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WITH the Commencement of 1889 URSINUS COLLEGE completes two decades of Academic history. They have been years of toil and self-denial for the men who projected the institution and linked their lives with its fortunes. During the first decade the increase of years seemed to bring only an increase of sorrows. The effects of the gradually deepening depression which settled over the country after the financial crisis of '73 seemed to be intensified for the young institution by the course of events in the church. Year by year the tide continued to ebb until a low-water mark was reached that seemed to indicate the total disappearance from the valley of a once well-nourished stream.

But as national forces recovered when our country adjusted its affairs on a basis of public harmony and concord and accepted the issues settled by the war, so in the Church, when peace began to assert her gentle sway the new creations of the era of controversy showed themselves to have become legitimate bearers of the on-flowing life of the body, and with the strengthening of that life their vigor also increased.

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The most important offspring of the trying period in the church's history just mentioned was URSINUS COLLEGE, and its growth during the present decade makes plain the part assigned it in the development of the Church. Although it often has had only "pulse to eat and water to drink," its form has slowly but surely been taking shape, its muscles have been hardening and its sinews developing, until it promises to become "fairer and fatter in flesh than all the (college) children which eat the portion of the King's meat."

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As proofs of these optimistic opinions there can be cited the splendid array of excellences set forth in the new catalogue, elsewhere commented upon, whose general appearance and subject-matter show that the College is up to the times in its appreciation of what constitutes liberal culture; the long list of names that appears in the publication under the head of Faculty and Instructors; the large attendance of students for the year; the financial results that have been secured, and

numerous other products of rapid and healthful progress. Evidences of prosperity abound on every side and URSINUS hails the coming of a new decade with humble joy.

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An innovation in the educational inducements at the college that will meet with especially warm approval is the permanent introduction of three special lecture courses, one on Practical Ethics, to be furnished by Rev. D. E. Klopp, D. D., of Philadelphia, one on Special Topics in Historical and Pastoral Theology, with Rev. James I. Good, D. D., of the same city, as the lecturer, and one on the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which J. A. Strassburger, Esq., A. M., of Norristown, will supply. These lectures will not fail to widen the field of instruction at URSINUS and add much interest to the student's work.

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A comparison of this year's attendance at the larger colleges of the Reformed Church with that of 1887-88 reveals the same excellent conditions now that were the source of so much solid satisfaction twelve months ago. The number of students enrolled at the three leading institutions is again very large, Heidelberg holding first place with 258, and URSINUS and Franklin & Marshall following in the order named with 180 and 177 respectively.

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The Junior Class is to be congratulated on its action in resolving not to shirk its part in the approaching Commencement festivities. The members met the emergency that presented itself in the right spirit, and as a conse-

quence the evening allotted to them may be looked forward to with high anticipations of pleasure.

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**EIGHTEENTH  
ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT.**

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SUNDAY TO THURSDAY, JUNE 23-27, 1889.

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**Programme.**

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**Sunday, June 23d.**

*8 P. M., Commencement Tent.*

BACCALAUREATE SERMON, by the President, the Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D., LL. D. Music consisting of Sacred Anthems by a Select Choir.

**Monday, June 24th.**

*8 P. M., Commencement Tent.*

JUNIOR CLASS EXERCISES, in which eight members of the class will take part. Music by the Spring City Band, Isaac Culp, Leader.

**Tuesday, June 25th.**

*10 A. M., President's Room.*

MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

*3:30 P. M., College Chapel.*

BUSINESS MEETING OF THE URSINUS UNION.

*8 P. M., Commencement Tent.*

ADDRESS BEFORE THE LITERARY SOCIETIES, by the Rev. Conrad Clever, A. M., of Baltimore, Md. Subject, "The Coming Man." Music by the Æolian Orchestra of Ursinus College, O. H. E. Rauch, Conductor.

**Wednesday, June 26th.**

*10 A. M., President's Room.*

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE COLLEGE.

*2 P. M., College Chapel.*

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

*3 P. M., College Campus.*

SECOND ANNUAL CONTESTS OF THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE COLLEGE.

*8 P. M. Commencement Tent.*

ALUMNI ORATION, by the Rev. J. Perry Beaver, A. M., '80, Nassau, Rensselaer county,

N. Y. Subject, "The Inductive Study of the Bible in College." Music by a chorus of thirty voices, led by Prof. F. W. Steins.

**Thursday, June 27th.**

*9.30 A. M. Commencement Tent.*

COMMENCEMENT.

Oration by the members of the Graduating Class, H. A. I. Benner, Ernest Clapp, I. C. Fisher, Mayne R. Longstreth, Ernest H. Longstreth, Flora S. Rahn, O. H. E. Rauch, H. M. Slotterer, H. W. Spare, S. P. Stauffer, W. H. Stubblebine, and W. H. Wotring,—and Conferring of Degrees.

Music by the Phoenix Military Band, of Phoenixville, Pa., Prof. L. B. Vanderslice, Director.

*12.30 P. M., College Chapel.*

ALUMNI AND REUNION DINNER. Speeches by J. A. Strassburger, Esq., A. M., '73, on behalf of the College Alumni, and by a representative of the former students of Freeland Seminary.

*2 P. M., Commencement Tent.*

COMMEMORATION OF THE FOUNDING OF FREELAND SEMINARY.

Historical address by the first Principal, Rev. Henry A. Hunsicker, Collegeville, Pa.

Address by the second Principal, President A. H. Fetterolf, Ph. D., of Girard College.

Oration by the Hon. Wayne MacVeagh, Ex-Archbishop of the United States.

Music by the Phoenix Military Band.

THE COMMENCEMENT TENT.

The new arrangement inaugurated last year for holding the public exercises in a tent, erected on the campus for the purpose, proved so satisfactory that it will be brought into requisition this year again. Only the facilities will be enlarged and the accommodations will be made more complete. The tent that has been engaged for this season is twenty feet wider than the one used last year, and there will be seating room for more than a thousand persons. It will be erected on Friday or Saturday of the preceding

week, so as to be in readiness for the Baccalaureate sermon on Sunday night. The President, therefore, will deliver his farewell sermon to the graduating class on the college grounds under the canvass cover erected for all the exercises of the week.

RAILWAY ACCOMMODATIONS.

The arrangements for excursion tickets over the various lines of railway that friends must use in order to come to Collegeville, have also been enlarged. The Philadelphia & Reading, Lehigh Valley, and Pennsylvania Railroads have all issued printed orders on which excursion tickets may be purchased at one-third less than regular fare from Friday, June 21st, to Thursday, June 27th, inclusive, good to return until June 29th.

