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### NOT ALONE.

Not alone, however dreary,  
Sad and cruel seems my fate,  
Angels yet may hover near me,  
Spirits from the heavenly gate;  
And the cry which rose in sorrow  
From my heart, "I am alone,"  
Shall be stifled if the morrow  
Give me wisdom to atone.

"Not alone," the flowers tell me;  
"Not alone," the birds declare,  
As with music they overwhelm me,  
Warbling in the perfumed air.  
Forest, mountain, glade and river,  
Studded rampant above,  
Whisper to my soul, "Ah! never  
Doubt thy Heavenly Father's love!"

Thus no more I'll sadly ponder  
On my short-lived earthly wrongs,  
But with faith, and love, and wonder,  
Seek that which to heaven belongs.  
Man's oppression cannot hurt me;  
Jesus' love arrests my fears;  
Not alone, though men desert me;  
"Not alone," for God is near.

### PRACTICAL TEACHING.

BY J. L. WORTMAN.

He is a successful teacher who succeeds in creating a love for study in the minds of his youthful pupils, and makes school a pleasant and attractive place instead of a common dirty hovel, shunned by every one of his pupils, which I regret to add is too often the case. What a beautiful thought the poet had when he said:—

"Full many a gem of purest ray serene," etc.  
And why? One reason is that when the child arrived at a proper age he was sent to a teacher who was wholly unqualified for his position, and instead of using kind words and actions persuaded with the cowhide. Such teachers as these will surely divert the mind of the youthful student, and instead of developing the untrained minds committed to his charge, bind them with the unrelenting chains of ignorance. The teacher is the one who holds a position next to that of mother. She is the former of all the character of the human family. The first and most important periods of life are entrusted to her tender care. The human race is just what she makes it. She is the Queen of the home, its center, its light and its glory. Just so with the teacher,—he is the former of all the education of the human race. To him is entrusted the youthful and innocent minds for a course of mental training. This is the time when the first impulses of knowledge are made upon them. He is the center,

the light and the glory of the school room, and as he sits in the midst of those little ones with bright and cheerful countenance, who have assembled in the school room, the question arises to his mind, "Shall I ever succeed in making impressions that time can never blot, and cause them to be added to the rank of able reasoners, or shall I cause them to fade from recognition and be lost in the unfathomable depths of ignorance, shut out forever from the pure and ennobling influences of reason and science."

### DARK SIDE OF THE WORLD.

R. J. NICHOLS.

How terrible, how utterly hopeless is our condition! Like the flowers of the earth we spring into an existence of short duration, then wither away and are seen no more. The ruthless hand of time is seen in every thing, warning us of our coming doom. She draws her sable curtain around our every thought and action, and mercilessly wraps us in impenetrable gloom with the scoffs and jeers of decaying nature. Spring comes with her beautiful flowers and the sweet songs of birds, but what consolation is there in such deception? The very idea that they must pass away fills us with sadness and dark forebodings. Summer comes with her golden harvests to tear afresh the gaping wounds of a deceitful Spring. Then Autumn rings out her summons to the destroying element; when obedient to her call the gathering clouds and hoary frosts fill all nature with distress. Then Winter with her chilling blasts from icy trumpets thunders o'er the earth, sounding in dreary tones a requiem of mockery to nature's dead. Thus the most beautiful of earthly, the gentle notes of birds and the green carpet of vegetation, that makes the presence of Spring and the plenteousness of Summer, all deride at our enjoyment and keep us in constant dread. If we were certain of a glorious future we could bear up under the ills of this life without a groan; but we are like an ancient mariner without a compass, tossed upon the wild, wide ocean. We may steer in whatever direction we choose; but where is the shore, where is the haven that is the object of our being. Every wind that strikes our back changes our course, our plans, and increases our desolation, leaving despair as our dernier resort. Oh! is there no

balm in Gilead to heal this sickled east of thought that we may raise our drooping heads in hope and cheerful action. No! for self-evident truth is the source of it and what is plain truth no human being can be prevailed upon to believe. We must toil as wearily and sadly in this melancholy world, knowing that what ever of honor wealth or fame we may have gained will soon be swept away by the effacing hand of time.

