MORITURI SALUTAMUS.*

BY HENRY W. LONGFELLOW.

npora labuntur, tacitisque senescimus annis, nogiunt freno non remorante dies. —OVID, Fastorum, Lib. lv.

() Casar, we who are about to die lalute you!" was the gladiator's cry n the arena, standing face to face Vith death and with the Roman populace.

) ve familiar scenes-ye groves of pine, hat once were mine and are no longer mine; hou river, widening through the meadows

o the vast sea, so near and yet unseen,e halls, in whose seclusion and repose hantoms of fame, like exhalations, rose and vanished, -we who are about to die lalute you; earth and air and sea and sky, And the Imperial Sun that scatters down His sovereign splendors upon grove and town

The great Italian poet, when he made lis dreaded journey to the realms of shade, let there the old instructor of his youth, and cried in tones of pity and of truth: O, never from the memory of my heart our dear, paternal image shall depart, The while on earth, ere yet by death surprised aught me how mortals are immortalized; low grateful am I for that patient care Il my life long my language shall declare."

oday we make the poet's words our own, and atter them in plaintive under-tone; Nor to the living only be they said, But to the other living they called the dead, Those dear, paternal images appear Not wrapped in gloom, but robed in sunshine

Whose simple lives, complete and without

Where part and parcel of great Nature's law;

Who said not to their Lord, as if afraid, Here is thy talent in a napkin laid," But labored in their sphere, as those who live the delight that work alone can give. ace be to them; eternal peace and rest, And the fulfillment of the great behest: Ye have been faithful over a few things, Over ten cities shall ye reign as kings.'

And ye who fill the places we once filled, nd follow in the furrows we once tilled, oung men, whose generous hearts are beating

e who are old, and are about to die, alute you; hail you; take your hands in ours, nd crown you with our welcome as with

Let him not boast who puts his armor on As he who puts it off, the battle done. tudy yourselves; and most of all note well herein kind Nature meant you to excel. Not every blossom ripens into fruit; linerva, the inventress of the flute, Flung it aside when she her face surveyed, distorted, in a fountain as she played, The unlucky Marsyas found it, and his fate Was one to make the bravest hesitate.

Write on your doors the saying wise and old, Be bold! be bold! and everywhere be bold e not too bold!" Yet better the excess han the defect; the better more than less; etter like Hector in the field to die, Than like a perfumed Paris turn and fly.

And now my classmates; ye remaining few hat number not the half we knew, e, against whose familiar name not yet he fatal asterisk of death is set, e I salute! The horologe of Time trikes the half-century with a solemn chime, and summons us together once again, The joy ofmeeting not unmixed with pain.

As children frightened by a thunder cloud Are reassured if some one reads aloud tale of wonder, with enchantment fraught, If wild adventure that diverts the thought, et me endeavor with a tale to chase he gathering shadows of the time and place, nd banish what we too deeply feel Wholly to say or wholly to conceal.

n mediæval Rome, I know not where, here stood an image with its arm in air, nd on its lifted finger, shining clear, golden ring with this device, "Strike here!" reatly the people wondered, though none guessed

he meaning that these words but half expressed.

ntil a learned clerk, who at noonday ith downcast eyes was passing on his way, aused, and observed the spot, and marked it

hereon the shadow of his finger fell; And, coming back at midnight, delved and

secret stairway leading under ground. Down this he passed into a spacious hall, it by a flaming jewel on the wall; And opposite a brazen statue stood

Poem for the Fiftieth Anniversary of the class 1835, in Bowdoin College. Published by aragement with the author, exclusively in Harries Magazine, to which we are indebted for a

With bow and shaft in threatening attitude. Upon his forehead like a coronet. Were these mysterious words of menace set: 'That which I am, I am; my fatal aim None can escape, not even you luminous

Midway the hall was a fair table placed, With cloth of gold, and golden cups enchased With rubies, and the plates and knives were

And gold the bread and viands manifold. Around it, silent, motionless, and sad, Were seated gallant knights in armor clad, And ladies beautiful with plume and zone. But they were stone, their hearts within were

And the vast hall was filled in every part With silent crowds, stony in face and heart.

Long at the scene, bewildered and amazed The trembling clerk in speechless wonder gazed;

Then from the table, by his greed made bold, He seized a goblet and a knife of gold, And suddenly from their seats the guests up-

The vaulted ceiling with loud clamors rang, The archer sped his arrow, at their call, Shattering the lambent jewel on the wall, And all was dark around and overhead; Stark on the floor the luckless clerk lay dead

The writer of this legend then records Its ghostly application in these words: The image is the Adversary old, Whose beckoning finger points to realms of

Our lusts and passions are the downward stain That leads the soul from a diviner air: The archer, Death; the flaming jewel, Life; Terrestial goods, the goblet and the knife;

The knights and ladies, all whose flesh and

By avarice have been hardened into stone; The clerk, the scholar whom the love of pelf Tempts from his books and from his nobler

The scholar and the world! The endless strife The discord in the harmonies of life! The love of learning, the sequested nooks, And all the sweet serenity of books; The market-place, the eager love of gain, Whose aim is vanity, and whose end is pain!

But why, you ask me, should this tale be told To men grown old, or who are growing old? It is too late! Ah, nothing is too late Till the tired heart shall cease to palpitate. Cato learned Greek at eighty; Sophocles Wrote his grand Œdipus and Simonides Bore off the prize of verse from his compeers, When each had numbered more than fourscore

And Theophrastus, at fourscore and ten, Had but begun his Characters of Men. Chaucer at Woodstock with the nightingales At sixty wrote the Canterbury Tales; Goethe at Weimar, toiling to the last, Completed Faust when eighty years were past. These are indeed exceptions; but they show How far the gulf-stream of our youth may flow Into the arctic regions of our lives, Where little else than life itself survives.

