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The Post Office in New Quarters.
The post office was moved last Wednesday to tle new quarters prepared for it in the west half of the tool-room in the Horticultural laboratory. The entrance to the post office is through the south door of the laboratory, and from the east side of this door a partition extends north across the room, separating the post office from the part still used as a tool room. To the left of the entrance are the cabinet of mail boxes and the stamp and money order window, and in front is a door leading to the distributing room. The whole is well lighted and comfortable, and except for its location on one side of the campus, will be a good place for the post office.

## The Athletic Benefit.

The athletic entertainment in the Armory Friday evening was a marked success in every way. The program of sports was highly entertaining; the music by the band, excellent; the special features, "tearing" good; and nearly forty dollars was turned into the Athletic Association treasury.
Miss Ronan's class of young women in physical culture furnished two pleasing numbers on the program; Swedish exercises and a dumb-bell drill, in both of which they showed good training for the limited time they have had for preparation. Some of the marching evolutions were especially commendable.

The wrestling bout between I. D. Townsend and Ben Laubach did not result in a fall but was sufficiently exciting while it lasted.

But by all means the most exciting feature of the entertainment was the basket-ball game between teams from Wells Hall and Williams Hall. It was agreed that fifteenminute halves be played, with a five-minute intermission. The teams were so evenly matched that at the end of the first half neither had scored. However, soon after the opening of the second half Ranney threw three goals in rapid succession, and the Wells Hall boys fairly raised the roof. But their elation was short-lived. Kennedy threw a goal for Williams Hall, and Leavitt followed almost immediately with two more. Time was called with the score a tie- 6 to 6 .

The girls' game of basket-ball followed. They played under rules much different than those used by the boys and their game was consequently much slower, though not without its exciting features. The teams, from the color of sashes worn by the players, were known as the "Yellows" and the "Reds." At the end of the first half each team had scored twice, and at the end of the second half each had added three points, so that the game ended a tie.

While the girls were resting between halves the boys played a tenminute inning to decide the championship of the halls. Then "fur flew." From one end to the other of the Armory the ball was hurled, and the boys followed it-under the fence, into the crowd, every where.

The result meant pie-pie for weeks, months, terms. Time and again the ball almost went in the basket-not quite. Five minutes passed; six minutes and no score; then Edgar dropped a goal from fifteen feet away, and Wells Hall went wild. In the remaining minute Williams Hall could not score and the Wells Hall boys now eat all the pie.

## Notes from the Farm Department.

The effect of the application of nitrate of soda and other nitrogenous fertilizers upon wheat fields in the spring will be noted.

Prof. Mumford visited Charlotte, Worden and several places about Chicago looking for a team of Percheron mares for the Farm Department.
Richard Harrison, the herdsman, was ill several days, spending the time at home, on his farm in Macomb county. He returned to his duties on Thursday.

Of the ton of beet seed promised by the Department in Washington, but five hundred pounds have been received. This seed is to be-distributed in certain sections where the interest in beet growing has approached the point where the establishment of a factory may be expected.

Since clover has become uncertain as a forage crop and a green manure, much attention will be given this season to the discovery and development of substitutes among the legumes. Many of these plants such as the vetches and sand lucerne have been grown in small plots for some years past. A much more thorough test on broader more thorough test on broader

Among the interesting experiments that are planned for the season are a series with sugar beets, testing the effect of various fertilizers, of excessive fertility, and of soil exhaustion on the quality and quantity of the crop. All of No. 6 south of the east and west road through the middle of the field, will be put into beets, giving an opportunity for instruction to all regular and special students who apply, in the art of the economic production of beets. All regular students will be given theoretical instruction and practical work in beet growing during the spring term. Special students who aim to become agriculturists of sugar beet factories will be taught the details of preparing the ground, sowing, cultivating and harvesting the crop.

