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# NEWS



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## MAY DAY.

The sun certainly has an uneven temperament. First, very early in the morning of May Day, he was in a most grouchy humour. Greily and glunly he greeted the energetic Seniors as they valiantly pilgrimaged to the South Porch to perform certain traditional ablutions. And then, in spite of himself, the old sun became inquisitive and began to look through his clouds. Truly, he beheld a scene worthy of epic romance! A band of sturdy, sinewy-armed Amazons were arduously pursuing the good cause of purification. With stout brushes they attacked the Backwoodsman, some at his dusty feet, some clambering up to his weather beaten visage; others nearly drowned him in their diligence, sweeping away some few of their fellow-workers in the down pour; while still others, of an æsthetic turn of mind, endowed the good man with a crow-bar that was decorated with a crisp, blue bow; and tied an entrancing blue and silver effect about his stalwart neck. Thus, stood the familiar old Backwoodsman, glorying in his beautiful cleanliness, still staring stoically at Lake Waban; but alas! feeling a trifle disconcerted at the thought of the chip taken from his Greek nose and the thumb that was swept off in the bustle and excitement of his bi-annual bath. And the band of devotees, well (and justly) satisfied at the morning's strenuous exertions, departed from the shrine, leaving the 1906 emblems to mark the deed.

To find out what would happen next, the sun cautiously looked out a little farther. He heard unusually animated conversation at the breakfast table, and he smiled to see how many were early gathered, how soon the dining-rooms were emptied. Some of the gloomily inclined young Sophomores blasély wondered "if it was going to snow as it did in our Freshman year," others grandly "guessed they wouldn't play if it was going to be cold—it was really too much work to dress up anyway." Other optimistic little maidens, however, gayly planned for the festival and slyly carried their May-baskets to "perfectly grand seniors." Even some of the Juniors were strangely seized with this juvenile spirit, soothing their dignity by saying, "Oh, anyway, she'll think it's a Freshman crush."

\* The Seniors, interested the sun intensely. He was fascinated with the rush that pervaded everything, and then the spirit of the place was so utterly changed! He saw those paragons of college dignity armed, everyone, with a hoop and stick, gleefully practicing before the first great event of the day, lustily shouting to Mary or Susan. Finally, the great, rolling procession

started down from College Hall, billowing its way merrily towards the chapel. Caps and gowns responded spontaneously to the rising wind, great, black, flapping wings seemed to aid the passage. Some of the hoops went bounding along, as smoothly and properly as "when I was a child;" others wobbled and fell over, frantically, while their owners struck madly at the air, or tried to jump through their hoops in their efforts to control the distracting things. Then, others of the Seniors, guided their heirlooms that had been handed down from generation to generation, in the most practiced and faultless manner, understanding subtly the buoyant character of their subjects. Finally, the triumphant band reached the chapel steps in glory and renown. The Triumphal Arch was formed and the rest of the college joyously passed beneath the hoops, sub jugum.

After the sun had waited sometime outside, wondering what would happen next, he suddenly heard brave, young voices blithely singing "The heavens are spread over and veiled with cloud." And the sentiment so amused him that he burst into a great laugh and whimsically exposed his most ideal May Day. His good spirits spread over the entire student body as it came out from chapel. Everyone hurried to the green where the 1906 tree was decorated with its most festive bow of blue and silver ribbon and everyone listened to the good old 1906 cheer and songs. Then 1908 danced around "her Seniors" while 1907 gathered together its "sister class" as it stood huddled about on the outskirts of the throng. Next came a great scampering towards the terrace for Mr. Abel had appeared to catch 1906 with his familiar little instrument. At the same time 1908 was inspired, as 1907 had been last year, to form itself into huge Senior numerals. Then the irrepressible Sophomores "must have their pictures taken too" they said. And so Mr. Abel humored the children and helped to arrange them in a beautifully regular 1906—deaf to recitation bells and indifferent to Zoo quizzes.

