

doing such good and so much work as it is doing now. In 1885 it numbered about eight members. To-day this number is greatly increased. The number of members now amount to about eighty. During the past week they worked faithfully and reaped a big harvest. The spirit of God undoubtedly manifested itself in these series of meetings, one of which was conducted by Rev. Taggart of Pittsburg, assisted by Mr. Swally of Bellefonte. This association is a very important function in the various good influences about the college and should receive the utmost encouragement in its good works. By the association of students with students they can more effectively persuade each other to take the stand on the Lord's side, for there is no other period in a young man's life when he will so readily yield to the earnest pleadings of his fellow students.

—The guests who attended the Washington Society reception have said, the anniversary was a complete success and that it was a good treat, overflowing with pleasure. We attribute this great success not only to the committee on arrangements but to the hearty co-operation of the society members in general. All appeared bent on not sparing any efforts that might have added to the decoration of the hall, the enchanting music and the hearty welcome, extended to her sister society—the Cresson—and friends at a distance, to their spacious halls. After exchanging congratulations, indulging in delightful conversation, which was occasionally quelled by the harmonious strains of the orchestra in its masterly production of "Erminie," dancing to the now and then accelerated time of the waltz by Prof. Atherton, of Philipsburg, and partaking of refreshments, the guests departed more than pleased with the celebration of the anniversary of the W. L. S.

PERSONALS.

'91—Miss Martha Noyes will leave State College and teach a school near her home.

'76—Ellis L. Orvis, a prominent lawyer of Bellefonte, has just recovered from a severe illness.

'86—Geo. L. Holter holds the position of assistant chemist in the Experimental Station at this place.

'83—W. E. Gray, Esq., has moved his law office into the rooms with Lawyer J. G. Love, Bellefonte.

—Prof. Wolf, Superintendent of Public Instruction, was seen among our professors the first of the month.

—L. A. Shaffer, member of class of '81 is Prothonotary of Centre county at present, and is a prominent candidate for re-election.

—Frank Woods, former member of the present senior class is taking the course at Jefferson Medical College. He belongs to '89 there.

'81—Prof. Louis E. Reber delivered a lecture on Astronomy to a large and appreciative audience at Snyderstown, on Wednesday of February 18th.

—H. C. Quigley, former member of the class of '90 was welcomed here by the boys on February 22nd. We are always glad to see our old school-mates.

—W. L. Barclay, formerly of '89, paid us a short visit last month. He came to us from Williamsport, where he is learning stenographing and type writing.

'87—Frank Strouse, civil engineer, has been transferred from the office at Philipsburg, where he has been employed for the past year drafting, to the field. His corps is now in Cambria county.

—President Geo. W. Atherton is now in Europe. Leaving State College at 2:30 p. m., Wednesday February, 29th, arriving in New York the following day, from which place he sailed at 9:08 a. m. on the steamer "Fulda" of the North German Line.

—On Thursday the 1st inst., William S. Jackson, who is engaged in banking in Colorado Springs, was married to Helen Baufield at Poughkeepsie. Mr. Jackson is the youngest brother of Prof. Jackson of this place. The bride, a charming woman, is a niece of Mr. Jackson's first wife, who is known to the literary world by "H. H."

MILITARY.

BRIEF HISTORY OF TACTICS OF U. S.

Previous to the arrival of Baron Steuben, our tactics were those of the British Army. These were copied from those introduced into the Prussian service by Leopold I.

Steuben's Manual was approved by Congress in 1779 and was used up to 1812. About this time Gen. Scott introduced the French tactics which were modified by a Board of officers and are known as the "System of 1815."

Previous to 1816 companies were known by the names of their Captains.

Next we have the "System of 1825," a modifi-