SECOND DAY OF INSTITUTE

TEACHERS LISTENED TO INTER-ESTING TALKS.

Miss Connolly Spoke on Methods of Teaching Grammar, Prof. Monroe of "Commercial Geography" and "Educational Psychology," Prof. Kemp on "Power Tests of Teaching" and "The Effect of Expression on Thought"-Lecture Last Night en Porto Rico by Dr. Groff.

There are ways and ways to make places for new teachers. One way is to encourage matrimony; another was put in force yesterday, when one section of the institute was assigned to the locker room for a whole session. Any teacher who would conduct her pupils to the cellar of a school building for a single recitation would be arraigned before the board of health or some other fearsome body. The grammar and High school teachers were obliged to spend the entire forenoon yesterday in the basement whose cement floor was damp and whose atmosphere was exceedingly chilly. Another session is to be held in the same unhealthy place this morning. The reasons given are that other rooms of the High school building are undergoing renovation. The plan is not the fault of Superintendent Phillips, who was greatly annoyed at such a neces-

The institute opened in the morning with prayer by Rabbi Anspacher. After the announcements made by Dr. Phillips the assemblage was divided, the primary teachers remaining, the others being relegated to the lower regions.

Miss Connolly, who has captured all the teachers by her brilliant, yet practical talks, gave a singularly interest-ing address on grammar. There is a lot of nonsense being taught in the name of English grammar, she said, making useless drudgery in the name of preparing pupils for study in German and Latin grammar, with the re-sult of simply meddling their brains.

COMMERCIAL GEOGRAPHY.

Professor Monroe gave a most valu-

able address on "Commercial Geography," which the speaker declared must soon have a prominent place in the educational system of this country. Giving a brief history of the founda-tion of commerce he spoke of the evolution which had resulted in the supremacy of Great Britain, Venice having been the pioneer, then Portugal and Spain, Holland, and finally England. America now stands the third among the nations, having exchanged places with France during the past five It will not be long until it supersedes Germany and takes the second place. Great Britain occupies territorily more than one-fourth of the earth's land surface, and contains onefourth of the souls in the world. It has held the first position during century for many reasons. It produces the most coal, although in 1899 America surpassed it, but because of having but forty millions of people while the United States has seventy-six millions, there is less home consumption in Great Britain. It produces the most iron and the most tin, thus in these raw materials it is far in the lead.

It has a second factor in the way of chant marine of the world belongs to Great Britain. In steam craft it outnumbers us 15 to 1, while it has three times the sailing vessels. It has the largest ship-building interests and an excellent internal system of railroads and water-ways. But the manifest weaknesses of Great Britain are great. First of these is its inferior common school system. We are weak in commercial schools but excel in technical training, while England is still cumbered with the old bungling system of in these matters.

SUFFERED FROM BOER WAR. reached its climax. In the first place has suffered enormously from the Beer war. Being obliged to withdraw much of its merchant marine service Germany was quick to step in as was also the United States. England also lost enormously in wealth, men and in industrial deprivations. The absence of food supplies cause that country to keep a vastly unnecessary naval force, simply for protection against a possible combination of powers. All these facfront Great Britain today.

Professor Kemp followed with an interesting talk on the effect of expression of thought.

In the primary department, Mrs. Wilgave excellent practical hints on teaching reading.

The afternoon session opened with music, led by Prof. Derman. Prof. Kemp continued his talk on history, beginning with a description of Ticonderoga and its physical features. means of a relief map he showed the up with the Confederates and they were made to fight there. The battle was lost and won not because of superior numbers or courage on the Union side, but because General Lee's milltary genius failed him for once, while the generals on the Union side took advantage of the configuration of the country. General Lee did not. lief map was shown illustrating the battle-field, and the speaker explained the manoeuvres of the conflict which he said was one of the most magnificently useless in history.

