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ies and questions arise in it concerning someone or something, and, it is unconsciously waiting for the great future to bring composure.

"Certainly if the mind does not look forward to the future, and if all the desires of life are limited to the sunset of each day, if it terminates all anticipation by the same boundaries, if neither tires itself by so great labors, nor is it distressed by so much anxiety and wakefulness, nor does it strive so often concerning life itself. Consequently, then a prophet or prophecy would be unknown.

"I hold no claim on super nature, I grasp no unimpeachable on human nature, but standing here as a foreteller, I beg leave to push aside the curtain veiling the future, and disclose these my classmates twenty years hence."

"Frederick Maurer stands at the bar dealing out fact and fiction to judge and jury. He has applied himself faithfully and diligently. His ability is good, his reputation is one most enviable, his character and his integrity are without a stain. The son, little Fred, a bright lad crowned with silvery locks, does in childish language often speak of papa's court."

The time has not yet expired for the fulfillment of this prophecy. Four years of that twenty mentioned in the beginning yet remain to fulfill this last clause only.

"Nellie Kaley after drifting into public life, stirs up anew the questions of woman's rights and prohibition. She tirelessly pushed these subjects before the people, declaring woman's level with man and preaching crusade after crusade against the liquor traffic. As a result of her efforts women are privileged to vote on school officers in Nebraska, and, no more liquor can be found in this state than in her neighbor states, Colorado or Wyoming. Nellie laments the fact that she lacked but few votes of representing a revised independent party in Congress.

The truth of this prophecy needs no comment whatever. As you well remember women have been franchised to vote ever since Colonel Besse was elected to the legislature.

"Bruce Payne dwells in an out of town cottage, surrounded by nature's art in its supreme beauty. He devotes himself to intellectual pursuit and has written a book on natural history which gives many new and interesting facts concerning plants, insects and animals. He has actually ascertained that watermelons are edible and that the mosquito can feed upon human blood. He has accomplished that longed for reformation in spelling and also has revised Webster's Dictionary.

Now Bruce lives out of town and was the real fellow and not President Roosevelt that originated that simplified spelling deal, and sometime he will be properly rewarded in history.

"Rachael Letson can be seen in her home with the whiteness of age tinting her hair and unsmoothness creeping upon her face. Her hand was earnestly sought by two young men, and twice was she asked the critical question. Their star of hope at last directed them elsewhere and now Rachael that once beautiful girl of fewer years sits in the lap of time, an old maid."

There still remains four years yet of that twenty—but maybe time will not help this prophecy. This must be some kind of a blunder. I remember now that I overheard a little conversation a few moments ago between Vernon Storey and Roy Teel. Vernon

said that 'this old ancient class of '03, were pretty blooming numerous and smart around here this evening. Roy said 'that it looked to him as they were trying to steal our thunder, and something ought to be done about it.' Now then Miss Vernon said that "Mr. Garber had his speech in his pocket."

These were all the words, mark you, words, that she said. I am not going to make any accusations whatever.

But it would be impossible for a prophecy to contain just one such a blunder and be otherwise so truthful. I feel very much like an old Christian woman who said that "she never gossiped and did not believe in gossiping but that the finger of suspicion pointed mighty straight sometimes."

I have no recollection of ever writing such a prophecy about any one. The exact words of the original prophecy were, as I now remember them, substantially these "Rachael Letson was soon married to a very handsome, enterprising and popular young merchant and lived happily ever afterward."

"Mabel Day is Preceptress of a large Deaf and Dumb Institute. Her zeal and patience have been without parallel. She has aided most wonderfully in the progress and comforts of these most lamentable unfortunates."

The evidence is here before you. This prophecy is too true to be good.

"Maud Greenlee after long continued study, always doing her best, finally arrives at the top. She is versed in many branches, and with her mastery of languages she occupies a professorship in a university."

At last reports Maud was professor of theology in the government naval academy at Annapolis, Md.

"Trix Mizer supervises a happy household. Accomplished in music she salutes early morn with her well tuned song, and still makes melody when the evening shadows usher in the nightfall." There is a young banker around here somewhere, who will, if too bashful to speak out, hold up both hands in testimony to the truth of this prophecy.

"Lulu Potter after many meditations betook it upon herself to go to the land of the heathen and teach the word of God and the manners and customs of Christianity to remote humanity. Her life has that enjoyment which is known by few." Lulu is not here at present, she is in China I think. All of us who are acquainted with Lulu can very vividly imagine her reading her bible to a Chinaman. However I am not so sure whether she is in China or India. I will ask her mother and tell you tomorrow.

"Dora Henderson is the principal of a high school, starting many promising lads to honor and fame. Her old time school girl determination has always asserted itself and she has gained a proud rank among the workers in that great cause."

In this case it is only a typographical error. The printer has inserted too many lads in manuscript. It should read lad. Everybody who sees Dave's sunny face day after day, knows that she is a complete success as a teacher in high school.

"I perchance am drifting over life's unsettled sea, with neither sign nor omen to foretell my fate. But as I scan the broad expanse, Sometimes the scenes of other days Return again to me. The old familiar places all, Again I seem to see. I fancy 'mong the woodland trees I hear the song of bird. And from the olden hilltops come The echoes once I heard."

