MODERN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION

The second meeting of the South-Western section of the New York State Modern Language Association was held on Saturday, Feb. 7, 1914, at the Wellsville High School, Wellsville, N. Y.

The organization of the section is largely due to the work of Dr. P. E. Titsworth of this place, who for some time has been a member of the State organization. The program was as follows:

10:30 A. M. The Aims of Modern Language Teaching
Dr. P. E. Titsworth
11:00 A. M. Teaching the First Year of a Modern Language
Frederick Betz, Head of German Dept., East High School, Rochester
1:30 P. M. Stereopticon Lecture on German Painters of the Nineteenth Century
David G. Davidson, Cornell University
3:00 P. M. Methods of German Teaching
Dr. Davidson

In a very masterly paper, Dr. Titsworth discussed the Aims of Modern Language Teaching. They are the acquisition of the words of the new language, the purely linguistic side, and more important, the development of the personality of the student and the stimulation of an interest in and sympathy for foreign nations.

Mr. Betz of Rochester East High School was unable to be present. His paper was read by Miss Baldwin of Wellsville. Mr. Betz, who in the last five years has revolutionized the German teaching in his school, outlined and discussed his method in his paper.

Dr. Davidson’s lecture on German Art, was very enjoyable. It was illustrated with slides giving reproductions of the pictures of the periods. He traced the development of art through the Classic, Romantic and Realistic schools of painting and the work of Rembrandt.

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FARMERS’ WEEK, FEB. 23-26
Preparations are under way for a bigger and better Farmers’ Week than ever before held in Alfred. In recent years some 1000 to 1300 people have attended the institute and many more are expected this year.

This year is the first time that the institute has been under the direct supervision of the N. Y. S. A., and through the efforts of Asst. Director C. O. DuBois, some forty-one speakers will be here throughout the week.

Monday is known as Farm Bureau Day and Teachers’ Day. Special programs have been prepared for each of these subjects.

Tuesday is potato day. On this day there will be held a potato show, the potatoes being contributed by the farmers. Competent judges will judge the exhibit and ribbons will be awarded. A poultry show will be held throughout the week and there will be access to the potato exhibit during the entire week.

There will be interesting lectures on special subjects on each of the other days.

I. P. A.

Under the direction of the Alfred League of the I. P. A. four of the college professors have prepared lectures on “What is Alcohol?” They are to be given every other Monday night at 8 o’clock in Kenyon Memorial Hall, as follows:

Feb. 9 As the Chemist Sees It
Prof. Bole
Feb. 23 As the Biologist Sees It
Prof. Bencicoff
March 9 As the Economist Sees It
Prof. Norwood
March 23 As the Church Man Sees It
Prof. Greene

A very interesting and instructive series of programs are expected and the I. P. A. invites the college and agricultural students and the townspeople to come and enjoy themselves and learn something of this great problem at the same time.

ASSEMBLY, FRIDAY, FEB. 6

At the Assembly last week, postponed from Wednesday to Friday, Mr. Edward Abner Thompson, of Boston, who presented “Hiawatha” at the Academy Fair, on Thursday evening, rendered a delightful program. The first number was the presentation of “The Vision of Sir Launfal,” with two musical interludes adapted from Ibsen’s “Peer Gynt,” the first expressing the joy and fulness of youth and hope, the second portraying the sadness and emptiness of age and failure. Prof. Weed, at the piano, interpreted the music with his usual skill, and added materially to the appreciation of the reading.

Mr. Thompson introduced the first number by an explanation of the lesson of altruistic spirit, taught by the poem. “There are beautiful things around us,” he said, “on every hand, but the most beautiful of all is the human soul, no matter what is the intellectual basis for its conception. But the beauty is often hidden or marred, concealed under misfortune, poverty or sin. One of the great objects of the poem is to show that under the most beautiful of all is the human soul, no matter what is the intellectual basis for its conception. But the beauty is often hidden or marred, concealed under misfortune, poverty or sin. One of the great objects of the poem is to show that under the

It is impossible to describe the wonderful quality of Mr. Thompson’s voice, interpreting in its wide range, depths of tenderness, pathos, sweetness, joy, and the cringing and shrinking of an unnamed horror thru the medium of which, aided by gesture, he made his hearers run with him the broad scale of human emotions, while he held them spell-bound by the power of his personality. To be appreciated he must be heard and seen, and those who have had this good fortune have carried away with them a memory which must long abide with them and cheer them on their way. As a transition from the serious to the gay, Mr.
N.Y.S.A. CAMPUS

Prof. C. O. DuBois spent the week-end in Ithaca.

