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THOUGH a month late, we think that no apology is necessary, as our improvements since last issue counterbalance any inconveniences caused by the delay. The REGISTER is now changed from a bi-monthly to a monthly journal, and also increased in size from a four to a twelve page paper. While our support last year was as much as could be expected, it should now be greatly increased. There are at this time about one hundred more scholars in the school, and our subscription list ought to be enlarged proportionately. Other schools throughout the United States support journals for themselves and it ought to be a matter of individual pride that our school should have one. We think the appearance and contents of this number should meet a hearty approval, and the standard may be raised considerably if the scholars will co-operate in the matter of literary con-

tributions. We shall be pleased to publish essays, poems, and news items of sufficient merit, which may be contributed. Our school news will be systematized under the headings, "Personals," "Athletics" and "Notes," so as to present a neat appearance. This issue will be distributed gratis, but we ask each scholar that if, after reading this paper, the contents prove of interest, he shall hand his subscription to one of the editors.

OUR readers will notice a considerable change in the staff of the REGISTER, and will miss the former editor Mr. J. W. Broatch, by whose efforts this journal sprang into existence. Mr. Broatch is now pursuing his studies at Yale, and at last accounts was much pleased with affairs there.

IT IS now proposed to submit at the coming election, a proposition for \$50,000 in bonds, in order to build an addition to the High School. It has long been noticed that the school was overcrowded on account of the lower grades. Last year, a separate school building on the southwest corner of the grounds was talked over, and this was to be for the use of the lower grades alone. This seems to be a much better scheme, for then our building which was originally intended for the exclusive use of the High School, could be placed at the disposal of the High School department.

Still, since there must be some provision for the increase of attendance, an addition to the old building will be much better than the present state of affairs.

A STRANGE fatality settled upon the class of '87 immediately after the last commencement. Scarce a month had passed when death snatched away two of its former members. Miss Etta Whitney had but just quit her school life when it was suddenly cut off, much to the grief of her admiring friends and schoolmates, to whom she was endeared by her amiable disposition and the bright outlook for her remaining days.

Her grave was scarcely covered when, in a stormy night, the waters of Lake Manawa engulfed the life of Joseph Newman. He had entered the High School in 1883, and after finishing about two year's course, he left to enter his father's employ. He often expressed a longing that he had remained to graduate with his classmates, but just after seeing them leave behind their High School work, he was compelled to close his life with its work scarce begun.

The class of '87 feel a keen sorrow at the loss of two members in so short a period after emerging from their school life.

WE DESIRE to call attention to our advertisers, who are all first-class merchants. The scholars of this school, when in need of anything in their respective lines, would do well to patronize them. "One good turn deserves another" and our readers should remember that they have, in a great degree, helped to establish this paper.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT.

One could see the air of relief on the faces of the scholars on the day after the President's visit. Not that they were anxious to see Grover. Oh, no! They only wanted to gaze upon his wife; to see what kind of clothes she wore; and to remark upon her resemblance to themselves. Each boy will answer in reply to a question as to whether he saw the President:—"Why no, my attention was all absorbed by Mrs. Cleveland." And so was everybody's.

But yet, after she was gone, the decorations in her honor claimed a share of each one's attention, and we may be proud that our school, which was honored with a presidential inspection, could vie in beauty with that of any public institution. The west gate was surmounted by an arch, handsomely decorated with bunting, flags and banners, while each portico of the building shone with red, white and blue. From almost every window the flags fluttered, and one waved from the top of the steeple. Altogether, it made a most creditable showing, and must have impressed the city's guests as much as any part of the drive.

But now it is all over and the only remnant is a part of the arch at the west gate, and the torn flag fluttering from the steeple. The visit must have been a pleasing incident to all, especially as it secured immunity from study for more than half a day.

#### OUR CURRICULUM.

Since the revision of our course of study, the Omaha High School can offer as varied a choice of studies as any school in the country. From its curriculum one may select branches which will prepare him for almost any college or mercantile business. Besides this the manual training department furnishes a basis for several trades and illustrates what is now done in the form of practical education.

