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Baccalaureate Sermon

If thou knewest the gift of God
thou wouldst have asked
 John 4:10.

"Assuming that the drafted men are a fair sample of the entire population of approximately 100 millions, 45 millions will never develop mental capacity beyond the stage represented by a normal twelve year old child and only 13½ millions will ever show superior intelligence." Here is the conclusion of those who applied intelligence tests to our army entrants in the late war: half of our population most are to remain children dependent upon the leadership of others with which to meet the material and spiritual problems of life

How important therefore to society is the cultivated mind? The demand for leadership is insistent. Orderly society is dependent upon those competent to recognize the gifts of God whence they come and to make them known upon arrival to the struggling men and women for the enrichment of their lives and the support of the higher levels of humanity.

The woman at the well in dialogue with the Saviour was representative of the blundering day in which she lived, and the stupid people that gave cruel characteristic to the first century of our Lord. There she was in conversation with the First Citizen of the world and she knew it not; homeward, pitcher upon her shoulder aware only that she had talked with a wonderful fortune teller, when in fact, a most precious revelation of God had taken place through the matchless words spoken at the well-side, spoken to her alone. Had she but known that the Messiah was there, her report would have been different;

and what was true in her case was also true in the case of those who subsequently heard yet forced Him to the cross; they did not know:

Father, forgive them for they
 Know not what they do!

Ignorant of the Divine message the masses killed the Messenger!

Knowledge of the facts of life is so limited, great hours strike and we know it not. It might be that all sin is error; that not through perversity is wrong done; partial vision as life's guide and foolishness abounds while here and there we drift into life's heartaches and pains. Great blunders and small, rest back upon the ignorance that inheres in the life of our human world. If people did but know, could but see the inevitable results of their deeds and with critical insight select from the conflict of desire, life would move on purposive throughout, whose harmony would be saved at all times from the jars of our ugly chaos.

Why public schools, academies, colleges? What are they to do for the life of the world that they must influence through those who go through? Year after year a vast throng of young men and women step out from these places of high privilege and in their lives, goes incarnate the hope of all the years; the increased capacity of mankind to recognize the gifts of God through which to condition with enrichment the life of the world. There lay the test of the educated mind and for that kind of mind in ampler ways our world waits.

At the 250th anniversary of Harvard College the students in a great torch-light procession gave expression to their highest feelings, as only students can. Class after class went by with transparencies and banners original and amusing. The Freshman class then but a month old as members of

the great school, with fine audacity carried at their head the thrilling motto:

The University has been waiting two hundred and fifty years for us!

THOS. BENJ. POWELL

A LETTER

School Mates and Friends:—

How often as the years come and go we wish we might meet again the old friends and acquaintances of school days, and taking them by the hand live over again the days of the past and hear of the lessons and experiences the years have brought to one and another.

Next to the personal meeting the Gleaner affords us this opportunity, and I always look forward with eager interest to the yearly visits I have with my friends when it arrives. Recently I received a letter from Mrs. Gallup asking for a contribution to this year's number, so I gladly add my bit.

I was especially interested in the Gleaner of two years ago. As you remember it was the 125th anniversary number, and contained an account of the reunion held in August of that year. From that account, and reports in local papers that had been sent to me, I was impressed with the many allusions to "Old-timers" and "Old times". Now of course I know that at such times we look backwards (and blessed be memory of happy days of youth), but I think I must not have appreciated quite what they were talking about. Perhaps I thought some octogenarians were talking of events—generations before my day. For I wasn't old—It was only a year or two ago it seemed that I was there on the campus playing ball. But when I read that Daisy Amsden Chism, that demure maiden of my academy days was there with her Grand-daughter, I

rubbed my eyes like an awakened Rip Van Winkle and sat up to realize that the years had been passing over my head as well, and though I was not a Grand-mother or Grand-father, I was a Grand-uncle, and therefore would have to take my place in the Hall of Old Timers.

But now admitting all this—that perhaps after all we are "Old Timers" (at least we will let the present generation think so), we are not "Has Beens". Even now we are ready for new adventures, and a faring forth into new fields of service and accomplishments. We may be "Old Timers", but we are not Old, nor do we feel old. I always like to recall those familiar lines from Browning's Rabbi Ben Ezra—

"The best is yet to be—

The last of life, for which the first was made:

Our times are in His hands

saith,

who saith, "A whole I planned;

"Youth shows but half; trust God; see all, nor be afraid!"

No, we are not old. If there is one who says he is, or even thinks he is, let us do as Holmes says in his poem, "Put him out without making a noise". There is no age or time to the spirit—"We live in deeds, not years", and though we may have reached middle life, there are wonderful possibilities and experiences ahead of us. What though the youthful years have passed, there are compensations which far outweigh the loss.

What uplands of intellectual thought and contemplations—What appreciation of beauty and art, sunrises and sunsets! Yes, and storms—And what peaks of spiritual vision—glimpses of heavenly light and life, and soul-stirring experiences that bring us into harmony with the eternal order! All this, and much more makes for the allurements and enrichment of "the last of life, for which the first was made."

In the passing of the years I have sometimes wondered if the dreams and ambitions of those early days, when we looked into the future, have been realized; if the "gleam" was followed faithfully and has now become a glowing light; if we have put foundations under those air-castles, and are now living in the activities and actualities of those dreams. I do not know where all of you are today, or in what work you are engaged, but some of you, I know, have attained, and your lives are a blessing to the rest of us, and to those who follow after. May the radiance increase, "and grow brighter and brighter unto the perfect day."

And now, "Old Timers", in closing I'll say as I said at the beginning, I should like to take your hands, and look into your faces, and hear from your lips the kindly greeting as in days gone by.

God grant we may meet in the years to come, should we tarry here, but if not here, then over there, "just over in the morning land."

At the reunion two years ago, to which I have referred, I was asked to have a part on the program. The following lines are from a song I had in mind to sing had I been present.

"Make new friends, but keep the old,
Those are silver, these are gold;
New made friendship like new wine,
Age will mellow and refine;
Friendship that has stood the test,
Time and change are surely best.
Brows may wrinkle, hair grow gray,
Friendship never knows decay.

For 'mid old friends tried and true,
Once more we our youth renew.
But old friends alas may die,
And new friends their place supply,
Cherish friendship in your breast,
New is good but old is best,
Brows may wrinkle, hair grow gray,
Friendship never knows decay."

ALBERT E. HOSMER

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Chicago, Ill

Reminiscences of An Ancient Abode

If an old, old house could only speak
What thrilling tales might flow
From the great chimney's ancient
throat,—

Tales of the long ago.

Reared in the far Colonial times,—
Of timbers strong and stout,—
In early "days", that "tried men's
souls,"
With foes within, without,

Could such an ancient dwelling speak
How many a former scene
Might once again pass in review,
As if upon the screen.

A stealthy Indian nears the house,
Its mistress is alone;
Her dinner cooking on the crane
In fireplace, built of stone.
Mayhap the red-man craves some
food;

The door he pushes wide,
And to the fire-place finds his way
With rapid Indian stride.

The startled mistress helpless stands,
Wild fears possess her brain,
While the intruder boldly takes
The kettle from the crane.

The savory meat to him appeals;
He takes it for his own,
And bears it through the open door
While mistress gasps, alone.

Perhaps he argues it's his due,
Since white men took his land,
To bear way, when chance affords,
Whatever comes to hand.

But, hark! What mean those echoes
heard,
Like sound of trumpet blast?
The trumpeter recounts again
The stirring days, long past;

The sturdy Colonists' defense;
 The glorious victory won,
 With trumpet-notes to emphasize
 The march to Lexington.

The prospect darkens yet again,
 And in the murky skies,
 Sons of the revolutionists
 Behold new war-clouds rise.

A dangerous fleet is hovering near,
 Relief must be at hand
 To guard the ports from war-ships
 near,
 With British in command.

Watching from out its window-eyes,
 The old house sees, again,
 Its dweller start on Nation's quest—
 To rouse the minute-men—

All night, as once did Paul Revere's,
 His knock gives the alarm
 That rapid action is required
 To save our coast from harm.

And when, at day-break, he returns,
 Weary with night's long strain,
 The village green reveals a scene
 Which gives fresh heart again.

It seems alive with minute-men,
 Trained to give instant heed
 At urgent summons, to respond
 In time of Nation's need.

The messenger who rallied them,
 Upon the self same day
 Joins forces, as the mounted men
 Go forth without delay.

Ere yet again dark war-clouds rise,
 Whom may the old house trace,
 As inmate by the great stone hearth?
 A lass of dusky face.

Black "Julia", one of several slaves
 In Woodstock in the days
 Ere Freedom victory achieved,
 Mid hymns of grateful praise.

At length before those window-eyes,
 A youth goes forth to spend

His earnest efforts, thirty years,
 To Nation's cause befriend.

When dark, foreboding clouds arise
 Across the troubled sea,
 And might seems fated to o'erthrow
 In awful destiny,

The cause of right, our Nation springs
 To mingle in the fray,
 Hearten the weak, with strength and
 wealth
 Speed victory's happy day.

Again the old house does its "bit".
 Its son is sent to train
 A College unit and instruct
 In arts that Victory gain.

Some glints of history might be
 gleaned,
 Of life adown the years,
 If structures, reared in ancient times
 Could voice past joys and fears.

Since silent witnesses they stand,
 Perhaps a resumé
 Permissible may be this year,
 Which marks "red-letter-day."

A century and a half ago
 The trumpeter and bride
 Began their quiet, wedded life
 The village green beside.

A relic quaint, this sentinel
 Of days of former strife,
 A silent witness still survives
 Past scenes of village life.

On this, its anniversary year,
 When hymns of grateful praise
 Herald the dawn of lasting peace,
 A daughter tribute pays.

To one old house which did its "bit"
 And helped to pave the way,
 For peace, like Heavenly "shaft of
 light,"
 To hold its blessed sway.

ELIZABETH F. BINGHAM.

Happy he whom neither wealth nor
fashion,
Nor the march of the encroaching
city,
Drives an exile from the hearth of his
ancestral homestead,
We may build more splendid habita-
tions,
Fill our rooms with paintings and
with sculpture
Bue we cannot buy with gold the old
associations.

H. W. LONGFELLOW

The Best Use of Knowledge

The world is much larger than a school yard or a college campus and more interesting. The school at its best is a preparation for life—it may well be an excellent preparation—but life itself is lived mainly away from school and off the campus. The cap and gown have a certain decorative value for Commencement occasions, but the main part of the world's work is being done by men and women in their shirt-sleeves, or whatever may correspond to shirt-sleeves, in their respective vocations.

The school yard and the campus therefore in ordering their activities had best abut very directly upon the marketplace, the polling place, the home place, and all the other places where the main traffic of human existence moves along. The field is the world—the world is the only field large enough to receive the seed which the Great Headmaster sows; it is the only field rich enough to yield that wide and varied harvest which will make glad the grainaries of the Lord.

It might seem that all of this would go without saying. Alas, no! There are thousands of people to whom knowledge is never anything but an abstract statement to be printed in a book. "Here is knowledge," they say, "Study it, memorize it, if you

will, and in the day of examination you will be saved."

There are others to whom knowledge is nothing but a tool. It is a tool which can be set to dig, or to build, if one is an engineer, to heal or to plead, if one is a doctor or a lawyer, to buy and sell, if one is a merchant or a manufacturer, to teach or to preach, or to do any one of a hundred things and thus made to yield a financial return. "Here is knowledge," they say. "Master the use of it and it will put money in thy purse." The main office of knowledge, as they think, is to enable one to market his abilities at a higher figure.

There are others to whom knowledge is nothing but a picture to be framed and hung on the wall. "Here is knowledge," they say. "Learn to enjoy it as a person of culture. Read Plato and Browning twice in the week. Give a share of your time to the Atlantic Monthly and kindred publications, and in due time you will be numbered with the intelligensia."

