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GRADUATES BID GOOD-BYE TO THE NORMAL

In the Twenty-eighth Annual Commencement Exercises at West Liberty.

WERE ELEVEN IN THE CLASS.

The Meritorious Performances Heard by the Usual Big Crowd. The Day's Proceedings.

The twenty-eighth annual commencement of the West Liberty State Normal School, occurred yesterday morning. There were eleven graduates in the class, and all those rendering commencement day performances acquitted themselves with distinction. The customary big crowd was in evidence, and West Liberty was in holiday attire, so to speak.

Commencement is the one great occasion for the gathering of the countryside. In campaign years the fact is taken into account by the candidates, but Will W. Irwin, the Democratic nominee for sheriff, was the only one of the fraternity on deck yesterday. The exercises were held in Academy hall, beginning at 10 a. m. Before this hour a great crowd was taken and late arrivals had to stand, many of them on the outside. The class filed onto the stage, to the strains of a march by Melster's band, which made new friends in the country by its music.

The graduates sat in semi-circular fashion, and others on the stage included the school faculty and Superintendent J. R. Trotter, Colonel Robert S. Carr, of Charleston, and Hon. Harvey W. Harmer, of Clarksburg, members of the state board of regents. The stage was beautifully decorated with colored strips of bunting and flowers, and below the picture of William Cullen Bryant hung the silver wreath presented by Regent Harmer for the annual contests of the literary societies. The wreath will be retained by the Bryants until the Irvings prove victorious.

The Graduates.

The class was composed of the following:

Charles Henry Ambler, St. Mary's, W. Va.
Ruth Curtis Rice, Wheeling.
Charles Robert Maldoon, Potomac, W. Va.
Grace Allene Bruner, Greengville, W. Va.
Alva Dayne Kenamond, Short Creek, W. Va.
May Etta Buchanan, Valley Grove, W. Va.
Sylvester Shannon Curtis, West Liberty, W. Va.
Mahala Rebecca Jacob, West Liberty, W. Va.
Clementine Mae Pickett, Wheeling.
Thomas Melton Jones, West Alexander, Pa.
James Lester Maldoon, Potomac, W. Va.

Owing to their having taken part in literary contests during the week, Miss Pickett, Mr. Jones and James Lester Maldoon were excused from their commencement orations.

Mr. Ambler was the first speaker, and in choosing "The West Virginia Hills" he made a refreshing departure from the beaten path followed so much in commencement orations. In eloquent figures of speech he glorified his theme, cleverly pointing out the state's most picturesque portions. Aside from the beauties of the West Virginia hills he spoke of the patriotic feelings the sight of these grand summits inspire in the hearts of the West Virginia boys. In one flight he referred to "the peaks of Pocahontas, the upland plains of Hampshire and the mantle-clad hills of the upper Pan Handle."

In "Darkness to Light" Miss Rice had a splendid effort, one that displayed careful preparation and thoughtful research. She described the progress of man from the primitive state to that high stage of civilization now enjoyed. In the earlier ages the elevation of man was noted in the science that distinguished Babylonia, the monuments of Egypt, the civic virtues of Greece and the law-making talents of Rome. Miss Rice's oration was a well-wordsed resume of man's advancement through marked periods of the world's development.

"Culture and Philistinism" was dwelt upon by Mr. Maldoon. The movements stated in his theme, he said, were antagonistic, and both were found in all forms of government and the individual life. Education is a struggle to eliminate Philistinism, the latter being retrogressive, and culture could be promoted only by the fostering care of education.

"The Triumph of Right" was the theme of an oration splendidly delivered by Miss Bruner. She traced the growth of civilization from the earliest period, she effectively using as an illustration the development of plant life from the germ to the blooming flower. She culled striking instances from Roman and Grecian history to show where might had triumphed over right. Thence step by step she sketched the fall of destinies until there blossomed the highest form of government—a republic. The shattering of bulwarks, which honored reason as relating to religious beliefs, was also noted. Miss Bruner paid glowing tributes to the Pilgrim Fathers. Two great triumphs of right she instances were the emancipation of the slave and the throwing open of college doors to womankind.