The arrangement for excursion tickets over the Pennsylvania Railroad will be a new advantage for friends residing on the line of the Frederick Division, from York to Frederick City, and to friends along the main line as far as Altoona and Pittsburgh; and it is hoped that many who have never visited Collegeville will be induced thereby to attend this Commencement. Excursion tickets can be purchased at all points on the Pennsylvania Railroad to Philadelphia, Lancaster, Columbia or Harrisburg, where connection will be made with the Reading road for Collegeville. But for each railroad to be traveled over, the person must secure an order in advance from the "Commencement Committee" of the College in order to get the advantage of excursion rates.

Write for these orders to "Commencement Committee," Collegeville, Pa.

At the cities of Philadelphia and Reading and at Bridgeport tickets will be sold through to Collegeville. At all other points on the Reading road to Perkiomen Junction only. The Lehigh Valley excursion tickets will be sold to East Penn Junction.

From Perkiomen Junction and East Penn Junction visitors travel over the Perkiomen Railroad, on which excursion tickets will be sold without orders between the dates above mentioned, and good to return until the 29th, to all persons going to the Ursinus Commencement. At the Junction at each end of the Perkiomen road sufficient time will be allowed to purchase excursion tickets for the remainder of the way.

Trains leave Philadelphia from Broad and Callowhill streets at 7.45 A. M. and 1.40 and 5.20 P. M., and from Ninth and Green streets at 1.35 and 4.25 P. M., arriving at Collegeville at 9.11 A. M., 3.20 and 6.47 P. M. The 1.35 and 5.20 trains carry through cars to Collegeville; passengers taking the other trains must change at Perkiomen Junction.

Trains leave Allentown at 4.30 and 6.32 A. M., and 2.45 P. M., arriving at Collegeville at 6.36 and 8.03 A. M. and 4.16 P. M. A train also leaves Pennsburg at 11.45 A. M. that arrives at Collegeville at 1.10 P. M.

Trains leave Reading at 5.00 and 7.15 A. M. and 12.45 and 3.15 P. M.; Columbia at 7.30 A. M. and 12.30 P. M.; Harrisburg 5.10 and 9.35 A. M. and 1.25 P. M., all of which connect with trains on the Perkiomen railroad, arriving at Collegeville at 9.11 A. M., 3.20 and 6.47 P. M.

#### ENTERTAINMENT.

Visitors to the Commencement will find first-class accommodations in all respects at Prospect Terrace, adjoining the College, at \$1.50 per day, and at other Collegeville boarding-houses and hotels. The Steward at the College will furnish single meals at reasonable rates.

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#### THE EXERCISES OF COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

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While the exercises of a College Commencement must, in the nature of the case, be of the same general character year by year, the fact that new actors appear on the stage each time, furnishes sufficient variety to awaken interest on the part of all in attendance, and to kindle the enthusiasm of the more intimate friends of those who actively participate in the festivities. The details of the coming Commencement give promise of more than ordinary attractiveness because of special features that will enter into the several occasions of the week.

THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON by the President, will doubtless not fall a whit below the high standard that usually characterizes the pulpit efforts of Doctor Bomberger. The fact that it will be delivered in the Commencement Tent on the College Campus, where the accommodations will be ample and the June air delightful, will tend to bring to the initial service of the week greater numbers than ever before.

THE JUNIOR CLASS EXERCISES will be enhanced in popularity by an increase in their wit through brevity. Only eight members of the Class will take part. The participants will be able to sustain their parts more successfully

because of the greater liberty that will be allowed them. As in several notable instances in the past, Monday evening promises to be more this year than an "off night."

The ADDRESS BEFORE THE LITERARY SOCIETIES will be delivered on Tuesday night by the Rev. Conrad Clever, A. M., the Phillips Brooks of the Reformed Church of Baltimore. Mr. Clever occupies the pulpit that was abandoned by Rev. Dr. Gans when he apostatized from the Reformed Church to the Roman Catholic, and his work in this, the Third Church in the Monumental City, has been signally successful. His subject, "The Coming Man," will be used to portray the distinguishing characteristics of the highest style of manhood.

The ALUMNI ORATION by the Rev. J. Perry Beaver, A. M., of the Class of '80, will be delivered, it is hoped, to the largest gathering of Alumni that has greeted any of the boys who have occupied the platform to illustrate the after-graduation development of the sons of URSINUS. It would be a happy day, indeed, if the appointment could be made the occasion of re-uniting the members of the Class of '80, sundered so long and so far, as well as all others who have not greeted each other since leaving Alma Mater. Mr. Beaver has charge of a congregation of the Reformed Church in America, at Nassau, N. Y., and we anticipate an oration of genuine strength and flavor.

THE COMMENCEMENT will witness the graduation of an even dozen young candidates for the arena of active life. The orations will be limited to six minutes each, so that the exercises will

not be unduly prolonged on account of the large number who shall speak. More than ordinary interest will attach to the out-going of this year's class, because it is the largest in the history of the college. The music for the day will be furnished by the Phoenix Military Band, consisting of twenty-eight men, whose reputation is second to none in the State.

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#### ALUMNI AND RE-UNION DINNER.

The banquet of the Alumni Association will be taken out of its usual place, on Wednesday night after the oration, to mid-day on Thursday. This change will afford an opportunity to a greater number of the Alumni to participate in the feast, but was especially made in view of the exercises of Thursday afternoon. It is to be not only the ordinary feast, but a reception to the former students of Freeland Seminary.

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#### COMMEMORATION OF THE FOUNDING OF FREELAND SEMINARY.

Forty years ago a broad-minded Mennonite preacher, the Rev. Abraham Hunsicker, feeling the need of a more liberal culture, conceived the idea of establishing an institution for the higher education of young men. He called his school Freeland Seminary, and made his eldest son, Henry A. Hunsicker, Principal. This young man proved himself admirably adapted to the position, and was chiefly instrumental in carrying the seminary to its high state of prosperity. More than 3000 students had sought literary training in this school before its property passed into the hands of URSINUS COLLEGE. Many of them have since won

fame and distinction, and of these the Hon. Wayne MacVeagh and President Fetterolf, Ph. D., of Girard College, will take part in the commemoration exercises. The re-union of these former students of Freeland Seminary will be an interesting feature in the exercises of Commencement week and will greatly enhance its pleasures. Many of them have often favored us with their presence and shown their pleasant remembrance of the place and its educational advantages by sending their sons to the halls where the fathers found so much profit. They may feel assured that a cordial welcome awaits them. And the numerous responses received to the invitations sent to all who could be reached, give a pleasant guarantee that a goodly company of them intend to avail themselves of the opportunity of reviewing the memories of their earlier school years, of renewing their old friendships, and of giving them a wider range.

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#### NEWS ABOUT COLLEGE.

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##### ADDITIONS TO THE FACULTY.

It affords the BULLETIN great pleasure to announce that the Rev. G. W. Stibitz, A. M., '81, has been elected Professor of the Latin Language and Literature, and Biblical Antiquities, and will enter upon active service in the college at the opening of the next college year, Sept. 2nd, 1889. Mr. Stibitz is eminently qualified for a position in the faculty of his Alma Mater. His intellectual endowments are of a high order, and he has faithfully improved extensive opportunities for special study. After his graduation from URSINUS, he entered upon a pastorate, but continued a rigid system

of private study. In the fall of '87 he entered Yale University for a post-graduate course in philosophy and languages, and now graduates from that institution with the degree of Ph. D.

