

old way of extending perfunctory charity. The givers are now expected to give of themselves as well as of their money, and the beneficiaries are expected to give of themselves also.

About seventy-five older girls of the commons have rented a cottage at Glencoe, Ill., where they will spend their vacation. The expenses of the cottage will be partly defrayed by the commons, but the girls hope to require but little of this assistance, and they will decorate the cottage in as "jolly" a fashion as they can, and, of course, do co-operative housekeeping.

Miss McDowell of the University of Chicago settlement has gone abroad and will visit England and Scotland, France and Switzerland. In her absence Misses Bass, Jones, Hoblitt and Blumm will conduct the work. The playground will be one of the factors at this settlement. It will be open continually to the children, and one evening each week it is expected music will be furnished by the University of Chicago band and members of the Stock Yards band. The summer home at Lake Geneva is already open and four of the neighbors—all women—leave today for the freedom and frolic of that beautiful place.

There will also be a series of picnics to near-by points from the University of Chicago settlement.

The Northwestern University Settlement will have more outings this summer than ever before in its history. There are to be separate vacations for children, for women and for men. The young women have been planning for a cottage at St. Joseph, Mich., where they will go in relays. The arrangements for the men have not been completed, but Mrs. Henry Ward Rogers, the president of the council of administration of the Settlement association, is most anxious that this feature shall not be neglected. The settlement is to give weekly outings to the kindergarten classes, and the place of outing is to change every week.

It was feared when Mrs. Henry Ward Rogers, the most ardent friend of the Northwestern University settlement, went east that the settlement would suffer in consequence, but in spite of the great distance between New Haven and Chicago, Mrs. Rogers is frequently here, and the subscriptions she has obtained for the building fund have been very gratifying indeed.

The tenth year of the summer school superintended by Hull House will be held as usual at Rockford college, Ill., this summer. The residents of Hull House will continue their instruction there along the same lines on which they are conducted at Hull House during the winter. Rockford college gives the use of its buildings, dormitories, refectory and scientific equipment included; but otherwise the school is entirely self-supporting, \$3 per week being charged each student. There are usually a hundred in attendance.

The girls of the settlement are to have a delightful outing at Oregon, Ill., that idyllic village made famous by the colony of artists which has gathered there. A large old stone house on the river bank has been contributed for this use by a gentleman interested not only in Hull House, but also in making Oregon a place of many fine and humane interests. The children of Hull House will have many excursions and short vacations, the settlement co-operating with other organizations for this purpose.

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Washington Park. This is to be given under the auspices of the Volunteers of America, with Brigadier General Fielding in charge. Colonel Moriarity has placed the Seventh regiment armory at the disposal of the Volunteers as a place of meeting. The hour of meeting will be 8 o'clock, and by proclamation of the mayor Brigadier General Fielding will be director general of the day.

Think of going to a picnic that has been distinguished by a proclamation! —Ella W. Peattie, in Chicago American.

**Senator Hoar on McKinley's Brows.**

Senator George F. Hoar, of Massachusetts, speaking at Harvard's commencement, said:

"Harvard has placed her laurel on many illustrious brows since the day she welcomed George Washington, but none upon brows more worthy than those of William McKinley."

Speaking of the Philippine policy of the same William McKinley, the same Senator Hoar said in the senate on April 17, 1900:

"The statesman or the party who will not stand by the Declaration and obey it is never to be trusted anywhere to keep an oath to support the constitution."

And again the Bay State's senior senator said of the Philippine republic; since completely wiped out by Mr. McKinley, whose brows he now finds as worthy as any since Washington's:

"If we crush that republic, despoil that people of their freedom and independence, and subject them to our rule, it will be a story of shame and dishonor."

As a climax to Mr. Hoar's fine flow of declamation against all the men who went back on the great Declaration, he predicted their final doom as follows:

"The men who stand by it shall live in the eternal memory of mankind, and the men who depart from it—(which must have meant Mr. McKinley, because no exceptions were made) and the men who depart from it, however triumphant and successful in their little policies, shall perish and be forgotten, or shall be remembered only to be despised."

Such was the view of Mr. McKinley and his "little policies" held by the successor of Charles Sumner in the national senate less than fifteen months ago. And today the same severely virtuous statesman describes him with "illustrious brows" occupying a place in the national temple of fame not far from Washington, and is quite sure that Harvard has bestowed her laurel upon no "brows more worthy" since the Father of His Country was thus honored.

Senator Hoar may have been right in April, 1900. He may have been right at Harvard last Wednesday. He could not have been right both times. The supreme court of the United States alone has the high privilege of

saying "Yea, yea" today and "Nay, nay" tomorrow, and being right both times.—New York World.