Suddenly, the sun found the campus almost deserted. The hilarious croud was metamorphosed into grim, classical students but only to reappear at 4.15 in a still different guise. Hundreds of little boys and girls appeared upon the college green—gaily be-frilled and be-ribboned little French maidens with beautiful box cuts; winsome little Kate Greenaway damsels retiring shyly behind their bonnets; sly, little Buster Browns; sailor lads; quaint, little Puritan people; peaceful Quakeresses; brilliant

gypsy girls; coquettish nurse maids with most entrancing little charges; anxious mammas; wonderful Chinese dignitaries; giddy orange clowns; cap-and-belled jesters; even a little negro maid; and two awful, green and yellow bugs with great, staring eyes and strange, flapping wings that terrified the timid children.

Presently a herald appeared in a marvelous red costume. He blew on his horn vigorously, like the Pied Piper of Hamelin, and the children came tripping from all sides to see the Freshman class president crowned Queen of the May. Then there was the May Pole dance and games to play, candy to buy, and all sorts of goodies to tempt the revelers. Thus the sun watched the Merry May Day festival all the afternoon. And then, when only his glow remained, he listened to the step-singing and heard the cheers again and the final tra-la-la.

## MRS. STEVENS' ADDRESS.

Sunday evening, April 22, Mrs. Stevens, Travelling Secretary of the Massachusetts W. C. T. U., spoke to the members of the "Somerset Y," in Stone Hall Parlor. She gave a very interesting account of how the temperance movement originated. The first organization, she said, was formed by a band of eight or ten women who, realizing the terrible results of alcohol both on society and on the individual, formed a Total-Abstinence League. As this league grew in membership measures were taken to establish work along definite lines, such as homes for sailors and soldiers, hospitals for children, work among immigrants and others who are in need. Later through the inspiration and influence of Lady Somerset, interest was carried to countries abroad until at the present time the W. C. T. U. is organized in sixty foreign countries.

Before closing she gave a brief account of the few world's conventions that have been held, and aroused our interest and loyalty by the announcement that the next one was to be held in Boston. She made us feel that we as a part of the W. C. T. U. of Massachusetts had a part to take in entertaining the representatives from other organizations.

Finally she spoke of how much we were aiding this great work merely by our membership in the Somerset Y. But aside from this passive way of aiding financially, she made us realize the tremendous opportunities of the W. C. T. U., and how necessary it is for college girls, whose influence is far greater than they realize, to take a firm and decided stand for temperance.

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The question of our attitude toward the music at vespers, the way in which we enjoy it, has been discussed at length in the Free Press column. At present, the question of our attitude toward the whole service is more important.

Everyone who is in the habit of attending vespers must have noticed the disagreeable chattering at the beginning and oftentimes throughout the whole service. Miss Hazard called the matter to our attention in morning chapel, and for a short time her criticism seemed to have some effect so that conditions were a little better. But it was for a short time only. Now we have fallen back into the old way. The trouble has been talked over in class prayer meetings, and it has even been suggested that musical vespers will be no longer provided for us if this attitude continues.

What is the trouble when college girls—college *women*—so conduct themselves at a chapel service that criticism of this sort is even *possible*, not to speak of *necessary*. If it is thoughtlessness, the matter has now been called to our attention enough so that we are no longer excusable on that ground.

After the first notes of the organ have sounded, the hum of conversation does become less noticeable. This is just what we should expect to happen at a secular concert, out of deference to the performers

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and consideration for others in the audience. Our vespers, however, are not intended to be Sunday-evening concerts; they are religious services, as well as any other service held in the chapel, and should be considered as such. Too many of us go to vespers simply for the music, and so do not hesitate to amuse ourselves by conversing with our friends when there is no music. When the hum of conversation is once started it is almost impossible to check it; for those who enter the chapel and find there this atmosphere of the concert hall, immediately lose any feeling of reverence which they may have had, and add their voices to the general chattering.

At Vassar it is a custom, resulting, doubtless, from an old rule, for the students to hold no conversation whatsoever after once entering the chapel. A rigid rule should not be necessary for us in this respect. We ought instinctively to stop all idle talk immediately upon entering the chapel whether the organist is playing or not.

There may be a few girls here in college who honestly see no reason why we should refrain from conversation at Sunday vespers any more than at a concert. These girls, however, form a very small minority of those who attend vespers, and cannot be held responsible for the unpleasant chattering before or during the service. It is, rather, the fault of those of us who know better but simply don't think. The responsibility of giving the right spirit to our vesper services rests upon each of us. If each one who, considering the matter seriously, really believes that our attitude in the past has been wrong, would firmly determine that she, for her part would never again be one to start or enter into the hum of conversation in chapel, the trouble would be remedied immediately.

