

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES AT BELMONT COLLEGE.

Last night's exercises at Belmont College ended the close of the most successful year in the history of the institution. To-day the sweet girl graduates, "standing with tentative feet" on the threshold of life, are bidding a fond farewell to their friends and associates and entering on a new and broader field.

The chancel was crowded to the doors with a splendid assemblage of the friends of the young ladies from the city, and the program of graduating exercises was listened to with rapt attention. No more talented a body of young women has ever been graduated from this institution of learning, and their versatility of accomplishments was shown to great advantage last night. The first number on the programme was a duo by Misses White and Hume, who are graduates of Belmont College. These exercises were given by Eugene Piraud. These exercises were given by Eugene Piraud. These exercises were given by Eugene Piraud.

varmint" caught in a trap, whether to shoot or starve him. In any event Admiral Corve, it is believed, cannot reach Havana. The powerful fleets, each having fast vessels, as well as heavy ones and each able to destroy him, are closing in upon him.

Naval officers here believe that the battleship Oregon will be ordered to join Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet.

### Offered to Spain.

MADRID, May 25.—An official dispatch from Manila announces that the majority of the chiefs who took part in the last insurrection have presented themselves to the Spanish Governor General, offering their services to Spain. It is said here that Spanish prisoners of war in the United States have again complained that they are treated as convicts.

### Loaded With Coal.

LONDON, May 25.—The Madrid correspondent of the Standard says a number of merchant steamers loaded with coal from England have arrived at Barcelona, Cadiz and Bilbao.

### Spanish Bonds.

MADRID, May 25.—Spanish 4s closed today at 60.10. Gold was quoted at \$2.50.

### CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIANS.

#### Several Interesting Features Developed at Yesterday's Session.

MARSHALL, Mo., May 25.—The fifth day of the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in session here developed several interesting features. There was a vigorous discussion of the report of the Committee on Correspondence, which recommended the adoption of a plan of co-operation by the alliance of the Presbyterian churches. The report was finally adopted.

The Committee on Christian Endeavor reported and urged a large attendance at the international conference at Nashville in July.