MRS. WILSON'S TALK. After intermission, Mrs. Wilson, the kindergartner, took the platform. fore announcing her subject, Mrs. Wil son explained that the lecture of the afternoon had been especially prepared for mothers. There was a dead silence for about five seconds, and then a shout went up from every part of the room. The subject, however, was most entertaining under Mrs. Wilson's interpretation. It was "Right and Wrong Punishments." If a child can be made to realize that he is performing his own punishment, a great deal has been ccomplished. This is the true idea of

the kindergarten work. Professor Monroe's afternoon subject vas "Educational Psychology." He said that Kant, Hegel. Schoepenhauer and other great thinkers must always be of value to the teacher as showing mental development. Experimental. comparative and genetic psychology, with the pathological study of defect-



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ive intellects, must also be of great use to the teacher. He regarded the six months in which he closely observed the mental characteristics, as found in an insane asylum, of more real value than years spent in other study, because the slowness of mental process there noted can be more readily studied.

He quoted Sir Francis Galton, who declares that the Anglo-Saxon race, as ypified in England and America, is becoming deficient in imagination, probably from the great commercial activity of the people. He believed that this is to a certain extent true, and urged the culture of imagination in the schools. The programme for today follows:

9.30 O'CLOCK. Grammar and Intermediate Section: "Our Common Rocks and Minerals,"

"Geography"Prof. Monroe Primary Section:
"Primary Arithmetic". Miss Connolly
"Lessons Illustrating Synthetic
Phonic Word Method,"

Miss Considine 2 O'CLOCK "The Kindergarten as an Educa-

tional Movement"Mrs. Wilson "White Slavery in Pennsylvania," Dr. Groff "Plato's Republic. Moore's Utopia, and Other Ideal Societies.

LAST NIGHT'S LECTURE.

Dr. George G. Groff's lecture last light was a charming description of Porto Rico. Dr. Groff was sent by the apprenticeship. Germany is far ahead United States government to our new possessions, where he has spent about two years in the educational interests of the island. He illustrated his lec-But Great Britain's power may have ture by many stereopticon views. Those who imagined there was a race of ignorant savages in Porto Rico, he said, could realize their mistake by these

tecture is purely Moorish and very

It is an Oriental city in many respects, with its flat housetops and irregular streets. The governor's palace is fronted by a wall fifty feet thick at the water gate.

Among the views was one of Castle son spoke most entertainingly on Blanca, erected by Ponce de Leon, who "Story Telling," and Miss Considine founded the city of San Juan. Among other objects of interest was the splendid statue of Christopher Columbus in the Colon Plaza. The national road in Porto Rico is one of the finest roads in the world.

lic school. All the schools were in private houses. They left neither books, contour of that region. He declared buildings, nor school appliances of any that the battle of Gettysburg, one of sort. There were no grades in their the great decisive battles of history, schools and no desks. There were 30,was not planned before hand. It so 000 children in the schools established happened that the Union forces caught by the United States when Dr. Groff left the island, with 300,000 outside, for whom there were neither buildings nor teachers. At this time 50,000 pupils are accommodated. They are very eager to

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photographs. San Juan, with the castle of San Cristobal, and glimpses of the wonderful nasonry of the walls surrounding San Juan and many handsome buildings, were shown with portions of streets and beautiful plazas. Much of the archi-

lovely.

The Spaniards left not a single pub-

Institute Notes. Prof. Will S. Monroe, who has made performance on Saturday as they may

stitute, was born in Luzerne county, and has many friends in this region. He was for some time superintendent of schools in Pasadena, Cal., and afterward took a degree at Leland Stanford university. Then he went to Europe and studied pedagogy and psychology on many educational topics. He has written several books, one of which, in German, has attracted exceptional attention. Professor Monroe is professor of psychology and pedagogy at the State Normal school of Westfield, Mass., and is a fellow of several sciengold medalist of the Paris exposition of 1900, and is a type of what an American boy with brains and energy can

Dr. Groff frequently quotes Judge Pennypacker, Republican candidate for governor, in his historical references.

per.

THEATRICAL. "Nathan Hale."

The season at the Lyceum opened last night with the presentation of "Nathan Hale" by a company headed by Howrad Kyle, who was seen here last year in the same play. "Nathan Hale" is a Clyde Fitch drama which is only another way of saying it is unusual and violates dramatic canons and the facts of history with impunity. But is dramatic and grows in interest until that interest becomes absorbing.