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## COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Thursday, May 10, at 7.30 P.M., regular mid-week prayer meeting of the Christian Association.

Friday, May 11, address by Mr. Parsons before the Economics Club in L. R. 3.

Saturday, May 12, at 7.30 P.M., Barnswallows.

Sunday, May 13, at 11 A.M., services in the Houghton Memorial Chapel. Sermon by the Rev. George A. Gordon, D.D. 7 P.M., Vespers with special music.

## COLLEGE NOTES.

At a meeting of the Debate Club, Tuesday evening, May first, trials were held for the large interclass debate which is to be the last open meeting of the club for this year.

The Denison House Woman's Club held its annual sale of aprons, shoe and laundry bags, and home-made candy, on Tuesday, May first. The proceeds went for an excursion fund.

On Wednesday afternoon, May 2, Gladys Doten was elected Senior President for 1906-1907.

At the regular mid-week prayer meeting of the Christian Association, Thursday evening, May third, Miss Calkins spoke upon "Christ as a Teacher."

Professor Munsterberg of Harvard delivered a lecture in German at Billings Hall, Saturday afternoon, May fifth. Before the lecture, the Deutscher Verein gave a reception for Professor Munsterberg at the Tau Zeta Epsilon House.

As a result of the Christian Association's election held May fourth, the following officers were elected for 1906-1907:—

Vice-President, Roma Nickerson, 1907.

Recording Secretary, Hope Reynolds, 1909.

Corresponding Secretary, Frances Taft, 1909.

Treasurer, Helen Gilmore, 1907.

Chairman of the Bible Study Committee, Helen Eustis, 1908.

Chairman of the Missionary Committee, Miss Hathaway.

Chairman of the Religious Meetings Committee, Miss Merrill.

Chairman of the Mission Study Committee, Marion Durrell, 1908.

Chairman of the General Aid Committee, Eleanor H. Little, 1908.

Chairman of the Social Committee, Katharine Scott, 1908.

The Cross Country Club met at the East Lodge, Monday morning, May seventh, for a walk to Pegan Hill.

Margaret Noyes, 1907, and Elizabeth Perot, 1908, have been elected members of the Executive Board of the Student Government Association for 1906-1907.

The Faculty of the French Department were at home to the Seniors in the French classes, in the Faculty parlor, Tuesday afternoon, May 8.

Professor Frank Parsons, who has been giving a series of lectures in the Municipal Socialism Course, is to speak before the Economics Club on Friday evening, May 11. His subject is "The Ideal City and What the Young Women of To-day can do to Bring it to Pass." All members of the College are cordially invited to attend.

The members of the Boston Branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae are interested in the question of "College Women as Teachers in Schools below the High School Grade." Under the management of a committee appointed by the Boston Branch addresses on this subject are given by leading educators at various colleges for women. This spring the address at Wellesley will be given by Miss Ellen E. Carlisle, formerly Associate-Professor of Pedagogy in Wellesley College, and now a supervisor of the Boston public schools. The meeting will be held at 3.20, May 19, in College Hall Chapel.

Scenes from "The Merchant of Venice," will be given by the Shakespeare class of the Elocution Department on Wednesday May 16, at 7.30 P.M., in College Hall chapel. The faculty and all students are cordially invited to attend.

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## LECTURE ON IMMORTALITY.

On Friday evening, April 28, the Philosophy Club and its friends had the great pleasure of listening to a lecture by Prof. Josiah Royce of Harvard. The lecture was one on Immortality which he had delivered previously at a meeting of ministers; treating the subject, however, from a philosophical standpoint.