Mr. Stibitz will introduce the inductive system of studying Latin, and it will be greatly to the advantage of young men who expect to enter URSINUS in the future to come here for their preparation.

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Another departure in the right direction has been arranged for by the college authorities by providing a supplementary course in Elocution and Oratory. Professor Ruby has always done excellent work in this department in connection with his regular work in English, but the college desires to give the students enlarged opportunity for effective training in the art of public speaking. For this purpose Professor Edwin Theodore Tyndall, B. O., a graduate of the National School of Elocution and Oratory, of Philadelphia, has been engaged to give a course of sixty lessons a year to the theological students in particular, and to all others who desire to join the class. Mr. Tyndall has been teaching in a Canadian college at Toronto since his graduation, and is not only highly recommended, but has shown himself a master of his art.

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#### THE CATALOGUE FOR 1888-'89.

To those who are not immediately connected with the work of a college, its annual catalogue is naturally one of the fairest representatives of that work in all its departments. Granting this fact, it must, however, be borne

in mind that the yearly register issued by any well-founded educational institution is merely an outline of purposes and an index of methods, and that the mission of any such organization is much broader and more far-reaching than can be set forth in detail in an ordinary publication of this kind.

The new catalogue of URSINUS, which appears simultaneously with this issue of the BULLETIN, is fully abreast with the most gratifying progress which the college has made during the year. In form and substance it attains a degree of excellence that all of its predecessors failed to reach. The typographical work displayed in it shows still further improvement on the high standard set up in this particular several years ago, while its arrangement and make-up contain further evidences of logical advancement in system and taste.

As to its contents they form their own most eloquent commentary. Every change and innovation is straight on the line of steady growth, more extended usefulness and permanent success. The numerous additions to the list of Faculty and Instructors is convincing proof that the management of the Institution is determined to provide the best educational facilities which the church can afford. Other noteworthy features, which will be quickly observed by all careful readers, stamp the catalogue as a most encouraging exhibit of substantial prosperity.

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#### THEOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS.

The final examination of the nine young men who completed the course in theology this Spring took place on

Friday, the 17th of May, before the Joint Visiting Committee appointed by Philadelphia Classis and the Board of Directors of the College. The members of the committee present were Revs. Eli Keller, D.D., D. E. Klopp, D. D., J. H. Sechler, A. M., J. I. Good, D. D., and J. B. Shumaker, D. D. The young gentlemen acquitted themselves with more than ordinary credit, evincing an extensive familiarity with the subjects on which they were questioned.

The members of the graduating class have accepted fields of labor as follows:

Wilson Delancy, of Philadelphia, has been educated by the Executive Committee on Missions of Philadelphia Classis for the special work at 21st and Tasker Sts., in his native city, and after his licensure he will take full charge of the mission to which he has been preaching in connection with his work in the seminary.

Gideon P. Fisher, '87, of Gouglersville, Pa., has been elected by the Falkener Swamp congregation to succeed Rev. J. D. Peters.

Hiram A. Frantz, of Egypt, Pa., has been licensed by the Classis of Lehigh, and has accepted a call from the congregation at Tamaqua, formerly served by the Rev. I. E. Graeff, D. D.

W. S. Gottshall, of Schwenksville, Pa., had served as a minister in the Mennonite church before he entered the theological department and continues his work among his people. Although a young man, he has been elected a Bishop in his church.

Samuel A. Hitner, of Chester County, Pa., has been elected by the Bangor Charge in Northampton County.



E. Calvin Rust, of Tiffin, O., has entered upon the active work in the Somerset charge in his native state.

Charles E. Wehler, '87, of New Oxford, Adams County, has been elected by Boehm's church, Montgomery County.

Morris H. Brensinger, of Lehigh County, and W. H. Shepp of Tamaqua Pa., have not yet fully completed negotiations and therefore we refrain from mentioning their prospects at this time.

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THE CLASS OF '89.

The Senior Class completed the final examinations of their college course on the 28th of May. The class consists of twelve members, Henry A. I. Benner, Collegeville, Pa.; Ernest Clapp, N. C.; I. Calvin Fisher, Myers-town, Pa.; Ernest H. Longstreth, Collegeville, Pa.; Mayne R. Longstreth, Collegeville, Pa.; Flora S. Rahn, Schwenksville, Pa.; Oswil H. E. Rauch, Slatington, Pa.; Henry M. Slotterer, Trappe, Pa.; Henry M. Spare, Collegeville, Pa.; Samuel P. Stauffer, South Whitehall, Pa.; William H. Stubblebine, Philadelphia, and Wallace H. Wotring, Schnecksville, Pa.

The honors of the class have been awarded as follows:

Valedictory, S. P. Stauffer.

Salutatory, Mayne R. Longstreth.

Philosophical Oration, W. H. Wotring.

Scientific Oration, Flora S. Rahn.

The class will now enjoy a month's vacation to prepare for the final exercises of their college career.

URSINUS AND CONSTITUTIONAL PROHIBITION.

At a recent meeting the faculty and students of URSINUS COLLEGE unanimously adopted the following resolution:

*“Resolved, That as a prohibitory amendment is now before the people of Pennsylvania for acceptance or rejection and it behooves all friends of temperance to take a decided stand upon the issue it involves, we, the professors and students of URSINUS COLLEGE, do hereby avow our approval of the measure and promise to aid by vote and voice in the work of its adoption.”*

The unequivocal endorsement which the college has thus given the great reform movement that is agitating the State has stirred up much lively interest in the question among all the students. The amendment association assembles weekly to discuss such phases of the subject as are brought up in the various newspapers, and the meetings are largely attended and are characterized by a great deal of enthusiasm.

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PROHIBITION CONCERT.

The concert referred to in the May BULLETIN, in the interests of a fund for paying the railway fare of students who desire to go home to vote for prohibition but are unable of themselves to meet the traveling expenses of such a trip, took place in the College chapel on Monday evening, May 27th, under the auspices of the Amendment Association of the College and the direction of Mr. O. H. E. Rauch, '89. Although the weather was unfavorable, a large and appreciative audience was

present. The following programme was very pleasantly rendered :

PART ONE.

- Among the Roses.....Wilson  
    Aeolian Orchestra.
- Ursinus Song, (Aeolian Quartet) Music by O.  
    H. E. Rauch.
- Messrs. Rauch, Spangler, Williams and Royer.
- Knight and Wood-Nymph, (Duet).....Watson  
    Miss Cora Weist and Mr. Rauch.
- The Mill in the Forest.....Eilenberg  
    Aeolian Orchestra.
- Brightly the Sunlight Gleaming...Oliver Metra  
    Miss Cora Wiest.
- Divertissements, Op. 69.....Fred Beyer  
Piano Duet, Miss May Royer and Mr. Rauch.

