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The World Makes a Way for a Determined Man

It is said when Grant was a boy he could not find the word "can't" in his dictionary. It is the young man of this makeup that moves the World. It is curious to see how the obstacles get out of the way of the youth who has grit, pluck, determination, and persistence. Thousands of lads are wasting their time in comparative idleness, and bemoaning their ill fortune in having no chance to do something or to be somebody in the world.

It is essential to have confidence in one's own ability in order to be successful. Without confidence the building either will never go up, or will topple. Those who have achieved results in life have been men who believed in themselves; men of large hope and of optimistic views. Confidence must always precede action.

A young man can never accomplish anything in the world till he is thoroughly convinced that he can. Pessimists have never done anything except

to put stumbling-blocks in the way of others. It is the cheerful, hopeful man, the man who believes that the World is growing better and brighter, that is of value to the World. He who fears failure, talks failure, thinks his work will be a failure. As Job said, "The thing I feared has come upon me."

The very attitude or habitual condition of one's mind has a great deal to do with his success. To achieve success a man must continually dwell in the atmosphere of high ideals. He must think upward, work upward, or he can never reach a high goal.

There is nothing which will take the place of downright confidence in your own ability.

Success is in the man, not in the opportunity.

It is true that the snap should be in the horse; but when it is not, we must put it into the whip.

There is gunpowder in most people if we can only get the spark to it; and to do this is one of the aims of McPherson College.

Mere abstract precepts and goody-goody moralizing will have no attract-

tion for a twentieth-century young man or lady.

McPherson College aims to touch the higher springs of youth's aspiration, to lead him up to higher ideals and loftier aims; to show him that there is something nobler in life than mere money getting; that manhood and education is above riches and superior to titles; that character is greater than career.

Men who succeed in the World, as a rule, do so not by having extraordinary opportunities. It is a Gallileo experimenting with a straw in his prison cell; a Franklin with a kite; a Fulton with a paddle wheel; a Howe with shuttles; needles, and rough machinery; a Professor Bell, poor and experimenting on the telephone with the simplest apparatus; a Leonidas at Thermopylae; these are the men who have been the benefactors of their kind.

We pity a young man who can read the history of men who have benefited the world with their inventions, and not feel that he too, can do something; we pity the young man who can read the biographies of successful men and still claim that he has no chance in life. Suppose Grant had said to himself, "It is not reasonable to think that a tanner-boy can perform what Sherman or Meade have failed to do!" What if McKinley or Dewey had pictured to themselves as a failure, or as possessing only mediocre ability when they were boys; what if Wanamaker had pronounced himself a failure when working in a store at a dollar and a quarter a week, and walking four miles every day to Philadelphia; would he have

succeeded as a merchant? Franklin once said, "To be thrown on one's own resources is to be cast into the very lap of fortune."

O B I T U A R Y



President C. E. Arnold

President C. E. Arnold of McPherson College died at his home on College Hill Saturday night, May 31, at 10:30 o'clock.

The cause of his death was cancer of the kidney. He had been attending to his duties until about four weeks ago, when his sufferings became so severe that he went to St. Joseph's Hospital, Kansas City for the purpose of having an operation performed. The operation showed cancer developed to such an extent that its removal would have been dangerous, so the surgeon closed up the incision and directed his attention towards strengthening him for his removal to his home. His desire was, that if he must die, to be brought

home to see his friends and students.

He was brought home May 18, since which time he has been sinking very rapidly and constantly suffering until the end came. He evinced the greatest of Christian fortitude during all of his sufferings. He often expressed himself as fully resigned to his fate. Death had no terror for him. Though he had a strong desire to complete his work, he often expressed himself as ready to enter into the future life, where he might enjoy greater possibilities.

His doctrine was that this life is a state of preparation for the future life, and that the intellectual, as well as spiritual development prepare for greater capacity in the life beyond. Recognizing these facts he was an incessant worker.