The abstract, the commercial, the decorative idea of knowledge—each one of these may have its day in court. But each one fails to win a verdict when judgment is finally rendered, because each one deals only with that which is secondary. The great primary office of knowledge is to make people alive. Alive at more points! Alive on higher levels! Alive in more interesting and effective ways.

The school which knows its business stands in the community saying to all comers, "This know and thou shalt live! I am come that ye might have life and have it more abundantly." The best use which can be made of knowledge is to translate it promptly into terms of life that the happy possessor of that knowledge may be able to live a richer, a worthier, and a more joyous life.

DEAN CHARLES R. BROWN

Greetings From Maine

Aug. 12, 1928.

Dear Gleaner Friends:—

I am sending you a greeting from Rangeley, Maine, where I usually spend my summers. This is a region of lakes and mountains, right in the heart of nature; elevated enough to be bracing, about 1,900 feet above sea level.

Sitting here on the porch of the camp, Saddleback Mountain looms up at my right, casting its blue shadow on the lake. This mountain is second in size in the state and in appearance resembles its name. There are peaks and elevations all around to make the setting a picture. One is reminded of Scott's description of Loch Katrine:—

"The mountain shadows on her breast,

Were neither broken nor at rest;
In bright uncertainty they lie,
Like future joys to Fancy's eye."

The gulls are constantly flying over, and the loon are numerous; sometimes a sound is heard, quite near, and on looking up, a loon is seen (they have a peculiar note) and if there is a slight disturbance, down he dives, and appears at a distance, after some time. This is a water-bird and subsists on fish chiefly.

There have been three deer feeding on the north shore of the lake this season to be seen almost daily, apparently quite tame, but there is nothing to molest them unless it be the click of the camera.

The wild flowers of the woods and fields here are plentiful and exceedingly brilliant in coloring. The bunchberry forms a gay carpet under the spruces and pines with its white blossom—and, later, bunches of red berries.

The surrounding towns offer many attractions; the roads are excellent, gravel roads chiefly; so motoring is

a delight, as you encounter few cars. Last week it was a pleasure to visit the town of Eustis, with its wonderful pines, called the "Cathedral Pines"; there is a tablet at this point erected by the D. A. R. marking one of the spots on Benedict Arnold's trail to Canada; at this time he was a loyal soldier and officer in the Revolutionary War.

The country all about this region is very wild, but a road is under construction to Canada through this section, and where you encounter one auto now, there will doubtless be hundreds another year.

It is wonderful to visit Europe and Western United States, but New England has a charm all its own, with invigorating air, springwater and healthful climatic conditions.

Other contributions from the alumni of the 80's would be appreciated by those who were in the Academy at that time as was

Yours truly,
BESSIE NEWTON THOMAS

A LETTER

Dear Editor:—

This is the second time that I have been asked to write something about Porto Rico. The first time was a request from the New York State Ranger School where I studied surveying and as I surveyed farm and mountain land in much of the island, I wrote about my experiences and methods in that work.

I studied about "everything" in Woodstock Academy so if I am to keep to my precedent at "letters" I will have to write about "everything" now.

Many are the times that I have been asked to tell about the United States. (My remarks in this letter will pertain entirely to the peon class of people here, as in the work I did I came in contact almost entirely with them.

The educated class which comprises a small percentage of the people is always getting hurt because Americans speak of the peons and give out an impression that all Porto Ricans are the same.) Can anyone be given a bigger subject? "Tell us about the United States?" Of course they assumed that I had seen it all and knew it all intimately. When I came here six years ago I knew not a word of Spanish; America's reputation had to be made through my few words of Spanish.

My usual audience would be sitting on the floor of a hut, with a thatched roof overhead and I would be given a rude, home-made seat.

Where would you begin if someone asked you to tell about the United States? The audience has never been to school, does not know how to read, has never seen a geography book; the younger children have perhaps never seen the ocean, near to; however on this small island the ocean can be seen from many places in the mountainous interior.

I usually let them ask a few questions before I said anything. The first question always was, "Is the United States as big as Porto Rico?" Porto to them is immense; in reality it is about the size of Connecticut.

The second is "How far is it to the United States? and the third, "Is it near New York?"

The following questions are always asked:

"Is it very cold?"

"Are there any black people there?"

"Do you have mountains there like these?"

"Do the rich Americans work?"

"Do the people in your country drink?"

They are most interested when I describe winter to them. When I speak of walking over frozen rivers or any water it always strikes them funny and they have a merry laugh.

The peons often point to different kinds of plants, trees and fruits and

ask "Do you have that in the United States?" I say "No." to banana plants, coffee trees, mangoes, aguacotes, guavas and most of their vegetables and then I get a blank stare as if to say, "How do you live, you haven't got anything?" Then I will describe many things that we do have.

Many of the native fruits are wonderful. No season is without its harvest of some delicious fruit. From about June 15th to August 15th is the mango of which there are several varieties, some much more desirable than others. One kind has a faint taste of turpentine. My favorite variety, introduced from Brazil, tastes like a rose petal smells.

Then comes the aguacote or alligator pear, which ripens from July 15th to about September 1st. One of the favorite ways of eating the alligator pears is to slice them into a soup.

Wild oranges abound everywhere and have a long harvest season, a tree often carrying two or three crops at once. On the fruit farm, of which I am in charge, May and June were the only months this past year that we did not have ripe oranges. On the trees from which we are picking ripe oranges now there are two other crops besides, one-half grown and the other just two months from the blossom. It takes eight or nine months for an orange to mature from the time it blossomed.

On Thanksgiving day 1923 I was surveying a line up a mountainside in Lares. The night before I passed in a little hut on the top of a ridge overlooking a portion of Rio Prieto; a most beautiful spot. In the morning my host gave me a cup of black coffee which was breakfast. Just before going to work I set up my transit and let some of the family look through it at the valley below and at the mountains on the other side. I focused the lenses on different objects of interest for them to look at and got a great kick, as always, in seeing their expressions and listening to their exclama-

tions to each other about what they saw. My telescope is a good one and brought things right up close. They would put out their hands as if to touch what they saw.

Well I went to work on this Thanksgiving day with four peons for my crew. We worked without stopping until we came to a wild orange tree that was loaded with ripe fruit. I had my Thanksgiving dinner on all that I could hold of them. We stripped the tree. At night I went back to the hut and had my fill of rice and beans; they were good too. Rice, beans and bananas are the staple diet of the natives, codfish is also a big item.

Bananas and plantains ripen all the year around, we have a garden of the former.

On this farm there are about 100 mamey trees. You know the expression in English, "It is a peach." In Spanish, "It is a mamey." Mameys are about the size of a canteloup, perfectly round, with a thick, dark brown skin. The flesh of the fruit is the same as that of a peach and tastes more like it than anything else although a person could never mistake one for the other. Mameys have two, three or four stones each about the size of a duck egg.

We have in our front yard two coconut trees and by the driveway, three (corazon) heart trees; so named because the fruit is that shaped. The flesh of it is very soft and sweet and contains pebbly grains that grate on one's teeth like granulated sugar. It is also full of black seeds like shoe buttons.

We have some guanavana trees and this fruit is also heart shaped. The skin is covered with soft spines but they do not prick your fingers. The flesh of the guanavana is soft, and juicy as an orange, but filled with a cottony fiber that a spoon will not push through and that is hard to masticate. Guanavanas are used mostly to make "refrescos", a lovely cooling drink.

A queer fruit is the guamá. It grows in a pod like a lima bean only is larger. Upon splitting open the pod you see a row of cottony beans. The cotton is moist and has a juice that tastes like sugar and water. The cotton is the flesh of the fruit and inside of the fluffy ball is a seed just like the lima bean, which is not edible. The first time that I saw this strange fruit was in the town of Maricao, on a coffee farm. The owner of the place was showing me the sights and gave me some of these guamas to eat. I put one in my mouth, not knowing how to eat it. I felt the seed inside and got the sweet, flavorless taste and found nothing to swallow so asked how to eat them and what part. The toothless old man said, "Aci es." He had shucked quite a lot of them as he sat on the ground looking at me. He put them in his mouth one after another as fast as he could and ejected each green shining seed as he reached for the next guama. He swallowed the cotton without giving it one chew, seemed to suck it from the seed, and did it instantly. Try as I might I could not get cotton and seed separated; they stuck, glued fast, nor would they soak loose. My host laughed for a long time at my being unable to accomplish such a simple trick.

The quenepa is a queer cherry. It grows on a big tree, has a yellow, puckery flesh clinging to a little stone. I never ate but one; it made my teeth and lips curl, so they felt. But how the native boys and girls do love them! They climb the trees and risk falls for them just the same as American boys do for cherries.

There are a great many other kinds of fruit here, all interesting to see and eat; interesting even though you may not want to eat another; but I am afraid that I have grown tiresome with only descriptions.

Sincerely yours,

OTTO L. PIKE

Barceloneta, Porto Rico

LIBRARY NOTES

The circulation of books the past year has totaled 3384. Of this number, 854 were from the children's department, but it does not include the number of books circulated in the schools by means of boxes of books loaned to them from the library.

Patrons of the library, about 184, include families not only in the immediate vicinity of the building, but from all the Woodstocks, sending for their books by way of students attending the Academy.

157 volumes have been added during the year, many of them gifts from friends.

Rev. Edward H. Chandler gave an illustrated lecture on his travels abroad which was most interesting and proved successful financially, as was, also, a card party given in the library rooms one evening with the ladies of the library committee as hostesses.

Library is open every Monday and Thursday afternoons from three until five o'clock. Visitors are always welcome.

Academy Sunday Service

Woodstock, Connecticut

June 10, 1928

Processional—March Romaine

Gounod

Doxology—

Invocation—

Solo—

Responsive Reading—Selection 54

Gloria Patri—

Scripture Lesson—

Hymn No. 642—O God, Beneath Thy Guiding Hand

Prayer—

Response—

Solo—

Notices—

Hymn No. 433—Fight the Good Fight
With All Thy Might

Sermon—

The Rev. Thomas Benjamin Powell
Hymn No. 439—Lead On, O King
Eternal

Benediction—

Recessional—March Scharwenka
(The Congregation Seated)
Mr. Alan Upham, Organist

Graduation Exercises

Class of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-Eight

Woodstock Academy, Woodstock, Connecticut, Thursday, June 14, 1928
two o'clock, Standard Time.

Commencement March

Orchestra

Prayer

The Rev. Thomas Benjamin Powell
Chorus—"The Spinning Wheel"
Manney

Commencement Address

"Best Use of Knowledge"

The Rev. Charles Reynolds Brown
Dean of Yale Divinity School
Chorus—"Morning Invitation" Veavie
Overture

Orchestra

Presentation of Diplomas

Principal Willard H. Wyeth

Fair Woodstock

Announcements

Recessional

Orchestra

Class of 1928

"Amare et servire"

Latin Scientific Course

Ellen Dorothy Carlson

Esther Emelia Johnson

*Kenneth Lee Pike

Robert G. Pike

English Scientific Course

Marcus Edgar Johnson

Warren Prescott Peckham

Helen Ruth Woodbury

Latin Course

Cedric Louis Child

Florence Augusta Child
 †Ellen Rebecca Hibbard
 General Course
 Esther Volumnia Hicks
 Constance Wetherell

*Highest Honors in Scholarship.

†Second Honors in Scholarship.

Class Day Exercises

June 15 at 2.00 P. M., Standard Time.

