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## To my beloved Vesta.

Miss, I'm a Pensive Protoplasm, Born in some pre-h:storic chasm. I wit my humble fellow men Are hydrogen and oxygen. And nitrogen, and carbon, 100 . And so is Jane, anl so are you. In stagnant waters swam our brothers Anl sisters, but we've many others, Among them animalcula, And lizard's eggs-so, you see, Sy darline Vesta, show no pride, Nor turn coqurti-h head aside, Our prdigres, as thus made ont. Are no great things to boast about. The only ronfort seems to be Is this-philosophers agree That how e protoplasm's made Is mystery outcile their trade. And we are parts, so say the stges, Oi lf come down from long past ages. So let ns haste in Hymen's bands To join our Pr toplastic hunds, And spend our gay organic life A happy man anl happy wife. London Punch.

## Eelation.

By D. M. W.
Not a small part of the wisdom possessed by men consists in acquaintance with the connections and dependencies of things. A knowledge of isolated facts is of little value. Unless we know what relation one event bears to another we might abont as well be ignorant of both. One Mind has formed the plan of the universe,
and in our wonld nothing can be named so minute as not to form a part of one stupendous whole. Cause and effect are seen everywhere. A cause is that which produces change; and while there is one great Eirst Cause, there are multitudes of creatures, dependent indeed for their own existence, yet while upheld, truly causes in their turn. We can create nothing, but we can observe what is about us, and thus eniarge our enjoyments, and increase our power to be useful.

Thousands of years have passed since man was first formed, yet we may be sure that only a beginning has been made in exploring the works of God. The relations existing between things remain essentially the same from age to age. The "ordinances of heaven" hold on their way, paying no heed to what we call the "mutations of time," and working out their result with unvarying exactness, and a certainty which is absolute. The laws of health and growth among the several species in the vegetable and animal kingdoms, are the same as at the beginning.

The violation of the order of God's empire is what introduces confusion and occasions distress. Our ignorance of a law we violate can not shield us from any part of the penalty. The lad, who ignorant of the relation between fire and gunpowder, should throw the
uring stomp of a cigar into an apened barvel of powler, would suffer the same is if he had promed the eaplosion. Political economy has its laws, and the party ignoring those laws must छaffer in consequence. To commhein of the issue would be childish. We see statesmen of opposite parties contending still about the Tisdom or the folly of a protective tarif. We do not infer from this disarreement that there are no fixed relations existing between trade and comrevee on the one side, and national prosperity on the other. Al we infer from such discordant conclusions is that the subject is one of difficulty, and that the work of discovery progresses but slowly. Invention is but the application of a formerly unknown or neglected principle. The propositions of Geometry were as true before as after their first demonstration. "Kepler's laws", as they are called, were a discovery, but their use is manifold, and open to all. "Science from whatever motives it may be prosecuted is in effect and in reality an inquiry after God." An Humbolt and Tyndale may indeed in exploring nature have found no place for a God: but such men have labored and we are entered into their labors. If wisdom in artifice reflects honor upon the artificer, then the more thoroughly nature be explored, the more of glory will redound to Him '' whose nod was nature's birth and nature's shield the shadow of his hand."

It is in the domain of morals
that the study of relations is most interesting. Relations there ex-ist-law rules. Speaking figuratively, we may affirm of morals what was long ago declared of matter - "God hath ordered ail things in measure, number and weight." If authors on Moral Science as Dymond and Paley differ in respect to the priaciples which should regulate conduct we must not marrel, since the chemist even dealing in dead matter, has but made a begimning in the work of discovery. Right and wrong never exchange places, Moral distinctions are immutable. What men sow they reap. Ill choice insureth fate, and there is no escape. To be carnally minded is death, we are told, while to be spiritually minded is life and peace. There is that giveth and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is well, yet it tendeth to poverty." Let any one attempt to search out the proof of these statements, and he will find an interesting work on his hands. If there be difficulty connected with such investigations the comprehensive views obtained will amply repay him. Let him to the extent of his power prove all things, and then hold fast to that which is grood. It is a good tree which bears good fruit, and on the other hand a wicked law, or vicious institution grinds out its grist of cursedness, whatever may be the opinions or prejndices of men about the matter. To write "good angel'on the devil's horns changes not the nature of the fiend. To
make the whiskey traffic legal, abates not a drop from the deluge of woes with which it floods a land. It was sometimes said that slavery was from God; but slaver! wrought out its legitimate results, cursing the very soil that bore it up, and its end was as a devouring flood.

