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#### THE HANEN

Gives a Sacred Concert for the Sunday Evening Club, March 15, 1908.

The Hanen Club, an orginazation composed of teachers, made its debut, on the night of the above date as a public entertainer. A glance at the program will attest that as to quantity and quality there was judgment shown in selection. The many words of praise that have poured in upon the club members, give a mild suggestion that the rendition of the numbers was not without merit.

The drawing features of the program were greatly enhanced by the addition of Miss Nina Clinton and Mdme. R. L. Jones, of Charleston.

The hall was well filled by an attentive and appreciative audience, when the exercises were begun. The participants felt that the audience was in full sympathy with their efforts and each performer seemed to respond accord-

The abilities of Mdme Jones and Miss Clinton are well known in their respec tive spheres, but at no time among the many the writer has heard these ladies, they registered greater success than on this occasion.

The appearance of Mdme E. Jones as a violin soloist was deserving of creditable mention. She was fortunate in selection of two such numbers, whose sad sweet harmonies were able to touch the hearts of the listeners, even though they were unable to reason why.

The address of the Club president, A. W. Curtis, on "Heredity" upheld the high order of the rest of the program. Besides being thoughtfully prepared, it was presented in a very forcible manner.

The vocal numbers of the program were tunefully rendered. Following is the program in full:-

"Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep" Misses Lula James, Carrie Fairfax Mess'rs Alexander Gregory, Wirt Jones

Invocation

nartette, "Koschat' Missess Lurania Lee, Carrie Fairfax Mess'rs C. P. Jones, S. H. Guss

Scripture Lesson, President J. McHenry Jones

Vocal Solo, Ora , Miss Nina Clinton "Ora Pro Nobis"

Md'me R. L. Jones

Violin (a."S'lect'ns from Martha" Flotow Solo, (b. "Pilgrim's Chorus" Wagner Md'me E. M. Jones

Quartette, "Sleep, My Little One, Sleep Misses Lurania Lee, Carrie Fairfax Mess'rs C. E. Jones, W. H. Lowry

Address, Austin W. Curtis Miss Lurania Lee Mess'rs C. E. Jones, S. H. Guss

Benediction

## What Piety Is

In the course of a discussion on hygiene in one of the local medical societies a speaker, in illustrating his remarks,



C. C. POINDEXTER, B. S. (AGR.) W. V. C. I., '96, '99. O. S. U., '03. ST. PAUL SCHOOL, LAURENCEVILLE, VIRGINIA.

SSISTANT teacher and librarian, W. V. C. I., 1897-99; stenographer to Professor W. A. Kellerman, Ph. D., O. S. U. 1900-03; private secretary to Professor Thomas F. Hunt, M. S., D. Agr., D. Sc. Cornell University, 1903-04, 1905-07, in preparation of "The Cereals in America", "The Forage and Fiber Crops in America", and "How to Choose a Farm", text-books for American colleges of agriculture; Director Department of Agriculture, Institute, for Colored Youth, 1904-05; expert demonstrators in Animal Husbaudry, United States Department of Agriculture, Louisiana Purchase Exposition, 1904; post graduate student, Cornell University, 1905-07; Director in charge of Agriculture for The American Church Institute for Negroes since July 1907. Charter member on Committee of organization of American Federation of Agricultural Students, Chicago, 1901; member of The National Education Association; American Academy of Political and Social Science; The National Association of Auduton Societies; American Nature-Study Society; American Breeders' Association; Niagara Movement. Member of governing board of Colored Orphans' Home, 'Huntington, W. Var Lecturer on rural sociology and agricultural economics; contributer to agricultural literature. Married.

#### WHERE LEE SUR-RENDERED

A Place of Historic Memory

Appointtox is a name that recalls mattox towns in 1855, and there are two in 1908. It was at Appomattox station on the railroad between Petersburg and Lynchburg that Sheridan's cayalry captured the supply train which stood between Lee's armp and starvation, snd it was at Appomattox Court House, about three miles north. that Lee surrendered. The Appomattox Court House of today occupies nearly the site of Appointatox station and the old town of Appointtox Court House is a ruined village with half a dozen collapsed houses and about the same number of inhabitants. The square in which the old courthouse stood is cov 'Many a man thinks he is pious when ered with heaps of broken blick and

trees. The old courthouse with the county records was burned about fifteen years ago, and the new courthouse was

THE MCLEAN HOUSE IN RUINS.

built on the line of the railroad.