Salutatory—

E. Rebecca Hibbard

History—

Florence Child and Robert G. Pike
 Statistics—

Helen Woodbury and Esther Johnson
 Will—

Marcus E. Johnson, Esther Hicks
 and Ellen Carlson

Prophecy—

Constance Wetherell and
 Warren Peckham

Valedictory—

Kenneth L. Pike

Tree Oration—

Cedric Child

Song—"Woodstock Academy"

Prizes Awarded

Those entitled to the prize offer of Judge Holt, a copy of Matthew Arnold's "Selections from Wordsworth" and two dollars for committing to memory selections from the following poems, Bible, The First Psalm, Byron's "The Destruction of Sennacherit", Shelley's "The Cloud" Southey's Poem on his book beginning "My days among the dead are past" Tennyson's "The death of the old year", Hunt's "Abou Ben Adhem", Bryant's "Waterfowl", Lanier's "The Stirrup Cup", were: Gertrude Gobin, Irene Johnson, Beatrice Child, Susan Johnstone, Kenneth Pike, John, Meehan, Sylvia Collins, James Meehan, Martha

Kuper, Helen Woodbury, Howard Johnson, Arthur Carlson, Ellen Carlson, Joseph Morse, Warren Peckham, Elsie Hibbard, Raymond Hibbard, Samuel Zipkin, Eunice Pike, Florence Johnson, Rebecca Hibbard, Doris Basto, Eleanor Starr, Thelma Johnson, Jane Lyon, Marion Cady, Robert Pike, Roxana Child, Ruth Palmer, Constance Wetherell, Eugene Hibbard, Esther Hicks, Florence Child, John M. Williams, Esther Johnson.

Other prizes given by Judge Holt were:

English, Ruth Palmer, five dollars, John Meehan, three dollars, Rebecca Hibbard, two dollars.

French, Rebecca Hibbard, five dollars, John Meehan, three dollars, Ruth Palmer, two dollars.

The following prizes of gold were awarded:

Law Scholarships:—

U. S. History, John Meehan, ten dollars.

English I, James Meehan, ten dollars.

English II, Ruth Palmer, ten dollars.

Algebra, James Meehan, ten dollars.

Spelling Contest, Elsie Johnson, five dollars.

Mrs. Ely R. Hall prize of five dollars for the best English essay during the present year, Rebecca Hibbard.

Dr. Charles D. Alton prizes of five dollars each to the boy and girl who showed the most conscientious effort in their school year preceding their graduation, Ellen Carlson and Cedric Child.

Miss Constance Holt gives a prize of ten dollars in memory of Mr. Ely R. Hall to that undergraduate of the Academy who shall during the year attain the highest rank in Latin. John Meehan, who has an average of 97.

Perfect Attendance for year, John McWilliam.

The golds again win the competition for 1927-1928 from the blues.

Salutatory

Schoolmates, friends and instructors, we are very happy to welcome you here to-day. We extend our sincerest greetings to you who have helped and encouraged us to build the foundation of our education and to prepare for life in the future. We can now but half realize and appreciate how much we owe to you.

One day as I sat thinking over my four year's stay at Woodstock Academy, I fell asleep and this strange and beautiful vision appeared before my eyes.

A wide avenue stretched before me and as I watched, the walls of a great building materialized. The sight of a continuous stream of human beings passing along the avenue and entering the great doors of the house, inspired me with curiosity until I thought that I, too, must see what was within.

As I approached with the hurrying crowd, I noticed above the entrance a brilliant sign with these words, "The House of Life." The doors opened silently and I found myself within a large hall from which opened four doors. Advancing, I read the following signs above these entrances; Power, Wealth, Pleasure, and lastly, Love.

I went first into the room, Power, where I passed huge book-cases filled with wonderful books, heard some beautiful music, and then an interesting lecture. Men were everywhere preparing for hard labor by studying and gaining knowledge. On moving farther into the room, I was impressed by an atmosphere of haste; men were rushing feverishly from one task to another; at the center of the room, a group with hard, stern faces was deep in consultation and appeared to command the rest of the workers. Appalled by the ruthlessness of their man-

ner, I fled from the room and turned toward the door, Wealth.

In this room all seemed warmth and luxury. People were dressed gorgeously, wore many wonderful jewels, and everyone seemed gay, but the longer I watched, the more I realized that a spirit of discontent and envy was abroad, and what at first seemed happiness was but shallow imitation. I knew that I could not find that which I sought there and so passed on to the next room, Pleasure. Here I met the same feeling of disappointment and went on, for after a short stay, I was still dissatisfied.

The last room, Love, was so beautiful that I gasped in astonishment. The walls seemed to fade away in the distance while over all shimmered a soft violet light. High above were emblazoned in letters of gold, the two greatest commandments; those which the Christ gave to his disciples. Here was neither haste nor discontent but over all seemed to be a spirit of peace and happiness. Soft music delighted the senses, beautiful pictures materialized and faded before the eyes; great philosophers instructed earnest seekers after knowledge. Always gentle hands reached out to aid those in need of help and sympathy. I was feeling very happy and contented in the midst of my perfect surroundings when slowly, as it had come, the vision faded.

I awoke with this picture clearly in mind, and thought of how our education at Woodstock Academy had instilled in us these same ideals of faith and love about which I had dreamed. I realized that knowledge, power, and wealth are enough to make a complete and happy life, but that our aim should be to live up to our class motto, "Amare et servire", to love and to serve.

E. REBECCA HIBBARD

Valedictory Address

We are now on the threshold of our graduation, and as we look back over our four years' work we realize that it is not the facts themselves which we have learned which are important, but only their application to our present life.

This is apparent if we take the poems, literature and grammar studied in our English department and consider them from this point of view. We see that these are not important in themselves, but if we use them to make our lives fuller, nobler, and more soul-satisfying, it is indeed worth while and the four years have not been spent in vain. I can best express my thought by expressing Emerson, who says, "When a mind is simple and receives divine wisdom, then old things pass away—means, texts, teachers, temples fall. It lives now and absorbs past and future into the present hour."

In our sciences, too, we have learned how it makes no difference whether or not we have learned facts and rules, if we do not apply them to our needs in in life.

Aviation is one of the many fields of endeavor which applies these rules and in which one may use the knowledge gained here. The principles taught here are used so much that one has to have them to succeed in this work. Indeed, leaders of this field are everywhere urging that one have a further training if he wish to become a leader also. The application of what one has learned here will help one to gain this training.

Aviation and its teachings is only one of the many occupations of which Woodstock Academy and its teachings is a foundation, whether further education is gained through schooling or through experience. It is a foundation, and a sure foundation, for this and for the other professions.

Classmates: In these four years we have learned to love our Alma Mater, so now, as we say farewell, let us go with a resolve that we shall ever be true to her. We shall do our best to show our appreciation of what she has done for us by ever climbing higher, so that she may be proud of us and be glad to welcome us as her own.

KENNETH PIKE

Tree Oration

Four years ago when we started our high school education, graduation seemed to be far distant; but now that we have reached that point, the course seems to have been very short indeed, and it is with sorrow that we leave.

For some the years spent here have meant hard work against great odds; for some they have meant less work for the same honor, but for all they have meant the formation of friendships which will last through life. We have formed friendships not only with individuals but with this old Academy. We therefore dedicate this tree to keep this friendship alive and to make it grow as the tree grows.

Holmes said, "When we plant a tree we are doing what we can to make our planet a more wholesome and happier dwelling place for those who come after us if not for ourselves."

We plant this tree for this purpose, but we also plant it as an example to be followed. For, in one sense we are branches of a tree, with the instruction and guidance received here as our roots, the class of 1928 as the trunk, and the deeds we do and the distinction we win as our leaves.

As you, O tree, extend your roots into the moisture and richness of the earth, may we use our roots to obtain the highest and best among our fellowmen.

As your branches grow teach us to have a desire for more and better things so that our leaves will increase in number as your leaves grow with the size of your branches.

Your duties, dear tree, are many. Help us to remember our teachers here and especially Miss Drake, our honorary member, and help us to realize what her companionship has meant to us. Although we perhaps do not fully appreciate her help, she has found a place in our hearts which she will always hold.

We shall always look upon this tree as an inspiration to make the best use possible of the education Woodstock Academy has given us. May we go out as others have gone before us and add new laurels to her name already made famous.

And now as we are launching on the sea of life most of us do not know into what part of the world we may drift, but each one of us hopes that he may some day return to Woodstock, sit beneath this tree, and gaze upon this old institution. No matter where everyone is, each one will give thanks that he has been educated at Woodstock Academy.

CEDRIC L. CHILD

Social Activities

The first social event of the year was a lecture by Mr. Towne of New London. He spoke on Nathan Hale. Mr. Clarence Bowen was responsible for enabling the Academy scholars and others to hear his fine talk.

In the middle of October Mr. Ellsworth was here again. This year the title of his lecture was "Forty years of Publishing." This was the third time that he has spoken for the Academy and the school is greatly indebted to Mr. Bowen who has made this possible.

On January 27, 1928 the Seniors gave a social. The program which

was given by members of the Senior Class, consisted of a one-act play entitled "The Rector" and a pantomime entitled "Miss Newbery's School." After the program the remainder of the evening was devoted to dancing. It was through Miss Drake's untiring efforts that the social was a success.

In March the Juniors gave their play entitled "It Happened in June." The Juniors did themselves proud, Wallace and Beatrice Child played the leading parts. They were coached by Mr. and Mrs. Wyeth. A play of this type means a great deal of work and any class ought to feel pleased if its play has been a success.

The Junior Prom was held April 20, 1928. The hall was decorated with over two hundred balloons. They were hung so as to give the idea of a lowered ceiling. The patron and patronesses were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wyeth, Mrs. Louise Child and Miss Nellie Chandler. The music for dancing was furnished by Gallup's orchestra.

May 11th the Seniors presented a play entitled "June Time". Constance Wetherell and Kenneth Pike played the leading parts. The play was a big success and the class certainly could not at the time fully appreciate what Miss Drake did in coaching it.

June 1st two musical sketches entitled "Cynthia's Strategy" and "A Musical Surprise" were presented under the auspices of the Senior Class and directed by Miss Pike. The participants in these were chosen from the entire school. After the program dancing was enjoyed until midnight.

The three lower classes held picnics near the end of the school year. These were held at Roseland Park.

The Seniors went to Hartford June 9th. They visited the State Capitol and the Morgan Memorial, and then enjoyed an afternoon at the theatre.

The night before graduation the Senior Class was invited to "Valley-side" for supper. After supper games

were played. Everyone reported a good time.

Commencement was June 14th. Once more the "old hall" was packed with friends and alumni. A very inspiring address was delivered by Dean Brown of Yale and the diplomas were presented by Mr. Wyeth.

This year Class Day came after graduation, on June 15th Rebecca Hibbard, who was Salutatorian opened the program with a short speech of welcome.

The Class History was read by Robert Pike and Florence Child. The Statics were given by Helen Woodbury and Esther Johnson.

Marcus Johnson read the Will. This of course made every Junior listen to see what had been bequeathed him.

Esther Hicks and Ellen Carlson had the class gifts. Each gift was some joke and to the gift was attached a verse which was read.

The Prophecy was given by Constance Wetherell and Warren Peckham.

The Valedictory address was given by Kenneth Pike. Cedric Child gave the Tree Oration. The program closed with the singing of "Woodstock Academy."

The Juniors gave the Seniors a lovely reception. The hall was decorated with over two hundred lanterns. The patronesses were Miss Priscilla Drake, Mrs. Pike, Miss Constance Holt and Miss Ellen Macomber.

At midnight the school years of 1927 and 28 came to a close.

FLORENCE CHILD

A Review of The Year

Woodstock Academy began the school year with no changes in its staff of teachers; a very desirable situation for the school, since less time was needed to get under way.

Teachers and students were impressed by the marked improvement

in the appearance of the grounds. The lawns were green and well kept, the shrubs were trimmed and attractive and the roadway was graded and aligned.

A program of morning speakers was arranged early in the year, which the students greatly enjoyed. The purpose was to have speakers come before the student body to tell them something about the various professions open to young people who enter the money earning group. It did not happen that speakers from many professions and occupations were obtained.

