

been placed before a bank of flowering plants and ferns, which formed a pyramid reaching the ceiling at an end of the parlor. The bride, leaning upon the arm of her betrothed, looked charming in a plain white costume, and the two took their places and stood with bowed heads for some moments. The bridegroom broke the silence by turning to the bride, taking her hand in his, and addressing her as follows:

"In the presence of the Lord and these, our friends, I take thee, Helen, to be my wife, promising, with Divine assistance, to be unto thee a loving and faithful husband until death shall separate us." The bride repeated the same words and a silence again followed. The marriage certificate was than brought, the newly-wedded couple signed it, and it was read aloud. This completed the ceremony, but several minutes of silent meeting followed, which was broken by the parents of Mrs. White, who came forward to offer congratulations. The other guests followed and all signed the wedding certificate.—*Inter-Ocean, Chicago.*

A SONG OF GROWTH.

In the heart of a man
Is a thought unfurled;
Reached its full span
It shakes the world,
And to one high thought
Is the whole race wrought.

Not with vain noise
The great work grows,
Nor with foolish voice,
But in repose,
Not in the rush,
But in the hush.

From the cogent lash
Of the cloud-herd wind
The low clouds dash,
Blown headlong, blind;
But, beyond, the great blue
Looks moveless through.

O'er the loud world sweep
The scourge and the rod,
But in deep beyond deep
Is the stillness of God,
At the fountain of life
No cry—no strife!

—Charles G. D. Roberts in *Century*.

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE LIFE

College Life was resumed on the 11th of last month, under the most favorable circumstances. Many noteworthy changes have taken place in and out of the College buildings.

Pres. Appleton returned to the College on Third-day, the 23rd; having been detained by illness in his family.

Milton Bancroft, Professor of Mechanical Drawing and Draughting, has been elected to the College faculty.

A large number of books pertaining to the French language and literature are now being catalogued for the College library. They were brought from Paris by Dr. Magill upon his return last June.

Prof. Price, after a year's absence in Germany, has returned to the College and has been elected to the chair of Latin, lately occupied by Prof. Rolfe.

Swarthmore College never looked better than now, in its autumnal robes. The campus is in perfect trim, and the building shows signs of radical improvement. Friends can well be proud of this Institution of learning, founded and maintained by their efforts.

The Preparatory School is a thing of the past. There is no such institution now within Swarthmore's walls. For the first year in the history of the College Swarthmore is a college in the true sense of the term.

The Eunomian and Delphic Literary Societies have recently added nearly a hundred volumes each to their libraries. The two Societies are now on perfectly equal ground and a good year of work is looked forward to in a literary direction. The young ladies have but one Literary Society, the Somerville.

Prof. Benj. Smith had charge of the College during the absence of Pres. Appleton.

The teachers' course at the College will begin during the coming weeks. This course is calculated to train those who plan teaching as their work upon leaving College.

Dr. Trotter, of the biological depart-