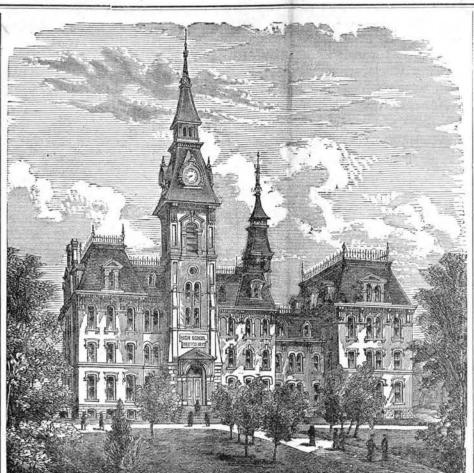
As the barometer fortells the storm While still the skies are clear, the weather

So something in us, as old age draws near, Betrays the pressure of the atmosphere. The nimble murcury, ere we are aware; Descends the elastic ladder of the air; The tell-tale blood in the artery vein Sinks from its higher levels in the brain; Whatever poet, orator or sage May say of it, old age is still old age.

It is the waning, not the cresent moon, The dusk of evening, not the blaze of noon; It is not strength, but weakness; not desire, But its surcease; not the fierce heat of fire, The burning consuming element, But that of ashes and of embers spent, In which some living sparks we still descern, Enough to warm, but not enough to burn.

What then? Shall we sit idly down and say The night hath come; it is no longer day? The night hath not yet come; we are not quite Cut off from labor by the falling light; Something remains for us to do or dare; Even the oldest tree some fruit may bear; Not Œdipus Coloneus, or Greek Ode, Or tales of pilgrims that one morning rode, Out of the gateway of the Tabard Inn, But other something, would we but begin; For age is opportunity no less Than youth itself, though in another dress, And as the evening twilight fades away The sky is filled with stars, invisible by day-

"Time softens all things," except the young man who parts his hair in the middle, and whistles on the street cars. Nothing can make him any softer than



VIEW OF THE OMAHA HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AS- best progress of the work there, was SOCIATION.

The fifteenth annual session of this terfered with. association was opened at Minneapolis in our last issue. Discussions were had Clays. on "Country Schools," "Schools of the South," "Normal Schools," Military in tions of less importance.

COUNTRY SCHOOLS.

Mr. Rolfe, of Illinois, hoped township schools and normal schools would both exist at some time, but he did not believe that everything would go to ruin if we did not have both just now.

Mr. Cornwall, of Wisconsin, said no matter where a man got his education, so long as he has it. Extravagance normal schools is a matter which should knowledge may end it quickly. be reconsidered. Give the academies, the credit which they deserve.

ployed, education will run into ruts.

school. Country schools are not at all flict. what they should be, and they never will improve unless they are wisely have turned out great men.

power must remain with the people.

EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH.

the fear that the state rights will be in-

Mr. Pickett, of Tennessee, favored on the 2nd of last August, proved a giving both the white and the black, grand success in every particular. good schools, but felt that they must About 500 members were present, from be kept separate. He knew there was all parts of the country, and not less a liberal sentiment existing in the south than a hundred more added to the roll and there was no fear expressed that of membership. Gov. Davis, of Min- the state rights would be interfered nesota delivered an address of welcome, with. He held that a teacher need have which was responded to by Prest. Har- no education, if he can succeed in makris. The reading of papers and deliv- ing a scholar struggle. Make them hunering of addresses was carried out as ger and thirst for education, and you per programme, which was published will produce Hugh Millers and Henry

Miss Ella Nash, of Arkansas, said the schools of her section were in a deour Schools" and various other ques- plorable condition, having been forced to accept poor teachers. Took them rather than have none. Some of the teachers taught in arbors built of bushes and marked the characters on the sandy soil, when teaching the alphabet or figures. Pupils in the state appreciate the Country schools have turned out good advantages of education. Hope the plan of appropriating the receipts from public lands will be carried out.

MILITARY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Lt. Schenck read a paper favoring in schools and other matters are at the the introduction of Military tactics base of all corruption in the govern- &c in Public schools; he said: "It is ment. It will not do to put the money now, and ever has been absolutely necwhich would support twenty schools in- essary to prepare for war; every man to three or four. Seven out of ten of should have some knowledge of Militathe best men of the time came from ry matters; when war does come-and country schools. The great expense of it surely will come-science and

It is certain that the opening of the late war would have been far different, Mr. Roe, of Minnesota, said this if, in every state, there had been many, question belongs to the masses. The who thoroughly and alike understood normal schools are good things, but even company, regimental and brigade they are not everything. We need organizations, and appreciated the printeachers from all classes of schools. If ciples which are established as the funonly those of the normal schools are em- damental ethics of the military art. discriminated, at least theoretically, the Dr. Allen, of Illinois, said it was distinction between strategy, logistics, foolish to say that a man cannot be an and grand tactics, and even considered educator unless he is educated, and be- how far political policy or political obcause he is not educated in. a certain jectives, should imitate or shape a con-