Harley Robison was visited by his brother last week.

Miss Emma Cole, '13, was a campus visitor last week.

Arthur Booth is entertaining his friend Frank Lenox of Buffalo.

Mr. Remsen was entertained at dinner by the R. I. U. Saturday.

Roge Kilts went home last week suffering from a very sore throat.

Albert Straight has purchased one of the Berkshire pigs of the State Farm.

Wayne Marsh was taken sick last Tuesday and went to his home in Jasper.

The students of N. Y. S. A. will hold a potato show on Thursday night, Feb. 19. This is a contest between the classes, the prize being a silver cup.

COUNTRY LIFE CLUB

Those who attended Country Life Club last week, enjoyed the following program:

- Vocal Solo: Mrs. W. J. Wright
- Reading: Miss Baker
- Current Topics: Mrs. Buck
- Gleanings: Mr. Schondoff
- Music: Mr. Travis
- Paper: Mr. Windus
- Reading: Mark Sanford
- Music: John Buck & Co.

The vice president, Mr. Peet, presided.

This week is the election of officers. Let all be there and be sure that our dues are paid.

N.Y.S.A. BANQUET

The board of trustees and faculty of the N. Y. S. A. enjoyed a formal banquet at Agricultural Hall Wednesday night. A very elaborate menu was prepared and served by the Home Economics department. It was as follows:

- Oyster Cocktail
- Bouillon
- Roast Lamb
- Moquin Salad
- Brown Bread
- Pineapple Pyramid

- Croutons
- Saltines
- Mashed Potatoes
- Cake
- After the dinner the guests retired to room 22, which was very prettily decorated. They were then served with coffee and spent the remainder of the evening in a social time.

CHAPEL TALKS

Prof. Meade entertained the students in chapel on Tuesday by an address on knots, hitching, and splicing. He explained and demonstrated the uses and methods of tying the wall knot, timber hitch, anchor bend, clove hitch, and bowline knots. Ag students should be familiar with all these and others for they are of much use to the farmer.

Thursday morning we were addressed by Dean Main on "Religion." He said that farmers especially should be religious for they are in partnership with God through nature. Every one is religious in some way, but religion is not true religion unless it makes one better. His talk was very inspiring and was appreciated by all who heard him.

In place of chorus singing Friday morning we were entertained by Edward Abner Thompson of Boston. He sang a few pieces and then to show that there was as much melody in good speaking, he recited two poems. The applause and the spirit in the yells which Mr. Thompson received showed that his entertainment was much appreciated.

WESTERN NEW YORK CLUB

On Friday night the first meeting of the Western New York Club of N.Y.S.A. was held. The following officers were elected: Pres., Stanley Dunn; Vice Pres., John Beebe; Sec., L. Martin; Treas., Ed Weinheimer; Cor. Sec., E. Sardeson. The purpose of the club is to keep in touch with each other after the several members have graduated. It is also planned to have a certain place where the members will meet once a year and talk over the events of the past, present, and future.

That 2500 students in 100 colleges and universities have already studied the liquor problem in classes under professorial leadership during the first half of the school year and that the total number of such students will reach 5,000 during the year is the gist of a recent bulletin of the Intercollegiate Prohibition association.

CERAMIC NOTES

Miss Greenwood is teaching a small class in artistic anatomy.

The new lantern purchased by the school has been tried out and found to be entirely satisfactory.

The Ceramic Society met last time at the home of Prof. Bole. W. G. Whitford spoke upon "Ceramic Art."

New cases have arrived for books, pottery, and drawing. Some more new books and modeling stools are expected soon.

Several girls have begun work upon their sun-dials. This is a new undertaking, but every one is eagerly hoping that success will follow.

