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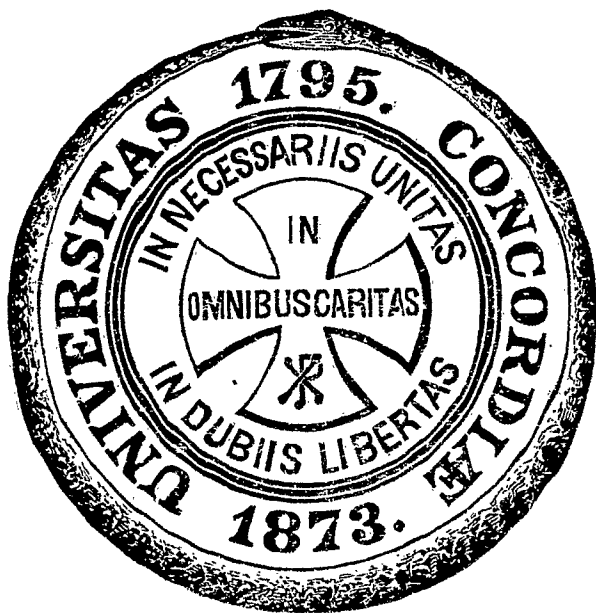
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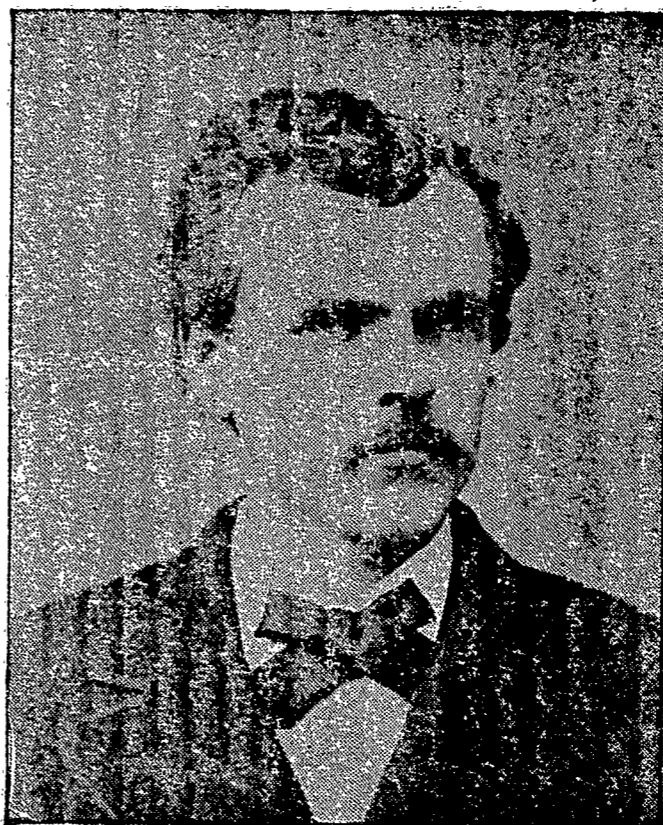
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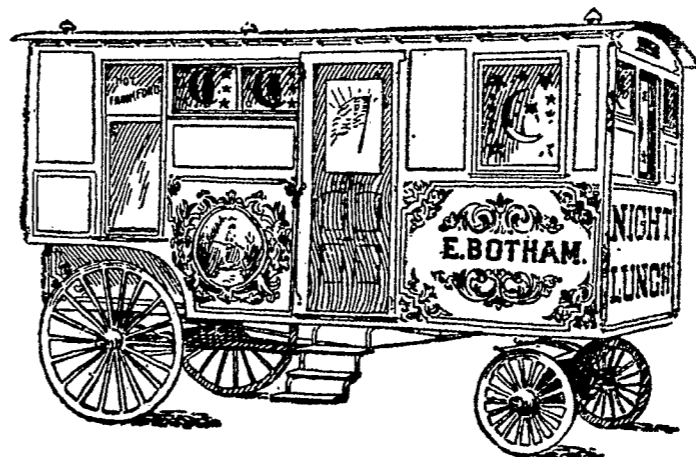
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IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

Prominent Educators Working for Uniform College Entrance Examinations.

The recent agitation in regard to the adoption of a uniform system of college entrance requirements and examinations has resulted in several conferences between the presidents of the institutions concerned. The following is the result of the action taken at New York City during the holidays. Dr. Raymond acted as Union's representative at the conference.

NEW YORK, December 22, 1899.

At the meeting of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools in the Middle States and Maryland, held at Trenton, N. J., December 2, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this association urges the early establishment of a joint college admission examination board, composed of representatives of colleges and of secondary schools in the Middle States and Maryland, which shall endeavor to bring about as rapidly as possible an agreement upon a uniform statement as to each subject required by two or more colleges for admission; to hold or cause to be held, at convenient points, in June of each year, a series of college admission examinations, with uniform tests in each subject, and issue certificates based upon the results of such examinations.

