

Joint Debate at Normal College.

On Friday, March 29th, a prize debate was held in the College Chapel between the Philomathean and Alpha Beta Gamma literary societies. The subject was, "Was Japan justified in declaring the present war against China?" The young ladies acquitted themselves more than creditably, and the debate was logical, spirited, and to the point.

The prize was awarded by the judges—Commissioners Knox, Wehrum and Van Arsdale—to the Alpha Beta Gamma Society, and was divided between the two debaters from that society, Miss Anna Mix and Miss Susan Rodier. In the opinion of the Committee, Miss Bailey, of the negative side, debated equally as well as those who upheld the affirmative. She was therefore awarded a prize, donated by the judges and a friend, equal in value—ten dollars in gold—to that given to each of the young ladies who spoke for the Alpha Beta Gamma Society.