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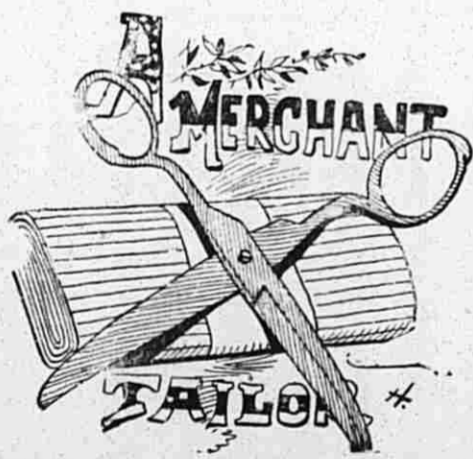
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IS CAST OVER THE STUDENT BODY

By the Sudden Disappearance of One of Their Number.

THE BODY FOUND.

On Tuesday morning last, the students were informed at chapel service of the disappearance of George W. Nichols, a sophomore in the college. The students immediately organized themselves into searching parties and a vigorous search made throughout the surrounding country. In the afternoon of Tuesday, a hat, afterward identified as belonging to Mr. Nichols, was found on the shore of Spectacle lake, a small lake about two and one-half miles west of the city. The hat had been found floating in the water and was carelessly thrown upon the shore. A boat was also found drifting upon the lake. These two facts strongly indicated suicide by drowning. The father of Mr. Nichols had been wired for and was soon here. On Wednesday every effort was made to recover the body, but work was impeded by a thin but firm coating of ice which covered the lake. On Sunday morning, December 5th, the body was found. Mr. Nichols first shot himself through the temple and then falling from the boat into the lake was drowned.

Mr. Nichols' home was in Galesburg, of this state. He frequently had fits of melancholy and had of late acted rather strangely. On the day before Thanksgiving his roommate, Mr. Tullar, went to Jackson. On this same day Nichols accompanied a relative to the train, saying that he was not going home Thanksgiving, but intended to work in the laboratory, as he was behind with his work. His absence was not remarked at his boarding club as it was supposed he had gone home.

The body was taken home yesterday morning. The men of the Sophomore class were at the depot when the train left. Edgar Tullar, the roommate of Mr. Nichols, will assist in the funeral services at Galesburg.

VERY INTERESTING

ROLL CARDS OF THE COLLEGE FACULTY

A Statistical Comparison of the Attendance of the Faculty with the Attendance of the Students Would Bring Out Some Interesting Facts.

The following shows the per cent. of attendance upon chapel of the different members of the faculty during the last month:

Dr. L. R. Fiske	53per cent
Delos Fall	79 "
S. D Barr	89 "
R. S. Avann	95 "
F. Lutz	84 "
C. E. Barr	100
D. B. Waldo	excused
F. S. Goodrich	79 "
Miss H. A. Bancroft	58 "
C. L. McClellan	0 "
Miss E. J. Clark	63 "
Smith Burnham	89 "
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C. E. Rood	95 "
W. H. Simmons	89 "
Mrs. Ford	0 "
Miss Pitts	74 "
B. S. Hopkins	89 "
A. Webb	100 "
C. Adams	100 "
Mr. Noyes	69 "

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THE ANNUAL ATHLETIC ELECTION

Passes Off Quietly—The Outlook for Next Season Encouraging.

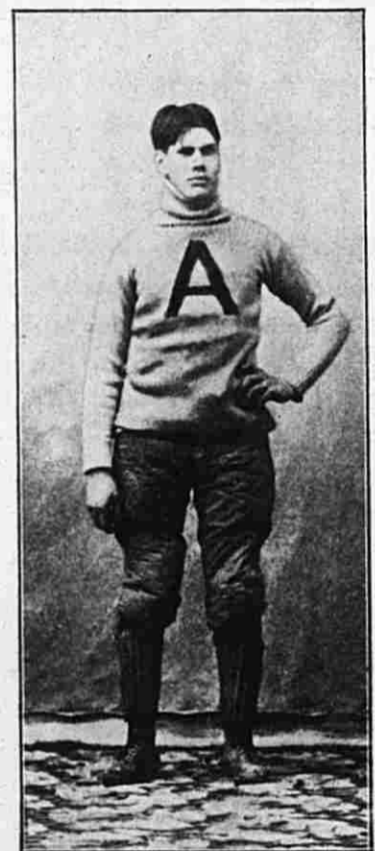
It is past. Immediately below is the result:

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Board of control, Prof. Aquilla Webb, Prof. Smith Burnham, D. A. Seaman, E. A. Steele, E. P. Lyons, Fred Cogshall.

