

## THE MONUMENT.

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WHEN the Star Spangled Banner was lowered from the staff of Fort Sumter, on the 13th of April, 1861, the smouldering flame of an ardent patriotism was fanned into a roaring fire. When President Lincoln issued his call for seventy-five thousand volunteers, on the 15th of April of that year, young men from all parts of the North hurried to the defense of their country. Among the many who so eagerly offered their lives that their country might live, was a company with Dr. Byerly as Captain, composed largely of boys who had at some time attended Millersville. Some of these brave boys were destined never to return to the place from which they had so hastily departed, for they were called upon to lay down their lives as the price of many battles fiercely waged.

Few of those who now throng the halls of the Normal School know how near to the school the tide of war rolled. The flames of the burning bridge at Columbia, which was destroyed to prevent the Confederate troops from crossing the Susquehanna, were plainly seen from the grounds. The school was closed at one period of the war on account