PART TWO.

- Selection—Mikado.....Sullivan  
    Aeolian Orchestra.
- Selection.....Mr. Ralph Royer
- The Blue Bells of Scotland.....Richards  
    Piano Solo, Miss Sallie Hendricks.
- Beware, Take Care.....,.....Rosewig  
    Aeolian Quartette.
- Air and Variations.....Ch. Danela  
Clarinet and Piano Duet, Miss May and Mr.  
    Carl Royer.
- Ah, So True, (with Flute Obligato) Estabrook  
    Miss Cora Weist.
- Comic O. P. R. A.....Leslie  
Misses Weist and Kraft, Messrs Royer and  
    Rauch.
- Jewel Overture.....Purcell  
    Aeolian Orchestra.
- Good Night.....With the Orchestra.

The singing of Miss Cora Weist, of Harrisburg, the clarinet performances of Mr. Carl Royer, of Philadelphia, and the comic O. P. R. A., by Misses Weist and Kraft, and Messrs. Royer and Rauch deserve special mention. Mr. Rauch is to be congratulated on his successful management of this most enjoyable musicale.

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY STUDENTS.

One of the most interesting facts disclosed by the summary of the year's work at URSINUS that has just been made, is that a new "best record" for attendance has been established. The total number of students for 1888-89 is considerably in excess of any figure heretofore reached in the history of the college.

The size and character of the body of students enrolled at any institution are powerful elements in forming the public estimate of its worth. Therefore, when our Alma Mater points to the figures 180 as showing the aggregate number of those who have received instruction in her halls during the year, she does so conscious that there is a deep and influential meaning in them which will be widely felt and appreciated.

It has been thought that a statement of the total attendance of students at URSINUS for each year since her foundation may prove of interest to many readers, and a table, showing the annual figures since 1869, is here given :

Year.	Students.	Year.	Students.
1869.....	138	1879-'80.....	60*
1869-'70.....	127	1880-'81.....	76
1870-'71.....	120	1881-'82.....	115
1871-'72.....	148	1882-'83.....	118
1872-'73.....	113	1883-'84.....	116
1873-'74.....	119	1884-'85.....	131
1874-'75.....	117	1885-'86.....	153
1875-'76.....	107	1886-'87.....	121
1876-'77.....	121	1887-'88.....	162
1877-'78.....	115	1888-'89.....	180
1878-'79.....	70		

\*Approximate number.

A careful comparison of the results attained during the different periods reveals some very instructive history to those acquainted with the inner life and progress of the institution, while the import of the record of the

last five years must make the heart of every friend of URSINUS glad.

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THE LECTURES BY DR. GOOD.

The course of lectures delivered by the Rev. J. I. Good, D. D., of Philadelphia, on March 21st, May 2d, and May 16th, although chiefly intended for the members of the Theological Department, proved full of instruction and highly attractive to the students in general. He discoursed successively on "John à Lasco," "Ursinus and Olevianus," and "The Huguenots." Dr. Good will continue his lectures on historical topics next year, and it is hoped that the number of them will be increased.

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RECEPTION TO THE GRADUATING CLASS.

On Thursday evening, May 16th, Vice-President and Mrs. Henry W. Super, D. D., gave a reception at their beautiful home, just opposite the College Campus, to the members of the class of '89, and invited guests. The evening passed delightfully in numerous social diversions, and ended in a rich banquet provided with every delicacy of the season. It was an exceedingly happy occasion that will always live in the memories of those in whose honor it was arranged.

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SERVICES AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

For some months past a number of the students under the leadership of Mr. O. H. E. Rauch, '89, and Mr. H. E. Jones, '91, have made Sunday afternoon visits to the Montgomery County Almshouse, for the purpose of holding religious services. It is reported in the newspapers that the meetings have become highly interesting and are re-

sulting in much good. Quite a large number of the inmates attend them and usually some of the neighbors are present as well. Through the energetic efforts of the young men who have engaged in this good work, the walls of the meeting-room have been papered, the floor carpeted, an organ and an altar have been purchased, the benches have been replaced by chairs and the entire surroundings have been made altogether pleasant and comfortable.

The rewards for such well-doing are sure to come in rich measure both now and hereafter.

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BASE BALL.

MUHLENBERG VERSUS URSINUS.

The College Nine went to Allentown on Saturday, May 25th, and defeated Muhlenberg College in a close game. Miller pitched a great game for URSINUS, as the score will show. Lazarus, for Muhlenberg, did good catching. The grounds are very poor and small, and account for a number of the two and three base-hits, and a few of the errors. Nothing complimentary can be said of the treatment received from the umpire, and the audience of about three hundred Muhlenberg students and their friends.

Following is the score:—

MUHLENBERG.

	R.	B.H.	P.O.	A	E.
Saeger, lf.....	1	0	0	3	1
Lazarus, c.....	1	1	8	3	0
Gimlich, cf.....	0	1	0	1	0
Spieker, 3b.....	0	2	2	0	2
Shafer, 2b.....	1	1	3	1	2
Rhodes, rf.....	0	0	0	0	0
White, ss & p.....	1	0	2	3	0
Snyder, p & ss.....	0	0	0	7	0
Walker, 1b.....	0	0	6	0	0
—	—	—	—	—	—
	4	5	21	17	5

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	R.	B.H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Hendricks, c.....	0	1	11	3	2
Kalbach, rb.....	1	2	4	0	0
Miller, p.....	1	0	0	18	1
Bomberger, ss.....	1	1	2	2	1
Knipe, zb.....	0	2	2	1	0
Hensing, lf.....	1	0	1	0	0
Welsh, cf.....	0	2	0	0	0
Wiest, 3b.....	0	1	4	1	1
Hunsicker, rf.....	1	0	0	0	1
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	5	9	24	25	7

INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total.
Muhlenberg...	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	4—
Ursinus.....	0	0	1	3	1	0	0	x	5—

Earned runs—Muhlenberg, 0; Ursinus, 2. Two-base hits—Spieker, Shafer, Kalbach, Welsh. Three-base hit—Bomberger. Struck out, by Snyder, 7; by Miller, 16; by White, 3; Bases on balls, by Snyder, 4; by Miller, 3; Left on bases, Muhlenberg, 7, Ursinus, 2; Wild throws, Bomberger, Spieker, Shafer; Muffed thrown ball, Miller, Hendricks, 2, Wiest, Spieker; Fumbles, Wiest, Hunsicker, White, Saeger. Umpire, Mr. Hassler.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

William F. Ruff, '90, who was detained at home for some time by serious illness, made his appearance at college again early in May.

Dr. W. H. Mostellar, of Phoenixville, delivered his second practical talk on "Medical Emergencies" in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, on Friday afternoon, May 10.