The annual election of officers of the Albion College Athletic Association held last Saturday at 10 a. m. in the college gymnasium was one of the most interesting elections ever held.

For a number of the most important offices there was only one candidate, hence it was one of the most satisfactory elections ever held, genuine worth and ability being largely the determining factor.

The outlook for the next football season is very bright. Captain Hamblin and Manager Niles are men of ability. They have the confidence of the student body and will accomplish as much as could be accomplished. The prospects for baseball in the spring are also encouraging. Captain Howe has all the qualifications for the formation and leadership of a winning team. Manager Janes is the right man in the right place.



CAPTAIN HARROW

At the close of this season's football a word of commendation should be given to Capt. Harrow, who leaves us next term, for his efficient work. All can never be pleased. The student who contributed an article to the PLEIAD several weeks ago under the non de plume, "A. Byestander," evidently is not satisfied with Captain Harrow's work; but there are always some kickers, and generally some sore heads. To the student body the work of Captain Harrow has been acceptable. He has worked hard and faithfully. In his loss Albion College will lose a modest, but hard, close student and a representative athlete.

Mr. Harrow's college life has been a confirmation of the statement which has frequently been made that the best athletes are frequently the best students as well.

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Editorial

WE have received an interesting contribution from Mr. L. Henry Paine, '97, who is now at Boston University, on "An Evening with Ian MacLaren." The article will be published next week.

WE, as students, should do all in our power to make tomorrow's observance of College Day a success. It is our College Day; a day set apart for the furtherance of the interests of our college. Let us be spirited, hearty in our loyalty. Let us give evidence, indisputable evidence of our love for our college. Let us outdo each other, no harm will result.

THE value of systematic gymnasium work cannot be too forcefully emphasized. Regular classes for gymnasium work are now organized. If the student wishes to make the most of himself physically, mentally, morally, regular exercise becomes absolutely necessary, and no pleasanter opportunity is offered in college life for such exercise than that offered by the winter gymnasium classes.

THE present college colors are retained. We will still march to victory under banners of pink and green. Mr. Steele, the city jeweler, has ordered a new die for an Albion College pin. It will be similar to the Princeton pin, in fact, it will be modelled after the Princeton pin. The pin is a small flag, enameled in the two college colors and bearing the work "Albion," across its face. The pins will not be expensive and it is hoped that the wearing of the college pin will become a custom.

IT has long been our wish to encourage and more, to promote literary effort, and contributions of the result of the effort, by offering prizes to the writer of the best short story and the best poem. We understand that the disadvantage of doing this is that there is apt to be so few contributions that there will be practically little competition. However, we hope in the near future to be able to make such an experiment, if only experiment it turns out to be, and even if nothing is accomplished of real benefit.

AND when you finish your exercise do not forget to bathe; the bath will do you as much good probably as the exercise," was the wise advice and sage comment of one of the physical directors. There is a great deal more truth than poetry in this remark, for in truth there is but little of the latter, but that student has learned one of the most valuable lessons to be learned in a college course, who fully realizes how much of his success as a thinker and as a mover of men depends upon his physical condition, and who, therefore, takes the best possible care of himself.

THE Oberlin Glee Club will give an entertainment in this city in the near future. We have often wished there was a glee club organized within our college. Perhaps we have not as much material as could be desired; probably not, as circumstances for any undertaking are scarcely ever as good as they might be; but a good club could be organized, as has been proven by the excellent work of the club organized two years ago, under the direction of Prof. Chas. Goodrich. Such a musical organization is of benefit to the college along many lines.

Literary

TIGE'S LAST FOX.

