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# Announcement of the Annual Commencement

AT THE WEST VIRGINIA COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE



WEDNESDAY, MAY 23.

7.30 P. M. Senior Play.

THURSDAY, MAY 24.

7.30 P. M. Annual Musical.

FRIDAY, MAY 25.

7.30 P. M. Junior Oratorical Contest.

SUNDAY, MAY 27.

9.00 A. M. Sabbath School.

11.00 A. M. Commencement Sermon by Reverend  
R. D. W. Meadows, Huntington,  
West Virginia.

7.30 P. M. Union meeting of Young Women's  
Christian Association and Young  
Men's Christian Association.

MONDAY, MAY 28.

2.30 P. M. Athletic Sports.

7.30 P. M. College Oratorical Contest.

TUESDAY, MAY 29.

Exhibition of the Industrial Depart-  
ments.

10.00 A. M. Business Meeting of the Alumni Asso-  
ciation.

2.30 P. M. Athletic Sports.

7.30 P. M. Alumni Reunion.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30.

10.00 A. M. Commencement Exercises.

Address to Graduates by Honor-  
able John J. Cornwell, Governor of  
West Virginia.

8.00 P. M. President's Reception to Graduates.

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## EDITORIAL

THE seats in the chapel are the cause of quite a little disturbance during services in chapel. The students are a little careless in lifting and lowering their seats, consequently causing quite a bit of noise which is very disquieting to a speaker and may often cause a visitor to think all the students careless; for this is carelessness. Just a little moments forethot would eliminate all this noise. Lower your seat gently, and then sit down, do not fall into your seat, and then our Chapel will be once more in order.

Last month an article appeared

in our paper discussing the Literary Societies of this school; since then a quiet investigation has been made, and the results are not what we hoped. Of course we are optimistic in our views and while the societies are not up to the standard, they are slowly waking to their sense of duty.

There are four societies in this school and from our investigations we find that two of them are showing some real interest, one is luke-warm and the other doing nothing at all. From these results we conclude that the out come is not what should be expected of Literary Societies representing the highest classes in the school.

There is much to be done in this

field. Wake up students and get busy. A valuable opportunity is passing. Grab It.

## No Summer School Here, 1917

On account of the unsettled conditions in the state, and because of the indications of very small attendance, the authorities have decided not to hold a session of the Summer School at the West Virginia Collegiate Institute this year.

True happiness, (if understood) consists alone in doing good.

He that talks much of his happiness, summons grief.

## EDUCATIONAL NOTES

Dr. R. D. Stimson, of Boston, representing the General Education Board of Massachusetts, officially visited the Collegiate Institute, March the sixteenth and seventeenth. Dr. Stimson is the state agricultural agent for the state of Massachusetts, and is traveling in the interest of the General Education Board of that state.

He is making a general survey of the institutions having for their object the education of Negro youth. At the Collegiate Insti-

tute, Dr. Stimson conferred with the president and the instructors of Agriculture. He closely investigated the methods employed in teaching and the school farm. The students were given an address in which Dr. Stimson outlined the Home Project Plan which is being carried out successfully in a part of Massachusetts.

## MR. R. G. THURSTON IS PROMOTED

Mr. R. G. Thurston, of Washington, D. C., Class of 1911, informs us that he has received another appointment by the United States government, through Competitive examinations, and that he has accepted the appointment.

Mr. Thurston received an appointment several months ago with an increase in salary. With this new appointment his salary will be increased from \$900 a year to \$1,056 a year.

A school paper is a great invention,  
The staff gets all the fame;  
The printer gets the money,  
And the editor gets the blame.  
—EXCHANGE.

The greatest happiness comes from the greatest activity.

Without economy none can be rich, and with it few will be poor.

The power to do great things generally arises from willingness to do small things.

Doubt whom you will, but never doubt yourself.