Resolved, That in case such a board be established before the next meeting of this association, the Executive Committee be empowered to designate the representatives of secondary schools to serve upon such a board until December, 1900.

Resolved, That the several colleges in the Middle States and Maryland be requested by this association to accept the certificates issued by such joint College Admission Examination Board, so far as they go, in lieu of their own separate admission examinations.

Resolved, That these resolutions be printed and the secretary instructed to forward a copy to the

president or principal of each institution on the membership roll of this association.

In accordance with these resolutions the following call was issued December 14:

In view of the resolutions unanimously adopted at the meeting of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools in the Middle States and Maryland, at their meeting held December 2, 1899, urging the early establishment of a Joint College Admission Examination Board, an invitation is now extended to each college in the Middle States and Maryland having during the present year a freshman class (courses in arts and in sciences being counted together for this purpose) of not less than fifty members, to send a representative to a meeting to be held at Columbia University, on Friday, December 22, at 10 A. M., to undertake the establishment of such a Board.

It is hoped that the response to this invitation may be prompt and cordial, inasmuch as there is every reason to believe that public opinion is ready to welcome the step contemplated. It will be borne in mind that the resolutions referred to contemplate a Board on which the secondary schools shall have formal representatives, and in accordance with those resolutions it is the purpose to ask the Executive Committee of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools in the Middle States and Maryland, to name the representatives of the secondary schools who are to serve upon the proposed Board for the first year of its existence.

Respectfully,

CHARLES C. HARRISON,
Provost Univ. of Pennsylvania.

SETH LOW,
President Columbia University.

A. V. V. RAYMOND,
President Union University.

JACOB G. SCHURMAN,
President Cornell University.

In response to this call, the following delegates met at Columbia University on December 22, at 10 A. M.: Prof. Butler, Columbia University; Dean Crawshaw, Colgate University; Prof. Lamberton, University of Pennsylvania; President Low, Columbia University; Chancellor McCracken, New York University; Dean Putnam, Barnard College; President Raymond, Union University; President Scott, Rutgers College; President Taylor, Vassar College; President Thomas, Bryn Mawr College; Dean Van Amringe, Columbia University; Professor West, Princeton University; Dean Van Meter, Woman's College of Baltimore; Dean White, Cornell University; Mr. Farrand, Newark Academy; Dr. Goodwin, Mixed High School, New York; Dr. Sachs, Collegiate Institute, New York.

President Low was elected Chairman, and Mr. Farrand, Secretary.

The following is a summary of the action taken at the meeting:

It was voted that the Conference proceed to the organization of such a board as is described in the resolutions adopted at Trenton and in the call for this meeting, it being understood that every college shall be free to take part or not to take part in the administration of the Board so established, and to accept or not to accept the results of examinations as certified by such Board.

It was voted that the Board be known as the "College Entrance Examination Board."

It was voted that in the judgment of the Conference the Board should consist of the executives, or their representatives, of the colleges concerned, and the representatives of the secondary schools to be appointed by the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Middle States and Maryland.

It was voted that a sub-committee of five, consisting of three representatives of the colleges, and two of schools, be appointed by the Chairman to draft a constitution and rules for the College Entrance Examination Board, and to report at the next meeting of this Conference. It was further voted that the Chairman be requested to appoint Professor Butler chairman of the sub-committee.

It was voted that the Report of the Committee of the National Educational Association on College Entrance Requirements be recommended to the sub-committee as a guide in their deliberations, and that the committee be further recommended to secure by conference or otherwise, information concerning systems of examinations in this and other countries.

It was voted that the next meeting of the Conference be held at the call of President Low. After the reading and approval of the minutes the meeting adjourned.

The following Sub-Committee was appointed by President Low: Prof. Butler, Chairman; Prof. West, Prof. White, Dr. Goodwin, Mr. Farrand.

WILSON FARRAND,
Secretary.

A TWENTIETH CENTURY RAILROAD.

There are graduates of Union who tell of coming to college by stage coach or canal packet. The story is always interesting as showing the progress which has been made in means of transportation within the memory of men still living, but the story is not complete until the contrast is made with the largest and best facilities offered today. Nowhere can this be done better than right here on the line of the New York Central railroad. There are railroads and railroads, but in many respects the New York Central is the railroad of America, with its four tracks, its splendid equipment, and its almost perfect service. Whatever is found to add to the safety or comfort or convenience of travellers is immediately adopted. Those who are familiar with the history of the road are warm in their expressions of appreciation of the present management, and among all the officials no one is entitled to more praise than George H. Daniels, the General Passenger Agent, since it is doubtless through him that the improvements are introduced that concern most closely the traveling public. The students of Union who profit by his enterprise have reason also to be grateful to him for special courtesies. May the New York Central prosper as it deserves, and George H. Daniels prosper with it.

