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Editorial.

PROGRESS is the result of rightly directed effort.

OPPORTUNITY is ready when you are ready for her.

THE end and aim of education is to qualify a man for the duties placed upon him by his position in the world. And a man is not educated unless he can transmute his knowledge into dynamic intellectual and moral force.

YOUR money is yourself." A man receives as an equivalent for his expenditure of energy a certain sum. It is as much a part of himself as the energy was. He has simply made the transformation from muscular or mental energy to silver and gold. Then be careful where you invest yourself. A good investment is anything that will help yourself to help others. You can help others more by preparing yourself in a broader and more thorough way to meet the demands of life. Young man, young woman, with life and all its possibilities before you, invest your money — yourself — in getting a liberal education.

EVERY one desires to be successful. Probably a definition of success is in order. And it so happens that there are about as many different definitions as there are aspirants. The train robber has one kind of success in view. The miser has been successful in his plans when he has hoarded a mountain of gold. Success for the ordinary laboring man ends when he has provided a scant living for his family. But to the majority the term means the acquisition of wealth, and he who has accumulated the largest amount is, therefore, the most successful man. However, success means infinitely more than that. The man who has cultivated his powers in such a way that he may promote the common welfare of mankind is the successful man. Wealth may be desirable as a means, but as an end it is despicable, base.

Bible Term Announcement.

The Annual Bible Term of McPherson College will be open Tuesday, December 4, and continue until Saturday, December 15. Please note especially the time, as it has been our custom to hold our Bible Term later in the year. We expect to offer an especially helpful and varied program, including Bible

Study, Sacred Music, Methods of Christian Work, Bible and Hymn Reading, and Sermons and Lectures. Those who have attended one or more of our Bible Terms may expect to get something different from and in addition to that which they got before.

To those who have been here before and to those who have not, it will be equally gratifying to learn that Prof. Frantz, Dean of the Bible Department, will occupy the evenings during the larger portion of the Bible Term in a series of sermons and lectures on Biblical subjects. President Arnold will also deliver a few lectures on the applications of the principles of education to the various lines of Christian work.

If you would be helped to a fuller appreciation of the riches of the Word and to a greater activity in Christian work, arrange to spend this short term with us.

On Monday, December 10, we expect to have a Sunday School meeting. Last year about 80 Sunday schools were represented and the meeting was a most inspiring one.

There will be no charges for tuition nor for any of the lectures. The charges for board (including room and fuel) will be five dollars for the term.

We shall be pleased to have you to help us circulate this announcement. Can you not get up a company from your church? Others have done so in the past.

If you will notify us that you are coming it will facilitate our preparations.

Exchanges.

He that allows himself everything that is permitted is very near to that which is forbidden.—Ex.

The grand essentials of life are: something to do, something to love and something to hope for.—Thomas Chalmers.

Gold and White, the newsy little paper from Central Normal college of Great Bend, visits us each week.

Every position in life, great or small, can be made as great or as little as we desire to make it.—Dean Stanley.

Many a soul has been moved by a thought gathered from an "exchange."

Cheerfulness is an excellent wearing quality. It has been called the bright weather of the heart.—Samuel Smiles.

How often we may throw a ray of sunshine into some wayward spirit and drive away the gloom resting there only for the want of a word of encouragement—so small, yet so essential.—Gold and White.

There are loyal hearts, there are
spirits brave,

There are souls that are pure and
true;

Then give to the world the best you
have,

And the best will come back to
you.—Midland.

Of all the songs in sharps and flats

E'er sung by mortal tribe,
There's one supremely sweet—and that's

"I'm going to subscribe."

—The Crucible.

Mother (angrily):—"Joe Jefferson, how many times mus' I call yo' befo' I can make yo' hear?"

Joe Jefferson:—"Dunno; yo' stand thar and hollar, an' I'll set here and count."—Ex.

Many interesting exchanges have come to our desk. Among others are The Crucible, Drury Mirror, Inglenook, Young Peoples' Paper, Academy Student, Midland, Students' Herald, and Industrialist.

The enrollment of the Kansas State Agricultural college on Sept. 25 was 800.

A Swarm of B's.

Be neat in your attire.

