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# The Bible Institute

The College maintains a splendid Bible Department throughout the entire school year and many of the best atudents in the college are in the classes. But from November 18 to the 28th the special Institute, which has become an annual event, was in session. It was an earnest body of students that assembled in these classes. Ministers, deacons, Sunday school workers and laymen, old and young from far and near met together daily with one purpose, to know better the message of the Old Book and its application to life. Happy ten days gone altogether too soon.

The attendance was quite satisfactory. From Oklahoma Nebraska, Colorado and Kansas, representing at least twenty congregations came these special Bible lovers. Twelve of the twenty one congregations of the home district were represented. The instructors were Bros. W. M. Howe, pastor of the Brethren Church of Johnstown Ps. and Edward Frantz, President of McPherson College and head of the Bible Department. Bro. Howe gave a lesson from the book of Job each for-noon; another from the book of Revelation in the afternoon. Prof. Frantz taught a class in the Life and Work of the Prophet Jeremish in the forenoon and a lecture on the

Life and Epistles of Paul in the afternoon.

Bro. Howe interprets the scriptures in an interesting way.

He has the art of presenting Bible characters in real life form so that Jcb and his comforters became men of flesh and bone who performed their duty in life in their day as men seek to do in this day.

The study in Revelations proved a revelation indeed to

the large class that followed the instructor thru the len lessons. \* Not many Bible students give this book much attention. Bro. Howe has on the other hand given it much study and under the guidance of some of the most famous men on this subject. His presentations are clear and his make a welcome in the hearts of his students. Each evening he preached a splendid sermon in an evangelistic effort resulting at this writing in fifteen confessions, ten of whom have received baptism.

This was his first trip to Kansas. We hope it may not be his last for we have learned to know him and understand him

and so to love him and appreciate him.

President Frantz needed no introduction to the Bible stodents of the West. His work is well known and always passes at its full worth. As a teacher of the Book he ranks one plus. The scenes in the life of Jeremish become vivid living national issues in the affairs of a corrupt nation when viewed through the help of a great teacher. More need not be said. Come next year and see for yourself or come now and join the regular classes and it will last longer.

The Institute was a success and did much good and we J. J. YODER.

are very glad.

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# The College Personel

When we speak of the college personel, we usually think of the corps of teachers and students in immediate attendance. The student counts himself a part of the institution only while he is in school. He looks toward the time when he will go out and take up, what he calls, the actual duties of life. He finishes his college work and then becomes interested in the affairs of life that lie immediately about him. College days are that about, as a time of good preparation, but as for him, those days are past.

If this is true, the future of the small college is very uspromising. The student body is continually changing. Every year the school must look for a new body of students. If the Personel of the echool depends entirely upon the faculty of teachers and this new body of students, there is little prospect

for the school to be more in ten years from no s, than it is today.

McPherson College is now in its twenty first year. More than a thousand graduates have gone out from this college. Every one of these graduates belongs to the College Personal. Every one of these graduates holds a very definite relation to the college. The teachers spend their life within the college walls without much financial remuneration. The students in attendance have very little money to take them through school. Most of them carn their money during vacation, and depend upon this to take them through the year. These who come without money generally make the best and most successful students. So if we have a faculty without money, and students without money, you see we have two very essential factors of a college.

No school however, can be a success without money. New equipments are necessary continually. New buildings must be added. Improvements need to be made on the Campus. A larger force of teachers is needed. Now if the College Personal consists only of a faculty and the attendant atudents, all these things are quite impossible. Fortunately however, as I have stated before, McPherson College has an Alumni of something more than a thousand members, belonging to the College Personal. More than ninety per cent of these members are making a marked success financially. If McPherson College is ever to receive any financial backing it must, like that of every other college, come from the Alumni. The College just now needs an endowment of fifty thousand dollars. This would mean fifty dollars from a thousand members of the Alumni, to be raised next year.

Few of us over pay for our education while we are in College. When we enter College, we sak, "What can the college do for me?" When we go away we should ask, "What can I do for the College?"