Now, this old time prophecy is materialized—transformed into marvelous revelation. Me thinks I hear this most indulgent audience saying in one accord, as the people said unto the Wisemen, "wonderful, most wonderful!"

By no means was the piano solo by Miss Mary Damrell the least interesting part of the program. Miss Mary has exceptional musical talent and her playing was much appreciated. The Chief is pleased to know that the graduates of our school are progressive and desire to win new laurels with each succeeding year.

Omer Butler took the house down with his Chalk Talk which has become "the talk of the town." Mr. Butler pictured school days as he saw them while a boy. He certainly has a vivid recollection and possesses the ability to make his scenes realistic to the great delight of an audience. We regret our inability to reproduce for our readers his drawings and address.

Mrs. Dora Kaley read the following letter from Miss Willa Cather which explains the reason for her inability to be in attendance here. Mrs. Kaley has a very pleasing manner of reading and owing to her perfect articulation she could be easily heard in every part of the house.

It was a source of considerable regret that Ralph and Donald Pope were unable to be here in person the we were assured that they were with us in spirit.

Alex Bentley gave a graphic review of the early days in his address on "Looking Backward." His advice and words of warning to the class were especially timely and they no doubt will profit by Mr. Bentley's suggestions.

Supt. Moritz then briefly introduced the class to E. J. Overing Jr. president of the board who conferred upon them the diplomas in the following language:

Class of 1909 I congratulate you on the progress you have therefor made. I am indeed pleased to learn from Prof. Moritz that you have satisfactorily completed the course of study as prescribed in our High School and that you have faithfully performed all tasks set before you. With the passing of this night your relations with the world will be considerably changed. From now on you will be compelled to rely upon your own selves more and more. You will no longer receive the daily assistance and suggestion from your teachers and you must learn to do your own thinking.

In after years you may forget the conjugation of some Latin verb or the formula for solving a proposition in geometry. Many of the important events and dates of history may elude your memory but should all else escape you I pray that you will ever retain the lessons which you have learned in discipline. A thorough training in discipline, the knowing of how to run ones self is after all the true test of education. In this connection permit me to cite you an example worthy of your thoughtful consideration and contemplation.

Two years ago a tornado struck the barracks at Fort Crook, Nebraska. When the officers saw the storm approaching and almost at hand they ordered the 6th. regiment into battalion formation and in the midst of flying slate roofs and other debris they marched across that campus in perfect order to substantial buildings where they were put "at rest" and found places of refuge.

History affords no greater example of discipline in all its annals. The charge of the light brigade was a trivial event as compared with those 600 Americans as they marched into the very teeth of that appalling storm and the wind roared and the fearful black cloud struck error their hearts yet they obeyed the orders of their superiors and displayed their unexcelled heroism and discipline.

No glory of conquest spurred them on. No martial band stirred their blood. Yet they remained true to their training and did their duty.

And now in the name of the school district of Red Cloud city I present to you these diplomas the evidence of your work successfully performed in her schools.

Miss Carrie Shute has been awarded the scholarship by the committee and I congratulate you on receiving this honor not so much for the scholarship alone as for your diligence and application to your studies. Claude Pierce is a close second and receives honorable mention.

A pleasing addition to the program helped enliven the entertainment. After the addresses of the former graduates were completed Mr. Overing believed that it would not be out of place to hear from the new class and called upon Claude Pierce to deliver an address. The audience were on a quiver of excitement and all their sympathies were aroused in Claude's behalf but to the astonishment of every body he came forward and delivered one of the neatest speeches of the evening and turned the tables. This was hugely enjoyed by the audience and shows to this editor that the present product of our schools is not inferior to those turned out in the earlier days.

(Continued next week.)

LOCALETTES

Hammocks at Cotting's.

Ray Gard was down from Lincoln this week.

Blue grass and white clover seed at Cotting's.

Mrs. Dr. Jones is visiting in Alma this week.

Mrs. Silas Garber is visiting in Alma this week.

Lloyd Bradbrook spent Sunday in Red Cloud.

Ed McAllister was in Phillipsburg, Kan. Monday.

Mrs. Henry McCune spent Tuesday in Guide Rock.

Roy Hutchison was up from Norton, Kas. this week.

Dick Gray of Norton, Kan. is in town this week.

Fred Temple of Kansas City is in town this week.

Miss Mary Ford of McCook is here visiting relatives.

Miss Grace Hale leaves Saturday for her home in Aurora.

Miss Lillian Portner of Guide Rock was in town Wednesday.

See Dr. Stockman for eye glasses. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Miss Clara Abel went to McCook Sunday to visit her sister.

Charley Fort has been visiting his parents here the past week.

Homer Sherwood returned to Salt Lake City Monday evening.

Attorney A. H. Keeney of Denver Colo. is in town this week.

Clyde Whitaker and Henry Phares were in Franklin Wednesday.

Mrs. Emanuel Fitz arrived home Monday from an eastern trip.