Charles E. Wehler, '87, one of the theological graduates, occupied the pulpit of Trinity Church, Collegeville, on Sunday evening, May 19.

The Æolian Orchestra, of the college, was present, by invitation, at the recent wedding of Peter C. Fritz, Esq., of Philadelphia, and Miss Josephine H. Landis, sister of Prof. A. L. Landis, at Grater's Ford, Pa., and rendered a number of its best selections.

William R. Smith, '91, was called to his home in Ohio, recently, by the

news of the sudden death of his father. The students deeply sympathize with him in his loss.

On Thursday evening, May 23, a lecture on Prohibition was delivered in the college chapel by Rev. Mr. Flannan, of Michigan. The address was preceded with a prayer by President Bomberger, and an instrumental duet by Miss Lillie Preston and Miss Sallie Hendricks.

P. M. Spangler, '90, was summoned unexpectedly to York, Pa., not long since, where he resides, to attend the funeral of his grandmother.

The quiet of President Bomberger's prohibition address, in the college chapel, on Thursday evening May 2, was disturbed by the uninvited entrance of a living specimen of intemperance. The example was immediately turned to account by the speaker in favor of the amendment.

On the last Monday evening in May a number of URSINUS representatives gave a Prohibition Meeting in Trinity Church, Skippackville. The meeting was presided over by I. Calvin Fisher, '89. Music was furnished by O. H. E. Rauch, '89, Ralph Royer, '90, and Miss May Royer, '86. Speeches were made by H. A. I. Benner, '89, Robert G. Magee, '90, and J. Howard Johnson.

THE LITERARY SOCIETIES.

SCHAFF OPEN MEETING.

On account of the unavoidable absence of one of the members of the "Schaff Quartette," which was to furnish the musical portion of the programme of the annual open meeting of the Schaff Literary Society, announced

for Friday evening, May 17, the event was postponed to Tuesday evening, May 21. On that night, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, a very good audience assembled in the college chapel to enjoy the exercises arranged for the occasion.

The meeting was called to order by the President, E. S. Bromer, '90. After the calling of the roll by Secretary George W. Filbert, '91, and the observance of devotional exercises conducted by the Chaplain, Ernest Clapp, '89, the following literary programme was rendered:—

Music, "When my Ship Comes o'er the Sea," by the Schaff Quartette; Declamation, "Then and Now," by H. M. Wright, '93; Essay, "Education of the Will," by Chas. Brey, '93; Music, Violin Solo, with guitar accompaniment, by I. C. Williams, '91, P. M. Spangler, '90, and Chas. E. Wehler, '87; Declamation, "The Hunter's Last Ride," by H. P. Keely, '92; Essay, "Covetousness," by W. R. Smith, '91; Music, "Murmuring Voice of the Deep," by Ralph Royer, '90; Declamation, "Life's Journey," by J. Manton Mensch, '91; Essay, "Conversation," by Wm. Knipe, '91; Music, Guitar Duet, "Spanish Fandango," C. E. Wehler, and P. M. Spangler; Oration, "Temperance," by Ralph Royer, '90; "Reading of the Schaff Gazette," by I. C. Williams, '91; Music, "I'm King o'er the Land and the Sea," Schaff Quartette.

After the singing of the Doxology, the meeting adjourned. Each one on the programme performed his part with credit to himself and to the society. Special praise is due to the gentlemen who furnished the music for the occasion. Miss Sallie C.

Hendricks, who acted as accompanist for the evening, was tendered a vote of thanks by the society for her services. It is a source of pride to the society that, with a single exception, the whole programme, literary and musical, was given by its own members.

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#### OTHER SCHAFF NEWS.

During the past year the Schaff branch of the college library has almost trebled itself in size.

The society is now a chartered organization, free from any indebtedness whatever.

The number of active members on the roll is sixty-two, but before this issue of the BULLETIN appears this number will be reduced by seven, who are members of the graduating class.

The Schaff contributor, who represents his society in the BULLETIN for probably the last time with this issue, desires, as a parting word, to congratulate his fellow-members on the present prosperous condition of the organization, and to urge them to greater efforts and achievements in the future.

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#### ZWINGLIAN SOCIETY.

The following are the present officers of the Zwinglian Literary Society:—

*President.*—Harvey E. Kilmer, '90.

*Vice-President.*—Calvin D. Yost, '91.

*Recording Secretary.*—Henry R. Steinruck, '92.

*Corresponding Secretary.*—William H. Kern, '92.

*Critic.*—William H. Loose, '90.

*Treasurer.*—Irvin F. Wagner '91.

*Chaplain.*—Harry E. Jones, '91.

*Marshall.*—John E. Keen.  
*Editor.*—Osborne B. Hensinger, '92.  
*Curator.*—Frank H. Fisher, '91.

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DIRECTORS.

The Board of Directors of the society is constituted as follows: President, I. Calvin Fisher, '89; Secretary, O. H. E. Rauch, '89; Harvey E. Kilmer, '90; Thomas E. Kalbach, '92; Ira L. Bryner, '92.

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QUESTIONS DISCUSSED.

The questions for debate discussed by the Zwinglians during the past month were:—

*Resolved,* That Canada should be annexed to the United States; and,

*Resolved,* That the pulpit affords a better place for eloquence than the bar.

The judges and the house agreed in both cases in deciding in favor of the affirmative side of the question.

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EBRARD SOCIETY.

The new constitution of this society has been completed. Under its provisions the anniversary of the society will be held regularly in the eighth week of each Fall Term. The performers for the next anniversary have already been selected. Two more new members were recently received into the society's ranks.

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THE COLLEGE LIBRARY.

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ITS STEADY INCREASE AND PROGRESS.

The growth of the College Library, at first thought to be simply the result of a spasmodic effort to improve its condition somewhat, is now seen to be a steady onward movement, chiefly

effected by the earnest desire of the students to enjoy the benefits of a well selected and thoroughly equipped collection of standard literary works. Every month since the movement was started has seen a considerable addition to our numbers.

Since the last report to the BULLETIN the Olevians, desirous, as usual, of securing such books as will best suit the wants and tastes of young ladies, have made the following additions to their collection:

Miscellaneous:

Mrs. Jameson's *Characteristics of Women*; Alice and Phoebe Cary's *Poems*; Mme. De Stael's *Corinne, ou L'Italie*; Gail Hamilton's *Gala Days, Summer Rest, and Battle of the Books*; Mrs. Sigourney's *Daily Counsellor*; Miss Benger's *Memoirs of Anne Boleyn*; Marion Manville's *Over the Divide*.

Fiction:

Miss Warner's, *Wide, Wide World*; Mrs. H. B. Stowe's, *The Minister's Wooing*, and *Pink and White Tyranny*; Miss Yonge's *Chaplet of Pearl*; Miss Alcott's, *Little Women, Little Men, Jo's Boys, and Old Fashioned Girl*; Wm. Carleton's *Willy Reilly*; Mrs. A. L. Wister's *Gold Elsie*.