Tactical instruction in the schools of the soldier, company, battalion, &c., is looked after. Great results have been within the scope of almost any educashown by country schools, and they school to the greatest university in the a variety of experiments, pronounced land; provided, of course, that the of a highly interesting and instructive Mr.Cruikshank, of New York, defend-proper instructors can be obtained. By character, was listened to with the ed the district schools as necessary in some it is held that this instruction closest attention, and an enthusiastic the perfect school system. The school should be confined to the common school. vote of thanks was voted to the lectional institution from the common turer at the close. Miss Napier is So far as the mere drills and physical quite a young lady, a native of Aber-Mr. Warner, of Pennsylvania, said training is concerned, such a step may deen. She studied chemistry at Edinwas generally conceded that the be wisely followed, but only with the burgh, under the direction of Mr. streets by fast horses. Strange to say south needed money to aid the educa- view of attaining greater perfection in Falconer King, with a view of assisting no one ever gets hurt by this amuse. tional system. What prevented the higher institutions, as with any oth- her father as an agricultural chemist. ment.

gin is placed at from twelve to fourteen years, on account, no doubt, of the very active demand for soldiers. In England, however, (whose institutions more nearly resemble our own) and to a certain extent in France also, the earliestage at which a student should enter a military college is placed at sixteen, the average being seventeen, as in this country. This is about the age when most young gentlemen enter upon a collegiate course, and it will no doubt, be found that the same rule respecting the proper age for begining military studies and exercises, will app'y equally as well in civic colleges; as young men when entering upon new studies when they can understand their importance and bearing, are likely to pursue them with far more energy and interest than if they had begun them at a very early age, before being alive to their importance. Again, before this age, but few boys are sufficiently developed to be able to handle even the light cadet musket, or to take part in many of the exercises. It is true that they might be taught many of the principles of discipline, which cannot be begun to early. Military discipline consists in the observance of a number of minute particulars which, to the noviciate in arms, have no apparent object, but which form the links of a beautiful and connected system; the habits of duty, self-restraint, order, punctuality and obedience to command, in fact the great laws which govern systematic and successful labor in each and every avocation of life."

er form of education. In some of the

most military states of Europe, the age

at which military education should be-

A great deal more discussion was had on the above subjects than we have here room to present. The main idea of the convention, as a whole, was to mould opinion on the topics discussed, and wait for time to put into practical application the reforms suggested. The following officers were elected for the

President, W. F. Phelps, of Winona. Secretary, W. D. Henkle, of Ohio. Treasurer, A. P. Marble, of Massa-

Vice Plesidents, D. B. Hagar, of Massachusetts, and thirty-two others.

The place of holding the next convention will be fixed by the Executive Committee during the year.

EDUCATIONAL NEWS AND

A philosopher once said it was wiser to put on shoes than to seek for a land covered with leather. The street pavement question is as old as the cities of the Tigris valley, but in London they are about to try to settle it by India rubber wheel tires. The rubber manufacturers declare themselves able now, by improved processes, to afford a tire cheaper than iron, of longer wear, and, in every other respect, of course, much better. Indeed, in Berlin, now under the Empire, a faster city than London, the experiment is a complete success.

Scotland has produced something of an anomaly in the person of a lady lecturer on chemistry. Miss Charlotte Napier lately gave a lecture on chemistry, in connection with the Blackfriar's Useful Information Society of Aberdeen. There was quite a full attendance, and the lecture, illustrated by

A country schoolmaster of the old time, was coaching his pupils for the yearly examination by the clergymen of the district. He had before him the junior geography class.

"Can any little poy or kirl tell me chwat is the shape of the earth?" To this there was no answer.

"Oh, dear me, this is cholanmelly Chwat will the ministers sink o' this? Well, I'll gie ye a token to mind it. Chwhat is the shape o' this snuff-box in ma han?"

"Square, sir; replied all.

"Yess; but on Sabbath, chwen I shange ma claes, I change my snuffbox, and I wears a roond one. Will ye mind that for a token?"

Examination day came, and the junior geography class was called.

A" fine intelligent class, this, Mr. McKenzie," said one of the clergymen. "Oh vess, sir; they're neebor-like."

"Can any of the little boys or girls ell me what is the shape of the earth?" Every hand was extended, every

head thrown back, every eye flashed with excitement, in the good old way of schools. One was singled out with a "You, my little fellow, tell us."

"Roond on Sundays, an' square all the rest o' the week."

MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis is a larger city than many who have never been there suppose. Its exact population is 33,747; not less than two hundred mills and manufactories line the Mississippi River which flows through the city, separating it into eastern and western divisions. Lumber and flour are the principal articles of manufacture, this being the most available location for sawing the millions of logs floated down the Mississippi into lumber, and the center of the great northwestern grain regions.

A woolen mill of Minneapolis reently filled an order for \$100,000 worth of blankets for A. T. Stewart.

A shingle mill turned 300,000,000 shingles in 1874.

One grist mill runs forty burrs and makes 1,500 barrels of flour in a day.

The Government is building a dike under the St. Anthony Falls at a cost of nearly a half million dollars. Through the kindness of the superintendent in charge of this work we were shown through the tunnel, which is now completed about half way across the channel. The object of this great work is by filling the excavation with concrete to check the current of back water which has for years washed away the sand from under the bedrock of the St. Anthony Falls and allowed it to fall in year after year. Tradition says that the Falls once stood a mile further down the river and that the uninterrupted washing out of the sand under the bedrock has been the means of situating them where they now are.

The city has water-works, and a poor man as well as a rich man can have a fountain playing in his front yard at his pleasure.

Rates of livery here are cheap-(a dollar the first hour and fifty cents each succeeding hour for a horse and buggy)-and a young man can take his girl out riding on an occasional evening without having to go into bankruptcy next day.

Hennepin avenue, the main street, is a "dead" level for two miles, and a city ordinance permits racing thereon two hours each Wednesday and Friday evenings of the week, from four to six o'clock. Racing night witness the avenue thronged with all kinds of turnouts, and lively dashes through the OMAHA, NEB., SEPT., 1875.

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EDITORIAL EXCURSION.

