

COMMENCEMENT DAY.

Commencement Day—the last of the student's school days, the first of the arduous and trying duties of the business of life.

With an anthem sung by the members of the graduating class, followed by an impressive prayer by Rev. F. P. Towner, of the M. E. Church.

Miss Nettie A. Cooke followed with an essay entitled, "Things that cost Nothing."

Miss Nora Ross read an essay on "Shrines."

Richard J. Nicholls gave an oration on "The Good Time Coming."

Miss Anna Lawrence chose as a subject of an essay, "The Last Leaf."

The "South," an oration by Frank Irvine, was next on the programme.

Robert E. Lee and Ben Hill in support of what he said.

Miss Emma Jones read an essay on "Wire."

Quincy A. Grubb delivered an oration upon the life and characteristics of "Gen. Custer."

"Golden Sands" was the poetical subject of an oration by Miss Sarah Griffith.

"Babel-Mandeh" the subject of Miss Ida Hutton's essay, is a strait connecting the Indian ocean and Red sea.

Frank M. McCully delivered an oration upon "An Unseen World," which was good.

Miss Hattie L. Collier followed with an essay on the subject of "Plant Life."

Richard J. Nicholls gave an oration on "The Good Time Coming."

After a vocal duet by Misses Althea and Bertha Moores, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Heininger.

The exercises were interspersed with fine music by the Aurora Brass Band.

Opened by music by the Aurora band, followed by an anthem by the graduating class.

music coming from the spirit land. Perhaps it may be the gentle voice of a mother soothing us with its tender influence.

Miss Althea Moores followed with an oration upon the subject, "Dying."

Mr. Thomas J. Jory came next on the programme with an oration.

A solo, "The Day is Done," was then sung after which President Gatch conferred the degree of B. S. upon Geo. A. Peables.

Committee on Medical Education submitted an interesting verbal report.

R. C. Hill, M. D., of Albany, W. C. Wariner, M. D., of Bethel, were made honorary members.

W. W. Cusick, M. D., of Independence, was elected to membership.

The remainder of the session was mainly spent in considering a revision of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society.

After transacting such business as came before the Society, but of no importance to the general public, the Society adjourned without day.

The next annual meeting will be held in Portland.

A pretty widow, whose husband had been dead several years, received a beautiful bouquet the other day.

STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The Oregon State Medical Society met at 8 1/2 o'clock, June 12th, Dr. Watkins in the chair.

The Board of Censors reported as applicants for membership the names of—J. W. Starr, H. R. Holmes, J. M. Morgan, J. M. Kichen, W. F. Morrison, I. H. Power, Z. T. Dodson, J. E. Payton, and W. W. Olesby.

The report was received and the applicants selected to membership.

Dr. A. M. Belt and E. R. Fiske, having relinquished the more active duties of the profession were elected honorary members of the Society.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was made the next order of business when the following were elected.

President, Dr. L. L. Rowland, of Salem; Vice President, Dr. M. C. McKay, of Pendleton; Treasurer, Dr. J. P. Tate, of Albany; Corresponding Secretary, Dr. C. H. Hall, of Salem; Board of Censors, Drs. J. A. Richardson, of Salem; J. B. Rice, of Albany; S. D. McCauley, of Stayton; A. C. Helm, of The Dalles; and W. L. Conwell, of Portland.

The following gentlemen were elected delegates to attend the next session of the American Medical Association.

The retiring President, Dr. Watkins, then delivered a very interesting address upon the subject of "Cryptogenic germs as related to the causation of zymotic diseases, at the conclusion of which he conducted the President elect, Dr. L. L. Rowland, to the chair.

On motion a vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Watkins for the able paper he had just read, with a request for its publication.

Report of Committee on the Medical Topography and Climatology of Oregon was presented from M. B. Cardwell, M. D.

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The annual business meeting of the Alumni Association, of Willamette University, met Wednesday afternoon, and was called to order by the President, Tilman Ford.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are—For President, P. L. Willis; For Vice Presidents, Miss Emily (York) Moore, class of 1859; T. H. Crawford, '63; Syl C. Simpson, '64; Presley Denny, '65; Mrs. Helen (Williams) Stratton, '66; Mrs. Louisa (Simpson) Stowell, '67; Miss Angie Grubb, '68; J. A. Stratton, '69; Mrs. Mattie (Gilbert) Scott, '70; Mrs. Eliza (Robinson) Stilwater, '71; Mrs. Dora (Simpson) Killingsworth, '72; Albert Nicholls, '73; J. N. Duncan, '74; M. G. Royal, '75; Miss Theresa Holderness, '76; Q. A. Grubb, '77; Secretary, C. B. Moores; Treasurer, Marie Smith; Exercise Committee, Henry Gentry and Miss Clara A. Watt; Orator for 1878, S. O. Royal, and for 1879, J. A. Selwood; Essayist, 1879; Amelia Scriber Miller; Poet, 1879, Sam'l Simpson; Annalist, 1879, Syl C. Simpson.

A resolution was adopted, inviting the Faculty to attend the Reunion of the Alumni at 8 o'clock.

Several members that were unable to be present at the meeting sent letters which were read and filed.

The above mentioned business transacted, the Association took a recess till 8 P. M.

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ELEVENTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT.

A very large and appreciative audience met in the commodious Chapel of the Willamette University on last evening, to witness the graduating exercises of the Medical Department of the Willamette University.

Music by the Aurora String Band.

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W. H. Watkins, M. D., late President of the State Medical Society, was then introduced, and delivered the opening address.

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CLOSING AMID THE "WE WMA" HOUR.

The closing hour of the feast given by the Medical Faculty of the Willamette University at the Chemeketa Hotel was given to toasts and responses.

Toast 1st.—By T. M. Gatch, President of the Willamette University: "Welcome to the invited guests on behalf of the Medical Faculty of the Willamette University."

Response—By Dr. D. B. Rice.

Response—By Dr. J. A. Richardson: "The Alumni of the Medical Department of the Willamette University."

Response—By Dr. Saylor.

Response—By W. H. Odell.

Response—By Dr. A. Sharples.

The whole was interspersed with excellent music by the Aurora Band.

The evening's entertainment as a whole was a fitting finale of the Commencement Exercises of the Medical Department of the Willamette University.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Wednesday afternoon the Trustees of the Willamette University, held their annual meeting. The officers elected for the ensuing year are—For President, J. L. Parish; Vice President, J. H. Moores; Secretary and Agent, J. A. Stratton; Treasurer, J. H. Albert.

No other business was done except auditing claims. The Faculty remained as it has been during the year.

The Commencement Exercises at Christian College at Monmouth, Polk county, closed Wednesday. There was a large audience in attendance and the exercises very interesting.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

CRESSWELL, June 12, 1877.

Yesterday a couple living near this place, went to Eugene to have the matrimonial knot tied, thinking perhaps, by a change of a day and place, the hoodlum fraternity would be maled.

A contract has been made with a Boston firm for a \$30,000 organ for the Cincinnati Music Hall, and it is said it will be the largest organ in the United States, and one of the largest in the world—Oregonian.

Lane county is to be very patriotic on the coming 4th, judging from the number of places that are preparing to celebrate.

Farmers are jubilant over the crop prospects and of course will be in a proper frame of mind to recognize the nation's birthday.

FIRE!

A Total Loss.

Wednesday afternoon, about two miles south of town, the dwelling house of John A. Johns caught fire and burned to the ground.

G. C. Lawrence and family were living in the home of J. A. Johns with Mr. Johns' family at the time of the fire yesterday and lost everything except the clothes they had on at the time.