

by water." This caused, it is said, much feeling, and predictions that Dr. Clark's disownment would follow. "Since the death of the lamented Dr. Updegraff," it states, Dr. Clark "is considered the ablest divine in the Society."

**RAILROAD COMPLICATIONS IN THE SOUTH.**—At the Chappaqua Conferences a Friend gave some of his experiences on southern railroads, on trains with the special half-car for colored people. The Chicago *Railway Age* says:

The laws of some of the Southern States, requiring the railways to provide separate cars for colored people, and forbidding the latter from riding with white folks, produce some very unpleasant results now and then, as witness a suit just commenced at Galveston, Texas, by Rev. Thomas W. Cain, a colored preacher, against the Pullman Palace Car Company and the International & Great Northern Railway Company, asking \$10,000 damages. The plaintiff alleges that he purchased a first class ticket over connecting lines and the International & Great Northern railway to Galveston, and also bought a ticket for a berth in the Pullman sleeper, which he occupied without molestation until he arrived at Troupe, Smith county, Texas. Here, the plaintiff alleges, the trainmaster of the railroad came into the palace car where plaintiff was sitting and asked him to go with him into the smoking room, and told plaintiff he could not ride in the sleeping car, and that the conductor should give him a drawback for \$2 from the Pullman Company. Plaintiff alleges that he was also intimidated by being told that there was a mob on the train ready to lynch him, and that he was otherwise injured and humiliated; that he refused to leave the car and thereupon the employes of the defendants ejected him from the sleeper by force, and put him into a car marked "For negroes." He asks \$10,000 damages. Some interesting questions as to the rights of passengers holding tickets and also as to the relation of sleeping car companies to railway companies will doubtless be developed in the trial.

**A BOYCOTT ON BEER.**—One of the measures undertaken in the recent strike of the American Railway Union, headed by E. V. Debs, was to "boycott" the beer made at Milwaukee, in order to injure the freight receipts of the railways carrying it,—especially the "St. Paul," and "Northwestern." It was said that "the boycott, if successful, will cut off the market of the brewers for their output and will decrease the freight revenues of each road. A committee was appointed to visit St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, and other points where these beers are sold, to urge the spread of the boycott." The Chicago *Railway Age* expresses itself as anxious to know how the movement is progressing, and adds: "Here is a practical suggestion—let the boys resolve personally to boycott not only Milwaukee beer, but all beers and strong drinks, and get all the union men to do the same, and they would soon accumulate a fund that would support those out of work, if it did not compel the roads to take them back while their places were filled. It is a safe guess that the money needlessly spent by all A. R. U. men for drink during the period of the strike is ten times as much as the wages which their striking fellow-members lost in the same period. Boycott the beer and whiskey, boys, and save up the money, so that when you quit work again you will have something more substantial than Debs' promises to live upon."

God is not a being existing apart from the universe. He is expressed in the universe, which is his living garment.—*Spinoza*.

## Educational Department.

### SWARTHMORE: THE COLLEGE OPENING, ETC.

THE College commenced its 28th year with an enrollment of one hundred and ninety students, fifty-five of whom entered this fall. Those entering are unusually well graded, seven having passed the examinations for entering the Sophomore class.

The Professors and Instructors are all in their places, after a summer of study and recreation. The President, Dr. Charles De Garmo, after attending the sessions of the National Teachers' Association, at Asbury Park, N. J., spent most of his time working on his new book "Herbart's Contribution to Pedagogy," only taking enough time from the College to visit his aged father in Kansas. Dean Elizabeth Powell Bond was warmly received on her return from England, where she has spent a pleasant and profitable summer; she returns invigorated both in body and spirit. She is full of enthusiasm over her trip, and encourages every one to make at least one visit to the mother country, so full of objects of interest both old and new. Dr. Edward H. Magill spent the summer in his study at the College, and will soon publish another French book for students. Prof. Wm. H. Appleton spent the greater part of his vacation in his well-stocked library at the West House. Prof. Susan J. Cunningham made a vacation trip to Chicago and took a course in higher mathematics at the University of Chicago Summer School; the assistant in the mathematical department, Henry Gummere, took his camera, and with it wandered through Norway and Sweden.

Prof. Arthur Beardsley attended the meetings of the Mechanical Engineers, and the American Society for the Advancement of Science, and gave close attention to the erection of the addition to the Scientific Building, which will be ready for use in a short time. The order has just been given Robert Wetherill & Co., the Corliss Engine builders of Chester, for an engine, 12 inches by 24 inches stroke, and a return tubular boiler 54 inches by 14 feet. This increase of power will add greatly to the efficiency of the engineering department. Prof. Hoadley used the summer for examining the large electrical works of the Edison and Thomson-Houston Companies, and in attending educational meetings. Dr. Wm. C. Day was engaged upon the U. S. Geological Survey, all summer.

Prof. Marie A. Kemp attended lectures at Chautauqua. Prof. J. Russell Hayes spent the summer in Asbury Park, preparing lectures for his course of University Extension work.

Free-hand drawing and painting will be under the care of Mabel D. Edwards, this year, succeeding Carol Beck.

Dr. Mary Mitchell Green has prescribed an outfit of bars, ladders, "horses," etc., for the Somerville Gymnasium, and will give general oversight of the work under the Swedish system. The College Building during the summer received a coat of paint, and looks fresh and pleasing amidst its surroundings which continue to grow in beauty year by year.

During the summer months the meetings for worship have been largely attended, Joseph Powell and wife have been in regular attendance, while many Friends visiting in the neighborhood sat with us acceptably. The monthly meeting grows in usefulness and strength, and is already a comfort and satisfaction to the increasing body of Friends located here.

The meeting on First day last was large, and Dr. Edward H. Magill gave the students a beautiful welcome, and very feelingly told them, as many were strangers, of what a Friends' service consists; that each individual must enter into the stillness, and feel that the service begins for him when he enters the room, without waiting for a spoken word.

**PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE EXTENSION.**—The courses for home study of agriculture arranged by the State College, which we referred to last week, comprise three groups of studies—crop production, live-stock production, and horticulture and floriculture. The text books for the first are Master's "Plant Life on the Farm," Morrow & Hunt's "Soils and Crops," Harris's "Talks on Manure," Greiner's "How the Garden Pays," and Chamberlain's "Tile Drainage." Second, Sanders's "Horse Breeding," Curtis's "Horses, Cattle, Sheep, and Swine," Anstey's "Manual of Cattle Feeding," Stewart's "Dairy-