Not long since I was waiting for an early mixed train at a little station. The platform crowd was as diverse as possible, and on this morning in particular was enlivened by the presence of a middle aged man in worn, grey clothes, who was the Bohemian owner of a pack of hounds and a boxful of small, half starved foxes. He was giving fox-hunting exhibitions at unused fair grounds, as independent ventures or in connection with local races. Of course a small group soon gathered around the man, discussing various phases of fox hunting, but mostly recalling traditional recollections and information, for foxes are getting very scarce here in southern Michigan and fox hunting belongs rather to the sport of a generation ago.

"Say, fellers," said Uncle Leander, the man who carried the mail to and from the trains' "this 'ere town used to hev a houn' thet waz jest pizen fur foxes. Whose dawg waz it? Wa'l, none of yew remember thet dawg; he belonged to Sol Smith, who waz the tarnalest man fur huntin' I ever come across."

"One fall it waz kind of rumored aroun' there waz a fox livin' up by old man Casey's, out south four or five mile, and no sooner'd Sol Smith hear 'o thet'n he begin to make preparations fur circumnavigatin' thet there fox. One mornin' good trackin' snow come, and he'n nuther feller took old Tige—thet waz the houn' name—and set out fur Casey's naburhood. They didn't beat aroun' long before old Tige struck the track and way he went a bellerin' so yew c'd hear him a mile. Smith 'n' the other feller follered just as fast as they c'd go.

"We'll have thet fox shure's shootin', Smith kep' tellin' the other teller, fur Tige waz jest pizen on foxes, and c'd foller a scent worse'n a blood houn'.

"Now it happened that Dr. Bates waz visitin' a patient over east in Mosherville thet mornin' and 'bout 'leven o'clock as he waz comin' back he heerd a most orful bellerin' a mile or two over beyond the big ridge, this side o' town. Doche recognized Sol Smith's houn' 'n' knew suthin' waz a comin'. Thet ridge waz a nateral *divide* and Doc waz hunter enuf hisself to know a fox—if it waz a fox—would be makin' along the ridge fur the big swamp. So Doc he hitched his horse to the fence and got his rifle outen the buggy—he most allers carried a gun with him on long trips, fur there waz lots o' rabbits and sich in those days—wa'l, as soon as he heerd old Tige a bellerin' he got his rifle 'n' legged it to the top of the hill. He crawled up kind o' careful like—Doc waz a hunter I tell yew—and bless his stars, there waz the fox a comin' up acrost the bottom lands 'n' makin' fur the ridge an' the swamp. Doc waited 'n' when that fox come nigh enuf he jest let him have it and put a bullet clean thro' 'im.

"Doc waz tickled; he run down 'n' grabbed the fox an' humped fur his buggy. Course Smith 'n' th' other feller waz two 'r three miles back, mebbe more.

"Wa'l, sir, thet night when all the fellers waz gethered in old man Baker's store, an' Doc along with the rest, in come Smith 'n' th' other feller lookin' jest beat out.

"'What luck a huntin?' everybody asked. Then Smith he sot down and fairly groared. 'I don't know what's the matter of Tige, but when we got most to Mosherville, over by Willmaus's hill, old Tige come back with his head down an' tail a draggin'. It jest seemed as if some feller had licked him with a club, so meachin' was he. We circled and tramped and sicked and called, but couldn't get thet dawg to show the least bit of interest. Ain't that queer, though? Fur by the way that houn' let out in the mornin' I knew the track wasn't an hour cold. Foxes is mighty cur'us critters. Thet fox must 'a' vanished in thin air like a speerit.

"Of course the fellers waz onmerciful hard on Sol and bantered him an' Tige fit

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to kill. An' Doc waz worse 'n all of 'em. But finally he got up and called a boy and said: 'Yew go'n dig down in the straw in my horse barn an' bring me what yew find.' The boy come back in a little while luggin' the tarnalest, biggest fox yew ever did see. 'There, Sol, 's yer fox,' sez he, 'an' old Tige waz doin' pritty well when I heard him.' Everybody luffed an' Doc luffed worse'n the rest.

"That waz the last ginooine fox huntin' in these parts," said Uncle Leander, as the train came in.

