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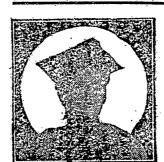
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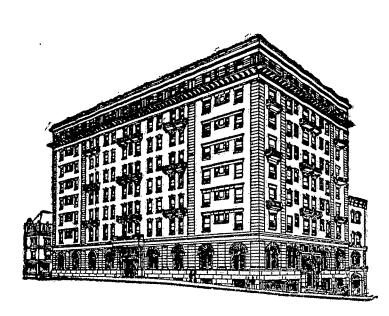
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EXCAVATIONS.

The interest attaching to the excavation of ancient sites in Italy and Greece is chiefly of an historical nature. Old relics in brick, stone and marble are of little value, except when they throw light on the customs, religion, character, art and relative importance of the earlier nations of the earth. The greater the influence once exerted upon the rest of mankind by any one portion of the human race, at any given epoch of time, the greater also is the value to students of ethnology and history of the relics immediately connected with that particular civilization. Hence the interest associated with all that is left, whether in the form of written documents, or of architectural or art fragments, of ancient Greece and Rome. The term archaeology is usually restricted to the study of ancient remains in stone, marble, clay, etc.

In order to get at these remains for purposes of investigation it has been necessary to use the pick-axe and the spade, that is, it has been necessary to dig into the ground and remove the earth which has accumulated through the centuries and hidden from view large portions of ancient cities, temples and dwellings, which for one reason or another had fallen into disuse. The ancients, especially the Romans, had a way of allowing a building to tumble into ruins, and of making the ruined portion of it a foundation for a new structure. Thus the old building remained in sight, in a more or less dilapidated condition, but concealed from view by the superstructure of more Rains, floods, earthquake and recent date. alluvial deposits were also factors potential in the creation of hidden cities.

We are wont to speak of the results of ex-

cavation as "finds," but the word is inadequate to say the least; for it is not a few vases merely, or gold ornaments, or a bronze or marble statue here and there, that is the object of search, but buildings of considerable extent and in great number, such as are now conspicuous in the excavated Forum Romanum, and at ancient Corinth, Delphi, Olympia, Epidaurus and Athens,—shattered and prostrated it is true, yet exhibiting enough of themselves to render restoration hopeful:

Excavation in Greece is in some respects an easier matter than in Italy. This for two reasons. First, the Greek government has always thrown open, as it were, the whole country to the spade of the foreigner. No restrictions by government have been placed in the way of the German, the Frenchman, the Englishman or the American, whose curiosity has led him to seek permission to dig into Greek soil. In the second place, what I have referred to as the accumulations of centuries, has been operative in slighter measure where abandoned Greek sites are concerned, than where similar places have been lost to view in more thickly populated Italy. In the latter country the jealousy of the Vatican and of the Italian government has proved, at times, an almost insuperable impediment to investigations of this nature, while the continuous life in one and the same spot or area -an activity unbroken, so to speak, for upwards of three thousand years—has been the cause of a more complete obscuration of the ancient monuments.

But the difficulties connected with government jealousy in Italy are slowly passing away —chiefly because the Italians themselves have been induced by German and American archaeologists to lend a hand in the matter. Nevertheless the Italian government today is unwilling that anything should be done except at its own initiative, and all excavations in the city of Rome are carried forward under the superintendence of the minister of public instruction. These excavations have been progressing rapidly of late years, with the result that the whole (or nearly so) of the Roman Forum has been laid bare, together with considerable portions of the Fora of the Caesars, and what was, fifty or seventy years ago, a simple cow-pasture,—Campo Vaccino as it was called, is now an excavation, an eighth of a mile in diameter, thirty feet, at least, below the level of the modern city, and disclosing the very bases of those monuments and consecrated structures which once constituted the environment of the conquerors and law givers of the world.