The McMean house, in which the terms of surrender were agreed on and signed, was torn down in 1892 for removal to and reconstruction at the "hicago World's fair, the idea was carried no further than the demolition of the house. The garden of the McLean place now is cumbered with the bricks and timber of the

The visitor to Appointtox has diffiowner of the McLean house, or the "Surneighborhood. Some of the graybeards rich woman up North."

The place occupied by Lee's tent when ashes, and is overgrown with scraggy I (Continued on Fourth Page, First Column) beeless tears. - Hopkins (Kan.) Journal.

#### A LETTER

From James A. Booker

Mound Bayou, Miss., March 28, 1908. DEAR PRESIDENT JONES:-Knowing as I do the intense interest the W. Va. Colored Institute has in all its graduates and their work, I feel it my duty to let you hear from me and something of my work here in the South land.

Last January I received my appointment fron the U. S. Department of Agriculture to come here as special agent to conduct in this vicinity what is known as the Farmers' Cooperative Demonstration work which is really a practical School for the farmer.

The object of the Cooperative Demonstration work is to place practical object lessons illustrating the best methods of producing standard farm crops before the masses on the farm and secure their active participation in such demonstrations; thus showing that the average farmer can do better work. Incidentally the work is designed to show that there is no necessity, for the widespread deterioration of the farms and the general poverty of the masses on the farms

The farmer is requested to set aside about two or three acres of his in-1 to be planted in cotton and corn, and he is to work this "Strictly" in accordance with the instructions received from the Department or its special Agent.

We make no attempt to burden the farmer with technical terms in Agriculture but have him to carry out simple and practical instructious.

Mourd Bayou with its population of more than 600 is surrounded by a large number of farmers, the majority of whom own their property, I have 40 or more special demonstration farms each of which I must visit regularly. Aside from these I have more than 100 other farmers who live near these stations and meet me to get the instruction. The farmers seem very anxious to carry out the plans of the work believing that they will be benefitted thereby,

Being an alumnus of the W. V. C. I. I am especially interested in the work of the Agricultural department as well as the other departments, and hope that the students of the Institution will fully realize that the Agricultural department is second to none of all the departments of the school, also that the field for trained Agriculturists is large and the demand is far greater than the supply. Wishing for the continued success of my Alma Mater.

> I remain yours respectfully, James A. Booker, Class, '03.

#### A Little Proze Poem

Kind friends, have you heard of the town of No-Good, on the banks of the river Slow, where the Some-time-or-other scents the air and the soft Go-easies grow? . It lies in the valley of What-the use, in the province of Let-her-slide; culty in learning the name of the present it's the home of the reckless I-don'tcare, where the Give-it-ups abide. The render house," as it is called in that the town is as old as the human race, and it grows with the flight of years; it say that the place is owned by some is wrapped in the fog of the idler's dreams; it's streets are paved with dis-carded schemes and are sprinkled with

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April first and from the letters received at this office, a good attendance will be present. If you come to get all you possibly can out of the course you are doubly welcome but if you do not come in the spirit of progress, you are better

In order that this Institution may offer better safe-guards for the health of its pupils, arrangements have been made to secure next year a resident physician. This physician will reside on the school grounds and be at the call of those who need medical service at any hour of the day or night.

"he coming of a physician will fill a long-felt want and will bring nearer the day when we shall have a hospital and nurse training department.

The demands of the age will force the gradual development of the West Virgina Colored Institute and we must run forward to meet these demands with faith in God and right living upon the part of those connected with it, the day will surely come when the Institute will reach the mark aimed at by its sanguine teachers and graduates. Let us pray that we may live to see it.