Be correct in deportment.

Be courteous and polite to all.

Be inspired with a noble ambition.

Be honest and pure in your motives.

Be slow to anger, but quick to forgive.

Be always prepared to deserve promotion.

Be sure you are right before you go ahead.

Be above reproach in character and conduct.

Be thoro in your work, even to the smallest detail.

Be thoroly in earnest in whatever you undertake to do.

Be polite to your superiors and considerate to your inferiors.

Be sure that in your work you develop its highest possibilities.

Be prepared to fill the desirable place that has been made vacant.

Be prepared for the adversities of life by acquiring strength of character.

Be prepared by a practical education to seize the opportunities of life when they come.

Be sure to remember that in the selection of an educational institution the best is the cheapest.—Selected

That Foolish Boy.

CHAPTER I.

GIVING THE BOYS A CHANCE.

OLD Farmer Grayson was a practical man. He acknowledged that fact with a great degree of pride. To him practical and sensible were synonymous terms. He didn't believe in theory. What he practiced was the result of experience. He believed in education to a certain extent, but he had no patience with "book larnin'" that was not at once practically applied. He was an industrious man, and altho considered "sot" in his ways by his neighbors, was respected for his integrity and his many good traits of character.

Mr. Grayson had two sons, Reuben and Benjamin, and these boys' traits of character were diametrically opposite. They were both industrious, intelligent, and had no bad habits. But Reuben was fashioned more after his father. He believed in working in old beaten tracks, while Benjamin was a lover of

books, and his mind was continually running on original schemes for improving the methods of the farm. He was under the disadvantage of working alone in this line, if we except his mother, who secretly took great pride in Ben, and had a fond mother's faith in the practicability of his plans, believing that a great future was in store for him.

Old Farmer Grayson had been quite meditative for several days, and no one had any suspicion of what was occupying his mind. Mrs. Grayson wisely held her peace, knowing that he would unburden himself in his own good time. That time finally arrived.

"Hanna Jane," he remarked to his wife, as if a sudden discovery had been revealed to him, "do you know that our boys are almost getting to be young men?"

"Yes," answered his wife with just a perceptible sigh, "time is flying rapidly, and it will only be a few years that we'll have our boys with us."

"Jest so, jest so," assented Mr. Grayson. "I've been thinkin' over the matter lately, and I've made up my mind that it's my duty to begin to set 'em up in life. They're now both of 'em able to do a man's work. Ben is eighteen and Reub twenty. My idea is, by the time they're ready to marry and settle down they ought to be established in life and have homes of their own. And I've made up my mind to give 'em a start. I've got five hundred dollars in the bank, and I'm going to give Ben and Reub two hundred and fifty a piece and give 'em the privilege of doin' just what

they please with it. I want to learn 'em self-reliance to start on, an' while I'm willin' to advise 'em an' give 'em the benefit of my experience, I sha'n't interfere with their plans after they've once decided on 'em. Reub, I know, I can depend on to do what is prudent and best, but Ben—I dunno, I dunno."

And he shook his head as if his mind was involved in some doubt.

"Ben is a good boy," said his mother softly, "and I don't think it possible that he'll waste the money you entrust to him."

"Not intentionally, not intentionally, I'll admit. But what I mean is that his mind isn't studdy and settled like Reub's. His mind is always runnin' on books and what he calls modern improvements. I'm really afraid that instead of investin' his money providentially as Reub will, he'll spen' it all in some scheme or other, and it'll do him no good. But here they both come, an' now I'll fire my propposition at 'em. Boys, sit down here, I've got something very particular to say to you. You're getting along to that age when you're beginnin' to think about what you're a goin' to do for yourself. In a few years you'll be men in the eyes of the law, and I want you to get ready to take your place in the traces all broke in and ready for business. I'm goin' to give you a start in life right now, boys. I'm goin' to give each of you two hundred and fifty dollars and let you invest it jest as you think best, so if you succeed it will be through your own merits, and if you fail it will be your own fault."

Reuben's eyes glistened with pleasure

while Benjamin's face became serious and thoughtful.