William Webster Ellsworth, formerly president of the Century Company, spoke on "Reminiscences of a Publisher," and later he gave a lecture on the Bible as literature. Edward Chandler gave a series of talks on travels in Italy, England and other countries of Europe. Mr. Hinrichs gave his usual group of lectures. He chose a play of Shakespeare, "Hamlet", as his theme. Among others who spoke at the morning exercises were Dr. Ernest Pike, Miss Ethel Upham, Superintendent of Schools, Martin J. Robertson and Edwin Hill.

During the school year, Miss Priscilla Drake became ill so that she was granted a leave of absence. Fortunately the services of Mrs. Tuttle were obtained who carried on the English classes until Miss Drake was able to return. Miss Drake again had a very successful basketball team although it was handicapped by her absence during the latter part of the basketball season.

Kenneth Pike, son of Dr. Ernest Pike was valedictorian of the Senior Class of 1928. Only one-tenth of a point separated his average from that of Rebecca Hibbard the Salutatorian. The class of 1928 had a very high average for the four years of its existence.

The international correspondence which was begun last year has flourished during the year. Many girls and

boys are now regularly corresponding with the girls and boys of foreign countries.

WILLARD H. WYETH

Athletics

There was no football team at Woodstock Academy in 1927 and no attempt was made at organized practice.

Basket practice was started early and the annual practice game was played against the Alumni Thanksgiving Day. The regular schedule of ten games commenced a few days later. Mr. Wyeth, though he had not had basketball experience, did what he could to help the boys, but it was impossible to develop a winning team. With less than twenty to pick from to play against much larger schools, five players strong enough to match the other teams could not be found. However the boys outplayed opponents for short periods and were ahead at quarters and halves in some games.

Captain Marcus Johnson played guard. Ralph Tourtellotte, as right forward, made the most points, and others playing forward were Cedric and Wallace Child. These two also substituted at guard. Warren Peckham and Henry Young played center. Roger Child, Donald French, Alfred Wetherell, John McWilliam and Joseph Morse substituted in various games.

The girls played a short but very successful season, losing to but one team, winning most of the games by uneven scores, one game 48-14. They lost to Plainfield twice, once by a single point. On February 18th the girls journeyed to Storrs and defeated the Connecticut Agricultural College Freshmen 29-12. Miss Drake, a very capable coach, deserves considerable credit for putting out such a team.

The team consisted of six strong

players with three able substitutes. Beatrice Child and Rebecca Hibbard, as forwards, shared about evenly in making 229 of the season's (six games) 232 points. Constance Wetherell and Elsie Hibbard played guard, and Esther Hicks and Florence Child played center. Florence Johnson substituted at forward, Helen Woodbury at center and Roxana Child at guard. In two games there was no substitution, in no games much. Beatrice Child captained the team and Constance Wetherell was manager.

No attention was given to track in 1928, and very little gymnasium work of any kind was carried on. A group of boys built up a baseball team, with the help of Mr. Powell who coached regularly, and instilled enthusiasm in the boys by means of his enthusiasm. Pomfret School loaned us a diamond for practice and helped us by playing practice games. This was a great help as our field is far from smooth and we had no material for a second team.

The line-up was as follows: Pitcher, Warren Peckham; Catcher, Henry Young and Marcus Johnson; First Baseman, Ralph Tourtellotte; Second Baseman, Gregory Kempf; Third Baseman, Donald French; Shortstop, Wallace Child; Leftfielder, Joseph Morse; Centerfielder, Alfred Wetherell; and Rightfielder, Cedric Child.

One game was won and the boys got excellent training for another year, and new equipment was purchased by the Association.

Only three athletes among the boys graduated this June, so, with a gymnasium and an experienced coach, prospects are better for next season. The girls lost four of the six on their first team, and one substitute, but there are more girls to choose from. They will miss Miss Drake for she will be hard to replace.

WILLIAM F. CLOSSON

Athletic Association Report

Expenses

Payment of loan to M. F. Childs	\$ 25.00
Athletic equipment	131.13
Transportation	22.55
Guarantees	50.00
Referee and Umpire	43.00
Printing	15.61
Repairs for gym	2.26
Gum for players	2.15
Postage	.20
Telephone	1.05
Rule book for orders of meeting	1.20
Pictures—framed	5.00
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	\$299.15
Cash on hand	\$66.20

Receipts

Dues	35.00
Magazine campaign	38.12
Ellsworth lecture	14.50
Admission to games	90.20
Guarantees	70.00
Pencil sale, etc.	7.05
Total receipts	\$321.07
Total expenses	299.15
Balance	\$ 21.92

Respectfully submitted,
WARREN PECKHAM,

Treasurer

Summary of Treasurer's Statement,
from September 1927 to June 1928,
of the Woodstock Academy Athletic
Association.

Audited and found correct August
17, 1928.

WILLIAM F. CLOSSON,
of W. A. Faculty

Woodstock Academy Bank

Woodstock Academy Bank came in-
to existence in February, 1926. Prin-
cipal Maurice Childs created this in-
stitution within an institution to put
the student finances on a business-
like basis.

The various student organizations
deposit in the W. A. Bank and pay
their bills by checks drawn on this

bank. As the W. A. Bank is not recog-
nized off the campus, the bank ex-
changes its checks for checks on a
Putnam bank. Statements are issued
several times during the school year.

Student treasurers keep accurate
books which are audited by the bank
treasurer, and the Academy trustees
audit the bank's books. Last year all
student organizations made use of the
bank and this year the bank will buy
all books and student supplies. Some
funds are kept in a checking account
for the use of student organizations
but the surplus is kept in a savings
bank.

The Principal is president of the
bank, and the Assistant Principal is
cashier and book-keeper.

The statement of the school year
1927-28 is as follows:

Cash on Hand Sept. 1, 1927	\$183.46
Cash deposited during year	570.61
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Total Cash	\$754.07
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Checks drawn on bank dur- ing year	643.58
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Cash on Hand Sept. 1, '28	\$110.49

Treasurer's Report

June 1928

Cash on hand June 1927	\$114.35
Sale of Gleaners	83.97
Advertisements	79.00
Interest on Bank Book	5.01
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	\$282.33

Expenses

Publishing Gleaners	\$84.00
Editor	30.00
Stamps and Envelopes	10.52
Cut	9.00
Mr. Rollins Picture	.40
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	\$133.92
Balance on hand June 14th, 1928	\$148.41

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Alumni Association Report

President—Mr. Howard Peckham.

Vice-Presidents, Ethel Upham, Beatrice Healey, Mrs. William Closson, Miriam Ware.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Ruth W. Gallup.

Executive Committee—Principal of Woodstock Academy, Rilla Child, Albert Williams, Clayton Peckham.

Editor—Mrs. Ruth W. Gallup.

Faculty Items

Principal Eugene W. Ellis comes to us from Rutgers Preparatory School, New Brunswick, N. J.

Assistant Principal William F. Closson attended Summer School at Rutgers College, New Brunswick, N. J.

Mrs. Marjorie Tuttle, who taught as a substitute teacher last year has been secured as an assistant teacher.

Miss Ethel Upham returns as part-time teacher and Miss Louise Pike as music teacher.

Mr. Willard H. Wyeth taught at New London this summer and will be head of a mathematics department at the High School of Commerce, New London, Conn.

Miss Ellen Macomber goes to Glastonbury, Conn., to teach this year.

Miss Priscilla Drake plans to teach in Southbridge, Mass.

Miss Susan D. Gordon spent several weeks visiting relatives and Mrs. William Mill (Mildred Foye) spent several weeks at Mrs. Louise Childs.

Miss Margaret Cochrane during August worked under The Sea Coast Missionary Society at Little Deer Island, Maine.

Mrs. Carl Smith (Bertha Page) lives in Portland, Maine. We are very

sorry to hear her husband died in July.

Mrs. Elizabeth F. Bingham returns to her school in Springfield after spending her vacation at her home "Century Old Cottage."

Mrs. William E. Bawden (Esther Rouse) will keep busy teaching William Jr. to sing. See Morning.

Miss Elizabeth J. Ross, resumes her duties at West Hartford High School in September.

Mrs. Homer Brainard (Faith Sanborn) with her husband spent their vacation near Shelburne Falls, Mass.

Mrs. Aleta Prescott Lindemuth called on Woodstock friends this Summer.

Miss Beulah Johnson returned this fall to her position at the English High School in Lynn, Mass. This summer she has been taking graduate work at the Harvard Summer School. Her home address is 21 Chauncey St. Cambridge, Mass.

Miss Lucy D. Reed, as usual, spent August in Woodstock. She is still teaching Practical Arts at the West Junior High School in Watertown, Mass.

Mid-April

Winter tip-toed back last night

While all lay sleeping,

To see the buds that through the cold
She had been keeping.

Hepaticas with blankets off

She soon discovered,

And baby-pink arbutus sweet
Lay all uncovered.

So a downy quilt she gently spread

Upon them sleeping,

Tucked them in, and left them then
To April's keeping.

RUBY SANBORN

Student Personals

At Farmers' Week in August Connecticut Agricultural College gave "Honorary Recognition" to three leaders in agriculture and rural life and one of these was Henry T. Child. Except for a few years away at school Mr. Child has always lived at "Valley-side" the Child home. He and his wife Ella Fitts, with all the duties and cares of a farm, have been active workers for the church and helpful in and things for the community good.

Professor Sidney N. Morse is traveling much of the time raising a fund to build a Gymnasium at Williston Academy. He with Mrs. Morse (Lucy Mason) have made their usual visit to Woodstock.

Richards L. Child continues to live in Brooklyn, N. Y., and is connected with the Keyser Manufacturing Co. of silk underwear, hosiery, etc. Mr. Child is Superintendent of Electric Light and Power.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Cox and five children reside in Newport, R. I.

Mr. L. H. Healey, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture, spends most of his time in Hartford, returning to Woodstock for the week-ends. Mrs. Healey (Carrie Blackmar) joins him some of the time in the winter, and visits her sons and daughters, also.

Lulu E. Johnson is taking the course of training for nurses at the Rhode Island Hospital. She has completed one year of work and likes it very much.

Florence Cox Chapman attended the graduation reception at the Academy in June. During the summer Captain and Mrs. Chapman spent some time touring New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. All schoolmates will receive a hearty welcome at 103 Chapel Street, East Hartford.

Henry C. Lowe and wife (May Randall) enjoyed a Canadian trip the past year. Their home is in Washington.

Hazen A. Calhoun has attended Colby College the past year.

Lawrence G. Sherman is located in Wethersfield, Conn.

Edwin T. Perrin of Branford, Conn. spent his vacation with his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Perrin Calkins at the home of William H. Lester, Woodstock, Conn.

Miss Clara and Ada Dennis have enjoyed visiting Woodstock friends again this summer.

Miss Nellie D. Chandler with her cousins enjoyed a two months' trip to England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

While on a motor trip Mrs. Florence Child Paine called on Prof. and Mrs. Lord (Annette Bowen). We are glad to learn she is able to get about after having had a broken leg.

Roy Davenport is Treasurer and General Manager of the Bickford Lunch System of Maryland operating three large and very fine Restaurants under the name of Bickfords. Office at 3 No. Calvert St.

Carl P. Nelson is his father's assistant at Longmeadow Farm, Quassett.

Ernest M. Butler writes, "I am still in the business school work, and my son, Morton, is associated with me. I came to Bridgeport in 1917 and purchased a school for myself and through strict attention to business and a lot of hard work, with my son's assistance, we have brought the school up to its present standing. Our annual enrollment for day and night sessions is approximately 350."

Albert E. Hosmer continues to teach music at the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago and sings in the Pilgrim Congregational Church, Oak Park, Illinois.

Dr. Albert Paine of Pasadena, Cal., has given \$2,500 toward a pipe organ for the Congregational church in East Woodstock, Conn., in memory of his only son, Dr. John Paine whose death occurred last December.

Bertha McComber can be found at 78 Oak street, Willimantic, Conn. She

makes frequent visits to Woodstock to call on relatives and friends.