Mr. Kyle made a graceful Nathan Hale. He presented the young patriot spy in a way that won sympathy for the character and the earnest admiration for the actor. The Alice Adams of Miss Florence Smith was beautifully done. She as the gift of beauty and the higher gift of real dramatic ability. The various shades and depths of the nature of Alice Adams were presented with rare faithfulness. The members of the supporting company were not equal to the task of properly sustaining the principals.

The Dixie Word Contest. In order to stimulate the active young brains of the city to greater effort in orthography, Mr. Dixie has opened a word contest for the benefit of the school children of Scranton. To the twenty-five public or private school pupils who will form the most words from the letters contained in the words, "Dixie's Thea-ter," free reserved seats to the Saturday matinee will be given. The contest is open to all school children, old or young. The words spelled may be sent by mail or left at the box office of the theater not later than Friday noon, September 5. Names of the twenty-five winners will be printed in the morning papers follow-

ing and the boy or girl whose name ap-

pears will be given a free ticket for re-served seat at the matinee or evening

Dramas founded on events of importance within the last century have proved at the University of Jena. He has been abroad several times for special courses of study, and is recognized as an authority on both sides of the Atlantic on many educational tonics. He has

"Devil's Island."

Dreyfus case. It tells in its five acts the story of degradation, imprisonment and final happy denoument of the persecuted hero. Some of the intricate ways of diplomacy are disclosed between the lines. "Devil's Island" will be presented at the Lyceum Thursday afternoon and tific and educational societies. He is a evening. Seats now on sale. Prices, matinee, 25 to any part of the house; children, 15 cents to any part of the house. Night prices, 15, 25, 35 and 50 cents.

"My Antoinette."

Out of all the catchy airs in Alfred E. Aurons and George H. Murray's new musical comedy, "My Antolnette," which opens at the Lyceum on Saturday after-noon and evening, one melody is especially chick. The song takes its name from and giving her glasses a twitch. the title of the piece, "My Antoinette," came with the Hamiltons a month ago, and will be found to be a dreamy waltz. An orphan, I think. Dresses very well. tune, which cannot but make the feet trip in unison. It is sung by Grace Bel-mont and Eugene Wiene.

Other melodies, which are equally pretty are: "When I Go on the Stage," sung by devoted last night—the fellow wit Miss Josephine Hall, whose "Sister Mary brown mustache and gray eyes?" Jane's High Top Note" will no doubt be remembered: "Down the Old Green Lane"; a splendid drinking chorus, which opens the second act; "The Queen of Follyland," also sung by Miss Belmont, and a topical typical song, with the ap-propriate title, "Think It Over," Diagram opens Thursday at 9 a. m.

"The Octoroons."

"The Octoroons," a clever combination of fascinating Creole maidens, and dusky comedians, comes to the Star tomorrow afternoon for a three days' engagement. and Manager Herrington promises to pre-sent the finest colored organization en route this season, to the patrons of his popular house.
The colored race are noted for their

melodious voices, and peculiar faculty of producing harmony, and in the Octoroons are gathered a number of the cleverest colored singers appearing before the pub-lic. To lovers of sweet music, produced as only the genuine southern negro can roons will offer an exceptional treat.

STAGE NOTES.

Dorothy Humping, a handsome young woman of Toronto, will have the title role in Kirke La Shelle's "Princess Chic" this

Oliver Wallace, formerly one of the ticket takers at the Academy of Music, was added to the staff of ushers at the Dixie theater yesterday. "The Vinegar Buyer," the play in which Ezra Kendall is to tour, tells a story woven about the character of J. Whit-comb Riley's "Jap Miller." Among those

engaged for his support are Charles Bowser and Lottle Alter. Mrs. Brune, who is remembered as a co-star with Frederick Ward about two years ago, is to star in an adaptation of Marion Crawford's novel, "The Witch of Prague." Mrs. Brune has spent part of the summer at Sorrento with Mr. Craw-

ford, going over the details of the pro-Daniel L. Smith,of Minneapolis, ex-state senator, broker, general politician and business man, is to begin a career as an actor in the new musical comedy, "Sally in Our Alley." Mr. Smith gained fame as a teller of Swedish dialect stories, his skill in that direction gaining him the

title of "Senator Swenson." His role will be that of a clumsy Swede. The Myrkle Harder company continued The Myrkle Harder company continued to draw big houses to the Academy at both performances yesterday. The play in the afternoon was "For His Sister's Sake," and in the evening, Oliver Saunder's sensational drama, "A Fatal Marriage," was presented in an able manner. The specialties incidental to the show are far above the average with repertoire companies. This afternoon "Fide of Vorcemanies". companies This afternoon "Tide of For-tune" will be the bill, and tonight, Mon-day's success, "Caught in the Web," will be repeated.