It may be well here to remember a difference between Roman and Greek civilization, and its bearing upon this subject. civilization, relatively speaking, was scattered. Excavation in Greece is not, and need not be, largely confined to one centre. Athens did not hold a position in Greece corresponding to that which Rome occupied in Italy. Greece was broken up politically into numerous states, each of which had its chief city. In Italy Rome became the centre from which government radiated the Hub, as it were, in fact as well as in name. In Greece it is important to excavate many cities. The American excavations at Corinth are as significant as those of the Germans or the Greeks at Athens, or Olympia, or of the French at Delphi. But excavate ancient Rome, and you have accomplished two thirds at least of your necessary task.

On the other hand, ancient Greek sites, though sometimes lying beneath modern villages, are yet easy of access, compared with the hidden treasures of the Roman city. At Rome we must distinguish at least three dis-

tinct periods of civilizations, the ancient, the mediaeval and the modern. The signs of these are massed together in one confused heap on the seven hills, and in their immediate neighborhood.

Roman life has been more or less active within the limits of the district now encompassed by the Aurelian walls, since the days of The ancient Greek city on the contrary had its period of ascending and then fell into decay; another period seldom exceeded the duration of four or five hundred In the interval there has been little to disturb its repose, except earthquakes and the ordinary damage effected by the hand of time. What was once there, though shattered and disrupted and buried, nevertheless in large measure remains, awaiting the hand of the explorer. But the relics of antiquity at Rome have suffered in a thousand ways, until the soil has given up a very large proportion of that which it once covered and protected, to the greed of the labor owners of the lands.

Thus while the antiquities of Greece are to be sought for in isolated spots, far removed from any modern habitation, those of the Italian city are seen in close proximity with all the accompaniments of the life of today.

The Campus Martius is filled to overflowing with ancient, mediaeval and modern structures. The Quirinal hill is the abode of royalty. On the Vatican lives the Pope. Horsecars and trolley-lines pass within view of the palaces of the Caesars. Mainertime prison lies beneath the church of St. Joseph the Carpenter. The Capitolin Mount is obscured by modern buildings.

Yet in spite of the difficulties thus presented to the investigation, the results obtained fully justify the search, for the fragments that remain are full of meaning and suggestiveness to the keen and diligent student.

S. G. A.

MR. MC ELROY'S LECTURE.

The Hon. William H. McElroy, Union, '60, delivered a lecture in the College Chapel last Friday afternoon on "Personal Recollections of Oliver Wendell Holmes."

President Raymond introduced the speaker as "Author, Editor and Poet and one of the most honored alumni of Union." Mr. Mc-Elroy began his lecture with the story of a western man who, on being asked if his wife was entertaining this winter, replied, "not very." "And so," added the speaker, "if this proves uninteresting it will not be because of the subject."

Mr. McElroy said in part: "When a great man dies we search the horizon in vain for his successor; his class has disappeared with him. This is not strictly true in all cases but it certainly applies to Oliver Wendell Holmes. We shall never see his like again. The genius of Holmes manifested itself in many ways but, nevertheless it eludes all touch and test and remains unclassified among the original elements. After having considered his strength and sweetness, his wisdom and wit his incisive insight and his large human heart. What is known as the personal equation has still to be taken into account and that is beyond elucidation.

Holmes belonged to the Golden Age of the Lyceum, to the age of men like Emerson, George William Curtis and John B. Gough. A great group in which Holmes always held his own. As I remember him he possessed a slim, almost boyish figure, very bright and flashing eyes and a nervous temperament." Mr. Mc-Elroy then told of a lecture that he had heard Holmes deliver in Albany in which he repeats his beautiful poem "The Hudson River." The speaker continued: "I first met Holmes at adinner given by the Atlantic Monthly to its contributors in honor of J. G. Whittier on his 70th birthday. There were some of my MSS. which had not been rejected and so I was urged to attend. There were present,

Hinry W. Longfellow, Ralph Waldo Emerson, John G. Whittier, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Mark Twain, Charles Elliot Norton, William Story, William Dean Howells, John Trowbridge and a score of others. It was at the dinner that Holmes read a poem which illustrates his genius for an occasional poem. It was here also that Mark Twain perpetrated that famous (or infamous) speech which seemed to throw all Boston into a state of mind. After dinner, while talking to Holmes I asked him which of all his poems he considered the best. After some hesitation he replied, "The Chambered Nautalis."

