

to assist their imagination, and sylvan scenes to illustrate their choicest works. "Here the lonely hearts are cherished while the days are passing by."

—The drama, "By Force of Impulse," given by members of the Washington Literary Society on Friday, 14th inst., was highly successful, and was well received by the large audience present. The young ladies and gentlemen who took part in the play had studied their lines carefully, and few, if any, slips were made as the play progressed. The time of the drama was about the breaking out of the Rebellion, and the play closed with the surrender of Lee to Grant. The stage settings were remarkably fine, considering the amount of space, and the scenery was excellent. The rapid and complete changing of scenery was remarked by all. The first act began with a scene in the office of lawyer George Washington Dollerclutch, and from that time until the close of the play the crafty lawyer was a big favorite with the audience. The delineation of the character by George M. Downing was one of the best pieces of acting ever given here, and worthy of a professional. The "Adrienne Towville" of Miss Foster was an ideal creation, and provoked unstinted praise from all. The acting of Miss Jones as "Hilda Wallace," and Miss Clarke as "Anastasia Maitland," was excellent; the antique costumes of the latter making a decided hit. For the gentlemen, William P. Brew as "Reginald," was awarded great praise, which his earnest and careful study of the part merited. "Ralph Murdell," in the hands of J. D. Hunter, was a typical villain. Charles M. Kessler and W. H. Walker as "Col. Morrell" and "Henry Towville," respectively, were good, as also were Geo. Demming as "Morris Maitland," and Allen and Sunley as the two dudes, but it remained for Birdie Hawk, as the servant "Coriolinus," to make the "hit" of the evening. From the moment "Coriolinus" came on the stage until he had collapsed at the end of the play, the audience was kept in a roar of laughter. Hawk's "get-up" was immense, especially the red necktie. The success of the play was mainly due to the untiring efforts of S. Price Jackson, whose time and studies were sacrificed for the play. Thanks are also due E. H. Davis and Johnny Hunter, who assisted as prompters on the stage. The critics at rehearsals were Prof. and Miss Jackson, and Miss McElwain. The W. L. S. is under obligations to the orchestra, which, under the leadership of Frank Atherton, rendered excellent music.

'80—John F. Hickman has been appointed director of the Ohio Experimental Station.

### PERSONAL.

Our last issue contained no personal department, owing to the late arrival of its editor.

'78—O. K. Hamilton is a prosperous real estate agent in Abilene, Kansas.

'89—N. E. Wilson, now a student in Maine State College, was among us recently.

—James Foster, formerly of '87, has re entered college and joined the class of '89.

'86—Harry B. McDonnell, of Baltimore, graduated at the Baltimore Medical College last month.

—President Atherton spent the larger portion of April in Paris. At present he is in London, from where he will go to St. Petersburg.

—Miss Julia E. Gorsline, instructor in music, is recovering from a severe illness. She is still confined to her room.

'91—H. V. Holmes did not return to college this term, and is keeping books for the Cambria Iron Company, Birmingham, Pa.

'85—D. C. Jackson has written to THE FREE LANCE words of commendation, and expresses a lively interest in our welfare.

—The "Alumni Record" is completed up to '83 only. Acting on the suggestions of others we begin with this issue class histories, starting with '83.

'87—W. L. Barclay graduated at the Williamsport Commercial College, on the last of April, carrying off the honors of his class. He is at present acting as stenographer in his father's office.

'91—J. H. White, who was compelled by sickness to leave college last term, has improved in health considerably, but will not return this college year. Harry was popular, and '91 especially hopes for his return in September.

—Dr. James Calder, former President of P. S. C., has resigned the pastorate of his Harrisburg church, to give his attention to the developing of a new college enterprise in New York. The institution is to be known as Keuka College and Assembly.

—H. W. Morrow, of Wilmington, Delaware, a former student of P. S. C., has had a device for locking trunks patented. The device consists in locking the trunk or valise in five or six places