"I know how I'll invest mine, right now," said Reuben. "I'll buy the Barnes place that's offered for sale dirt cheap, and this money shall be the first payment on it. I can easily meet the annual payments by what I can raise on the place, besides making some improvements."

"Well said, Reub," commented his father. "Your head's level. The Barnes place is a good one, an' tho it'll keep you humpin' for a few years to pay for it, you'll get thar safe and sound. Now, Ben, how are you goin' to invest your money?"

"I must take a little time to think over it," answered Ben slowly and thoughtfully. "This is too important a matter to be decided hastily. Of course I know what my first impulses are, and what I incline to, but I think I'll sleep over my plans before fully deciding upon them."

"Of course, of course," assented the father. "It's always best to consider every important step carefully, only," he added, suggestively, "I didn't know but what you would see it to your advantage to go covehorts with your brother Rube in the purchase of the Barnes place. Both of ye together would soon get the place paid fer, and a mighty pretty property you'd have. But then think it over yourself; I want you to do just what you think's best."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Literary.

At Last.

BY B. B. BAKER.

What tho our skies be dark and drear,
With storm clouds overcast,
O'er the harbor bar the light shines far,
We'll anchor safe—at last.

Then thru the darkness of the night
Why grieve the trials past?
Oh, the harbor light is shining bright,
We'll anchor safe—at last.

At last, at last—with tattered sail
Tho broken be the mast.—
Ah! the harbor gleams, the love-light
streams,
We've anchored home—at last.

Purity.

BY J. H. CLEMENT.

Purity does not exist where sin dwells. The child-soul is not an emblem of purity,—pure, sinless, innocent, fit for the parlor of Heaven. Purity, indeed, can only exist in a realm abounding with Love, Truth and Unity.

We do not see this exemplified in the ordinary every-day life, but we come in touch with it only by rising into a higher plane of living.

If we make our characters strong and spotless, pure as the driven snow, and cultivate our habits in harmony with Love, Truth and Unity, we shall develop into perfect manhood and womanhood, for these are the foundation stones upon which Purity depends.

It is very apparent that there are two distinct or intensely marked planes of life. The one is so much superior that nothing enters except what is pure and clean. As we come from the lower level to that sublime region, we seem to breathe Purity from the very atmosphere, and when we view nature's works about us there are revealed many beauties which heretofore lay concealed.

When we fully know ourselves and our condition, we look upon the white fragrant lily and say, how lovely, upon the giant oak stretching out as if to imbibe some of the sweetness of air and say, how wonderful, and then upon the green blade springing from the Earth and say, how beautiful. We have had a new vision of life, and can now see the hand of the Omnipotent One in every tree, flower or blade of grass.

"Let your life be like a snowflake which leaves a mark but not a stain."

Influence.

The universe and the laws regulating it are the most sublime pieces of workmanship upon which man can contemplate. Man, the cap-sheaf of all creation, is truly a wonderful being. Horace Mann has said: "The greatest study of man is man." Thus the laws governing the development of the human soul should be one of the most profound studies of man. The first impulse of a tiny soul is to imitate what it sees and hears and feels. Who can tell the length or depth of the influence upon the after-life of an individual the

first few years of a child's life may have!

The peculiarities of a child can readily be traced to parents, teacher or playmates. The more regard one soul has for another, the more will that soul be affected.

In selecting teachers or guardians, should not the character of the individual, rather than the price for which he may be employed, be the test for a selection? If one soul is worth more than the whole world, is it not worth our every effort to bring that soul to the highest possible standard of moral development?

It is said that the pupils of Socrates became stooped and ugly like their learned teacher.

Look at Mr. Johnson, the great genius of England, and Edgar Allen Poe, who possessed the finest literary talent of any American. Both of these men's life were hindered and their usefulness impaired because of their early environment.

How many a genius there is whose talents might have lifted the ideals of men and raised the standard of morality, that has died in poverty and shame because of his surroundings.

The first time a certain young lady went into a dancing hall she would not have danced for worlds, but by repeated visits she began to form a liking for the "whirl", and little by little she was led to do things which at one time she would have abhorred.

The boy may not have any desire to play cards the first time he sees a game, but after watching many games certain

of his brain cells are changed, and after awhile he joins the game, learns to play, to be profane, and to drink. It had been better for that soul had it never been born.