Last Thursday afternoon the Misses Greenwood, Binns, Clark and Meritt were entertained at the studio of Miss Lilian Sherman and Mrs. Lloyd Watson.

This semester the Junior girls are to do independent work in the ceramic laboratory. The teachers are hoping that several fine pieces of pottery will be produced along the lines of inlaid matt glazes and under-glaze work.

Henceforth no one is to use molds not belonging to themselves without permission from Prof. Binns or Prof. Montgomery, and then only under the condition that the molds will be well cleaned after use.

The class in advanced drawing began pose drawing last Wednesday afternoon. Any one who is willing to pose for the class will confer a great favor to the art department, as well as better themselves financially, if they will offer their services.

The Newark, N. J. Museum association has requested Prof. Binns to prepare for them, an exhibit illustrating the making of pottery in all its stages. A special vase form has been designed and a mould made. A number of these pieces have been produced as illustrations. The exhibit will be shipped to Newark before the end of the month.

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THE UNIVERSITY WIRELESS RECEIVING STATION

During the early part of last semester a large aerial, 100 feet long and forty feet high was stretched between the tower of Kenyon Memorial Hall and a mast on the north wing of Babcock Hall. This was the first step in the establishment of the wireless receiving station by the Physics Department. The receiving instruments, part of which were made in the University shops, are located in the north-east corner of the physical laboratory. While comparatively small expense has been put on the equipment, the result has been most satisfactory, for messages are daily being received from various parts of the country, especially from the boats on the Great Lakes and some high powered government and commercial stations.

Twice daily, from 11:55 to 12, 1:55 to 2, and from 9:55 to 10, P. M., standard time signals are received from the large government naval station at Arlington, Va., a few miles south of Washington. These signals are of especial interest, because they are also being picked up simultaneously by the French government at the Eifel tower in Paris, a distance of some 3680 miles from Arlington. The sending apparatus at Arlington is automatically connected with the standard clock, so that every second, wireless waves are speeded out in every direction, over the earth's surface, and may be received by any who may care to reach out and get them.

Wireless telegraphy is still in its infancy and the enlistment of its help for the improvement of commercial relationships is just now beginning to assume commanding proportions. Almost daily one may read of the establishment of some new commercial high power station. The completion of a trans-Atlantic sending station at Berlin is so recent that within the week the President has replied to a congratulatory message from Kaiser Wilhelm, which message was also received at the station at Alfred. This message was forwarded through a large commercial station at Sayville, L. I.

The wireless waves are transmitted by the ether with the speed of light (186,000 miles per second) and have their source at the aerial of the sending station. This aerial is connected with a high-tension electric discharge which is the real source of the energy that is transmitted. And when suitable instruments are connected with some other aerial so that the electrical current is of the same electrical dimension as that of the sending station, electrical oscillations are set up in the receiving station, which may be detected by means of sensitive telephone receivers. By means of signals used for letters, words are spelled out and sentences built up, and communication is established between points that are far separated.

For some reason, not completely explained, the transmission of wireless waves is affected by the condition of the air, and the presence of light, so that the most desirable time for the transmission of wireless waves is after dark. In the winter the atmospheric conditions are also more suitable than in summer, so that just now is a most satisfactory season for receiving wireless messages.

The New York Sun has a commercial station at Sayville which is of high power. Messages are being sent out nightly from here between the hours of 9 to 11, P. M. On account of their comparative nearness these messages are received very loudly and clearly almost any night. They consist of news items and stock reports which are picked up by ships and used later in newspapers or bulletins; also personal messages to and from passengers on shipboard and friends on shore; or even international communications are sent through this station.

The importance of wireless to sea-going vessels was practically demonstrated during the recent storms on the Great Lakes when so many boats were wrecked, over a dozen being lost and an equal number being seriously imperilled. Not a vessel that was lost was equipped with wireless.

Alfred is glad to be numbered among those who are interested in this new and fascinating mode of communication. Great results may be expected in the near future, if improvement is as large and as rapid as it has been in the immediate past. To speculate on the future is useless; but to watch its growth and reap its benefits is now a privilege of every Alfred student. Visitors are always welcome, and appointments may be made whereby visitors may be sure of a hearty reception and a more detailed explanation than is possible in this brief article.