President Arnold was born in Mineral Co., West Virginia, May 18, 1866. Until he was seventeen years old he lived on the farm with his parents. His earliest recalled ambitions were to become a teacher. His schooling consisted from four to five months in a District school. Yet these meager school facilities did not deter him from growing.

He spent his noon hour and rainy days in hard study. When he was seventeen years old he taught school, and soon showed marked capabilities for one so young. He received his higher education at Bridgewater College, Virginia, Ohio Normal University, Kentucky University, Illinois Wesleyan University. He had almost completed the course in Christian Theism offered by the Illinois Wesleyan University. It

was his ambition to complete his work and then devote his time more fully to his life work, for next to his preparation the development of others was nearest his heart.

After his graduation he spent two years as an instructor in the Botetourt Normal, Virginia. In 1893 he was elected Professor of Mathematics in McPherson College. This position he filled very acceptably for three years. In 1896 he accepted the Presidency of McPherson College, and was transferred to the chair of Pedagogy and Philosophy. His high ideals, thorough discipline, even temperament, and indomitable application to his work fitted him admirably for his work as President.

When he accepted the Presidency of McPherson College, it was heavily indebted, and the school was very much disorganized. By his able and persistent efforts, seconded by several other members of the faculty, he has brought the college to the front rank of Christian Colleges of Kansas and one of the leading Colleges under the supervision of the Dunkard Church. He is widely and ably known throughout the state as an educator.

Every movement that tended towards the uplifting of humanity received his hearty support. He was closely identified with the State Sunday School movement, and was Sunday School Secretary of his district of Kansas for his church. He was an Elder in the Dunkard Church, and his counsels were always well received by his people. He was a man who belonged to the people. Everybody loved him, for he made no enemies. He taught

man to live, and those who were intimately connected with him say that he taught them how to die.

His wife and daughter survive him, his only son, less than a year old, having died last April.

President Arnold's sickness was a great shock to the school, but with his usual calmness he asked that the closing exercises of the college be conducted in the usual way. He had much to do towards strengthening both students and faculty to push the school work to a successful close.

Commencement exercises were conducted on Tuesday evening. Although he was then very low, so that he could hardly dictate, he sent a parting message to the students. During all his sickness he was perfectly calm and composed and gave directions in full as to the disposition of his business as well as to the full details of his funeral.

In his death struggles he was already in possession of the rest beyond. He repeatedly said, "Sweet peace." "Oh, what peace."

Thus died a man who stimulated in his students a desire for the highest and purest; a Christian in all that that word means, a man of God.

The funeral services were held in the college chapel, this afternoon, conducted by Elder J. J. Yoder of Conway.—Daily Republican, June 2.

of President C. E. Arnold, adopted by the McPherson County Normal Institute, June 2, 1902:—

Whereas, Almighty God in His omnipotence and wisdom has deemed it necessary to call from our midst President C. E. Arnold of McPherson College; and

Whereas, the students and teachers of McPherson county have lost one of their most honored and able educators; and

Whereas, the McPherson County Normal Institute has lost one of its most efficient and valued instructors, one who always was a friend to every member of the institute, and one who never wavered from justice, right and truth; be it therefore

Resolved, that we the instructors and students of the McPherson County Normal Institute, deeply regret and deplore the untimely bereavement and death of our colleague and instructor, and that we bow down in humble submission to the will of Almighty God, who for some reason best known unto himself, has caused us this our great loss. We also deprecate the loss of a man and teacher possessed of so kindly a disposition, so thorough scholastic training, such absolute devotion to duty, and above all a man from whom emanated such benign, Christian influence.

Be it also resolved that we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the sorrowing wife and daughter of President Arnold, his parents, his brother and sister, the faculty, board of trustees and students of McPherson College, in their great and irreparable loss they have sustained in the demise of President C. E. Arnold.

* Done in behalf of the institute.

HATTIE HECKETHORN,
J. E. WELIN,
I. G. LAW,

Committee.