THE POWER OF PERSONALITY.

Dr. Richard's Strong Sermon on the Day of Prayer for Colleges.

Thursday, the twenty-fifth, being the day set apart for prayer for colleges, was as usual appropriately observed at Union. Recitations were suspended for the day and the whole student body assembled in the chapel at half past ten. With the faculty and a number of townspeople, little vacant space in the building was left.

The President opened the services with a short prayer, Dr. Talmage of the Second Reformed church read a selection from the Scriptures, and the Rev. H. C. Cooper of the Emmanuel Baptist church followed with an earnest plea to heaven for the fostering of a true religious spirit in Union as well as in all other colleges. A hymn followed. Other hymns were interspersed throughout the services.

Dr. William R. Richards, the speaker of the morning, was introduced by the president. Dr. Richards comes from Plainfield, New Jersey, and was formerly an associate of Dr. Raymond's in religious work. The speaker chose as his text part of the last sentence in the Old Testament, "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet, before the great and dreadful day of the Lord." This sentence contains a promise of the coming day of God and strongly reveals the power of human personality. Dr. Richards introduced a striking thought in his address when he stated that not one of God's great works before the time of Elijah could compare in magnitude with the creation of a man such as was Elijah. Men before him had been lacking in the possession of that sort of character which holds one staunch and upright against the driving storms of temptation and temporal expediency.

Elijah had many things to contend with,—a nation of idolaters, the terrible Queen Jezebel, deep-rooted opposition. Jezebel had power and riches behind her; Elijah had nothing to sustain him but his own determined character. Elijah's final triumph was a victory of personal power and determination.

To the nations today Jesus Christ is the personification of God. His final victory will be one of personal force. Some people today do not believe in the miracles worked by Christ while on earth. Yet, whether they do or do not, they cannot help believing in the far greater results of Christ's walk on earth.

The most glowing epochs of history are merely the epochs of great personalities. Elijah, John the Baptist, and Martin Luther are but striking instances of this truth. There is immense power in perfect manhood for in it lies the faculty of uprooting superstition and crushing out evil.

While men of this stamp are found in every path of life, there is no place where one would more naturally look for them than in colleges—institutions for the promotion of knowledge and high ideals. What is needed are men of culture, men of personal power and magnetism. In college, everything should be subsidiary to true culture.

The entire history of Israel, Dr. Richards claimed, would reveal nothing worse than our own crying evils of Mormonism, silver fanaticism and saloon control in politics. It therefore behooves us to fit ourselves to aid in blotting out these evil tendencies.

Christ's great work in reality was merely his instruction and development of the few disciples about him. It was a little college of his own, but yet a college which worked untold good for humanity. Collegians today, like those same students under Jesus, have immense opportunities staring them in the face.

Dr. Richards' entire address was clear, forceful and persuasive. He possesses a strong stage presence, which at once draws and holds the attention of the listener. The address was both interesting and instructive.

The Adelphics debated the question for the Allison-Foote prize debate at their weekly meeting, Wednesday afternoon. The speakers were: Affirmative, W. D. Loucks, C. J. Potter, and A. C. Fenton; negative, L. T. Hubbard, E. L. Winterberg, and J. J. Elliott.

ANOTHER TRUSTEE HONORED.

Judge Landon's Appointment to the Court of Appeals.

The many friends of Hon. Judson S. Landon, especially his friends who are connected with Union whose interests he has had so much at heart and has so diligently served for many years, are glad to know that he has been tendered a seat on the bench of the New York State Court of Appeals and has seen fit to accept the appointment. The appointment was made by Governor Roosevelt on January first and was accepted the following day. Two other appointments were made the same day, all in pursuance of an act of the last legislature providing for the appointment of three associate justices of the court of appeals in order to relieve the extreme pressure of business which has been accumulating on the calendar.

Judge Landon's high reputation and talent as a jurist make it plain to all that the appointment was a wise act and well deserved. He was born in Salisbury, Conn., in 1832, and received the major part of his education in the Amenia and New York Conference Seminaries. He taught for a time in the Princetown Academy and was given the degree of Master of Arts by Union in 1856. He studied law and was admitted in 1856. He commenced practice in Schenectady and was soon after elected district attorney. This office he held two terms, and served from 1865 to 1870 as county judge and surrogate. In 1865 he received the degree of LL. D. from Rutgers College. Judge Landon was a member of the constitutional convention of 1867-8 and was elected to the supreme court, fourth district, in 1873, at the end of his term being reelected as the candidate of both parties. He was appointed to the general term by Governor Cleveland and to the court of appeals by Governor Hill. After the dissolution of the then court of appeals he returned to the supreme court bench and was later assigned to the appellate division by Governor Morton. It is from this bench that he is raised to the court of appeals.