ACADEMY FAIR

The spirit evidenced by the Academy students in arranging and carrying out the Fair, last week, is worthy of note. The Fair was a success in every way. Why? Because each student worked, and worked with the true school spirit, the kind of energy that brings results. Three cheers for the old Academy, its students, and the new piano!
As usual, the weather furnishes us a topic for discussion. Think of those days last July and remember too that spring is coming. Does the thermometer have bobbed up and down in its narrow jail until it is plumb worn out. After each warm spell there comes a bitterly cold streak which is colder than the last. Do you know what these symptoms betoken? Let us entertain just because we have season tickets! Last year the lyceums were demoralized because of the movies and this year because of the lecture course. It’s time that the students of Alfred University took a stand either for or against Saturday night entertainments or else for or against lyceums. Entertainments may be held on any other of the four evenings of the week, but it has always been a custom to have lyceum on Saturday night.

Shall we stick to the well established precedent or shall we let every little incident deflect us from our path? Two full months have passed without a single chance to show the world we have a little old pep and college spirit left.

Here is your opportunity. The Varsity Track Team leaves for Rochester, Thursday. Let’s get out and let out a little of that old spirit that has been pent up for so long. Give the boys some good old cheers and a song or two, that will aid in sending the men to a victory for old A. U.

LYCEUMS

The Lyceums are apparently becoming a thing of the past. The Lyceum rooms are as silent and dark as ever they were in vacation. The Secretary’s desks are covered with a dark green mould and the piano wires are attacked by rust. A quiet, deathly, sepulchral quiet pervades the rooms. These things, my brethren, ought not to be. It seemeth that the ill timed attractions at Fireman’s Hall are invading the sacred, time-honored customs and traditions of our lyceums. Do not let these proceedings longer proceed, lest our lyceums suffer defeat as intelligent centers of scholarly attraction. We maintain that lecture numbers should be made to accord with lyceum sessions instead of converse.

ALUMNI

Miss Bertha Annas, ’02, of Cornings spent the week-end with Mrs. J. B. Clarke.
Miss Lena Frank, ’12, of Wellsville, a teacher in the Seio High School, visited in town over Sunday.
F. H. Rosebush, ’03, of Bolivar attended the meeting of the Allegany County Principals at Wellsville on Saturday.
Miss Rosalie Kling, ’13, has been acting as substitute teacher in the North Plainfield, N. J. schools for a short time.
Prof. F. S. Place and wife visited their son, George Place, on Saturday night.

MISSION COURSES

The Mission courses and their exact hours will be in next week’s paper. Will all girls be ready to pay by Wednesday which of the proposed courses, i.e., foreign, domestic—reading circle—which one of these they expect to join? The committee plan to have these meetings very informal. Every third or fourth one will be social, with picnics and outdoor meetings in the spring. The study courses will require work, but we cannot help being glad in this study and having many good times.

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CAMPUS
Miss Susan Hooker spent the week-end in Angelica.
Miss Little’s Bible class meets with Lucy Whittard and Jasmine Fenner, Tuesday at 5 o’clock.

The many friends of Mrs. C. R. Clawson will be glad to learn that she has been pronounced out of danger.

Willis Saunders of the Corning North Side High School Faculty, spent the week-end with friends in town.

Prof. J. N. Norwood will give the assembly address Wednesday morning. His subject will be “The New Currency Bill.”

Raymond C. Burdick and Robert D. Garwood were in Hornell last evening attending “Brewster’s Millions” at the Shattuck.

Dr. T itsworth recently ordered from Spain copies of the novel, “The Blood of the Arena” in Spanish “Sangre y Arena” by V. Blasco Ibanez.

Edward Ahner Thompson of Boston visited his cousin, Director Wingate, last week. On Wednesday he attended the meeting of the Wellsville Choral Society with Mr. Wingate.

The Kanakadea of the class of 1915 is well under way. The proofs of the cuts have been received and active work was begun on the setting up of the book this week.

Pres. and Mrs. B. C. Davis left Sunday for New York where they attend the annual banquet of the New York Alfred Alumni Association on Feb. 11. Mrs. Davis will spend two weeks with friends and relatives in Shiloh, N. J.