Normal Deplures Loss

Resolutions in memory of the decease

SERMON AT PRESIDENT ARNOLD'S FUNERAL

By REV. J. J. YODER

Read Psalms 189:1-10, 14, 17, 18, 28 and 24. Text, John 11:11.

We are called together upon a sad occasion, our hearts stricken with grief. One we so dearly loved has been suddenly called from us.

We first thought we could not give him up. We could not get along without him.

But God the Father, our Father, says we can, we shall, that it is best so. And when God speaks, man humbly, reverently bows in silence and submission.

We go to Him for comfort and grace in this season of sorrow and distress that has overtaken us. Where else would we go? In him may we trust. He has lovingly and tenderly led us in times past, and His hand of compassion is still lovingly pressing ours, urging us to hope and trust.

Sometime, when we shall see as we are seen and know as we are known we shall undoubtedly understand these now strange and inexplicable events.

Mingled with our profoundest grief is the sweet consolation and spiritual satisfaction inspired by our dear brother's pure life and exalted character, and by his triumphant victory over the terrors of death through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. Again has it been illustrated that the most impressive

and commanding greatness of man resides in character.

One of the sweetest and most pathetic gospel narratives is that relating the Savior's interest in the sorrow and sadness of two sisters at Bethany upon the departure of a dear brother. The Great Sympathizer here wept with the weeping sisters. When the little home circle was broken, Jesus spoke to the disciples, saying, "Our friend Lazarus sleepeth." —John 11:11.

We could not help associating these words with our present sorrow. "Our friend sleepeth."

TWO LEADING IDEAS.

- 1st. It speaks so beautifully the character of Christ's disciples.
- 2nd. A beautiful figurative representation of death.

I. "Friend"—Who can measure the height, the depth, the length and the breadth of meaning in this common word.

Our hearts have felt of its fullness, but tongue can not tell its measure nor sweetness. The ties that bind our hearts so tenderly to one another as friends are indeed sacred. 'Tis the bond of love. Our text is expressive of highest friendship, that of Jesus.

Abraham was called the "friend of God."

Jesus says, "Ye are my friends if ye do the things which I command you." It is a wonderful privilege to be the friend of Jesus; and he be our friend, blessed mutual kinship.

It is a blessed privilege to be a friend and to win and cherish the friendship of our fellows. How we love these so dear to us. God pity the man or wo-

man who feels that he is in this cold world without a friend.

Praise His name for the sweet chords of love that bind our hearts in blessed friendship.

II. Jesus speaks of death as a sleep, others speak in like manner.

In reference to Moses 'twas said, "Behold thou shalt sleep in the dust," etc. Daniel says, "many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake." So the apostle speaks of "those who sleep in Jesus and whom God will bring with him."

Also Christ in His resurrection is said to be "the first fruits of them that slept."

Let us hear further inspired words on this apparent terror, death.

Jesus told Martha that "Whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die."

The Psalmist cheers us by saying, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

Paul says: "To me to live is Christ; to die is gain."

John The Revelator: "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

The Great mind of Paul knows, "That if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternally in the heavens."

Isaiah speaks of the death of the redeemed as a "Home Coming."

Wonder then that Paul exclaims, "O death, where is thy sting. O grave where is thy victory?"

"Thanks be to God who giveth us

the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

It is but a calm repose.

A cessation of pain and suffering.

A dismissal of care.

An incalculable Divine Mercy.

A triumphant victory.

The gateway to immortal Glory.

The emancipation from the finite to the infinite.

Not a cessation of life but a coming into life.

A thing precious in the sight of God.

A casting aside of the corruptible and a putting on of the incorruptible.

On the whole it seems that the most natural and Christian view would be, that as soon as this life ends the next begins.

Else how could our Savior say to the penitent thief on the cross, "Today shalt thou be with me in paradise." Or Paul, of Christians generally, "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord." Or Stephen exclaim in the agonies of death "Lord Jesus receive my spirit."