On the other hand, show me a youth in whose library you find the Bible, Pilgrim's Progress, Longfellow's poems, and works from such authors as Dickens, Hawthorne, Stowe, and Spurgeon, and who has associated with the best young men and women, and I will show you a person that can be trusted to live for his fellowmen and be of use to them.

If you would be a doctor associate with doctors. If a lawyer, choose the men at the bar for your associates. If you wish to be a great and a true soul, if you wish to attain to the very best to which man is heir, — and he is heir to the grandest things an infinite mind can provide, — have for your friends the noble, the true, and those whose characters are spotless, whose ideals reach beyond the clouds. W. B. BOONE.

The Bible School.

Is the Bible a dull book to you? To be strictly honest with yourself must you confess that you would rather study anything else than the Bible? And is its daily reading a piece of drudgery to which you force yourself only because you feel it is your duty? Perhaps it is because you don't know how to get a real hold on its contents. You have probably never found the thread of eternal purpose running thru it. There

are some who think you would get help in our Bible school.

The work of the first term has included a general view of the contents of the Bible, the history of the English Bible, an introductory treatment of Bible geography, a study of the apostolic age, the political and religious conditions existing in the time of Jesus, the laws and institutions of the Old Testament, and the Greek language.

It is wonderful what a never-failing source of inspiration and practical suggestion the old Book is. To experience a gradual enlargement of vision and increase of soul power, as one is constantly catching new glimpses of God's eternal truth, is ample reward for the most painstaking toil in searching out the hidden treasures.

The study of Old Testament laws and institutions has been full of suggestion to those contemplating work in the foreign mission fields. To learn how God, in His efforts to reveal Himself to His chosen people, was constantly limited by the elementary character of prevailing conceptions and ideas, to see how He laid hold of existing beliefs and practices and, so far as possible, made use of them by infusing into them a new meaning and purpose, to observe how God led His people up to a better understanding of Himself and His will, not by radical revolution, but by gradual evolution—all this is precisely what the missionary needs to know, for he must constantly apply these same principles in his own work.

Another thought which has come to the front in our Bible classes is that the

revelation of God is one. While the New Testament is seen to be the crown of God's revealing operations, it is also seen that in fundamental plan and purpose the Old and the New Covenants are one, and that it is impossible to appreciate fully the latter without tracing the development of God's plan in the former.

Preparation.

BY W. L. HARTER.

This is an age of specialization and origination, and, as it is such, it is greatly in need of men and women who are thoroughly prepared and qualified to hold its various positions.

Thru all time there has been great demand for the man who could do some work better than any one else, but never, I think, in the history of the world, has that demand been so urgent as at present.

The more highly developed the civilization of a country, the more will be the diversification of its labor, and necessarily the more and better are the qualifications required to fill its various positions.

Never, I think, in the history of the world, has there been a man of ignorance called to the performance of some illustrious accomplishment. Putnam, of the Revolution, Patrick Henry, John Hancock, James Otis, Benjamin Franklin; men whose names will forever shine brightly on the pages of American history; none of these were called in ignorance to the performance of that

work for which they will forever be remembered.

Of him, the father of his country, the most noble of all patriotic heroes, he who gave his life for the cause of his country, of him upon whom the world has looked with admiration for the past century, and will for ages to come, it cannot be said that he was called, a reckless, careless, unprepared youth to the command of the Revolutionary army, but he was called from the school of nature and experience, in which his entire previous life had been one of preparation.

Of Lincoln, who perhaps, is second to none in the achievement of success as a true patriot, a noble hero, it must be said that, tho he were born in poverty, surrounded on every hand by obstacles seemingly insurmountable to the man of less Providential trust, he grew every year into greater and grander intellectual power and vigor. Had it not been for the many years of careful application and constant preparation, when the time came when a man of genius was in great demand, Lincoln would have been no more than the ordinary man of his time.

Demosthenes did not hurl his famous "Phillippics" at the king of Macedon before he had used the beach for a rostrum and the angry waves for an audience. Nor did he give his famous "Oration on the Crown" before he had filled his mouth with pebbles and spoken to the hills along the coast to correct a stammering utterance.