Judge Landon has always been a firm friend of Union College in numberless ways. He has been trustee for many years and was its president *ad interim* from June 1884 until June 1888. A series of lectures to the senior class, delivered by him while president, was published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, and is cited as authority on constitutional history and government of the United States. He is at present a lecturer in the Albany Law School. Judge Landon is a member of Delta Upsilon.

LITERARY NOTES.

The topics editorially treated in the American Monthly Review of Reviews for February are the Nicaragua Canal proposition now before Congress, the Canadian and Erie Canal projects, underground transit in New York and elsewhere, the currency and business situation, the Treasury and the banks, the popular election of Senators, Mr. Beverige's speech in the Senate on the Philippine question, our tariff policy in Puerto Rico and Cuba, the meaning of "neutrality" in the Boer war, and the strength and weakness of the Boer position. The number includes articles on Dwight L. Moody, Gen. Lawton, and Lord Roberts; "A French View of the German Empire"; "The Perilous Position of England" and "The Treasury and the Money Market."

Honorable Thomas B. Reed, in writing of the modern trust, does not seem to regard it either as an "octopus" or a bugaboo. "My notion," says he, "is that while Providence and the higher laws which really govern the universe are, in men's talk, much inferior to the Revised Statutes before they are enacted, they are always found to be quite superior to them after they are enacted. In fact, Nature abhors a monopoly as much as it does a vacuum." Mr. Reed's paper on Monopolies—which is to appear in The Saturday Evening Post of February 10—is a suggestive discussion of the methods of vast corporations. It discusses in a striking and original manner one of the most pressing questions of the day.

THE CIGAR'S AROMA.

I wonder is it the moonlight,
With its beams so wondrous fair,
And the almost blissful stillness,
That drive from my soul the care?

Can it be the scents of the roses,
Which rises on the evening air,
That make me forget the present
And think of things that were?

Is it the gleaming brightness,
Of the moonbeams on the sea,
That awakens old thoughts and old fancies;
Past pleasures, enjoyed by me?

Or is it the sound of the music,
Pealed out from the organ's heart,
That bids me look higher and higher,
From the vice of the world apart?

No, 'tis not the odor of flowers,
Nor the moonlight gleaming afar.
'Tis not the soft strains of music,
But the scent of my soothing cigar.

—ARTHUR G. PICKENS, 1903.

ALBANY ALUMNI DINNER.

It has been decided to hold the banquet of the Alumni Association of North-eastern New York at Hotel Ten Eyck, in Albany, on Friday evening, February sixteenth. Extensive preparations are being made for the event, and it promises to be an occasion of unusual interest. Many prominent speakers are to be present, and a large number of the alumni from this part of the state, as well as from more distant places, have promised to attend. The executive committee, which has the banquet in charge, is composed of the following alumni: Grenville M. Ingalsbee, '68; Franklin W. McClellan, '83; Col. William F. Fox, '60; Edward P. White, '77; Prof. Cornelius E. Franklin, '80; David Muhlfelder, '80; Frederick W. Cameron, '81; Dr. Andrew Macfarlane, '84; Allan H. Jackson, '86; Prof. Albert H. Pepper, '87; Robert F. Gilmour, '94; Willis E. Merriman, Jr., '98, and James N. Van der Veer, '99; William Platt Rudd, '73, is president of the association; Seymour Van Santvoord, '78, of Troy is vice-president, and Charles F. Bridge, '87, secretary and treasurer.

ROOSEVELT CHANCELLOR FOR 1900.

The Governor Accepts Election of the Trustees.

At its regular semi-annual meeting of the trustees of the college held at Albany, Tuesday afternoon, Governor Theodore Roosevelt was elected honorary chancellor for the year 1900. Hon. Daniel Scott Lamont of New York, and William Birch Rankine of Buffalo, were elected life trustees to fill the vacancies in the board caused by the decease of Lemon Thomson, '40 and Robert Carter Alexander, '80. The governor has accepted the office, and will address the graduating class at commencement. The newly elected trustees are both Union men and have national prominence. Daniel S. Lamont, '72, was Secretary of War during the term of Cleveland's second administration, and acted as his private secretary during the first term in the presidency and throughout his administration as governor of New York. William B. Rankine, '77, is a well known New York capitalist, and is at the head of the Niagara Power and Construction company, which has succeeded in utilizing the Niagara Falls water power on a magnificent scale. The trustees adopted resolutions on the death of Mr. Alexander, and appointed Howard Opdyke at the head of the department of physics with the title of assistant professor.

INTERCOLLEGIATE.

Union has been invited to send representatives to the annual indoor handicap meet to be given by the Boston Athletic Association on February 3. A series of relay races has been arranged between the following colleges: Harvard, Pennsylvania, Cornell, Columbia, Dartmouth, Brown, Amherst, Williams, Mass. Inst. Tech., Bowdoin, B. A. A., and Knickerbocker A. C.