Miss Margeret McCutcheon returns Saturday to her home at Archer.

Mrs. Earl Danker of Riverton was visiting relatives here this week.

Glenn Ralph has accepted a position as "devil" in the Com. Ad. office.

Geo. Morhart and family spent Sunday visiting relatives in Guide Rock.

Ben McFarland, Billy Upwright and Geo. Bushee were in McCook Sunday.

Chas. Harpham of Norton, Kan. is visiting his sister Mrs. R. G. Runchey.

Bruce Robinson has accepted a position as bookkeeper at the State Bank.

Miss Grace James of Fairmont is visiting her cousin, Miss Clara Burgess.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pope are moving into their new home in the Platt addition.

Dean Smith was called here by the death of his mother, Mrs. N. L. D. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Beidler of Cowles were visiting her sister Mrs. R. G. Runchey, Tuesday.

Prof. G. W. Caster, former Supt. of our city schools, was in the city this week.

Miss Letha Desvitt and brother Gustie were visiting relatives in Guide Rock last week.

Roy Jones of Clay Center was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Myers the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crabbill of Denver are here visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Crabbill.

Several of our town boys spend every Sunday in Guide Rock. What's the attraction boys?

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Burgess were down from Inavale Wednesday to attend Commencement.

Wednesday, S. E. Worden had the misfortune to break his arm while cranking his automobile.

There will be no trespassing or tree cutting allowed on section 35, Garfield township—B. D. Sunken.

D. B. Spanogle and daughter Miss Bell left Thursday morning for an extended visit in Pennsylvania.

The Chicago specialist will be at the Royal hotel in Red Cloud, Thursday, June 10th. Consultation free.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little liver pills, small, gentle and sure. Sold by all druggists.

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Ice days for Red Cloud. Watch for the Lindsey Ice Wagon.

Mrs. Kenady living just north and west of this city is quite ill. She has been afflicted with a stroke of paralysis.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold their monthly market at the Home Grocery store next Saturday.

Roy Robinson and Howard Fox departed for Caldwell, Idaho, the first of the week where they will play in Snapp's band.

G. W. Burgess and wife came down from Alma Monday. Mr. Burgess has assumed his duties here as water and light commissioner.

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Mother's Day was observed by Rev. Crossman at the Congregational church Sunday morning. Flowers were plentiful and the sermon unusually good.

J. L. Crane of Kansas City was in the city Tuesday looking this location over with the intention of locating a sorghum mill here if everything is favorable.

Have you seen those Merchandise Certificate at Johnson & Grout's? If you haven't ask them about it and see the valuable premiums that they give you absolutely free.

Dr. Winterson physician and surgeon. Office in front rooms over Dr. Cook's drug store. Removed from Dr. Raine's office, Potter Block. Both phones Bell Red 18. Independ. 151.

In order to accommodate those who were unable to obtain seats for the High School play, "Under Two Flags" it will be presented in the Opera House Saturday, May 22. Reserved seats 25, children 15. Seats on sale at the usual place.

The Christian church has made arrangements with Judge Edson whereby he will preach for them every Sunday morning. The Judge is an able and interesting speaker and will no doubt draw many to the morning services.

The P. E. O.'s tendered a reception to Miss Jessie Kellogg at the home of Mrs. Ned Grimes. Miss Jessie was a charter member of the organization here and was an enthusiastic worker. The reception was a success in every particular.

The body of Miss Minnie Smith aged 38 years, well known in this city where she had resided for many years but later a resident of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived in this city Wednesday morning accompanied by her sister Laura and husband. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Thursday afternoon conducted by Rev. Stiffler. Internment was made in the Red Cloud cemetery.

The State Bank is making arrangements to increase its capital stock to \$50,000. This will make this bank one of the strongest financial institutions in the State. This bank has always received the confidence of its patrons but with the added capital its soundness will be beyond question.

Mrs. N. L. D. Smith who has been sick for several years with cancer of the stomach passed away Tuesday at her home in the south ward. She was an old settler of this county. She leaves a husband, and several children to mourn her loss among whom are Mrs. Clarence Reed of this city, John Smith of this city and Dean Smith of Topeka, Kas. The funeral took place Wednesday afternoon from the Methodist church in charge of the W. R. C.

"Hank" Maurer and Oliver Hedge of Red Cloud are two of the most enthusiastic delegates to the grand lodge convention. Maurer was a charter member of the Red Cloud lodge when the coyotes had the town and Hedge is the sheriff of Webster county and one of its most enterprising men. Both are interested in fraternalism and both are prohibitionists, and therefore took pains to see that Lincoln got the next grand lodge meeting.—World Herald.

With such forces as these unexpectedly enlisted in their behalf the prohibitionists of this city can now take it easy.

Opened up Again.

The Bon Ton restaurant has under its new management again opened up for meals. Commencing Saturday, May 22nd, I will serve first class meals at 20 cents.—Hubert Neuerburg, Prop.

Card of Thanks.

Laura Slavenger and husband take this method of thanking their friends and the public who so kindly assisted them during the death and burial of her sister and also for the beautiful flowers.

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