## The Rev. Swift on Quo Vadis.

Rev. Clarence F. Swift gave a splendid talk in Chapel last Sunday morning on Quo Vadis, a book that has been variousiy criticised; by some as utterly lacking in merit, by others as the greatest book of the time. According to Mr. Swift, the book contains three lines of interest: (1) The story, for which, in a sermon, there is not time to give even an outline; (2) an historical interest; (3) a personal interest.

Quo Vadis pictures Christ as He appeared to the typical Roman
mind just as Ben Hur pictures Him to the typical Jewish mind. In Quo Vadis the curious mingling of law and lawlessness, the cruelties and brutishness of Roman civilization in the time of Nero are vividly pictured. In the family of Aulus we find the best of this civilization; in that of Petronius, the ideal, the esthetic; while in the "Island Banquet" we find the elements that led to final decay. Into this society comes Christianity, the mixing of two forces, the clash and the horrors of persecution, and finally the reaction. People begin to ask themselves if children burned Rome, if it is reasonable to think these Christians guilty of all the crimes with which they are charged, and then another question-W hat makes these people so stanch in the face of all persecution?

There is also a personal interest, because civilization is redeemed as the individual is redeemed. In Vinicius and in Chilo we see going on the struggle between the old and the new, and the final triumph of Christianity. Christ enters everything and Christ is conqueror. The same force is capable of overcoming evil in the Anglo-Saxon civilization of today; the same power will enter into our hearts; and no message means so much to us as Paul's to the Romans,-"In all these things we are more than conquerers through Iim that loved us."

## - Our Literary Societies. <br> feronian.

On Friday, March ${ }_{17}$, the following program was given by the Feronian society:
Roll call responded to by miscellaneous quotations.

Sermon-Harriet Farrand.
Reading-Marjie Collins.
Music-Grace Lovely.
Essay-"Our Attitude Towards Our Society"-Mina Fuller.

Chalk Talk-Mary Knaggs.
Critic's Report-Teresa Bristol.

## The Dr. Miles Estate Sold.

The Dr. Manley Miles property, across from the Arboretum was sold last week to Judge Cahill, Dr. Hagadorn and C. D. Woodbury, who contemplate making it a suburb of Lansing. The farm contains 94 acres, which will be platted and put on the market at once; streets will be laid out, sidewalks built and some grading done before summer is gone. The putting of this property on the market will be gratifying to many College people who have long desired to see it improved.

## The Fountain of Youth.

by lucy e. monroe, de land, florida.
Yesterday, a party of us had a delightful drive over to De Leon Springs. I wonder if Ponce de Leon when he sought the reputed "fountain of youth" foresaw the changes its surroundings would undergo. Nature and art have combined to alter it sadly; the former with frost having made the moss-laden trees all about black and drear, while the latter, through a
mistaken idea of beauty, has modernized everything.
The old Spanish water-wheel, which even in its decay would have been of greatest interest, bas been replaced by one which has not even a stain to cover up its painful newness. A modern bath-house with suits to rent, (I'm sure Ponce de Leon never dreamed of this desecration) has a walk leading out over the water and bears a spring-board from which bathers jump. The water is crystal clear and the white shell bottom may be seen distinctly through the water ten to fifteen feet deep.

Its miraculous power in restoring the aged to youth, formerly a myth, has recently been confirmed. Thus 'tis said that a northern gentleman visiting here, after taking several baths in this spring, astonished his friends with his youthful appearance. Not content with having become twenty years or more younger, he persevered until-sad but most wonderful to relate, he died of "cholera infantum."

## Society Officers for the Spring Term.

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## Other Colleges.

The U. of M. will play two games of football with Pennsylvania on Franklin Field.

Six of the twenty-three second lieutenants appointed under the new army bill are graduates from the Michigan Military Academy.

Owing to what they call Stagg's inordinate greed, in wanting every important athletic event in Chicago, the Universities of Michigan, W isconsin and Illinois have suspended athletic relations with Chicago.

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## Bermuda.

WRITTEN FOR THE RECORD BY M. G. KAINS '95, washington, d. c.