Robert A. Bowden, 1901, who has been ill with typhoid fever since the middle of last December, has returned.

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THE BIENNIAL state convention of the Y. M. C. A., to be held at Kingston, February 15-18, ought to attract several representatives from the college branch. An interesting program has been arranged.

THE UNIVERSITY BANQUET, to be held at Hotel Vendome in this city next Friday, ought to attract a large number of students and alumni from all departments of the university. It is the duty of every man in college to attend.

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THE ATTENTION of the students is called to the communication printed in another column. Just at this time it comes with special appropriateness, and should be read carefully by every man in the university. Editorial comment is impossible in this issue owing to the late hour at which the letter was received. We shall hope, however, to have something to say on the subject next week.

BASE BALL from now until the end of this college year ought to receive a large part of the attention of the students. Every man in college should be willing to lend whatever aid he can, whether by training for the team or by his financial support. The men have been put to work earlier this year than heretofore, and since it is hard training of good material that produces the fast team, there is every reason to expect that the season of 1900 will be a successful one for Union. The schedule of games as arranged by Manager Tuggey is published exclusively in another column.

THE COLLEGE authorities are to be congratulated upon the early appearance of the catalogue. For some years past its publication has been unnecessarily delayed until near the end of the winter term or even as late as the spring term, and in the meantime applications for it from prospective students have had to remain unfilled. This year we are glad to see that such a state of affairs does not exist. In line with this idea The Concordiensis desires to call attention to the excellent management at the college office. Under the efficient direction of Mr. McCord the work of the office has been thoroughly systematized and the order there is now well nigh perfect. The students appreciate this, and so must every one else who has come into contact with the workings of the office.

AGAIN the editors wish to bring to the attention of the students the rule of the faculty which offers as a substitute for essays and orations literary productions published in The Concordiensis. The majority of men in college do not seem to

realize the advantage thus offered, or surely there would be more enjoying the benefits of the system. When approached on the subject the average student ridicules the idea of *his* turning out a story for the "The Concordy" but ten to one that same man will grind out an oration of a thousand words, commit it to memory, and deliver it in chapel. The faculty wish to encourage the literary side of the college paper and they are willing to accept in lieu of an oration from each student a literary article of almost any type—narration, exposition, description, or "what-not"—provided its merit is commensurate with the standard of the paper. Stories, character-sketches, and essays on timely subjects, if well written, are acceptable matter, and due credit for all such will be given in the department of Rhetoric. Orations will be due from seniors and juniors on Feb. 12. Why not register now with the editor?

A COMMUNICATION.

Editor of Concordiensis.

Sir: I beg the privilege of a small amount of space in the "Concordy" in order to make a plea for more university sentiment in Union.

The seal of Alma Mater reads *Universitas Concordiæ*. This seal is printed on the cover of the paper representing the *Universitas* and within the cover is evident a most apparent lack of University sentiment.

Why should teams, clubs of different kinds, and other organizations be known as representing Union College? Why not Union University? Make the Law, Medical and Pharmacy men feel and realize that they are *Union* men, that they are sons of *Universitas Concordiæ*.

If an earnest effort be made to establish closer relations between the college and the departments at Albany, I am sure from what I have seen, it will be successful. There is no way to do it except to keep pounding at it until the end be accomplished.

Will The Concordiensis do all in its power to bring about better relations, not only between the departments, but between corresponding classes in the departments? Have representatives from all departments on committees; do everything to establish a sentiment for Union University. Put on your cover that The Concordiensis is "published weekly by the Students of Union University, Albany and Schenectady, N. Y." Make them all under-

stand that the paper is published not only *by* the students but *for* them.

The Medical, Pharmacy and Law men should feel that the controversy with Hamilton is their matter too, and should feel no hesitancy in standing by the "Garnet." Let us look again at the seal. "*In necessariis unitas, in dubiis, libertas, in omnibus caritas.*" I should like greatly to see Union-University in deed, as well as in word.

Very sincerely yours,

GEO. C. MERRIMAN,

College ex-'96; Medical '97.

RELIGIOUS NOTES.

The following is a list of the subjects and leaders of the Tuesday evening meetings, at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, for the remainder of the term:

Feb. 6.—Address by Dr. Stoller.

Feb. 13.—Leader, John M. Tuggey. Subject: "A 20th Century Outlook."

Feb. 20.—Leader, H. A. Barrett. Subject: "Lost Opportunities." Jer. 8:20 and Matt. 23:37-39.

Feb. 27.—Leader, S. S. Read. Subject: "A Strenuous Life Exemplified." Phil. 3:13-14.

March 6.—Leader, Ray F. Finch. Subject: "What is God's due?" Luke 20:19-26.

March 13.—Leader, Prof. Howard Opdyke.

March 20.—Leader, Frazier Metzger. Subject: "How God pays men." Matt. 19:30; 20:1-16.

A CURL OF BROWN.