In the beginning of his lecture Professor Royce pointed out that in the consideration of Immortality, all questions relate either to the Continuance of Human Life in Time, or the Survival of Human Personality. To the solution of the first of these questions is necessary a consideration of the nature of time itself. According to Professor Royce time is not, as Professor Munsterberg claims, a mere nothing, but is itself a reality. In solving the nature of this reality, he went on to consider the popular conception of time, which makes the past and future unreal, and claims that the present alone is the real time. But this present is only a moment, which passes even in the consideration of it, so that in Professor Royce's words, according to this conception, "Nothing is, all crumbles." But this theory of time is not the only popular conception; for the faithful witness, the past is a reality which can't be tampered with, and for the truthful maker of promises the future has as great a reality as the present. "Time," Professor Royce says, "is an essentially practical aspect of reality which derives its meaning from will. Time is the form of the finite will, universal time is the expression of the world will. That is, the entire world is but the expression of a single will, and consequently if there should be a time when I personally did not exist, it would be because the world will did not need my personal expression."

Now this world will, according to Professor Royce, is eternal, i.e. not timeless but time inclusive. The absolute sees and includes all time, and is eternal—this world will needs our variety and our freedom; we need its unity.

Professor Royce then goes on to the consideration of the second question,—the survival of human personality. This human personality is what it is because of will; a man is a significant being because of his will, everything else about him is accident. This human personality is essentially moral, a being with a duty. According to the first part of the lecture, this moral being is necessary as the expression of God, or the absolute self; therefore, to the completeness of the absolute self, is necessary the satisfactory finite self. But the satisfactoriness of the finite self requires that there be no end, because of the necessary endlessness of duty. A man always has a duty, and when one duty is completed he still has one immediately at hand, bidding him go and find a new one.

Thus, because the endlessness of duty points toward a satisfactory finite self, namely a never ending self, and because this satisfactory self is necessary to the completeness of the absolute self, which is not limited by time, but is time inclusive, Professor Royce argues that we, as moral beings, have a right to the hope of immortality.

FLORENCE F. BESSE.

## FREE PRESS.

Propos of the cut at the head of the first page of COLLEGE NEWS: apparently the "Originator and First Editor of the News" has misunderstood the intent of my recent informal suggestion to the present editors that it be changed. I am no less attached than is she to the sentimental aspect of that time-honored cut; my objection to it was solely on mechanical grounds, so to speak—on artistic grounds rather than sentimental. The present clectrotype plate, used on the first issue of THE NEWS as well as on the current issue, has, after the manner of electros, worn down in the course of five years. The ladies appearing there started as normal Caucasians, with white faces and distinguishable if not distinguished features; they now look extraordinarily like Zulu maidens—the repeated impressions have rubbed the plate so smooth that the ink is distributed quite impartially over a lot of places where it doesn't belong—faces, notably.

Seriously speaking, the plate has for some time been disgraceful. A new one will cost only a few dollars. To spare the feelings of Originators, Founders, Purchasers, First and Early Editors (one of whom is writing), the present design can be repeated. College girls gambolling across the page let us have if we want; but let us have New Englanders, not South Sea Islanders.

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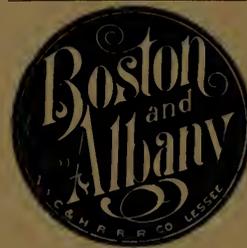
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The Cross Country Walking Club, as the result of experiments this year and last, has abolished its old constitution and reorganized itself along entirely new lines. The plan is now to have no regular organization controlling a fixed membership, but rather to form a nucleus for the interest in walking which is believed to exist throughout the college.

In accordance with this plan the following rulings have been adopted:

I. The aim of the Cross Country Walking Club shall be to make practical provision for cross country walking open to all members of Wellesley College.

II. The direction of the club shall be in the hands of an Executive Board, consisting of the President and two other members elected from the club at large.

III. This Board shall be elected by ballot, by a majority vote of those present at a meeting called for that purpose during May of each year.

All red tape has been dropped. There are to be no physical examinations or classification on a physical basis, no required walking or records of individual walks to be kept or handed in. The purpose is simply to have the Executive Board plan long tramps at regular stated times, for the convenience of all members of the college—Faculty, as well as graduates and undergraduates—who may care to go on any or all of these tramps. The only suggestions as to qualification for these long walks are that each person before setting out either satisfy herself that she is able to take the walk, or that she take with her a companion who will be willing to turn back in case she should find herself unable to go the whole distance. To insure good condition the equivalent of three (one hour) walks a week is recommended.