On a particularly disagreeable morning early in January a few shivering passengers stood on the lee side of the steamer "Trinidad" as she slipped from her moorings in Neiv York harbor and started for Hamilton, Bermuda. They watched the many vessels and points of interest on shore as the boat was piloted toward the Atlantic, which rumor said, annoyed by a recent storm, was likely to trip up the heels -and likely more-of the less experienced, among whom I counted myself. As soon as I felt congealed by the cold I went to my stateroom
to thaw and to read "The Honorable Peter Sterling," which I had become interested in.

About half an hour before dinner I was interrupted by a waiter who informed me that I'd better secure my place at the table as there were more guests than seats. I did so and returned to read and to be duly called to dine. I went but was too late. In just that short time the company got ahead by one meal for before the call to the second table half an hour later, Father Neptune had arisen in his wrath asserted his might, demanded-and received-tribute. Dinner and Peter Sterling were forgotten.

The reader of this letter may exclaim with due disgust that this isn't about Bermuda. I admit it, but it is the way to get there, at least the way that I got. The trip is conceded to be one of the roughest upon the face of the globe. Such be ing the case, I will borrow a phrase from the novelist and draw a veil across the scene.

On the morning of the second day we sighted land and I com menced to dress. The boys of ' 95 know how much of a dandy I amsenior year perhaps excepted-and may be a little surprised to learn that I took ninety or more minutes to perform my toilet. Such is the fact, my wrestle with Old Nep. had been too much for me and I was three points down in every round.

Bermuda, or the Somers Isles, as it was formerly called, is about equidistant from Nova Scolia, South Carolina and the British West In dies, and from the near presence of the Gulf Stream is never visited by cold winds or snow. Hail does sometinies fall, but very rarely. Frost, electric cars, railroads and other Northern conveniences are unknown. The inhabitants, many of them, know these things only as names unless they have become acquainted with artificial ice, made for the hotels and a few private houses, and by pictures with the means of rapid transit. The donkey is ubiquitous and his tuneful music breaks the stillness of the night or dawn and leaves nothing to be desired in the way of horrible sounds -particularly frightful as it breaks in like the shriek-k-k of the demon in a dream.
The people are also ignorant of brooks, creeks and rivers or any other stream of fresh water. Such do not exist, the only running water being salt or at least brackish, caused by the tide or by a storm, usually from the south, which forces the sea into some land-locked lagoon to flow away upon the other side of the island. Neither do they know springs or even wells of drinking water. The soil is so porous and rises to so small an elevation- 250 feet is the highest point-above the ocean that all water quickly drains away. All the drinking water is caught either upon roofs or upon sheds and collected in tanks. These sheds are built of stone upon the hillsides and are whitewashed.
Houses are nearly all of stone, roofs and all. It is no uncommon thing to see a carpenter sawing, boring or chisseling a plinth or block of stone, for a particular position just as he would a board or scantling. A large proportion of the farmers have their own stone quarries and get material for walls therefrom. With the exception of a few chain fences and some wire ones all the boundaries are of stone, either rough or cemented and white-
washed. The rough ones are less durable than the whitewashed and are monopolized by rats, cockroaches and other vermin. All the buildings are whitewashed since the stone very readily weathers. As may be surmised the white sheds and the white houses and walls set in the dark green of the cedar-covered hills make pleasing pictures against the deep blue of the sky and the sea.

As the steamer comes up the harbor she is assailed by a score of boarding-house and hotel representatives, each standing in the bottom or upon the seat of a row boat and declaiming with vociferous oratory the merits of the "Old Reliable House!" It is the din of Babel. I was reminded of a horse story in which the victim of the deal might have selected as good a plug as he got if he had gone to the pasture at night and selected at random. The application of the tale is however scarcely exact since there are two admirable hostelries in Hamilton, the Hamilton and the Princess.

Upon approaching the wharf, all Bermuda is seen there decked in its best to meet and greet us. The arrival of the steamer is more of an event than the arriving of a train at a small station because the boat comes once in several days while the train is daily. In the crowd the greens and yellows of the numerous colored people, mixed with the pinks and lavenders of the whites, are here enlivened by the scarlet exclamation point where a British soldier stands "At Ease." A lively picture!