There are now seven courses embracing various combinations from which each may choose that which seems best fitted for himself. The first, with the title "English," consists of the elements of science, literature and mathematics. It might just as well be called "Scientific," as it furnishes a ground work for the scientific course of a college, although the "Latin and English" does the same by inserting Latin and leaving out a portion of the mathematical work.

The classical course comprises, as the name indicates, the dead languages and the history of the countries where they flourished, besides the rudiments of

mathematics. The next is the same as the second, with the substitution of German for Latin. From this the student receives the benefit of the German language, which is coming more and more into use.

The fifth and sixth courses introduce the novel feature of modern education, manual training. In this department is taught the basis of various trades; carpentry, turning, wood carving, plumbing and boiler work. To be sure, all of these have thus far not been introduced, but a good beginning has been made in the various branches of wood-work.

In addition to these, we now have a "Business Course," which may be finished in one year or prolonged throughout a four year's course. This is intended for those who can not afford to spend a long time at school work, and enables them to enter a mercantile career. Besides the common business transactions, stenography has been inserted in the list, and so far this course has not fallen behind the others in regard to the number of pupils selecting it.

It is true that the array of names on the curriculum is bewildering and the scholars were much puzzled as to which to select. It surely cannot be said that our school is behind any in the way of inducements to keep pupils at school work.

#### PERSONALS.

Miss May Coyeland, '86, has entered Vassar.

Bert Wheeler is now at the State University in Lincoln. He ought to have remained to graduate here.

Miss Jennie Wallace, '86, is at Smith College.

Miss Nellie Rosewater returned to Cooper Institute to finish her course.

Howard Kennedy, '85, has taken several prizes for Latin at Williams.

Miss Mary Ludington, '87, is at a boarding school in Cincinnati.

Miss Carrie Detweiler is making a tour of the east, taking in New York, Wash-

ington and Baltimore, having accompanied her brother, Augustus Detweiler to the latter place, where he is about to take a preparatory course for Johns Hopkins University.

Miss Davis was absent on the 19th, hence her classes did not recite.

Misses Blumve and Dorn, '87, have been elected teachers already. This is quite an honor as neither have gone through a normal school.

Three members of the class of '86 have finished the course at the State Normal School, and are now teaching here. They are Misses Julia Newcomb, Lizzie Whitman and Clara Hutmaker.

Miss Grace Hefly is now located in Omaha's suburb, Council Bluffs.

We will now miss Addison Townsend who has left for Wisconsin. His work on the cricket eleven was very good and the Athletic Association will feel its loss.

Geo. Pundt has started into a business life. You can see him down town taking the place of a sign.

Miss Bessie Morse has moved to Chicago, but is now attending St. Mary's Academy, at Notre Dame, Indiana.

#### OUR NEW CLOCK.

The Board of Education has at last decided to put some moveable hands on the outside of the painted dials in the tower. Some four years ago money was raised for this purpose by an entertainment given by the scholars of the public schools. The Board have, until this time, allowed the money to lie idle in the bank, while the mock clock remained as a disgrace to the city. The following is clipped from one of the daily papers:

"Max Meyer says that the clock which the Board of Education has contracted to put into the High School tower will show the time on the four dials which are now in the tower, and will be calculated to sound the hours upon a 1,500 pound bell. The dials will not be illuminated at night, because a glass face with gault figures in the day, would be practically useless. If the Board of Education desires the dials to be seen at night, it would be

cheaper and much more satisfactory to have electric lights placed in front of them, and that body is now considering the advisability of illuminating the grounds of the High School either by electricity or gas. There is now on hand between \$400 and \$500. This sum was raised several years ago by several performances of "The Great Republic," which, while they filled the pockets of the seraphic manager, left but the paltry sum above mentioned for the clock, for which the entertainment was given. The new clock will cost about \$500."