A meeting for the election of the Executive Board for 1906-1907 will be held in Room H, College Hall, at 1.00 P.M., Tuesday, May 15. Everyone interested will be heartily welcome.

Those who have been working on the organization of the club feel that, in its new form, it can be the source of much genuine outdoor enjoyment. We want everyone in college to feel that the club belongs to her. Come and see what good times these long tramps give you, and we feel sure you will come again.

A. L. CRAWFORD.

### NOTES ON ORGANIZED SPORTS.

Never has there been such enthusiasm and activity in outdoor recreation. Each one of the seven sports organized for the Spring and Fall seasons, 1906, has its special instructor or instructors, and an efficient head and captains who enforce the steadily improving legislation and by their unselfish work are increasing permanent interest in their chosen forms of exercise.

Every new sport introduced means more students enticed into the open to play, for no one may be a member of more than one organized sport a year.

The following is the list of Organized Sports in order of their introduction with their present membership:—

Rowing.....	111
Basket Ball.....	78
Golf.....	49
Tennis.....	111
Field Hockey.....	111
Running.....	40 ('08 and '09)
Archery.....	10 ('09; with '07 and '08 organizing)

510 Total

Among the improvements in conduct on the sports the most striking is the reorganization of Tennis led by Miss Laura Townsend, '08, Head.

Singles are suspended in favor of Doubles, Squads are scheduled regularly for graded practice and class teams will evolve for the Field Day Matches.

"Social" Tennis has a generous opportunity to use the six clay courts on the West Playground by registering in the Tennis Book on the Physical Training Bulletin.

All the Field Sports have their Final Season in the Fall. The Rowing Club has its Final Season in the Spring. Therefore with the exception of the members of the 1906 Rowing Squad (14) the total membership of the Organized Sports as recorded in the Spring is from the Freshman, Sophomore and Junior classes only.

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## LECTURE ON MODERN BOTANY.

On Monday evening, April 30, 1906, Dr. George T. Moore gave a most interesting lecture in College Hall Chapel on Modern Botany. Dr. Moore explained in the course of his lecture some of the remedies which are being used to purify water from the bacteria, algae, and other low forms of plant life which contaminate it. He also spoke at some length on the importance of bacteria in the growing of the legumes. Dr. Moore brought before us many new aspects and possibilities for the botanist.

After the lecture, a short reception was held in the Faculty Parlor.

## SONGS OF WELLESLEY.

If the orders received are sufficient for the expense of publication, etc., a new edition of Songs of Wellesley will soon be issued. This will contain about half of the songs of earlier editions with the addition of all current class and crew songs. (including those of 1904 and 1905), and other songs which have come into vogue since the book was originally published in 1897. Blank pages at the end, some of them ruled for music, will allow other songs to be copied in as desired.

After the printer's bill is paid, all receipts from the sale of song books go to the aid of students whose personal means are insufficient for their support in college. Each order, therefore, represents help for some one who needs it.

Orders received AT ONCE will have attention before the edition, not a large one, goes regularly on sale.

MARY CASWELL,  
Secretary of the Students' Aid Society.

## BIBLE-STUDY RALLY.

An out-of-door meeting, to which all members of the College are invited, is planned for Sunday afternoon, May thirteenth, at four o'clock, by Longfellow Pond. The meeting marks the disbanding of Bible study classes for this year.

We are to have two especially interesting speakers: Miss Sanford, Religious Work Secretary of New York and New Jersey; and Miss Matthew, who has been in Wellesley already this year, and who is sure of an eager hearing from all who heard her then. We hope for a good attendance.

M. P.

**LOST.**—On Friday afternoon between College Hall and Wilder, a pair of steel-rimmed spectacles. Please return to the Registrar's office or 17 Wilder.

**WANTED.**—A 1902 Legenda by a member of the class, who is very anxious to obtain one. If anyone has a copy which they will sell, kindly send name and address to the editor of the NEWS.

## NOTICE.

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## THEATRE NOTES.

TREMONT—"The Stolen Story."

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## MUSIC NOTES.