Friends, do not these inspired truths put a sparkle into our tears? The fountain of love o'erflows. Our hearts are sad with grief. We love our brother dearly, and why may we not weep? Jesus our Elder Brother, wept at the tomb of his dear friend Lazarus, and we are further confident that there is no love more deeply in sympathy with ours than that of our blessed Lord. It seems best as it is, it must be; then we can look heavenward and say "thy will O Lord be done, not mine."

Brother Arnold spent his life in the

uplifting of others, a sacrificial life indeed. He served others. The divine truth, that the way to greatness is that of humble service, was verified in his life. His modest, unassuming life was an oasis to all who came in touch with him. In this work of ostentation it is refreshing to meet with such a man as he.

He was an educator of the noblest type. Teaching by precept and example.

Enriching mind, soul and body of his pupils. Ever pointing them to the model teacher, Christ.

His deep, intense interest in young people, led him naturally into the Sunday School field where he was ever on duty. His influence being felt state over, having held a state position for the last seven years. Among his own Church people being one of the few national leaders.

He was a wonderfully busy man. Like the Master, he worked while it was day, and he worked with all the energy in him.

His great mind and generous heart had planned a number of noble deeds for the good of his fellows that shall never be completed in eternity.

His spiritual capacity has been vastly increased and a corresponding enlargement of the means and opportunities of knowledge.

His acquaintance with the purposes and character of God, his feeling of His love, and grace, and tenderness, will be immeasurably greater and more intense than any known on earth.

His work here continues to multiply in the good deeds and noble lives of

those who have been inspired by his true greatness and noble worth.

In all the deepest meaning he was a man of God. Religion was to him a divine reality. Jesus was to him a living individual savior. From a boy up he was ever under the control of a quick, clean, commanding conscience, the voice of the Holy Spirit within him.

We who knew him looked to him as a leader in life. He showed himself a hero in affliction, and life becomes transfigured in death. He was a helper to us on earth; and his departure draws us heavenward and we long now to be with him. The holy influence of true friendship lives on. Our dear brother is still our friend though "he sleepeth."

And as we go away from his classroom a missionary to dark Africa, or a merchant in busy city, or a workman on fruitful farm, or a housewife in lovely cottage, or teacher, or preacher, or clerk, or salesman, or husband or wife, father or mother or whatever our calling, the sacred influences of his friendship will continue to bless us.

True we shall miss him

The school will long feel the absence of his stayed, even going presence.

The teachers of McPherson county feel their great loss.

The Sunday school here, throughout the county, the state, and the brotherhood will miss him.

The church misses his councils and earnest efforts. But above all the home will feel the loss most keenly.

The heart of companion will no longer be gladdened by husband's home coming.

The loving presence of dear father

will ever be a felt want by daughter.

After all we are the pilgrims and away from home.

Our dear drother has gone home and awaits our coming

To God our Father be all praise for this hope.

"The anchor of the soul. Through affectionate obedience to His Son we come into life more abundantly, Life Eternal."



A PERSONAL TRIBUTE

By One Who Knew and Loved Him

It was an early day in September, 1886 at Bridgewater College, Virginia, that I first met Charles E. Arnold. For eleven, out of these nearly sixteen years, our lives have been in almost daily contact. How closely they have been associated during the seven years past, many of you know. The never-failing and constantly ripening friendship of these years has been one of the choicest blessings of my life. How strong this bond has been I had not realized myself until today, now that I am face to face with the fact that our evening walks when we unburdened to each other our inmost thoughts, memories, and talked of the deep things of God, are to be henceforth for me only memories of the past. But these very memories will make what yet remains of my own life, better than it could otherwise have been.

