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THE CRESCENT once more comes before the public to uphold the standard of Pacific College. Much has been done by the college officers for the advancement of the school, and we, if we are to keep our place, must also make an improvement in our work this year. This can easily be done if the literary society will take up the work in earnest and not leave it all for the editors. If the paper is properly supported, there is no reason why we may not make it a factor of no mean proportions

in building up the college. All recognize this fact, yet some give little or no support to their college paper. Old students could help by contributing articles, especially descriptive of some of the many natural wonders of the state; or, if nothing better is to be had, give us a personal by telling us where you are and what you are doing.

WITH the advent of rainy weather the subject of indoor athletics is claiming the attention of the boys. The old athletic association died out last year and it was necessary to begin at the very bottom by adopting a new constitution and by-laws. Prof. Jessup is president of the organization and the boys feel confident that something will be done this year. As stated in the constitution, the organization hopes to be able some time to erect a suitable gymnasium, but for the present they will use one of the unfinished rooms in the college building. In this climate, where it rains almost all winter, outdoor exercise in the winter is next to impossible, hence the more pressing is the need of an organization of this

kind. Physical exercise is an absolute necessity for the proper development of the intellectual powers, and this organization, if properly supported may be a great benefit to the students.

PACIFIC COLLEGE is ever on the watch for opportunities to keep her name fresh in the minds of the people. Her display was one of the finest made at the Newberg fair. It consisted of apparatus, fossils, woods, curios etc., and was the subject of much favorable comment. Many who touched the railing around the department while the current was turned on, received a forcible reminder of the kind of work done at the college. Ong's electric motor, invented and patented by one of our students, occupied a prominent corner. A comparison of this display with the one made three years ago, shows quite an increase in the numbers and varieties of specimens in the museum. We now have quite a respectable collection, and it is being increased constantly. A good museum is a great help to students in furnishing illustrations of subjects found in the text books, and it is to be hoped that our friends will not miss any opportunity to secure new additions to this department.

DURING the summer work has been rapidly pushed on the college buildings in order to have them ready for the opening of the fall term. Mr. Clark

succeeded in moving both buildings without the slightest damage to either of them, and with the additions and new arrangements we are far better located than before. We now have a finely situated campus of twenty-three acres, with a good grove already started. The old dormitory has been raised and remodeled into a first class boarding hall with the best of accommodations. It now has three stories, the second and third being taken up with students' rooms. Even to the old students it is almost like beginning college life anew. The lower story of the addition is taken up with the assembly room. In the old building are two large recitation rooms, the president's office and a large hall. On the second floor are the library, laboratory and one recitation room. The second story of the new part is not yet completed, and will be used for the present as a gymnasium. In the basement are two hot air furnaces which heat the whole building. The grounds are equal if not superior to any other campus in the state. Our ball ground, which can be made as level as a floor, is large enough for two diamonds, while the possibilities in the line of tennis and foot ball are practically unlimited. The services of a landscape gardener are needed in plotting the west half of the campus, but that can not be done until next summer.

THE Crescent Literary Society has

started out with a membership of over thirty and much interest is shown in literary work. H. T. Cash occupies the chair and he has already shown himself to be in favor of good, honest work and highly opposed to any kind of negligence on the part of the members. With such an outlook and with Prof. Vance as one of our members there is no reason why we may not make this a profitable term. The school calendar gives the society two public exhibitions during the year and the only way to make them successful is by making every meeting just as profitable as we can. If we allow our interest to lag just so sure will our exhibitions fail to come up to the mark which we should reach. Different members of the faculty have said that their training in literary societies has been more valuable to them than the pursuance of any one line of study from the text books for the same time. Keeping this in view, and the fact that the training received here is of a kind which can not be gained in no other way, we cannot afford to remain out of the society. And if, on the other hand, we are already members, we cannot afford to work in a half-hearted manner. No one can expect to succeed in his studies if he does not do faithful work in the preparation of the lesson, neither can he succeed in literary work if he fails to prepare for the duty assigned him by the program committee. There is but one way to keep up the quality

of our literary programs, and that is by each one making sure that his production is the best he can prepare in the time allowed. If this is done we need have no fears concerning our success when called upon to speak before the public. Perseverance will enable us to accomplish much which seems almost beyond our reach. Cicero was once the object of ridicule for his manner of speaking, but a determination to conquer enabled him to move his audiences of thousands as Rome had never known before.