### COMMON SCHOOLS.

BY H. C. HUMPHRY.

The establishment and liberal support of common schools should be objects of special interest to every citizen of our glorious land. On them more than any other cause, under Providence, depend the general diffusion and perpetuity of those great national blessings and privileges which tend to true exaltation of a united people. Free schools are the nurseries of the public mind—the lights by which republican virtue and honor are most ably and extensively reflected. They are the best safeguards against all the ills of ignorance and vice. Without them no republican government can long exist and flourish—with them, wisely fostered, well attended and generally supported, no tyrant's sway can long continue—no bigot's views be widely disseminated. In view of this, how earnestly and assiduously should every good citizen strive to guard and improve a judicious system of public school instruction.

### EARL DERBY TO STUDENTS.

Lord Derby in a recent address, before the Liverpool College, told the students that there were three great maxims of study—first, that mental labor never hurts anybody unless taken in great excess; second, that those who can not spare the time for physical exercise will soon have to spare it for illness; third, that morning is generally better than night work. There never was a time in the history of the world when an appreciation of these truths was more important than it is now. Perhaps if this advice were acted upon by the students of our University, Professor Powell would not have to excuse so many from a hard recitation on account of sickness.

That student has the best education who can employ to the best advantage in life his stock of information.

### INDEPENDENT ACTION.

The intense satisfaction which one may derive from independence can only be realized when enjoyed. The student who has the independence to push his way through his college studies, and grapple with the difficulties incident to his course, will some day be an independent factor in society. Dependence upon teacher or associates is the greatest enemy to success, for such a course dwarfs the student's powers for application and deprives him of self-confidence. Experience has shown, that the surest method to success is to cultivate independence in all things. Drive your own horses or they will never be driven; steer your own ship of life or you will be wrecked; foot up your own columns or the result will never be correct; do your own love-making and be independent. If any one has deceived you see that the deception is not repeated. Somebody will say something about you and you can't help it. So never mind—brush off the fly and go to work regardless of what the envious may say. You are bound to succeed. Follow the example of great and good men, but don't counterfeit. Finally, if you want success, trundle your own wheelbarrow.

### WE SHALL LIVE AGAIN.

Within the past few years the scientific and political world has been deprived of many of its ablest votaries. Scarcely can a man of scientific qualifications, of political ability, or, of philanthropic spirit, reach the zenith of his fame, or ere he does this he is called to a higher field of labor. We are constantly reminded how vain, how fleeting, how transitory are earthly scenes. Yet we know there is a realm where the rainbow never fades, where the beings who have passed on before us are to-day enjoying a broader field for scientific research, aided by the celestial intelligences, than while here on earth. We were born for a higher destiny than here below. If not, whence comes these outreaching investigations, this longing after immortality? No, when we die we die not as the flowers of the field, or as the leaves of the forest tree, but we die to live again.

"The star that sets  
Beyond the western wave is not extinct,  
It brightens in another hemisphere  
And glides another evening with its rays."

"Hew to the center and let the chips fall where they will," is a motto worthy to be acted upon by those who desire to make an impress upon the age in which they live.

## The Willamette Collegian.

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### GREETING.

As we place the first number of our paper before its readers we entertain the hope that it may be received with favor, and that its contents may be worthy of perusal. The opportunities which these columns are designed to afford to the student, though inadequate, ought to be appreciated. Within the walls of Willamette University are collected from every part of our young and growing State, the crude elements of brain power, which, with proper culture, may become useful to society and influential in the affairs of Church and State. The aspiring youth, looking forward to the accomplishment of purposes which engross his energy, will seize "the possible opportunity," and make it subservient to his aims. An opportunity is offered by our paper—a field for intellectual improvement, which, for value, cannot be over estimated. We design, so far as our facilities may allow, to make these columns an avenue through which students may express their ideas; and at the same time endeavor to compress into its pages information incident to the student's life. There are many important questions connected with education, which may be discussed with profit, and for such discussion these columns are open. We sincerely trust the members of the University will accept the invitation thus extended, and help make these columns glow with vivacity and sparkle with poetry and pure literature. Once open up the fountain of thought—of literature—and then shall flow spontaneous streams of ideas, translucent and beautiful with intellectual gems. Then let us "break up the fountain of waters of thought," and let the golden stream leap forth. With the hearty co-operation of our friends and the friends of Willamette University, we shall endeavor to make our paper a useful factor in our society; and with these introductory remarks we present our first greeting.