During the course of his lecture, Mr. Mc-Elroy read interesting extracts from some of Holmes' letters, especially those to Dr. Hale. The lecturer's repetition of a few of Holmes' poems was most instructive.

It was a privilege even to see a man who had known such celebritiet and it was indeed a double privilege to hear Mr. McElroy speak, whose whole address was characterized by that "grace which is the result of forgotten toil."

SOPHOMORE SOIREE.

"There was a sound of revelry by night"—last Friday night—in Memorial Hall, and the general verdict given is that the Sophomores are irreproachable as hosts. Everything in connection with the Soiree tended to make it a most enjoyable affair. The floor which was laid at much trouble and expense proved to be far better than expectation allowed and all the appointments were perfect.

The fraternity booths added to the attractiveness of the Hall and the decorations were greatly to be admired. Needless to say, "Joe" seemed to surpass himself.

The following account is taken in part from a local paper for Saturday morning:

"Whatever the members of the class of 1906, Union College, may have done in the past to distinguish themselves; however fa-

mous they may become in the future, they can at least boast of giving one of the finest soirces ever held on College Hill. The affair was one of the most brilliant and pleasing that has graced Memorial Hall within the memory of the alumni or undergraduates.

In the first place, Memorial Hall itself has never before been in as presentable a state. Brilliantly lighted from foundation to dome, its magnificent aspect from the campus was only surpassed by the scene within. Decorators from the city of Albany vied with each other in their endeavors to make the occasion one of harmony and splendor. Every fraternity booth was neatly arranged and prettily decorated with pennants of various colleges. Gioscia's orchestra was at its best. The collation was served by Owens of Utica.

A large number of guests were present, as noted below, the presence of alumni and their wives being especially marked. The Albany Law School was represented by the entire fraternity of Delta Chi.

Those present were:

Mesdames Rogers, Cooper, of Providence, R. I.; Welch of Troy; Landon, Linn, Lawsing, Price, Stiles, Stebbins, Classen, Heard, Robinson, De Remer, Hale, Callanan, Kriegsmann, Stone, Radcliff, Dillingham, McMurray, Moore, Rohrer, Lovejoy, Briggs, Hoffman, Wirt, Collins, Taft, VanZandt, Lawton, Hagadorn, Bishop, Swanker, Paige, Featherstonhaugh, Yates, Peissner, Linn, Watkins, Miss Steinmetz; Misses Lineman, Wadsworth, Brice, Howard, La Dow, Barton, Ebal, Whitlock, Laurence, Schuyler of Albany; Misses M. Lyman, H. Lyman, Smith, Dingman and Williams of New York; Harden, Greaves, Osborne, Weldon, Kellogg, McNeil and Hazlett of Amsterdam; Van Auken and French of Gloversville; Simpson, Jones, Lyon of Binghamton; Curtiss of Syracuse; Cooper of Providence, R. I.; Deady of Lyons; Bragg of Bangor, Me.; Low and Schenck, of Rensselaer; Lindsay of Buffalo; Green of Cohoes; Thorn-

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DELTA CHI ENTERTAINS.

Union chapter of the Delta Chi fraternity christened its new chapter house last week with a house party. The occasion being the sophomore soirce at Union. The men moved out of the house and turned it over to their fair guests, who were chaperoned by Mrs J. Newton Field of Albany and Mrs Connolly of Kingston. The guests arrived Thursday. A dinner was given at the fraternity house the same evening after which a box party at Proctor's and a lunch at the Ten Eyck were en-

joyed. Friday morning the party attended the session of the legislature, paid their repects to Governor Odell and viewed the capitol. In the afternoon Mrs. Benjamim B. Odell gave a reception at the Executive Mansion which was followed by a tea at Mrs J. Newton Fiero's. In the evening adinner was Impromptu held at the fraternity house. toasts were briefly and wittily responded to as follows:

The Ladies-David C. Salyerds.

The Boys-John H. Dugan.

Governor and Mrs. Odell-William B. Limmer.