**Platform of Progressive Democracy.**

On the 31st of July, a number of Ohio democrats who resented the failure of the regular convention to reaffirm the Kansas City platform met at Columbus, Hon. George A. Groot presiding, adopted a platform and placed a state ticket in the field.

Besides reaffirming the Kansas City platform and making complimentary reference to Mr. Bryan, the platform contained the following planks:

"We demand that all public utilities be owned and operated by the public.

"We demand that all money that is manufactured to be used in this country as a medium of exchange, whether it be gold, silver or paper, shall be coined by the government and distributed among the people without the intervention of banks, and that every dollar of it shall be a legal tender for all debts, public and private.

"As long as the money volume is controlled by the money trust, which is the parent of all trusts, just so long will other trusts flourish, and, therefore, we are in favor of the destruction of the money trust, which can only be done by the proper increase of the volume of money. We do not lose sight of the importance of the question of imperialism, as we regard that as being involved in the money question, for without a money aristocracy to support it there can be no imperialism.

"We demand that laws be passed by the state and nation for the purpose of destroying commercial trusts and combinations of capital organized for the purpose of controlling prices, and, if necessary to accomplish this end, that the government take charge of their franchises for the benefit of the people.

"We recognize that there is a movement on foot in this country among men who claim to be democrats, but who supported McKinley for president and approve of the policy of the republican party upon the money question, to get control of the democratic party, in order that they may control the organization and secure at the next democratic national convention the adoption of a platform which shall be in favor of the gold standard, and thereby attempt to eliminate the discussion of the money question as a political issue, and we denounce all such persons as traitors to the best interests of the people, and declare them to be republicans, and advise that they stay with the republican party, with which they have affiliated during the past five years."

**Threatened Curate Famine.**

The future of the Church of England does not look very rosy, threatened as it is with something like a curate famine. According to what the Reverend Paul Petit, secretary of the ordination and candidates fund, says, there has been a very serious diminution in the number admitted to holy orders, this in face of the rapid growth of population.

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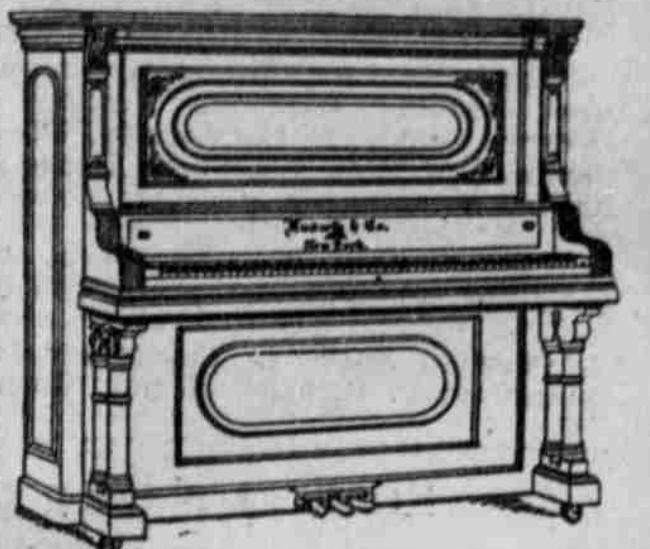
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benefices, which has resulted from the fall in the price of corn, and consequently in the rent of land. Thus, parents hesitate in recommending their sons to study for the church.

Young men may readily obtain curacies, but they may grow old without obtaining preferment, and the older they get the less their value as curates. Thus men who begin life full of hope may find themselves in painfully precarious positions in their declining days.

Furthermore, many clergymen who would gladly send their sons to the universities to be trained for the church are unable to do so owing to the reduction of their incomes.

Those who are well acquainted with the subject say the only way to check the threatened dearth of curates is by the legalization of old age pensions.

An instance of this state of affairs was noted at the Trinity ordination the other day, when the number of candidates was the smallest known, only one deacon and three priests being admitted to holy orders. Truly the whole matter is very serious.—St. Louis Republic.

**Alphabetical Abuse.**

The prosecuting attorney in a lawsuit had waxed especially indignant at the defendant, whom he characterized as an "abandoned, baneful, cynical, diabolic, execrable, felonious, greedy, hateful, irresponsible, jaundiced, knavish, lazy, meddlesome, noxious, outrageous and profligate rowdy."

"The learned counsel on the other side," said the attorney for the defendant, when he rose to reply, "should have put his adjectives in a hat and shaken them up a little before using. You must have noticed, gentlemen of the jury, that they were in regular alphabetical order. This shows that he selected them from a dictionary, beginning with 'a.' He stopped at 'p,' but in his manner of reproducing them he has given us the 'cue' as to how he got them."

This turned the laugh against the other lawyer and he lost the case.—London Tid Bits.