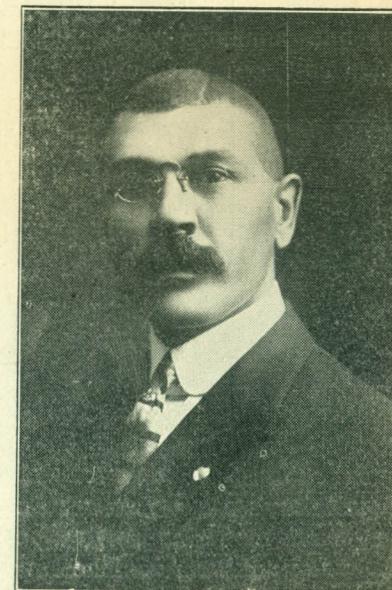
In moderating, not in satisfying desires, lies peace.

Frugality is founded on the principle that all riches have limits.

## THE HIGH SCHOOLS OF W. VA.

SOME very valuable and interesting information has been collected by our President, Byrd Prillerman relative to the various Negro high schools throughout the state. Below we are giving the names of the schools, the principals, the number of teachers and enrollment by years. When we stop and look back over the past years we cannot help feel that we deserve a pat on the back for the progress we have made. Gradually we are awakening to the necessity of more than a grammar school education, and thruout the state, we are putting forth our united efforts to secure a high school where the conditions warrant it. It now rests with the parents and the boys and girls whether or not we continue this forward movement. The Boards of Education have shown, by their liberal appropriations, their willingness to deal fairly and squarely with this issue. This spirit reflected in the splendid

equipment most of the schools have. All the various courses are being given and night school is also a feature of the rapid progress made. Home Economics and Manual Training are receiving liberal



PROF. J. R. JEFFERSON  
Principal of Sumner High School  
Parkersburg, West Va.

support and the equipments in these departments compare favorably with other schools in this and neighboring states.

Lincoln High School, of Wheeling, has probably the best equipt shop of any of the Negro schools. A complete equipment of machines having been installed a few years ago, and also the efficient plan of individual tools as well as a general tool closet.

Again, it is gratifying to note that the various high schools are all well represented in our College Department. With the graduation of twenty-six from the high schools the prospects for a substantial growth of our College Department are bright. It is not likely that the majority of these students will fail to grasp the excellent opportunities afforded them here.

| SCHOOLS                      | PRINCIPALS        | LOCATION         | Teachers | 4 th. year | Total |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------|------------|-------|
| Garnett .....                | J. F. J. Clark .. | Charleston ..... | 8        | 9          | 9     |
| Douglass .....               | J. W. Scott.....  | Huntington ..... | 6        | 5          | 5     |
| Sumner .....                 | J. R. Jefferson   | Parkersburg...   | 4        | 7          | 7     |
| Lincoln .....                | J. H. Rainbow     | Wheeling.....    | 5        | .....      | ..... |
| Water Street ...             | L. R. Jordan...   | Clarksburg ..... | 4        | 5          | 5     |
| Brown's Creek District ..... | N. Wiley.....     | Kimball .....    | 3        | .....      | ..... |
| Elk Ridge.....               | J. W. Robinson    | Algoma .....     | 1        | .....      | ..... |
| Dunbar .....                 | W. Armstrong      | Fairmont .....   | 1        | .....      | ..... |
| Beechurst.....               | R. C. Clarkson..  | Morgantown...    | 1        | .....      | ..... |
| Hilltop .....                | Thos. Jefferson   | Hilltop.....     | 1        | .....      | ..... |
| Totals - - - -               |                   |                  | 34       | 26         | 26    |

He who is not prepared to-day will be less to-morrow.

**BOYS AND THE FUTURE**

We wonder what the thousands of high school boys who will finish their schooling in the two or three

months are thinking of doing. Much of their future depends on the mental attitude they hold when first they seek a position.