The Nebraska Editorial Excursion was one of a very pleasant nature, and the main object for which it was organized—that of bringing together, for the purpose of acquaintance the different editors of the State-was successfully accomplished.

Lincoln was the concentrating and starting point. Before leaving, the assembled newspaper men were driven through that city and out to the State institutions, also afforded an opportunity to display their terpsichorean peculiarities. On the morning of Tuesday the 24th, the Excursionists left Lincoln for Topeka, Kansas, at which place they were received by the mayor and citizens, and driven through the city and up to the State House where they all shook hands with Gov. Osborn.

In the Secretary's office was a cabinet containing 578 species of birds found in the state; also, a large mineralogical collection, both of which will be greatly added to before another year, and then placed on exhibiton at the Centennial. Two rooms in the State House have for a year been devoted exclusively to storing specimens of corn, wheat, oats, and all kinds of cereals for the Kansas exhibition at the Centennial. Exposition. The design of a twentythousand dollar shed that Kansas will build on the exposition grounds was gazed at by many who do not expect that Nebraska will erect there even a log-house with a mud roof. We regret the fact but are forced to the conclusion that Kansas will out do Nebraska at the Centennial. Kansas has been working while Nebraska has been sleeping.

The land department of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad was next visited, and the large Centennial collection that this read has been gathering for a year and over, when viewed only made a Nebraskian feel smaller in comparison with his enterprising Kansas neighbor.

After bidding good-bye to the mayor and citizens of Topeka, the train moved off for Kansas City. The same cordial reception, drive through the town, and courteous treatment was received, and with a pleasant remembrance of the place, we left in due time for St. Joe. St. Joe tried to outdo all other towns in her attentions to her guests, and in addition to every thing else, paid the hotel bills of the entire party. Acting Mayer Schramm-the best man in the city—tried to make a speech, but was so full of utterance that he had to subside; he subsequently asked the boys down to take a lemonade, and then they agreed that he was a very good speaker after all. J. B. Dutton, local of the St. Joe Herald, delivered a welcome address on behalf of the editorial fraternity of that city. Mr. Dutton made himself generally useful, accommodating and obliging to the Nebraska quill-drivers while they were in the city.

The original intention of the managers of the excursion was to let the party disband at St. Joe, and depart for home, but as the St. Joe & Denver railroad at that time was impassible, the party, with a few exceptions, came to this city. The notice of arrival only preceded them a few hours; the train on which they came was two hours late; the streets were covered with a foot of waing down in torrents, and altogether the arrival in Omaha could not be regarded as pleasurable in the least.

Were it not that every circumstance was unfavorable there would have been something done, but the good will of Mayor Chase, who provided carriages from the depot to the hotel, and received his guests under the protection of an an umbrella, was heartily appreciated and taken as an evidence of good intentions frustrated only by circumstanes uncontrollable.

The party entire consisted of Webster Eaton, President, Kearney

Thomas Wolfe, Vice President, Sewrd Reporter.

A. A. Brown, Nebraska City Press Wm. A. Connell, Harvard Advocate. J. D. Evans and the Misses Williams,

Lowell Register. E. W. Howe, Mrs. Howe and Mag-

gie Frank, Globe-Journal, Falls City. W. Stinchcombe, Lincoln Star.

J. H. Painter, Nebraska Patron. C. H. Gere, Lincoln Journal.

Dr. Renner, Staats-Zeitung, Nebrasa City. E. M. Cunnigham, Kearney Times. F. J. McMillan, Republican City

Will Sweet, Lincoln Star.

R. D. Kelley and wife, Fremon Ierald.

Frank E. Wellman, Sutton Times. H. M. Hoyt and H. W. Welles, Crete Post.

J. C. Richie, Mrs. Richie, Miss Kit tie Crawford, Beatrice Courier.

C. P. R. Williams, Grand Island

John T. Spencer and Mrs. Spencer, Dakota City Mail.

J. A. McMurphy, Nebraska Herald Plattsmouth.

W. H. Michael, Western Nebraskian. Mr. and Mrs. Seth P. Mobley, Platte Valley Independent, Grand Island.

E. M. Correll, Hebron Journal. M. H. Warner, Red Cloud Chief. Wm. Sheldon, Lincoln Land Owner-J. F. McCartney, special correspon-

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Although a delegation of about twenty-five Nebraska teachers present at the National Convention last month but nine of those had a hand in the business of representing the State. The nine in question crowded themselves forward in such a manner that no one else had a chance.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

Shaw's New History of English Litera ture, by T. J. Backus, A. M., Professor of English Literature at Nassau College: Sheldon & Co., 677 Broadway, New York.

The above publication is a revision of Shaw's Manual of English Literature and contains in a simplified style a review of all the important events and topics that would necessarily require mention in such a work from the periods B. C. to the Ides of the nineteenth century. The Dawn of the Drama, the Shakesperian Dramatists, the Prose writers of the Elizabethian period, the corrupt Drama, the Artificial Poets of the eighteenth century, and the Modern Novelists, are a few of the chapter headlines of this work. An assignment of prominent positions to the most famous writers, a free use of short and striking quotations from the works of the keenest English and American authors, a collection of references to the best collateral readings upon the topics considered and a general commentary on the literature of the present century are features in this admirable work which speak well for its value as a history.

Accidents, Emergencies and Poisons is the title of a neatly arranged treatise on the best methods of saving life in emergencies. The author is an eminent physician of Philadelphia, Pa., and the work is published and distribter, caused by the rain that was pour- uted gratuitously by the Mutual a different bend in life.

Life Insurance Society of New York. Although the High School is in a measure opposed to life insurance it cannot but commend the generosity of the Mutual in gratuitously distributing such a valuable book. The Care of the Sick is another valuable book, and both can be had free of charge by sending for them.