The history of an age is prophecy of that which is to come, just because like causes are at work. The man may be predicted from the character of the boy. A thorough knowledge of currents and cross-currents of the present time would give us great skill in predicting the future.

## Scottish Poss. <br> By Atramentem.

The history of Scotland is one which can be read only with the deepest interest, resembling as it does, a fairy tale or work of the imagination, more than a chronicle of the words and achierements of men mortal as ourselves. Every plain, every hill and mountain, every glen and valley, every stream that winds its way among the banks and braes of the Highlands, every lake nestled among the hills, and every rock and crag has its own peculiar history, and many traditions and legends of exploits done hard by connected therewith.

As regards its scenery we know it is unsurpassed in grandeur; and since even to aliens it seems so enchanting, we can not wonder
at the boundless love and burning patriotism which, it is plain, has ever characterized the Scot. And again, since romantic scenery, and a chivalrous knighthood are tho favorite inspirations of the munt, and love and patriotism the principal objects of her attention, we need not think it strange that the followers of Erato have been many and gifted in "Auld Scotland." As long ago as the times of Cæesar, we read there were nimerous harpers among the then barbarian inhahitants of the unknown island the Romans traveled so far to subjugate, who by their fierce, animated music, accompanied by inspiriting battle songs, moved the arm of the warrior to do deeds, and win victories which caused the ruthless invaders to tremble and be astonished at the wonderful courage exhibited by their adversaries. Nor in the piping times of peace was the minstrel placed aside as were the implements of war, for his services were then demanded to cheer the quiet which his harp had assisted in bringing about; for the ancients were as susceptable of being moved and excited by the songs of their native land, as our soldiers of twelve years ago were of being inflamed with patriotic zeal and undaunted comrage, by hearing the army band play "Rally round the Flag," "Hail Columbia" or "Yankee Doodle."

Aa Scotland advanced in refinement, she attracted the attention of the reading world by her number of vigorous, original poets, as
nuch as she did the attention of the world of chivaliry by her continued and noble efforts for independence. James the First, of the enhappy family of the Stuarts, was, as is generally conceded, the most brilliant poet of the fifternth centiry. The disasters and misfortunes which naturaliy befell him as a stuart-for fate was against that family-seemed rather to brighten his mind than otherwise. His works, although written before the invention of printing, were widely read and apphauded. He was, in his age, the moon, and the rest of the poets but satellites. Next came Gawin Douglas, bringing with him such poetry as we might ex. pect from a Douglas, strongly expressed, warlike and yet softened at intervals by the soft touch of love. No wonder is it that so long as Scottish minstrelsy existed, the language of Douglas was treasured away as household words in the hearts of his countrymen. Robert Henryson, and Blind Harry had also the disadvantage of living at the time when the pen was the only printer of books, and for this reason we know little of them; but the chronicles of the time say they were bright and shinning lights in the galaxy of authors: especially is mention made of the touching pathos of the latter's poems. At the dawning of the sixteenth century dawned the genius of another, who, had it not been for the unfavorable circumstances surrounding him, would have been classed with the"favored
few." As it is, William Lunbar is called the "Chaucer of Scotland," and compared withnone of his countrymen save Burns.