The annual Junior banquet was held last evening at the home of one of the members, Miss Alta Allen, on Erie street. "A very pleasant evening was spent by all," would be the usual, commonplace way of expressing the fact that all spent an enjoyable evening, but stronger words are needed to truthfully express the degree of enjoyment experienced by those in attendance at this Junior spread. After a short period of enjoyable pleasure came a period of pleasurable enjoyment. Refreshments were served. Then toastmaster Howe rose and called for a number of responses to interesting and thought-provoking subjects. These were given with the skill and ability inherent in the members of this talented class. Walter E. Burnett, '97, was present as an honored guest.

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College Jottings.

Murat Halstead Friday evening, December 11.

The football team had their pictures taken last Monday.

The Faculty German Club met at Rev. A. E. Craig's last Saturday evening.

Sigma Nu will entertain their lady friends this evening at their chapter house.

Dr. Fiske speaks for the Students' Christian Association next Sunday at 9:30 o'clock.

Each of the college classes had meetings last week to make arrangements for College Day.

Forty of Detroit's churches will be open next Sunday to Anti Saloon League meetings.

Edgar C. Tuller lectured at the Cooper Street Methodist church in Jackson, last Thursday evening.

The Albion Symphony played at the reception given by Mrs. Martha Armstrong last Friday evening.

The Albion district Epworth League will hold their annual convention at Homer December 11th and 12th.

Miss Ford has been elected secretary of the freshman class in place of Miss Robinson, who has gone home.

Geo. L. Lusk, formerly a student here, was elected this fall representative for the second district, Bay county.

The students should embrace the opportunity offered next week of seeing the art exhibition in the Art Studio rooms.

Prof. Fall took the college collection at Eaton Rapids last Sunday morning, and spoke on "That Boy," in the evening.

The Oberlin Glee Club December 21. Come.

Prof. Webb spoke in Ann Arbor last Sunday.

Prof. Goodrich talked to the Y. M. C. A. at Alma last Friday afternoon.

Will Niles entertains a few of his friends this evening at tea in honor of his friend, F. R. Williams.

The Board of Trustees of Albion College meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock, in the President's room.

Mr. Handshy's parents have moved their household goods to Albion and will come here to live.

E. C. Tuller gave his lecture, "Ireland and the Irish People," at Napoleon, on the young people's lecture course last Friday evening.

Profs. Adams and Webb presented a fine Thanksgiving turkey to Mr. S. M. Barry, the college janitor, for which Mr. Barry expresses thanks.

We are authorized to state that the sorosis of the college is still in existence and flourishing, and that will be heard from some day.

The annual meeting of the Albion College Co-operative Association will be held in the college chapel next Saturday at 10 a. m. Election of officers.

The classes in the gymnasium for the gentlemen have been arranged as follows: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 3:30 and 4:30 p. m. Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 p. m.

Last Friday evening witnessed a very pleasant social gathering at the home of Mrs. Martha Armstrong on Erie street. The reception was tendered in honor of visiting guests.

The Political and Social Science Section will meet Thursday at 6 p. m. Harry Howe will give a paper on the "Underground Railway," and R. C. P. Smith one on "Internal Improvements."

The E. and A. program next Friday evening is as follows: Quotations from Shakespeare; oration, Miss H. F. Jacobs; essay, Miss Mamie Rowley; paper, Miss Lois Saxton; oration, Mr. T. Temple.

The band gave a short, too short, open air concert last evening in front of the chapel building. The membership of the band is large and good work is being done under the leadership of Mr. Chas. Boys.

Rev. Dr. B. S. Taylor will address the meeting at the W. C. T. U. hall next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. An interesting and forceful address may be expected on the subject, "Progress, Obstacles and Duty."

This evening an informal social entertainment is given by Beta Omicron of Alpha Tau Omega to a few of their friends. The event will occur at their chapter house on Erie street. A very pleasant time is anticipated.

On last Monday evening the football team met at the Sigma Chi lodge and ate oysters and other good things at the expense of Prof. Smith Burnham. The supper was a reward for the good work of our boys at Detroit on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. Nichols wishes to express through the columns of the PLEIAD his thanks to the president, faculty and students of Albion College for the many kindnesses shown him during the past week. The funeral of his son will be held at Galesburg tomorrow afternoon.