A pamphlet has recently been issued from the Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., containing valuable information and suggestions respecting the educational exhibit at the International Centennial Exhibition. The pressing demand from all parts of the country for information regarding the best means of exhibiting our educational interests at the Centennial called forth this pamphlet. It can be obtained by addressing the Bureau of Education at Washington.

American Journal of Phonography, devoted to the interests of Shorthand, by E. B. Burns: Burrus & Co., 33 Park Row, New York.

The Journal is an interesting and valuable work on the subject of shorthand. The editor, Mrs. E. B. Burns, has just published a phonographic text book, known as "Burns' Phonic Shorthand" for schools, business and reporting. Mrs. Burns is Teacher of Phonography in the New York Mercantile Library and Cooper Union. She is endeavoring to make the study of shorthand a regular branch in public schools, and with that end in view has prepared this valuable text book. Price \$1.00 by mail. Sample copies for introduction 76 cents.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

While stopping at Minneapolis, Minn., last month it was our good fortune to meet Mr. A. Russell, General Passenger Agent of the Iowa Central R. R. He is one of the best railroad men in the country and is never happy unless when performing some favor for a traveler. When any of our readers are going to Minnesota or any place in the north, they should by all means take the Central of Iowa, (it connects with the C. & N. W. at Marshalltown, Iowa, and passes Clear Lake,) for the beautiful scenery, elegant equipments, and gentlemanly managers are sufficient advantages and inducements to make any traveler take the route.

At a special meeting of the Board of Education held Aug. 23d Prof. Abram Brown, of Columbus, Ohio, was elected Principal of the High School at a salary of \$2,250 per year. Miss Niles and Miss Davis were elected teachers to fill vacancies.

The Legislature of California has passed a law forbidding the making of any difference in the salaries of teachers on account of sex. The salaries of teachers of the same grade must be equal.

The State Lunatic Asylum contains fifty-four inmates and is reported full. It is as large as a hotel that is made to hold one hundred and fifty guests Although the editorial excursionists were courteously conducted through the building they were not by that fact deterred from expressing their criticisms, and the most general remark we heard made was that too much room was occupied by the officers. Three spacious parlors and a full suite of rooms to each officer of the institution occupy about one-half if not more of the building entire, while the cost of furnishing and equipping this officers' half must have been at least four times as much as the other half. The same, it is fair to presume, is the case with the current expenses.

A south wing is now being added to meet the pressing calls for more room, Prof. A. Brown, the new Principal of the High School, is a graduate of a prominent Eastern College, and formerly held the Principalship of the Columbus Ohio High School. He is a gentleman of culture, pleasing in address, good-natured, and-we were going to say handsome. His large experience in teaching and superintending educational institutions is a sufficient guarantee that he will be fully competent to fill all the requirements of the the position to which he has been elected.

In Indiana paper complains that the young men of South Bend are fast and disagreeably wicked. They should take

MINNESOTA AS A SUMMER RE-SORT.

The heat of the summer is about over and consequently there will be but few more departures for watering places or summer resorts this season. For the benefit of those who intend to leave for some summer resort next season we will, however, give a few facts gathered by us while on a visit to Minnesota, a State whose hundreds of beautiful lakes and healthy climate will yet give it a national reputation as a northwestern summer resort.

Its convenience to the Central and Western States is an advantage that will permit many in medium circumstances to make a short visit there.

The cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, having a population of 35,000 each, are large enough, and contain a sufficient number of good hotels to provide for all the strangers that may visit that country.

Minneapolis is surrounded by nine large lakes, the neareast of which is three miles, and the farthest twelve miles from the city.

Of the nine principal lakes, Minne tonka, White Bear, Medieine, Crystal Amelia, Harriett, Como, Cedar and Calhoun, the first named is th largest, being twenty-seven miles long and varies from one to seven miles wide. The shape is so irregular, being cut up into small bays, arms and inlets, that it has a shore of over two hundred miles. We crossed the lake, a distance of six miles, in a little steamer, and took dinner at the Excelsior House, in Excelsior. Here we found this large hotel full to overflowing with visitors from all parts of the country. Among the Nebraskians who were sojourning at this location were Rolland G. Oakeley and wife, A. D. Williams, Mr. J. W. Hartley, Carrie Hartley, of Lincoln, Mrs. R. P. Kimball and Miss Jennie Stull of Omaha. visit to Lake Minnetonka we advise all our friends to take next season.

We take the liberty of suggesting that the next time the Nebraska editors have an excursion it be to Minneapolis, St. Paul, the northern lakes, Dalles of the St. Croix River, Falls of Minnehaha, and other places of interest in this section. A boat ride on Lake Michigan might also be arranged.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SARATOGA, Aug. 18, 1875. According to promise I send you a few lines to let you know that I am here and enjoying myself.

At the time of my arrival the principal topic of conversation was the result of the late intercollegiate boat race, and even at this late day the subject is

The swell element at the springs, and a city full of aristocratic Harvardites and Yaleites, got a terrible setback from the farm boys of Cornell University, when those brawny country lads leaped from their Ithaca farms straight over the heads of the best blood in aristocratic Cambridge and New Haven. Scullions, indeed, those Cornellites were considered by patrician Yale and Harvard in the morning, but when at noon they bore their cardinal color triumphantly up the the bank at Moore's over the magenta of Cambridge and the blue of New Haven, then true scull-ions they proved themselves to be.