The beginning of the 17th century found Allen Ramsey, writing new songs and re-writing old ones, thus aiding very materially to place Scotland far in addvance of the rest of the world in this kind of poetry, according to Hallam. Again, the 18th centudiscorered a youth named James Thompson, in a retired portion of Scotland, making his first obeisance to the muse. Seasons will be no more when his masterpiece, "The Seasons," will be forgotten. Sames McPherson, who claimed to have collected fragments of verse while traveling in the Highlands, calling them the works of Ossim, although undoubtedly, he himself was the author, was a Scot. Of all queer, weird poetry it is the strangest, and has elicited the admiration of all reading it. Next in order we find Robert Burns, nature's truest, simplest and yet profound poct; he, upon apon whom the mantle of all the great poets preceeding him, fell, combining to make him as perfect as it is possible to become in the sphere in which he moved and labored. Taking him from the plow on to the time of his death, he has undoubtedly done a life's work for which the literary world cannot be too grateful. Although a reckless man, he wrote many poems the very models of purity. He is the pride of Scotland, the one whose words are engraved on :
tablets more enduring than ada-mant-the hearts of all his commtiymen. But little below Burns in worth and reputation as a poet stands Sir Walter Scott, who nobly sustained his country's fame in both prose and poetry. Tis works present a commingling of all styles, and are particularly noted for the fore of diction easily apparent in them.

These we have mentioned are but a very sma!l part of those of whose poetir genins Scotland is justly proud: for scarcely a hamlet nestles on her boson, unless it holds green the memory of some "follower of the muse." The great secret of the imresistable attraction lurking in each line of the poetry of Scotland, is the perfect simplicity of the style, treating of objeets which nature's observers and stadents in that clime find around them evervinere. Unhampered by the stiff style obtained by the neglect of the study of nature and too close study Git books elsewhere so prevalent, they tell their story in the unaffeced rythmic language of every day peasant life, and not in the formal language of a court, striving mather to find an entrance to the heart than to be admired through its beauty. Fes, when wearied with care and fatigued by labor, it is not to the pages of a Milton, Young or Pope that we go for a release from our situation: but O Scotland! it is the incense of thy songs that relieves our condition, and makes us forgetful of the rest of the world.

Well does Sir Walter seote in the "lay of the Last Minstrel," apostrophize his mative land in this manner;

O Ca'ch nia! stern and wilc,
Mret muse for a powin chida;
Laul of brown benth and shagey woo?,
latul of the mountain and the Ece? ;
Land of wy sires! what moriol lene"
Ca! erer antul hat fitial batal
That binds are to thy ruggen strar ${ }^{2}$.


TTRSTE
New Bedford is seid to hare but one whaler left - a schoolmaste:.

Punctuntionvasfirstusedinliteraturein1520 :eforethattimewords wereputiogetherlikethese.

An "alum mine" is reported in Colorado. Denver could start a college with plenty of alum-nigh. N. Y. Eraplice.

An inquisitive Freshman inquired of a Benior what the President was lecturing about this term. The Senior informed him that he had been lecturing on Erasmus and Luther. "O, I see," says Freshic; "he is lecturing on biblical characters!"

Scene-an examination. Tutor sees a mysterious and suspicious looking paper fall to the foor. He also sees in opporturity io distinguish himself. Cantionsly he adrances to the attacis and captwes the paper. He reads:'Sold "yam.!"

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## Drohanges.

We have several new visitors on our exchange list this month, and these we welcome right heartily.

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The irrepressible T. T. McWlinter of $A$ thens lias issned the
rirst number of The Hiwussen Reporter at Caihoun Temn. Success. long life and prosperity to it.

The colloge sityl, a quarteriy edited by the Senior Class of Elmira Female Seminary. is replete with well written articles. I et no one say that ladies are not able to fill the editoriat chair with credit to the profersion.

The Ituryrille Romblicant has been changed to its former size. and has discarded its patent outside and is printed entirely at home now. By these changes its worth has been doubled.