Martha Finley's *Elsie Books* as follows:

*Elsie Dinsmore*; *Elsie's Girlhood*; *Elsie's Holidays*; *Elsie's Womanhood*; *Elsie's Motherhood*.

Also, Eleanor Maitland; *Twelve Month's in an English Prison*; *Very Genteel*; *For a Dream's Sake*; and *Millicent and her Cousin*; by various authors.

The Zwinglian Society has received the following volumes:

From Rev. Madison C. Peters, "Empty Pews."

From an Anonymous Friend:

Wright's *Principia of Political Science*; Maurice's *Social Morality*; Richardson's *Dictionary*, 2 vols.; *Wit and Wisdom of Sydney Smith*; Mandsley's *Body and Mind*; Henry

James' Portraits of Places; Bickersteth's Yesterday, To-day, and Forever.

The Schaff Society has also added the following new books:

From Rev. Dr. Brendle,  
Brendle's Prodigal Son.

From an Honorary Member:

Mackenzie's Life of Dicken's; De Custine's Russia; Eliz. S. Phelps, The Story of Avis; W. D. Whitney's Oriental and Linguistic Studies; W. D. Whitney's, The East and West, Religion and Mythology; W. D. Whitney's Language and the Study of Language; The Spectator, 8 vols.; The Fisherman's Allegories.

The thanks of the Library Committee are also due to A. D. Fetterolf, Esq., of Collegeville, who has furnished them with the last State Reports as follows:

Smull's Leg. Handbook for 1889. State Treas. Report, 1888; 2d Geol. Survey, Atlas E. M. A. F. PA. II, and Gen'l Rept. 1888; 2nd Geol. Survey Museum Catalogue, P. A. III; Adt. Gen'l Rept. '87-'88; Rept. of Com. of Sinking Fund, 1888; Report of State Board of Health, 1887; Rept. Supt. of Public Instruction, 1888; Report of Penna. Agriculture, 1888.

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#### INTRODUCTION OF IMPROVED CATALOGUING RULES.

The usefulness of a college library depends not so much upon the number of books it includes as upon its being so classified and arranged that the student can find, without delay, all it contains on any subject about which he may desire information. Our library has been brought to a high degree of usefulness through the application of the Dewey system of decimal classification, but its efficiency could be greatly increased by means of a systematized, cross-referenced card-catalogue. A card-catalogue without

system, and without cross references, is of little value while the library is small, and when it becomes larger the catalogue will become bulky and unwieldy; therefore an effort will be made before Commencement to secure the supplies necessary for the adoption of the Dewey and Cutter Card Cataloguing Rules.

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#### LOOK FOR MISSING CATALOGUES, PROGRAMMES, AND INVITATIONS.

The college collection of catalogues, programmes, invitations, and other records of our local history is not yet complete. The value of such a collection, both as a source of material for future college history, and as a depository of relics of great interest for past and present students, can hardly be over-estimated. And the library committee now takes this opportunity of earnestly soliciting those who may have copies of missing numbers to spare, to send them to the library. Those most needed are: College catalogues from 1870-80 inclusive; Commencement programmes for 1873 (the 2nd), and, as duplicates, all in the seventies; Commencement invitations, all before 1880. As of special interest at the coming Commencement, the committee would also be pleased to complete the catalogues of Freeland Seminary. The missing years are 1850, 1859, 1861, 1867, 1868, 1869.

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#### REMEMBER THE LIBRARY AT COMMENCEMENT.

Alumni, old students and all friends are kindly reminded of the great good they can do the library cause by not forgetting its interests during the ap-

proaching Commencement. Contributions of books or money, whether large or small, will be gladly received and gratefully acknowledged. The movement has now so far advanced that it is bound to prosper, and the friend who brings even one book to swell its numbers will have the satisfaction of knowing that he has helped a successful work.

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#### THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

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##### PERSONALS.

[Alumni and others can render a service by sending items of interest for this column. All such items, to receive prompt attention, must be addressed to URSINUS COLLEGE BULLETIN, Colledgeville, Montg. Co., Pa.]

'73. The Rev. J. A. Foil, in a private letter recently received, gives a very encouraging report of the work of Catawba college, Newton, N. C., during the past year. The course of instruction at Catawba has been extended so as to cover the Junior and Senior years, and the college graduated three young men this year. Professor Foil has been connected with the institution of the Reformed church in the South since his graduation, and his faithful devotion to its work has contributed largely to the success attained in later years.

'73. The Rev. J. H. Hunsberger, of Stone church, Genesee Co., N. Y., visited the home of his youth in May, and occupied the pulpit of St. Luke's church, Trappe, on the 19th ult. Mr. Hunsberger is a member of the Wyoming Classis of the Reformed church, but is engaged in ministerial labor in the Presbyterian church. The services of young men, trained in the Reformed church, seem to be in de-

mand in the congregations of other denominations.

'74. The Rev. J. G. Neff has been supplying the Reformed congregation at Bangor, of which he was formerly pastor, for more than three months, and will continue to do so until a minister is again settled over the people.

'75. The Rev. D. U. Wolff is continuing his residence at Myerstown, Pa., with his widowed mother. He has almost entirely recovered his health, and will turn his attention to ministerial labor as soon as his circumstances will permit. The church will welcome his return to active service.

'75. The Rev. L. G. Kremer, of Spring City, Pa., has been enjoying a successful pastorate among a people ready for every good work. He and his people have evinced their interest in URSINUS by donations to the college amounting to nearly \$1,500. Only three members contributed larger amounts than the pastor, who was the first to enter his name on the book,—a fact which is worthy of imitation by all the alumni.

'76. The Rev. H. J. Welker, of the Tulpehocken charge, Berks Co., Pa., is finding the labor of serving five congregations too onerous, and earnest efforts are making to divide his charge, a step in the right direction that cannot be taken too soon. His address is Stouchsburg, Pa.

'76. The Rev. F. C. Yost, Milton, Pa., has been compelled to vacate the parsonage of St. John's church, of which he is pastor, on account of its sale to a gentleman who has promised to remove it from its close proximity to the new church building. The



change will add greatly to the attractive appearance of the handsome church edifice erected by the Milton congregation.

'77. The Rev. J. W. Mabry, of Cherryville, Northampton Co., Pa., who served as President of the East Pennsylvania Classis during the past classical year, preached the opening sermon at the annual meeting of that body in Grace chapel, College Hill, Easton, Pa., and also served as a member of the committee on Examination and Licensure.

'78. Henry A. Matthieu, Esq., of Philadelphia, in addition to the pursuit of his chosen profession, has for several years past been engaged in a commercial business in his native city, in which he is meeting with much success.

