

The Estelle Reels did not have a meeting last week owing to some misunderstanding. What was the matter?

The Romance Literary Society met in room No. 9—Thursday evening Dec. 13, 1901. There was a very large attendance, the meeting being called to order by President Gillis. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The various committees then gave their reports after which the society business under the different heads was discussed. The society proceeded to the program of the evening which was as follows: Address, Joseph Wollan; Reading, M. Decker; Recitation, Simon Ellis; Reading, Charles Regenary. An exciting debate following the program was: Resolved; that morality is declining. The speakers for the affirmative were M. Decker, Joe Wollan while the negative was defended by A. Gillis and C. Cutter after a very warm discussion. The judges, Messrs. Harris, Regenary and Elliott decided in favor of the negative.

The Excelsior Society held their regular meeting on Thursday evening which as usual was interesting and instructive. The regular business was gone through with the colors, blue and gold being decided upon as Excelsior colors for the new organization. The program was dispensed with for the evening as all were anxious to have a good debate. The subject was: Resolved: That pupils of the higher grades should be obliged to attend the debating societies. After a most interesting debate the judges decided for the negative. Those who took a prominent part in the debate were Wm. Ingram, Albert Payne, Chas. Larsen, Eddie Bollenger and Willie Redford.

The Nonpartei Literary society held its weekly meeting in the chapel on last Friday. The meeting was called to order by the president at 7.30. The roll was called there being only four absentees, and all rendered very good excuses. Emma Jules the Editor, was absent so the president appointed Vina Woodworth as editor (Pro Tem.) Next in order was unfinished business and the color question was discussed

for some time, but not settled. New business was then called for and Miss Campbell made a motion which was seconded and carried that the society have a Roll of Honor and any members attending the society for four successive meetings should have her name placed thereon, but should the same member absent herself from the society four meetings thereafter, her name should be withdrawn from the Roll of Honor, and thereby effect a more regular attendance. Miss Dupuis made a motion which was seconded and carried, that we challenge the Dewey Lyceum to a joint debate. As the Deweys adjourned the challenge will be sent at the next regular meeting. A resignation which read as follows was next put before the house: To the President and members of the Nonpartei Literary Society, I request that my name be withdrawn from the roll, for reasons best known to myself.—Susie Segel. This was very discouraging to the new society, but action was taken on it at once. The society decided that no members could be allowed to withdraw from the society with reasons known only to herself, but that any member wishing to resign must have a very good reason for so doing, and must make her reason known to the society. Her resignation was not accepted. A most excellent program was then rendered as follows: Address, Emma Jules; Vocal Duet, Emma Williams and Lena Smith; Historical Reading, Fay Charles; Vocal Solo, Irene Campbell. Next was a debate which was the liveliest the society ever had. It proved that the speakers had given much thought to the subject. The question was, Resolved: that the slaughter of birds for millinery purposes should be prohibited by law. Affirmative Principal, Fay Charles; Colleagues, Blanche Davis and Meggie Dupuis. Negative principal, Lena Smith; coll. Agnes McCloud. Lucretia Beale, Miss Dahlse, the acting critic congratulated the society on the excellent debate. The Judges, Misses Byrd, Underville and Romer, rendered their decision which was two to one in the affirmative's favor. The society adjourned at 9:00 o'clock.