Two lines of employment are open to inexperienced youngsters. There are jobs in which they may wear nice clothes, keep their hands clean, and have abundant time and energy left of evening for social

enjoyment. But alas! these jobs bring very small wages and little hope of promotion or growth in usefulness. Many who take them wake up ten years later to find themselves stuck in the dull routine of a light service that barely makes them a living.

Other lines of work mean doing unpleasant, things exerting muscles, soiling the hands and clothes, and going home at night tired out. But they pay big wages.

Whatever the high school boys may desire in employment, we beg them to be willing to start in at the bottom, and to be faithful over the things that are disagreeable in all employments. That is their only hope for substantial advancement.

The youth who goes on his first job for any service, and keen to work harder than anybody around him, is always a sure winner.--*Gallopolis Tribune.*

**THE EDUCATION OF OUR WOMEN IMPERATIVE**

"In women God endowed with power  
To rise on higher wings  
But lift the race with one accord  
To better nobler things."

WE see every day that woman is striving for equality with man in the world of science, art, and literature, and commerce. In the gospel we have the story of the foolish man who built his house upon the sand, and it fell and great was its fall. Against this we have the wise man who built his house upon a rock and it fell not.

Herein is our lesson: in order to make our race worthy of being called a race, we must begin with a solid foundation, and the foundation of any race lies in the quality of its womanhood. The testimony of the world's greatest and

best men is: "All that I am I owe to my mother." So by and thru mother, or by and thru woman must the foundation of any race be laid.

In woman educated physically, intellectually, and morally the hope of our race lies.

Women need to be educated physically because like begets like, and in order that we may be a healthy race, we need healthy women. It is true said, "A sound mind requires a healthy body to maintain it." How necessary it is then that we should keep the laws of health so that our bodies may grow healthy and thus aid in the development of the mind.

Women must be educated intellectually because no one can be a good citizen without intellectual education. No member of our race can hope to stand besides

members of other races without intellectual development. In short, we must be educated as well as, or better than other races. The greater part of the early life of the child is spent around its mother; see then, the necessity for having an educated mother?

Can a race of ignorant women produce a Harriet Beecher Stowe? a Frances Willard? a Julia Ward Howe?

Lastly, we must have women of good strong moral characters. It is true that we have a number of such women, but they are in minority. We need more of them—women who will stand for the right, and if needs be, die for the right. The Y. W. C. A. officers the kind of training that produces such women as I have mentioned. Let us, race women, rally around this able association and

"Help it to reach its destined heights;  
Its more exalted power."

—Bessie Foster '17.

## EASTER SERVICES

A very excellent Easter program was given in the chapel Easter Sunday. Reverend C. B. Graham, of Charleston, W. Va., preached a very good sermon. The program was well arranged and of a very high order. The music was furnished by the Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. C. E. Mitchell. The program was as follows:

Hymn....."Jerusalem the Golden"  
Prayer and Response.... Tersanctus

"When I survey the cross".....  
By Choir

"Father, forgive them"...By Choir

"Tis midnight"—Solo.....  
James Phillips

"Why hast Thou forsaken me?".....  
Choir

"To-day Thou shalt be with me"...  
Choir

"As it began to Dawn"—Solo.....  
Vada Terry

"Christ is Risen".....Choir

"Lift up your heads".....Choir

Easter Sermon.....  
Rev. C. B. Graham, Charleston,  
Wes. Va.

"Hallelujah Chorus".....Choir

Doxology.....  
Benediction

Recessional.....

"O Mother Dear Jerusalem"

## AN EASTER SURPRISE

Sunday morning April 8, the entire student body and visitors were given a delightful surprise. It was generally known that there would be Easter services at eleven o'clock, but it was a secret to many that there would be a program before that.