A FARM BOY JUMPS INTO GLORY. The social king of Saratoga that

night was J. N. Ostrom, Captain of the Cornell crew. Mr. Ostrom was a poor college boy at Cornell University, working for his board and tuitionstruggling sometimes in the college printing office, where he sets type, then working on the farm, mowing and harvesting. A sharp row of three miles in sixteen minutes fifty-three and one-quarter seconds sounds his fame across the continent. The details of the race you have had by telegraph. But that scene when seventy-eight young athletes, naked to the waist, rowed up to the grand stand with its twenty thousand throats yelling as if each owner had his right hand in G. A. LENDQUEST. scalding water, could not be given. As Captain Ostrom struck the bank the crowd lifted him over their heads. He was not carried in triumph, but he was lifted and tossed in the air in ecstasy. The crowd fairly ran under him, and the poor farm boy was wafted

over their heads like a bubble in the air. At night again, with bands of music and the smiles and screams of ladies, the Yale and Harvard and Columbia men carried poor Ostrom on their shoulders through hotel parlor, along balconies, and up through the streets.

THE FARM BOY THE BEAU OF THE BALL.

At the great ball at the United States in the evening young Ostrom led out the belle of Saratoga. He, the poor farm boy, was petted everywhere. The swellest young ladies from Madison and Fifth avenues, manœuvered to dance with him. Wealthy young ladies with thousand dollar worth dresses contended for the honor of promenade with the type setter, and unsuccesful belles would have tossed out a diamond from their front forefinger, that would cost young Ostrom nine hundred thousand ems of typesetting to buy, just to walk around the room with the college printer, dressed in his thirty-five dollar suit of clothes.

In the evening, during a conversation with Captain Ostrom, I asked him if he was surprised at the result:

'Not at all,' he replied. 'I knew my crew was composed of men accustomed to labor. They are not gentlemen in the vulgar acceptation of that name. That is, our boys all know how to work. They are strong all overas strong in the ankles as they are in their arms. They can endure more than the other crews only drilled and and disciplined in arm pulling.

'How about yourself?' I asked. 'I hear you are one of the fifty students in Cornell who pay their college expenses by working. Is it so?"

'Yes, I am working my way through college. My parents are not able to help me. I work on the college farm summers, and sometimes set type in the Ithica printing office. One term I was janitor of the college building, rang bells, built fires, and swept out the

And this is the hard-working young nobleman who wins the laurels from the aristocratic Yaleite and Harvardite, born and bred in the lap of luxury F. W. S.

A bust of Sir John Franklin has been executed by the sculptor, Mr Matthew Noble, and will shortly be erected in Westminister Abbey. On the left side of the monument the following inscription is cut. "To the memory of Sir John Franklin, Born April 16th, 1786, at Spilsby, Lincolnshire. Died June 11th, 1857, off Point Victory, in the Frozen Ocean. The beloved chief of the gallant crew who perished with him in completeing the discovery of the North-west Passage." A similar ininscription to the memory of Lady Franklin, composed by Dean Stanley will be placed on the right side of this niche before the monument is erected in the Abbey.

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Prof. T. N. Snow now draws a yearly salary of \$2,400 in gold. Tsnow small sum.

The publishers of the Continental cut down their issue by about fifteen hundred copies last month and forget to make an item of that fact. It would have been quite a newsy item for the advertisers in that sheet.

The office of A. E. Stevens, General Agent for the Babcock Fire Extinguishers, State Line Ocean Steamships, Mutual Life Insurance Company, etc., is now located in Campbell's Block.

Messrs. Coutant & Palmer, Fire Insurance Agents, have removed from their former location to Campbell's Block, No. 511 Thirteenth street.

Dr. J. B. Cheney is a medicine man from Chicago who has recently opened an office in this city with the intention of making it his permanent home. See advertisement on second page.

By referring to their card in another column it will be noticed that Messrs. J. I. Fruehauf & Co. have moved from their old stand to 163 Farnham street. Besides everything in the stationery and school book line this firm keeps constantly on hand a large stock of German and French text books and literary publications.

Attention is called to the card of the Merchants' Hotel of Minneapolis Minn. The rates are reasonable, the table first-class and the proprietors and clerks courteous and accommodating. To all who may have occasion to visit Minneapolis we would recommend the Merchants.

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He often thought of death-conscious of the terrible disease that had fastened itself upon him, and that would cut him off some day-but submissiveness and hopefulness contented him in his affliction. He had a noble mind, a warm, generous heart, was modest, unassuming, and goodnatured. His life was one of usefulness, and the good example it contained for his associates should not be lost. He took a particular liking to a sermon that was preached by his pastor some time ago, and expressed a wish that all his associates could hear it and be benefited by it. Accordingly it was re-presented by the Rev. Mr. Lipe on the day of the funeral.

During the services-which were held at the Lutheran Church on Sunday, the 22d—the following beautiful and appropriate hymn, selected by himself before his death, was sung by the choir:

Asleep in Jesus! blessed sleep, From which none ever wakes to weep; A calm and undisturbed repose. Unbroken by the last of foes.

Asleep in Jesus! peaceful rest, Whose waking is supremely blest: No fear, no woe, shall dim that hour That manifests the Saviour's power.

Asleep in Jesus! time nor space Affects this precious hiding-place; On Indian plains or Lapland snows Believers find the same repose.

Asleep in Jesus! far from thee Thy kindred and their graves may be: But thine is still a blessed sleep, From which none ever wake to weep

At the conclusion of the services the body was borne from the church and followed to the grave by a large concourse of friends.

The High School Literary Society, of which the deceased was an honored member, turned out in full force and accompanied the body of their lamented associate to its last resting place. This mark of respect to the deceased was an evidence of the high estimation in which he was held by his fellow-

Resolutions of respect were passed by the Society and published in the daily papers.