'79. The Rev. A. R. Thompson, of Bridgewater, Virginia, is keeping alive his early love for newspaper work by frequent contributions to the periodicals of the church, and although "Notus" does not know all things, he says many wise and witty things for the edification of his readers. It is rumored that the brother has disposed of his car-heating patent at a very high figure.

'82. A. W. Bomberger, Esq., has moved from Philadelphia to the residence No. 507 West Main Street, Norristown, Pa., purchased and occupied by his wife's father, Henry W. Kratz, Esq., after the sale of his handsome property at Trappe, the two families thus uniting in one home.

'83. Mr. G. W. Wolfersberger has become one of the successful pharmacutists of Philadelphia. He purchased

the house and store of Dr. Bowker, deceased, at the corner of Sixth and Vine Streets, about a year ago, and is doing a flourishing drug and prescription business.

'84. The Rev. H. A. Bomberger is not only carrying forward his church work in the Heidelberg congregation, York, Pa., with great energy and remarkable success, but is doing heroic work in the interests of the Constitutional Amendment. He is uncompromising and irresistible in his devotion to the cause of prohibition.

'84. The Rev. D. L. Fogelman has charge of the Evangelical Lutheran church at Danville, Pa., and his ministrations are well received by the people.

'84. The Rev. J. W. Meminger, pastor of St. Paul's church, Lancaster, Pa., is devoting his time very largely to speaking for the Constitutional Amendment, and is doing the cause excellent service by his popular talent and enthusiasm.

'85. The Rev. J. B. May, of Birdsboro, Pa., recently received a call to the Reformed church at Bangor, Pa., which, however, he felt constrained to decline on account of the protracted ill-health of his brother.

'85. The Rev. S. L. Messinger has achieved remarkable success in his pastorate of the Blain charge, Perry Co., Pa. He is indefatigable in his labors, and his harvests have been rich and abundant. Although the charge he serves stretches over a length of some twenty miles, he has succeeded in visiting every family at least once a year. The upper end of his charge—Blain and Sandy Hill congregations—recently favored the college with

subscriptions toward the liquidation of its indebtedness to the amount of \$1,000. The pastor's good example and co-operation contributed largely to the success of the canvass.

'85. The Rev. T. C. Strock, of the Tinicum charge, Bucks Co., Pa., held a Sunday-school and Temperance Convention in his upper Tinicum church on the 8th inst. Mr. Strock has taken an active part in the amendment campaign, and his example ought to be productive of good beyond the bounds of his own charge.

'86. The Rev. J. O. Lindaman, of Bath, Pa., is another of the alumni who has proved his devotion to the college by a handsome contribution of his own, and active co-operation in the canvass of his congregation.

'86. The Rev. Edwin C. Hibshman observed the first anniversary of his work as assistant pastor of Heidelberg Reformed church, Philadelphia, on Sunday morning, June 2d, by preaching a sermon in special keeping with the occasion. His first year's labors in this large and highly prosperous congregation have won for him the affections of the people, and resulted in much good.

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#### GENERAL TOPICS.

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##### POPULARITY OF ACADEMIC COMMENCEMENTS.

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It is certainly among the more noteworthy signs of the times that school commencements are gaining popularity as the years roll on. Even the name, vague and at least seemingly unsuitable as it is, is growing in favor and fashion. As to the thing itself,

in its essential import and purpose, it is a comparatively old institution.

There are fathers, and even grandfathers, well up in years, who can tell of occasions which had in them at least the germs and first verdant blades of our modern, full-grained-ears' commencements, with their usual accompaniments. And those occasions took in not merely the higher schools, colleges, and universities (that is, often, colleges which, in some universal way, embraced all the courses of study maintained in classical establishments pre-eminently so called, up to the Junior year of a full curriculum, or such as hitched on to their car some previously quite distinct medical, law, or technical institution), but also primary schools and academies, public or private. These, furthermore, frequently reached down (or up) to such as took special care of the dear little ones, then commonly called infants, though their ages ranged from three to eight years. Only then the occasions were called "exhibitions," perhaps in the spirit of old time frankness and honesty.

Doubtless there are those still living who could very pleasantly entertain the twenty thousand young gentlemen and younger (of course) ladies, (the compliment may pay for accidentally naming them second), with descriptions of those early-day displays. They could tell of bright faces; of brand new suits; the brilliant dresses, white, blue and pink, of latest style; the ribbons sparkling with (glass or real) pearls adorning the nicely braided hair. They could tell of happy teachers, they were not *all* professors then, however worthy of the title, supported by noble patrons of the school, march-

ing with dignified delight at the head of the joyous procession on their way to the church or court house where the exhibition was to take place; of the "exercises," including declamations in poetry and prose, and dialogues sometimes between four and six youth of the school and often almost venturing into the dramatic; of applause given, especially to the little five-yearling, who, at call, stepped out briskly before the admiring audience and with a clear, ringing voice, sang out:

"You'd scarce expect one of my age  
To speak in public on the stage," &c.

or to that other lad, a little older, for whom the sage master of the school had selected, doubtless with sagacious foresight:

"Plato, thou reasonest well,  
Else whence this pleasing hope, this fond  
desire," &c.

which the lad, of course, appreciating the honor, pronounced with due solemnity and in deep tones which might have been taken for his grandfather's.

And so on to the end of the written (not printed; they were too economical for that, in those days when \$500 a year, 6 cords of hickory wood, and some perquisites were counted good wages for teaching or preaching), programme. After that the same narrators of how they did it in olden times could tell of the refreshments with which the happy performers were regaled,—sugar buns and a cup of chocolate or glass of lemonade, or possibly something more varied and liberal.

But "let by-gones be by-gones," excepting that they may now and then

be pleasantly recalled. Those exhibitions have expanded into commencements, and though many may have wondered and still wonder why the name was changed and what this new title means, the novelty has rather won the day, as novelties are apt to do, and become the popular favorite.

Popularity, it is true, can by no means be accepted as the absolute test of merit or of truth. THE BULLETIN still inclines to a preference for the name used by our Teutonic kindred in the Vaterland, the felicitous word commended a year ago, Preisvertheilungsfeierlichkeit, and would certainly try to acclimate it but for the difficulty of its agglutination with English, and the probably still harder task of securing a majority vote of the young gentlemen graduates and their friends in its favor. The other (better) half of the class would naturally be unanimous for it as affording a splendid chance of displaying their linguistic expertness. Still the German title's longitude is so much out of proportion with its breadth and depth, that the other words on the programme would object to tolerating its encroachment on their space. This, indeed, would be only an illustrative proof of the truth stated above. For if real intrinsic force and merit ruled the popular taste our Preisvertheilungsfeierlichkeit would certainly take the prize.