SOME one, upon visiting the school this term made it in their way to remark that we had "almost a new faculty" this year, and upon further consideration we are ready to own that they are about right in the matter. Certainly a new college, on new grounds, in a new country, ought to have a "new faculty." New in that they are in sympathy with all *new enterprises* which have good, for their aim, and fully abreast with the times in educational lines; these are the kind of teachers which Pacific College has.

Pres. Thomas Newlin is still at the helm, and although his vacation may not have had much of the "restin' and recreatin'" in it, he takes hold of school work again with the same earnestness and enthusiasm which characterize his work in whatever he undertakes. Any one who has been long in the community knows that the President

has worked, and *worked hard* for the school and school interests in this place. We think no better compliment could be paid to the man or greater reward to his efforts, than the successful opening of the school year of '92 and '93.

Prof. J. J. Jessup returned again upon the opening of school to take his accustomed place. Although this is not his first year in the faculty, he certainly deserves the title of a "new man" upon the faculty list and in society in general. One can almost read underneath his genial smiles, the cares and responsibilities which rest upon the head of a family. The CRESCENT would like to extend congratulations if it isn't too late. We are very anxious that the Professor may be sufficient for the cares of family life and the burdens of a teacher.

Prof. Cecil E. Vance has been elected to the department of classics and mathematics. Prof. Vance's native home is Clinton county, Ohio, he graduated from Wilmington college of that state in the year 1890, taking the degree of A. B. The year following his graduation he spent in post graduate work at the above named college, taking the study of English History and German. The past year was spent by him at Haverford in the study of Greek and Latin. Prof. Vance has not a long history, as regard to years; he comes to the community and school as a stranger, but he brings with him good papers

and qualities of recommendation.

The new instructor in English is Miss Rebbie Hinchman, a native of Iowa and a graduate of Penn college, having finished a scientific course in that school in the year 1885. Miss Hinchman is a teacher of experience, having taught a great deal in public schools and some in higher institutions. For the last three years she has held a position in the Dallas public schools of this state. The trustees feel certain that they have secured a competent instructor for the preparatory department, and one has but to become acquainted with Miss Hinchman to be convinced of the fact.

Miss Ada Howard, in addition to her work as instructor of vocal and instrumental music which she had last year, is also assistant in English. Since leaving Newberg last spring Miss Howard has, beside visiting her old home in Canada and many other places of interest, spent some time at the Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, taking instructions in Swedish Gymnastics, Vocal Culture and Visible Speech, enjoying while there the privilege of having some of as good instructors as the country affords. Miss Howard took the degree of M. L. A. in 1888 from Mt. Allison college, New Brunswick. While on her visit to her home she delivered an address before the Alumni of Mt. Allison college.

"PUSSY WANTS A CORNER."

M. E. S.

COME with me and visit a district school for a little while. It is about noon on a cold, rainy day and as we approach the school house we know it is the noon recess for we hear, "Pussy wants a corner," and then another voice answers, "Go to the next neighbor;" again and again do we hear this repeated. As we enter the schoolroom we see that all the children have corners but one who we suppose must be Pussy. They go on with their game, too busy to see they have visitors. The Pussy runs from one corner to another calling, "Pussy wants a corner. Pussy wants a corner," but, we see they do not give him one. As he goes on they change corners—now he turns and suddenly slips into a corner ahead of one of his mates and there is a new Pussy.

Who has not played this game? Our parents and grandparents played it in their younger days and enjoyed it as much as the children of today.

These old familiar sounds bring back memories of our childhood. How well I remember my first year in school. I thought it a great treat to get to go to school and it seemed like mere play to read in my new First Reader, though it was not quite so nice when I had to sit still or when I was compelled to

write on my slate the copy which my teacher had set for me. I did not realize that it would take hard work and close attention on my part to gain an education. I did not realize that

"Life is not living just for today."