The pall-bearers were P. A. Gusherest, Thos. Tuttle, Wilbur F. Hawes, A.W. Fullreide, Wm. Demarest, B. F. Stout, Jno. V. Creighton and J. F. McCartney.

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His father was a German, a millwright by trade; his mother a native of Rensselaer County, New York, where the future inventor was born His mind naturally employed itself about novel means of reaching important results, and for many years, while engaged in inventions, it was his practice to employ the simplest materials, such as a steel wire bent to some peculiar shape, or a piece of sheet iron cut to some strange form, or a pine stick curiously whittled with a pocket knife, to elucidate the principles of some of the most useful and curious mechanical devices. At one time Mr. Singer was engaged in the employment of the Messrs. Hoe, in the city of New York. as a machinist, and then devoted his leisure hours to study for the stage. He enjoyed the acquaintance, and, to a limited extent, the instruction of Placide, Povey, Clark and others, who then adorned the stage of the old Park

During several years he was a theatrical manager, and gave frequent representations of plays in the interior cities of Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York. In a certain line of characters, he is said to have acted with much success. To the close of his life he had an ardent love for theatricals and music, and in the splendid mansion, which he had built within the last few years, a theatre, complete in all its appointments, was included.

In eleven days the first Singer sewng machine was invented by him and built complete. It contained much that was new and useful, and subsequent improvements, for which numerous patents were obtained, added greatly to the value of this machine; but it was successful and profitable from the begining to all concerned in it and, against all competition, has steadily and continuously increased in public favor, thus establishing the reputation of the inventor and securing him a vast fortune. In 1860, Mr. Singer retired from the active management of business, and since that time has resided mainly abroad. After several years' residence in Paris, he went, with his family, to England, and finally purchased an estate and settled down at Old Paignton, near Torquay, in Devonshire. The last years of his life were devoted to the improvement of that property, where he dispensed a liberal hospitality, and to the poor of that neighborhood his death will be a severe bereavement.

THE NEBRASKA TEACHER'S EXCURSION.

The Nebraska Teachers' excursion, which left for Minnesota last month, was a grand success in every particular. The excursionists on the train numbered eighty-two, thirty-four of whom started from Omaha and Nebraska, five from Council Bluffs, and the balance from various points and junctions

along the route. Among those from Southern Nebraska were State Superintendent Mc-Kenzie, Prof. Thompson, Prof. A D. Williams, J. W. Hartley; Miss Carrie Hartley, Rolland G. Oakley and wife, Prof. Bernham, Mr. Chapman, and many more whose names we did not learn. Omaha was represented by City Superintendent Beals, Prof. J. B. Bruner, Prof. J. W. Love, Mrs. Samuel Burns, Mrs. G. M. Mills, Miss Georgiana McCormick, Mrs. C. R. Turney, Miss Jennie Stull, Mr. C. E. White, Mr. A. Buckbee, Mr. G. W. Gratton, and a special correspondent of the High School.

At Council Bluffs Prof. Armstrong and wife, Miss Indoletta Smith, Miss Williams and Miss Perkins joined the

Glyddon, Iowa, contributed ten, namely: Dr. Hatton and wife, P. H. Hawkins and lady, Geo. Ferguson and R. R.

lady, Peter Smith and wife, Mr. and Miss Marose, President Thatcher, of Iowa College, Prof. Gilchrist, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hale, W. Chambers, J. W. Moody, J. Massey, H. N. Hale, J. H. Greene, Clarkson Davis, Dr. Shannon, State Superintendent of Missouri, F. S. Belden, and C. E. Tebbets were prominent among the many who joined the train at various points along the route.

Miss Ella Lyons, well-known as a former teacher in the North School of this city, and Miss Jennie Lyons, her sister, accompanied the party from Great East West Lines Mason City to Minneapolis.

The country through which we passed was well settled, and the climate healthful. It was noticed by many scientific individuals that there was along the route a great deal of land to the acre, and it mostly all laid out doors.

From Mason City the train was run down to Clear Lake, Iowa, for the special benefit of the excursionists. Breakfast was had at this place by the whole party. Several stopped here, but the majority wishing to attend the National Teachers' Convention proceeded on their way, with the intention of visiting this beautiful spot on their

The train was accompanied by an elegant sleeper the entire distance, and arrived at Minneapolis in due time, after which the happy party dispersed, some going to hotels and others to private hospitalities.

On the second afternoon of the Teacher's Convention a free excursion was given by the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad to the Falls of Minneha and nearly all the teachers boarded the train. Minnehaha is the favorite cataract of Minnesota, and the first sight of this beautiful spot is, to the stranger, a rare treat.

On the day following the adjournment of the convention a grand excursion gotten up by the Baptists left Minneapolis for Lake Minnetonka, the celebrated fishing and boating lake of that section.

PERSONAL.

Arthur Wakeley leaves September 10th for Cornell.

Misses Hettie and Jennie McKoon have returned from the East.

Miss Ida Page left on the 1st for Boston, where she take a course in the Ganett Institute.

Prof. W. Wright has been elected Principal of the Schuyler Public Schools and will hereafter reside at

Capt. John O'Keeffe has gone to Creston, Iowa, where he will manage a large mercantile tailoring establish-

Will Sweet, of the Lincoln Star, and A. A. Brown, of the Nebraska City Press, two of Nebraska's most enterprising journalists were recently in this city.

We had a pleasant visit with our old friend Charlie Collins while in Sioux City last week.

Miss Ella Lyons is now living at the home of her father in Mason City,

Cassius Gise left on the 16th of August for a visit to Mammoth Cave, Ky. From there he will proceed to Greylock, just south of Williamstown,

Miss Carrie Wyman will attend Maple Grove Seminary, Pittsfield, Mass., during the coming year

Misses Elta Hurford and Mamie Chambers depart this month for Zanesville, Ohio, to attend an educational institution of that place.