The mail is soon landed and the passengers follow to run the gauntlet of a crowd of porters, and carriage drivers. The street is all life, and the sleepy little town seems to be doing an immense business. And it really does, for practically all of the exports and imports touch its wharves.
As I change $m y$ winter underwear and prepare for dinner I look out upon a bay dotted with rocky islands covered with red cedar and surrounded by an intricately winding shore where palms, yuccas, bananas and other tropical growth peep out occasionally from among the more sombre foliage. The water is the bluest and clearest that I have ever seen. It is so transparent that when at rest, which it seldom is, small objects may be distinctly seen at a depth of thirty or even more feet. In fact, by means of a water glass, which consists of a pane of glass puttied over a box in place of its bottom, shell fish are picked up from the rocks with bamboo poles thirty feet long.
The roads are principally of stone which is put upon them in lumps as large as one's head and which breaks down in the course of a week or so from the wagons and carriages that pass. They lead between stone walls surmounted by the life leaf (Bryophyllum calycinum) known to the children as "floppers," from the flowers. These are everywhere to be seen and would turn the cheek of T. G. green with envy. Another thing that our florist friend could not beat is the lantana or sage bush. The birds of the air build their nests therein. But what will he say to the acalypha and the hibiscus? Hedges of these shrubs are passed, so tall that a man standing on a wagon seat cannot look over them, the last often so covered with its scarlet blossoms that the green of the leaves seems to be merely accidental.

Presently a house is seen whose porch is covered with bougainvillea in full bloom, a mass of purple velvet simply gorgeous. And the poinsettias; well, T. G. would never forgive me. Tropical fruits are to be seen on every hand. Bananas, pomegranates (trees only, the rats eat the fruits), paw-paws, cherimoyas, surinam cherries (stolen by the birds), Madagascar plums, Demarara almonds, loquats, and many others. Prickly pears grow in crevices of the walls everywhere. I was told a story about these. They are provided with little spines that produce festers if they get in the flesh. Well, some sailors from a German man-o'-war came ashore in a small boat to the beach and seeing the pears began eating. But a native hove in sight. They therefore filled their blouses with the fruit and took to their boat. The natives succeeded in making them understand that the fruit was free, and some of them returned next day terribly puffed up. They gave the prickly pear a wide berth during the remainder of their stay.

The principal crops that one sees are onions, lilies, potatoes, sweet potatoes, arrow-root, and vegetables. No grains are grown and neither are clovers or other legumes, at least to any extent. I did not see a single field of any of these latter plants during my two weeks' stay, in which I traveled over the greater part of the islands. It is the common complaint that fodder grasses will not grow, but this, so far as I can learn from talks with the more progressive farmers, is not so. Nearly all the hay consumed is brought from Nova Scotia or from New York City. And the same remark is true of flour and mill stuffs, grain, meat of all kinds either dressed or living, and even potatoes. It is claimed to be cheaper to buy Nova Scotia potatoes and to export the home grown product than to consume the latter. Practically all the seed potatoes come from the mainland. The returns are poor, in many cases very poor. If our farmers could not do better than most of the Bermudians they would plant some other crop. Improper methods of planting, carelessness, and disease are the ruling factors, the first two more particularly. But four crops may be obtained a year and a return of $\$ 400.00$ per acre per annum is easy to get; "so what matter," is the way the thing is treated. Laziness is king.
No one uses power tools, the plow excepted. I have a photograph where seven men are preparing a field for potatoes. A ring. boned, spavined, sore-backed plug, driven by one man, is goaded to pull a dilapidated side-hill plow held by a stalwart negro. The furrow, if the three inches scraped from the surface and shoved a little to one side may be called such, is turned at a snail's pace and the five men stationed at intervals across the field smooth out the little unevennesses as the plow passes them and lean exhaustedly upon their potato diggers and hand rakes until the plow comes by again. A rest is given the horse and his two assistants at each end of the furrow. And labor is worth $\$ \mathrm{I} .50$ a day and hard to get at that! When the crop is up all work is done by hand, such a thing as horse implements are only in the seedsmen's stores, where they rust.
The people are hospitality itself, obliging to a fault, courteous in the extreme. This applies to the col-
ored people as well as to the whites. It was somewhat a matter of surprise to find the negroes so well to do, and in such evidence in churchalmost a third of the Episcopal con-gregation-and taking an intelligent part in the service. But it was still more surprising to see most of them going home in carriages that would do credit to the best farmer in Michigan or any other State. The horses are generally of the best; being imported, only the best are worth entry.