Benjamin Teele answered a general call in his usual form and sat down amid crys of "go on" and "more." Miles R. Frisbie acted as toastmaster. At nine o'clock in a special chair car of the Schenectady street railway, which was run on the United Traction Company's lines by the courtesy of Supt. Fanett, to the fraternity house on Madison ave. The party left for the Sophomore Soiree at Union where the fraternity had engaged a box, and the dance was enjoyed by all. The party returned from the dance in their special car and in "the cold grey dawn of the morning after," breakfasted together. The fraternity's guests left for their homes Saturday afternoon.

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On Wednesday, Feb. 3, a hockey team, fairly representative of Union, defeated U. C. I. on the Mohawk Hockey Club's rink. U. C. I. had a light but fast team, and as the score indicates, the game was in doubt until the end. At half time the score stood 1-0 in favor of Union and at fuil time 2-1. The play for the most part was in U. C. I.'s territory, and the college defence had little work to do. Still, the game was close and exciting and the few spectators present saw a very fair exhibition of

hockey. With practice Union will certainly make a good showing in its coming matches.

Union's line-up was:

Goal-Colburn (Spier).

Point-Goff.

Cover Point—Langley.

Forwards-Brooks, Franchot, Cantwell (Capt.), Harvey, (Stebbins).

Referee-"Biddy" Paige.

SOME OF DR. SAMUEL JOHNSON'S SAYINGS

"Sir, a woman's preaching is like a dog's walking on his hinder legs. It is not done well; but you are surprised to find it done at all."

"Every man has some time in his life an ambition to be a wag."

"I would rather be attacked than unnoticed."

"Don't, sir, accustom yourself to use big words for little matters."

"You have done a great thing when you have brought a boy to have entertainment from a book."

"It is prodigious the quantity of good that may be done by one man, if he will make a business of it."

"All eensure of a man's self is oblique praise."

"A man who cannot get to heaven in a green coat will not find his way thither the sooner in a grey one."

"Depend upon it, sir, when a man knows he is to be hanged in a fortnight, it concentrates his mind wonderfully."

"There is no being so poor and so contemptible who does not think there is somebody still poorer and still more contemptible."

"Mutual cowardice keeps us in peace."

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Lectures. Mr. McElroy's lecture last Friday afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by every one who was fortunate enough to be present. His personal recollections of America's greatest literary men of the nineteenth century, were wonderfully interesting. It brought to one's mind Browning's:

"Ah, did you once see Shelley plain, And did he stop and speak to you And did you speak to him again? How strange it seems and new!"

The humor in Mr. McElroy's lecture was highly original and never failed to produce the desired effect on his audience.

Those students who were not present missed one of the best addresses that has ever been heard in the Chapel. It was noticeable that there was only a comparatively small part of the student body there, while the friends of the college seemed to have anticipated what was in store.

These lectures are part of a liberal education and it adds to any one's cultivation to listen to a scholarly address. It is a mistake and a very foolish one at that to think that just because attendance is not compulsory that it is unnecessary to attend these lectures. They men of national reputation and it is always a privilege to hear them. Such speakers are in great demand and it is no easy matter for the college authorities to secure them. When, therefore, the opportunity of hearing another lecture presents itself, let us show our appreciation for those who invite the speaker and for the speaker himself by being present as the representative body of undergraduates.

The Soiree. The members of the class of 1906 are to be congratulated on their entry into society. Of the many dances held in Memorial Hall, few, if any, have surpassed the Soiree of last Friday in bril liance and enjoyment. The affair was a complete success and can well be taken as a model for all coming annual college dances. We trust the committee, whose efforts were crowned with such success, has come out at the large end of the financial horn.

TELEPATHY.

"The Unfelt Caress."—Shelley.

Sometime between the midnight and the morn Before that smile had come that men call dawn

A vague and distant whisper came to me So far and faint I scarce believed it true Borne by some breath athwart the Heavens' blue, A joy sublime and of eternity.

I, fearing lest my senses be misled Crept to the window and bowed low my head Listening I paused; an angel hand touched mine I trembled, knowing that your soul was near Knowing the spirit of your love divine Had come to me at last to help me bear Your silent absence. Yet, when the day awoke My Might Have Been had passed in mist and smoke. S. C. '04.