I have known Professor Arnold as I know no other man, and it is because of this that I felt impelled to bear a word of testimony today to his noble character. Indeed he does not need my feeble praise, and I give it not because it will

be of any use to him but because I hope that some who hear these words may be inspired thereby to build for themselves a character like his. I have not the strength nor is there time here to analyze in detail the elements of his character. Conspicuous among them was sincerity. He hated shams. He had a humility that was genuine of the real unselfish kind, the kind that actually enjoys seeing another honored. There were times when envy would have found a place in a soul less magnanimous than his, but there was no room in his noble spirit. His trust and faith seemed well-nigh perfect. He believed intensely that God is at the world's helm. He was not afraid that truth would perish from the earth, even if we should discover something we had not known. But I think you will agree with me that the most striking element in Prof. Arnold's character was his stability. Calmness, poise, evenness, are perhaps better words. Some men live in the clouds today, and in the mire tomorrow, but Professor Arnold moved steadily along in the plain, level road. Some men's religion is crowded into a few ecstatic experiences of special occasions; Professor Arnold's enveloped and permeated every act and thought of his daily life. It seems to me that this is the most beautiful thing about life.

He was a normal Christian. It is this that explains his wonderful peace and composure in view of his approaching death. Why should the prospect of death disturb a man like him? It was as natural to him to die as to do anything else. Death was simply one of many events in the course of his eternal growth, and it mattered little to him when it came.

That I cannot look upon his face with you today for the last time, and drop a

tear upon his coffin lid, is indeed a keen disappointment, but since this is denied me. I have wished to say these few words to you in this way, and to ask you all to join with me in honoring the name and cherishing memory of *My Friend*.

At home, June 2.

The above tribute was not written for publication but was read at the funeral, having been sent by Prof. Frantz who was confined to his home with diphtheria.



By The Senior Classes.

We give below the resolutions of sympathy adopted by the senior classes. A copy of these resolutions, beautifully engrossed by Prof. Fahnestock and set in a large frame with President Arnold's portrait in the center, has been presented to Mrs. Arnold. It is an elegant piece of workmanship and a touching memento of the high esteem in which their lamented president and teacher was always held by the students of the college.

Whereas, the hand of Divine Providence has removed our beloved president from the scenes of his temporal labors and the students, who received his helpful instruction and profited by his example, are desirous of testifying to their respect for his memory, and expressing their earnest and affectionate sympathy with the household deprived by this dispensation of its earthly head; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we tenderly condole with the family of our deceased president in their hour of trial and affliction and devoutly commend them to the keeping of Him who looks with pitying eye upon the widowed and fatherless.

Resolved, That in our natural sorrow for the loss of a faithful and dear teacher

we find consolation in the belief that it is well with him for whom we mourn.

Resolved, That while we deeply sympathize with those who were bound to our departed president by the nearest and dearest ties, we share with them the hope of a union in that better world where there are no partings and bliss ineffable forbids a tear.

We present this as a token of our respect and veneration for the christian character of our dear one gone to his rest and for his deep interest manifested toward the student body.

Sincerely,

SENIOR CLASSES OF 1902.



To the Faculty and Friends of McPherson, Kansas.

Having learned this morning of the death of C. E. Arnold, president of McPherson college, we, of Juniata College desire to give some expression of the regret and sorrow, with which this information fills us. A great and good man has been taken from the educational ranks of our country and of our church.

We sorrow for ourselves for the loss of one who has endeared himself to us by his rich and amiable qualities of mind and heart. We sorrow with the Brotherhood, realizing that we have lost one who has shown himself capable and sincere in his earnest and efficient labors to build up the educational interests of the church. We sorrow with our sister institution that will feel most keenly and immediately the death of Brother Arnold, and hereby extend to all concerned our sympathy, and pray that God will abundantly bless and

qualify those upon whom the labor and administration shall now devolve.

We sorrow with the wife and child whose lives were so vitally inwrought with his and whose hearts are bereft of the earthly presence of husband and father, and commend them to the loving favor and sustaining grace of Him who is a father to the fatherless and the widow's Counsellor.