UP TO THIS WRITING WE HAVE rec eived but a single photo from the class of 1896. Blame yourselves if your faces donot appear in our gallery of celebrites. We cordially invite each member of the class of 1897 to send us a photograph promising to have cuts made free of charge and give these former students credit for the work done since graduation. We are not afraid to let the public know who you are, where you are and what you have been doing.

We hope none of our graduates will let false modesty hinder them from hanging in our picture gallery. This paper is printed primarly for a class and is for the most part read only by those who are interested in the school and its success. It is not out of place to lend your name and the weight of your influence in the world, to encourage those who may be contemplating attendance at your Alma Mater.

WE have been interrogated time and again concerning the bearing of the act passed at the special session of the Legislature, giving value to the diplomas of graduates of this Institution. The law is not retroctive and will not reach those who graduated in the years previous to its passage, nor will it apply to future graduates unless a special training course is established by the Regents.

It is our hope and the desire of the ion. The revolt against this tyrannical

State Superintendant to have a training eacher elected at the June meeting of the board of Regents, and to begin teaching methods next year.

This course will be open to all graduates of the school as well as to other graduates from similar institutions. An additional year in the school of practice fill be neccessary to get the Normal liploma and a five years first grade certificate.

We advise our graduates who do not hold first grade certificates, to take advantage of this opportunity, A first grade certificate is a nice thing to keep in our trunk if only to look at occasionally.

The cost of nine mouths attendnce at this institution, can be paid for with one year's difference between the salary you receive, on the certificate you are now holding, and a first grade certi-

THE PEOPLE OF THE DISTRICT OF COlumbia have at last succeeded in having a bill introduced in Congress which if passed will appropriate one hundred thousand dollars from the unclaimed. funds belonging to Negro soldiers of the Civil war, to establish an industrial school in or near Washington.

THE MONTHLY would endorse this cheme did it not think of a better one. In the first place, Washington City has already an excellent school within the city limits and open to all who wish to pursue an industrial course and therefore another school of the same kind is unnecessary. The claims of the states are more pressing than the capital city and if a school of that kind is to be built and supported by government approprations, it should not be built in the District of Columbia.

We are very much in need of more and better industrial education, but we are also in need of other kinds of training if we would develop the full measure of Negro manhood.

If the doors of West Point are to continue closed to our youth with military ardor, then the U.S. government ought to build a school where our young men can receive such training as will fit them for service in the army.

As long as we have a Negro soldier and the future will see these regiments increased rather than diminished; it is the luty of the government to prepare officers from the Negroes to command them.

It would therefore be more fitting to pend the money belonging to men who gave their lives for the country in the erection of a school where young men could be educated for the army. We have advocated this principle for many years and believe a school on the banks of the Kanawha in conjunction with this institution would be the most happy solution of all the perplexing schemes to spend the thousands left as a legacy, by the Negro soldiers of the Civil war. By all means let the money e spent for education but for the kind of education which will best exemplify the lives led by the men who really gave it.

#### OUR WARS BEGIN IN APRIL

The Rineteenth Day of the Month of Showers is a Day of Blood.

A little old wooden church, in Concord, Massachusetts which has stood for two centuries, is associated inseparably with the nineteenth day of April, the day on which American wars break out.

On the 19th of April, 1869, the militia of Concord were turned out at 1 o'clock in the morning, paraded on the green in front of the church, and after prayer by the pastor started for Boston to help put down Sir Edmund Andros's rebell- May 8, 1846, the first blow was struck.

royal governor succeeded, and he was the summer of 1812, following almost imsent to England in irons.

Eighty-six years elasped, to a day and an hour, and the Concord militia were turned out at 1 o'clock in the morning of April 19, 1775. They paraded on the green in front of the same church, and after prayer by the pastor started down the road to fight the battles of Concord

Eighty-six years again elapsed, to day and to an hour, and on April. 19, 1861, the militia of Concord were turned out at one o'clock in the morning on the church green, and after prayer by the the pastor, started by special train to obey resident Lincoln's call for 75,000 volun-

It is an article of faith in Concord that every eighty-six years a war must summon their militia company to the field. It is now thirty seven instead of eighty six years since our last war began, but the day and hour were the same. was at 1 o'clock in the morning that Congress passed the war resolution.

