

W. E. Seminary; Oxford, Ohio.

December 25<sup>th</sup> 1870. Sunday  
Christmas lesson.

Christ prophecies concerning Christ  
Gen. 3: 15; 22: 18. Deut. 18: 15.

Meaning of the names Christ Jesus  
Announcement

Prophecies concerning Christ's birth  
Isa. 7: 14 Jer. 31: 32. Matt. 22: 25

Place of his birth.

His Life.

Parentage

Death

E. W. Willman

Resurrection

ascension

Officers Christ

Different names as titles of Christ.

Prophecy concerning future glory of  
His Kingdom

Prophecy concerning character Christ

E. W. Willman

W. E. Seminary; Oxford, Ohio.

Sunday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> 1870.

Remembers Christmas day  
at the Seminary;

New Years, 1871

Mr. Sima

Preparations for giving the  
commandments. Ex. 20: 1-17

Preface to the Ten commandments  
Exodus 20: 2

Ten commandments: Ex 20: 3-17  
explain them

Which refer to our duty to man

Which refer to our duty to God

How can the commandments  
be summed up. Matt. 23: 2-3

PROGRAMME

*This is the programme*

FOR

# Dedication

OF

## WESTERN FEMALE SEMINARY

NOVEMBER 29, 1871.

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Exercises Commence at 10 A. M.

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PROGRAMME:



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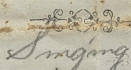
Recitation of 20th Psalm. . . . . By THE SCHOOL.

SINGING.

Address. . . . . by Rev. J. P. E. KUMLER.

Dedicatory Prayer. . . . . by Rev. H. LEVING, D. D.

SINGING.



DEDICATORY HYMN.

Give this house, oh God! to Thee;  
Be Thine each beam, and brick, and stone,  
These fields and groves, each flower and tree,  
Accept and call them all Thine own.

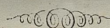
These rooms for toil or rest; these halls,  
This chapel built for praise and prayer;  
And all contained within these walls,  
Be the dear objects of Thy care.

On this fair spot now fix Thine eyes,  
And nevermore withdraw Thy sight,  
While seasons roll and stars shall rise,  
This place find favor in Thy sight.

Here may the youthful vow be made  
To live for Thee and Thee alone;  
These vows in works of love be paid,  
In prayers and toils which Thou wilt own.

Here may a fountain spring to-day,  
To bless this world of sin and guilt,  
And flow till earth shall pass away,  
And the new heaven and earth be built.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS TO CLASS OF '71.



- ELIZABETH BANE. . . . . Beverly, Ohio.
- M. LOUISA BISSILL. . . . . Ahmednugger, India.
- ELIZA J. BUSKELL. . . . . Fremont, Ohio.
- ATHELIA BYERS. . . . . Annapolis, Ind.
- EMMA M. CALHOUN. . . . . Kenton, Ohio.
- LAURA ELIZABETH CLOUGH. . . . . Oxford, Ohio.
- SOPHIA M. CUNNINGHAM. . . . . Jonesboro, E. Tenn.
- LYDIA A. DIMON. . . . . Milan, Ohio.
- SALLIE GAMBLE. . . . . Bloomington, Ind.
- NARCISSE B. GOODFELLOW. . . . . Ashland, Ohio.
- ANNA M. HOPKINS. . . . . St. Louis, Mo.
- ELIZA HUGHAM. . . . . Manhattan, Kan.
- EMMA HUGHES. . . . . Hamilton, Ohio.
- ANNA R. MASON. . . . . Jonesboro, E. Tenn.
- ROSA JESSIE RABE. . . . . Rising Sun, Ind.
- EVA SHERWOOD. . . . . Cincinnati, Ohio.
- BESSIE M. SYDNER. . . . . Paris, Ill.
- NANNIE R. WASON. . . . . West Creek, Ind.
- MARY E. WHITE. . . . . Chicago, Ill.
- MARY MAXWELL WILSON. . . . . Cambridge City, Ind.

SINGING.

BENEDICTION.

**Thursday, 9 1-2 A. M.**

PRAYER.

Choral.

WHAT GOD APPOINTS IS SURELY RIGHT, J. S. Bach.