The teachers and students of McPherson college have been raising the standard of scholarship every year, until now the State University has given us full recognition. The school now needs a response from the Alumni. A fifty thousand dolar endowment will be expected from the Alumni in the near falure

S. C. MILLER

# Revivals and Evangelistic Meetings

Revivals are always in order. Some of our good fathers thought it was an error of the most grevious kind to have at one place a series of four or more sermons on as many consecutive hights.

Those fathers did a lot of thinking, much more than many know. The best of them emphasized the home life, the prayer life, the holy life as some of their critics never did. The family altar was kept forever burning. It peeded no rekindling-no revival. They neglected not, in weather wet or dry, the assembling of themselves together, "as the manner of some is" Heb. 10.25. From week to week they were glad to take with them all that would and "go up to the house of the Lord". Ps. 122:1. They were sincere, honest and devoted in home, in business and in church affairs. They needed no revival. Praise God we have them yet who are both zealous and devoted, not having lost their "first love". We'll always need more of them than we ever had. Did Utopian conditions exist in the church today, all the members on the roll would be of that kind. Then, when none would need reviving, there would be no need of a revival. How ready such a church would be for an evangelistic effort. They would be in a proper condition to bring to a socceseful issue any good work.

The missionary spirit would likely both take fre and take root in such a church. There would be an evident and professel longing to bring souls to Christ and the Church. Such a church is not needing a revivalist. They have what he could bring. Nor do the members of such a church need an evangelist; but their children do and their neighbors do, and so there is a demand for an evangelist to come to them—if in the d the unusual, the unlikely condition exists that this church has no evangelist n its midst. They will have many with the missionary—evan gelistic spirit end such a live clurch with one of its home ministers in the pulpit may conduct a protracted effort with the assistance of a modern Paul. However a change of pasture is good for the sheep and so it is often well for a church to call for a neighboring evangelist to come and deal out the Word of God to those who care, to hear.

And so in any case the fathers that are both good and wise have come to think it well from time to time to have sermond on consecutive nights to last sometimes two or three weeks or more. However in a model church there are souls being born into the kingdom in all seasons of the year regardless of any nightly meetings that may be held. Here, where are consecrated souls twelve months of the year are open, always ready for such as have a heart to come to Jesus. God is always at work were live Christians go in and out among the people living Godly lives before their children and their neighbors.

Revivals ere primarily for such members of the Church as have lost their first standing with God. They have grown cold. They have lost their first love. Faith in them is dead. Back-

sliding is their sin.

An evangelistic effort is primarily for those who have never professed faith in God and have therefore never had a standing with God.

Churches sometimes plan for the coming of an evangelist

when it is a revivalist that is sadly needed.

There are three kinds of people in most communities; the faithful and the faithless in the Church and the faithless outside the Church, those whose faith has died, Jas. 2:17 those who never had faith at all.

Either an evangelistic effort or a revival may prove a great blessing to some from all these classes. In any case there may be crumbs at least for all. In fact, an evangelist should be at the same time somewhat of a revivalist while a revivalist should be an evangelist as well. Then when either one is called upon for his services and he can go and diagnose the case provide at once such remedies as are first needed.

The faithful will be found at prayer. They may need no help save a few directions each day concerning the personal

work that ever is waiting for willing bands.

The cold and indolent members, sometimees dead, Rev. 2:1 should be dealt with next and reached if possible. These should receive warm invitations to the house of God. Sometimes the faithful will have to go to their homes and visit, staying till church time and walking with them to the services. Sometimes it will be necessary to haul them there—a little trouble but it pays. If the meeting is to be what God wants it to be, so far as possible, all the members will be at the services. "All with one accord in one place".

In Acts 2:1, we have an account of the first results of a ten

days prayer meeting. They were all present. None had stayed; at home, to farm, to butcher, to bake or to prepare a meal. They were in one place, not in two or more. Not one had gone shopping, berry picking or pleasure seeking. They were there "with one accord." There were no differences and none conplaining. They had one purpose—to know the Lord and to serve Him well. They were devoted, sincere, honest, loving and kind.