Aside from the eights-six year coincid nce April is a sanguinary month in our history, a month for beginning war and ending war. It has been a month for pulling off big battles long delayed. Grant waited for April and Appomatox. While he was busy sewing up Lee around Richmond he was assisting fate by waiting for April and better roads for perations inside the sack.

Daniel Boone, in the Kentucky wilds let his defenses go until the first of April braving consequent danger. Then he ouilt his little fort at Boonesborough, near the banks of the Kentucky river.

When the Romans felt like fighting in anuary or February they gritted their teeth and waited until April. It was petter for them to chafe with impatience than to be buffeted by storms at sea and risk unnecessary privations on land.

The fighting blood of the Egyptian used to rise in winter, but fodder for his nimal was not abundant at that time. Food for man and beast came with the gentle breath of April.

April days have changed the map of the West Indies before now. The British drove the French from the island of St. Lucia, April 2, 1794, and it was ceded to Great Britan on the same day.

Austrians, under Archduke Charles, knocked the tar out of the French, under Joubert, at Rothmeil, Germany, April 5, 1799. On the same day a year later the British Admiral. Duckworth, captured Goeree and then took two Spanish frigates and eleven Spanish merchantmen in tow just as asily as a lot of Hudson River scows, obtaining £75.000 as his share of the

The seige of Chalus, France, was be gun April 6, 1190. The same day, 1453 Mohammed II. besieged Constantinople, which terminated in the overthrow of the Eastern Christian Empire.

Sebastopool was stormed by the Eng ish and French batteries April 10, 1855. Oliver Cromwell defeated the King troops at Islip Bridge April 24, 1645.

The sun of Napoleon might not have risen so soon after Apr. 11, 1796, had not fortune favored the dauntless Rampon, who defended himself against odds at Montenotte with desperate courage when attacked by the Austrians under Gen. Beaulieu. It gave Bonaparte time to come up, snatch a victory and capture 2,000 prisoners.

So the story of April runs for warriors applying with peculiar emphasis to the United States. Nearly all American wars were begun in April. The exceptions are the Mexican war and that of 1812. Mexico indeed does not disprove the rule as the armies were moving for each other in the latter part of April, and were sparring for position by May 1.

While hostilities did not begin until now if they can't see it."

mediately upon President Madison's declaration of war, the defi of England was eally hurled in April, when the President laid an embargo on British com-

Paul Revere rode from Lexington to Concord, April 18, 1775, with the red coats behind him, and the next day thirty-seven fearless colonists defied 800 British regulars and were fired upon. That was the beginning of the battle of Lexington, which opened the American Revolution and established at once the best nation on earth.

This rebellion was talked of and thought of for years, but it began on April 12, 1861, when Sumter was fired upon. And again on April 14, 1865, the the Stars and Stripes were raised on Sumter.

The history of Indian outbreaks in in America and of Indian campaigns by United States troops on the frontier favors April. It is a beautiful month and a bloody one.

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#### WHEATLEY - DUNBAR LITERARY SOCIETY

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One of the most interesting programs of the year, was the one rendered by the Sophmore Class, Fedruary 28, in honor of the birthday of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, .The program was taken entirely from the works of Longfellow, Good music and good recitations were enjoyed by the audience. Misses Banks and Snyder sang solos on 'the occasion, and each one of the ladies did credit to her class.

The Society listened to a short address by Prof. Prillerman who had the programme in charge.

Friday March 6. Freshman Class The program for the evening although-little short was very good. The instrumental solo of Miss Saunders was one of the best rendered this year. It was played with that grace and ease which belong only to those who are accomplished players. The recitation of Miss Woods is also worthy of mentioning.

Friday evening March 13., On account of the absence of more than half of the participants, the A Preparatory programme was short judged. The absence of music also added to the shortness of the program, and left much to be desired, but those who served did very well. Miss Lena King reada very good paper on "Womans Work" which was interesting

Friday March 21. On account of the Y. M. C. A. Play the Society held no meeting.