Mr. Kenamond spoke of "The Citadel of Character—Will." It was a psychological oration. Mr. Kenamond has a good voice and clear enunciation. Character was determined not by knowledge, but doing, he said. Perfection of character was the combination of all that is desirable for the beatitudes of heaven. The speaker compared man's moral nature to a garden, which could be irrigated, cultivated and tended until it bore good fruit. At the close of his effort Mr. Kenamond, with the typical enthusiasm of youth, grew very didactic and gave forth some powerful suggestions.

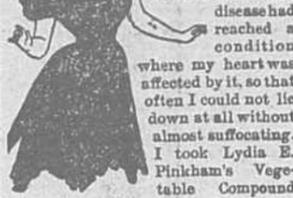
Miss Jacob's performance was an ex-

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say, "The Heritage of Youth," which she was to have given in the essay contest on the previous evening, when she was selected as the Irving's Literary Society's representative. The essay was replete with beautiful word passages, and it showed thoughtful preparation. In the main Miss Jacob glorified the impulses and opportunities of youth. Youth inherited the hope for something better in the future. A glorious heritage is that possessed by the youth of this country.

Pleasing Originality.

Miss Buchanan spoke of "The Forces That Win," and although at the outset her remarks were inaudible, she soon held the closest attention of the audience by the pleasing originality of her composition and her pleasing delivery. A man might have great possibilities, she said, but he had also great responsibilities. She eulogized mental forces, particularly will power, Napoleon and Sir Walter Scott being pictured as brilliant examples. Historical failures were Lord Byron and Robert Burns, said Miss Buchanan, who, although men of great genius, lacked essential qualities. Socrates and Shakespeare in the thought they wrote down furnished meat for the world. There were other heroes in "the suit of the earth," as George Elliot termed the common people, if not such conspicuous examples. These had the will to plan and do noble deeds without flagging.

"The Altruism of American Expansion" was the timely topic chosen by Mr. Curtis, who possessed a good presence and voice. His argument was in support of expansion, and in beautiful and forceful language he upheld the policy of the present administration. In this, as in other countries, there had always been two forces—rationalism and conservatism. The position occupied by the United States seems to have been foreshadowed, said Mr. Curtis. The United States is now face to face with a condition, and expansion must be the result. There were many precedents for territorial extension, said the speaker in a burst of true oratory, as he told of the acquisition of Texas, California and other states, while his references to Washington, Farragut and Dewey were peculiarly fitting. Mr. Curtis said a new growth for the nation awaited the consummation of the present embryonic plans. Duty and destiny summoned the young nation of the free to spread light among the savages. Sentimentality must give way to substantial philanthropy. This is no time to quibble over the policy to be pursued, but it was imperative, argued Mr. Curtis, that America assume the responsibilities thrust upon her. No true American would say that any European nation was more fitted for the task. Mr. Curtis closed with a quotation from "The White Man's Burden," a fitting climax to a masterly oration.

Diplomas Presented.

This was the final number on the programme. After a selection by the orchestra the class was presented by Principal Skinner to Superintendent J. Russell Trotter, who, after a few well-chosen remarks, presented the candidates with their diplomas. The "sheepskins" were neatly tied with bows of orange and black ribbon, the school colors.

Following this ceremony Superintendent Trotter made an address to the audience. It was the fourth time he had had the pleasure of officiating in the diploma presentation. He hoped that in his four-year regime the school had been conducted to the best possible limit. He and the board of regents had tried to have the school of the most efficient character.

Principal Skinner announced the honor graduates to be as follows:

First honors—
Charles Henry Ambler, 93.1-2 %
Alva D. Kenamond, 93.1-3 %
Mary Etta Buchanan, 94.2-3 %

Second honors—
Grace Allene Bruner, 91.1-6 %
Thomas M. Jones, 91.1-4 %

Mr. Ambler was evidently a brilliant student in geometry, having obtained a grade of 99 per cent. in this study.

President J. M. Kersey, of Bethany college, who arrived too late to deliver the invocation, was called on for remarks, and the announcement was enthusiastically received. Dr. Kersey is always heard with pleasure, and his brief address was a happy one, in which he congratulated West Liberty Normal School on its prosperity. He extended an invitation to the audience to attend Bethany College's commencement June 21st.

Regent Harmer declined to speak, "owing to the fact that dinner is about ready."

J. C. Wayman, of Chicago, Ill., a graduate of 1872, declined also for the reason assigned by Mr. Harmer.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. G. U. Baisley, of the West Liberty Methodist Episcopal church.