No wonder the Holy Spirit was poured out upon them all!

No wonder they spoke in a way that all could comprehend!

No marvel when such a goodly number of such men were around that multitudes should ask the way to get the salvation which they saw in others! No marvel if on such a day three thousand souls should be added to the Lord!

Let such preparations be made today. Let men study to show themselves approved of God. II Tim. 2: 15. Let them "pray without cessing". I Th. 6: 17. Let the Holy Spirit be again received. Whenever all this is done, we may be very sure God will work again in a way that will astonish all and it will all be according to His good pleasure and His will.

W. M. Howe Johnstown, Pa.

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# Denominational College Meeting

A meeting of all the colleges of the state was held in Topeka on November 27th and 28th. The session on Friday evening was held in the National Hotel and on Saturday in Superintendent Fairchild's rooms in the Capitol building.

Supt. Fairchild gave the first address of the conference on "Proposed School Legislation". Other subjects such as "The Function of the Carnegie Foundation". Standards for classifying Kansas Colleges", "Relation of College to the Public Schools", "Ethics and Methods of Advertising". These subjects were all ably and profitably handled by the various representatives of the colleges.

The spirit and interest of the entire meeting was especially invigorating and inspiring. A very free and open discussion

was provoked by each paper read. The men who read the papers had something really to say right to the point. The co-operative spirit which dominated the conference is indeed a hope-

fulsign for the amelioration of Kansus colleges.

There was unanimous agreement on the one fundamental point that our college education must be primarily interested in grounding the student in his moral and religious life. It was suggested that no person ought to be allowed to teach in our educational institutions whose moral or religious life was anywhere in question.

There was also very common agreement on the fact of thoroness in our college work on the intellectual side. Every representative was auxious to see our present basis raised to such a standard that our work would pass at par whether it be done in theology, science, literary; history, language or philosophy. This insistance on first class intellectual work is right and proper. No other system of education will ever pay out.

The conference adjourned to meet several days during the holiday vacation in the capitol building. This agitation of vital subjects and this tendency toward brotherly co-operation of our higher institutions will go very far toward placing Kansas in the vanguard in important movements in a really dynamic and leavening educational system.



# Card of Chanks

I wish to avail myself of this opportunity to express my appreciation to the many friends who remembered me on my birthday. It was a pleasant surprise to hear from so many whom I leamed to know and appreciate at M.C. May your efforts ever be crowned with success is the wish of your old Dormitory "ma."

Mrs. Sarah Rothtrock.

# Oratorical Contest

At McPherson College, Jan. 22, 1908

The oratorical contests have become an event in the history of the college. We remember the enthusiasm that was manifest shortly before the eight combatute stepped on the arena last year. Each of the orators had his followers, and great was the excitement. The air became so heavily charged that a cold breeze was ordered to temper things down a bit.

The orations given must deal with some phase of the liquor problem. This necessitates a thorough study of the prohibition question, for to write an oration that will stand the test of competition the student must familiarize himself with the matter in hand. And it means something for our country, when hundreds of college men who will be leaders in the future pre-

pare themselves to meet this question squarely.

The Annual Contest is under the auspices of the Prohibition League. The Contest Committee has been appointed and the entries for the contest close on Dec. 5. There is assurance at this time that a good number will enter and make things lively. There is nothing in all the world that stire youth's blood up so much as the thought of fighting in some way or other; watch the keenest minds of school battle supremacy. Three judges on composition and thought and three on delivery decide who is champion. Prizes are awarded to all. The winner will go to Winfield to represent the college in the state contest to be held there later in the senson.

We well remember the state contest was held here last year and we do not forget that our representative came out very

near the top.

Let us have a strong contest, let us send the strongest man to represent us at the state contest for the time is at hand that our representative early home the wreath of victory for dear old M. C.



<sup>&</sup>quot;He proposed to his sweetheart in a boat."
"I see; a case of regular row-mapes."