A VALENTINE.

Love longing ever for a heavenly star Yet finds it e'er beyond hope's call Too radiant and too divinely far For Love's fulfilment to befall.

AN OMAR TO UNION MEN.

(Continued.)

Lo, when I was a Freshman, I felt small Whene'er a Math. Professor'd at me squall But now I think all there is left to see Are some Fool Figures stuck up on the wall.

These stuccoed walls for aye will echo back The sound of laughter and the Class room Clack Called by some Wisdom, but it seems to me That such loose learning here is rather Slack.

When first my marks went home there was a Wail Of woe unspeakable. Beyond the pale

Of Hope and Sympathy I found myself And yet, I thought, wise men must sometimes fail.

One Winter Day whose cold my wits did file On going Classward I let loose a Smile Upon my face it stuck and ever since Men say I'm optimistic all the while.

One Day I met a Tutor on the way, Hard by the Chapel whose old seats decay. "My Dear" said I, "And may I call you Tute?" He blushed but could not answer for Dismay.

A Baskerville-like Dog now rolls around The regions which were once Old Damon's ground, Alas, Alas, thus Canines come and go, And Some say, "Yesterday, Man was a Hound."

There is a Class room where the Monarch rules Dealing out sage advice to youthful Fools Of Immanency and such whilom Trash He thinks we are not yet evolved from Mules.

And there is One where Humor's meted out, And ever and anon Leg-Pullers shout

At some stray Spark of Prehistoric Wit While dozing Ones ask what it's all about.

I entered in a room and down I sat In useless Silence. There I saw a hat Of ancient Texture hanging on the Door And it was all. Now what think you of That?

And there was one—a very Cicero— Or Sophocles or may be Wize Zeno,

Come back to Earth, it seems, to show us how To strike a Pose while balanced on one Toe.

Throned in Deep Silence, pontifical Gloom Surrounded this One's Melancholy room

An Aged Odor of Strange Bottled Forms Seemed to interpret Evolution's Doom.

There was a Cage I hated most to see And in it Something grinned quite gleefully It laughed aloud to see me in the Throes Whene'er I paid my Incidental Fee.

There is a loud-mouthed gathering Monday Morn And there, full many a thundering Fog Horn Proclaims the rights and wrongs of College Ways And thinks Itself the Greatest One yet born.

Ah would all these strange Features I could tell The Youthful Ones who think Livisons Swell, The Humor and the Pathos of it all But hark! Methinks I hear the Chapel Bell.

—GERALD FITZ-EDWARD, '04.

INTERCOLLEGIATE.

Ernest C. Meyer of Madison, Wis., wearing the colors of the University of Wisconsin, made two world's records at the skating tournament here Sunday, doing a kilometer (1,093.6 yards) backward in 1:56 1-2, and two kilometers (2,186.12 yards) forward in 2:12 The American flag was hoisted over the judge's stand, and the military band played "The Star Spangled Banner" in honor of the winner. Meyer's performances at Leipsic prove that the Wisconsin man is a wonderful skater. The records he established of covering one kilometer, or 1,093.6 yards, in 1:56 1-2, and two kilometers, 2.186.12 yards, in 2:12 3-5, are the only authentic figures recorded for the style of skating and distance covered. Meyer in his one-kilometer trial skated seven yards less than five-eights of a mile, the best forward record for that distance being 1:47, made by I. K. Mc Culloch at Montreal, Canada, February 10, 1897. In the two kilometer trial Meyer covered 426 yards more than a mile. The nearest mark to his time of 2:12 3-5 is 3:43 for one mile and a quarter, made by J. S. Johnson at Montreal in 1894. -Despatch to "Troy Times," Feb. 2, from Leipsic, Saxony.

on athletics. President Eliot of Harvard writes in his annual report: "The game which has been conducted at Cambridge with the least intelligence and success is football—except from a pecuniary point of view. The breaking up of college work for the individual student by frequent absences to play games at a distance from Cambridge is an evil which ought to be checked. It is a greater evil than formerly, now that intercollegiate games take place the year around."