Theodore Cox has been engaged in the market gardening business in East Woodstock the past summer.

Nellie M. Lowe takes an active part in the church and social life of South Woodstock.

Estella Gage Starr lives in the English Neighborhood. She has three daughters. See Morning. Her oldest daughter is this year a Junior at the Academy.

Olive Moore Basto has the sympathy of her school friends in the death of her mother and Maud Scranton Kitson in the death of her father.

Evelyn H. Calhoun works for the Putnam Light and Power Company.

Did you ever buy a cake, pie, rolls, etc., from Elizabeth's Food Shoppe, Sturbridge, Mass.? If not just stop in sometime and you will meet Elizabeth Chamberlain Barnes.

Ewart G. Healey and Ruth Witter Healey are at Echo Farm, North Woodstock, Conn. Ewart is building a new cow barn. Sympathy is extended in the death of their infant daughter.

The Protestant Episcopal church of America will undoubtedly adopt faith healing by the laying on of hands at its convention in Washington, next October, according to Rev. Welles Mortimer Partridge, pastor of St. Anne's Episcopal church, Boston, who is now occupying a pulpit in Brooklyn, N. Y., during the vacation of the rector.

Mr. Partridge is a former Putnam young man and is a graduate of the Putnam High school. He is a son-in-law of Chauncey Morse of Putnam.

Discussing his use of the practice in the summer service at St. James Protestant Episcopal church in Brooklyn, Mr. Partridge said that provision has been made in the proposed revision of the church prayer book for both the laying on of hands and for anointing with oil.

The result of the adoption, which he feels assured, will be the inaugura-

tion everywhere of "healing missions" in which "doctors and priests will co-operate to heal the sick," he said.

According to Mr. Partridge these missions are now more common in the Episcopal church than it is generally supposed.

"However," the minister added, "I want it understood that although I am offering God's aid to the afflicted at all services in St. James church, I am not conducting a healing mission here in Brooklyn. For such a mission, I would have regular physicians in the church to examine all patients. After the doctor had prescribed treatment, I, as a priest, would offer divine aid and would advise the patient how to pray if he wished to be cured. Here my work is entirely impersonal. Out of the seventy people who have come to me for aid, I have actually discussed their ailments or spoken personally to only two."

His work in Brooklyn is something new for him, he said. While he has always been interested in "divine healing," and at one time conducted a "healing mission" at Peace Church in Portsmouth, N. H., this is the first time that he has issued invitations to the "afflicted" at every service, he explained. At the conclusion of the services the minister invites the members of the congregation who are "suffering from mental or physical ills" to come to the altar rail and receive the Apostolic Blessing and the laying on of hands.

He says he has seen many miraculous cures "through divine intervention" in cases of tuberculosis, heart trouble, and other diseases. A patient should seek the advice of a doctor and find out how to put himself in the best physical condition, but "when he has done this only Christ can cure him," the minister asserted.

The following taken from a letter from Sterling B Childs dated July

13th, 1928 will be of interest to his schoolmates:

After leaving Woodstock in 1905—I went out to the real West on a ranch—which now you only see in the “Movies” that “cow-boy” life nearly extinct in 1928. Schools in the East and later University of Virginia, the Engineering course. West again, exploring and mapping the unsettled and little known parts, in the U. S. Geological Survey Service. Not “cut-out” for the profession of a Civil Mining Engineer. I became a stock and bond broker on “Wall Street” New York. Not being adept at finance, I tried my luck as a newspaper man.

Thus a few years pass, and I try college again—but not to any advantage—Finally leaving to enter the theatre. As an actor I travelled and played all over this United States and Canada. Big cities to the mining camps. In 1917, joining the Williamson-Benson Company of London on tour in Repetoire from Russia, the Orient, South America, Africa and Europe.

My greatest success, I believe was in support of the eminent French Tragedian Mlle Salvor who had such a triumphal tour of America, five years ago.

I have taken my work entirely professionally in the hard commercial theatre—with its many “ups and downs” days of joy and days of bitterness. The “Movies” for awhile, yes, for the money.

During all these years—I had very little time or opportunity to see my parents or home, and never married. Perhaps some people of Woodstock while visiting the cities, may have seen me while attending a performance in some theatre but not knowing my stage name, and never recognizing me of course, little imagined they saw a boy of old Woodstock, endeavoring to entertain them.

C. Curtis Cox and family live in Southbridge, Mass., where he is connected with the business of Fred Hall.

Albert Haskell is a trustee of Huron College which is a Denominational College in Huron, South Dakota.

Maxwell Cox and wife (Clara Eddy) live in Stafford Springs, where he is engaged in carpenter work and deals in radios. He is a well known figure among the golf players of Windham and Tolland counties.

Freeman R. Nelson was married July 12th to Dorothy W. Burton of Abington, Mass. They took a trip through the Panama Canal, California and the Canadian Rockies. They are now at home to their friends at Pomfret, Center, Conn.

Grace Ames Myers lives in Danielson, Conn., and occasionally visits Woodstock friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Frank Thompson (Cora Wetherell) are still living at 2 Autumn Street, Worcester. Their older son Milton Arnold, a graduate of Wentworth Institute class of 1923 is in the Civil Engineering business in Palmer, doing business under the firm name of Davis and Thompson.

Wallace Wetherell, the younger son is a senior at South High.

September 24, 1927 Milton A. Thompson and Miss Gertrude A. Bryant, Worchester, Mass.

Judge Frank F. Russell, wife and daughter had a delightful trip this Summer to California. Going out their route was over the Canadian Pacific through the Canadian Rockies and to British Columbia. After a stop of five days in Seattle where Mr. Russell attended a meeting of the American Bar Association they went on to Los Angeles then home by the way of Salt Lake City and the Grand Canon.

February 8, 1928, Thomas B. Bowman and Miss Constance L. Russell, Daytona Beach, Florida.

Doctor Hamilton Holt, president of Rollins College, Florida, and wife have spent the summer at their home in Woodstock, much of the time they were busily engaged in preparations for their daughter's wedding. Mr. and

Mrs. Rotival will make their home in Paris, France.

August 4, 1928 Mr. Maurice Rotival and Miss Leila Holt, Woodstock, Connecticut.

On September first the home of Dr. and Mrs. George McClellan was the scene of a very pretty wedding when their daughter Jean was married. See Noon.

One of the older Alumni Brainard Child died in August at his home in Alhambra California. He not only has been a student of the Academy but was instructor in penmanship when Mr. Burnette was principal. At one time he travelled in the interest of the Child Acme Cutter and Press Co.

Another Academy student, and one missed Summers in Woodstock, died at the home of his son in Asbury Park, N. J., last December. Many are the people who have visited him at his summer camp "Bresh Cottage" where they were made welcome and pleasantly entertained.

The Norwich Bulletin in an obituary tells of the many wonderful things Charles E. Chandler did in his line of an engineer. It also says, "Mr. Chandler had high ideals of life, his ethical standards of business were above the ordinary, and he was a citizen whose precept and example made him a force for strength in the community."

1894

Anne Hall Gaylord has gone back to Anchorage, Kentucky to live. She and Mr. Gaylord are building a house and Anne takes the keenest pleasure in watching its erection. A brook runs through what will be her garden and there are fine old trees on the site so that she will have plenty of birds. Her son Warner was married on August 1st to Miss Marjorie Wallin. Anne with her other two children and Mr. Gaylord drove to Ontario for the wedding.

Albert D. Merwin and wife Mabelle Hammond says since the passing of

the Florida boom everything is in the dumps but they are hoping for better times. Their son is busy though painting signs and doing interior decoration work.

Charles G. Burd continues to preach at the Congregational church, Verona, N. Y. In June he attended his 30th reunion at Amherst, after that he with Mrs. Burd and daughter Margaret spent a month at Big Moose Lake in the Adirondacks.

Alfred T. Child is still connected with Rose Polytechnic Institute, Terre Haute, Indiana as Associate Professor of applied chemistry. In recent years he has been quite active in civic betterment of the city as president of an Association for the smoke abatement which in the region of soft coal is a serious problem. He has given public addresses and written for the press resulting in arousing public interest to a certain extent. It may be of interest to know that his two daughters graduated from college this year, the oldest Eunice from Michigan University, and is to teach athletics in Mary Institute, St. Louis. Margaret graduated from Radcliffe also this year with the degree of Cum Laude and has been attending summer school at Harvard. The son Thurston has been taking a course in drama at the Little Theatre in East Gloucester, Mass.

1895

Edward L. Child is pursuing the even tenor of his way in the same position of buyer for the white goods department at Barnard, Sumner and Putnam, Worcester, Mass. During the year he has made a specialty of imported laces which have been quite popular.

Edith Hall Dohan paid a visit to Woodstock in August. She is to lecture at Bryn Mawr during the second semester of next year, and also does some work for The University Museum, Philadelphia.

Jessie Bowen Palmer's daughter Carolyn received her B. A. at Pomona College in June. September 1st she entered the Los Angeles Public Library where she takes a nine months' course to fit herself to become a librarian.

Burton T. Fitts writes "Doing the same old thing in the same old way."

Estella Tompkins Waterbury writes a very interesting letter about her boy working in the wheat fields this summer, how they own and run the Monrovia Bowling alley and her pastime is swimming. The family hopes sometime to come East in their auto.

Sara Colvin Williamson, husband and daughter enjoyed a few days outing with Ned at his cottage at Martha's Vineyard.

Alice Sharpe Johnson is a faithful worker for the Pomfret Public Library which they hope to build soon. Her daughter Muriel enters Putnam High this Fall.

Everett L. Upham has nothing of special interest about himself to report. His son Everett Junior expects to return to Bowdoin College this Fall as a Sophomore.

A. Lloyd Cooper continues his work as an expert accountant.

Fred J. Fitts, with his wife and daughter, is spending this summer travelling in the far western states.

Joseph and Esther Trowbridge Catlin and Ralph Sabin have not been heard from.

Howard M. Frost, January 1st became associated with the Seaboard Surety Co. as Vice President. Office at 80 John St., New York.

Ruth Williamson Gallup may be found at her home and all friends are welcome.

Mowry Ross is working for the Victor Company and his home is in Camden, N. J.

Constance Holt has returned from a two years' sojourn in Europe. Her itinerary took her into six different countries; England, Scotland, France, Switzerland, Italy and Belgium. Her travelling was done almost entirely by automobile, thus giving her a fine chance to see the countries at their best. She is spending the summer at Woodstock.

1896

DO YE NEXT THYNGE

Mary Bowen Keith's son Lawrence works in the Shoe Department of the Bugbee Corporation Store, Putnam, Conn.

Clarence Weaver's daughter Sarah enters High School this Fall. His son Maxwell is studying to be a Civil Engineer.

Ruth Cahoon Leary motors up to South Woodstock occasionally to visit her sister.

We mourn the death of our classmate Joseph S. Sheppard and wish to express our sympathy to his family.

1897

Arthur O. Williams is with the Providence Gas Works. He spent his vacation in New Jersey.

1898

ESSE QUAM VIDERI

Sidney Upham and wife spent their vacation motoring through Wisconsin, stopping at Lac Du Flambo.

Emma E. Allen spent three weeks in Maine. For three years she has done College Board work at Columbia.

Maria Chandler, Leslie Harris and Edna Frost Tobias have not been heard from for a long time.

Dr. James Hutchins is chairman of the town Republican Committee.

Flora Steere Wetherell is busy caring for her family.

Emily Ross, congratulations, we hear wedding bells will soon be ringing.

Albert Williams leads the busy life of a farmer.

1899

IN LIMINE

Ruby Sanborn may be found at Massachusetts Agricultural College where she is busy at her old position. you will be interested to read her poems.

May Gifford Jordan is at home in Webster.

We haven't seen Olah Withey Whelpley this summer. Hope she plans to visit Woodstock soon. When last heard from she was living in St. Louis, Mo.