-From the Baltimore American

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# Editorial

After all we don't want religion and politics entire strangers.

No up-to-date politician needs to inquire how it happened Just look at the official election returns.

The White House and State Department at Washington recently made their regular announcement for the take of the war "jingoes" that United States and Japan are not at war, nor have they decided to be, so we may sleep in peace.

Lord Northeliffe, English newspaper and magazine dauer says football, as America plays it, is antiquated. O, yes in England.

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How long, O how long must the Standard Oil Company of Indiana wait for justice! And who can tell what a writ of coriorati means?

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The assassination of Senator Carmack and the attempt on the life of Attorney Heney are acts which are almost intollerable. The names of Cooper and Hass will go with Both. But these cowardly acts will in no way thwart the progress of jutice. Great as these men were who fell, there are able men with courage enough to take up the fight. It sends a rapture through our soul to read such resolutions as the citizens of San Francisco passed endorsing the prosecution of graft and scandal.

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Every college in the state would profit by issuing its regular publication, either newspaper or magazine form. We are fully aware that publishers may need to exercise a good deal of tolerance in dealing with us and our "magazine" or "newspa-| ers" yet it seems that the average man will have forbearance enough to recognize our humble effort in offering a medium by which the institution can encourage its kind of education. The ideal college paper should not be a onesided view of college life in which only the students viewpoint is given. The leaders of the institution it represents should have an opportunity of reaching its friends. The college paper offers a peculiar way of reaching the public. The cause of education is broad enough that wholesome advice can be given which will not only help the publishers of the article but the great field of education throughout the state. The college papers springing up over the United States cannot live as mere ornaments. They cost time and money. Its life depends upon the value of its contents Its purpose is to inform its friends what its college is doing and what it stands for. It is risky for it to become partissu. But by adhering to strict independence, it would defeat its purpose to be noncommital on vital questions. It is our hope that the college papers of Kansas will live and continue to build up a positive influence for education.



McPherson College Today

Why do the colleges of Kansas and elsewhere not have more music in their college course? Some of the colleges in Kausas gives one or two units in their preparatory or normal course. With possibly one or two exceptions, there is not one unit accredited to music in the college curriculums of our state. We do not need to base our contension for music upon so remote an authority as Plato, notwithstanding he has fully justified it having a high place. The college graduate feels the need very soon of being able to not only appreciate an I render musical productions, but also to take an active part in strengthening the music of our churches and public schools. Nothing is more becoming to the social life of the college. It enobles and entertaius. It is in place at house parties and most social meetings. Everybody longs for it in the home. It appeals to the aesthetic" in our nature and develops it. Its field is the world, its admirers are humanity, and no art make one more cosmopolitan. True we have the musical departments in conjunction with our colleges. But many do not take music because it is not required or even if they did they could not get any credit for it. We all agree it is indispensable in public worship, and in some degree at least in the school. Plato found it requisite for the "harmonious developeme tof the soul". Why should not every man who holds a Bachelor or Master's degree be just as proficient in music as the science of unapplied mathematics? How did Latin and Greek crowd this study altogether out?

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# Current News

Rev. French E. Oliver thinks that he has bit upon the mission of Mr. Bryan in the world. Mr. Oliver contends that Mr. Bryan's defeat in his three races for the presidency is but "manifest destiny" and that the Great Commoner should be an eyangelist if he would fill properly his sphere in life.

Everybody who believes incivic righteousness and the prompt enforcement of all the laws feels gratified at the re-election of Attorney General Jackson of Kausse by an overwhelming majority.

The Socialists assert that they have gained phenogenly in votes since last election, despite the fact that many laboring men lost their votes because of change of residence.

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A conspicuous figure in American higher education is about to retire from activity connected with university life, Dr. Chas. W. Eliot, for many years president of Harvard University, probably on account of age has resigued his position. It is not yet known definitely who will be his successor.

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Who will be the candidate of the Democracy in 1912? This question is already attracting speculation. Gov. Johnson of Minnesota is favorably spoken of for the place.