Class number 9, composed of young people, under the direction of Misses Spencer and Greene, rendered a very excellent program,

bearing on Easter. The recitations and music showed thoro preparation and drill. The young people are to be highly complimented for their efforts. This program was certainly a rare treat and was enjoyed by all. Governed by the maxim: "Turn about is fair play," Misses Spenser and Green had a surprise for their class. Colored Easter eggs were distributed among the class. Each egg bore the name of some member of the class. Too much cannot be said about this program. Misses Spenser and Green cannot be too highly complimented on their results.

## "THE QUEEN OF SHEBA"

On April 13, members of the Bible class of this institution will present the Queen of Sheba. It is thot that in this way new interest may be created in Bible study. The play depicts Bible history and is very interesting from start to finish. The scene will be the same as the real scenes of Jerusalem at the time of King Solomon.

This play will be given under the supervision and direction of Misses Coleman and Campbell.

## WASHINGTON MEMORIAL SERVICES

On April 7 the members of the Sophomore class held memorial

services in honor of Booker T. Washington. The program was so arranged as to give a complete synopsis of this great Negro Educator. The program was given under the supervision of Professor S. H. Guss and was in charge of Mr. Christopher Scott. The program was very interesting, and some very good information was obtained from the various speakers.

## GIVE UP POTATOES FOR OTHER FOODS

Potatoes are not now the "poor man's food," says R. W. Thacher, chief of the division of agricultural biochemistry, University Farm. Potatoes contain, on the average, 78 per cent of water and 22 per cent of actual food material. A bushel of potatoes, therefore, contains only a little over 13 pounds of actual food substance. At the present retail price of potatoes, \$3.20 a bushel, each pound of food which they contain costs over 24 cents.

A pound of rice which contains 88 per cent of food and 12 per cent of water costs 8 1-3 cents, so that one pound of food almost exactly like that in potatoes can be bought as rice for a little less than 10 cents.

A ten cent loaf of bread contains about 12 ounces of food and 6 ounces of water; hence a pound of food as bread, which is a much better balanced food than either rice

or potatoes, can be bought for 12 1-2 cents. Wheat flour furnishes a pound of food at a cost of 6 cents.

At present prices, potatoes are four times as costly as wheat flour, twice as expensive as baker's bread, and two and a half times as expensive as rice, the food which most closely resembles them in the character of food furnished. People can well afford to stop eating potatoes altogether until the price falls to less than half what it is at present.

#### AN OPEN LETTER TO THE CLASS OF 1917

**C**LASSMATES: Now that we are about to finish our four years' course, I wonder how many of us can conscientiously say, "I have done my best" or that, "I have taken advantage of every opportunity that presented itself to me."

I wonder how many of us have been engaged in Bible study, how many when called upon to take charge of some religious service will have to say, "I have not prepared myself."

To my mind there are future doctors, preachers, lawyers, and trained nurses in old '17, and if I could but leave only one that, it would be: Do not forget God.

How many of us are going to do

our best in the interest of the school we love so well, to influence high school graduates to attend the school where they can get, 1st., Religious training; 2d., Higher Education; 3d., Vocational training, and other training in principles that promote manhood and womanhood, and that will help solve the problems of life, which sooner or later, become necessary for each of us to solve.

Let me invoke you to consider the years spent at dear old Institute, as years of preparation, and blended with the memories of these years, let no regrets be found.

—W. H. D. '17.

The road to knowledge is Analysis; the road to Wealth is Thrift.

#### EXCHANGES

The following exchanges have been received and may be found on the exchange table:

The Parthenon, Marshall College, Huntington, W. Va., The Tuskegee Student, Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., Howard University Journal, Howard University, Washington, D. C., Morgan College Bulletin, Morgan College, Baltimore, Md., The Aurora, Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tenn.

Food for that from the Howard Journal:

"To avoid mischief—keep busy."

"A wise man never boasts of his wisdom."

"A true friend never wishes you to become a victim of misfortune."

"Marry when you feel that the world has had enough of your singled-handed service."