The reading circle gathered for their first meeting Monday from 5 to 6 P. M. in the Y. W. C. A. room. The missionary committee served tea and a new novel was begun. All girls are urgently asked to join on Monday from 5 to 6 P. M.

ASSEMBLY, FRIDAY, FEB. 6
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Thompson presented, for his second number, Harriet Prescott Spofford’s lyric, “Four O’clock In June,” a simple, sweet poem, brimming over with the joy of life and living.

This was followed, after enthusiastic applause, by a series of humorous stories, which, since they entered the realm of education, were, he said, appropriate, and for fifteen minutes he kept his audience in roars of laughter, reciting Sam Walter Foss’ poem, satirizing the extremes to which enthusiasts carry the theory of heredity, and concluding by singing the “Armor Song” from “Robin Hood.” The students showed their appreciation of the rare enjoyment he had given them in this hour’s entertainment by class yells for him, and the long ray yell, given with an enthusiasm that attested their sincerity.

PRES. DAVIS CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD
At a recent meeting of the State Agricultural Advisory Board, Pres. B. C. Davis of Alfred University was elected chairman of the board. The board which has supervision of the agricultural work of the state is composed of the State Commissioner of Education, State Commissioner of Agriculture, State Fair Commissioner, Director of the State College of Agriculture, Director of the State College of Veterinary Surgery, Director of the State Experiment Station, representatives of the Agricultural Schools of the State and three members appointed by the Governor, Chancellor Day of Syracuse University, Mr. A. B. Findley, and Senator Thomas. Pres. Davis’ connection with the Alfred Agricultural School and his long experience as an educator and leader, make him eminently fitted to carry out the duties of chairman of this board.

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MISSION STUDY CLASS of Y. M. C. A.
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**GERMAN CLUB**

The German Club has reorganized for the second semester. Several new members have joined the class and a pleasant and profitable half-year's work is anticipated.

The program for this semester is as follows:

**February 18**
- German Cloister Life  
  - Lacile Stillman

**February 25**
- The Lay of the Nibelungen  
  - Carol Stillman

**March 12**
- The Life of Martin Luther  
  - L. M. Babcock

**March 25**
- The Life of Schiller  
  - Mabel Michler and Mr. Mix

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**ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE**

April 23
- Bismarck  
  - L. W. Crawford
- German Government  
  - Emer Hunting

May 7
- German Ideals  
  - G. M. Wilson
- Germany and the Germans  
  - Fuchsia Randolph

May 21
- Life of Richard Wagner  
  - Susan Hooker
- Wagner's Parsifal  
  - Leland Coon

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**SEMINAR NOTES**

The first meeting of the new seminar course in the English department. "The Spoken Word!" will occur at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon in Miss Little's class room.

It has not yet been definitely decided whether or not the seminar course in the Philosophy of the Nineteenth Century Literature will be given. There has been some call for this new course but as yet, there have not been enough applications to warrant its incorporation in the schedule.

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**SEMINAR IN ETHICS**

At the last meeting of the Seminar in Advanced Ethics last Friday, Ralph S. Austin presented a paper upon the topic "The Ethics of Religion." His paper, presenting a most splendid attitude, was a fitting conclusion to the course.

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**Y. W. C. A.**

The Sunday evening meeting, which was led by the Missionary committee, was well attended. Miss Susan Hooker, our enthusiastic chairman, talked on "Missions" helping her hearers to get a true conception of real missionary life. Much that we hear of missionaries is the exceptional things in their lives rather than the ordinary. Miss Elsie Thrall read a pamphlet emphasizing these facts. Miss Hooker then led the discussion on Missionary study courses for this semester.

The reading circle will continue as during the first semester, meeting Monday afternoon from five to six in the Y. W. room, at which time one girl reads from a live missionary book while the others will either sew or make scrap books for worthy objects. It was not definitely decided whether the class in mission study will take up home or foreign work, but perhaps the two courses will be given.

All enjoyed the touching duet by Misses Mildred and Mary Saunders, "For a Little Bit of Love," a song often used by "Billy" Sunday in evangelistic meetings.