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The largest battleship ever projected was launched on the 10th of November at Quincy Mass. It is called the North Dakotr and has a displacement of 20000 tons.

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Three notable men have fallen victims to assasination during November. They are Senator Carmack of Tennessee, Dist. Attorney Heney, the graft prosecutor of San Francisco and Morgan, the postmaster of New York City.

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Confirmed reports say that the Emperor of China is deal, and also the Dowager in whom the real government rested. The two deatts occurred quite close together. The succession of the next monarch will be peaceful as the arrangements for such had been made according to law.

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We are glad to note that Attorney General Jackson is still on the warpath against the violators of our prohibitory law. Nut only are those made to suffer who carry on the business but allows who own the property in which the sale takes place.

It is probable that Gov. Hoch will return to his home at Marion after his term expires. He will then devote most of time to the lecture platform and may do some editorial work.

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The decision of Judge Landis handed down some time ago imposing a fine of \$29240,000 on the Standard Oil Company has recently been reversed in the Court of Appeals at Chicago. It is understood that the case will be carried to the U. S. Supreme Court. When the decision became known Standard Oil stock immediately rose in value.



# Intercollegiate

This year Kansas University has drawn students from forty universities and colleges over the United States, mostly from the east. Some of the students come from as far east as New York. That sounds good for Kansas.

The board of regents of Oklahoma University is making a fue showing for a \$200,000 new university building. The arbitects have been employed to draw permanent landscape plaus for the university grounds and for the new building.

The football team of Kansas University is making a great showing this year. But why should it be otherwise. Kansas in the front ranks in the educational field, and why not let it be known that fertile brains and strong bodies always go together

We are pleased with the showing of our exchange table for the past month. The colleges of our state are getting out some good papers. A good paper shows evidence of a good school-Let the good work go on and let us keep this state's educational banner ever in the front.

We are glad to know that not only our school but other colleges of the state are favored with an increase of enrollment and can look forward with us to a prosperous year. The Collegian says. "Never before has school opened with such oright prospect- for a successful year. The enrollment islarger than it has been for years". The Southern Kansas Accdemy begin their work with fifty percent increase in enrollment What is doing more for our state than our schools; why should they not grow?

It hasks like the K. U. boys will be limited to three days in the week for making dates. Some of the girls think it will be too great a sacrifice to be limited to only three moonlight strolls out of every seven of these pleasant fall evenings. The College Rays contain some articles, that is well worth your time to read.

If you pick up the daily paper you will soon learn that the euthusiasm for football has not 'waned any since last year.

We notice that there is an increasing demand for farmer's institutes among the farmers of our state. This is a hopeful sign. When our farming is put on a scientific basis, the posibilities of our rich Kansas soil will be unlimited.

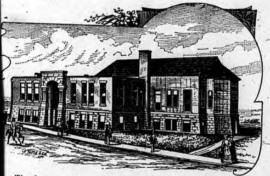
# The Perry Recital

Edward Baxter Perry's lecture recital given at McPherson college last Wednesday evening attracted a large and appreciative audienca. It was one of the best concerts ever given in McPherson and probably the most classical recital ever held within the chapel of McPherson college.

Edward Baxter Perry is known throughout the America continent and in Europe as the great blind pianist but as Prof. Muir puts it, a man whose wonderful intellect and intensely poetic and imaginative temperament can make people in fall possession of their own eye-sight see things they never keep

existed should not be called the "Blind pianist".

Mr. Perry's mind is full of pictures. He paints in a met graphical way records of historical events, love scenes, drama battle fields and legends of every conceivable emotion. In it troducing his recital he placed much stress on the enotions and descriptive element in piano playing. "There is but one art" said he, "and that is expression. All music expressiomething definite. Some episode in real life." He first lay the ground work by repeating the legend or central thought of hisselection before beginning to play the composition. In this way not only those who are well versed in music, but also those whose knowledge is meager, can readily understand the world of music,—Republican.



The fi at view shows the college as it was eighteen years o. The two pictures are a history of the growth of the colkes in Kansas.