#### Unbelievers

"Do you see that sign?" asked the proprietor of an up town drug store. pointed to a large printed card at the stamp window, for the drug store was also a substation of the postoffice.

"Couldn't very well help it," said the patron, amused, and reading the bold, black sign, "Postoffice Closed."

"No? Well, it's funny www many dozens of persons don't see it. It's one of our greatest annoyances. They come and stand in front of the stamp window for minutes at a time when that card stares them in the face. Even on Sundays, when every one with common sense knows that a postoffie is closed, they come and stand before the window expecting to be served with stamps, postals, and the like. I had a modest printed card at first, but no one saw it, apparently: then I had made another with more conspicious letters; and still no one took notice; at last you see this veristable billboard. But even now they don't beleive in signs, and I give it up. They may stand there till doom's day

# AROUND THE INSTITUTE

Both were rapidly improving when last heard from.

Miss Hattie Peters of 'o6, was a pleasant visitor at her Alma Mater last week.

Mrs Eunice Brown is still in attendance upon her invalid daughter Mrs H. H. Railey, at Montgomery.

Rev. Stratton, preached at the church in the village at 11 A. M. Both services were much enjoyed by all.

Elmer Williams of '12, was compelled to withdraw from school on account of the illness of his parents at Wheeling.

Misses Abbie Chandler of '09 of Minden, Bertha Thompson, '13. were compelled to withdraw from school on account of cickness.

A Representative of the Lyons-Cochrane Art Studio visited the school the 22 inst. and took views of Campus, buildings and classes.

Rev. J. J. Turner an alumnus enroute from Ohio University to his home at Mt. Carbon, stopped over ond delivered two instructive sermons.

The Rev. Daniel Stratton of St. Albans was the guest of the school the second Sunday of the month, and preached to the student body at night.

Rev. Turner is very highly respected by all who know him and his Alma Mater is proud of the work he is doing to perfect himself for life's duties.

Bessie, the eldest kaughter of our matron, Mrs Dorsey, does not improve as rapidly as the many friends of both desire.

We sincerely hope for her recovery.

Dr. H. F. Gamble has been called to the village several times to attend the sick. The latest requiring his services were Madme Spriggs and daughter Lewelyn.

Prof. B. Prillerman visited the Charleston School, and reports very favorably of the work as observed. He made severable characteristic talks in the various rooms.

 Misss Ethel Jones, having finished the course in millinery, has returned to her home in Rendville Ohio. The many friends of Miss Jones, regretted very much that imperative duties called her home.

Walter J. Napper of '12, has the sympathy of all his friends, who offer condolence to him on account of the sad news of his mothers decease which he received recently, but too late to attend the obsequies.

President Jones visited the annual Conference of the Colored M. E. Church at Baltimore the 10th inst. as one of the lay delegates from this state. He was invited to make several speeches while in the City of Monuments.

Prof. C. E. Mitchell, and A. W. Curtis were appointed delegates to the late congressional convention at Hinton. Mr. Mitchell was elected an alternat delegate to the national convention to be at Chicago. Prof. Mitchell hos been further honored by receiving from Senator Scott the appointment of a door keeper at the national convention.

Among the recent arrivals for the spring registration are Misses Henrietta James, Red Star,; Ethel Gordon and Lillian Smothers, Fairchance, Pa; Etta Hall, of Montgomery; Sessie Jordon, of Eagle; Cornelia Spears, of Powelton; Master Herbert Parsons, of Grafton; R. Roosevelt Ferguson, Farm; Misses Mollie Robinson, Callie Gore, Abbie Friend, of Institute

## Notice, Teachers!

We desire to call the attention of the Teachers of the State, to the following Syllabus of the Review Course, to be held at the West Virginia Colored Institute.

It Will begin April the first, and continue for Eight Weeks. If you are contemplating taking the May examinations, you can not afford to miss it.

The following Subjects will be given special attention:

Arithmetic.

FIRST WEEK.—Fractions: Common, Decimal.

SECOND WEEK.—Mensuration Surface Solids

THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH, AND SIXTH WEEK.—Percentage and its applications.
SEVENTH WEEK.—Ratio and Proportion.