Bessie Barber Williams, with her husband and family recently took an auto trip through the White Mountains motoring to the top of Mt. Washington. She still resides in Sprucedale.

William C. Child is president of Woodstock Agricultural Society and leads a busy life on the home farm, "Valleyside."

Florence Warren Latham is busy as ever. She is one of Eastford's Town Officers, serving as Town Clerk, Treasurer and Agent of Town Deposit Funds.

Frank D. Skinner lives at Dudley Hill, Mass., and works in Fabyan. His son Newton is a senior at Webster High School.

1900

VINCET QUI SE VINCET

Mary Alton Morse keeps the "Home Fires Burning" while her husband Arthur Morse works in The Stillwater Worsted Mills, East Woodstock.

Irving Frost continues to live in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Lafayette E. Evans, Bertram C. Bugbee and Fritz Rockwell, let us hear from you next year.

One of our members, John C. Paine was taken from us this past year.

1901

ESSE QUAM VIDET

Frank F. Davenport's two boys were at camp this summer and his wife at Narragansett Pier.

Herbert Slye has moved his family

from Putnam back to Stafford Springs.

Olive A. Paine spent the summer at home.

Sabin Spalding is a successful market gardener and chicken raiser.

Mary Aldrich Hopkins keeps busy with home duties.

Herman Chandler, Ewart Brunn and Phoebe Randall Pray we will probably see at the next reunion.

Ernest G. Williamson is manager of the Worcester Branch of Monarch Insurance.

Ethel Spalding Silberberg and family spent a week in Woodstock.

1902

NIHIL SINE LABORE

Harry Child was transferred last April from Florida to New England filling the same position as salesman for the Barrett Manufacturing Co. with headquarters in Boston, Mass.

Mary Frost Ross and family made their usual visit to West Woodstock.

James V. Perrin and family spent several weeks with Mr. Perrin's parents in North Woodstock.

Low Cox Hibbard keeps in touch with many of the Alumni of the Academy through her work as secretary of the Hall Memorial Fund Committee.

Gertrude Taber Howard lives at 32 Fairview Street, West Hartford. Her son Harvey is a sophomore at the William Hall High School.

Florence Barber Washburn and Herbert Johnson report nothing new.

Jessie Hibbard Lamb and Rose Lowden Gilbertson have not been heard from. Just send a line for the next Gleaner.

1903

ALTIOR

Helen Chandler, we wish you would write and give us some news about yourself.

Alice Steere Farris enjoyed a visit from her mother this past winter.

Alan W. Upham has kept busy this summer with a large class of piano pupils. Incidentally he has been try-

ing out housework, and for recreation has enjoyed locating the hiding places of the rarer species of ferns and flowers in Windham County.

Grace Sumner Davis keeps busy with home cares.

Commander Frank W. Rockwell and wife spent a few days in Woodstock this August.

Grace Church White and husband have bought a farm nine miles out of Providence at Diamond Hill. See Morning.

Clarence R. Hall's two daughters are old enough to attend a summer camp. Clarence occasionally spends a week-end with Miss Mathewson in Pomfret, and so keeps in touch with Woodstock.

Cornelius Haskell recently made a flying trip to Woodstock. He was recently elected director of the Rocky Mountains Fuel Co.

1904

VERITAS VINCET

Anna E. Nelson has spent the summer at the "Home Ranch" in Woodstock and resumes her duties as a teacher in Hartford this Fall.

George E. Whitney and Bernice Leavitt have made no change.

Annie M. Shippey remains with the Traveler's Insurance Co. of Hartford. She spent her annual vacation in Woodstock.

Pearl Alton Gifford and family spent the summer at the Gifford home in East Woodstock.

Florence Safford Keyes continues to live in California.

William J. Nelson is Superintendent of Schools in Plaistow, N. H. He and wife with daughter Elizabeth spent a week in Woodstock this Summer.

Blanche L. Shippey is still busy at her home in Sprucedale.

1905

Harry E. Wells is wearing a broad smile these days. For reason, see "Morning". Congratulations of the class.

No news has as yet been received from Edmund K. Gilbert, and nothing new is reported from Ethel Rawson Morgan, so we infer they are all pursuing their usual walk in life.

Nellie T. Burleson has for much of the past year been leading the busy life of a nurse.

Fred Howard writes, for the past two years I have been manager of the Hartford office of the Orthomec Company of New England, 983 Main Street, and enjoy my work very much.

1906

TEMPORE UTAMUS

Lottie Howard Spalding was sent as a state delegate, representing the elementary and rural schools of Connecticut, to the Annual Convention of the National Education Association held at Minneapolis, in July. She is to teach in North Woodstock the coming year.

Carl Morse spent an enjoyable time visiting Nova Scotia.

Maud Andrews Washburn frequently comes to see her mother who is in poor health.

Ethel E. Upham expects to return to the Academy as part-time teacher this Fall. She spent a profitable and enjoyable period of study at the Summer Session of the French School of Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont.

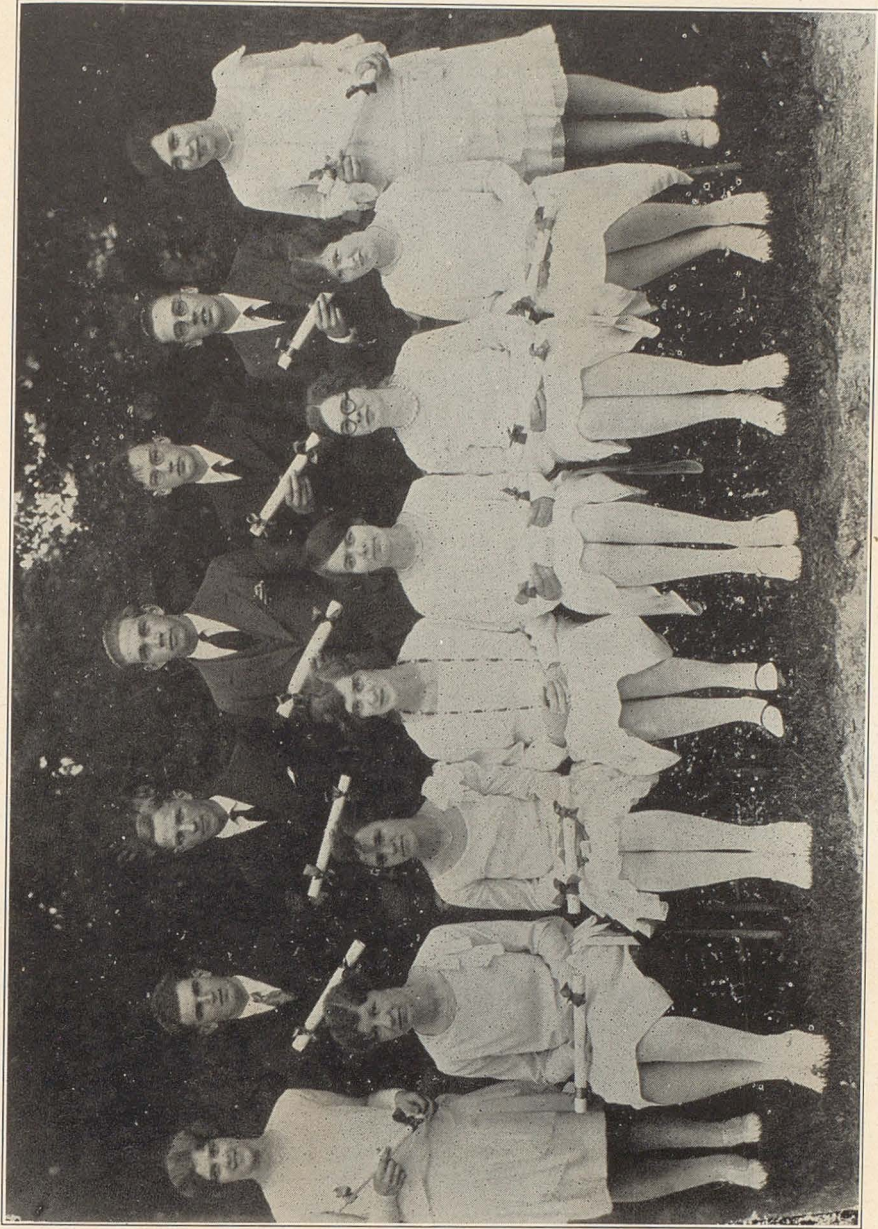
Mabel Ritch is as busy as ever with her music.

Maude E. Healey teaches algebra in the Lincoln Junior High School, Bridgeport, Conn. and continues her college courses. With the exception of three weeks spent in Belfast, Maine and Hartford, Conn., she has been at her home in Woodstock this summer.

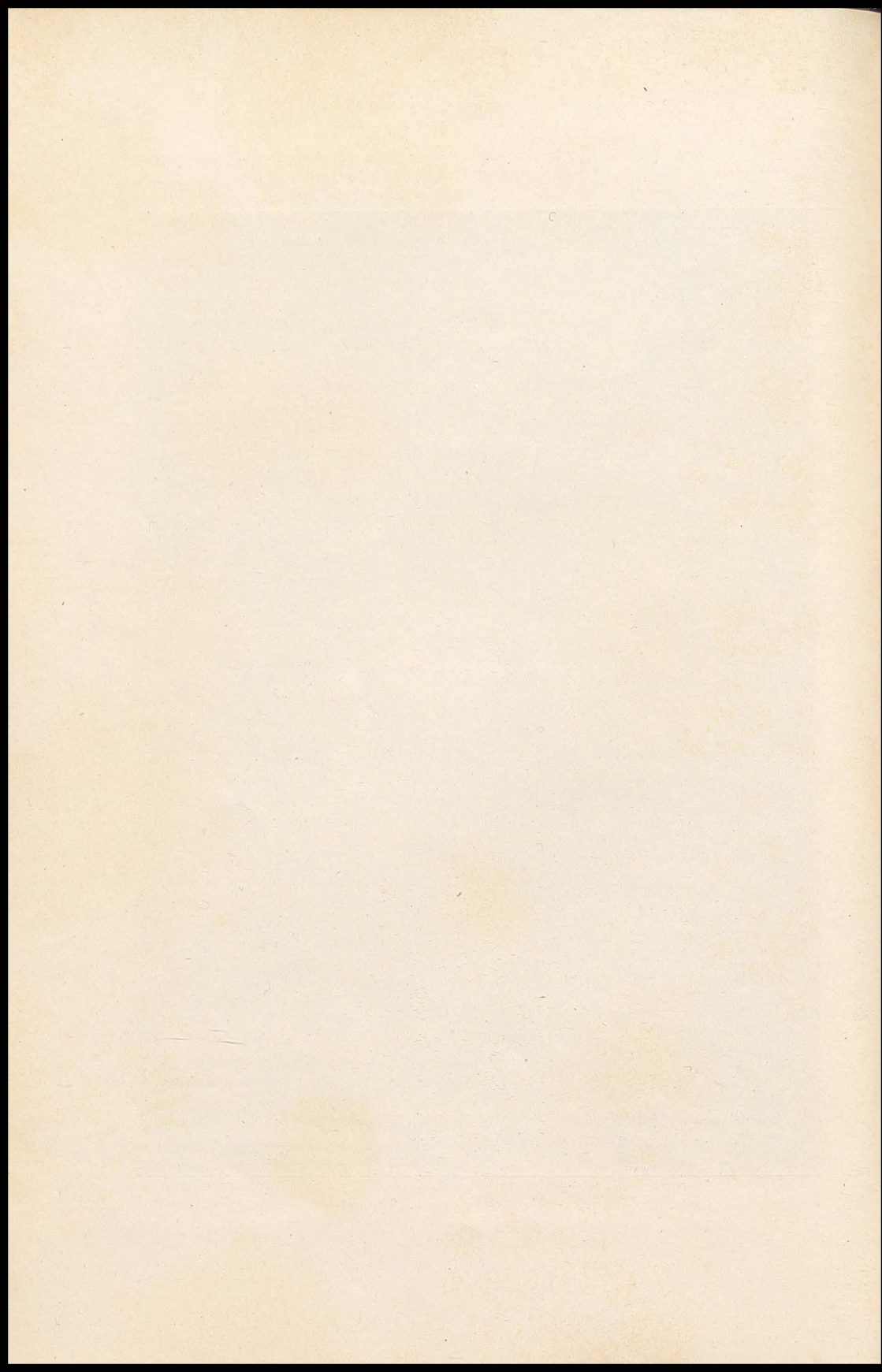
Florence Welch Armstrong's father, Judge Welch died this past year. He was a very prominent and highly esteemed man.