### BREVITY.

At the present time, in order to reach the public mind, one must compress and condense. People are too busy to read windy articles, and we intend our paper shall have at least one commendable feature—brevity. Therefore, we recommend to our correspondents, that if they want their effusions read, they must be brief and crisp in their articles. Send us your articles, but be sure and boil down what you have. Give us thought, not words.

He that will watch Providence shall never want a Providence to watch.

## THE CHRISTIAN STUDENT.

The position which the Christian student occupies in an institution of learning, such as the Willamette University, is at once one of influence. Surrounded by temptation to error, he stands firm against the assaults of evil—an object for the confidence and admiration of his school-mates. And while his position is a trying one, it is a position of satisfaction and pleasure; he knows full well the eyes of his mates are upon him, watching every action, and hence he must be ever on the alert lest an act of his may bring reproach upon the religion he professes. Then he has the intense satisfaction of a clear conscience (the reward of doing right), and the entire confidence of his fellow students, for they know he can be trusted. There is a beauty in such a life which illuminates the "Dark Side of the World," and makes the gloom and clouds, through which the students pass, all bright with a glorious effulgence.

### OUR SOCIETIES.

One of the most interesting features of Willamette University is its system of literary societies—four in number. They consist of Hesperian and sister society, Concordia; Alka and sister society, Athenaeum. The opportunities which they afford to the students are ample. Questions are debated with lively interest every meeting, and a literary contest between the Alka and Hesperian societies annually. Every student should identify himself with one of these societies. Literary societies in a College of this kind are connected inseparably with its prosperity; here the student is enabled to utilize the information he has, to arrange and present it in a tangible form. Every member of the College societies will testify as to their benefits, and we may feel justly proud of our organizations.

### PRACTICE VS. THEORY.

We notice that the tendency of the times is rather in the direction of the practical than the theoretical. It was through this spirit that many delusions have been dispelled. People must first experiment, test and handle before they can be convinced, and for this reason the world can no longer be deceived by any art of necromancy, or other imposition. In consequence our education should consist in practical knowledge and not so much of theory. It is the experience of all truly great men that their knowledge of practical life was the secret of their success. The importance of such education must be obvious when we perceive it is the key to success. A bundle of theories without any fact can have no effect in a world of deeds. The impress which men make upon the age in which they live is chiseled with a real chisel and mallet.

## SCIENTIST VS. REVELATION.

The deep, translucent wisdom, coming after a long period of frivolous theorizing, shows that the human mind has awakened from an unnatural slumber, and moved forward in moral and intellectual improvement. The mind is no longer enchanted by the murky grandeur of heathen philosophy, and a holier light than Platonism, has swept over the world. The mind of the world, thus illuminated, is able to determine whether that is the true light and no self-constituted scientist can contract its effulgence. We do not deprecate scientific research and erudition, and we would say to the true scientist to ply his little boat on over the sea of research and let down his sounding line into the deep unknown world of mystery. We shall hail the day when the grand old temple of science shall have been unveiled to view and we shall be permitted to examine its beautiful proportion in the light of true Christian philosophy. We believe that when Christian scientists engage in scientific research, it will not be employed in undermining the foundation of human society, but when a class of confirmed skeptics make science a means of deluding the less informed classes, it is time to raise our voices in opposition to the deception. It is to be hoped that the time may come when the masses may be so enlightened that no false scientist can infuse false impressions into the mind. The conflict is between the scientist and revelation and not between science and revelation. As Prof. Condon stated last winter, in his lectures on Geology, before the Willamette University, "the bible is not a work of chronology, or a book of science," but it was inspired to teach men the true light of life. Prof. Dana says there "is no conflict between the two books of the one Great Author." Then let us enter the avenues of thought which such Christian scientists as Prof. Dana and others have opened and thereby have our ideas of the attributes of God illuminated, and not dwarfed by the gloomy shades of materialism.