EIGHTH WEEK.—Involution and Evolution.

English

FIRST WEEK.—Letter Writing.
SECOND WEEK.—The Sentence, Phrase and Clause.

THIRD WEEK.—The Noun.
FOURTH WEEK.—The Pronoun and

Adjective. .
FIFTH WFFK.—The Verb.

SIXTH WEEK.—The Adverb, Preposition, Conjunction and Interjection.

SEVENTH WEEK.—Analysis, Diagram, and Parsing. Eighth Week.—American and British

Eighth Week.—American and British Authors.

Geography

FIRST WEEK.—North and South America

SECOND WEEK.—Europe and Asia THIRD WEEK.—Africa Oceanica and United States.

FOURTH WEEK.--United States and West Virginia.

General History

FIRST WEEK.—Ancient History: Eastern Nations.

SECOND WEEK, -- Ancient History: Greece,

THIRD WEEK.—Ancient History;

United States History.

FIRST WEEK.—First Epoch: Early discoveries and Settlements. Second epoch: Development of the Colonies.

SECOND WREE.—Third Epoch: Revolutionary War. Fourth Epoch: Development of the States.

THIRD WEEK.—Fifth Epoch: The Civil War. Sixth Epoch: Reconstruction and passing Events.

Physiology.

FIRST WEEK.—The Skeleton. The Skin.

SECOND WEEK. -- Respiration and Voice The Circulation, and Effects of Alcohol on.

THIRD WERK.—Digestion and Food. Relation of Alcoholic Drinks, Narcotics, and Hypnotics to.

FOURTH WEEK, - Nervous System.
Special senses.

State History.

FIFTH WEEK,—Physiography. Prehistoric Time. Exploration and Early Settlers. Events to 1754.

SIXTH WEEK.--French and Indian war. Lord Dunmore's War, Period of the Revolution and afterwards.

SEVENTH WEEK.—Schools, Newspapers and Spread of Learning. War of 1812. Constitutional changes to 1863.

Eighth Week.—The New State, Various Conventions and Constitutions.

Present Aspect.

Book-keeping

FIRST WEEK,—Specific Laws for Debiting add cunducting Accounts.

Second Week,—Journal Work and

Posting.
THIRD WEEK,—The Ledger and its

FOURTH WEEK, -Balance Sheet work and closing of Accounts.

FIFTH WEEK,—Single Entry—Changing of Double Entry to Single Entry.
Sixth Week,—General Review—Voucher accounting.

Civics.

This subject will be pursued during the review.

Art of Teaching: Lectures on Pedagogy and the art of teaching will receive merited attention.

#### SOCIETIES

The treasury of the Y. M. C. A. has been generously increased from the proceeds of its play. Repeated efforts will be made in the future, to augment these funds until sufficient is in hand, to be of material benefit towards securing a home.

Interest in the meeting is growing, and the force of the Association is being felt more and more among the student body.

The different committees of the Y. W. C. A., the newest organization of the Institutue, are very active in outlining plans for the future usefulness of the Association.

It is to be hoped that some usefull course will be adopted, that will be of objective as well as subjective benefit.

Since the organization of the Y. W. C. A., the King's Daughtets have not met regularly.

#### Y. W. C. A.

Since our last issue, the prevailing winds of the religious atmosphere of our institution have gained a new impetus by the birth of the Young Wonen's Christian Association. This organization, thru the influence of Miss B. V. Morris, is developed from the King's Daughters with the addition of some new names.

The Y. W. C, A. has proven quite a power among the college girls. Its outlined work is fuller than that of some other organizations, and it may be that more persons can be reached and helped thru this means.

The spirit of the work is the same as that of the King's Daughters; the advancement of the cause of religion and the instilling of the principles and teachings of our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The foundation stone of this religion is to love the Lord with all the heart and one's might, as himself.

There is a sad need of impressing upon the minds of our young people the great importance of a strong christian character, as the only true foundation for a successful work in this world and happiness in the life to come.