Sarah Herrington Froyd's husband has been State Senator for two terms.

Elizabeth Carr Gros Jean and husband took a vacation in March spend-



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ing the time in Woodstock, New York and Philadelphia. This Summer the family have been at their camp cottage at Glen Eldredge, N. Y.

1907

ALTA PETENS

Marie Nelson continues to serve the New Haven Visiting Nurse Association as dietitian. She and sister Harriet spent a few weeks in Bermuda this summer.

Henry D. Baker and Mabel Eddy Morse have made no changes.

Mary Myers Tracey keeps her school in East Haddam, Conn.

Herbert F. Shippey lives in Spruce-dale and devotes most of his time to the poultry business.

1908

GEDULD

Robert and Gladys Wilson Whiting's oldest boy attends a Military Academy at Maulius, N. Y., and the other will go next year. They are both in boys camps this summer. One a tent leader in a Y. M. C. A. camp and the other in Vermont.

Hazel Davenport Lewis taught school part of last year in Harrisburg.

Louise Fitts White and Winifred Potter report nothing new.

John B. Healey and Grace Hawkins Healey live in Queens, L. I. John is an insurance broker in New York. Grace and Sarah Caroline spent a week in Woodstock this summer and John came over Labor Day. Sympathy is extended to Grace in the death of her mother.

Mildred Brown Townsend keeps busy on the farm.

Harriet Nelson is School Nurse in Hartford with the health of over three hundred children under her charge. She is to have an assistant this year.

1909

NITENTES

Edith Briggs Fitts besides caring

for her family has been doing Craft Work this past year.

Marion Smith Watson and mother are at the same home place.

Louis K. Miller and Lyle Turner have not been heard from of late.

Bernice Bates Marschall is a contract substitute teacher in the city of Stamford, Conn.

1910

PRODEAMUS

Flora Alton Danielson lives in Hartford. She makes frequent visits to Woodstock.

Herbert Nelson is with the Prudential Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn.

Roxana Wilbur Slye with her family have moved back to Stafford Springs.

Wallace E. Armstrong, Mary Flynn Blakeslee and Lyman Fitts, why not send something for next year's Gleaner.

Louisa Howard Clark is to continue as teacher in the Hill school the coming year. During the summer, she and her husband took an auto trip visiting relatives and friends in New York state and northern New England.

Leonard H. Healey, Jr. is a furniture dealers' agent. Edward entered school this last year. They spend the summer at a cottage on Fire Island.

Raymond W. Sheldon, continues to publish the Webster Evening Times and the Franklin Sentinel.

Edith Eddy Sullivan lives in Stafford Springs.

1911

PAS A PAS

Martin A. Nelson has bought the Samuel Phillips place in South Woodstock. He has moved and enlarged his store and the family will soon move to their new home.

Esther E. Nelson continues to teach. James Donlon has our sympathy. See Night.

Blanche Perry Bosworth finds farm

life a busy one.

Dorothy Cox Archer spent some time at her mother's home in Woodstock this summer and with her husband took a trip to Toronto and Ottawa. In the Fall Mrs. Archer will return to Miss Wheeler's school, with which she has been connected for several years.

Esther Johnson Dreher and Max Conner have not been heard from.

Harris S. May is working in the office of the New London Ship and Engine Company in Groton. His address is Waterford, Conn., R. F. D. No. 1.

1912

EN AVANT

Sophie Barrett Norton, Jarda Carlson Linde and Gladys Sheldon Prescott pass time in the usual way.

Carrie Barrett Frink and family have moved back to North Woodstock.

Helen Perley lends a helping hand in the home and community.

Olive Whitney lives in Putnam and Grace Myers in Florida.

Rilla Child is secretary of the Republican Club.

1913

FACTA NON VERBA

Ida Spalding Masters is able to take up her singing again.

Edmund Anderson and Eleanor Keith Lewis report no change.

William Richardson returned to Woodstock for his vacation this year.

1914

PLUS ULTRA

Agnes White Cox and Rolfe N. Lyon we haven't heard from.

Arthur Anderson. See Noon.

Grace Hawkins Healey has our sympathy in the death of her mother.

Leslie L. Sumner helps in the community as well as at home.

Ruth E. Bjornberg continues teaching in one of the training schools in New Haven.

Susan S. Sumner will teach in So. Woodstock.

Carl O. Johnson remains with the Buick Company in Flint, Michigan.

Ruth Witter Healey has our deepest sympathy. See Morning and Night.

1915

NON NOBIS SOLUM

Mildred May keeps busy at her home in East Woodstock.

Catharn Perry Goodness may be found at her home 26-5th St., Glen Falls, N. Y.

Stella Barrett Frink is a member of the town school board.

Ruth Bates Keith is in Whitinsville, Mass., where she has been located for two years.

Gretchen Rutishauser Sprenger. See Morning.

Mary Chamberlin for a few weeks during the holidays worked for Forbes and Wallace, Springfield, Mass.

George Wilcox, Clara Eddy Cox, Mabel Richardson Hill and Florence Lawson Cline have made no changes.

Harriett G. Sampson and a friend have had a delightful Summer at Mrs. Johnstone's cottage in Elmvale, Woodstock.

1916

FORWARD

Lyman E. Hibbard continues on the home farm.

Marion Perkins McDonald and Joseph Henriess, we would like to hear from.

Merrill Keith may be found in Whitinsville, Mass.

Bernice Sanger Graves continues to live in Worcester where her husband works for Armour & Co.

Wentworth Johnson is located in Miami, Florida. He spent the summer in Woodstock.

1917

PRO PATRIA

Eleanor Williams Young's home is in West Woodstock, Conn.

Theodore Perkins has not been heard from.

Eleanor Lindeman continues her work as last year. She went to summer school at Clark's College, Worcester.

Lois Harrington Place lives in Webster, Mass.

Owen J. White works for the State Highway Department being at home for week-ends but here and there the rest of the week.

1918

CARRY ON

Hazel Wood Coburn tends post office and store and entertains company.

Helen Bjornberg spent a part of the summer as counselor in a girls camp in Shelton, Conn. She will be in the Northwest School in Hartford the coming year.

Jean McClellan will make her home in New York. See Noon.

Marguerite Bosworth May reports no change.

Otto Pike, read his letter on another page.

Julia Johnson and Ellen Swenson, please send in your item next year.

George Swenson see Morning.

Agnes Peterson plans to remain at home.

Andrew Lowe and Paul Ringdahl live at home.

E. Carolyn Cox is with her mother in Woodstock Center.

1919

PLUS HAUT

Merrill L. Healey and Dorothy Bundy Healey live in West Hartford, Conn. Merrill is a foreman for A. F. Peaslee & Co., contractors. They are frequent visitors in Putnam and Woodstock.

Louise A. Lindeman makes no change this year.

Wallace Frink. See Morning.

Galen Pike is doing Forestry work in Colorado.

Hobart Sanger continues to work in Worcester.

Bertha Myers Williams and Ethel Lowe have not been heard from.

1920

PER GRADUS

Harold Johnston will have more

news next year after the wedding bells have rung.

Olga Erickson is private secretary to the purchasing agent for Rice, Barton and Fales, Worcester, Mass.

Newton Carpenter remains at home.

Mabelle Johnston Nelson has been busy getting her new home ready to move into.

Frank Harrington spent his vacation at his home in South Woodstock.

Sylvia May White, Dorothy Bundy Healy, and Signe Anderson Hagstrom are busy with home duties.

Ruth Sheppard McAlister lives in Suffield, Conn. Her mother spends the winters with her.

1921

EN AVANT

Annette C. May will again teach at the Elmvale school in Woodstock. She was one of the counselors at the camp for girls at Black Pond, this Summer.

Spencer P. Jordan in company with Ray Eddy have opened a grocery store and meat market in East Woodstock.

Marvin A. Barrett. See Morning.

John McClellan is with the Wheeling Steel Corporation, Wheeling, West Virginia.

1922

ALLONS

Helen Johnson remains at home during the absence of her sister who is training at the R. I. Hospital.

Edwin Wilcox is travelling manager for Howarth and Snyder, Port Chester, New York.

Julia Swenson expects to teach in the Paine District again this year.

Beatrice C. Healey received her B. S. degree in Home Economics at the Conn. Agricultural College and has been Home Economist at the Charity Organization Society in Hartford since February. She has made her home with her brother, Merrill. She is to be married this fall to Randolph

Whaples, a graduate of the Conn. Agricultural College, who is the leader of the 4H Clubs in New London County, and they will live in Norwich, Conn.

1923

SEMPER PARATUS

Harold Carpenter is working in Chesterfield, Conn.

Alice Cross Hemenway finds married life at 15 Fairhaven Road, Concord, Mass., very pleasant. All of the class of 1923 are welcome to stop and see her. See Noon.

Carl Feiler is at home with no definite plans for the future. He is much interested in the community work of West Woodstock.

Lester Gallup is in the Life Insurance Business in Worcester, Mass.

Elsa Johnson will attend the Willimantic Normal School this year.

Judith Johnson continues to do secretarial work for the Lyseth Thread Co., in Worcester. She is now living in an apartment with her sister, Edith and another girl.

Doris Lindeman Burbank is enjoying her home in Bedford Hills, N. Y.

Reginald Pike works for an electrical company in Pittsburg, Pa.

Hazel Sheldon Frost keeps busy and happy caring for her home and Dorothy Evelyn. She sends her regards to her classmates. See Morning.

Ilo Sullard will teach in the same school in Montville, Conn.

Miriam Ware also continues her same work, teaching in the Stevens High School, in Claremont, N. H.

Luke White is cashier for the John Hancock Insurance Co. in Auburn, N. Y. He wishes to be remembered to the other members of the class.

1924

VINCIT QUI LABORAT

Lydia Taber holds her same position as a secretary in the Duval Rubber Company in Providence.

Quintin Sanger graduated with honors from Clark University last

June. His plans for this year are not as yet settled.

Reuben Swanson is still in Safford's store in South Woodstock.

Gladys Young is again teaching school in North Stonington, Connecticut.

Robert Scranton is driving for Judge Holt and expects to go to Florida with him this winter.

Vernon Wetherell is going into the army the first of October. He expects to be in a musical division and hopes to be playing in an army band before long.

Elizabeth Rollins expects to be at home for the present.

Charles Peckham will remain at home again this year.

Alfred Carpenter is still on his father's farm in Eastford.

Eric Erickson is at his home at Lakeside. His plans for the future are unsettled.

1925

FINIMUS UT INCIPIAMUS

Walter Anderson returns to Wesleyan for his Senior year.

Clara Baker Closson finds no dull moments keeping house and caring for Betty and Bobby. See Morning.

Gladys Harrington continues her work at Brown as a Senior.

Arnold Johnston is now a Junior at Wesleyan.

Gerald Phaneuf has our sympathy in his recent bereavement. He is still employed in Detroit, Mich.

Sarah Pike graduated from Willimantic Normal School in June and now has a position teaching in Mansfield, Conn.

Harry Rutishauser returns to Miami College, Ohio for his Junior year.

Henry Safford is a senior at Connecticut Agricultural college.

Marion Stahl is still employed in Worcester.

Donald Williams is at home for the present.