A good joke is told of a certain Dublin professor—a stickler for ventilation. Being put in a room at a hotel with another guest, he asked the latter to raise the window at night, as the air was so close. "I can't raise it," said the guest, after working at the window for a while. "Then knock a pane of glass out," said the Professor, which was done. After a while the professor got up and broke another pane, then he was able to sleep; but in the morning he discovered that they had only broken into a bookcase.

Students should secure copies of the COLLEGIAN to send to friends.

## INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

Having been informed that the Alka Society would install their newly elected officers, on Friday night, Sept. 17, we attended, and among the speeches made, none was as "impressive" and characteristic as that of Vice President. We give it in part below:

Mr. President:—Allow me to congratulate the Alka Society upon obtaining so able and efficient officer as myself. Long and wearily have I struggled for the exalted position you have imposed on me and I congratulate you upon my final success. [Applause] Rome had her Bonaparte, America her Wellington and France her Garibaldi, and who can tell, Mr. President, members of Alka Literary Society, but I may some day occupy a position in the American House of Lords, or aspire to the Presidency of British Columbia, hence I congratulate this honorable body upon my advent into the Vice Presidency of this society. And now, Mr. President, I congratulate you for obtaining so able an assistant and in case you should be absent from the chair, and I hope you may frequently, you can rely upon my ability to transact the business in a most efficient manner, and hence I congratulate the Alka Society upon my advent to the Vice Presidency. [Prolonged applause.]

### SOCIETIES.

#### Concordia Society.

OFFICERS—President, Annie Lawrence; Vice President, Ella McFarney; Secretary, Mary Powell; Treasurer, Ella Mooney; Librarian, Laurena Marks; Censor, Emma Jones. The Concordia Society meets at the close of school on Friday evenings. Hall with the Hesperians, in the third story of the building. Visitors are cordially invited to attend.

#### Hesperian Society.

OFFICERS—President, T. M. Johnson; Vice President, John E. Payton; Secretary, D. P. Stoffer; Treasurer, W. A. Graves; Librarian, W. E. Hinchey; Censor, T. C. Jones. Hesperians meet on Friday evening at 7:45 o'clock. Hall in the third story of the University, opposite the Cabinet. The society is governed by Cushing's Manual in all points of order. Civil, Political and Scientific questions are discussed by the society, but no religious questions.

#### Athenaeum Society.

OFFICERS—President, Ida Hutton; Vice President, Mary Strong; Recording Secretary, Olive Chamberlin; Corresponding Secretary, Emma Hovenden; Treasurer, Elizabeth McNary; Librarian, Ella M. Hendrick; Censor, Sarah W. Griffith. The Athenaeum Society meets immediately after the close of school, Friday afternoon, occupying same hall as their Alka brothers.

#### Alka Society.

OFFICERS—President, Richmond Kelly; Vice President, A. N. Moore; Secretary, A. N. Moore; Censor, J. R. Nichols; Treasurer, R. A. Miller; Librarian, Harry W. Walts. The Alka Society meets in their hall on the third floor, at eight o'clock, Friday evening of each week. Their hall is beautifully decorated and is in every way attractive. Visitors are invited to be present at meetings.

## CLOSING OUT.

S. FRIEDMAN is now closing out his entire stock of Gooda regardless of cost. He intends to replenish his stock with an entire NEW SUPPLY.

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## The Willamette Collegian.

