

Alumnus to criticise and condemn his Alma Mater, rather than to work energetically for her advancement and that of her children.

An examination of the catalogue shows that for some years past a large percentage of students have been drawn from one county in the State, a great manufacturing and industrial center, and that many of the Alumni are employed in honorable and lucrative positions in this same county. The manufacturers of this community have become acquainted with the quality of the work and the equipment of the graduates of the State College, and so they send their sons to her, and fill their laboratories, their draughting rooms and their shops with her men; but, unquestionably, the explanation of this fact lies in the intelligent, vigorous and effective efforts of three—perhaps more—Alumni, who have for years worked untiringly to that end, and to whom belongs the credit of having kept their Alma Mater constantly to the front. *What they have done others may do.*

It may be well to add that the writer has no personal interest in the College, other than that which any thoughtful and patriotic citizen of Pennsylvania must feel in the welfare of present and future generations of her youth.

AN OBSERVER.



## A PICTURE AND ITS STORY.

(BEST STORY SUBMITTED BY A FRESHMAN TO THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT.)

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I HAD been out the whole afternoon, taking pictures, with my friend Harry Jefferson, and on our return at about four o'clock, we went directly to his dark room to develop our plates. While waiting for him to get things ready, I was busy looking over a number of negatives which were laid aside from the others in a small box. They were, he told me, all pictures with which some special event was connected. I became curious, and, holding one after another to the light, had examined two or three when I came across one which immediately attracted my attention. It was evidently an ocean picture and it showed a