In our schools and colleges where the young are busy imbibing the secular knowledge, and where the true "student-spirit" is once gained, the posessor is content with nothing short of diving into the very heart of the hidden treasure. This spirit tho gained in the search for secular knowledge, when induced to take up Bible study will be content with no superficial knowledge of the sacred word, but will search for the heart. Here-in will he find the richness and blessing of all true knowledge in knowing Him whom to know a-right is life everlasting.

We do not want mental and industrial education alone, for the education of the heart is of greatest importance. From the colleges of the country come the men and women who are to shape the destines of the people. How very important that they be given the best opportunities for peefect development. We hope these efforts may be as seeds falling in good ground; that they may spring up and bring abundant harvest, some sixty, seventy and an hundred fold.

#### Y. M. C. A.

One of the greatest, if not the greatest treat of the season in the line of high class entertainment, was that one given Priday night under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. of the W. V. C. I.

The doors of Hazlewood Hall were opened at 7 O'clock to the Students and friends, and the performance began at 8 O'clock.

The program opened with a solo by Mr. C. C. Lewis, which was a rare treat to all who heard him as it is his first appearance on the stage this year but we trust we shall hear more of him along this line.

Prof. S. H. Gass made the opening address, in which he gave the aims of the association and the results of the work it had done and is still doing.

She remainder of the program was a continious laugh. The appearance of the comedians Wade and Patterson in farce comedy "The Soldiers Farewell," started the fun which lasted throughout the evening. The Gentlemen rendered several selections, and we do not hesitate in saying that they still hold the first place in "Playing The Fool" at Institute.

She main feature of the program was The Breach of Promise case Smith vs Smythe. This being a new feature in the entertainment line it was highlyl enjoyed by all. Each character was as near perfection as it could be. Some of the most amusing characters were the Irishman C. C. Lewis, Hare Lip Man John Riddle, Stuttering Man C. V. Harris and last by no means least the Strong Minded Woman J. G. Patterson. In this case at least, the woman proved her superiority to man both physically and intellectually, So much so, that whem the jury did not act to please her she be came Judge, Jury and every thing, and settled the case by becoming the parson and marrying the couple.

We are sure we voice the sentiments of everyone present when we say that it was an evening enjoyed by all and not soon to be forgotten.

The attendance was excellent many visitors were present from Charleston among whom were' Misses Aristis Johnson, Hazle Dillard and Minnie Burk. Messrs Andrew Brown and Henry Burk. After the performance refreshments were served at North Hall.

The Y. M. C. A realized quite a neat little sum for the play which will add greatly to further its efforts.

#### ATHLETICS

It is to be regretted that baseball and football, are the only sports that seem to find an abiding place here. While we are devotees of both, yet during the season that these games can not be played, the preservation of the physical condition of the cadets requires some other diversion along athletic lines. It seems to Thr MONTHLY that the members of the Athletic association themselves, might improvise an inside running track; arrange vaulting, parallell, and horizonbars; practise movements with indian clubs and dumbbells.

The preliminary practise towards our sports, border too much on the spasmodic and go as you please style. There is little or no system, and hence the results obtained are not all, that may be desired.

First and second teams have been chosen, and both are trying to round into form. Several letters have been received relative to future games for the spring.

All available material is being tried for the various positions on the teams. Wilkerson, Robinson, and Obie will be sadly missed.

The committee on Athletics will soon choose a coach for the first nine.

Take advantage of the Teachers' Review Course.

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### Where Lee Surrendered

he wrote his final order bidding fraewell to the army is marked by a signboard.

It was on April 7, 1865, when Grant was at Farmville, a few miles east of Appomattox, that the federal commander opened the correspondence with Gender opened the correspondence with Gen-eral Lee leading up to the surrender. At 5 o'clock on the evening of April 7 Grant wrote to Lee on "the hopeless-ness of further resistance on the part of the Army of Northern Virginia in this struggle."

