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THIS young lady is one of the most talented pupils to be found in any school in the United States, but her mental attainments, great as they are, are not more positive than her enthusiastic ambition to succeed in her studies. It is seldom that one of her age is so cultured and refined, and yet she makes no exhibition of her many accomplishments. They are to be seen in every movement and word she utters. Every sentence is measured with grammatical precision, and as her ideas are all fresh and sparkling, it is a positive pleasure to be in her company. When the representative of the **BOYS' AND GIRLS' WEEKLY** asked Professor Wood, the distinguished Principal of the Pittsburgh High School, for the names of some of his most distinguished pupils, he was not long in mentioning that of Bertha Florsheim. She is now in the second year grade, and is at the head of her class, her percentage at the December examination being 95.4, while that of the next highest is Mattie Grace Taylor, who had 94.6. Since the commencement of the present session of school, in September, 1881, she has been at the head of her grade three times out of four examinations, which fact fixes her status as a pupil. In September she had 90.2; in October, 95.2; in November, 96.6, and in December 95.4. Her present studies are chemistry, general history, drawing, elocution and composition. Before entering the High School she attended the "Grant" School in Alleghany, and made next to the highest per cent. of any pupil in the entire city. Her intensity in her work may be judged from the fact that she rises every morning at six o'clock in order to prepare for school, which is a long way off, and yet she has never been absent or tardy since she commenced her school life. Bertha Florsheim is the daughter of Samuel Florsheim, Esq., and lives at 245 Alleghany Avenue, Alleghany, Pa., and was born June 16th, 1865.