I. HARVEY BRUMBAUGH,
W. J. SWIGERT,
NELLIE McVEY,
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Committee in behalf of Juniata College.

Daleville, Va., June 6, 1902.

Esteemed Faculty of McPherson College, McPherson, Kansas.

Your sad announcement brings to us a sorrowful burden, for in the death of your loved president our church has lost one of its most able men, and your worthy institution an exemplary leader. With saddened hearts and tearful eyes we bow with you in submission to Him who doeth all things well.

The Story of Bro. Arnold's beautiful life has been told us by the good people of Daleville, and which with our personal acquaintance with him makes us feel that his dying day on earth was but his crowning day in Paradise. Many years of usefulness were crowded into one short life and his early death is as the sun eclipsed at noonday. Oh, the transition must have been glorious!

Anxiously we wait for a more complete account of his life, illness and death.

Yours in Jesus' Name,

J. Z. AND HATTIE Y. GILBERT.

Ottawa, Kans., 6-8-02.

S. B. Fahnestock,
McPherson, Kansas.

Dear Prof:—

Your letter of the 1st announcing the death of Prof. Arnold was received last evening. The loss of such a true and faithful husband, of such a great, useful and noble man as friend and Professor, is certainly very sad and most unfortunate.

Yours truly,
RETTA AND J. F.

Aurora, Neb. June 11, 1902.

Prof. S. B. Fahnestock,
McPherson, Kansas.

Our dear Friend—

We are filled with sorrow at the sad news of the dangerous illness of our beloved President Arnold. This blow seems too hard, but it is one of the bitter facts of this life that the great and good are called away when we need them most.

How often do we see that death loves a shining mark, and it could have selected none more fitted to show its partiality for the grand and noble than when it set its fatal shaft toward the one whom we all love and honor so much.

We dare not think of this great personal grief. Dear members of the Faculty, we extend to you our tenderest sympathy; your pain is ours, we are still one with you. May God comfort us all.

Yours in love and sorrow,

MR. & MRS J. HARVEY SAYLOR.

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COMMENCEMENT, MAY 27

The tragic sickness and hourly expected death of Pres. Arnold made commencement week one of sorrow and mourning instead of joy and festivity.

In accordance with the wish of Pres. Arnold, the commencement program was carried out as nearly as possible. On account of the sickness of Prof. Frantz, vice president of the college, the baccalaureate sermon was not preached, and Professors Hainly and Miller presided on commencement evening. The Hultquist Bros. furnished

excellent music. Dr. Fiske of Topeka, the orator of the evening, was introduced by Prof. Miller. His address was a masterly appeal for more of higher education, not because of its commercial value, although he showed clearly that it has a commercial value, but because it develops true character, true manhood, true womanhood.

After the address by Dr. Fiske, Prof. Hainly, with a few appropriate remarks, presented the diplomas and conferred degrees.

The following is a list of graduates and degrees conferred.

Claude Shirk, A. M.
Garfield Shirk, A. M.
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Garfield Sykes.

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 May Hutzell.
 H. J. Frantz.
 E. J. Frantz.
 E. C. Nelson.
 W. K. Bowman.

The following message from Pres. Arnold to the students, and which proved to be the last, was read.

Out of the very fullness and tenderness of my heart I wish to express my appreciation of your cheering visits, your beautiful flowers and of your kind allusions to my helpfulness in your lives.

And so with moist eyes, and hearts full of sorrow, because of the affliction of our beloved President, we closed what in other respects had been the most successful year in the history of McPherson College.

FACULTY CHANGES.

There will be little change in the faculty for the coming year. Prof. Frantz will act as President. Mr. John A. Clement will be a regular member of the teaching staff. Mr.

Clement is an A. B. graduate of the past year and a teacher of experience. His ability and the superior quality of his work are well known. We are fortunate in securing his services.

THE LECTURE COURSE.