COMPOSITIONS.

Music.

'T WAS NO VISION, Verdi.

DUETT—POLKA, Kunkel.

COMPOSITIONS.

Music.

LO! SEE THE PALE MOON, Campana.

DUETT—GALOP BRILLIANT, Spouholtz.

ADDRESS

By REV. EBEN HALLEY.

Music.

I WAITED FOR THE LORD, Mendelssohn.

Presentation of Diplomas to the Graduating Class.

CLASS SONG.

Benediction.

*I will write down who performs the*

*music*

**Western Female Seminary**

**17th Annual Commencement**

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, June 13, 19, 20, 1872.

## ORDER OF EXERCISES.

### TUESDAY, 9½ A. M.

LATIN READER, ..... Miss Janes.  
 Music.  
 FAIRY QUEEN POLKA, *Mary Goodrich* ..... D'Albert.  
 PHYSIOLOGY, ..... Miss Jones.  
 Music.  
 AVE MARIA, *Winnifred King* ..... Schubert.  
 DUETT—CALIFORNIA POLKA, *Mrs. Kumbler &* ..... Herz *Mat Zook*  
 ASTRONOMY, ..... Miss Smith.  
 Music.  
 HEAR US, O, FATHER, *A Chorus* ..... B. J. Owen.

### TUESDAY, 1½ P. M.

BOTANY, ..... Miss Eastman.  
 Music.  
 CRADLE SONG, *Sarah Robinson* ..... Mendelssohn.  
 ANCIENT HISTORY, ..... Miss Jessup.  
 Music.  
 BY THE FOUNTAIN, *Addie Keall* ..... E. Macke.  
 NATURAL PHILOSOPHY, ..... Miss Lizzie Peabody.  
 Music.  
 DUETT—LES DAMES DE SEVILLE, *Dell Anderson* Schubert *Anna Sullivan*  
 HISTORY OF LITERATURE, *very good* ..... Miss Eastman.  
*Emma Eastman* COMPOSITIONS. *Mary Delamater*  
 Music.  
 DUETT—LUCRETIA BORGIA, *Mrs. Kumbler* Kate *Smyth*  
*Wame Pierce* COMPOSITIONS. G. J. G.  
 Music.  
 LET ALL MEN PRAISE THE LORD, *Chorus* ..... Mendelssohn.

### WEDNESDAY, 9½ A. M.

PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY, ..... Miss Cunningham.  
 Music.  
 SING, SMILE, SLUMBER, *Mary McKee* ..... Gounod.  
 ALGEBRA, ..... Miss Sheppard.  
 Music.  
 DUETT—QUI VIVE GALOP, *Mary Goodrich and Addie Keall* Chas. Wels.  
 THE SERENADE, *Anna Sullivan* ..... Schubert.  
 VIRGIL, ..... Miss Janes.  
 Music.  
 LA FETE DES FEES, *Mat Zook* ..... Warren.

### WEDNESDAY, 1½ P. M.

GEOMETRY, ..... Miss Dodd.  
 Music.  
 DREAMS, ..... F. Hassé Hodges.  
 MODERN HISTORY, ..... Miss Jessup.  
 Music.  
 CAPRICE HONGROIS, ..... Ketterer.  
 BUTLER'S ANALOGY, ..... Miss Peabody.  
 Music.  
 HE WATCHING OVER ISRAEL, ..... Mendelssohn.  
 COMPOSITIONS.  
 Music.  
 VENETIAN BOATMEN'S SONG, ..... J. S. Bach.  
 COMPOSITIONS.  
 Music.  
 TRUST THOU IN GOD, .....

Western Female Seminary,

To the Present and Former Pupils  
OF THE  
**Western Female Seminary,**  
AND TO  
*THEIR PARENTS and HUSBANDS.*

DEAR FRIENDS:

IT is assumed that you all entertain sentiments of grateful regard toward this institution, of which it would be as pleasant as it might be useful, to make some substantial expression.

Doubtless you have all felt that the Seminary building, which has been for many years such a pleasant and happy home, has never been quite suitably finished. The necessary economy of expenditure compelled the trustees to postpone the construction of a suitable front entrance; and the rough plank steps have remained in all their unsightliness until now.