The tresses fair, of brownish hair,
Bedeck her maiden brow,
And clustering rings, as blossoms cling
On distant fruitful bough.

I sue for one, in boyish fun,
To place upon my heart;
To be for me a legacy
Usurping Cupid's dart.

So from that hair, like blossoms fair
On distant bough so rich,
Without a sigh, she gives—Oh! my!
A curl?—Why, no!—a *switch*.

—JOHN MCNAB, 1901.

FIRST JUNIOR HOP.

Jack Frost Fails to Subdue 1901's Hospitality.

1901's initial entertainment as upper classmen Friday evening, proved a decided success. Notwithstanding the fact that a frigid temperature accompanied by a cutting wind prevailed without, merriment reigned within the Boat House. Through the efforts of the committee, the dance proved anything but a failure. Many of Dorp's fairest were present, while the total attendance was considerably augmented by the presence of a number of men from the General Electric works. The music, the floor, the refreshments,—in fact everything that goes to make a college dance successful, were of the highest order. No programs were used and thus the dance was made much more informal and attractive. The patronesses were several of the young married ladies of Schenectady. When the last quivering notes of the violin ceased shortly after two o'clock, everyone left for home, declaring the hop a royal success. Those present were: Mrs. J. H. Jenkins, Mrs. Hubbell Robinson, Miss Summerhays of New Rochelle, Miss Backus of New York City, Miss Sanford of Rochester, and the Misses Schuyler, Price, Fuller, Paige, Mabel Horstmann, Schoolcraft, Maude Horstmann, Dora Yates, Clark, Beattie, Walker, Furman, Kriegsmann, Harbison, and Lewis; Messrs. Purman, Schlichter, Abell, Brown, Beal, Stone, Armstrong, Ward, Williston, Edwards, Robinson, Jenkins, Eskil Berg, Stewart, and Franchot Paige from the Edison Works; and Prof. Opdyke, Dr. Jones, Lawrence, Van Vlack, Bradford, '98, Strong, '96, Strong, '99, Yates, '98, Leavenworth, ex-1901, Paige, C. D. Stewart, Green, Warner, Parker, Lawton, Robert Yates, Golden, Rogers, Argersinger, Ostrander and Merriman from the hill.

William G. Keens, ex-1902, of Albany, who has just recovered from a serious illness, visited friends at the Phi Delta Theta house last week. He expects to enter Dartmouth next year.

THE BASEBALL SCHEDULE.

Plans Outlined for the Coming Season on the Diamond.

Manager Tuggey has been hard at work during the past few weeks arranging the baseball schedule for the season of 1900. Owing to the disturbance in the New York State Intercollegiate Union, the list has not yet been fully completed. The manager has endeavored to arrange games strictly collegiate, and to avoid contests with professional and semi-professional teams. While the number of games must necessarily be limited, yet an average of two games per week has been reached. The season will be opened by a couple of practice games on the campus with some local team on April 14th and 18th. The schedule, as it stands at present, is as follows:

- April 21, West Point at West Point.
- April 24, Vermont at Schenectady.
- April 27, Columbia at Albany.
- April 28, C. C. N. Y. at Schenectady.
- May 2, Syracuse (?) at Schenectady.
- May 5, Hobart (?) at Schenectady.
- May 10, Middlebury at Middlebury, Vt.
- May 11, Vermont at Burlington, Vt.
- May 12, Vermont at Burlington, Vt.
- May 17, Tufts at Schenectady.
- May 23, Colgate at Schenectady.
- May 26, Middlebury at Schenectady.
- May 30, Dartmouth at Albany (2 games).
- June 1, Syracuse (?) at Syracuse.
- June 2, Hobart (?) at Geneva.
- June 6, Williams at Williamstown, Mass.
- June 9, Colgate at Hamilton, N. Y.

This schedule has not been ratified as yet by the Athletic Board, and is therefore subject to change.

R. H. Robinson, 1901, was compelled to return to his home in Middleburgh last Thursday, owing to a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Dr. James S. Riggs, of Auburn Theological Seminary, will be the speaker at the vesper service in the chapel on Sunday afternoon.

THE VESPER SERVICE.

Dr. Ripton addressed the students at the Sunday afternoon service in the chapel. He gave some questions that came to him during the sermon last Thursday and the answers to them. The first was: "Why should we have a Day of Prayer for college men more than for other men?" Business men, or men out in the world in any position, certainly have even more temptations than college men. The answer the speaker gave to this was, because the college man has greater opportunities to do good in the world than other men. A day of prayer for colleges is especially appropriate, because there is a close connection between religion and education. We have only to look back, and we find that the universities of Europe had their origin in some religious sect, and in the United States we have sectarian schools to a greater degree than do other countries. Except with Christians, religion and education have no connection, as will be seen from the ancients who had various forms of nature worship. They saw no distinction between man and nature. But Christianity sees in its founder the Son of God, and shows us how we may be made partakers of the Divine nature.