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Education recently held the contract for the erection of public school 62, which is to be the largest school in the world, was approved.—N. Y. Sun.

There are 480 colleges listed by the U.S. Commissioner of Education. Of this number but 58 have the true college grade, and of these only four are independent women colleges.

CAMPUS NOTES.

The Annual Inter-collegiate oratorical contest between Syracuse, Rochester and Union will be held at Schenectady on Friday, March 11. Preliminaries will be held in the College Chapel on February 23. All contestants should give their names to Dr. Hale right away.

Mr. A. Robbins, Yale, '03, addressed the students at Vespers, Sunday afternoon. Jos-H. Clements, jr., Union, '01, will speak next Sunday.

The Manager of the Track Team is arranging for an inter-class meet to be held March 18th. It will probably take place in the Centre street Opera House. Silver and bronze medals will be awarded for first and second places.

Professor Sidney G. Ashmore gave an illustrated lecture before the University Club last Saturday evening. His subject was "Greece and Rome."

ALUMNI.

'',96—John B. Anderson was married to Miss Clara MacRoberts of Albany on Jan. 31.

2'99—Robert D. Gambee is Principal of the Englewood, N. J. High school.

The following note is from the N. Y. "Sun" for January 30.

Frederick de Wigne, who was said to be a Hungarian Count, and who took part in the uprising in his native land, joining the army of Louis Kossuth and afterwards fleeing with the Hungarian patriot to America, died on Friday in his seventy-seventh year in his home

at 1088 Bushwick avenue, Brooklyn. He was born in Budapest and was a member of an aristocratic French Hugenot family. He was educated in the University of Bonn. While a student there he joined the expedition of Gen. Kossuth. He became a Colonel of the Hungarian Army. He was without means when he came to this country and went to Schenectady, this state, where he engaged in newspaper work for a time and then secured a position as professor of languages in Union College. Thirty years ago he came to Brooklyn and settled in the Sixth ward. He took a prominent part in Republican politics and held several public positions. At the time of his death he was connected with the Records office. His wife died three years ago, He is survived by two daughters.

The Lighthouse.

Set o'er the surges ever restless wrath, Above the formless fury of the waves The Lighthouse stands. By night a waning path Of brightness, glows and guides and saves Full many a stalwart ship from sudden death Upon the wave-walled rocks and depths beneath. Thro' calm and storm, the weary midnight thro' The fire flashes far across the sea Beyond where charging coursers break and flee Along the reef's white track. Forever true The lantern lightens all the nether waste Bidding the reckless gallant barks to haste Swift from what seems the kindest thing on earth, A light by dark, and yet an awful death!

EXAMPLES OF RECENT POETRY.

Example I.—A Comprehensive Quatrain.

"See the little ducks at play In the sun this summer's day Little ducklings, how they swim! Each little her, each little him."

-Anon.

S. C., '04

Example II.—Elegant Delicacy,

"It's slog-slog-slogging over Africa." -Kipling.

Example III.—A Nature Study.

"The cow is a very beautiful beast And on sweet grass she likes to feast, She has a calf every year at least."

-Anon.

EXAMPLE IV.—Expressioned Utterance.

"Oh the red hot crimson madness of her mouth!"

-Wilcox.

EXAMPLE V.—The Fine Frenzy.

"Hail, Fire, Lightning, Thunder, Snowstorm! Hail, Cyclone, Whirlpool, Whirlwind, Monsoon! And the moon was shining calmly on the beach." -William Malin.

Example VI.—Religious Devotion.

"Oh to be nothing, nothing! Simply to lie at His feet!"

EXAMPLE VII.—Pictorial.

"Two violet cheeks of primrose hue."

-Ima Fusset.

SPICE AND VARIETY.

"I'm not much of a letter writer," said William H. Crane, "but when some charming maidens wrote and ask me to name a club for them I couldn't refuse. Their object was noble—the building of character. They wanted that in it; they were unmarried and that also must be included." "What did you do?" "I suggested Building and Lone Association." "And the answer to that?" "'Ive never seen one of them in my audience since." -Troy Times.

