

SOCIETY AND CLUB

THE SCIENCE CLUB

The program of the Club's last meeting consisted of "Current Events"—Newton Miller. Miscellaneous—Miss Claire Dice. Lecture on "Character Analysis" by Frank Kyle.

Miller gave several events of scientific import and then elaborated upon them. Miss Dice gave an original and very interesting "Imaginary dialog between the Brain and the Stomach." This number was also highly instructive and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Following Miss Dice, Mr. Kyle gave a resume of the Blackford system of character analysis. He divided men according to profile, facial outline and body build, to color differences, and to fineness and coarseness, showing the characteristics, and abilities of each and how to appeal to them. We were also told how to detect certain characteristics of certain persons by an analysis of their handwriting.

This system of analysis is used by many of the manufacturing concerns throughout the country in selecting employees. Dr. Blackford is a lady physician who supplemented her own observations by study with men like Metchnikoff and the Italian Anthropologist, Guiseppi Verdi. This lecture is often given as a Chautauqua or Star course number.

Y. M. C. A.

Reports from Dr. Mott's addresses at Harrisburg at a meeting of the Y. M. C. A. in Dr. Gobble's room today were given by the three delegates, M. K. Deitz, R. W. Kaufman and Clarence Miller.

President Lackey read Luke 10:25-37 as a Scripture lesson, and then led the meeting in prayer. The delegate's reports of the Harrisburg convention of Dec. 19, 1922, were interesting and forceful.

Paul Price also gave his impression of Dr. Mott upon the occasion of the latter's visit to Wilkes Barre during the past Holiday season.

THEMISIAN

The program for the evening of January 26 was held in Mohn Hall, and consisted of the following interesting numbers:

- Vocal Solo.....Eva Wright.
- Current Events.....Deborah Long.
- Piano Solo.....Grace Otto.
- Impromptu:—
Ruth Wineburg, Katherine McCurdy, Claire Dice, Ruth Hetrick.
- Reading.....Mabel Ginglesberger.
- Themisian Echo.....Anna Ludwig.

NECOSMIAN HALL JAN. 19, 1923

—Program—
Current Events.....James Lackey.
Five Minute Speech.....Burgett.
"The Camera in Astronomy."
Cello Solo.....Sechrist.
Impromptu.....Escott.
Open Discussion on "France's Invasion of the Ruhr."

NECOSMIAN HALL JAN 26, 1923

Impromptu on Current Events, Escott.
Five Minute Speech.....Strickler.
"Evolution."
Debate: "Desolved that U. S. Should Subsidize Her Merchant Marine engaged in foreign trade."
Affirmative Negative
Burgett Snyder
Schoenly
Impromptu.....Dale Gramley.
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EXCELSIOR HALL JAN. 19, 1923

Current Events.....Albert Boyer.
Debate: "Resolved that France is justified in occupying the Ruhr Valley."

Affirmative Negative
Beecher Mohn
Goodhart Steltz
The judges decided in favor of the Affirmative.

EXCELSIOR HALL JAN. 26, 1923

Current Events.....Guinther.
Music.....J. Raffensperger.
Five Minute Speech.....Behney.
"The Policies of the new Governor."
Extempo.....Rev. Heck.

KAPPA UPSILON PHI

Mr. Harvey Botdorf, of Wisconsin, Pa., visited the fraternity during the past week-end, the guest of frat-er Harvey J. Kline.

FACULTY NOTES

On Friday, Jan. 20, Prof. Keller addressed a teachers' institute at Cogan House, Lycoming County. On Saturday the 21st, he was in McCoysville, Juniata County, where he addressed a teachers' institute.

Dr. Bowman has secured the promise of the State Treasurer to speak in the interest of the Social Science Department on the financial management of the state.

Dr. Bowman attended the inauguration ceremonies at Harrisburg on Jan. 16, on a special invitation from Gov. Pinchot. He was greeted with a "Golly, I'm glad to see you," which shows our new governor's characteristic cordiality in greeting old friends.

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This helps to explain why Charles has come down to us as the "merry monarch."
The Royal Society was engaged in important research. It was trying to substitute facts for the meaningless phrase "nature abhors a vacuum," which had long served to explain why water rushes into a syringe—the commonest form of pump—when the piston is pulled out.

Denis Papin had as much to do as anyone with these laughable activities of the Royal Society. Papin turned up in London one day with a cylinder in which a piston could slide. He boiled water in the cylinder. The steam generated pushed the piston out. When the flame was removed, the steam

condensed. A vacuum was formed and the weight of the outer air forced the unresisting piston in.

Out of these researches eventually came the steam engine.

London talked of the scandalous life that King Charles led, and paid scant attention to such physicists as Papin, whose work did so much to change the whole character of industry.

The study of air and air pumps has been continued in spite of Charles's laughter. In the General Electric Company's Research Laboratories, for instance, pumps have been developed which will exhaust all but the last ten-billionth of an atmosphere in a vessel.

