built up by an epoch of faith, finished with an art incomparable, and having all its parts ingeniously cemented by the vigorous hand of syllogism. Here we find the whole Christian religion reduced to a scientific form; it is in three principal divisions: in the first, the Godhead, surrounded with angels; in the second, man, and the third, crowned with Christ.

Thus it is that the "Prince of Theologians," all imbued with the traditions of the holy Fathers and the surest tenets of Greek philosophers, composed, in honor of the Creator and Redeemer of fallen mankind, a vast encyclopaedia of religion, written with exactness, lucidity, and depth of thought. Thus it is that both theologians and philosophers have a means of instructing themselves in the lawful development of the intellect, in all the deductions of reason, and in the sublime intuitions of Faith. Though the holy Doctor died before being able to take part in the Council held at Lyons, he obtained a glorious compensation, four centuries after, by having his Summa Theologiae placed side by side with the Bible in the Council of Trent. True it is, the Summa was never completed, but it remains practically unimpaired, as it abundantly suffices for the end it was intended to fulfil. This great work of the Angelical was, indeed, his one life's labor,—his legacy to sacred Science; and, having accomplished God's will in the most perfect manner, he was taken from this earth to enjoy forever the reward promised by Christ to one that had so well written of Him.

But to appreciate the true worth of the work performed by Thomas Aquinas requires the high intellect and sound judgment of God's ministers; and one who has but begun the study of Philosophy must confine himself within the limits of a silent admiration. A few words on the mighty author as a Saint, and I have done. Throughout his whole life, Thomas ever-manifested, in the highest degree, that purity, patience and humility which are the characteristics of the true children of the Church; he never trusted to his own genius—however powerful it was—in the production of his works, but, continually kneeling down at the foot of the crucifix, he earnestly prayed to God for grace and light. He was often seen lifted up in ecstasy; in his last days especially he had extraordinary visions of the world unseen, and was frequently entranced. When there was question of his canonization soon after his death, and some objected that few miracles were proved to have been performed by the Angelical, Pope John XXII exclaimed: "Thomas alone has enriched the Church more than all the other doctors taken together!" And another Pope went so far as to say that "there are in the Summa as many miracles as there are articles." And consequently we dare say, in the words of Cardinal Newman and our Rt. Rev. Lecturer, that "by living one year with St. Thomas we would have profited much more than by reading all the text-books of modern speculations."

Washington is rightly called the "Father of his Country," but St. Thomas is the founder of true, Christian Philosophy. Truly did Albertus Magnus predict of "the dumb ox of Sicily"—and well may we say of him—that so loud had been his bellowings in doctrine that they have resounded throughout the whole world; and in vain will subsequent generations or so-called modern science endeavor to attack his mighty production; the magnificent edifice still stands erect, rearing its head aloft, and, like the great Pyramid of Egypt, is unshaken by the ravages of time or the futile assaults of men.

Joseph Haydn.

SUGGESTED BY READING THE EXQUISITE TRANSLATION OF VON SEEBURG'S "STORY OF JOSEPH HAYDN'S LIFE," BY REV. J. M. TOOHEY, C. S. C.

Respectfully Inscribed to Professor Joseph A. Lyons, of the University of Notre Dame, Indiana.

O great and gifted one, like all great souls, Simple and guileless as a little child, Thy name, thy fame, an angel undefiled, 'Mid God's immortal choristers, enrolls—

—What tho' the world its grudging pittance doles To thy young genius? What tho' want and care Fetter the fledgling's wings? Celestial scrolls Writ with the music of Seraphic prayer.

And tuneful with angelic symphonies, Float thro' thy dreams.

The hand which clasps the beads Hath drawn from Heav'n its matchless melodies; And Prayer hath sown in Song its wingèd seeds!—

—Blest be the loving pens which are perpetuate Thy prayer-begotten songs, O Haydn, good and great!

ELEANOR C. DONNELLY.

The Catholic Chronicle.

William Caxton.

OF ALL THE AGES IN THE CHRISTIAN ERA, THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY WILL EVER HOLD A PROMINENT PLACE IN THE HISTORY OF MANKIND. THREE EVENTS OF UNUSUAL MAGNITUDE AND IMPORTANCE TO THE WORLD DISTINGUISHED THE CENTURY.

IN 1440 THE ART OF PRINTING BY MOVABLE TYPES WAS INVENTED.

In 1453 Constantinople, the great capital of the eastern empire, the treasury of what was left of the arts and literature of the Old World, and of the accumulated riches and spoils of the East, fell before the savage onset of the hardy sons of Mahomet. Constantine Paleologus, the last survivor of a glorious line of Byzantine emperors fell fighting at the head of his army in defence of his im-
perial city. It seemed to Christendom as if at last the tide had turned, and that the ruthless Turk, now that he had made good his footing in Europe, must, before long, be the master of the holy city of Rome, as he had already conquered that of Jerusalem.

And, again, before the century had run its course, the minds and imaginations of men had been fired by the wondrous news that the adventurous Christopher Columbus, sailing across the unknown and trackless ocean, had discovered another world, with other races of men, and the traces of an old civilization.

These three events alone are sufficient to mark the fifteenth century as a turning point in the history of mankind; as the region in which arose the sources of those mighty streams which were destined to alter the face of the world, and the history of its inhabitants.

In this paper we shall confine our attention to the invention of the art of printing by movable types, and its introduction into England by William Caxton.

Many Protestant writers, untrammeled by the narrow prejudice which so often characterizes their utterances, have borne testimony to the great work done by the monks in the Middle Ages to the cause of civilization. Let us listen to the testimony of Mrs. Jameson as an example:

"But for the monks of the Middle Ages the light of liberty and literature and science had been forever extinguished; and for six centuries there existed for the thoughtful, the gentle, the inquiring, the devout spirit, no peace, no security, no home but the cloister. There learning trimmed her lamp: there contemplation preened her wings; there the traditions of art, preserved from age to age by lonely, studious men, kept alive in form and colour the idea of a beauty beyond that of earth—of a might be—beyond that of the spear and the shield—of a Divine sympathy with suffering humanity."

It was owing to the fostering care of the monks that the flame of learning was kept alive during ages which were devoted more to war and pastime than to thought: great numbers of the monks were employed in copying and illuminating works of literary excellence. Many of these manuscripts still remain to us, treasured up in our public and private libraries, as examples of a fineness of taste and of art which are the wonder and delight of connoisseurs. The time devoted to the beautification of a missal or a breviary was thought well spent. The labor was a labor of love, and was in itself the truest proof of the maxim "laborare est orare."