On Monday evening, May 7, 1906, the last of this season's Monday evening concerts was given in Billings Hall by Miss Rebecca Wilder Holmes, Violinist, and Professor Edwin Bruce Story, Pianist, (both of Smith College Department of Music). The exchange of concerts between the two music departments is a new and most satisfactory feature. Miss Torrey and Mr. Hamilton of Wellesley gave a concert at Smith on March 12. After the concert a reception was given in the library of Billings Hall, the members of the choir acting as ushers.

Following is the programme given:

Edward Hagerup Grieg (1843— )

Sonata in G Major for Pianoforte and Violin, Op. 13.

Lento doloroso: Allegro vivace.

Allegretto tranquillo.

Allegro animato.

Caesar Antonovich Cui (1835— )

Bercense in E flat major, Op. 20, No. 8.

d' Ambrosio.

Canzonetta in G minor.

Fiorello.

Etude in D major.

Edouard Schnett (1856— )

Suite in D for Violin and Pianoforte, Op. 44.

Allegro risoluto Scherzo vivace.

Canzonetta con variazioni. Rondo a la Russe.

On Wednesday, May 9, 1906, at 4.20 P.M., there will be a Song Recital in Billings Hall by Mrs. Mary Turner Salter. The following programme will be given, the songs being of Mrs. Salter's composition:

1. Songs of the Garden.

Come to the Garden.

The Pine Tree.

The Proposal.

Autumn Song.

Mrs. Louise de Salle Johnston.

2. A Water Lily.

Contentment.

Mrs. Mary Turner Salter.

3. April Song.

Serenity.

Mrs. Johnston.

4. Isle o'dreams.

Mrs. Salter.

5. The Cry of Rachel. (Words by Lisette Woodworth Reese.)

Mrs. Johnston.

6. Lady Mine.

The Sky Meadows. (Words by Mrs. Salter.)

Mrs. Salter

7. Songs of the Four Winds.

East Winds.

South Wind.

West Wind.

North Wind.

Mrs. Johnston.

8. A Bunch of Posies.

The Naughty Tulip.

Morning Glories.

The Dandelion.

The Chrysanthemum.

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The last of the Wednesday afternoon recitals in Billings Hall will be given on May 16, 1906.

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## ALUMNÆ NOTES.

In addition to notes concerning graduates, the Alumnæ Column will contain items of interest about members of the Faculty, past and present, and former students.

## A NEW BOOK OF POEMS FOR THE LIBRARY FUND.

Mrs. Marion Pelton Guild, 1880, who has been connected with the college in the several relations of student, instructor and trustee, has contributed a collection of her poems to the Library Fund. The dove-colored little volume, stamped with the College seal, contains work of rare artistic distinction and spiritual significance. Mrs. Guild's sister, Miss Garnet Isabel Pelton, Wellesley, 1897, meets all expenses of the press, so that the full proceeds of the sale go directly to the Fund. Copies of "Semper Plus Ultra" may be had through the College bookstore.

Dean Pendleton was President Hazard's representative at the meeting of the Naples Table Association held at Bryn Mawr College, April 28.

Miss Sarah Spaulding Metcalf, 1875-1877, and her sister have gone to the island of Mindawao, where they are to "live among and study the habits and ceremonials of the wild tribes of the Philippine Islands." They became interested in these peoples and their customs at the St. Louis Exposition, and later sorted and arranged the Moro musical instruments to be sent to the various museums of the United States. Secretary Taft has assured them of military protection and given them letters of introduction. They planned to visit Miss Emma Ross, 1875-1876, in Manila on their way.

Mrs. Clare von Wettberg Degen, 1897, is living at Fort Ogelthrope, Dodge, Georgia, where her husband, Lieutenant Degen, is now stationed.

Miss Geraldine Gordon, 1900, is still teaching in the H. Thane Miller School in Cincinnati. She is Vice-President of the local College Club, and has started a circle for the study of social problems, in which Miss Josephine Simrall, 1893, is an active member.

Miss Estelle Glancy, 1905, is holding the position of Watson assistant at the Student's Observatory, University of California.

Miss Sally Gertrude Knight, 1905, spent the fall in Buffalo, working in Welcome Hall Settlement House, and coaching one of the High School Basket-Ball Teams. She went in January to spend the winter in Nueva Gerana, Isle of Pines, West Indies.