'Twas no freak of Nature that made Martin Luther feel that the 'Just shall

live by faith'. His ninety-five theses were not the outburst of some new unpremeditated ideas. His illustrious speech before the Diet of Worms was not a special gift of Nature endowed upon him on that particular occasion, but it was the outburst of long accumulating, long pent up truths which had burst the doors of confinement. His entire previous life had been one continued preparation which had, tho perhaps not definitely known to him, been tending in the one direction. Had Luther attempted his ninety-five Theses ten years earlier when he was yet unprepared to defend them, I doubt whether the Reformation would have taken place in his time.

Napoleon did not rise to the most giddy heights of military power and glory at a single bound, but by long years of constant application of time in preparation for his chosen work, did he mount the pinnacle of fame.

'Twas no one long bound of genius that placed Daniel Webster on the platform in his illustrious Reply to Hayne.

The one world conquering stroke could not have been given by Alexander had he not previously thoroughly prepared himself to make that mighty blow.

Likewise the names of scores of successful men might be called, but not without the association of their dauntless courage and constant application of time in preparation for their grand and noble work.

Think you, that you can in one

bound spring from the ordinary affairs of life into the completion of some noble achievement without preparation? Does it dawn upon you, that by attending school for a year or two, you will in some way be prepared for the accomplishment of the most that is possible for you to accomplish? Think you that you can perform wonders in the world with but little preparation, when that one perfect Model spent thirty years in preparing for a work which he completed in nearly three? Think of it, the one Holy Man of God spending nine-tenths of his life in preparing for a work to be completed in the remaining one-tenth!

If it were not possible for Him to accomplish his work without a thoro preparation, is it possible for you to make the most of your life without a thoro preparation? And if I may be permitted the liberty, is it possible for you to make the most of the life that is to come without a thoro preparation?

"Heaven is not reached by a single bound,

But we build the ladder by which we rise

From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,

And we mount to its summit round by round."



Alumni.

On account of the frequent changes in addresses, it is a difficult matter to furnish news for these columns. Any information with regard to the whereabouts of Old Students, from any one, will be much appreciated.

Anita Metzger is teaching in Nebraska.

Anna Bowman graces a school room in Missouri.

Lizzie Wieand and Helen Hollem are teaching near Roxbury, Kan.

J. G. Law has returned from his summer's outing and is instructing 'Young America' a few miles out of town.

Herbert Caldwell visited college a few days last week. He teaches in Carrier, Oklahoma this year.

C. E. Law of the class of '00 has entered school to take Commercial work.

Of the ten graduates of Last Year's Literary Class, five are teaching; three are returned to school and two are on the farm.

Biography

OF RACHEL BOWER DYCK.

Rachel Bower Dyck was born near Lena, Stephenson Co., Ills. The earliest recollections of girl-hood and school life were impressed on her memory amid the surroundings of her birth-place. In her early teens her parents with their family removed to Central Iowa, stayed two years, thence

to Western Kansas. Soon after McPherson College opened they came to College Hill so the children might attend school. Rachel had early formed the idea of being a school-teacher and after attending the common schools and the High School at Great Bend, Kansas, she taught three years in the district schools near that place. When they came to McPherson Co., she attended school at the College and taught three years as primary teacher at Galva, just east of McPherson. She finished the Academic and part of the Normal Course with the class of '96. Her mother died in '98 and this sad event left her only brother then twelve years of age to her care. After graduation she accepted the primary grade of the Moundridge school for two years her brother living there with her. This ended her career as a teacher, for she was happily married June 5, 1898 to William Dyck. They made their home in Moundridge where Mr. Dyck is Cashier of the Bank of Moundridge.

Sunbeams.

C. R. P. Kimmel of Morrill, Kansas, a former student, and Miss Lila Frye of Falls City, Neb. were wedded Aug. 22, 1900. After the wedding they took an enjoyable trip through Colorado and Utah. They now reside at their home near Morrill, Kansas.

Mr. Simon Stuckey and Miss Ida Yunko were married Sept. 4th. They now reside on College Hill. Mr. Stuck-

ey is at present taking Normal work and Mrs. Stuckey will begin school work in the near future.