I saw my schoolmates in higher classes and took it as a matter of course that as one grew older he would advance in classes. I found that it was not so easy when it came to the multiplication tables, and that I had to work as hard to get them as I did to get my block of patch-work sewed before I could go and play.

I can now realize what a pleasure and what a determination to work harder a victory over a hard lesson gives one and that every victory gained makes the next one easier.

What inspirations victories are if we have had to work hard for them! They make us feel better paid for our efforts. A victory in anything gives us more moral boldness and more determination for harder work, so a victory over some hard obstacle for a corner may give us more determination to make our occupation a success.

What would an education be worth if it merely came to us? We would not feel the pleasure in it that we feel by

constantly working away and just learning a little every day, and we remember

"There's always a river to cross,
There's always an effort to make;
If there's anything good to win
There's a rich prize to take."

We have now passed the stage of our childhood, we see more to live for than we did a few years ago, more in our school work, each day we see something new and gain an inspiration from our association with our fellow students and our teachers. We gain an inspiration from the books we read, we will find that the books we read will be of a great help to us after we have left school as well as at the present time, and as Channing says, "Books are true levelers, they give to all who faithfully use them, the society, the spiritual presence of the best and greatest of our race." Each member of this class is a Pussy; we have been filling our corner in this class for the past year, but now as we go out of school to seek a corner in the wide, wide world, or pass on to some higher class: we leave our corner to be filled by some one who will have left his corner to be occupied by some other "Pussy."

Our teachers have been filling their corner in this school, how nobly they have filled them, how patiently they have toiled and tried in every way to make our school work pleasant to us and to make it instructive. We can say, one and all, that we appreciate their kindness and that their labors

have not been in vain.

Now as some are leaving the school work for a little while and seeking a corner outside of the school room, we see that the responsibility rests upon us of what we are or what we make ourselves. As we are preparing for our corners in life we yet need more education than a Preparatory Course will give us. We have only a fragment of this broad and wonderful knowledge. We will still push on to higher attainments and dig deeper down into the mines of education.

As we think of the condition of society in the latter part of the Nineteenth century and consider the great advancements that have been made in civilization and science, when we think of the wonderful advancements in all lines, of the remarkable growth of our country and its flattering prospects we feel very fortunate that we are living in this great age.

When we look back a hundred years and see the means our great grandparents had and compare them with our own we feel that we do not appreciate our privileges. What a change has come. It was not then considered necessary for a lady to have an education, and had she attempted to fill some of the corners she does today she would not have dared walk through the street. Gradually it was learned that a woman will endeavor to do what she undertakes, and she undertook to rise and gain of the knowledge for which the

men were so famous. See her today, she stands on a level with her brother in science, in the professions and in many lines of business. It is now her fondest hope that she may be equal with him in politics. How hard it is for us to realize that it takes the hard work of some one to bring about these changes. How hard our revolutionary fathers fought that we might have freedom, what hardships they went through that we might enjoy what they might never have dreamed would come to young America.

Does it matter how the coming generations live or what they do? Does it matter what influence we have individually? It is said the coming generations will occupy the seats of government in our land, it is then of great importance that we should strive for the higher walks of life, for the highest educations and the purest characters. Each one of us has a broad influence and what must a few of us together have?

Who has become a great man without an inspiration from some one, either great or small? Each one of us has been influenced by some one and we have determined to come up to their standard. It has come either by reading their books or by personal acquaintance. Longfellow has said

"Lives of great men all remind us
We can make our lives sublime,"

Though I believe it is not always the lives of great or famous men that "re-

mind us that we may make our lives sublime," but our schoolmates or our friends. We see them striving to be great and we are not to be out-done by them.

If we build up pure and noble characters we need not be afraid of our influence. It is just now that we are building our characters and our friends and associates are helping us and we are helping them by our association together.

As I said before each one of us has our corner to fill, it can be filled by no one but ourselves. It is for us to say whether they shall be filled to the very best advantage, we alone are responsible. If we each have a purpose and work to that purpose we are sure to come out on top. The want of a purpose in life is the cause of so many failures. Some students seem to have the idea that while they are in school they need have no purpose of life before them. Now is the time for it, and work along with that purpose. It is not the wish to be different from what God would be, but as Beecher says, "To be able to develop all that he has put into us."