But the very slowness of the process by which these manuscripts were copied and reproduced, rendered their possession impossible to any but nobles or men of wealth. It is recorded that the Countess of Anjou gave for the Homilies of Haimon, Bishop of Halberstadt, 200 sheep, five quarters of wheat, and the same quantity of rye and millet. One work, the "Book of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ," consisted of sheets of the finest vellum, the texts being cut out, instead of being inscribed on each leaf, and being interleaved with blue paper, it was read with ease. For this curiosity the Emperor Rudolph II, of Germany offered 11,000 ducats. In St. Paul's Cathedral, London, in 1295, there were found twelve copies of the Gospels, all adorned with silver, some with gilding, pearls and gems, and one with eleven relics which were let into the plates of precious metal surrounding each page.

As it became fashionable for men of wealth to possess copies of the classics and religious authors, manuscripts soon became a regular staple of commerce, and were bought and sold by the class known in Caxton's days as Mercers, or, as we should call them, merchants. It may be imagined therefore that the news of the discovery of a means by which works could be multiplied with far greater speed, correctness and cheapness than by manuscript copying, was hailed with enthusiasm by the learned throughout Europe.

The inventor of the art of printing by movable types was Johannes Gutenberg, a native of Mayence, who was born towards the end of the fourteenth century. In 1438 he erected a printing press at Strasbourg, with the assistance of some moneyed associates, and ten years later removed it to Mayence, his native town, where, in partnership with Johannes Faust, a wealthy goldsmith, he issued many valuable works, chiefly psalters, breviaries and missals. At first the processes of the new art were carefully guarded from public gaze, and the workmen who were initiated were strictly sworn to secrecy concerning them. For about thirty years the secret was so well kept that Germany and the Netherlands preserved the monopoly of printing for the world.

The first types used by the early printers were of wood; but it was soon found that metal ones were superior for strength and endurance, and for a long time, even down to the time of Queen Anne, the type founders of Holland supplied the English printers with type for all the best works.

William Caxton was born in 1413, a period when England was in a very unsettled state. Henry IV had, a few years before, seized upon the crown. The disastrous "Wars of the Roses" were still raging, and the whole of England had been devastated by the warfare of the contending armies of York and Lancaster. It has been alleged that these were times of intellectual darkness, but it is an assertion without any foundation in fact. True it is that the system of education was not the same as that which prevails now. In Caxton's boyhood, printed books were not known, and manuscripts were scarce and costly. The children were taught by word of mouth, and by eye and ear. But the men of those days were still religious, and had good common sense, and the child received such training as fitted him for his position in life and imbued him with the knowledge of his duties to God, to himself and to his fellow-man.

Caxton alludes to his schooling in the preface to the "Histories of Troy," published by him in later life. He says:—

"I was bounden to pray for my father's and mother's souls, that in my youth sent me to school, by which, by the sufferance of God, I got my living, I hope truly."

In 1441 Caxton was admitted a freeman of the
Mercers' Company, one of the greatest of the London trade guilds, and was qualified to trade on his own account as a merchant.

The next we hear of Caxton is a few years later, when he was sent over to Bruges by the Mercers' Company as their agent, and appointed by them to the important and responsible post of governor of the "English Merchant Adventurers" there. This fact shows that even at that early period of his life he must have distinguished himself by no ordinary qualities of intelligence and probity, for, as governor of the English colony at Bruges, he would necessarily be entrusted with the control of great financial interests.

In 1454, we find his name enrolled as a member of the Guild of St. John the Evangelist at Bruges. This guild consisted of men and women belonging to the various trades connected with the reproduction, etc., of books, whether in manuscript or print, such as copyists, printers, bookbinders, dealers in parchment and paper. It is probable that Caxton was admitted into the guild on the ground of his being, as agent for the English merchants, a dealer in books and manuscripts. Upon any other grounds it would be difficult to account for his admission, as the trade guilds of the Middle Ages were very strict in their exclusion of persons not connected with their "mystery." These guilds were institutions of the greatest value to the working classes, uniting as they did the qualities of modern confraternities, trades' unions, and benefit societies. The funds of the guild were devoted not only to the relief of the sick, but also to defray the expenses of religious services, the beautifying of the altar and the burying of the dead.

During the period of his residence at Bruges, the city was filled with authors, scribes, translators and illuminators, for it had become a mart for literary productions of all kinds, to which scribes and copyists from all parts of Europe sent their manuscripts for disposal.

Caxton must have been thrown much into the society of the classes we have named, as an agent in purchasing books for the English nobility. We find it recorded, for instance, that he bought for Lady Margaret, Duchess of Somerset, a copy of the "Romance of Blanchardy and Eglantyn." Among those whose acquaintance he made at this period were many men of letters, translators, and illuminators, for it had become a mart for literary productions of all kinds, to which scribes and copyists from all parts of Europe sent their manuscripts for disposal.

Books of Caxton's publication are very rare; out of 94 works known to us, 33 exist only in single copies or in fragments. The books most liable to destruction seem to be breviaries and prayer books; this may arise in some cases from frequent use, but in most cases from the ravages of bigotry.

The last book he printed was entitled "The Art and Craft to know well to die." It begins thus:

"When it is so, that what a man maketh or doeth, it is made to come to some end, and if the thing be good or well made, it must needs come to good end: then by better and greater reason, every man ought to intend in such wise to live in this world in keeping the commandments of God, that he may come to a good end. And then out of this world, full of wretchedness and tribulations, he may go to heaven unto God and his saints, unto joy ever durable."

As a tree must be judged by the fruits it produces, so, also, must the arts be judged. It is difficult to decide whether more good or evil has been produced by the art of printing. The printing press has undoubtedly been an engine of immense power, and it has been used to terrible effect by the enemies of God and of His Church. How many souls have been lost by the dissemination of the impious and immoral literature which has for centuries poured from the press? It has been chiefly by its means that the pernicious doctrines of the religious rebels of the sixteenth, seventeenth, and eighteenth centuries have been propagated, and the minds of countless millions of unhappy men inflamed and incited to rebellion against the authority of their Creator.

But we must not be unmindful of the fact that, on the other hand, the printing press has been the powerful organ of religion also. By its means the lives and teachings of the saints have been made known to the nations of the whole earth, and their writings have penetrated to millions who would otherwise have lived and died in ignorance of the truth. The beneficial effects of the invention, in relation to the material world, are less uncertain. By means of books, the spread of knowledge of all kinds, and in particular of the discoveries of science, and their application to useful arts, has been accomplished, and the comforts of human life have been increased in a corresponding degree.