Another question that arises is, "Why should there be in the United States that peculiar relation between education or schools and religion?" A reason for this is found the characteristic feature of our country democracy. The Christian religion is democratic and teaches us the worth of every individual. The great value of religion is shown by the fact that the deepest life of a nation is its religious life, and every nation is best known by its religion. True education is also democratic, for the highest ideal is only to be attained through democratic principles.

WASHINGTON ALUMNI BANQUET.

The fourth annual re-union and dinner of the Union College Alumni Association of Washington will be given at the Hotel Raleigh next Monday evening. The dinner will be preceded by a reception to President Raymond of the university.

TALK ON THE HILL.

Robert F. Barrett, 1903, spent a few days of last week in the Metropolis.

Sands, 1902, spent Sunday with Neary, 1902, at the latter's home in Cohoes.

Dr. C. C. Bushnell spent Thursday with Prof. Scudder of New Paltz, N. Y.

President Raymond will preach in the Brown Memorial Church at Baltimore next Sunday.

The students are glad to welcome back Harry A. Barrett, 1901, who has just returned to college. The condition of his father and mother, who have been seriously ill for the past month, is much improved.

W. Scott Hunter, '68; Robert J. Landon, '80, and Dr. Herman V. Mynderse, '84, were last week re-appointed to the School Board of Schenectady, by the mayor. Dr. Mynderse will resume his position as President of the Board.

ALUMNI NEWS.

'49.—J. Howard King has been reelected president of the National State Bank of Albany. Mr. King is also president of the Albany Savings Bank. He was among the savings bank magnates at a meeting in New York last week.

'60.—William H. McElroy of the New York Mail and Express, recently delivered an interesting lecture on "Recollections of Oliver Wendell Holmes," before the Historical and Art Society of Albany.

'62.—Prof. Samuel B. Howe, Superintendent of Schools of Schenectady, has instituted regular teachers' meetings for the benefit of the city teachers.

'72.—William J. Kline, editor and publisher of the Amsterdam Democrat, gave a banquet to the Republican Editorial association of the State at the Fort Orange Club in Albany, Friday evening. Mr. Kline, who was president of the association during the past year, acted as toastmaster. In his address of welcome, he referred to the formation of the association in New York six years ago, when Gen. Daniel Butterfield, '49,

tendered a reception to the association in honor of Postmaster-General Charles Emory Smith, '61. Continuing, Mr. Kline emphasized the importance of the press during the presidential year and predicted a successful outcome of the coming state campaign. Among the speakers at the dinner were Governor Roosevelt and William H. McElroy, '60, of the New York Mail and

Express. A letter of regret was read from Postmaster-General Smith, '61. Among the guests were: William Platt Rudd, '73; Clarke Winslow Crannell, '95, of the New York Mail and Express; Edward J. Prest, '92, of New York; Prof. John Ira Bennett, '90; Florence J. Sullivan, '94, city attorney of Amsterdam, and Gardiner Kline, 1901.