The young man who has finished his education and is compelled to gain a livelihood is saying "Pussy wants a corner." We will go with him to the city where he goes from one business house to another, he is almost ready to give up in despair when he sees a corner and slips into it, it is a good position

and he is well paid for the efforts he has made. Here he must commence at the bottom and gradually work his way up to the position of his employers. Sometimes he may not be so fortunate as to gain a good position yet he is not discouraged, but still he presses on. He meets many discouragements but keeps them to himself and puts on a brave face to the world.

It is just so with every one who has not some occupation. The young men and women are all playing "Pussy wants a corner," though not just the same as the game they played when children going to school. It must now be in life the game "Pussy want a corner." How much it is like the old game. How nearly the same we are yet.

The feature in the old game was to fill our corner and thereby keep every one else out. It is not so in the game of life. There are plenty of corners for us to fill and we are just the one to fill them if we will work hard and prepare for them and improve our opportunities that we may be ready to slip into them when the time comes. The better we fill our corners the more room we will leave for others.

Now we have "finished to begin again" and we must be looking around for our corners. Where shall they be, and what shall they be? You may not hear from us again for awhile, but sometime in the future you may hear from us.

"Pussy wants a corner!"

THE CRESCENT is sent to subscribers until it is ordered stopped and arrearages are paid. Owing to some unavoidable misunderstandings there may be some names still on our mailing list which should have been taken off. If there are any persons receiving the paper after having ordered it stopped, they will confer a favor by letting the financial manager know of the fact. We hope none of our subscribers will wish the paper discontinued, but we do not wish to annoy anyone by forcing unwelcomed reading matter upon them every month. It will certainly be worth the subscription price to be able to know just how the school is progressing, and, as friends of the institution, you cannot afford to be without THE CRESCENT.

Divine grace, even in the heart of the weak and sinful, is invincible. Drown it in the waters of adversity, it rises more beautiful, as not being drowned, indeed, but only washed; throw it into the furnace of fiery trials, it comes out purer, and loses nothing but the dross. --Leighton.

"A holy act strengthens inward holiness. It is a seed of life growing into more life."

"Faith overlooks the difficulties of the way and bends her eyes only to the end."

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

The committee appointed by the National Nicaragua Convention at its meeting in June has sent to the press throughout the country printed copies of an address prepared by them, showing the advantages to be derived from such a canal. The address makes an extended comparison of the proposed canal and the Suez which has been such an important highway for the commerce of the world. We make the following extracts:

The committee says the great trans-Atlantic powers are looking with covetous eyes toward the Nicaragua project and that foreign governments would very cheerfully and eagerly embrace an opportunity to take advantage of the enterprise with unlimited capital and prompt energy, but it conceives it to be the patriotic and political privilege of the United States to complete the canal. The commercial and naval supremacy of the nation which might secure control of the canal demands imperatively that its control should not pass away from the people of the United States. It is made plain that two fleets would be required to block an American fleet in Nicaragua were one would be necessary elsewhere. As a foothold from which to attack or defend, to threaten or protect all the coasts, islands and adjacent seas, it is a more commanding power than Gibraltar.

Among the beneficial results foreseen

are a more practical drawing together of the remote parts of the vast domain of the world and a firmer cohesion of the widely separated sections of the United States, added to a stronger feeling of neighborhood and community between the Atlantic and Pacific seaboards. The consummation of the work, whose feasibility has already been demonstrated, is asserted to be of far greater importance to the Western hemisphere than the Suez Canal is to the Eastern. It is said that no precedent can be cited upon which to predict the future of American commerce when the gateway of the Inter-Oceanic Canal across Nicaragua shall be open to it.