Visitor (calling on friend in hospital)-"Sorry to find you here, old chap. Badly hurt?" Patient—"Yes, I am afraid I am. I heard the doctor say I was a 'beautiful case."—Stray Stories.

Visitor—"What a racket the steam makes, clanking through the pipes!" Flat Dweller (shivering) "Yes. It reminds me of one of Shakespeare's plays." "Which—'The Tempest?" "No. "Much Ado About Nothing."—Town and County.

Edith—"Oh, Tom! This brown hair on your coat shows where you have been." Tom—"On the contrary, my dear, it shows where you have been."—New York Mail and Express.

Once in awhile a school teacher takes too many precautions just as one recently did at Glen Elder, Kan. He made all the pupils in his school sign a statement saying that they had not seen him making love to one of the school girls. And then the Glen Elder paper printed the statement.—Troy Times.

A well known Indiana man,
One dark night late last week
Went to the cellar with a match
In search of a gas leak,
(He found it.)

John Welch by curiosity
(Dispatches state) was goaded;
He squinted in his old shotgun
To see if it was loaded.
(It was.)

A man in Macon stopped to watch
A patent cigar clipper;
He wondered if his finger was
Not quicker than the nipper,
(It wasn't.)

A Maine man read that human eyes
Of hypnotism were full;
He went to see if it would work
Upon an angry bull.
(It wouldn't.)

James Wilkins fancied if he died

The rolling sphere would stop;

He took the gas route to see if

The world would shut up shop,

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BUT BAD FOR THE DINNER.

In company with Mr. R. H. Rhue, Miss Margaret A. Rhue and Mr and Mrs Squire, we dined at the home of Deacon J. H. Jackson last Sunday. As we looked upon the tables laden with so many good things we could but say, "It is good for us to be here". -Georgetown Chronicle.

Her opinion: "Do you think that man descended from monkeys?" "Some descended," answered Miss Cayenne, "and some merely dress differently."—Washington Star.

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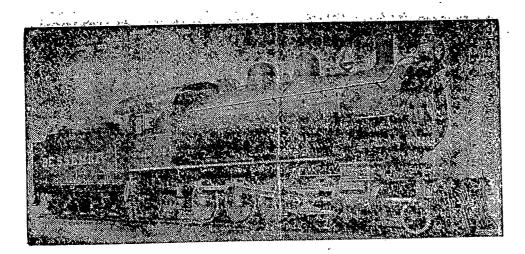
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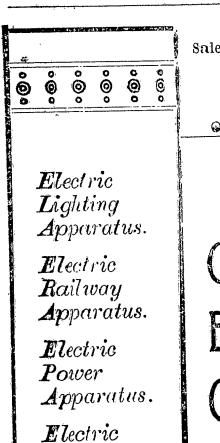
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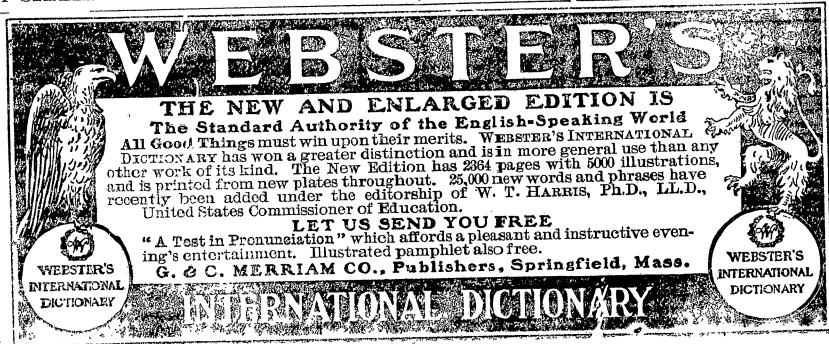
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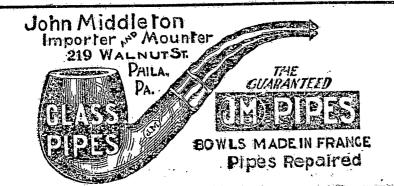
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