LITERARY FEATURES

In the Afternoon and Evening Followed West Liberty's Commencement Exercises.

The commencement proper at West Liberty was held in the morning. In the afternoon a literary programme was rendered by the following students: H. L. Peddicord, J. A. Gist and Misses Margaret Hogg, Bessie Kester and Lou Morgan. Melster's orchestra varied the programme with musical numbers, and the most pleasing feature was the pantomime, or school of expression, given by a dozen young ladies, dressed in white, who, by appropriate gestures, exemplified all the human emotions. They were under the able direction of Miss Callie W. Curtis, of the Normal faculty, and the violin accompaniment by Miss Lou Taylor, of Washington, Pa., added to the realistic effect. The week's exercises closed with the alumni entertainment in the evening, which was quite a successful affair.

THE LOVERS TRIUMPHED.

How a Youthful Pair Fooled Officer "Bill" Turner, and Escaped to the Ohio Side and Matrimony.

The late parents of an eloping couple made the welkin ring with their cries last night at the city building and other places in search of the elopers. It seems that the parental objections were not confined to one family, as is generally the case in these affairs. Both wished to prevent the marriage of Charles Gillissa, aged nineteen, and a Miss Hess, aged sweet sixteen. Full details were not obtainable at a late hour, but according to the latest reports the youthful pair are on the Ohio side of the river, united in the bonds of wedlock. And how they gave a Wheeling policeman the slip showed the fine Italian hand of young Gillissa.

Gillissa, who is an Italian by birth, lived with his father in East Wheeling, and was employed at the Wheeling Stamping Company's plant, on the South Side, learning the trade of a machinist. His fellow employes speak of him as a steady and well behaved young man. Of late he became enamored of a Miss Hess, and with the characteristic ardor of his countrymen, he pressed his suit.

His love was returned, for Gillissa is not wanting in personal charms. Both being agreed that their future happiness lay in the same path through life, the next thing was the matrimonial grist mill. Being under age, and knowing that the parental consent would be lacking, the next best way out of it was to cross the placid Ohio to Belmont's county seat, and there they repaired in secret yesterday and secured a marriage license.

The next chapter is the most interesting of all. The absence of the youthful lovers aroused suspicion in two Wheeling homes, which the directory sets down as inhabited by one Hess and also by one Gillissa. Suspicion grew into fears, and the police were invoked to ferret out the pair. It was learned that they were at a hotel in the Second ward, and last night about 8 o'clock Officer William Turner, the colored member of the force, bearded the elopers in their room. Just as he was prepared to escort them to headquarters the shrewd Gillissa flashed on the officer's gaze an official-looking document, saying, "Why, we're married; this is the certificate."

Thereupon Turner retreated and later it dawned upon him that a marriage license had been imposed upon him for a marriage certificate. When he returned to the hotel the birds had flown, for they lost no time in taking a street car for Bridgeport, and it was thought that they succeeded in getting a minister to tie the knot in one of the Ohio towns.

Their trip to the other side of the river took the case out of the hands of the local authorities, whose ears, however, were dinned with a ceaseless song for an hour by the parents of the Italian and his bride. Young Gillissa's mother spoke such good English that it was doubted whether she was an Italian.

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His health began to improve and he now weighs 151 pounds, an increase of 15 pounds over his former weight. This improvement in health and strength is shown to be due to the use of Postum Food Coffee, by the fact that when he stops drinking Postum—as he has done for an experiment—begins to lose flesh and get back into his old condition.

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DIED.

VAAS—On Tuesday, June 12, 1900, at 9:58 a. m., SOPHIA, wife of Charles Vaas, aged 55 years and 4 months.

Funeral from her late residence, No. 1025 Lind street (Belvedere), on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family invited to attend. Interment at Penitentiary cemetery.

GAUS—On Tuesday, June 12, 1900, at 6:10 o'clock a. m., MARY M., youngest child of Al and Margaret Gaus, in her 3rd year.

Funeral from residence of parents, No. 2711 Market street, this (Thursday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Mt. Calvary cemetery.

SENNE—On Tuesday, June 12, 1900, at 9:25 a. m., CAROLINA SENNE, relict of the late Louis A. Senne, aged 62 years and 25 days.

Funeral from her late residence, No. 2511 Jacob street, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Mt. Zion cemetery.

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