The committee says it is no longer a question whether the canal will be built or not. The only question is as to who shall build it, and who shall control it when built? It says it has been informed that European syndicates have already made overtures to the canal company, but the committee believes the United States cannot afford by carelessness, hesitation or neglect to permit such an enterprise of such magnitude and of such far reaching advantage to pass under the control of any foreign company. "It therefore behooves us," the address concludes, "as a nation conscious of the power we wield and of the greater influence we may exert upon the destinies of this continent, to perform the duties without delay which we deny other nations the privilege of assuming, and to adopt now the best means of securing the early completion of this work, whose advantages we are willing to share with the world but whose control should never be allowed to pass out of our hands."

Exchange.

The Reflector of the Oregon State University is a late visitor. Welcome.

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To Cornell College belongs the honor of establishing a professorship of Journalism.

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We wonder if the Willamette Collegian has "gone to the wall." If not, where have you gone?

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A company is willing to pay \$12,000 in cash for the exclusive privilege of selling peanuts at the Columbian Exposition.

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But few exchanges have come into our hands this term, presumably because they have been delayed in publishing.

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We understand that the editor of the Palo Alto has been requested by the faculty to resign his position on account of the character of some of the articles which he published.

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For the business manager:

"A Transvaal paper says a good many Boers have gone as far into 'Darkest Africa' as Mr. Stanley and yet are unknown. The difficulty, the paper says, is an excellent proof of the value of advertising."

The Young Men's Era, of October 6, contains an article on "Rugby Football" by E. F. Como, which gives a good description of the game.

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What can not be done with that wonderful power, electricity? It was used in counting the last census of the United States. The method adopted was that invented by Mr. Herman Hollerith. It saved the government \$800,000 over the old method and was much more accurate, besides doing the work more rapidly.

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The teeth of the cow that recently endangered the life of Gladstone were sold for half a crown each, and other portions of the carcass brought equally fabulous prices. This is a purely personal item, but it would never have been written if an ordinary person, and not the Grand Old Man, had been kicked.—Ex.

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Electricity is being successfully employed to "turn night into day," and thus force flowers and vegetables into the very profitable habit of growing twenty-four hours in a day. The former supposition that plants need rest, as men and other animals do, is exploded, and now vegetables may be forced for the market and new shades and shapes of flowers developed under the colored or subdued rays of the electric light.—Young Men's Era.

Local and Personal.

—Go to Rogers' for mixed candy at 15c. per pound.

—Lola Hunt is taking elocutionary work and music.

—Warren Robertson has a position in the post office.

—The Literary Society needs more light in the room.

—The ball grounds are getting about ready for use again.

—Fred Vantress was out of school a few days on account of sickness.

—Edith Ellis is making a practical application of pedagogics in Washington county.

—The hot air furnaces are now in working order and are giving good satisfaction.

—Harlan Ong is running a lumber yard and doing some college work at the same time.

—Pacific College had a fine display of fossil, apparatus and geological collections at the Newberg fair.

—Prof. Vance is a member of the Crescent Society. His presence is appreciated by the students.

—Last year the CRESCENT entered a plea for chapel orations, and, judging from a remark made by Pres. Newlin on Columbus day, our request, in a modified form, is to be granted this year.

—Hobson, the artist, photographed the college building with many of the students standing about it, on the 20th.

—The temperature of the buildings before the furnaces were in place, was described by a student as "quite refreshing."

—When you visit this country have your friends send your mail in care of Newberg Hotel, where you will find a pleasant home at reasonable rates. Nearest hotel to church, post office; bank and college.

—Verily, when thou goest down the walk thou should'st not take unto thyself the task of catching small boys, for the walk may be slick and the mud at the side may receive an impression very similar to thine own proportions. Ask Patton.

—Mr. Allen, who visited us during the Horticultural meetings, made some interesting and instructive remarks on "condensed Methuselahs." He was followed by Dr. Plummer who made a humorous allusion to Mr. Allen as an old time school teacher of thirty years ago.

—On Friday, the 21st, Miss Howard's department rendered a program in celebration of Columbus Day. The exercises occupied the first two recitation periods and were well appreciated by the students and visitors. The assembly room was decorated for the occasion and had quite a gala appearance. In the afternoon the college adjourned for the public school exercises.

—Ethel Townsend has been out of school a few days on account of illness.