Thomas I. Tamama delivered an instructive address at Campbell Avenue church, Detroit, last Sunday upon "What the Lord Has Done for Japan and Me." This was his farewell address in this country before leaving for Japan. He has been in America five years, four of which have been spent at Albion College. He was graduated last June, and soon after appointed by Bishop Joyce to an important charge in Nagasaki. He will also lecture two hours each week in the college at Nagasaki on "Political Economy."—Michigan Christian Advocate.

ORATORS.

WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS.

Prof. Trueblood's Lecture and Recital Last Wednesday Evening.

Prof. T. C. Trueblood, A. M., of the University of Michigan, gave the second lecture and recital on the course of the department of elocution and oratory on December 2. His lecture was on the "Qualifications of an Orator." "Every part of man contributes to the success of the orator, the vital, the mental and the emotive. All are necessary to each, and every part to the whole. The entire instrument must be disciplined to serve men fully and freely, and attuned to obey his slightest touch." In the physical qualifications he spoke of the voice, commanding presence, stature, magnetic eye, good health, nerve power and rest. He then spoke of the mental qualifications. "Men owe it to themselves, at this stage in human progress, to make all possible intellectual preparation." Common sense, logical skill and knowledge of men were well presented. "Most important of all qualifications is excellence of character and reputation. Oratory is a moral force. There is no limit to the influence of a great and good man who is gifted with a high order of eloquence. The possession of the physical, intellectual and moral constituents of the orator distinguishes man above his fellow man. It makes him sought in public assemblies, opens avenues to preferment; property interests seek him as their advocate, legislature assemblies call for his wisdom. He becomes at once a leader, a ruler of men." This scholarly lecture was an inspiration to every one present. The recital in the evening of "Julius Caesar" showed the working of a master genius. Prof. Trueblood has a fine, commanding presence a rich and charming voice, splendid articulation, a good conception, great descriptive ability and wonderful dramatic power. With such ability and a thorough understanding of the play he entertained and instructed his audience for an hour and a half. Such work as Prof. Trueblood gave here stamps him at once as one of the best rounded men in the elocutionary world today.

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Personal Mention.

Prof. Goodrich was in Marshall Wednesday.

Prof. Waldo was in Grand Rapids last week.

Miss Morgan returned to college last week.

Mr. Fitch Roberts Williams spent Sunday in Lansing.

Mr. Seely is receiving a visit from his parents this week.

Miss Joe Clark and Miss Pitts went to Lansing last Friday.

J. D. McDonald, '96, and wife called on Albion friends last week.

Prof. Waldo has returned to Albion for the College Day exercises.

Geo. P. McCallom has entered the law department at Ann Arbor.

A. E. Hagle spent last week in Detroit, Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti.

Prof. Fall attended a meeting of the state board of health at Lansing last Thursday.

Sam Shipp and Fannie Disette spent Sunday in Jackson with Mr. and Mrs. John Welch.

Mrs. Lou Hopkins, of the auditor general's office, Lansing, visited Miss E. Joe Clark week before last.

F. J. Shipp, having finished his work as coach of our football team, went to his home in Marshall Saturday.

Mrs. M. R. Severance went this week to Fenton and Gains for a four or five weeks' visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Newberry, of Jackson, Mr. Lucas, of the Northwestern, and Mr. Baird, of Port Huron, visited Mrs. Martha Armstrong last week.

Miss Dora Robinson returned to her home in Benton Harbor last week. She was compelled to leave school on account of sickness.

Chas. Jacobs, formerly an instructor of Greek in the college, and his father started yesterday noon for Florida, where they expect to remain about six months.

TO-MORROW.

COLLEGE DAY FITTINGLY OBSERVED.

An Interesting Time Expected.—Many Distinguished Guests to be Present.

One of the several days of the whole college year when the student body feel at perfect liberty, and that, too, in the presence of the faculty, to shout, sing and make all the joyful noise they wish occurs tomorrow. College Day has been observed for several years. Last year the custom was first inaugurated of having, besides the customary College Day addresses in the chapel, a banquet at which the faculty and students met together for a rousing, good time. And at this first banquet all had the best of times. All shouted and sang; all ate bountifully; all laughed heartily; all pronounced the occasion one of intense enjoyment. This year's banquet will be as pronounced a success as the last. The classes will vie with each other in the decorations of the gymnasium, in which the banquet will be held, with class colors; they will vie with each other in the production of ingenious and elaborate class cheers and yells; they will vie with each other in the force and vim with which these rhythmic jargons are rendered. Healthful, laudable class spirit and college spirit will be generated in large amounts, and of genuine, though vociferous college spirit, there cannot be too much. In the morning Rev. Mr. Sheridan, of Pontiac, will deliver an address in the chapel. In the evening Hon. John Patton, of Grand Rapids, will address us.