FIELDS HAVE REMARKABLE GROWTH

The fields in which the Army of Northern Virginia and the Army of the Potomac faced eace other are for the most part grown up in thick, tall pines. The North Carolina monument, the only imposing maker on the grounds, stanes in a clearing about fifty feet square in a piece of dense pineland. One face of the monument is inscribed:

LAST AT APPOMATTOX. At This Place the North Carolina Brigade of Brigadier General W. R. Cox of Grimes' Division Fired the Last Volley. April 9,

1865. Major General Bryan Grimes of North Caro lina Planned the Last Battle Fought by the Army of Northern Yirginia and Comman-ded the Infantry Engaged Therein, the Greater Part of Whom Were North Caro-

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. OF HER SONS

Who Followek With Unshaken Fidelity

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The Fortunes of the Confederrey to This
Closing Scene. Faithful to the End.
Exceted April of 1975.
North Carolina Appomattox Commission:
It. A. London, Chairman; E. J. Hot, W. T.
Jenkina. Cyrus S. Watson, A. D. McGill

On the opposite face of the monument is this inscription:

North Carolina First at Bethel Farthest to the Front at Gettysburg and Chicamauga, last at Appomattox

The accuracy of these inscriptions has been questioned and an acrimonious discussion has been carried on. It is denied by many authorities that the last shots were fired by North Carolinians at Appomatox, or that they were farthest to the front at Gettysburg or Chickamauga.

A few other markers may been seen if one will explore the woods and fields of Appomatox. The spot where the letter bearer of General Grant found Lee reclining on a blanket on the ground by the roadside under an apple tree is mark ed by a wooden sign. That was the only foundation for the apple tree legend of Appoints. There was an apple orchard along that part of the road. Granf and Lee did not meet except in the village of Appointox, and had no conference except that held in the parlor of the house of Wilmer McLean.

The same evening Grant received a letter from Lee, in which the latter said: Though not entertaining the opinion you express of the hopelessness of further stance, I reciprocate your desire to avoid useless effusion of blood, and there before considering your proposal, ask the terms you offer on condition of

A CONFERENCE ON SUNDAY.

On the morning of April 8 Grant wante to Lee that "Peace being my great desire, there is but one conditio 1 I must insist upon - namely that the me ; and officers surrendered shall be disara if ed from taking up arms against the government of the United States until properly exchanged." At mid-night April, 8, Grant received a letter from Lee asking for a conference on the subject of peace and agreeing to meet Grant on the old stage road to Richmond between the picket lines of the two ermies. Grant answered that he had no authority to treat of anything but the surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia. Later in the day Lee asked for an interview.

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Grant assented and sent his answer by colonel Orville E. Babcock of his staff. Babcock found Lee by the roadside under an apple tree. The interview was arranged and Lee, accompained by his military secretary, Colonel Charles marshall, met Grant at Mclean's house in Appamattox at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon, April 9. Grant was accompained by General Sheridan, General Edward O. C. Ord, General Rufus Ingalls, General John A. Raw-lins, General Seth Williams, General John G. Bernard, Colonel Horace Porter, Colonel Orville E. Babcock , Colonel Ely S. Parker, Colonel Theodore S. Bowers Colonel Frederick T. Dent, and Colonel Colonel Adam Badeau.

The conference lasted till 4 o'clock At 4:30 o'clock Grant Sent a dispatch to Secretary Staunton annuncing Lee's surrender. Then the name of Appo-mattax was heard around the world. On April 10, Lee issued his farewell order to his army, and on April 12 the confederate soldiers were paroled.

It was but the remnant of an army that gave up its arms.

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# OF MUSIC

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Miss Emma Holley, of Bramwell, W. Va. one of our best piano students, has been obliged to withdraw from school because of ill health.

Miss Minnie Carr of Marietta, Ohio, and Miss Lillian Smothers of Uniontown, Pa., enrolled this month as piano students.

Among the features of Etude Music Club programs this month were the fol-

Short sketches of Musicians wh birthdays occur in this month.

What Music owes to Dancing Mattie Hackley

Life of Wagner.

Story of opera "Lohengrin"

Piano Solos-"Swan Song" Lohengrin Miss Ethel Spriggs

Miss Eva Brown

Piano duets were played by Misses Lelia Powell and Velma Snyder, Eva Brown and Nannie Cobb, Nancy Bolden and Nannie Cobb.

Piano solos by Misses Nannie Saunders and Lillie Foster

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