A. J. D.

Books and Periodicals.

The Festival of the Most Holy Rosary
At the Tomb of St. Dominic. By Miss Rose Howe.
Notre Dame, Indiana: Ave Maria Press. 1883.

This charming account of a visit to Bologna, Italy, and the ceremonies attending the celebration of the Festival of the Most Holy Rosary, which originally appeared in the pages of The "Ave Maria," comes now to us with renewed freshness, and cannot fail to delight the reader. It is most appropriate at this time in view of the new impetus which the Holy Father has given to the devotion of the holy Rosary, and must commend itself to the Christian reader. Besides the very interesting narrative, it is replete with instructions and reflections upon the devotion which cannot fail to produce much fruit. It is printed in neat pamphlet form, with good, clear type, and sold at 25 cts. a copy.

—Louisa M. Alcott's third "Spinnhing-wheel Story," entitled "Eli's Education," is a leading
The feature of the March number of *St. Nicholas*, and paints a true picture of the struggles of a country hint to obtain an education in the early years of the present century. Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney contributes a brightly written story, called "Girl-Notable," which is not without "boy interest," however, and which, while possessing its full share of incident and adventure, is a clever study of character as well. "Among the Mustangs" is the title of an entertaining paper on the wild ponies of the plains, by Noah Brooks, author of "The Boy Emigrants," who gives much information in regard to the origin, life, habits, and fate of the mustang. "Blown Out to Sea," by C. F. Holder, is a collection of anecdotes, recounting some of the curious resting places made use of by weary birds which are driven by strong winds out of their course in their long migratory flights, often extending many thousands of miles. Lucy Larcom has a bright little March poem, called "The Wind-Flower"; Palmer Cox tells and shows how the adventurous "Brownies" went up (and came down) in a balloon. Mayne Reid's serial, "The Land of Fire," and W. O. Stoddard's "Winter Fun" increase in interest as they grow in length.

—The *Century Magazine* for March is a superb number of this popular monthly. The illustrations are undoubtedly the best we have yet seen, in this or any other magazine. The frontispiece, a splendid portrait of General Count Von Moltke, engraved from a photograph by Schaarwächter, by permission of the family, is a masterpiece of workmanship both in the engraving and printing. It is accompanied by a ten-page biographical sketch of the General's life, by Helen Zimmern. The leading article, "The New Washington," is illustrated with nineteen engravings, one of which, the 15th street Front of the Treasury Department, and a view of Pennsylvania Avenue from 15th St. to the Capitol, are masterpieces of perspective. J. Rankin Towe's Sketch of Henry Irving is illustrated by Whitney with a full-length portrait of the renowned English tragedian in "Hamlet," from the statue by E. Onslow Ford. The writer on the "Christian League," in "Topics of the Times," is so stupidly ignorant and prejudiced against the Catholic Church—or "Romanism," as he calls it—that he sandwiches it between Mormonism and the Liquor traffic,—though the Mormons draw all their recruits from Protestants and Protestant countries, and Presbyterian Scotland consumes more whiskey in proportion to population than any nation distinctively Catholic. In the "Open Letters" department "Orgs and Orchestras in Church" are talked about at some length, in a rambling way, by Chas. S. Robinson. J. B. Peterson writes a very strong article, and a sensible one, questioning the right of Congress to levy taxes for the support of the public schools. The author of the "Bread Winners" publishes in this department a long and very strong letter against the harsh and unjust criticisms to which he has been exposed.

Could the pitcher of a base-ball team be spoken of as "the power behind the thrown?"

Art, Music, and Literature.

—Queen Victoria's new book will be translated into French.

—Rosa Bonheur's health has been completely restored. She is at work on unfinished pictures, at her favorite Chateau de By, Fontainebleau.

—The *Vossische Zeitung* surmises that when the Prussian Government some time ago demanded 2,000,000 marks for art purposes it had in its eye the purchase of the Duke of Marlborough's Blenheim pictures.

—Mile. Nevada, the American prima donna so now popular in Paris, has become a Catholic. She was instructed and received into the Church by the Rev. Matthew Kelly. M. Gounod and Mrs. Mackey served as sponsors at her baptism.

—Frederick Cowie, the painter of "The Finding of the Body of the Prince Imperial" and "The Last Hours of Lord Beaconsfield," has nearly finished a huge canvas representing the front of the house at the Lyceum as seen on a first night of Irving's. There are a great number of portraits of well-known habitués.

—"John Bull and his Island," a book which has had and is having an immense run in England, is now republished in this country, and will undoubtedly net a round sum for the "enterprising" publishers,—ever ready, as usual, to appropriate the property of scribes across the Atlantic, who under existing circumstances have no protection from the law. The author of "John Bull and his Island" is a Frenchman, and gives the name of "Max O'Rell," —a nom de plume, of course. The book is a strange mixture of the grave and the ludicrous, in the short-clipped paragraph style introduced by a Paris journalist some years ago, and now generally adopted by French writers and their imitators. Among the other things of note, Max O'Rell devotes a part of his book to what he calls "the Salvation Agencies" of England,—that is, the religious sects, of which he enumerates a hundred and eighty odd, with the remark, "If John Bull does not go straight to Paradise it will not be his fault." Out of a population of 81,000,000 souls in the United Kingdom and the Colonies, 18,000,000 belong to the Anglican Church; 14,500,000 are Methodists; 13,500,000 are Catholics [notwithstanding aggressive laws and centuries of persecution,—what will be the number half a century hence?]; 10,250,000 are Presbyterians; 8,000,000 Baptists; 6,000,000 Congregationalists; 1,000,000 Unitarians; and about 10,000,000 are divided among the other one hundred and eighty sects enumerated.

