

College Items.

Over 160 students were enrolled during the first half year.

Prof. Hyttenrauch finds his new music room very comfortable and commodious.

The new building is fall, but there is plenty of room in the old one yet. Send along the students.

O those cosy, homelike tower rooms! But then when old Korea's faces without, and the thermometer drops to low zero, give me a domicile nearer the sunrise, if you please.

Among the new students just entering Alma we may mention: Misses McKorie and McKenzie, of Warwick; Misses McRae, of Alvington; Misses Koselush and Pipher, of Toronto; Miss Jackson, of Sparta; Miss Barber, of Mount Forest; Miss Mills, of Woodilee; Miss Baker, of Simcoe; Miss Pray, of Alvington; Miss Wintemute, St. Thomas; Miss Rindon, St. Thomas.

Some of the new students are complaining about the strictness with which young men are excluded from the college premises. "Since I came," remarked one of these fair fault-finders the other day, "there have only been two young men admitted to the grounds. One of them was crazy, and even he was driven off, and the other was our snow man."

Phenox now arises from the ashes every morning at Alma College, yet seems to grow dirtier and dirtier in appearance from day to day. Students of mythology who desire to witness this phenomenon should come to the coal house about 6 a. m., (no charge) and consult either of our general engineers. Phenox I may remark is our new coal-ledge dog, and he sleeps among the coal ashes.

Some real enjoyment has been taken recently by students and teachers in the genuine old-fashioned style of sleigh-riding. None of your modern and fashionable turquois, with seats for six, at most, but a solid pair of bobsleighs underneath, and a generous box with inviting seats stretching along each side, capable of carrying with comfort 20 at least. With what delight we watched it circling up to the college entrance, bringing back with each jingle of the bells the good old days of yore. And then the good-natured scramble for seats, the songs, the jokes, the stories, the exhilarating air, the pleasant mounds of the snow and the brilliant lights of the city whirling past us as we glide. All form a very pleasant interlude in college study. We do not wish to excite envy, but we, the editorial we, formed one of such a party last week, and it was said by a truthful person in the party that when young gentlemen in the city saw a load of 20 lady students, with only one gentleman, (the editorial we, aforesaid), they could be seen by the electric light to turn green with envy and rage, and dash off in a reckless manner. Editorial life has its compensations after all.

Lost in the Basement.

A very trustworthy senior student, who is on her second college year, went on an errand to the basement in broad daylight, and got lost in that labyrinth of pantries, cellars and store rooms. It is a great puzzle how this could be, but she could not find her way out and had to secure the services of an attendant to act as guide. It appears that the greatest bewilderment occurred in the neighborhood of the cake and pie cupboard, which makes the occurrence especially noteworthy. It is quite contrary to all former experience, as a student found in that neighborhood have always shown the fullest knowledge of all possible ways for making the trip unassisted to the upper stories of the building, and that with the utmost expeditionness.

Among the 539 who have graduated from the fourteen leading women's colleges and seminaries in this country, only 117 are married.—*Cassidonia*.

Water Cure

Jack has been careless about his studies and is quite unprepared for examinations when they come. He feigns serious illness, pretends to be delirious and to imagine himself drowning, while his father tries to rescue him. Frank hearing him talk about drowning and having heard that persons suffering from imaginary fire in delirium, could be helped by being actually touched with fire, concluded that as fire is an antidote for fire so water should be an antidote for water. No sooner had he reached this conclusion than he seized a pail of water and proceeded to apply to the patient. Never was there seen so speedily a cure. It worked like a charm. The patient dodged under the blankets and immediately recovered so as to shout out "Now you stop it or I will tell the President" Surely great is *similia similibus curantur*.—[Exchange.

A Snow Man.

Some of the junior students made a snow man out near the rink. The council is reported to have gravely considered the advisability of having him put off the grounds as it is "contrary to the rules" for a man to be about the grounds. There is, however no truth in the rumor that boys delivering parcels must lay them on the door steps, ring the bell, and then run with all speed off the grounds or have the college dog set on them.

The College Dog.

The college dog is a pup. His name is Phenox. He has a substantial Big black and white spots alternate to give a picturesque appearance to his pelt. The Major made the happy find of this unique bone liber in London, and I expressed him to Master Albert who fully appreciates the dignity his new responsibility gives him. The college cat still commands the situation.

Effect of Education.

What sculpture is to a block of marble, education is to a human soul. The philosopher, the saint and the hero, the wise the good and the great man, very often lie hid and concealed in a pile of lumber, which a proper education might have disinterred and brought to light.

Lord Hartington advised temperance reformers to be very cautious in their demands and not to refuse to compensate or endow the liquor traffic, or they would excite the hostility of a powerful body, and defer for indefinite period of time the reform they desired. But was it only now that Lord Hartington discovered that they had excited the opposition of that powerful body? Temperance reformers had discovered that long ago, and it was not in obedience to the command, or in response to the appeal of any statesman they would lower the flag their cause had raised, and in spite of the opposition of the most distinguished party leaders truth would ultimately triumph. (Applause.) The House of Commons reflected the opinion of the nation when the line was clear their flag would be carried to the front and the voice of the country would force the hands of our statesmen and compel them to bring in a measure doing away with this pernicious traffic. (Cheers.)

All along the line progress was reported, and he praised God that they would never see another jubilee, and that before other fifty years the curse of drink, which had done so much to ruin the country, would be thrust back to the hell from whence it sprung unhonored and unwept for. (Loud cheers).—From speech of John McKay delivered at Kinross Scotland.

According to the decision of a Kansas judge, both husband and wife are entitled to enter a place of amusement on a ticket reading "Admit one."

Yale and Amhurst have put the Bible on elective studies.—*Bates' Student*.

Gem Casket.

"But words are things, and a small drop of ink falling like dew upon a thought, produces that which makes thousands, perhaps millions think."

The dew of compassion is a tear.—*Byron*.
A delicate thought is the flower of the mind.—*Rodin*.

It is but one step from companionship to slavery, when we associate with vice.

If we could get together all the tomb stones we have set up over broken resolutions, we should have material enough to erect a marble palace.

Act well at the moment, and you have performed a good action to all eternity.

To repent without mending one's ways is to jump out the ship without stopping the leak.

Do.

Do try to be in time for your meals.

Do your best to avoid reflections on other peoples cleverness.

Do more thinking than talking and your tongue won't get you into so much trouble.

Do your church credit by meekness and kindness not by running down other churches.

Do be sure that those who have opinions that are worth knowing will be asked for them.

Do honor to your own mother by being respectful to another's mother, however humble she may be.

Do your best to excel but chiefly by helping others.

Do unto all men as ye would that they should do unto you.

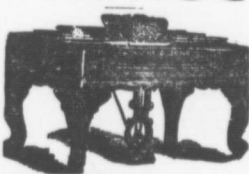
"The Last of the Romans."

QUESTION.—Write notes on "The Last of the Romans."

ANSWER.—"The last of the Romans" was one of the greatest men the world has ever seen.

He was the only man who could have promoted the interests of Rome, but he was assassinated. From Examination Paper.

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