It is proposed that a sufficient sum be now raised to construct a porch that will be convenient and comely, in keeping with the architecture of the edifice. It is estimated that this will cost about sixteen hundred dollars. A united effort on the part of those who will receive this Circular will accomplish this. We believe that now is the time.

While the undersigned were in consultation, and preparing this Circular at the Seminary on this last day of 1870, the following note, with a five dollar coin, was brought to Miss Peabody from one who had no knowledge of our consultation or proposal:

"Will Miss Peabody find inclosed a piece of gold directly from California, which is the first memorial offering to the Western Female Seminary. Hoping this sum may be increased ten thousand fold, I am

A FRIEND OF W. F. SEMINARY."

We gladly and reverently accept this as a token that God smiles on our undertaking.

One mother, and her daughters who are successively passing through this institution, have promised us one hundred dollars toward this object, desiring it to be recognized as a contribution to the Memorial Fund of the Presbyterian Church. The committee of that Fund have heartily approved of this Seminary as a recipient of such contributions, and every donor of not less than five dollars will be entitled to a copy of their beautiful Memorial Certificate.

We presume that a large part of those whom we now address will be glad to connect their donations with that memorable thank-offering of a reunited Church. If any do not desire this, their contributions will be no less acceptable and valuable to the Seminary, and we cordially welcome them to an equal share in our Seminary Memorial of God's goodness to us. Will not every pupil, and every lady who has been a pupil, send a New Year's gift to this beloved and consecrated institution? The smallest contributions will be thankfully welcomed, while we suggest that all who can, should send at least *five dollars*. Are there not also a large number of families which have been blessed with its privileges, from which we may hope for donations of One Hundred Dollars or of Fifty Dollars? Let the gifts be sent by pupils returning from vacation, or by mail (in bank drafts or post-office orders), to Miss Peabody. If more should be sent than is needed for the porch, it is to be used for the increase of the library or the purchase of needed apparatus, at the discretion of the Trustees.

Sisters and Friends, we cheerfully intrust this proposal to you and to Him who has brought our beloved Seminary thus far, and who, we hope, has gracious designs for its future.

HENRY A. NELSON, *President Board of Trustees.*

HELEN PEABODY, *Principal W. F. Seminary.*

OXFORD, Dec. 31, 1870.



### Western Female Seminary.

OXFORD O., Oct. 5, 1871.

When Moses asked "to see the glory of God," "The Lord caused all his goodness to pass before him," and Moses found in his subsequent life that the "pillar of cloud" was as full of Jehovah's presence as the "pillar of fire," and both equally illustrated the goodness of Him who went before the pilgrims in the wilderness.

The mystery, the darkness, and the smoke that rose up from and hung like a thick cloud over our "burnt sacrifice" on April last, together form a rich background to reflect the goodness which has been day by day passing before us till now, in this October month, the ripened fruit of his love is dropping as thickly around us as the leaves of autumn. When we set the 18th of October as the time to have the Seminary ready to receive back our scattered household, it is not surprising that many felt that it was contrary to reason that in so short a time so much could be done; and so it would have been but for the over-ruling agency of Him who once said of his own body, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will build it up again." To him be all the glory, who has through all the summer days been making so many, many things work together to produce this result, so that now faith is fast turning into sight, and we are able to say with confidence that a continuance of the same good, providing hand upon us and our efforts will enable us to reach the goal on October 18th. We see nothing now to prevent our being fully ready, so that we now say positively, that we shall expect to welcome to this precious Home on the 18th of October, all who have asked admission. More than half of the furniture will be placed in the rooms tomorrow and all of it, we expect, will be in its place by the 14th of the month. More than half of the rooms have been cleaned and stand waiting to receive it. As we pass from room to room, and contrast their present appearance with the desolation of last April, we say, "How beautiful! how beautiful! how good God has been to us!" And the thought that it is all for him makes all the toil sweet. But some of you have anticipated these sentiments—dear F. G., in writing to one of her fellow pupils of last year now with us, says: "O! how I should like to be with you now, making carpets, canning fruit, and helping to get the dear new Home ready for its children. S., I never can tell you how much I do love the Seminary. I wish I could do something to help it along.\* \* \* O! How I would love to go over the new building! How clean and pure and nice every part must be! It makes me think of a soul washed clean in the blood of Christ and waiting to be filled with his love, so that it may do