—Meissonier is painting a large picture which represents Francis I and the Chevalier Bayard in the midst of a gorgeous company. This now famous painter is about 72 years old. He lives in magnificent style in his superb hotel on the Boulevard Malesherbes at the Parc Monceau, Paris, where he now spends most of his time. For years he lived in a charming villa at Poissy, and
painted there the greater number of his most remarkable works. In person—a powerfully built torso mounted on a pair of short, thin legs, and surmounted by the head of, Michael Angelo's Moses, superb in its profuse grey hair, flowing beard, and piercing eyes." In temper, peppery and irascible. It is fifty-three years since Meissonier first came to Paris to study painting. Of the first five or six years of his life there he does not willingly speak. The trials and sufferings that he underwent during those years are almost beyond belief. He executed any kind of work that came in his way, in order to earn a living. He painted copies of the pictures of the Louvre at the rate of one dollar a square yard, decorated tops of bonbon boxes, painted fans, executed marvellous drawings for the wood engravers, etc. Some of these attracted the attention of Johanot, one of the leading draughtsmen of the day, who did his best to bring his young colleague before the public. Meissonier is wrapt in his art; he is said to be the most uncourteous member of that most refined and courteous race of men—the painters of France, but the power of his genius has overridden the prejudices caused by his personal characteristics. As a portrait painter—which he has latterly tried in obedience to the popular demand—Meissonier does himself a great injustice. His portraits, though marvellously colored, lack individuality, charm of expression; but in his other works Meissonier is probably the greatest of living painters, and his pictures command a higher price than those of any other living artist.

**College Gossip.**

—Last year Columbia's total revenue was $342,000; total expenditure, $535,000._Herald-Crimson._

—John Guy Vassar has given $10,000 to Vassar College for the purchase of additional physical and chemical apparatus._—_New York Times._

—The Harvard Medical School is reported as much embarrassed, owing to the difficulty created by Governor Butler in obtaining subjects for dissection._—_Boston Transcript._

—A new thing in educational ideas is a Greek Kindergarten, with cards and games. It is the invention of the Rev. Alfred A. Wright, dean of the Chautauqua School of Theology._—_New York Times._

—Harvard College has lately come into possession of the largest private collection of meteorites in the world. It was the property of Professor J. Lawrence Smith, and is valued at ten thousand dollars. Professor Cooke raised the required sum by subscription._—_New York Times._

—"The stars and stripes floated over the green on the 22d,—Washington's birthday—but that was about as much of the holiday as we got here."

So says the _Cynic_, of the University of Vermont. Would it not be a good idea to call a convention of students and formulate a "Prayer for Patriotism and the Conversion of College Facul-
ties," to be used on the Day of Prayer for Colleges? What does _The University Cynic_ say to this proposition?

—"The Educational Association of Friends in America" is an organization for the promotion of higher education among Friends. The first meeting of the Association was held in Baltimore, in 1877, where a partial organization was effected. The next meeting was held at Haverford College, in 1880, where the organization was perfected. Last year the regular meeting of the Association was held at Earlham College. The regular meeting occurs every five years._—_Collegian._

—The arrangements of the Inter-collegiate Press Association are at length completed for giving and receiving reliable reports._—_Herald-Crimson._

Very good; but really until many of the college editors become possessed of common sense enough to keep trashy clippings out of their papers there won't be any room for "reliable reports." The _Herald-Crimson_, however, is a noteworthy exception; it is always fresh and newsy, and we do not see much room for improvement in its present space.

—The Princeton students lately circulated a document charging the Faculty with espionage, opening desks, keeping a watch upon rooms, and pumping a barber in reference to conduct of students, etc., and called a meeting to take action in the matter. The meeting was held in a town hall; and resolutions adopted referring the matter to the trustees of the college, but at the latest accounts the students found their position too weak to be held. An apology was made by the students, and the matter has been settled quietly.

—The examination of the school children of New York City, by Dr. Ely, revealed the fact that forty per cent. were near-sighted. In the school-rooms in Boston test-types hang upon the wall for testing the acuteness of vision of each child. The letters of this test-type are square, and their size increases at a definite ratio, so that each number is seen at a visual angle of five minutes, the visual angle being that inclosed between two lines drawn from extremities of an object to the optical centre of the eye. The utmost distance at which the types are recognized, divided by the distance at which they appear at an angle of five minutes, gives the formula for the acuteness of vision.

—Mr. W. Mather, the English Commissioner appointed to inquire into the systems of technical and scientific education in America, in his report to his Government says: "There exist in America a number of high-class institutions for technical and scientific training in mining, civil and mechanical engineering. I am of opinion, founded upon my own observation, there is nothing better in Europe. The character of the training in the best of them is its practicability. The students feel that careers are open to them, if only they have acquired the art of applying their knowledge; hence their ambition is excited, and everyone of them appears to be working for a definite purpose."

—_Pennsylvania University Magazine._

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The attention of the Alumni of the University of Notre Dame and others, is called to the fact that the NOTRE DAME SCHOLASTIC has now entered upon the Seventeenth year of its existence, and presents itself anew as a candidate for the favor and support of the many old friends that have heretofore lent it a helping hand.

The Senior classes throughout the country are electing officers and preparing for Class-Day Exercises. Easter is rapidly approaching, and after Easter—Commencement! It would be reasonable to suppose that during the remaining few months of their college life Seniors would receive especial courtesy, not only from the Faculty, but also from all their fellow-students. But at many of our universities (and, we are sorry to say, Notre Dame is not an exception) there is a tendency among undergraduates to combine against the Senior Class. At Yale, not long ago, the following resolution was nearly passed by a Greek-letter Fraternity, composed entirely of grads:—

"Resolved, That the Senior society system creates a social aristocracy, exercises an undue influence in college politics, fosters a truckling and cowering disposition among the lower classes, creates dissensions and enmity in every class, alienates the affections of the graduates from the college, stifes the full expression of college sentiment by its control of the college press, and, therefore, that the class condemn the system."

The resolution has provoked considerable discussion from the college press. For our part, we fail to see that it affects the standing of the college fraternities; it is rather the half recognition of an unfortunate feeling or prejudice—which we had hoped could not gain control in our larger and more liberal universities. But, after all, it goes without saying, that Yale is fast dropping behind her old-time rival at Cambridge.

St. Patrick's Day.

