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**SOCIETIES****Y. W. C. A.**

The last meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held Wednesday, Dec. 30th, 1908. The meeting was opened with the hymn, "What a friend we have in Jesus." Roll call was then read, a few members being absent. Another song was sung. The Secretary read the minutes of the preceding meeting. Unfinished business was transacted. There were three members admitted.

The topic for the evening was, "A Test of Discipleship," led by Belle Dillstrom. Miss Royer, Mrs. Chalcraft, Helen Dillstrom and Katie Brewer also spoke on the subject. Our closing song was, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," after which we repeated the watchword and adjourned.

**Reliance**

The Reliance Literary Society met in regular session, this being the first session of the year, with nearly all members present. After the reading and approval of the minutes the program was rendered. The president desires all members to be prepared when placed on the program. Programs can be seen at the usual place

each week. All Reliance members will please keep an eye on the wall at Mitchell Hall porch and then come prepared.

**Excelsiors**

The early part of the meeting last Thursday evening was devoted to discussing the challenge of the Nonpareils to a series of three public debates. All the members showed great enthusiasm and some spoke encouraging words upon the matter. The acceptance was unanimously voted. The following was the program of last meeting: Opening address, Ella Brewer; vocal solo, Laura Harnden; Recitation, Loulin Brewer; piano solo, Esther Napoleon; Monologue, Joseph Dillstrom; vocal duet, Martha Decker and Allah Madison; recitation, Frank Souvigner; saxophone solo, Haynes DeWitt, and remarks, Charles E. Larsen.

The opening address, the piano solo, the saxophone solo and the remarks were well rendered and enjoyed by those who were present, but the rest of above numbers were frozen on the way to the assembly room.

Say, boys and girls, do not let the cold weather be in your way when attending your society meetings, especially when you are on the program. Very likely you may have the same experience when the warm weather comes. Above all, do not practice that habit of cheating from your society meetings. This is your opportunity and it lies with yourselves to take advantage of it. Do not be like some of those boys and girls that only attend the society whenever they hear that a banquet is being planned. The Excelsior does not want that kind of members. If you cannot attend regularly have your name taken off the roll.