The climate is mild, moist and otherwise delightful but somewhat enervating if indulged in too long. The thermometer never goes below 50 and rarely above 90 and always stands at a sleeping temperature during the night. While I was there I was able to bathe without any discomfort save the groundless fear of a shark that no faith in the insurance companies could quite overcome. There is really no danger from these creatures in the regular bathing places, which are too far inland for the dangerous species to visit except at very rare intervals. When one does make his appearance he is quickly espied and caught by means of a hook and line attached to an air-tight barrel. The brute tries to sink the barrel but exhausts himself in his efforts and is soon dispatched.

But this letter has been all too long though I have only given the merest outline of some of the principal things to interest a Northerner. I may conclude by saying that I took my usual bath on the morning before I left and two days later was decked in heavy overcoat upon the ice fields of New York State where the harvest, though very different from the harvests seen the previous week, was being made.

## A Long Cruise.

A letter from Herman Nelson with 'oo tells of his varied experiences since leaving here last September. From here he went to Philadelphia, where he soon shipped as fireman on board a steamer bound for Chili. His story will be most interesting if told in his own words:
"Now, for five months I stood it as best I could, was employed most of the time as coal passer though, and glad of it, for the heat in the fire room is intense and when to this comes that one is not overmuch accustomed to the rolling of the sea and the strange surroundings, one is apt to be thankful for an escape like the one above mentioned, even at the hazard of losing two dollars a month in ready cash.
"You will already have been able to see that after we had made our way around South America and to Chili, we did not go back to the States. No, the cargo of saltpetre which we there got on board had Europe for its final destination, and we reached there after having touched at Montevideo, Uruguay, and St. Vincent, on the west coast of Africa for coal.
"In Antwerpen, Belge., the cargo was unloaded and the crew discharged; some to go to their respective homes, others to start in afresh. Not a few went to New York; but I, being so near my home, could not bring it over my heart again to cross the sea without having seen my home and my mother."
Mr. Nelson is now enjoying a visit to his mother in his old home at 17 Cort Adeler's street, Christiania, Norway.

## At the College.

## Examinations this week.

C. F. Austin is out again

Our Easter vacation begins next Friday at noon.
Hon. T. F. Marston called at the College Tuesday.
R. R. Carr received a visit from his sister last week.
Mrs. W. B. Barrows and Morton Barrows were both ill last week.
Mrs. C. F. Wheeler returned Friday from a two weeks' visit at Carson City.
Hon. C. J. Monroe spent a part of Wednesday and Thursday at the College on business.
Mrs. Woodworth has been confined to her bed again most of the time for over a week.
Saturday afternoon Miss Blunt very delightfully entertained several of the campus girls who are members of her German class.

Mrs. Ella Kedzie expects to leave the last of this week for New York, where she will meet her daughter Pearl, who is to spend her Easter vacation with Mrs. R. S. Baker.
In Wyoming they say that the deportment of a student in physics varies inversely as the square of the distance from the teacher's desk. Prof. Woodworth says the standing of a student varies in the same ratio.
Eugene Price has resigned his position as M. I. A. A director and W. D. Hurd has been elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Price had made a successful director but did not feel that he could give the business the time necessary.

On the evening of March ${ }_{17}$, at their home on Walnut St., Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Butterfield entertained his classmates of ' 9 r and their wives, who are now residing in Lansing and at the College. A most enjoyable time is reported.