In the fulness of years, the tranquility of a well-spent life, and the triumph of devoted services to God and men, the Patron Saint of Ireland rested from his labors the 17th of March, A. D. 464. A high-spirited and warlike race had accepted from him the religion of the Cross; and when his eyes last rested upon the green fields, the blue sky, and the silvery waters, they rested likewise upon a people seeking with true humility and unwavering fidelity to deserve the crown. Under the Christian dispensation, which he did so much to establish in Ireland, the many virtues of the people found incentive to conspicuous exhibition and won for their country the designation “Island of Saints.” Nowhere did Christianity spread more rapidly or thrive more vigorously. The poor captive had, in the name of the Great Master, drawn to himself a whole people. Everywhere they revered and obeyed him. His great zeal and persevering energy had been warmly seconded by their many virtues, and thus had his marvellous success been achieved. The people readily accepted Christianity, because the tendency of their lives was in accord with its teachings. They loved justice, hated wrong, abhorred oppression, believed in equality, honored man and generous deeds, and ranked chastity and uprightness of character among the brightest of the virtues. The Christian religion could hardly have been so easily established without force—without a more formidable weapon than a shepherd’s staff—had the temper of the people not been in general accord with its spirit and favorable to its reception.
Though more than fourteen centuries have since passed and the world has undergone vast changes, mighty empires and noted systems of religion, philosophy and laws having appeared and disappeared, yet the faith established by St. Patrick has only become broader, grander and stronger. Neither in form nor substance has it undergone change. As steadily, regular and unchangeable as the sun, it has through all those centuries shed its light and conferred its blessings upon the millions who love St. Patrick and celebrate his day.

But though the faith be unchanged and the people live, unhappily not so is the political right of nationhood. For seven centuries that right has been denied to the people of Ireland; and the denial has been persistently and cruelly enforced by the fraud, violence and treachery of a powerful and malignant enemy. Not unfrequently human affairs are so ordered that the more generous, candid and confiding people are, the more likely they are to be made the victims of avaricious and dishonest neighbors. And so it has been with the people of Ireland. For centuries, their natural generosity and freedom from distrust have been turned to their disadvantage. Had they been of a sordid and suspicious nature, they would not have scrupled to employ the weapons used by their enemy; and with those weapons they would not have been at such a disadvantage, and could hardly have been conquered. They could hardly have been made the victims of pernicious schemes and brutal stratagems disgraceful to humanity. In this connection, an incident related by Vattel, may be repeated, inasmuch as it serves to illustrate the pernicious conduct of the enemy with whom the Irish people have had to deal. Says he:

"In 1756, an English war-vessel appeared off the coast of Calais and made signals of distress to indicate that it was disabled and on the point of sinking. However, while exhibiting these signals it kept out of the range of the shore batteries. A number of courageous persons manned a bark and went to the assistance of the war-vessel, with a view to rescuing its crew from the peril and death that seemed so imminent. But the war-vessel was not disabled, nor was it in danger. It had merely resorted to this ruse to decoy some of the French ships beyond the range of the batteries. The bark was captured, and the rescuing party were made prisoners and taken to England."

No wonder Vattel pronounces such conduct unlawful and brutal in the extreme. No wonder he views it as odious perfidy calculated to make men shun the performance of the offices of humanity. But by snares and stratagems no less cowardly and reprehensible English power was established, and for centuries maintained, in Ireland. More withering than the fiery breath of the sirocco, that power has blasted the land. More fatal than epidemic or storm. Should it come, a thorough organization judiciously managed could safely claim independence and nationhood for the sorely-tried land of St. Patrick. The testimony of common observation is to the effect that a strong and persistent determination to succeed in an undertaking, no matter what it is, rarely fails to accomplish its object. It is the life of action; and when action—instinct with strong and unyielding purpose—is wisely directed, its power is invincible. Its dominion extends over land and sea, and is recognized in great achievements throughout the material world. Steamships, railroads, and the telegraph bear witness to the possibilities within its reach. It has raised men, in spite of almost disheartening adversities, to the highest stations in the world, making them rulers in states, leaders in the forum and arbiters in the marts of trade. And having accomplished so much for particular men, what may it not accomplish for hundreds of thousands of men acting in concert? Practically, unconquerable is the might of a great organization, the members of which are animated by a common purpose and steadfastly devoted to its accomplishment.

In the ceaseless shifting and mutations of human affairs, in their ordinary course of development, nearly all views and conditions of things have their day and flourish for a time; and the thoughts, hopes and purposes of a powerful combination, immovably fixed in its plans and course of action, cannot fail in time to be fully realized. Unpopular opinions and purposes are vindicated by the lapse of time, if men only remain firm in adhering to them. And the purpose of the Irish people to achieve their independence—a purpose so steadfastly entertained for many centuries—cannot in the nature of things fail, in the near future, to be realized and rewarded with the full measure of success.

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Exchanges.

—The High-School Growler, from Lancaster, Ohio, is a very small but fairly well-edited paper.

—The St. Mary's Sentinel is an excellent little paper. The article on "Wendell Phillips," in its issue of February the 29th, pays a tasteful and sympathetic tribute to the great agitator.

—The Columbia Spectator, as usual, "yanks the bun." Its engravings, with running comments beneath, leave Punch and all his family far behind. You are always looked for, always welcome, Spectator!

—Poly, has only just now arrived for February. The articles on "Puns," "Crib," and "A New Student's First Declaration" are all very good. It is, perhaps, unnecessary to explain that Poly is "short" for The Polytechnic, from Brooklyn, New York.

—The Cornell Daily Sun comes regularly to our sanctum. At present it is doing a great work by publishing, piecemeal, the lectures on "Tariff," delivered to the university students. Once in a while, however, we are compelled to take a section for granted when a copy of the Sun is non est.

—The College Message, from Cape Girardeau, Missouri, is generally up to standard. As one who speaks from experience, we may be permitted to say that "The French Revolution," at its present rate of progress, will not be concluded till March, 1901; our successor will then review the production.

—St. Viateur's College Journal, from Bourbonni Grove, Ill., is generally deserving of praise. Mr. Turner's "Letter from Rome" is very interesting and well written; while the story entitled "Two Friends" is in much better taste than the majority of school-boy-or-girl novelties. The exchange column is always well written.

—The College Record (Merom, Indiana,) for February shows a decided improvement within and without. The article on "Nihilism," like Artemus Ward's "Central Africa," has no particular reference to its subject; but the essay on "Civil Service Reform," though written in a style entirely too jerky, shows both study and thought on the part of the writer.

—The Cosmopolitan Shorthand Writer, of Toronto, Ont., has been recast into a new form and improved in many respects. Mr. Frank Yeigh now assists Mr. Thos. Bengough in the editorial management of the magazine, which is printed partly in typography, partly in phonography. The Brothers Bengough, J. Kelly, and Georgiana A. Fraser, cartoonists of Grip, do the comic picture business for the Cosmopolitan.

—The Herald-Crimson complains that the subject of music is neglected in the lectures at Harvard, and wonders why the talent at hand does not volunteer lectures on, or recitals of, music. The Herald-Crimson says justly that the influence of music—good music—is elevating and refining. We have more than a fair share of good music here at the university salles, entertainments, etc.; but would it not be a good thing to have a lecture or two on painting and music before the lecture season closes?