The mission study class, with Miss Emma Horner as president, are in good working order. The class enrollment in the beginning was twenty members. Nothing will better develope missionary sentiment than work of this kind.

"Dear Lord, I take
My cross and make
Thy life my guide
To self I'm dead,
From sin I've fled
And by thy side
In faith and love
And works to prove
I will abide."

"Books, schools, education are the scaffolding by means of which God builds up the human soul."

C. W. Wall a student at McPherson in '01, now a graduate of Louisville Theological Seminary was a guest on College Hill during the past week. He is now a resident of Moundridge, Kansas.

Quite an interest is being aroused in Prof. Harnley's Zoology class since the students have begun to make collections. Some members of the class spent an enjoyable day at Lake Inman gathering specimens.

Owing to the increased attendance of students, eighty new chairs have been purchased for the chapel.

Miss Bertha Kring of Glenstead, Missouri, a former student. J. E. Ediger, H. C. Kane, H. W. Lohrenz, Mabel Bedford have lately enrolled.

The kindergarten and model school of Miss Flo Ramage began work September 18, with a good enrollment of pupils. The following students are doing practice teaching; Ethel Bixby, Emma Horner, B. B. Baker.

A club has been organized, Otis Vaniman, president, devoted to gymnastic training. A large room in the college building is being equipped with the necessary apparatus. This place will be used for basket ball and regular gymnastic exercises.

The large pelican shot at Inman lake makes a fine specimen for the college museum. The bird measures 8 feet from tip to tip of the wings.

A reading circle has been organized with Miss Ramage as president. It is the object of the circle to take up a systematic study of current authors. Only standard literature will be studied. Works of Rudyard Kipling were discussed at the second meeting of the circle. The English language has such a vast amount of classical contributions that one can ill afford to spend time on anything inferior.

The following graduates are at present engaged in teaching: J. H. Saylor, Geo. D. Kuns, W. J. Slifer, Lizzie Wiesand, J. G. Law, H. C. Slifer.

The programs of the Irving Memorial society have thus far been of a high standard. The talk on the city of Boston, given by Prof. H. J. Harnley September 29, was interesting and much appreciated. The membership has been much increased over previous years. "Recruits fill up the broken

line; The hands drop off, but the work goes on."

Prof. Fahnstock received two fine \$100 Remington typewriters. With this addition the typewriting department is well equipped. Two new microscopes have been placed in Prof. Haroley's room making the apparatus in this department quite complete.

The McPherson College debating club has been organized and meets every Tuesday evening.

Mesaro, L. A. Severson, S. N. Severson from Galva Kansas, and Miss Laura Yoder, a former student, with her brother William Yoder have entered school.

It is with sadness we note the death of Dillon P. Flickinger at his home near Carleton, Nebraska, August 22, 1900. He was working with a threshing machine from which he fell breaking his leg. Blood poison set in and death claimed him as its victim. Dillon was a student of '98-99 and was respected by all. During his sufferings he had the most tender care that family and friends could administer.

Samuel Harms of Oklahoma, and Bert Way of Lyons, Kansas, are among the lately enrolled students.

During the last month an average of three to five students per week have enrolled. Prospects for yearly attendance are very flattering. At present 207 students have matriculated.

Presidents of Kansas Colleges and universities were to meet at Topeka October 5th. President Arnold who intended to be at the convention, re-

ceived word a few hours before train time that the meeting had been indefinitely postponed.

Tennis enthusiasm is being aroused and every evening when weather is favorable students may be seen on the clay court.

Prof. Arnold's kindergarten class have completed Froebel's life and his kindergarten system, and are now preparing theses for the end of the term.

C. E. Law an academic graduate of last year, and P. H. Hiebert have resumed college work.

The Beery residence on College Hill, occupied by Mr. James Burson. is being painted.

About 25 students attended the love feast and children's day exercises at Monitor. Some of McPherson's best talent was represented on the program.

A number of the Professors attended the district and ministerial meeting at Newton, Kansas.