### The Present Outlook.

Some three months since, at commencement, we wondered who of the faces gathered there would again greet us at chapel the coming year. Vacation passed quickly away, and on Monday, morning, September 6th, the familiar tone of the old bell called us together. Here and there were faces olden; but some familiar ones to the school were not in their accustomed places. Foster, hero of the Alka-Hesperian contest; Wortman, of later fame both in declamation and on the diamond field; and genial, good-natured Wiley and Millar were not there. Among the teachers upon the platform were several vacancies, and one to remain permanent. Her pleasant look and encouraging words have been sadly missed, though her place has been supplied by one beloved by her school-mates for her amiable nature and respect for her qualifications. Miss Adams carries with her the respect of all her pupils. Prof. Powell, President Gatch, Miss Chamberlin and the new teacher, Miss Shattuck, were present. From the appearance of faces present it would seem that the school would be composed of a new element, but a number of former students have entered. The work for the year has begun with vigor, and everything indicates that the school will enjoy a pleasant and prosperous session. New associations and new scenes will open as the year progresses, and every student who does his duty will be richly rewarded.

### Narrow Escape.

A prominent member of the Willamette University was placed in a very serious predicament a few evenings since. He had been sitting up with the sick until a very late hour of the night. About 2 a. m., he was so fatigued by his assiduous watching that he went to a certain well known type of this city for relief. The residence at which the aforesaid printer lodged had been burglarized a few weeks previous. The lodger heard him stealthily approaching mistook him for one of the light footed gentry, and a six shooter was in readiness to give him a "red hot" reception. The pale faced student saw the gleam of the deadly weapon in the hands of the type, and thinking his motives were misconstrued he yelled out with great vehemence, "don't shoot, don't shoot, I am agent for the 'Wigwam and Warpath.'" Explanations hastily followed and thus a fearful homicide was averted. The Aldine Base Ball Club has still an official head and the first nine of that organization still retains the services of its efficient center fielder.

### Aerial Navigation.

Recently a favored few of the students were witnesses of a thrilling episode, which came near proving fatal to the hero. Leaving the recitation room where he had been holding converse with the ancient Achilles, he had imbibed too much of the spirit of that classic hero. Arriving at the head of the stairs he did not deign to follow common custom, but wishing to show us that he had been with the gods and learned of them, he made a flying leap through the air, as if he would sail peacefully to the bottom. Alas! for human aspiration. After performing various gyrations, and valiantly beating the air with his hands, his ponderous form descended with a mighty crash amid the thundering applause of his companions.

### Students' Business Directory.

A. F. Smith, photographer, does splendid work.

Strong & Bain are superior Bakers. See ad. on fourth page.

H. D. Boon constantly receives fresh supplies of stationery, etc.

Murphy & Crossman have just received a splendid stock of goods.

Leo Willis has everything a student may want, books, paper, etc.

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Send your orders to J. K. Gill & Co., of Portland, and they will promptly be filled. See advertisement on fourth page.

### Programme.

The following is the programme for the afternoon exercises, next Friday at Willamette University, October 1st.

#### Music.

Declamation—George A. Peebles.

Composition—Waller A. Graves.

—X. N. Steeves.

Recitation—Ida M. Beardsley.

Composition—Ida Hutton.

Declamation—Miles T. Starr.

#### Music.

Composition—Harry W. Walts.

Recitation—Ettie Duffield.

Declamation—Cyrus B. Woodworth.

Recitation—Mary E. Starr.

—Frankie P. Jones.

Composition—L. H. Wells.

#### Song.

### Not With Us.

Our University has sadly missed some of its old friends and students, and more especially George Belt, Frank and James McCully. We understand that Mr. James C. McCully will go East to engage in the study of law. We regret Mr. McCully is to leave us, as our school will sadly miss his generous nature—all who knew "Jim" respected him for his qualities. Frank is partly gone from and partly with us, and we hope we may soon have the rest of him with us.

### "Wigwam and Warpath."

This is the title of the book just issued by Hon. A. B. Meacham. So far as we have read it is written in an attractive style, full of vivid life and captivating interest. Miss Nellie, the author's accomplished daughter, and his son George F. Meacham, are canvassing for the work. The author is a friend of the University and we hope students will procure a book.

### Not Represented.

As will be observed the young gentlemen of our University is well represented in our columns, while the young ladies are not represented at all. We hope this will not occur again, as there are some able writers in the young ladies department, and they should have sufficient ambition not to be excelled by the young gentlemen.