—At E. Rogers' you will always find a fresh supply of fine candies at low prices.

—The ball grounds were worked on until the rains set in, now they are rained on.

—Pacific College changed its appearance and location during vacation, much to its improvement.

—Mabel Edwards smiling face is again seen in school. Owing to illness she has been absent for a week.

—The Crescent Literary was organized on the first Friday evening after the opening of college with a good enrollment.

—The German class, who were delayed on account of their books, are now at work reading, "Die Jung frau von Orleans."

—Some who thought themselves to be quite good historians have proven the contrary to their own satisfaction. "Ancient History."

—The music of saw and hammer became very monotonous during the first month of school, caused by the masons and carpenters putting the hot air furnace in the basement.

—L. Myrtle Price is taking lessons in practical book-keeping at the Yamhill Land Co.'s office, with O. C. Wright as instructor, of evenings after school hours and on Saturdays.

—Girls, it is necessary that you conduct yourselves at all times and in all places in such a manner that it will be pleasing in the sight of the student who has introduced himself as a professional craniologist, for he has a great deal of influence, seemingly, among the boys.

—It is a fact that none of the boys in school, or at least in the Chemistry class, indulge in the forbidden practice of smoking, at any rate they were quite out of matches when Professor inquired if any of them had within his possession the much needed article (a match) just then for performing an experiment.

—The decalogue which Thomas Jefferson wrote, and by which he lived, is a splendid one and it would be to our good to accept his rules as our own. But one in particular we need to practice, it is, "Never ask anyone to do that which you can do yourself." It would save us quite a deal of trouble and sometimes embarrassment, for instance, a sister asks her brother to carry her books home for her, he declines, she further insists by placing them in his satchel, but through mistake, gets them into the satchel of a brother of some one else. Consequently her lessons for the following day unprepared. It certainly would have been better for her, her brother, and the third party, for her to have taken her books and not interrupted any one and gone peacefully home—she will next time.

—Pacific College is an institution of many Prices.

—Go to E. Rogers for the finest variety of French candy.

—Will Osborn is janitor and things in his line have been quite satisfactory thus far.

—Eighty-three regular students now enrolled, with twenty-one in the college department.

—Ask Charles Brown: What is the difference between information of the head and information in the head.

—Prof. Jessup's trip to California proved quite beneficial. The CRESCENT wishes Mr. and Mrs. Jessup a happy life.

—J. C. Haworth was compelled to discontinue his college course almost immediately after entering on account of poor health, but he has returned with lighter work.

—Pres. Newlin took a trip to Middleton near the opening of college and officiated in the marriage of Mr. Borwn, of Portland, and Miss Rosa Brandt. The latter was a student of '89 and '90. We wish them pleasure and success.

—A certain gentleman at the boarding hall seemed very much surprised on being introduced to whom he supposed to be Miss Ross, and on hearing her called Mrs. Howard would not speak. Mr. Howard then stepped up and said, "Mr. ——. this is my wife, Mrs. Howard." Mr. —— then responded.

There were quite a number of representatives from the different parts of the state attending the state meeting of the Horticultural Society, held in our town, who on Wednesday with some of our home people, numbering thirty-nine in all, gave the College a call.

—The following persons were elected to fill the offices in the literary the ensuing term:

President—Herbert Cash.
Vice-President—Mattie Stratton.
Secretary—Gertrude Lamb.
Marshal—Perley Mitchell.
Critic—Dacie Stanley.
Library Committee—C. J. Edwards, Cecil Vance and O. J. Hodson.

—Some of the girls seem to think the Hall a pleasanter place of resort during the noon intermission than the study room. One day this week some of the girls went over as usual and as was their custom stepped to the parlor door to enter. "But, ah! the door was bolted, they could not enter in." With wondering faces they consulted with one another the whys and wherefores and then turned away to return later, which they did in but a very short time. On trying again they gained admittance. Ah! what could it mean? On the table was a hat, in the corner was a man! Was that all? Well we will not say, but ask the faculty for particulars, whose business it is to oversee and such like. One of them, no doubt, was overseeing this case in hand. Let us therefore watch for we know not who prowleth around.

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