# On the Campus

Bright prospects are before us; everything promises that the new term will be a very busy and an interesting one. Let everyone enjoy it fully?

Miss Weridt is one of our new students.

Alies Regier is with us again after a probleged sickness; she is now in the Dormitory. Miss Myers is another who expects to enjoy College life with us.

Messra Carter, Sawyer, Swanson, Brandt, Hylton, Dudte and Ball are only a few more of our new people.

To all new students we bid you a hearty welcome, we want you to feel at home with us and we hope your days spent here will be very profitable ones.

It has been said that the best means of impression is expression. So if you wish to make an impression, just "express yourself."

Miss Bertha Delf receives very interesting letters, just ask her to let you read one. The strongest character is formed in the rough battleground of life; it is amid trials that our strength is tested.

Miss Blanche Thompson spent Sunday at her home in Mitchell

The Misses Stoles of Navarre, Kans., visited here Monday.

Misses Elsie Buckman and Lulu Brubaker and Messes.

Throne and Studebaker spent a very pleasant Sunday at Monitor.

The tablet of grade reports constitutes quite a new and interesting poster in the hall. We imagine there must be some psychological reason attached thereto and as a result we venture to remark that we will all try harder to get I's. It's rather nice (?) anyhow to have everyone know "just what you got", isn't

The Bible Normal is proving very interesting and instructive. Many people are availing themselves of this opportunity and are attending from far and near. We are unable to get all heir names, but they are here.

Mrs. J. A. Clement entertained a number of her lady friends at her home last Saturday afternoon in honor of her friend. Miss Anderson who teaches at Pratt Kans. All enjoyed a very pleasant time. Delicious refreshments were served and we all declared Mrs. Clement a royal entertainer and were glad wa had met Miss Anderson.

Mr. Rover Dotzour never sake the Cost; he only asks the Price.

Miss Emma Thompson spent Thanksgiving on the Hill.

The industrious Dormitory girls may be known by the sign occasionally josted on their door which reads, "Out for the Day". This of course means only the sign being out. Calling cards were attached to the door bearing such familiar inscriptions as Fanny Ann Rebecca Todd, Samanthy Allen, Aunt Jeminca, Susie Jacksnipe, and Julia Mary Sophia Turnpike,

An excellent dinner was served at the Dormitory on Thanksgiving day. Chicken and celery were the most prominent features.

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## from an Old Student

Custer, Michigan

Mr. S. B. Fahnestock

My dear Fahnestock:-

I appreciate the extreme kindness you have shown me. Your attitude in this matter has only deepened my loyalty to the institution and if "Dame Fortune" ever allows I shall at some time partly repay the larger debt I owe. The school certainly has my heartiest good wishes and I believe its unfulness will ever increase. Since I started into the college twelve years ago this fall I have learned a great many things, and the last four years have not been the least fruitful in knowledge. I used to want an education to make a living for me. Now I prize an education for the "Life" it below me to live. I used to long for a career now I try to live a life of service and well doing. It is not pomp and show and noise that counts, but quiet contented everyday living. No I do not place less value on my education now than four years ago. Only today I remarked to one of my neighbors that I would not trade my education for the best eix farms in Michigan, if they would deny me the desire of learning. It is not my Latin or Triginometry, neither chemistry nor Metaphysics that I prize and use. It is the power of thinking they have helped me to develop. I know very little of these and a dozen other subjects as texts but I believe I'know how to think and how to live through their directions. To think is to live and one may have conferred upon him a number of degrees, yet if he has not yet learned to think he has little of real life. Were I to make one change in the general trend of my college course on a new start, I would swing to the side of religious learning, not at the sacrifice of any of the others, but in addition. But enough of this. Life is rich and full and I again wish you and Mr. Fahnestock if possible even a richer life than ever, before.

Very sincerely yours,

Wm L Harter.



The Clite Society

The Elite Society did good work last term but there is still room for improvement.

The new Officers for the coming term have been elected and are doing fine work.

The second term brings to us a great many new students, some of who are now faithful working Elites.