Our chapel exercises have a feature worthy of mention because of the good results. Professors in regular order conduct the morning worship and follow with some inspiring, interesting and helpful talks. The apparent rivalry of each to present something most attractive creates quite an interest. No compulsion of attendance is necessary. The frequent difficulty of non-attendance in many schools is not here noticeable. That these varied talks are appreciated and are of practical benefit is evident from the full attendance of students in chapel.

The parents of C. H. Slifer have moved to College Hill and intend to make this their permanent home.

The Irving Memorial Literary Society has arranged for a contest of its members each term in recitations, orations and debates. The victors in the preliminary contests will engage in a final contest at the end of the year. If the proper motive is at heart this will be one of the best means of developing talent that otherwise would lie dormant.

The Y. M. C. A. is keeping pace with the associations of other colleges. It is the object to have at each meeting some special talk. Rev. Teal and Dickey of the Baptist church of McPherson gave excellent talks. P. O. Hanson, assistant state secretary of Y. M. C. A. reported some of the workings and methods of other associations. He was much pleased to find our body of workers in such a flourishing and enthusiastic condition.

The regular bible course work mapped out in connection with this association has been commenced with quite a number of classes.

The spirit of the Y. W. C. A. is equally as great as in its counterpart, the Y. M. C. A. They were entertained lately by the assistant state secretary, Miss. Agnes Radford. A chaper talk was given by her on the essentials and non-essentials in a college life. She specially emphasized the work in which she is at present most interested. Both the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. were able to send good reports to other associations. Both

are fully alive to the fact that not only in bible study and Sunday meetings they may do effective work but in innumerable ways they may be able to lighten the burdens of young men and women.

Some Curios.

CORRESPONDENCE BY SYMBOLS.

It is stated, but not supported by affidavit, that in Norway a proposal of marriage is made by the suitor sending to his heart's desire a piece of pine, meaning to convey the message "I pine for you." If the young lady is disposed to look favorably upon his suit, she sends back a pine knot, meaning "Pine not for me." If she declines to entertain his matrimonial proposition, she sends back her lover's stick, after charring it in the fire, thus conveying the sentence, "I make light of your pine."

It is presumed that such a reply effectually puts out the flame of love.

POOR SPELLING BUT GOOD INTENTIONS.

A principal once received the following communication:

HONNERED SUR: As i am tould that you air a man of no lege i wish to inter my sun in your shall

The schoolmaster had to do some hard thinking before he got at the intention of the writer, which was that he being considered a man of knowledge, the writer wished to enter his son in this school.

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Happy is the man who does not know that he is ignorant, for even if he does not achieve any great success in life, he satisfies the one who, to him, is the most important member of the human family—himself.

A country schoolmaster once sent out notes to the parents of his pupils asking their opinion on the subject of corporal punishment. One of them sent the following explicit reply:

DEER SIR your not is reseaved i wont you to wollock jon like al natur he is a bad boy is jon yours sam swipes p b wot akounts for jon bein such a bad skoller is that he's, my sun by my wifes 1st housband

RATHER BADLY MIXED.

It is not a good idea to have a letter contain anything more than the message it is intended to convey. An illustration of the disregard of this rule is afforded in the case of the widower who wished to have his wife's dying words engraved upon his tombstone. His order was sent by mail, but imagine the poor man's surprise when he visited his wife's grave to find elaborately engraved upon a beautiful monument the words:

MEET ME IN HEAVEN
YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION TO THE
ABOVE WILL MUCH OBLIGE YOURS TRULY

Exchanges.

In our lives it is what we think, rather than what we say that counts.—Exchange.

Great good nature without prudence is a great misfortune.—Inglenook.

"Bredern," said the bicycle parson, "guide younsh spiritual bikes in dis wold so dat you won't sebreh in de nex'."—Students Herald.

If you cannot make everyone else play as you wish do not play with them. It may not be the best way to act, but it is the only way you can properly show your self-conceit.—Industrialist.

Professor:—Mr. Blank, I wish you would stop acting the fool.

Mr. Blank:—Thank you sir, I am not acting the fool.

Professor:—Oh, excuse me, I tho't you were just acting it.—Exchange.

There is plenty of room at the top, because the ordinary man who has climbed up half or quarter way, becomes so pleased with himself that he sits down to admire his marvelous climbing and never gets any higher.—Students Herald.

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