One of the Greenville school boys that visited the College recently, stopped just before reaching Abbot Hall, put his hand in his pocket, looked anxious, and then inquired if he "could get through for ten cents." He had seen all other places of interest without charge, but that we should so freely exhibit our young women seemed to him incredible.

## Fate.

I took my books the other day And studied in the Quad, alone; But no professor passed that way, I wasn't called on the next day, That work was never known.
Upon the road beside the brook, Ore little hour we two beguiled; I never looked into a book, But I met each Prof. whose work I took And when I flunked he smiled. -The Sequoia

Life is a journey and a march
However much we talk,
Life is a journey and a march
And most all have to walk. $-E x$.
See now the whole world stand,
And in expectation wait,
While 1899 digests
While 1899 . 1898.
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The United States government has made an appropriation of $\$ 375$, ooo for the erection of a new armory and a boat house for the naval academy at Annapolis.

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News from Graduates and Students.
H. A. Eldridge with ' 98 is teaching at Elmira, Mich.

Bert Cook '93, of Owosso, called on his College friends Friday.
R. S. Campbell ' 94 was in the city Thursday on legislative business.

Fred Champion with'99 received his discharge and returned from the South last week.

Dr. Joseph Foster '9o was last Friday appointed special pension examiner for Lansing.
E. R. Austin with ' 98 is a student in the dental school of Northwestern University, class of 1901 .
W. J. Glasgow with 'oo is head nurse in the convalescent ward of Oakwood Sanitarium, Oakwood, Lake Geneva, IVis.
G. B. Wells with 'oo called at the College Thursday. He is now in school at the Mt. Pleasant Normal, but expects to return to M. A. C. next fall.

The members of Co. C, $35^{\text {th }} \mathrm{M}$. V. I., now located at Camp McKenzie, Ga., presented Sergeant F. H. Williams ' 98 a gold watch one day last week.
R. E. Morrow 'g 8 spent Saturday and Sunday at the College. He has been teaching, but is now about to establish a creamery at Atwood, Antrim county.
In giving the views of Dr. Patten, Pennsylvania, on the U. of M.Pennsylvania debate, the Pennsylvanian says, "Dr. Patten praised especially the oratory of L.A. Wilson, of the Michigan team."
Principal Charles McKenny ' $\mathrm{S}_{1}$, of Mt. Pleasant Normal brought his students on a visit to Lansing and the College last Thursday. All were made welcome and we hope they had a good time.
A. S. Eldredge with ' 99 is superintendent of construction for Hughes Bros. and Bangs on the Buffalo, N. Y. breakwater. He is in full charge of contract work employing 250 men and involving expenditures of $\$ 2,000,000$ per year.
W. B. Smith, who took the special dairy course at M. A. C. in 1897 is in the dairy business at Lake Odessa. He is using up-to-date machinery and attributes his success to the course taken here. He says, "The people buy of me because I understand how to handle milk."

Mr. A. H. Phinney, a banker at Tawas City, Mich., visited the College on Friday. Mr. Phinney graduated from here with the class of '7o. Among his classmates were C. W. Garfield, Geo. A. Farr and Secy. Reynolds. He took an M. S. degree from here in 1873 and shortly after Ph. D. from Cornell University. Mr. Phinney is an enthusiastic supporter of the Women's Department.
G. L. Teller '88, for the past eight years chemist of the Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station, has tendered his resignation of that place for the purpose of taking charge of the chemical work of Chidlow Institute of Milling and Baking Technology, recently founded in Chicago by David Chidlow who has been for some time past chemist to the Pillsbury-W ashbarn Flour Mills Co., Minneapolis. Mr . Teller will move his family-to Chicago and enter upon his new duties early in April.

George A. Hawley ['92 ], the nurseryman, says that he still has a supply of standard nursery stock in fine condition and those desiring stock are requested to examine what he has. The Hawley nursery people have established a reputation that is second to none. Their stock has stood the test both as to quality and name and no better index ought to be needed in contemplating the purchasing of fruit trees. - Hart Fournal.

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