Mrs. Edith Jennings Knowlton, 1905, and her husband sail in the fall for Hanyang, Central China, to engage in missionary work.

The following change of address has been received:—

Mrs. Opal Watson Gordon, 1895, 106 Plum street, Massillon, Ohio.

The following items are thought to be of such especial interest to Alumnæ that they are inserted among the Alumnæ notes:—

Mrs. Cornelia Bates, mother of Miss Katharine Lee Bates, has published, recently, a number of short stories which she has translated from Spanish. In the May number of Short Stories appears "The Devil's Cross." Mrs. Bates' translations are pronounced by expert judges to be unusually successful in rendering the vigor and animation of the original Spanish.

The letter here quoted was written from Santa Rosa, California, by a sister of Miss Bertha Rockwell, 1893-1894, and Miss Mary Rockwell, 1900.

"After four days of horror, with death and destruction on all sides, I must tell you that we are alive and altho' penniless, have a house which can be lived in by having the foundations strengthened, new plaster and new chimneys.

"Father is going to have it done for us and will of course keep us in necessary food until I can command some sort of a salary.

"Our dead friends are buried, and we've been working in the hospitals and trying to dig out our houses. Not a brick building stands and our beautiful town is flat, most of it burned too. Oh, I cannot tell you what we've been through and still we are not as desperate as San Francisco. Five to ten millions won't cover our losses here. We had the most ruin of any place from the earthquake. I can't describe the shock to you. We were all without our senses but I remember the frightful roar and my mother's screams, the cracking of bricks and timbers. We couldn't stand up, were rolled out of bed and around like nine pins. All the charm of this land is gone. We hate the roses as they cling about the ruin.

"Father went right to the rescue and began to pay the workmen to unearth the oodles, and has spend a thousand dollars (all the money he could get) on the work. There is no money to be had. We couldn't get away if we wanted to, we can't get credit and here we are, on the mercy of the public for our food. Oh, it's terrible!

"All the money in the world could not get a telegram sent from here. There are no lines. Father went away on the train

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to the nearest line to cable the girls we were alive, and also sent for money to come by express. There will be great want here and we must have help at once. I fear that everything will be sent to San Francisco and we will be forgotten. Anything people send will be appreciated.

"We do not need anything; but many many people will need. J. is treasurer of the relief fund, without much to deal out thus far. Perhaps the Wellesley girls will be interested in sending a small sum to ten thousand ruined people."

FLORENCE ROCKWELL EDWARDS.

## ENGAGEMENT.

Miss Carolyn Louise Chase, 1900, to Dr. Raffaele Lorini of Coronado, California.

## MARRIAGES.

DEMING—KNOWLTON. In Haddon Heights, New Jersey, April 25, 1906, Miss Edith Jennings Knowlton, 1905, to Rev. John Howard Deming of Haddons Heights, New Jersey.

## BIRTHS.

December 16, 1905, a daughter, Margaret, to Mrs. Edith Judson Kidde, 1894.

In Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, March 9, a son, Marchbank Denison, to Mrs. Grace Denison Sheppard, 1895.

In Fairmont, West Virginia, April 3, a daughter to Mrs. Belinda Bogardus Black, 1896.

## DEATHS.

In Sylvan, Texas, April 26, 1906, Mrs. I. H. Campbell, grandmother of Miss Lallie Moody, 1905.

## RESOLUTIONS.

It is with feelings of deep personal grief that we, the members of the Phi Sigma Fraternity, record our loss in the death of Christabel Cannon, 1903.

In the memories of her, her constant consideration of others stands out particularly. Hers was a selfless life of great nobility and sweetness. Everyone felt free to go to her, assured of her sympathy, of her sincere and broad-hearted interest. A high loyalty to her ideals, to her friends, to her work, was the source of her buoyant cheerfulness. She was of the highest type of the good, the gracious, the true woman.

Having learned of the death of Christabel Cannon, we, the Class of 1900, wish to express to the Class of 1903, and to the family of Christabel Cannon, the deep sense of loss which 1900—her first class—feels in her death.

Signed:

ALICE E. CHASE, Vice-President of 1900,  
ALICE T. ROWE, Secretary.