the work which he bids it do for his glory; and like that soul it will not have to stand waiting long. Just as soon as the heart is made ready the love comes in. And don't you know God does not wait until the soul is all sanctified, but as soon as there is the least place in the heart it is filled, and I expect it will be just so with the Seminary." \* \* \* We hope, dear F., this visible purity and beauty may be but the emblem of an inward glory, which, like the light of the sun, can never be defiled by any contact with corrupting influences. And one thing that you and all the others can do, better than the most costly offering that you might desire to bring, is to ask him who has been so good to our Seminary and to us, to guard it as he did the door of the tabernacle of old from "All that defileth or maketh a lie."

The dedication will not take place at the opening, but will be deferred till the Tuesday preceding Thanksgiving.

You will be glad to know that since I wrote to you last week, our Father in heaven has not ceased to give expression to the assurance that "He knoweth that ye have need of these things," and because Jesus is saying, "Suffer the little children to come," we are especially interested in the contribution of 20 cents from a little brother down in Texas, who earned that amount and sent it with \$10 from his mother and sister. Then \$3 from one of the class of '68 in Iowa, \$15 from a friend in Oxford, and \$28 from another, and two pretty little pieces of furniture, which you shall know more about some time, from another, and then \$500 from Mr. P. S., one of our Trustees, and seventy choice books for the library, with four large wall maps, and the bill of lading of more books from publishers at the East.

But last and best I must tell you about my visit this week on Monday to see for myself what I had before heard, that Dr. Allen of the Surgical Institute, Indianapolis, is really getting our dear Miss Jessup ready to rise up and walk. Though she has not yet taken her first steps, I found her lying in bed, with her limbs entirely straight without one of those many props and supports upon which she has so long depended for rest. Her suffering had been very great in reaching that point but the previous night she had slept restfully and continuously, and when I saw her she had every appearance of a speedy convalescence, with the assurance of her physician that she might confidently expect by the blessing of God soon to be upon her feet.

"Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall the waters break out, and streams in the desert."

HELEN PEABODY.

*Mr. Millman*

DEAR FRIEND: You are fully aware of the disaster which lately befell the Western Female Seminary, and we doubt not that you will be fully in sympathy with the Board of Trustees in their desire to restore the institution as speedily as possible. To do this will require the careful use of all the funds realized from the policies of insurance, and a considerable additional amount to be contributed for the purpose. Considerable sums have already come, in small contributions from various quarters, and we are encouraged to hope that this generosity will continue until the necessary amount is realized. We now hope to be ready to re-open the school not much later than the usual time in the next Autumn. In order to do so successfully we shall need the kind and generous co-operation of all our patrons, and the Board have instructed us to address you with reference to your claim upon the institution for the money which you had paid for the tuition and board of your daughter during the remainder of the year, the benefit of which the fire prevented her from receiving.

The Board acknowledge their legal obligation to refund the proportionate amount of such payments if required, but hope that the interest of all patrons in the institution will dispose them to remit this claim upon the Treasury, the enforcement of which would seriously embarrass us. We are instructed by the Board to ask of you the generous relinquishment of your claim, as a contribution in aid of their efforts to restore the institution and to open it free from embarrassment.

If you feel unable to do this, will you consent to receive what is thus due you in the form of a proportionate deduction from your daughter's bill for the next year, instead of demanding the return to you of the sum due in money?

We assure you that the most favorable answer which you can give to their request will be thankfully received, and it is important that we should receive it as early as possible. The very great goodness of our Heavenly Father, in sparing all the precious lives that were endangered, and the thankful generosity already so generally manifested, encourage us to hope that every one of our patrons will feel able and willing to make to the cause at least such a contribution as we have now asked.

Those wishing to present such claims, will please address the Treasurer by the first of July 1871.

HENRY A. NELSON, President of Board of Trustees.

HELEN PEABODY, Principal of Seminary.

R. W. MCFARLAND, Treasurer.

OXFORD, OHIO, May 4th, 1871.