From the Parthenon we learn that Villa is within seven miles of Charleston. The people of that community have not become alarmed however, because they have been aware of it for some time. Don't get anxious. "Villa" is only the name chosen for a post-office located in that community of about 800 inhabitants.

The Storer Record contains quite an interesting article: "Is Storer Worth While?" Much information about Storer and its graduates can be learned from this article.

#### ORGANIZATIONS

On Sunday afternoon, April 1, the Young Women's Christian Association held its annual installation services.

The officers were installed by Miss Mary Eubank. The music was rendered by the Cleff Club. Miss Eubank gave one of her interesting talks while installing the officers, and asked a general question which set nearly every one to thinking: "What do you

think about the Young Women's and the Young Men's Christian Association?"

The report of the retiring president reflected much credit on the Young women's Christian Association and gives the new officers a standard to reach and surpass.

Miss Florence Edwards was installed as president, with Miss Amaza Harris as vice president. Misses Estella Arthur and Katharine Booker will keep the records of the progress of the association for the coming year.

Miss Grace Harris will be the new treasurer.

The Young Men's and the Young Women's Christian associations are planning to send delegates to the conference this year to be held at Atlanta, Georgia.

Much benefit has been derived from the reports brought back by the preceding delegates, and it is hoped that everybody will help these associations to send delegates to this year's conference.

The Cleff Club composed of students of this institution, sang for the William's Jubilee Singers.

One of the selections rendered was an original song by Mr. Lawrence Prillerman. The Club was complimented very highly by the Singers.

Mr. George L. Johnson addressed the Y. M. C. A. at its regular meeting Sunday morning, April 1.

His talk was very interesting and enjoyed by all present. Mr. Johnson is tenor soloist for the Wil-

liams Jubilee Singers.

On Sunday morning, April 8, the Y. M. C. A. installed its new cabinet for the ensuing year. Professor W. W. Jackson, delivered a masterful address to the members and officers. Mr. Randolph Porter will be the president for the coming year.

### CLASS DEBATE

The Academic and English division of the Sophomore classes will debate a question which is being discussed thruout the schools of the county: Resolved, that the honor system should prevail in all schools.

Much interest is being shown by these classes, and each class is confident of a victory. During the year these classes have been practically trained in argumentation in debate, and have developed some very good speakers. The English division will debate the negative side while the Academic students will defend the affirmative.

### HUMOR AND WIT

Miss I. B.—Say, Maza. What is a mother-in-law?

Miss A. H.—A new name for war.

Nat Howard to Gustus Jackson—Say Guss, if you had an arrow and wanted a bow, where would

you borrow one?

Guss, always on the alert—I would get Irene's Bowe.

Houston J.—How do you tie a bow tie, Jeff?

Harry J.—Well, chief you hold the tie in your left hand and your collar in the other. Slip your neck in the collar, and cross the left-hand end of the tie over the right with the left hand, steadying the right end with the other hand. Then drop both hands, catching the left with the right and the other with the other. Reverse hands, and pick up the loose ends with the nearest hand. Pull this end then the loop with your unengaged hand and squeeze. You will find the knot all tied and all you have to do is untangle the hands.

Mr. H. M. J. in a fit of anger gave a few (cursory) remarks about the world in general.

Miss Terry in charge of an algebra class—Some one please work that problem for me, I might work it in French or German.

Stand-by Pete—You fellows are all the time combing your heads, why don't you be like me, I don't waste a third of my time on mine.

Madison White, observing that the hand of Time hath plucked the thatch of youth from Pete's dome of thot—No, Pete old man,

but you have a lot of face to wash. ward's train of thot.

Absent-mindedness is caused by too deep study. All wise men are absent-minded. Willie H. was so preoccupied gazing at Miss B. E. the other day at dinner that he shoved a fork of potatoes into his ear.

Scripture reader in Chapel—Mark 8:20(Ate Twenty).

Steve—Mark must have been some hungry.

