

On Friday evening last week a prettily decorated table in the dining hall announced the fact that something unusual was going on. It proved to be a birthday celebration given to Miss Hull by her Ferry Hall friends. She was made happy by remembrances from friends and pupils.

A large number of students and friends of the late Mr. D. R. Holt, whose death occurred in Lake Forest, February 25, met in Ferry Hall Chapel, Sunday evening, to hold a service in memory of his work as a Sunday school teacher. Shortly after his death letters were sent to all who, for many years past, had sat under him as students in Sunday school, telling them of his death, and that such a service would be held on March 19, and asking that each send some word as to his worth as a Sunday school teacher. Many responses were received, so many, in fact, that only selections from each letter could be read.

The chapel was beautifully decorated with palms and other plants. On the speaker's desk was a large cluster of white carnations, which had been sent from a distance by a member of one of Mr. Hall's classes.

Miss Sargent had charge of the meeting, which was opened by song and scripture reading. Then followed selections from letters of those who had been pupils some twenty years ago. At that time Mr. Holt taught the class of girls in the Ferry Hall parlors. These letters abounded in praise as to his wonderful power as a teacher and what effect it had been in shaping and moulding their lives. One of the members of his class some twenty years ago, Mrs. N. C. Poor, M. D., of Chicago, was present at the meeting.

For a year or two somewhere in the eighties, Mr. Holt taught a Bible class consisting of college girls. Mrs. J. J. Halsey represented this class and spoke in glowing terms of her recollections of him as a teacher. Among many other beautiful tributes paid to him, she said, "His personality was the greatest lesson of all. He was so sincere and earnest in his life that we all knew that what he taught us was something which he himself experienced, and was living out."

Miss Hutton spoke for the class of this year. She said that a few Sundays before his death he had shown her the flyleaf of his Bible on which he had written the name of every girl who had been a member of his Sunday school class.

His interest for "his girls," as he called them, did not cease at the close of their school life, but followed them as they went out into the world, as

these many letters from them testified. And whenever he met those whom he had not seen for years past, his first question was to ask, not how they had prospered in a worldly sense, but how were they progressing in the Christian life.

The meeting closed by a few remarks from Miss Sargent, saying she wished that each one of the girls might take it as a lesson to themselves to so live that their good acts and deeds might live after them and bless others even after they had passed away.

Rev. McKenzie, D. D., of the Chicago Congregational Theological Seminary, preached to a large congregation Sunday morning. Ferry Hall students were out in large numbers. Dr. McClure was out of the city on that day. The subject for the morning service was "Humanity." In the evening the topic was "The History of One Conscience." Both services were enjoyed by those who attended.

The Senior Class have been so fortunate as to secure Rev. Wm. R. Notman, D. D., Chicago, successor to Dr. Thomas Hall, to deliver the commencement address. His subject will be announced later.

New books are still coming in for the library. The list is now in the neighborhood of 3,600 volumes.

#### Northwestern Military Academy.

Major and Mrs. Davidson returned from their hunting trip to Southern Illinois, last Saturday, but we did not eat duck, the bad weather of last week making hunting impossible.

There is something new under the sun, viz., the "Independent Order of Teutonic-Hibernians," which celebrated Saint Patrick's Day by giving a duck supper at No. 2 table.

The Preparatory Bible Study Class, under the guidance of Capt. Wood, visited the Chicago Art Institute last Saturday to study the Tissot pictures.

The natatorium has been open every day for some time and some of the boys are rapidly developing into fancy swimmers. Lieut. Shine is fitting up a set of flying rings over the water.

Lieut. Alfred Lomax ('98) and Jas. Oliphant, of Chicago, and John Quinlan, of Evanston, were visiting their many friends here last Sunday, and incidentally telling the "plebs" how things were "when we were here."

Tuesday was the last day of the fourth period, or six weeks, consequently Tuesday and Wednesday were given up to examinations. All those who have successfully passed through this ordeal are now looking

forward complacently to the final twelve weeks of school.

Will someone kindly stir up the Y. M. C. A.? We have had no special meeting for the last two weeks and we are getting rusty in that line.

A full outfit of new Morgan and Wright tires for wheels of the Cycle Squad boys arrived this week. The members of the corps are busy putting their mounts into shape for spring work.

A hurry call was made upon one of the staff officers last week, to see if burglars had not entered a neighbor's house. What we want to know is, why that particular member was called. The athletic instructor will please rise and explain.

#### High School Notes.

Samuel J. Pease of the class of '92 is teaching Greek in the Hyde Park High school.

The attendance has been badly broken up during the past two weeks because of sickness; some have measles, some mumps and some tonsillitis. We are all trying to be patient until warm weather comes.

Last Friday the two literary societies participated in a joint debate upon the question: "Are trusts a benefit to the public?" Bertha Bell, Bessie Cheverton, Frank Conrad and Thomas Gail of the Adelpians supported the affirmative and Mayme Kenny, Maud Inman, James Troxel and Clyde Haeefele argued against the question successfully, as the judges, Miss Stewart, Edna Wilmot and Olney Moore, decided.

The graduates of last year are scattered somewhat, but are all busy. Isabel Clark, Mildred Mihills and Ethel Aldridge are at home; Clara Keyes is employed in the county clerk's office at Waukegan; Ira Hole is in Valparaiso, Ind., studying civil engineering; Newman Finney is in the city clerk's office helping his father; George Millard and Frank McCaffrey have positions at the Kellogg Switchboard factory.

Olney Moore, a student from Milton college, Milton, Wis., and Edna Wilmot, a student in the High school Waukegan, former members of the class of '99 of our school, visited us last Friday.