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Immediately on arriving at the Home, our fears of not having a good time were dispelled at once. Rev. and Mrs. Winters, who met us at the door made us feel at home. Then we were taken thru the Home and from there we were taken to the dining room. "Then the fun began!" We were greeted with a table loaded with everything that could possibly appeal to a bunch of hungry College Chaps, and what we didn't do that dinner isn't worth mentioning.

After we had eaten all that we possibly could, we pushed back our chairs and at the request of Mrs. Winters sang a number of College songs. Time for our departure arrived and as we were putting on our

overcoats, Rev. Winters entered the room with a basket of apples. Needless to say we left with the empty places in our grips filled with apples.

Words cannot convey our deep felt appreciation of the entertainment we received at the hands of Rev. Winters and family and I know that every member of the squad has a warm spot deep in his heart for the Lewisburg Home.

PENNSYLVANIA IN LITERATURE

(Continued From Last Issue)

James Bayard Taylor, a poet and novelist, was born in Kennett Square in 1825. He always had two ambitions; one was to travel, the other to become a poet, and he accomplished both of them. Letters which he wrote while travelling in Europe were published under the title of "Views Afoot." After his return he had an editorial connection with the New York Tribune. A trip to the East resulted in a volume of verse entitled "Poems of the Orient." In 1863 he published his first novel "Hannah Thurston." The story of "Kennett" a semi historical romance is his most successful work of fiction. His greatest achievement, is his translation of Goethe's "Faust," which ranks with Bryant's "Homer" and Longfellow's "Dante."

The first professional man of letters, and the last of note who was born before the Revolution was born in Philadelphia. This is Charles Brockden Brown. He looms large in the development of the American novel, and was a great factor in the development of the periodical. His active authorship began about 1797. Between that time and his death, his writings included a large number

of magazine contributions, many of them serials; six novels, several volumes more or less of the nature of hack work. Before he was thirty years old, his reputation as a writer was established. His novels are very remarkable, and hold a notable place in American Literature. In his "Memories of the Year 1793," he portrays vivid pictures of the epidemic of yellow fever, which was at that time raging in Philadelphia. His "Edgar Huntley," a richly colored romance shows the Indian in romance. He was a great lover of nature, and portrays pictures of out-of-door life in many of his works.

One of the most popular female novelists of the nineteenth century was Louise May Alcott. She was born at Germantown. At an early age she began her work as an occasional teacher and writer. Her first book was "Flower Fables." She wrote for the "Atlantic Monthly," but later turned to stories for girls. It is by these novels that she has gained her greatest success as a writer. Among her most popular novels are "Little Men," "Little Women," "Jo's Boys," four volumes of "Lulu's Library." Her characters are true to life, and are made very interesting. Her books are widely read throughout America and parts of Europe.

Nineteenth and twentieth century writers of Pennsylvania have contributed wonderful works to the literature of to-day. Charles G. Land, a native of Philadelphia, was a well known poet and educator. He figures in the latter nineteenth and early twentieth century. He had intentions of becoming a lawyer, and was admitted to the bar. Later he gave this up, and devoted his time to contributing to periodicals, editing various magazines, and writing books. At the opening of the Civil War he began the "Continental Magazine" which advocated emancipation of the slaves. Later he wrote ballads which became very popular. His humorous verses are more attractive to the public than any other of his writings. Maurice Francis Egan, another Pennsylvania poet, and novelist, was born in Philadelphia in 1852. He was editor of a New York Journal and later held a Professorship of

English Literature at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana. In 1907 he became the United States minister to Denmark. He published two volumes of verses "Preludes" and "Songs and Sonnets." Among his novels are "That Girl of Mine" and "Belinda."

Nearly every American knows the old plantation songs and negro melodies—the songs that never grow old—such as "Old Folks at Home," "My Old Kentucky Home," "Massa's in De Cold, Cold Ground," and "Old Black Joe." These were written by Stephen Collins Foster who was born near Pittsburgh in 1826. He early showed talent for music, and when thirteen he wrote the song "Sally to Mine Heart Appealing." Later he adopted song writing as a profession, composing both words and music to most of them. His reputation rests chiefly on his negro melodies, many of which have become popular on both sides of the Atlantic and are sung in many tongues. His later songs are sentimental ballads such as "Old Dog Tray," Foster, who wrote many of his songs in the nineteenth century, and others in the twentieth century, is given a prominent place in the modern development of popular music.

Lloyd Mifflin, who is noted chiefly for his sonnets was born at Columbia. In early life he studied art, but on account of ill health he was forced to abandon painting. He won distinction both at home and abroad, through his sonnets. A collected edition of his sonnets appeared in 1905. His verse is noted chiefly for its lyrical qualities. Among his books of verse are "The Hills," "At The Gates of Song," "My Lady of Dreams."

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