MISS EDWINSON'S TOE.

HAVE a grheat mind to take my book and depart. I cannot read here with that man staring at me," thought Miss Edwinson. She rose and gazed across the pas-

lovely, cool spot down by the brook, where the big clm will shade me all the

afternoon," she mused, "I think I'll go. Possibly my fisherman will come along. Smiling a little sadly, she turned into the wide door of the small summer hotel, and presently emerged with shade

hat and parasol, a fair and dainty pic-"Very attractive girl, very," observed young Lowell as he craned his neck in

admiration. "Who is she, Jane?" "Eh, oh! Miss Edwinson. Wes, she is quite good looking," answered his sister, looking up from her magazine Bright and pretty, but not very socia-

"Who is the tall chap that seemed so devoted last night-the fellow with the "You mean Mr. Birdsall, I suppose Yes, he likes her. Lawyer from some place in York state, I believe. I don't know where he is this afternoon."

"Fishin, I guess. I saw him starting off with his traps just before dinner. Well, he must like to tramp around in this heat. Say, Jane, is she a little lame?

'Why, no: is she?" "I thought she gave a bit of a hitch; stepped as if her foot bothered her." "Tight shoes, perhaps," said Jane Lowell, laughing. "No, I don't believe so. She rides, golfs and dances well. I never noticed it."

You are not very observing, you know," smiled her brother, walking to the end of the vine-clad railing. "She certainly has a slight limp at times. I wish you would introduce me if you know her well enough. Possibly she would like a change from the law to the wool business.'

"I can arrange that. I'll have you Mrs. Hamilton first, though, said Jane, returning to her story. The subject of their interest trudged along through the tangles and grasshoppers, climbed gingerly over tumble-down stone wall, and finally deposited herself at the base of a great tree whose branches drooped nearly across the long, clear pool, throwing soft shadows against

wall of moss-grown rock opposite. "My, but I'm hot," remarked Miss Edwinson, adjusting herself comfortably and using her hat as a fan. I'll cool off here, though. Pshaw! There's a mosquito the first thing."

Back of her a cat bird mewed and scolded in the thorn bush. Overhead an oriole swung and sang: a song sparrow hopped and made cheery music nearly at her feet; and a red squirrel scrabbled and chattered in the near branches of a gnarled butternut. By and by the girl threw down her "I can't read, and I don't want to think," she said aloud. "How sweet and restful it is here away from the people. If there was any sense in it I would wish that Howard Birdsall would come along and talk to me." An impatient sigh made the sparrov fly across the stream. "I don't blame you, birdie," cried Miss Edwinson. "I'm not good company." She sat up, looking dreamily at the water, rippling and dancing through bands of sunshine

and shadow. "It's impossible," she said wearily. —new bobbing off to nooks of quiet—"I have settled that with myself for floated a small pinkish object, "I see

good and all. I'll never marry any man. Oh, I couldn't. I must go away, or he must; but it's too bad-too bad. I know he is beginning to care; and I am—oh, I am; and it means nothing but misery, for I never could bear his knowing it. What would he think! knowing it. What would he think!

Oh, dear!" She cried softly for a moment; then sat up very straight with crimson cheeks. "Never!" she exclaimed. "No one! Lillian. do something and stop one! Lillian, do something and stop this foolishness."