—Perhaps the very best of our Canadian exchanges is the Rouge et Noir, the last two numbers of which are on our table as we write. Through both there has been running an essay entitled "Conduct and Manner," which, for clear thought, sensible reasoning, and graceful style, cannot be too highly commended. "A College Day," and "Bores," both by T. B. A., are written in a very pleasant, humorous style. We must, however, beg leave to criticise the Latinism in vogue at Trinity, which prefaces the subject of every essay by "On," "Of," "Concerning," etc.

—The Vandalbilt Observer for March has some excellent contributions. Some Inaccuracies in Speech shows considerable research—original or not, we can't say. The poem on that time-honored subject, "The Sounding Shell," is really not bad; still, unless a man lived to the age of Mathusalem the following would hardly apply:

  "It will mock at the flight of all time,
  And will sound through the ages that roll (2)
  Still and small is its voice, but sublime—
  'Tis the God-given voice of the soul."

—The Otterbein Record for March is a very queer kind of paper. In the Exchange (?) column we find the startling announcement that Mr. Lowell has resigned the rectorship of St. Andrew's; while under the head of Literary we are given a letter from Washington Territory, wherein a Mrs. B. breaks out into the following gloomy prediction:

  "Perhaps a few years more may find you in one of the many whiskey-cursed towns of the Pacific slope, where scarcely sufficient Christian light and warmth can penetrate the poisoned, liquor-fogged moral atmosphere to keep alive the slender plants struggling in such stony ground. (?)"

The opening poem—a satire on Cornell's course in teaching both free trade and protection—is really very good.

—Perrin's Monthly Stonographer—a neat 16-page magazine published in the interest of the Perrin-Duployé system of shorthand, by H. M. Perrin, of Detroit—closes successfully the first year of its existence with the March number. It contains in ordinary print ten pages of interesting matter pertaining to shorthand, and six pages in neatly lithographed stenography. The magazine is ably conducted by its gifted editor, and deserves success. However a few of the letters to the editor, which are published, convey a false impression of another deservedly popular system of shorthand that antedates Duployé's by many years and is certainly briefer, while it can be as easily learned as any other. The writer of this notice has studied the leading systems and modifications of shorthand, and after a careful examination gives Duployé's the second place for brevity and simplicity.—Isaac Pitman's being first, unless we except Longley's, a recent modification of Isaac Pitman's, for brevity. Such a good system as Duployé's needs no such clap-trap to ensure suc-
cess as is resorted to by many of the mushroom so-called "inventors," or torturers of Isaac Pitman's phonographic principles, in order to deceive the public and get a following. Mr. Pernin would do well to clip the effusions of his flighty correspondents; otherwise he will be liable to severe criticism. In all other respects Pernin's Monthly is a model of neatness and good editing.

**Personal.**

—Ed. C. Larkin (Prep.), of '82, is distinguishing himself as a Shakespearian interpreter at Wheeling, Va.

—Rev. James Gleeson, C. S. C., returned on last Saturday from his missionary labors in which he had been engaged for several months.

—Joseph P. O'Neill, '83, writing from his present post, Fort Sydney, Neb., to a friend here, mentions the name of his old Professor in such affectionate terms, as to show his lingering love for Alma Mater and old friends.

—Last week the case of Fouke vs. The Town of Lake was tried in the Superior Court at Chicago. The plaintiff is the wife of Geo. W. Fouke, night baggage master at the L. S. & M. S. depot in South Bend. Over a year ago she sustained an injury by stepping from a defectively constructed sidewalk on Swan St., in the Town of Lake, just south of the corporate limits of Chicago. Gen. Gibbons, of Chicago, and Prof. William Hoynes, of the Law Department of the University, were retained as counsel by the plaintiff, and they secured a verdict for $1,018.75 in her favor.

—Mrs. Margaret F. Sullivan, the distinguished writer of Chicago, accompanied by Mrs. J. D. Sullivan, of the same city, visited Notre Dame during the week. The former lady was a resident at St. Mary's during the fall and winter of '74, and contributed in various ways to the literary publications of Notre Dame. Her many occupations since that time prevented a visit to the University. She expressed unbounded surprise and admiration at the new buildings and the many improvements made since the great fire of '79. Mrs. Sullivan's good works, as also those of her excellent husband, in the Irish cause, have commended themselves to all who love liberty and decry injustice.

**Local Items.**

—"Erin go bragh!"

—General break-up!

—Hurrah for spring!

—Columbians to-night!

—Monday is St. Patrick's Day.

—It is evidently a case of "stamping out."

—The lantern will soon be laid on the shelf.

—The Juniors are organizing their baseball nines.

—The Philosophes are preparing a public disputation.

—The astrological predictions have turned out "O. K."

—The Surveying Class were out as monarchs, last Thursday.

—President Walsh granted a half-holiday, Tuesday afternoon.

—Why not elect permanent captains for the football games?

—Many of the Juniors have procured badges for St. Patrick's Day.

—The first robin of the season was seen last Thursday morning.

—There is no mistake about it this time—winter has taken its departure!

—Old Science Hall is in process of demolition to make place for the western wing.

—The members of the Boat Club are patiently waiting for the opening of navigation.

—The Campus is now entirely free from snow, and the out-door exercises have begun.

—Lost:—A bunch of keys. The finder will please leave them at the printing-office.

—It is rumored that several cases of Spring fever have broken out among the Juniors.

—The Band serenaded Prof. Paul at his residence last Sunday, the occasion being the Prof's birthday.

—Our friend John says that Aqua pura, at a temperature of 200°, Fahrenheit is an excellent therapeutic agent.

—The Columbians will give to-night their entertainment in honor of St. Patrick's Day. See programme below.

—to-morrow, 3d Sunday in Lent, Mass No. 12 (p. 67), Credo No. 2 (p. 97) will be sung. Vespers, of a Confessor, Bishop.

—The Campus is enlivened, these beautiful mornings, by those believers in the motto,—"The wise for health on daily walks depend."

—Black Coal, Chief of Awahpahoe Indians, Fort Washakie Reservation, Wyoming Terr., has presented his sword to the Museum of the University.

—The first baseball game of the season of '84 was played last Thursday, between the "Blues" and "Reds" of the Juniors, and resulted in a victory for the former.