### Success Attend Her.

Miss Mary M. Adams, former preceptress of Ancient Languages, is now Principal of a Female Seminary in Virginia City, Nevada. While we regret that the University has been deprived of so able an assistant, it is the wish of all her friends that success may attend her in whatever her field of labor may be—literary or otherwise.

### Has Gone.

We regret that our fellow student, Charles Johns, has been called away by the illness of his father, and hope he may soon return. John hurry back and help the Anabasis class out.

A member of the Alka Society is so much opposed to monarchy he has reduced the crown on his hat.

### Our Paper.

We hope students who feel an interest in the COLLEGIAN will use their influence to secure for our paper a large subscription list. Let every one consider he is interested in the prosperity of the paper. The matter it contains will be acceptable to friends at home.

### Literary.

Resolved, "That the tendency of the age is toward Republicanism," was discussed by the Alka Society a few evenings since. R. J. Nichols, A. Peebles, G. Washburne, affirmative. L. H. Wells, X. N. Steeves, M. Starr, negative. Decision in favor of negative.

### To Leave Soon.

We understand that Rev. W. R. Stewart, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in this city, will take his departure in a few days for Mendocino, California. We learn that his place is to be supplied by a minister soon to arrive from the East.

### Elections.

The Hesperian and Concordia Societies elected their officers last Friday. Both societies appear in a flourishing condition, and no doubt will have a prosperous year during this session of the University. Success to them both.

### Advertisers.

We call attention of students to our advertising columns. Persons advertising in the Collegian are friends of the University, and students will do well to consult our columns before doing their business in Salem.

### Circular.

We received a circular from Dr. Carpenter, Dean of Medical Faculty, stating medical lectures will commence with public address December 7th. The Faculty have been fortunate in retaining Dr. Carpenter as Dean.

### Professor Crawford.

Several letters have been received from Prof. Crawford. When last heard from he was well and near Omaha. We wish him a pleasant trip and speedy return to his duties.

### LOCALS IN BRIEF.

E. M. Waite has printed some beautiful posters for the forthcoming State Fair.

We are pleased to notice the return of Mr. C. H. Walker, a former student in the University. Welcome.

Rev. A. J. McNamee was in the city a few weeks since. He was a junior classic last year, and expects to return at the commencement of middle term.

Students express themselves pleased with the new pastor of the M.E. Church—and especially with his telling, crisp, thirty minute sermons.

It has been stated that there is a decline in oratory. That is a mistake, and all will agree with us when they read the inaugural address of the Vice President of the Alka Society.

College prayer-meetings are held every Tuesday evening, with Prof. Powell as leader. These meetings are very useful and interesting, and every student in the University should attend them.

We have received a circular from Mr. M. G. Royal, Principal of the Olympia Academy, Washington Territory, setting forth the advantages of that institution. Mr. Royal is a graduate of Willamette University, and we have no doubt will make the school of which he is Principal, what he is abundantly qualified to do—an honor to the institution which graduated him.

## WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY.

T. M. GATCH, A. B., A. M., PRESIDENT.

## Faculty of the Department of Medicine.

SESSION OF 1875-76.

H. CARPENTER, M. D., Professor of Civil and Military Surgery, with Clinical Surgery.

DANIEL PAYTON, M. D., Professor of Obstetrics and Diseases of Women and Children, with Clinical Midwifery.

C. H. HALL, M. D., Professor of Pathology and Practice of Medicine, with Clinical Medicine.

D. M. JONES, M. D., Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics.

JAS. W. McAFEE, M. D., Professor of Surgery and Descriptive Anatomy, with Clinical Surgery.

L. L. BOWLAND, M. D., Professor of Physiology and Microscopy.

O. D. DONE, Ph. D., Professor of Chemistry and Toxicology.

G. F. S. PLUMMER, M. D., Professor of the Science of Hygiene.

HON. RUFUS MALLORY, U. S. District Attorney, Professor of Medical Jurisprudence.

The Tenth Regular Course of Lectures will commence with the Public Address on the evening of the 7th December, 1875.

For further information see Circular.

H. CARPENTER, M. D., Dean of Faculty. Salem, Oregon, September, 1875.

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## The Willamette Collegian.