We have received the following cachanges this month:

Lafiyette College Journal, College Journal, College Siby, Oberlin Review. University Monthly, Marville Republican, Indepeadent, Athens News. Hiwassee ikeporter, Chulata Leaftets, Sunbeam.

We deciled not to publish any Hunary number, but instead of so doing issue a double one for May. TVe think this will better as there will be a deal of Commencement news, ant we will need more room.

We would call the attention of the public to the advertisement of John T. Anderson who has recently set up a book store in our town. Those who desire anything in his line will do well to give him a call before going elsewhere, and our students especially should patronize this enterprise.

Ehecoricals.
Profs. Sharp and Crawford and Miss Clute have monthly debates in their Rhetorical Classes thes increasing the interest materially, Prof. Crawford: Class ocrupied the (hapel at the last public excrcise and showed that it is a strong class. First came the debate on the quertion: "Resolved that the warrior has done more good than the statesman." W. H. Franklin, (i. s. Moore and G. A. Cochran affirmed it, and J. T. Gamble and G.C. Stewart denied. The spakers reflected credit upon themselves, teacher and class. Then I. H. Anderson delivered an oration on the subject. "Be a man," giving healthy advice in a pleasing manner. "What shall we read?" was a question propounded and answered eloquently and sensibly by J. W. Rankin. Then Messrs Clemens and Gamer delivered declamations. In Prof. Sharp's class, at the last debate. "Are Roman Catholics Chrietims" was discussed with considerable warmth.

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Maryrille, Tena.
liss Clute's rhetomical claus have had a debate on. "Which is the greater privation, detmess or blindness?""

Cut the 16 th. notwithstanding: the rain and mud, a grodly number ame together to the social in the Chapel, and the gloom without was soon forgotten. serving only to make it more enjoyable within.

Pres. Bartlett delivered an address on "The relation of the Public Schools to every day life." bere the Blount Conity Teachms Institute, in session at Maryvillo Vebruary Bd. It was a mastenly effort, well received.

Maried, at the resideace of the loride's monier. in Weston, Mo., on the 25 th of Jan., by Rev. P. J. Barrus, Mir. John M. Curier, of Maryville. Eunt Temmsse, and Mise Lizzie To. Mraly.

Mr. Crurer and bride arived in Naryville on the 30th of Feb. Both having formerly been stuclents of the college, this news created quite a sensation. The happy couple are loeated in Mary ville, enjoying their "honeymoen" hugely. The best wishis of The Student for their future.

## NOTTMES B CTMTPPTINCHS.

Thirty Chmese boys. who are to be educated at Martford, Connecticut, and Springfie'd Mass. are on their way to these rities from San Francisco. They are to remain fifteen years for completion

## of their education.

The new chapel at Oberlin gives much satisifaction to the students there.

Advanced shents of the catalogue of Lafayette show 335 in the college course.

The Northwestern Inter-Collegiate Association represents fifty colleges and 10,000 students.-Ex.

Co-education has been adopted in 30 colleges and institutions in the United States. -IIndisonensis.

Vanderbilt Iniversity, Tenn., bas five hundred stadents, and is the largest medical school of the South.

President Clark of Amherst A griculturai College has been invited to fond a similar institution in Japan, and will sail for that country about the first of June.

The Tadies seem to be coming forward as orators, and showing that they can not only fill that place well, but that the other sex will have hard work to keep ahead or cwen up with them. At the Ohio oratorical contest at Springfield, at which nine colleges were represented. the only lady contending, Miss Laura A. Kint of Antioch college bore off the first prize. The second was won by Thomas F. Day of Ohio University. The next contest will be at Oberlin.