Harris—Say Wicks, why do you knead bread?

Wicks—I don't. The students need it.

Childs remarks that the "shavings" we get for breakfast, are better than the "board" we got last year.

Wanted information — Willis Lewis—Where is the Institute Monthly printed?

A. Reed—In the blacksmith shop.

We can no longer doubt that the prettiest children turn out to be far from handsome as they grow older. J. C. Taylor says he was the prettiest baby in the whole community.

True Sayings—A Handy Girl—Miss Bessie Handy.

A great wreck—Robert Ed-

Quite true—Wilson, what are you going to be when you finish school? asked a teacher.

Bald-headed if my hair keeps falling out, answered Wilson.

Payne and Sweat, a queer combination. In ordinary life we suffer them to get money, at Institute we get money to go to them for Red Birds, potatoe pies, and other unnecessary things.

Wanted information. Miss Irene Bowe wants to know what a mother-in-law means. A reward is offered for the best answer.

Harry J.—Who hit Bartlett on his head?

Richard J.—I don't know, why?

Harry J.—He certainly was hit hard, he couldn't stop a pig in a five-foot alley.

The Irish and French, they couldn't agree, And you'll say no wonder That pony ridden by P. McG. Let her fall like thunder.

G. W.—Why Lucille, I would not let a woman kiss me.

L. W.—Solemnly—If it weren't for women I never would get a kiss.

Wanted—A fellow. Apply to Miss Willy R.

Hardy must be in the chorus on

his reputation. Ruffin J. says he can't sing.

Guess who is jealous? P. H. Then guess why. A. C. was caught flirting when P. H. was around.

Miss A. A. H's favorite song now-a-days is: "I ain't got nobody." The girls think she sings this because she is now a grass-widow since Mr. O. W. left.

## ATHLETICS

The teams representing the various classes during the inter-class basket-ball contest, showed such exceptional form that I have picked an all-star team from the classes. Each class was scheduled to play twelve games, but due to some misunderstanding two of the teams did not play the required number of games. In the two teams I have selected, I did not consider the men on the teams who played only part of the games thru the series.

### First All-Star Basket-Ball Team

|               |         |           |
|---------------|---------|-----------|
| C. Hardy...   | Forward | Junior    |
| L. Gilmore... | Forward | Junior    |
| D. Smith...   | Center  | Junior    |
| B. Goode...   | Guard   | Freshman  |
| J. Harris...  | Guard   | Sophomore |

### Second All-Star Basket-Ball Team

|           |         |          |
|-----------|---------|----------|
| Cheese... | Forward | Freshman |
| Peters... | Forward | Senior   |

|            |        |           |
|------------|--------|-----------|
| Chiles...  | Center | Senior    |
| Hundley... | Guard  | Sophomore |
| Morgan...  | Guard  | Junior    |

Quite a few stars were developed in the last few games, and many were found in the line-up of the weaker teams.

Clyde Hardy and Levi Gilmore are in a class to themselves as forwards. No other players of the series stand out so prominently as these two. They were consistent in their playing and dangerous from every angle caging them at the most opportune time.

D. Smith is undoubtedly the choice of all for center. He was the manstay of his team in scoring points. Big and husky, but fast and almost graceful, Smith was every where. Smith scored over one-third of the total points scored by his team.

J. Harris played a sensational game from start to finish. His free goals thrown are far above par with other men, and the facility with which he threw field goals was wonderful.

B. Goode of the Freshies deserves his position for consistent playing, his long field goal, and his ability to out play his opponent.

Harry Dixie was elected captain of the 1917 base ball team. Dixie has been on the varsity for three seasons, and is a veteran; no better man could have been found for this position.