—The Axe Maria office has secured a new big safe. The process of elevating the monster to its quarters was watched with all due propriety and decorum by vast throngs. The best skating of the season was enjoyed on Wednesday. The great thaw of Tuesday, followed by the freeze of Wednesday, made the ice on the lakes like crystal. But, alas! it lasted but for a day.

—to-morrow week is Lætare Sunday—the middle of Lent. The Lætare medal will this year be presented to one distinguished in Christian architecture. We shall present the address in a future number.
had arrived. The figures are life-size and natural, and well-portrayed amid the greyish twilight of the hour—3 a.m. We hope to present a critique next week.

—The Crescent Club Orchestra gave a concert at St. Joseph's Academy, South Bend, Thursday afternoon. After the concert, the members of the Club were royally entertained by the Directors of the establishment. An impromptu entertainment was gotten up in honor of the visitors by the young ladies of the Academy, and consisted of music, instrumental and vocal, declamations and recitations. The entertainment was very pleasing and interesting, and reflected great credit upon the young ladies.

—The eighth regular meeting of the Senior Archconfraternity was held on Sunday evening, March 9th, Rev. T. E. Walsh presiding. A short instruction was given by Rev. Father Fitte. Mr. T. Fenlon read a paper on "The Devotion to the Sacred Heart"; Mr. H. G. Smith's paper on "The Rise of Catholicity in the United States in the Present, Century" was deferred till the next meeting. Mr. T. J. McKinnery was appointed to read a paper on "Lent, from a Historical Point of View." There being no other business to transact, the meeting adjourned.

—A very interesting Moot Court case was tried before Judge Hoynes, Saturday evening, March the 8th. It was an action in Assumpsit; one G. Blue being the plaintiff, and White and Son the defendant. Witness for the plaintiff, J. Geiser; witnesses for the defendant, F. Madden and H. Steis. Attorneys for the plaintiff, J. J. Conway and V. Burke; for the defendant, J. Wilson and H. Fitzgerald. The case was well argued, and the jury—consisting of Messrs. Mahoney, Farrell, and Daily, after a few moments' retirement, brought in a verdict for the defendant.

—The Senior branch of the T. A. U. held an enthusiastic meeting in the reading-rooms on Thursday evening. An able paper was read by Mr. J. Farrell "On the Best Means of Stemming the Tide of Intemperance"; Mr. J. T. Carroll and J. A. Ancheta delivered addresses containing excellent suggestions couched in eloquent language. Mr. J. Rudge delivered a fine declamation. The Corresponding Secretary read the official Bulletin of the State T. A. U. Arrangements are being made for a "Grand Rally" after Easter, under the management of Messrs. Solon, McKinnery and Rudge.

—The St. Alloysius' Philodemic Association was reorganized on March 6th, the following officers being elected: Rev. T. E. Walsh, C. S. C., Director; Prof. W. Hoynes, President; E. A. Otis, Vice-President; T. J. McKinnery, Recording Secretary; W. H. Johnston, Corresponding Secretary; H. Steis, Treasurer; J. J. Conway, 1st Censor; M. Dolan, 2d Censor. A committee on constitution was appointed, consisting of W. H. Johnston, J. Solon, E. A. Otis, T. J. Mahoney. The question for debate next meeting is, "Resolved that Universal Suffrage is a Benefit to the Country." Affirmative, E. A. Otis, and J. Farrell; Negative,
THE NOTRE DAME SCHOLASTIC.

T. J. Mahoney, and W. H. Johnston. After a few remarks by the President, the meeting adjourned.

—The Entertainment this evening in honor of St. Patrick's Day, by the Columbian Literary and Dramatic Club, is made complimentary to the Rev. J. M. Toohey, C. S. C., Vice-President of the University. The introductory celebration of this day for the past eleven years has fallen to the Columbians; and right well have they done their duty. To-night as usual, the exercises will be musical, literary, and dramatic. The following is the programme:

PROGRAMME:

PART I.

Music—Irish National Airs

Song—"The Last Rose of Summer," Solo, Trio and Chorus

PART II.

"RETRIBUTION." (An Original Drama, in a Prologue and Three Acts, Arranged for the Columbians.)

Squire Hilton (one of the olden time) W. Rogers

Marmaduke Hilton (his son) D. Reach

Alphonso (an unscrupulous villain) L. Gibert

Dick Harvey (an assistant of Alphonso) P. Galazan

Major Lookout (a jolly good fellow, you know.) P. Howard

Teddy O'Neil (a chip of the old block) W. Warren

Captain De Balzac (commander of a frigate) W. Dennis

Tom Andy W. Mahon

Mike Smugglers.

Joe J. McCorry

John Jennis (an old Irish servant) J. Wagner

Sergeant Dundreary (an officer under Lookout) J. Shields

The Band and Orchestra will discourse appropriate music during the Play.

During the last Act of the Drama (by request), "The Handful of Earth" will be sung by W. E. Ramsay.

If time will permit, the evening's entertainment will conclude with the laughable farce entitled "THE EGYPTIAN MUMMY."

Closing Remarks.

Retiring March. N. D. U. C. Band

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.


MINOR DEPARTMENT.


* Omitted last week by mistake.

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Saint Mary's Academy.

One Mile West of Notre Dame University.

—Mary Ducey received 100 in lesson this week.
—The names of M. Chaves, M. Dillon and C. Richmond were accidentally omitted from the list of those who drew for the Cross last week.
—The friends of Miss Jessie Owens, a pupil of '83, who died in Chicago, on the 26th ult., offer their heartfelt condolence to the afflicted parents.
—Miss Virginia Johns received the gold prize. Those of the “Princesses” who had an almost equal right were the Misses M. Lindsey, J. English, E. Chapin, M. Reynolds, G. Papin, S. Van Fleet, and B. Murray.
—The Roman mosaic Cross was drawn for by the Misses Bailey, Chaves, Dillon, Eldred, Fehr, Helen, Ella and Sibyl Jackson, Keyes, McEwen, Richmond, Roddin, Sheekey, and Snowhook. It was won by Mary Dillon.
—The Junior French Classes are making excellent progress. The Misses Moshier, Snowhook, Lord, Lucas, Regan, Van Horn, Barry, Brown, Richmond and Duffield drew for the prize, which was won by the last named. Long life and prosperity to the French Classes!
—On Tuesday evening, the unexpected pleasure of an instruction from Very Rev. Father General awaited the pupils upon assembling in the chapel for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The subject—one most appropriate to the young—was “The Beauty as well as the Necessity of Obedience.”
—The funeral of SISTER MAKV ST. ROSA, on Thursday afternoon, was mournfully beautiful, and proved an edifying occasion not soon to be forgotten. The Children of Mary, with their blue and white banner heavily draped in black, borne by the officers, walked just after the pall-bearers and the bereaved parents of the deceased; they were followed by the Children of the Holy Angels, with their pink banner also draped in black; the remaining pupils of the Academy preceded the Community in the procession. The magnificent tenor of Rev. Father L'Etourneau rang out thrillingly in the mournful chant of the Vesper for the Dead. Floral offerings—the gift of the Juniors—were scattered in profusion. The Prefect of Studies gave an exquisite anchor of tea-roses and calla lilies, which rested upon the remains as a fitting type of a hoped-for reunion beyond the grave. Father Shortis preached the sermon, which was full of consoling reflections.
—On Sunday evening, in the study-hall, at the regular Academic reunion, for the second time since the Christmas holidays, Father General presided. To welcome his presence, Minims, Juniors and Seniors assembled. After the distribution of weekly rewards, a member of the court of St. Mary’s Princesses, Alice Schmauss, rendered