But yielding this point, as the BULLETIN thinks we must, there offers another maxim which genuine prudence commends to consideration. It is that very often to win for true merit the praise and favor it deserves, methods not "organically" (the B. thought it could get that philosophic pet word in somewhere) related to

virtue in any way may be employed, by which its path to popularity may be opened, smoothed and made sure. On this good principle, which involves nothing *per se* wrong, the growing popularity both of the word and thing denominated commencement, affords matter for joy. Let no one's collegiate or academic dignity be disconcerted therefore by the spreading appropriation of the grand term by so many various grades and classes of schools throughout the land. There is no usurpation in such wider application of it. This is the United States of America not Russia or Spain, and here the use of lawful words is free by law to all men, and especially the mothers and their daughters.

The Township school with its cozy house *sub tegmine fagi*, or *quercus* if it pleases, has as full right to call its closing exercises for the year commencement and announce the coming event accordingly, as any other University or College in Maine or Minnesota. It may also, if it chooses, dispense diplomas and confer degrees, giving them titles to its taste, and as many as it may care to bestow. In such matters here there are, Hail Columbia, no pre-emption claims or exclusive privileges of primogeniture.

Some venerable Seniors in the higher academic line, who by the toils and sweat of more than a century's efforts have made their fortune, and fixed their reputation for glorious commencements par excellence, may be over-sensitive in the premises and chafe at every public school and small private seminary around them publishing and holding their humble festivities under the same high-sounding name. But this, far from exciting

unpleasantness, should rather make the gray grandsires of American education glad.

The BULLETIN sees only good in the development. Instead of ridiculing those who have fallen into line with this excellent fashion of thus closing each school year's work by beginning a new one; instead of saying to the younger and smaller members of the great brotherhood of education, stand aside, or "go to Jericho till your beards are grown," it prefers to say, "would God all our schools were really first-class colleges, each better than the other, and all had commencements worthy of their name, to deepen, heighten and inflame to pure white heat a universal zeal for the spread of the loftiest and holiest education throughout every State, county, township and district of the land." The BULLETIN does think it discerns a tendency to degeneration in the efforts to re-pristiniate heathen sports and games in Universities and Colleges built upon better than ethnic foundations; but its dignity does in no sense feel offended or degraded by the public schools and primary academies around it holding commencements.

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#### ANOTHER EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT.

The gift of \$600,000 by Mr. John D. Rockefeller to aid in founding a new university in Chicago with \$1,000,000 endowment, insures the success of a project which the Baptist denomination has long had in view. It is intimated that this is only the beginning of Mr. Rockefeller's generosity to the proposed institution if its future course meets his approval. With the assistance of so liberal a friend and the aid which will come from the

denomination under whose auspices the university is to be established it will undoubtedly be an important addition to the educational institutions in the Northwest.

It is also another indication that Chicago is rapidly becoming an educational centre and will possess in the near future some of the most flourishing institutions of learning in the country. That city has already the Northwestern University, supported by the Methodists and with an endowment of more than \$2,000,000, and the Lake Forest University, a Presbyterian institution, the funds of which are soon to be increased by the addition of \$700,000. With the new university to be established and endowed by the Baptists, Chicago will possess a trio of educational institutions one of which even would be considered an acquisition by any city.

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### MONTHLY SUMMARY.

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#### CONGREGATIONAL.

The corner-stone of the Reformed Church of the Incarnation, at Newport, Pa., was laid on Good Friday morning, with impressive religious services. The attendance was large and the services greatly enjoyed. The Revs. S. E. Smith, of the Lutheran and J. V. Shannon of the M. E. Church were present. Rev. W. R. H. Deatrack is the pastor.

On Sunday, May 5th, the New Reformed Friedens, Church of the Beaver charge, Pike Co. O., was dedicated. The church is situated on an elevation, where it can be seen at a great distance. It has a steeple with bell. Rev. J. M. Grether, pastor, performed the dedication.

The basement of the new St. John's Reformed and Lutheran church at Emaus Lehigh Co., Pa., was dedicated on Sunday May 12th. The day was fair and the attendance large.

#### MINISTERIAL.

Bollenbacher's, J., address changed to Elmore, Wisconsin.

Clever, Conrad, address changed to 742 N. Eutaw st., Baltimore, Md.

Firor, M. L., Baltimore, Md., called to Grace Reformed Church, Washington, D. C.

Fox, F., address changed to 406 W. 47th st., New York City.

Frantz, Hiram A., accepts call to St. John's Church, Tamaqua, Pa.

Geizel, J. F., of Indiana, died March 31st, aged 77 years.

Gring, Ambrose D., resigns as Missionary to Japan.

Heyser, H. C., deposed by New York Classis.

Kraut, A. F. (Licentiate), died at Mt. Bethel, Northampton Co., Pa., May 16th.

Leonard, J. C., accepts call to Upper David-son charge, N. C.

Lyerly, J. M. L., elected pastor of Central Rowan charge, N. C.

Richards, J., address is Burlington, N. C.

Robb, Lewis M., Vice-President, Palatinate College, Myerstown, Pa., accepts call to St. John's Church, Williamsport, Pa.

Rust, E. Calvin, accepts call to Somerset charge, Somerset, Ohio.

Schwichtenberg, H. A., resigns, Reesville, Wis., on account of ill health.

Shaw, R., address changed from Liberty Centre to De Long, Fulton County, Ind.

Smith, Reinhart, died at Swanton, Ohio, May 21.

Stechow, W., removed from Stone Creek to Anheim, Ohio.

Wehler, Chas. E., called to Boehm's church, Blue Bell, Pa.

Williams, E. Garver, from Bellevue to Winchester, Crawford Co., Ohio.

Winter, John, Crestline, Ohio, accepts call to Sandusky, Ohio. Address 504 Hancock St.

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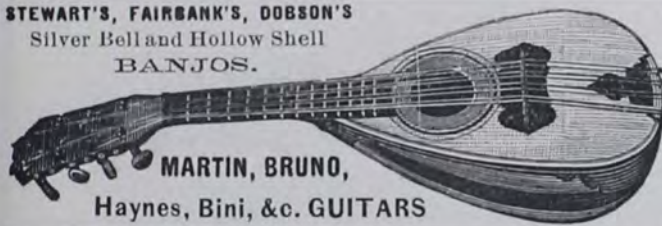
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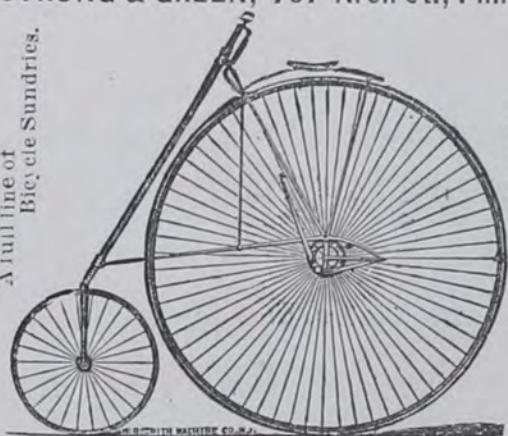
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