Shaking out her dress she got up and moved about, picking at bits of moss and the late summer blossoms nestling near the brookside. A great blue heron flopped squawking from the alders. 'Mercy! What sort of a creature is that?" exclaimed Miss Edwinson, beginning to laugh. "Of all the ungainly objects." Brightened by this episcde, she rambled to the shallows at

the head of the pool and looked across. "Cardinals," she burst forth in rap-ture. "What a magnificent bunch. I must baye them. Why isn't there a must have them. Why isn't there a bridge or something, so I can get The big red cluster shone temptingly

from a rocky cleft close to the stream. Miss Edwinson glanced at the smooth stones over which only a few inches of water gurgled. Below the banks spread out, making a long oval basin of limpld depths. Here a child could "No one can possibly see me.

course, I can do it; won't take a minite," whispered Lillian, peering cautiously about. Her shoes and stockings came off in a trice. The cool ripples purred gratefully around her toes as she stepped in, carefully selecting smooth resting places. She was over; the flowers were hers.

Full of pleased excitement, she stole Midway she stopped and dabbled. 'Isn't this fun." she thought. "Heavens! What's that! A cow! A man!

What?" In the thick alder bushes just above something was rapidly pushing its way. Miss Edwinson stumbled the remaining distance with indiscreet haste and much splashing. Another moment found her in the former resting place, flushed, but composed; her footgear quickly scrabbled beneath her dressthe tell-tale feet snugly tucked from

So Howard Birdsall found Miss Edwinson, as hurrying down the brook, wondering at the sound of disturbed water, he came by her tree.
"Hullo," said that lady calmly. Where did you come from? Go right

bservation

along with your fishing; I want to "Let me stay. I've fished enough, pleaded the young man. "I haven't seen you all day. Why don't you take

a more comfortable position? look all cramped up." "I like this one. No. I must finish my book. You can come back in half an hour and walk home with me." Birdsall stood gazing admiringly at the bright face, over which a shade of annoyance was stealing. He half turned to obey, and the girl cast her eyes away to where the pool spread its beauty before her. Suddenly she shricked, and pointed excitedly.

"Oh, get it-get it, quick! Do, Mr. Birdsall. I don't care. I must have it back. Get it right away." Her voica rose in a wail of despair. "Get what?" ejaculated the annoyed

young man, staring wildly, "My toe! Hurry!"

"Your toe? Why?--what?--where?" There, on the water. It's come off. oh, can't you underestand anything?" Birdsail's eye followed her pointing finger. Dancing merrily on the surface of the stream-now whirling in an eddy

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omething that looks like a cork," he

began slowly. "That's it. It isn't a cork; it's my toe! Get it for me this minute, you stupid man. Won't you see? Can't ou see? Look here, then!" She covered her eyes with a little

groan and thrust out a foot from the

protecting dress. "There," she gasped, 'I've done it." A few moments later a man who had evidently waded without regard to clothing stood by the side of a sobbing girl. In his hand he held the toe-a perfect imitation, made of some light material, delicately tinted, even to the rosy nail, and with it dangled a tiny

broken strap. "Lillian!" he breathed, "look up." Through her tears and covering hands showed two mortifled blue eyes. 'I know you will never want to speak

to me again," she wept. "Lillian," he said again, and very solemnly, "if I can't have you, won't you give me this?"

Miss Edwinson took away her fingers and looked at him with parted "Do-do you mean that, knowing this, you could really love me?" she said, tremblingly.

"Knowing this, I shall love you all the more, dear," he said. "I guess I don't care much about meeting that girl, Jane," observed Elbert Lowell just before supper. "I saw her coming up through the pasture You half an hour ago with that fisherman of hers; and I doubt if she would find

society interesting."-Democrat

and Chronicle.

Ingersoll Out-Matched? The late Robert G. Ingersoll was once "stopped." in the language of the prize-ring, by an old negress employed on the janitor's force in the capitol at Washjanitor's force in the capitol at Washington. She kept her Bible by her when at work, and would stop scrubbing and read until she heard footsteps along the corridors, when she would hide the book and begin vigorously to scour the floors. Ingersoil had been watching her, and one morning quietly slipped to her side, when he saw she was reading the Bible. "Mary, do you believe all you read there? he asked. "Eb'ry word!" That God made man from udst?" "In cose!" she answered. "Well. Mary, suppose it had rained, and the dust had turned to mud-what then should we pose it had rained, and the dust had turned to mud—what then should we have done?" "De good Lawd knows 'nuff to know dat's de time to make lawyers an' infidels!" As Ingersoll turned away he was quoting mentally from Tennyson's "In Memoriam"—"Leave thou thy sister when she prays."—Trop



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