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**Y. M. C. A.**

On account of a severe cold Prof. Norwood was unable to be present at the meeting last evening. Prof. Blinn substituted for him and gave a very helpful talk. He finished with a plea that the Young Men's Christian Association of Alfred try to put itself on a more independent basis. For the past two years this has been the aim of the Association, and undoubtedly some progress has been made. But such advice is not out of order and we hope to drifft by it at once.

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One day while examining some interesting old-fashioned articles, which had belonged to my great grand parents, there dropped from the pocket of an old silk dress the following letter:

June 7, 1801

My Dear Wife:—

It has been a long time since I have been able to write to you as I have been suffering from a severely sprained arm. I have been staying with friendly companions of the “Erie’s” and I think I have found an ideal home for us. I arrived here one day about a month ago, and being much fattened, I was agreeably surprised to find myself standing upon the edge of a broad, green valley through which ran a frolicsome little river. Its low, murmuring voice, so like that of an Indian mother crooning to her babe, worn out from a long day of play, seemed to urge me to stop and rest. After a refreshing drink of the clear, cool water, I lay down and soon fell asleep.

When I awoke, the sun was just sinking behind the trees making the woods look as if on fire. The robins were chirping and fluttering about getting ready for the night. Indeed, everything at length became so peaceful and silent that I wondered if Eden itself could have been more serene. All at once I happened to glance up and there, standing straight against the deep blue sky, I saw a young Indian. His keen eyes soon detected me and after a moment’s hesitation he started down the cliff as nimbly as a deer.

When he reached my side he looked at me with his eagle-like eyes and beckoned for me to follow. He led the way until we came to the place where the river forked forming a little island. Here he stopped and gave a short, low whistle. A thin wisp of smoke rose gracefully above the underbrush wall along the edge of the island while the top of a wigwam could also be seen.

In a little while a young Indian girl pushed off from the shore guiding a canoe and quickly approached us. When she came up to where we were my companion said a few words to her in the “Erie’s” tongue and then motioned for me to get in with her. Upon landing I was taken to the Old Redskin chief who greeted me kindly.

When the evening meal was over, we sat by the fire watching the young folks as they paddled along the river.

After a few days of rest I accepted an invitation from the chief to go fishing, although I could see that his daughters were greatly opposed to this plan.

I wish I could describe to you the sight I beheld as we entered the lake. The high wooded banks on each side, the broad expanse of water in front and the blue sky overhead, all combined in making a picture at which any lover of beauty would rejoice.

The old man was indeed happy and uttered grunts of satisfaction every time he pulled up a fish. We paddled out about two miles and then stopped. This gave me a good opportunity to survey the shore, the high banks of which crowned with giant walnut trees, could be seen stretching to the west until they faded in a soft grayness in the distance. I was completely lost in the beauty of it all when I was rudely called to myself by the sharp wind and the rocking of the canoe. A squall was upon us and to my horror the old chief was sitting rigid, the paddles having dropped from his motionless hands. What was I to do? My sprained arm would not allow me to get the boat to shore with the water in such a turbulent state. I tried to paddle but made no headway against the madness of the storm. What should I do? To my joy, I soon saw a little bark darting out from the bay headed toward us. Bula

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and Hesta, the chief's two little daughters, were its occupants.

How I trembled and held my breath as I watched the two brave girls struggling with the elements in order to help their old stricken father and a stranger.

At last they reached our side. Hesta sprang lightly into my canoe. Ah, I never realized how sweet life really was until I faced death so closely, and I was indeed filled with relief as we neared the shore.

All at once I was floundered about in the water. I struggled for a while, but at last, I lost all consciousness and knew nothing again until I found myself lying on the sand. Close by I saw one of the girls bending over the old man. Crawling nearer I saw that her father was dying. By this time I was indeed filled with relief as we neared the shore.

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At length he opened his eyes and looked about him, breathing his last. "Hesta—Bula" and then fell back lifeless.

In the excitement I did not notice that Hesta was absent, but soon we realized that the brave girl was drowned. She had given her happy young life in order to save two old men, whose careers were nearly ended.

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**LIBRARY NOTES**

The library has received the gift of Miss Susie Burdick, the following books:

Pott—Sketch of Chinese History
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