The lecture course for the coming season promises to surpass anything yet offered. Engagements have already been made. The dates have not yet been fixed but we are assured of six numbers strong in talent and interesting in variety. An organization has been effected which insures the hearty co-operation of the citizens of the city. It is a hearty indication that the lecture course sentiment is growing. It tends to keep out entertainments and amusements of a low grade. McPherson students for next year will have rare opportunities in this respect, thanks chiefly to the untiring efforts of Prof. Miller.

NOTES.

In the educational meeting of the recent conference at Harrisburg, Pa., Prof. Frantz made an address upon the subject, "The mission of the church college." This subject had been selected by the late President Arnold with the expectation of speaking on it himself. Touching reference to the sad circumstances was made by several of the participants in the meeting.

The widespread sorrow caused by the death of our beloved president was evidenced by the numerous messages of condolence received. A few of these are printed in this issue. We have not space for all but among others may be

mentioned a telegram from State Superintendent Frank Nelson, and a letter from President J. G. Royer of Mt. Morris College, Ill.

The numerous and beautiful floral tributes at Prof. Arnold's funeral were evidence alike of the universal love of the departed one and of the profound sympathy felt for the sorrowing ones left behind. Occasionally we hear of a few souls destitute of all poetic sense, who like Judas at the Bethany anointing, would criticise this waste, but such were not in evidence here.

It is well for us to learn that when the soul is hungry for sympathy and love, a flower may render a better service than things of more "practical" value. He is a wise helper in time of need who is quick to discern whether it is a sack of flour or a bouquet of flowers that is most needed, and administers accordingly.

Miss Laura E. Harshbarger has been elected a member of the faculty of Manchester College at North Manchester, Ind. She will teach Elocution, Physical Culture, Shorthand and Typewriting. Miss Harshbarger is a graduate of the Oratorical Department of McPherson college and has rendered efficient service as assistant instructor in this department. She has also taught Shorthand and Typewriting. This summer she will attend the Columbia school of Oratory in Chicago in further preparation for the work. Manchester College is to be congratulated.

Among the things brought back by Prof. Frantz from Harrisburg Conference was a well developed case of diphtheria. Under the efficient care of Dr. Hall he recovered rapidly and is now out again, apparently not much the worse for his experience.

Bible Study Next Year.

An interesting program of work in the Bible School is promised for the coming year. The History of Christianity during the formation and on down to the present will be studied. An outline of Christian Theology will form the subject of another class. Special attention is to be given the subject of Mission Work. Other subjects offered will be the Life and Teaching of Jesus, Old Testament History and Geography, Ancient Hebrew Laws and Institutions, Studies in Job, Proverbs, and other Wisdom Books; that the Bible Department is filling a real need has been abundantly shown by the interest taken in the work.

It affords me pleasure to express my entire satisfaction with the commercial education which I received under your instruction. Your energy and patience together with your manner of teaching, wins the highest esteem of all your students.

The above testimonial is only one of hundreds of similar unsolicited letters that McPherson College has received.

Marriage Announcements of Interest to Rays of Light Readers

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Netzley, announce the marriage of their daughter, Lottie, to Harrison A. Frantz, Wednesday evening, June 11, 1902, at their residence near Adams, Nebraska.

Mr. Charles Emory Shively, Miss Daisy Lindley, married Thursday, June

8, 1902, Oklahoma City, O. T.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Graves announce the marriage of their daughter, Bessie Russella, to Mr. A. Lawrence Harter, on Tuesday evening, June 24, 1902, Plainville, Kansas.

Those Received Certificates:

Topeka, Kas., June 5, 1902.

President McPherson College,
McPherson, Kansas.

My dear Sir:—

I forward to you today under first class postage three-year certificates to the following persons: John A. Clement, James H. Clement and E. K. Masterson. Please hand them to the proper persons.

FRANK NELSON,
State Supt. Pub. Instruction.

COLLEGE NOTES

School opens September 9th this year.