Prof. J. W. Love has been elected Principal of the High School and Superintendent of City Schools at Onawa, Iowa, and will hereafter reside at that place. He was recently married at Mt. Pleasant.

Prof. Job Babin, well-known by most of the Omaha boys, is now working for the advancement of Minnesota's educational interests. A rural district some forty miles from Minneapolis is blessed with his pedagogical labors.

Will McMillan spent a couple of weeks in Omaha last month the guest of his old friend F. B. Lowe. He left on the 24th for Chicago, at which place he is telegraph operator and Assistant Ticket Agent for the B. & M.

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- 18, 12, 3, 21, a mount in Arabia. 17, 8, 15, 11, 5, a city to which
- Paul retired after being stoned. 1, 16, 27, 9, 5, 23, 26, 19, 24, a
- feast of the Jews. 21, 8, 22, 11, 16, 27, a new Testa-
- ment command. 7, 11, 16, the great-great-grand-
- father of Roboam.
- 21, 22, 20, 10, Jesse's grandmother. M. E. M. Elizabeth, N. J. II.

CENTENNIAL PYRAMID.

- 1. The initial of the enemy in the first great Revolutionary battle.
- 2. What they were said to do on that occasion.
- 3. What the Israelites ate in the wilderness.
 - 4. A bundle.
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- ruler. 7. A pursuit carried on by the nephews, nieces and friends of elder rich people.
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Fill the blanks with words spelled the same, but having a different meaning.

- 1. I would not give my—tree for
- 2. Dear little—don't break my
- 3. I wonder if the ancientever saw a----
- 4. Be—and drink your—.
- 5. That boy's—has injured the ---of my ear.
- 6. It is very—to be made the —of evil action. 7. The baggage was but in the-
- and removed from the- of the
- 8. Would you rather use a like a wise man; or put in a——like a silly sheep?
- 9. Unbelievers seek after abut tradesmen put a-over their doors and-teeir names to letters and receipted bills.

10. — sold me a —, I settled the ---; it was not a bird's ---.

IV.

BLANK ACROSTIC. Fill the blank with a word, the initials of which form the acrostic.

> When spring-time decks the vale, Its fragrance on the gale Proclaims the — pale.

1.

The ---- sheds its blight On all things fair and bright, Men pass it with affright.

In early summers prime The --- hath its time Among the crops to climb.

When August days are hot, The --- withereth not Within the meadow plot. WHOLE.

Sweet --- , the flowers' head, Spells "perfect days," soon sped; Come sultry days instead.

Answers to Puzzles in August No. 1. Questions for Amateur Garden-

- Morning-glory. 1.
- Snow-drop.
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- Henbane.

- Passion-flower.
- 6. Spruce-tree.
- 11. Charades:—1. Ribbon. 2. Parrot.
- III. Arithmetical Puzzle:-1 21 22 18 3-65 9 16 14 7—65 2 15 13 11 24-65 20 12 10 17 6—65 8 4 5 25—65 65 65 65 65 65
- IV. Quadruple Acrostic:—
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V. Diagonal Word:-S unnysid e RUdiments PoNderous Tra Nsient La fa Y ette Peni n Sula Sur vey Ing Matagor Da

Jos ephin E HUMOROUS.

In what respect does a Bishop resemble a fish? Both live in the sea.

A new kind of metal-printers' zink. Those who use it find it has the ring of true cion.

The Mollychunkemunk is the euphonious title of a new pleasure steamer recently launched on a lake in Maine.

A darkey called at Ownesboro' Ky., the other day, and wanted to know, "Does dis postorfis keep stamped ante-

A certain young lady is so modest that she will not permit the Christian Observer to remain in her room over night.

If you want to teach a dog arithmetic, tie up one of his paws, and he will put down three and carry one every time.

If "Rome was not built in a day," the inference is that it sprung up in a niggt, and thus become a mush-roomy

Can you tell me when it is that a blacksmith raises a row in the alphabet? It is when he makes a poke r and

A man boasting of his pedigree to another and said that his father was elevated above the common herd of men. He was hanged.

Why is a newspaper like a toothbrush? Because every one should have one of his own, and not be borrowing of his neighbor.

"That beet's all" as the man said when he sat down to his first dinner in the new house, on moving day, and found the supply short.

A lady who asked her lover if he would like to see the lands feed, was surprised to hear him say he had rather see her eye brows(e).

There was once a legislator who laid by \$30,000 in one session. When he was asked how he managed this with a salary of \$1,000, he said that he saved it by doing without a hired girl.

"Kill him! kill him!" shouted a crowd in Virginia City as they gathered around a hotel. "What for?" inquired a stranger. "He's got on alligator boots and a velvet coat. Mash

"Well, my boy," asked a gentleman of a little eight-year-old boy. "what are you crying for?" "Cause I can't find my dad. I told the old fool if he went off too far he'd lose me," was the filial reply.

We see miniature baskets of champagne in the fruit stores, with this placard, "Real champagne, \$3 a dozen." Why should one pay so much for sham pain when a three-cent green apple will produce real pain.

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The following legend is inscribed on the front of a butcher shop in an inland town of Pennsylvania: "Kash pade for littel kalves nut mourn two daze old."

A correspondent of a Western paper having described the Ohio as a "sickly stream," the editor appended the remark: "That's so-it is confined to its

A Nevada woman recently knocked down seven burglars, one after another. Her husband watched her from the top of the stairs, and felt so brimful of battle that he couldn't cool off until he had jerked his eight-year-old boy out of bed and "whaled" him soundly for not getting up and helping his mother.

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