On the afternoons of next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday a reception will be given to all visitors in the Art Studio rooms, second floor of the north building. This reception is primarily for the purpose of exhibiting work done this term by the art students. Some of Miss Leonard's work will also be on exhibition. Remember the days, December 14, 15 and 16.

Contributors' Club

EGYPT, Sat. a. m., 10:05, Oct. 31.
On top the Great Pyramid. Oh, my beloved ones at home! I am actually on top the Great Pyramid. We drove out nine miles from Cairo this morning. Two Arabs are necessary to assist every one who wishes to reach the summit. We hired our men and have made the ascent. Now we are resting. I am not very tired, and am enjoying such a glorious view as I never expected to see. The Great Pyramid did not seem so large when at its base, but after climbing up half way my respect for the Great Pyramid increased every moment. We are between four and five hundred feet up in the air. At our left we can look away out over the burning sand of the Sahara desert, and at our right down upon the river Nile. Behind us are the tombs and ruins and the Sphinx. Before us are districts covered by the overflow of the Nile. While away off in the distance we can see other pyramids. Oh, wonderful! wonderful!! This is a supreme moment. My Arabs sit close by, admiring my cleverness, as they call it, in writing. And *this* is the Land of the Pharaohs! We cannot stay up here long, the sun is too hot, and I must get all I can of this view.
God bless you all.

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MR. EDITOR:

Perhaps an alumnus may be allowed a word in your lively and wholesome discussions, since interest in a college home is no less real after graduation than on the day of entering, although perhaps not manifested in quite the same way.

The intention is not to present new facts, but to emphasize what has already been stated. Reference is had to the conservative view of the question of college colors, as taken in the issue of November 24.

It is possible there may be sufficient reason for making a change, but it seems no less probable that if a change is made, there will be a large number who, on visiting their Albion home once more, will feel less of that home-returning complacency than as though greeted by the pink and green.

Michigan colleges and eastern institutions may have a single color, but a double color standard is evidently not without precedent even among great institutions.

Furthermore, it seems safe to venture the statement that there is scarcely a combination more frequently met with in artistic decoration than pink and green; and it is scarcely an exaggeration to say the colors, when properly selected, are thoroughly artistic, modest and yet strong.

The spirit which questions the right-to-be of even a well established custom and even in the midst of conservatism is certainly commendable, but between the colors and yell, a little careful investigation will reveal the fact, as many have doubtless observed, that the cheer which we now have lacks some of the qualities essential to that which is both to generate and to transmit so much of the magnetic enthusiasm of gathered college life. Let this be changed if either.

AN ALUMNUS.

STILL PINK AND GREEN.

The College Colors Not Changed.
At a meeting last Thursday noon of committees appointed by the different college classes to consider the question of the change of our college colors, it was decided to retain our present colors. The shade of pink and green were selected and bolts of ribbon of the proper shade will be deposited with one of the dry goods merchants of the city.

The regular monthly meeting of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. will be held in the college chapel next Sunday at 4:15 p. m. Miss Louise Reeder will present the "Zanana Work." Special music will be rendered by the Y. M. C. A. quartet and a duet from the Y. W. C. A. Everybody welcome.

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Miss Amy Shafer, a former student in the Conservatory, has returned to her home in California.

Miss Orpha Willis, of Onondaga, was the guest of Miss Lina Baum last week.

Albion College Conservatory of Music, weekly rehearsal, December 3, '96:

- { Serenata Moszkowski
- { Etude in A flat Wollenhaupt
- Grace Plowman.
- 2nd Mazourke Durand
- Eva Pratt.
- Barcarolle in G minor Tschaikowsky
- Maude Hallenbeck.
- Andante and Variations in B major. Schubert
- Ora Woodworth.
- { Flower Polka Zichre
- { Love Token Thome
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