It will be seen by the above that the clock will be a first-class one and by the contract is warranted for fifteen years. The School Board have also made arrangements to illuminate the school grounds and will thus enable the clock to be seen at all times. This will be a decided improvement on the present state of affairs.

#### NOTES.

Wanted—A shirt for a High School boy. The excavation for the cable road on Twentieth and Dodge is very annoying to the scholars who are obliged to walk around it.

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The chemistry department has already received its first lot of new materials and apparatus for this year's work.

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#### ATHLETICS.

The Athletic Association held its regular annual meeting in the latter part of September, and elected its officers for the next school year. They are: Morris Beall, Manager; Base ball captain, Wilk Rustin; Cricket captain, Frank Leisening; Football, W. Taylor. The Association is on a better footing this year than ever before, both financially and otherwise. There are now forty-five members.

Thus far the base ball club has played two games with the Bellevues and two with the Creighton College nine.

On October 15th, the High Schools crossed bats with the Bellevue nine in two games. That in the morning resulted in favor of the former by a score of 18 to 14. The afternoon game was drawn in point of runs but the High School nine had still some men to bat. The score was 20 to 20. Struck out by Rustin 2, Higgins 5. Passed balls, Beall 1, Patterson 1. Double plays; Beall to W. Rustin; Higgins to Beall to F. Rustin 2, Allen.

The first game with the Creighton College boys was played early in October, and resulted in favor of the college nine. The other game was played October 22nd and really belonged to the Association team. The umpire gave the game to the other side without any authority while

the score was tied. The game ought not to count because less than five innings were played. The score was:

High Schools, 3 4 0 2 4—13.

Creightous, 1 0 4 2 6—13.

Struck out by Higgins 2, Purcell 2, Stockam 4. Two base hits; B. Nelson, Higgins, Allen, Taylor, Purcell. Three base hits; Cotter 2. Home runs; Baker, B. Nelson, Higgins, Stockham.

The college boys inserted a score in the *Republican* which does not do justice to the High School nine. They have invented a nine inning score of 8 to 0 on the basis of the umpire's decision, which threw them the game by score of 9 to 0, but there were only four and one-half innings played, hence there is no use in trying to make a full game out of it.

The military company have re-organized, with Mr. Durnall as captain. It will soon be up to its former standard, although lessened a little in size.

Baker was a very good umpire at Bellevue.

Taylor made five errors on bad throwing in the Bellevue game, but otherwise his playing was excellent.

It is remarked that one in our nine can kick for the crowd.

The gymnasium is not well filled just now. It will pick up soon however, and be the resort of the boys for the winter.

#### EXCHANGES.

As yet but few exchanges have been received this year. We would like very much to continue on our list those papers with which we exchanged last year, and also any others devoted to school interests. Send your copies addressed HIGH SCHOOL REGISTER, Omaha, Neb.

The *High School Journal*, of Evanston, Ill., is at hand and contains some very good "Advice to a Boy Entering High School," which would be well for our boys to heed.

An item in the REGISTER criticising the *High School World*, of St. Paul, Minn., for "ranting against the custom

of sending flowers to the graduates at commencement," is answered by that paper in pretty severe language. We feel sure that if they had known that the writer of the item was one of the "sweet girl graduates" of '87 they would have been more lenient in their criticism.

On the 24th the janitor was unable to raise the column in the thermometer above 60 degrees without putting a match beneath it. As a consequence the scholars were dismissed, but not before the teachers had the pleasure of lengthening the lessons assigned. This again shortens the time for this term's work, and compels us to rush through in a period already shortened by reason of the various holidays this year. That "stuffing" is injurious cannot be denied, and for this reason care should be taken that the remaining time of this term may be used to the greatest advantage.

The seniors who wish to improve their musical talents under Miss Arnold's instruction, have been excused from elocution the first hour of Tuesday and Friday mornings for that purpose.

Wanted—To know which one of three boys robbed the gate post belonging to a certain yard in North Omaha, of its beautiful ornament, and who, (we suppose) became conscience stricken, and returned the said ornament in such a mysterious manner.

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