### MOMENTUM VS. THE PROFESSOR.

The extent to which theory often fails in practice is furnished by a venerated professor, a most distinguished mathematician, whose works are still used as text books in many of our institutions, and which occurred within the compass of our own experience.

He went to Bethel; on his return he spent the Sabbath in Lewiston. Monday morning he was told the horse was sick. Nevertheless he started. The horse went a few rods, fell down, and broke both thighs. He then sent his wife home, and also sent to Brunswick for another horse and carriage to take him and the broken chase home.

When the driver came they lashed the two vehicles together. All went well till they came to the first long, steep hill between Lewiston and Brunswick; on its summit they held a consultation. The professor had an exaggerated idea of his strength, and said: "Mr. Chandler, it is too much for the horse to hold these two carriages on this steep descent; take the horse out; I will get into the shafts."

"Professor," replied Chandler, "the breeching is strong, and so is the arm-girth."

"But the horse, Mr. Chandler; it is too much for the horse. Besides being stronger, I know how to take advantage of the descent, and can manage it much better than the horse."

"If the horse can't hold it, you can't."

"Do you, sir, intend to place me, in point of intelligence and knowledge of mechanical forces, below a horse? I have made mathematics the study of a lifetime."

"I have no intention to be disrespectful, sir; but I know that a horse understands his own business, which is handling a load on a hill, better than all the professors in the United States. I was sent up here by my employer, who confides in me to take care of his property. If you will take the business out of my hands, and be horse yourself, you must be answerable for the consequences."

The Professor had a habit, when a little excited, of giving a nervous twitch at the lapel of his coat with his right hand.

"I," replied he with a most emphatic twitch, "assume all responsibility."

The driver, in reality nothing loth to witness the operation, took out the horse and held it by the bridle; and the Professor, getting into the shafts, took hold of them at the ends. The forward carriage was just descending the hill, and the hinder one just a little over the summit, when the Professor trod upon a rolling stone, which caused him to plunge forward, and increased the velocity of his load so much that he was forced to walk faster than he desired, and exchange a slanting position—with his shoulders thrown well back, and his feet braced—which he had at first adopted, for a perpendicular one. At length he was pushed into a run; the carriages were going at a fearful rate.

At the bottom of the hill was a brook; on each side, precipitous banks. The Professor was between Seylla and Charybdis, going nine

feet at a leap. In order to cramp the forward wheel he turned suddenly to the right. The shafts of the forward carriage went two feet into the bank, breaking both of them short off; the lashing of the hinder one slipped; it ran into the forward one, breaking the fender, and both vehicles turned over at the bottom of the hill with a tremendous crash, the learned gentleman describing a parabola—one of his favorite figures—and landing some rods away. He rose from the earth a dirtier and a wiser man; knees skinned, pants torn, a piece of skin knocked off his forehead, and his best hat flat as a pancake underneath the hind carriage; and looking about him exclaimed:

"Is it possible that I could have been so much deceived as to the momentum? It was prodigious!"

"I don't know anything about momentum," exclaimed Chandler, "but I know something about horses. I know it makes a mighty difference about holding back a load on a steep hill whether the horse has two legs or four, and whether he weighs one hundred and seventy-five or two thousand two hundred."

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It is but one step from companionship to slavery, when one associates with vice.

Active natures are rarely melancholy. Activity and melancholy are incompatible.

Each particle of matter is an immensity, each leaf a world, each insect an inexorable compendium.

Life is a short day, but it is a working day. Activity may lead to evil, but inactivity cannot be led to good.

A man who loves only himself and his pleasures is vain, presumptuous and wicked, even from principle.

Toil, feel, think, hope. A man is sure to dream enough before he dies, without making arrangements for the purpose.

Most arts require long study and application; but the most useful art of all, that of pleasing, requires only the desire.

Those who place their affections at first on trifles for amusement, will find those trifles become at last the most serious concerns.

Affliction is the wholesome soil of virtue, where patience, honor, sweet humanity and calm fortitude take root and strongly flourish.

Whatever your profession is endeavor to acquire merit in it; for merit is esteemed by everybody, and is so precious a thing that no person can purchase it.

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