“Little Titian’s Palette,” by Mary J. Preston, in a beautiful manner. To represent the Junior department, Hannah Stumer recited one of her excellent selections. Two In Memoriam—the one published in the last Scholastic, and that in the present issue—were read as a mark of affection to the dear teachers, Sister Mary St. Blanche, and Sister Mary St. Rosa, whose long-expected yet sad departure from this life has cast a gloom over the young hearts who owe so much to them. The readers were the Misses Munger and Murphy. Father Shortis in flattering terms of commendation spoke of the literary and elocutionary performances of the evening, praising the sentiments of devotedness and gratitude which found expression in the tributes paid to the dear departed.

—On Tuesday, a “spelling match” embracing all the departments, took up the latter part of the day. At 3 p.m., the Minims tested their skill in Orthography, and bravely did they sustain the honors. The Junior French Classes took possession of the field, and victory was in the hands of nine, when the English Classes announced the hour of adjournment, after a close engagement of one hour and a half.

In the English language, long and persevering practice in oral and written exercises is necessary to make one an accomplished speller. Where there is a doubt, the student should never think she can take too much trouble to assure herself of the true method of spelling any given word, or words. Slovenly spelling is all too common,—in fact, it is often observed that foreigners who have acquired our language from laborious study, and in advanced years, even, not unfrequently prove to be far better spellers than many Americans who pretend to be educated. Be this as it may, no one should excuse herself from making determined efforts to perfect herself in the art of spelling.

—The reading of St. Mary’s Chimes, the manuscript paper—which is issued alternately with Rosa Mystica, being composed and arranged by the Second and Third Senior Classes, while Rosa Mystica is the work of the Graduating and First Senior Classes—entertained pupils, teachers and guests at the regular Academic reunion, on Sunday, the 2d inst. The readers were the Misses Munger, Anna Murphy, and Margaret Reynolds. The paper was pronounced to be the best of the scholastic session. The readers chained the attention of all present from the beginning to the end. Two poems are worthy of mention, on account of their smoothness and real poetic beauty. One was in Spanish—"La Casa de Loretto"—and was
read by the young authoress herself, Miss Reynolds. Visitors present, well versed in the Spanish language, expressed their admiration and surprise that one so young should write so well. The other was an elegant expression of devotedness to a beloved teacher, and was written by Mary Dillon, a member of the Junior department.

The Third Senior Class has no small amount of literary talent, which is proved by this issue of the *Chimes* (No. 2, Vol. IX) which is chiefly the work of that Class; No. 1 having been prepared principally by the members of the Second Senior Class. One very spicy article was entitled “St. Mary’s Chimes.” It opens thus: “The grand chime of Notre Dame is composed of just twenty-four bells. *St. Mary’s Chimes* to-day rings out from the Third Senior Class, and that is likewise composed of just twenty-four *bells*.” Then each *belle* is delineated in alphabetical order, the remarkable characteristics of each being presented in a manner to delight everybody, and to offend no one. The wit and humor which pervades the article would almost tempt us to give it in print, but the interest is so completely of a local nature that we forbear.

In *Memoriam.*

A tribute of love, dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. David Condon, Laporte, Ind., the esteemed parents of *Sister Mary St. Rosa* (Julia Condon), to her afflicted brothers and sisters, and to the wide circle of devoted friends who deplore her loss, by

*The Pupils of St. Mary’s.*

Youthful forms now bend above her,
Maidsen fair, who knew, to love her,
Gaze upon her calm repose! Weep they for the dear departed,
Weep in anguish, broken hearted,
Clustering round our *Sister Rose.*

She had known them long; had guided;
O’er their mirthful ranks presided,
Watched them with unfaltering zeal;
Vanquishing the wayward will.

*Of a heart *—*vith *power to feel.*
By what occult strong attraction.
By what talismanic action
Did young hearts obey her skill?
Ah! the power that held and bound them,
The celestial force around them,
Vanishing the wayward will,
Was a grace sublimely tender,
One that *God alone* can render—
Grace which made *His* “week of Heart.”

“Kindness wins the young;” no favor
Bears to souls so sweet a savor,
And no skill shows such an art.

* Sister Mary St. Rosa was the Prefect of the Juniors,* and during her protracted illness her devotedness found vent in expressions like this: “Oh, be kind to the children! there is nothing like kindness!”

Father, mother, bend above her—
More than they ah! who could love her?—
Yet God claimed their treasured one.
She by them was consecrated.
And their faith has not abated.
Now *His holy will be done!*

*Sister Rosa* tears are flowing,
But devotion’s fires are glowing—
Hearts now look beyond the tomb
To the Home of Love undying—
Where there are no tears, no sighing.
But where flowers immortal bloom!

**Roll of Honor.**

**FOR POLITESS, NEATNESS, ORDER, AMIABILITY, CORRECT DEPARTMENT, AND OBSERVANCE OF RULES.**

**SENIOR DEPARTMENT.**

2d Tablet—*Misses C. Babcock, L. English, Leishah, McAyle.*

**JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.**

1st Tablet—*Misses Allen, Chaves, Cox, Dillon, Eldred, Fehr, H. Jackson, E. Jackson, S. Jackson, Richmond, Shephard, E. Sheeky, B. Snowhok, Voradenburg.*

2d Tablet—*Misses Best, Bailey, Durlacher, Keyes, Lord, Morrison, Moshiber, Metz, O’Hoddin, Wolvin.*

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