## Bainonian.

"There is nothing new under the sun," saith the preacher, but the students have been treated to something as novel as interesting. The Bainonian Society gave a public exercise on the 25th of this month. A large audience-larger than has attended any previous society exercise - crowded the college chapel to running over. The Society was called to order by the President, Miss Cora Bartlett, and the minutes read by the Secretary, Miss Biddle. Miss Gracie Lord as declamer was the first to appear before the house. She delivered her piece, "My Ship," with great clearness of enunciation and with effect. Next also as declaimer, Miss Lizzie Brown ascending the stage, recited "Dolly Sullivan," well meriting the applause she received. Then Miss Nellie Lord favored us with a composition in German. Some of the old gentlemen on the back seats thought that she did not pronounce distinctly enough! Next on the programme was the discussion on the question "Should woman be allowed to preach?" The debaters were,

Affirmative; Sallie Henry, Sara Silsby.

## Negative;

Rarely has a debate engaged the attention of its audience more than did this one. The speeches were not only bristling with argument, but also couched in the finest of language. The decision was awarded in favor of the Neg-
ative. The Bainominn Reciex. We organ of the Societr. was read ! the cditors Mises Maggie Hom? and Mollie Bidlle. Nuch of the paper was of real literary merit. and all were unanimons in pros. nouncing it wall written. 'The whole exercises were intersperacol with music.

Since the Seniors have received their "walking papers" from the Rhetorical exersise, they are realizing more than cver before that they are nearly at the end of the college curriculum, and are preparing their farewell salutes to be delivered to us at Commencement.

Cupid was as busy as usual on Valentine's Day sending ont dainty little missives, bordered with roses surrounding still prettier verses about admiration, friendship and love. Of course Memorial had its share, and many a smiling face could be seen as the contents of these notes were read. A few of the more fortunate ones received not only notes with loving words, but were also favored by the senders with their photographs.

Rev. Mr. Heron of Knox Co. delivered a deeply interesting lecture in the chapel, Wednesday evening, the 23d. "Intellectuality and Godliness" was the subject of the discourse, which was listenea to with close attention by the students and many of the town people, stored as it was good things. Would that we could have lectures more frequently than heretofore.

Animi Cuiltus.
On the 27th of January, the
Animi Cultus Society bid their public debate and paper. The debate, on the subject "Resolved that Poverty is a Blessing," was arranged as follows:
Affirmative: Negative:
J. E. Rogers, |G. McCampbell, R. H. Coulter. I J. B. Porter.

After an animated discussion it was decided in favor of the negative.
The paper was then read by the editor, Mr. Harris, and was attentively listened to by the crowded house.

The 28th of January being the Day of Prayer for Colleges, the regular exercises were laid aside, and the day left free for apropriate public meetings and private prayer. At ten o'clock there was an interesting meeting in the chapel, led by the President, and at three the young men and ladies held separate meetings of prayer. At night, also, there was another meeting, at which the President delivered a short sermon.

Since the Day of Prayer, nearly every day, either in the chapel or at the rooms of the students, short prayer-meetings led by the President or carried on entirely by the students, have been kept up, from time to time varied with short discourses by the President.

And now Base Ball has been resuscitated, and at its shrine bow many lads enamoured with the entrancing pleasures it bestows upon its devotees. Every favorable afternoon finds an eager, excited crowd on our magnificent grounds willing "to live and die for their king" Base Ball. On Saturday, the 26 th an interesting game was played between the Recrless, a club just organized with George S. Moore as Captain, and the Independent Clubs, resulting in a tie of 39 to 39 . More games on the docket. Students can find no better exercise than on the ballground.

## Henry L. Heffron.

Another one of our former fellow students, touched by the icy finger of Death, on New Year's day was entrusted to the tomb.

Sudden and saddening was the intelligence that H. L. Heffron, who but a ferm months before, had seemed so happy with his young bride, had been called away. He came to us from Michigan, "a stranger "in a strange land," in 1872, and left in 1874 to teach school in Cade's Cove. Here he won an estimable young lady, and located as teacher of a school hard by. His life is somewhat veiled in mystery. Little or nothing is known of his history before his arrival here. He came and went quictly, aud was of a retiring disposition. Possessing a good mind, he stood well in his classes.


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