1926

FORWARD REGARDLESS

Irene Esterbrooks is teaching a school in West Woodstock.

Edith Johnson continues to work for the Norton Co. in Worcester, Mass.

Edith Nelson is in the employ of the Stillwater Worsted Co. in East Woodstock.

Sarah E. Healey is enjoying her work at the Hartford Hospital Training School. She spent her vacation of two weeks at her home in Woodstock.

Stewart Morse enters the University of Vermont, in Burlington this Fall.

Eleanor Peterson is taking a nurses training in the Memorial Hospital, Worcester, Mass.

Jeanie Davies works in Providence, R. I.

Selma Johnson is in Middletown, training for a nurse.

Elizabeth Kempf is working in Benoit's beauty parlor in Putnam.

Laura Cross enjoys her work in Hartford. This Summer she has spent several weeks at the shore.

Raymond Anderson, Harold Esterbrooks, Richard Johnson and Ernest Peckham are remaining at home.

Christopher Williams has been working for Hamilton Holt this Summer and plans to return to Becker's Business College this winter.

George Moore is taking up aviation. Oscar Speck is in the employ of the New Haven Gas Co.

Nils Shennung works in Hartford.

Franklin Wetherell has a good position with the Stillwater Worsted Co.

1927

FINIMUS COEPTURI

Pearle Cady still holds her job in the Stillwater Mill in East Woodstock.

Walter Chzran has decided not to continue his studies at Storrs and is at home at present.

Vera Cross has been employed in Hartford caring for children this past

year and she expects to enter Boston University this Fall.

Dorothy Lillibridge attended Williamantic Normal School for a year but

George Smith is still in Hartford continuing his work with the National Fire Insurance Company.

Elizabeth Lowe has been helping at home this year and she seems to be enjoying life.

Einor Hanson is in the truck gardening business. He works on a large farm in East Woodstock. He recently purchased a Buick car.

Constance Williams has been studying music at home this past year. She has been busy serving as organist at the Hill church taking Mrs. Merritt's place.

1928

AMARE ET SERVIRE

Marcus Johnson remains at home for the coming year.

Cedric Child and Warren Peckham will enter Connecticut Agricultural College this Fall.

Rebecca Hibbard expects to enter training at Hartford Hospital in the Spring.

Robert Pike will remain at home for the present.

Kenneth Pike is busy selling real estate at Webster Lake.

Constance Wetherell is to enter the Bouvé School of Physical Education. The school is comparatively new and this year it opens in the fine new Y. M. C. A. building.

Ellen Carlson has entered Sherman's Business School in Mount Vernon.

Esther Johnson is undecided as to what she will do during the coming year.

Helen Woodbury will take up training at the Hartford Hospital this Fall.

Esther Hicks is entering Becker's Business College this Fall.

Florence Child is also planning to attend Connecticut Agricultural College.

Morning

January 21, 1928, a daughter, Arline Leonard to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Starr (Estelle Gage), North Woodstock, Conn.

January 29, 1928, a daughter, Theresa Mae to Mr. and Mrs. Evan Erickson (Carolyn Andrews) East Woodstock, Conn.

February 26, 1928, a son, Robert Lewis to Mr. and Mrs. William Closson (Clara Baker) Woodstock, Conn.

March 13, 1928, a son, Bradford Church to Mr. and Mrs. Charles White (Grace Church) Providence, R. I.

April 10, 1928, a son, Robert James to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sprenger (Gretchen Rutishauser) Port Clinton, Ohio.

May 1, 1928, a daughter Louise to Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Healey, (Ruth Witter) North Woodstock, Conn.

May 7, 1928, a son, Russell Buel to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hibbard, North Woodstock, Conn.

May 11, 1928, a son, Henry John to Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Wells, Woodstock, Conn.

June 12, 1928, a daughter, Marjorie June to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bosworth (Adeline Sumner) Eastford, Conn.

June 21, 1928, a son, William E. Jr. to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bawden (Esther Rouse) Poplar, Montana.

June 24, 1928, a daughter, Dorothy Evelyn, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frost (Hazel Sheldon) Worcester, Mass.

July 3, 1928, a son, Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Frink (Frances Gordon) Woodstock, Conn.

July 23, a daughter, Barbara Fair, to Mr. and Mrs. George T. Swenson, Putnam, Conn.

August 14, 1928, a daughter, Marion Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Barrett, Hartford, Conn.

Noon

November 21, 1927, Fred Wilcox and Miss Helen Webber, Woodstock, Conn.

November 23, 1927, Louis Cook and Miss Mary Macdonald, Hartford, Conn.

December 14, 1927, Willard A. Hemenway and Miss Alice Cross, Woodstock, Conn.

June 30, 1928, Arthur Anderson and Miss Mary Shennings, Woodstock, Conn.

July 12, 1928, Freeman R. Nelson and Miss Dorothy W. Burton, Abington, Mass.

September 1, 1928, Charles E. Whitney and Miss Jean McClellan, Woodstock, Conn.

Night

November 13, 1927, Rev. James A. Brown, Indianapolis, Indiana.

November 29, 1927, Mrs. Donlon, wife of James R. Donlon, Hartford, Conn.

December 4, 1927, John Colwell Paine, Exeter, California.

December 17, 1927, Andrew Lincoln Lyon, Asbury Park, New Jersey.

December 23, 1927, Everett P. Barnes, Preston, Conn.

January 6, 1928, Charles E. Chandler, Norwich, Conn.

February 4, 1928, Mrs. Snow, wife of Charles Snow, Fabyan, Conn.

March 12, 1928, Marcus B. Morse, East Woodstock, Conn.

April 6, 1928, Joseph S. Sheppard, Putnam, Conn.

May 1, 1928, Louise, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Healey (Ruth Witter) North Woodstock, Conn.

May 6, 1928, Mrs. Morse, widow of Marcus B. Morse, East Woodstock, Conn.

July 11, 1928 Dorothy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Andrews, South Woodstock, Conn.

August 19, 1928, Brainard Child, Alhambra, California.

EDITORIALS

We wish to thank all who have helped to make this Gleaner interesting. Be on the watch for any news and send to the Editor for the 1929 copy.

The Hall Memorial Gymnasium is nearing completion and will not only be useful but an ornament to the place. The contract calls for a little over \$36,000, of which about \$31,000 have been raised. A drive, walk, and some necessities will be needed so any sum you may feel like giving will be appreciated. The usual booth and a rummage sale are planned for the Woodstock Fair and we hope for a good sum there.

Graduating Class of 1928

Reading from left to right:
Standing—

E. Rebecca Hibbard, daughter of Albert and Lew Cox Hibbard, East Woodstock, Conn.

Cedric L. Child, son of Mrs. Louise Lindeman Child, Woodstock, Conn.

Marcus E. Johnson, son of Oscar Johnson, Woodstock, Conn.

Warren P. Peckham, son of S. Howard and Edna Lyon Peckham, East Woodstock, Conn.

Kenneth L. Pike and Robert G. Pike, sons of Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Pike, East Woodstock, Conn.

Constance Wetherell, daughter of George and Flora Steere Wetherell, East Woodstock, Conn.

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Just a lilt of heartfelt gladness
Ringing out upon the air;
Just a flash of wings of azure
'Gainst the branches brown and bare;
Just a rosy mist enfolding
Maple trees so dull and gray—
True signs not to be mistaken,
Surely spring is on the way.

Just a breeze from Southland blowing,
And a warmer sunshine ray;
Just a dainty pussy willow
In a hood of Quaker gray;
Just a dandelion merry
Smiling up in golden cheer—
Gladly welcome we these tokens,
Surely spring is drawing near.

Everywhere a fair green carpet
Spread afar o'er vale and hill;
Sunbeams bright pierce leafy curtains;
Murmurs low the sparkling rill;
Songs of joy from wee throat's
countless

Thrill our hearts with gladsome
cheer—
On each side we hear the message,
"Farewell, winter! Spring is here!"

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DECEMBER RAIN

Pussy-willows in December
On our apple tree?
That is what I saw this morning
Just as sure's can be!
Climbing over all the branches,
Shining in the rain.
Did you see them too on your trees
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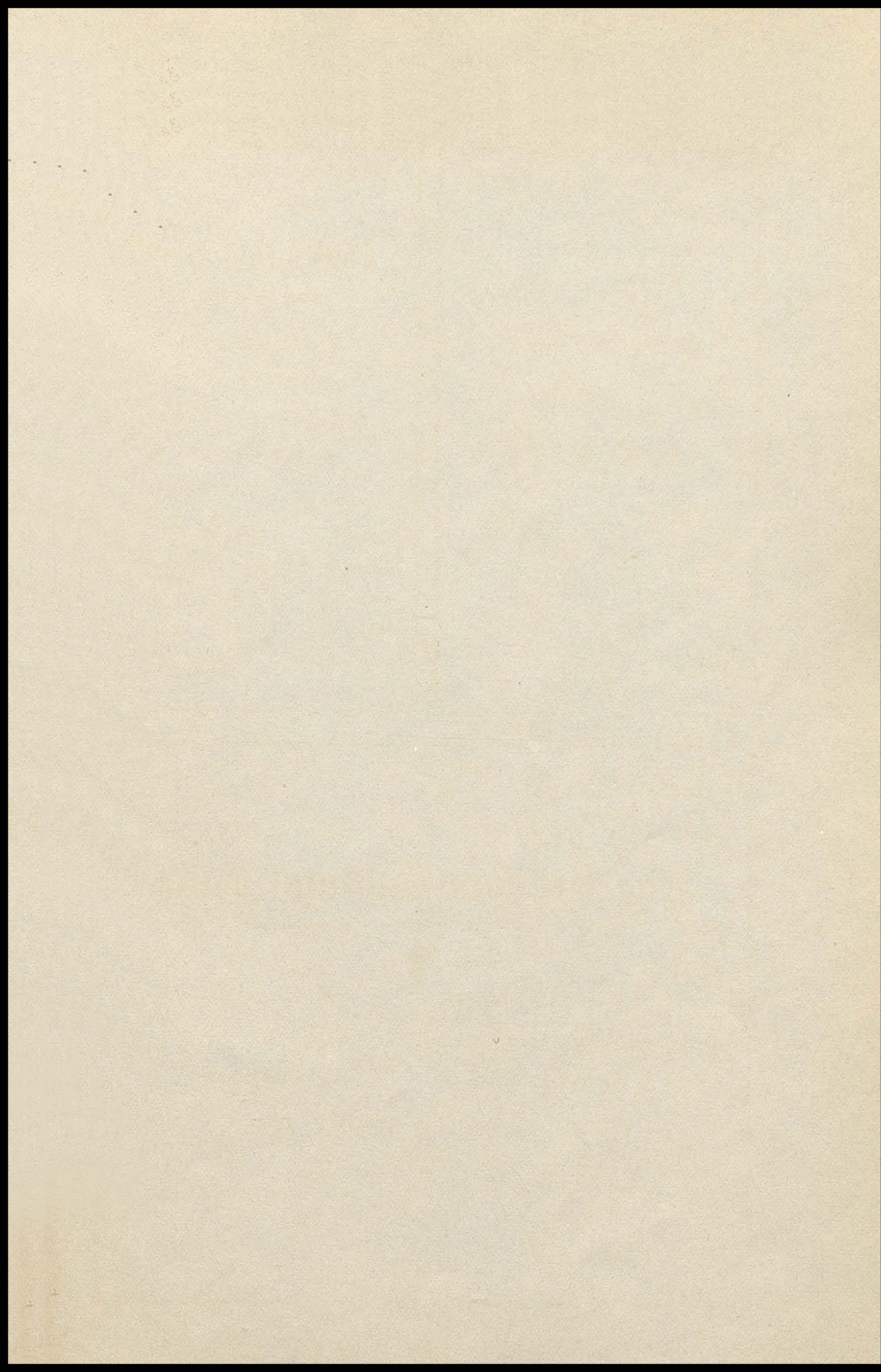
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