With the arrival of spring, came

the call of Captain Dixie for all candidates for the varsity nine. About thirty men answered this call and a day later two teams were selected and scheduled to meet each other that afternoon. Many of the students were out to see the first work-out, and while the men were a little stiff and out of form some very brilliant work was seen. As the game progressed other men were sent in and everybody got a chance to show what he could do. Captain Dixie feels confident that a first class team can be developed from the candidates. Quite a number of last year's men were graduated, but, the seasoned players, Hughes, Crawford, Woodley, Cheese, Hodge remain as the nucleus for this season's team. Carpenter, a new backstop, Spriggs, a promising sack man Howard, a second sacker of promise, and Hundley are among the most likely of the new men.

The schedule is not fully arranged, but some very close contests are expected, and captain Dixie promises us a new record. The following game are scheduled: Wilberforce University at Wilberforce, May 9 and 10; Columbus Y. M. C. A. at Columbus, May 11 and 12; K. N. I. I. at Institute, two games; Huntington Y. M. C. A. at Institute, two games.

When a person speaks of something being "swamped" they usually mean overwhelmed or sunk. When "white wash" is

used, they usually get the idea that some one has given something a nice white coat of calamine, or that a goose egg was handed out. Now for our story. We can safely use all of the above terms when we speak of the way the Juniors won the inter-class basket ball contest. They certainly swamped their opponents, and came out of the fray with an unblemished record. Twelve straights and not a defeat is their record.

With the warm days, even the followers of tennis have had their days in which to place the courts in shape and play a few games. This year a class tennis tournament is to be staged, and members of these teams are beginning to settle themselves to the mastery of swift and deadly strokes. It is expected that many interesting games will be seen on the courts during this tournament. The interest of the student body is running high and favorite teams are being picked as winners. Of course the usual "hot air betters" are floating "imaginary money" on their choice teams.

Several new courts are being made on the campus, and many new stars are beginning to glitter.

A bet:—Who will break the most rackets this year, Morgan or Walker?

Don't carry your wish bone where your back bone ought to be.

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**LOCALS AND PERSONALS**

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Miss Viola B. Cousins, is the latest addition to the student roster.

Miss Cousins comes from Hot Springs, Va., where she had been teaching.

President Prillerman received an invitation to address the Alumni Association of Knoxville College, June 5. This is President Prillerman's Alma Mater. He is a member of the class of 1889, and his honor is one accorded to her favorite Sons.

Mr. A. Merral Willis of New York, and a graduate of Lincoln University visited at Institute recently. Mr. Willis is taking post graduate work in the City College of New York.

Arrangements have been completed to send a sextette to the State Sunday School Association, which meets at Parkersburg, May 8, 9, and 10. This sextette is under the direct supervision of Mrs. C. E. Mitchell, supervisor of music, and is preparing some new selections for this occasion. The sextette is sent in compliance to the personal request of Mr. Snow, the Secretary of the State Sunday School Association.

Ex-senator Keimes, of Elkins, W. Va., a recent appointee, by Ex-Governor Hatfield, of the State Board of Regents was a March-end visitor at Institute. Senator Keimes thoroly inspected the school and seemed to be well pleased with

its growth. We were very sorry that time did not permit Senator Keimes to address at length the student body. However, we hope he will come again soon, when he has more time.

The students and villagers were given an interesting talk by Reverend Stratton, of St. Albans, W. Va. Reverend Stratton addressed the students last fall and at that time won the love and esteem of all who heard him. His practical talks are always appreciated by the students. On his last visit Reverend Stratton talked on "Education, what are you going to do with it?" In his interesting way he pictured to us the educated man who is too proud to get down and help the man who has not had the same advantages and opportunities, so he gradually loses himself in his own feeling of self-importance and does nothing but stand around and look important. Contrasted against this was the man or woman who having acquired an education, works with the masses, and helps lift the community in which he resides to a higher plane of usefulness. This he says is knowing what to do with an education. Many beneficial lessons were to be gained from Reverend Stratton's talk.

We are always glad to have him with us.

Quite a number of old students and graduates visited Institute to hear the Williams' Singers.