Two of the Dormitory girls namely Miss Lilly and Miss Koogle have moved from the Dorm to a private boarding house on account of their health.

Remember what Prof. said "Work up your penmauship."

One of the most deplorable sights is a big shouldered Elite standing with his hands in his pockets longing for help and desires to enjoy the fruits of the industry of others. Let us get busy and try to make a great improvement in OUR Society.

# Faculty and Instructors of McPHERSON COLLEGE 1908-1909.

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"I maintain my friends, that every one of us should seek out THE BEST TEACHER whom he can find, regardless of expense or anything."

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Others supplied as class necessities demand.

# Fruing Notes

Lose this day loitering 'twill be the same old story Tomorrow, and the next more dilatory; Each indecision brings its own delays, And days are lost lamenting o'er lost days. Are you in earnest? Seize this very minute. What you can do, or think you can, begin it. Boldness has genius, power and magic in it, Only engage and then the mind grows heated Begin it, and the work will be completed .- Goethe.

Mr. E. L. Craik poet, linquist, rhetorician and historian, haling from Oklahoma is the newly elected president of the society. Surely we cannot help but have another successful term with such a pilot at the helm.

All who were present at the social recently, vote the social a decided success. Some fine costumes were represented Games were played and refreshments served. Hearts and mittens too, were freely given away.

Mr. Toeves is doing well this year. . He is quite successful as a Ring-leader. He says he had a splendid dinner last Sunday. wonder [ whether he advocates Epicurianism.

Some of the Irvinge have been busying themselves with Plato's "Republic" for more than a week. The Philosopher is still exerting his influence upon society.

# Cureka Items

The first number of the four special programs that are to be given by the Eurekas' during the school year, was given

Saturday evening, Nov. 21st.

It was composed mostly of music, however several readings and a pantomime did their part in making it more interesting for the listeners. Every number was well prepared and delivered in such a manner as to be pleasing to everyone. Remember the next special program which will be given in about four weeks. Come!

One of the students tried to show his artistic skill by drawing a picture, "Evolution of Man" in regard to the three societies. The writer is in sympathy with the Elites, but if they will be loyal to their society they will "evolute" the same as the Eurekas are doing and the Irvings have done.

A number of the Eurekas' went home to eat turkey on Thanksgiving.

Mr Spohn and Miss Borders, both last year students, but the former a member of the Eurekas, visited at the college Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Doerkson, a former member has been visiting at the college lately. He says, it will be impossible for him to be with us before January 1st.

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# Resolution of Condolence

Whereas, By a decree of Providence above our finite power of comprehension, our friend and schoolmate Roscoe C. Ingalls has been bereft of his dear mother through death; and

WHEREAS, Those of us who have had experiences in which death has come to us as it has recently to our friend feel ourselves able in some small measure to partake of his feelings at this hour, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ingalls is in sore need of comfort and en-

couragement: be it therefore

RESOLVED. That we, the students of McPherson College dormitory, do as a body convey to Mr. Ingalls, his father, his sister, and various other releatives our heartfelt sympathy in their distress; be it

RESOLYED, That, realizing the vanity of words to alleviate the depths of such sorrow, we kindly point the relatives to the Great Source of all comfort and consolation, whose force as are admonished to seek, and whose ways though past finding out are nevertheless good and sever the best interests of His creatures; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of these Resolutions of Condolence be sent the "Rays of Light", and that a copy be sent to the striken family.

Committee Mary Rothrock
E. L. Craik
G. E. Barnhill

# The Song of the Business Manager

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When the generous SubScriber
Presents it to view;
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For perhaps, gentle reader,
That one may be you.—Exchange.

- Alth

Giles-The camel should be the most coursgeous of all

Miles- Because why?

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Giles-Because it is nearly all backbone. See?

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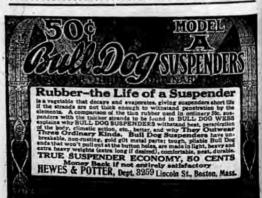
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