Mr. Jackson Minick, a former student of McPherson college, received the unanimous nomination for Probate Judge at the Republican convention in Rice county. His many friends here hope to see him elected.

Mary and Henry Frantz spent Sunday at Topeka with Miss Dora Sherfy, class of '98, on their way home from college.

Mr. E. H. Eby spent the last week of school with parents and friends near Summerfield Kansas. He reports a

pleasant visit.

Mr. T. O. Coons, a former student of the college and who has taught in the city schools during the past nine years is the nominee of the Republican Party for Co. Supt.

Mr. M. W. Harner representing Dodd Mead & Co., spent a few days at the college securing agents and selling the International Cyclopedin to students. Those who purchased Cyclopedias are H. H. Fasnacht, J. H. Clement, J. A. Clement, M. I. Kilmer, C. H. Slifer, G. D. Kuns and O. S. Vaniman also purchased year books.

McPherson county was represented at State S. S. Convention held at Salina May 18-15 by thirty delegates, ranking second in number of delegates. T. H. Crumacker represented the College S. S. and gave an excellent report on Sunday May 18th, which was appreciated by all.

Many of our students make their way through college by canvassing during vacation. This year about fifty expect to be in the field. Those already out report a splendid opening and we predict success for all. In addition to money earned in this way they receive an education not learned from books, but nevertheless essential to success in life.

S. J. Harms called upon his student friends a few days ago.

D. H. Arnold contemplates returning next year of finish the College Course.

McPherson county Teachers' Normal opened May 26th with an enrollment of

seventy-two. Prof. H. J. Harnly, Supt. T. S. Johnson and Vivian Henmon are the instructors.

Those who attended Annual Conference from McPherson were J. C. Harshberger, John and Dessa Kuns, F. A. Vaniman and Edward Frantz. They report the meeting in many ways the most successful ever held.

Our mission Band has closed the most successful years work in its history. The enrollment was 45 and the interest continued throughout the year. Four public programs were tendered, besides several reports by our delegate to Toronto Convention; eleven have volunteered to engage in mission work in any field.

Mr. Jas. H. Clement was elected as

principal of the Belleville, Kansas Public Schools.

Miss Flo Ramage taught in the County Institute at Lyons, Kans., and while there received the appointment of Secretaryship of the Y. W. C. A. of the city of Topeka, Kansas.

McPherson City is to have Free Mail Delivery September 1.

Bro. F. H. Crumpacker is out in the field working in the interest of the Bible School for McPherson College in south-eastern Kansas.

Miss Mary Frantz is working for the Bible School in Nebraska.

Prof. S. J. Miller is out working in the interest of our College.

McPherson College's needs are legitimate arguments with which to stir the churches zeal.

The McPherson College Bible Club.

During last year and the present year the Bible Department of McPherson College has been supported by donations. The development of this department has been so encouraging and it has such manifest chances for good fruitage, that no one who has come in contact with its workings, could think for a moment of having it discontinued. An encouraging start has already been made toward procuring an endowment for its perpetual support. While this endowment fund is being created funds are needed for immediate use—or rather for use after the close of the current year. So the friends of this cause are appealed to to keep the work already in progress going during a five year period. It is hoped that at the end of this period, the department may be largely or wholly supported by endowment. Let every one who can help, whether little or much, join us in this movement. We ought to have two teachers for this department. Please fill out and send to F. A. Vaniman, McPherson, Kansas, the following form, or send for separate membership form.

The McPherson College Bible Club

For the purpose of making the Bible Department of McPherson College permanent, and thus promoting the study of the Holy Scriptures, I agree to become a member of this special club and to continue as such during a period of five years. It is understood that efforts will be made to secure one thousand members.

I agree to pay during the five years Dollars *
each year, the first payment being due August 1st, 1902, and subsequent payments at intervals of one year following. It is further understood that I am to receive the McPherson College paper, RAYS OF LIGHT, (price 50c a year), during the five years of my membership without paying therefor.

Signed:

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