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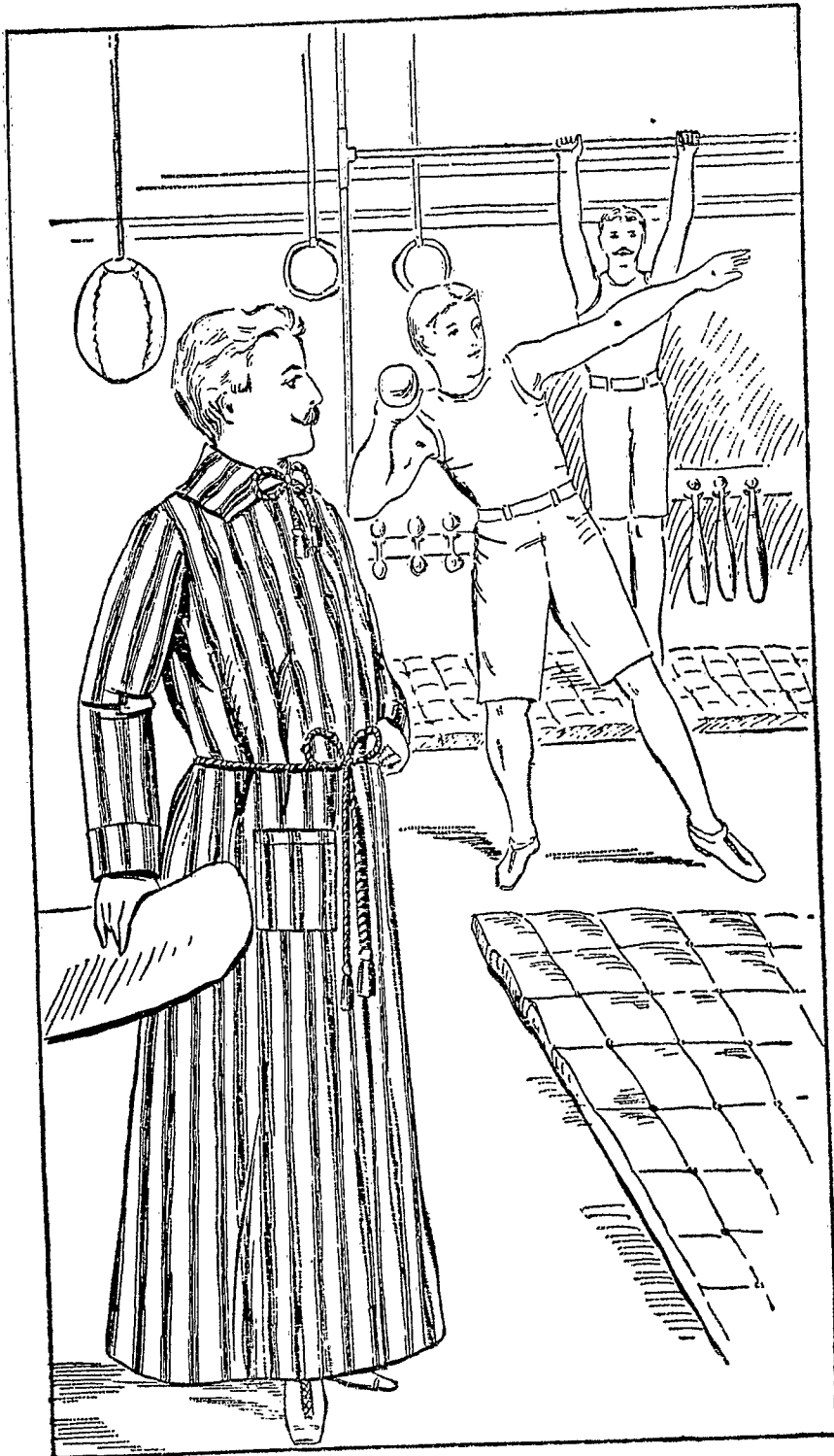
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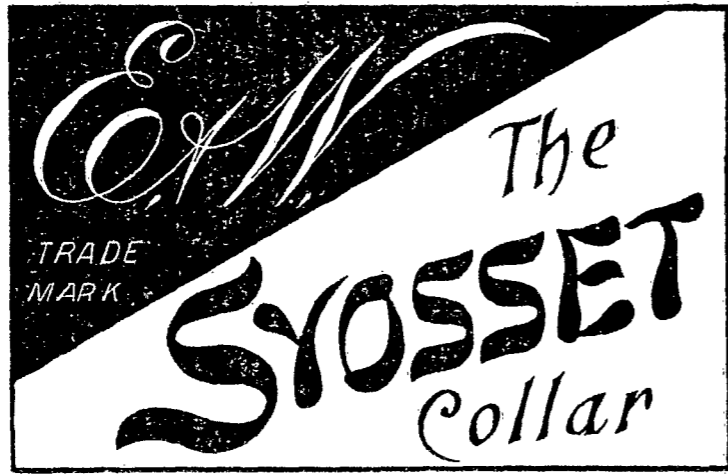
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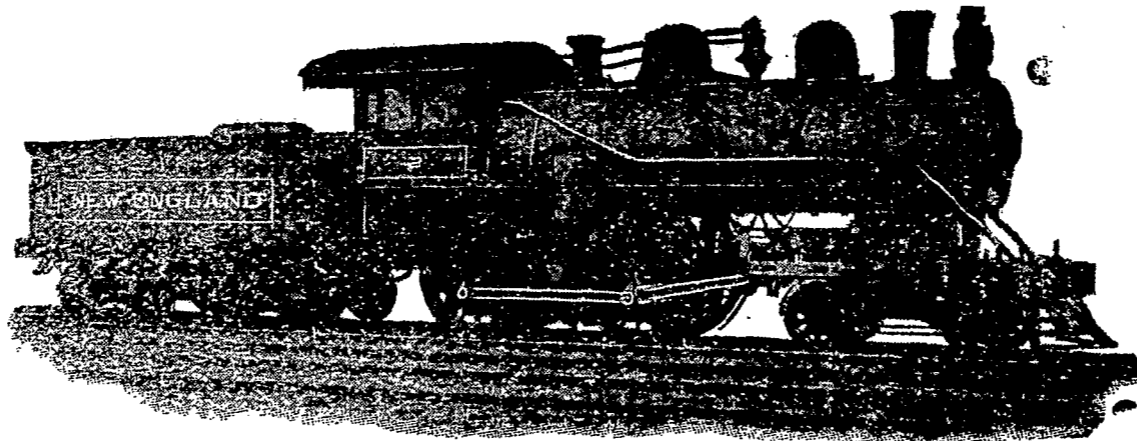
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