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Commencement Week

June 22-28, 1899

SOPHOMORE DINING CLUB.

THE annual banquet of the Sophomore Dining Club was held at Merrill's, on Thursday evening, June 22, at 11 o'clock. The toastmaster, John D. Evans, 1901, gave the following formal toasts :

S. D. C. Alumni,	. . . . .	Kelso Davis, '99
"1901,"	. . . . .	Herbert S. Bradfield, '02
The Faculty,	. . . . .	James W. Bradin, Jr., '00
"1902,"	. . . . .	Charles H. Wheeler, '01
Athletics,	. . . . .	William P. Brown, '01
The Future of S. D. C.,	. . . . .	Frederick W. Prince, '00

SIXTH TRINITY GERMAN

ON Friday evening, June 23, the sixth german was given in Alumni Hall. It was the largest german of the year, there being forty couples, and was greatly enjoyed by all who had the good fortune to be present.

SENIOR DRAMATICS

THE Senior Dramatics were given on Saturday evening, June 24th, in Alumni Hall. The play was a one act farce, by F. A. Harris, entitled : "Class Day." The cast was composed entirely

of '99 men, which was an innovation, inasmuch as the Senior Dramatics have heretofore depended upon the Jesters for success. The play was followed by a dance of twelve numbers. Brenton was well fitted for the character of the dashing young class day president. Nichols gave a good representation of the father and orator, although he was a little too violent at times. The ladies were an exceptionally fine lot, and were ready to be moved to tears or to a rich baritone laugh, as the exigencies of the play demanded. L. R. Benson and Corson, as students, did creditable work, especially as it was their "first appearance." Sutton did the old-clo'es-man act in a manner suggestive of Spiegel, while Vibbert and his method of working in his ballad were worthy of the professional stage. The following is the cast :

CLASS DAY

(Specially selected.)

Donald Darrell de Salvio Davis,	Mr. Brenton
Hon. Killykelly Yeomans Davis,	Mr. Nichols
Ernest Gardiner Van Ondermeter,	Mr. L. R. Benson
A. Savage Eaton Rice,	Mr. Corson
Georgie Talman Van Ondermeter,	Mr. Kendal
Aline Sheldon Dobbin,	Mr. Henry
Mrs. Van Ondermeter,	Mr. R. A. Benson
Max Duffy McFetridge,	Mr. Sutton
— AND —	
Senator Vibbert,	By Himself

BACCALAUREATE SERMON

PRESIDENT GEORGE WILLIAMSON SMITH delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class of the College at Christ Church, Sunday evening, June 25. There was a large

attendance of members of the alumni and friends of the College. The service of evening prayer was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart of Berkeley Divinity School, assisted by the Rev. Flavel S. Luther, who read the first lesson, and the Rev. John J. McCook, who read the second lesson. The clergy, faculty and the graduating class, the latter in cap and gown, formed in the vestry and, preceded by the choir, marched to the church, entering by the Main street entrance, the choir singing a processional hymn. After the service the procession was re-formed, and passed through to the vestry to the strains of "Holy, Holy, Holy," the recessional hymn. The clergy and members of the faculty participating in the service were, besides the President: The Rev. L. W. Saltonstal, rector of the church, and the Rev. James F. Faucon, assistant; the Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart, the Rev. Thomas R. Pynchon, the Rev. Flavel S. Luther, and the Rev. J. J. McCook.

President Smith's sermon was a plea for the continuation of religious instruction in the higher institutions of learning, and was a forceful presentation of the case. His text was Colossians i : 23 : "Teaching every man in all wisdom that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus."

CLASS DAY

THE Class Day exercises of the class of '99 were held on the campus Monday afternoon, June 26. Many Hartford people, including a generous representation of attractive young ladies, favored the event with their presence, while many visitors, young and old, from other cities, were noticed in the audience. College officials, alumni, friends of the college, and the student body filled out the number.

The seats were arranged in a circular formation around the Northam gateway, in front of which a platform for the speakers had been constructed.

Shortly after 3 o'clock the senior class members, arrayed in cap and gown, marched down the walk in imposing order, and took reserved seats in the audience. Their procession was timed by the "'Ninety-Nine Marching Song," to the tune of "The Fortune Teller," written by Cranston Brenton.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

John Henry Kelso Davis of Fortress Monroe, Va., delivered the address of welcome. Mr. Davis spoke as follows:

The class of '99 greets you. We welcome you to all the festivities of this festive week. On Wednesday the College invites you to Parsons's Theater, where chosen members of the class will edify and instruct you.

The president then spoke wittily of the events to follow, mentioning the dance in the evening, when "upper classmen will be giving lessons in astronomy to a chosen few, somewhere in the vicinity of Alumni Hall."

But it is not wholly in a facetious mood that we bid you welcome to these exercises which mark the end of our college course. In bidding you farewell there is an undercurrent of sadness. This is probably the happiest period of our life. We are grateful to you for the four pleasant years we have passed in your beautiful city. We appreciate that we are indebted for much of this happiness to the kindness, to the generosity, and to the hospitality of the Hartford people.

We thank you, and again bid you welcome to our Class Day.

FLAG PRESENTATION

This was followed by the presentation of a flag by the class of '99, the ceremony being performed by McWalter B. Sutton, who

hoisted the banner to the top of the flagpole. The old Stars and Stripes, which had waved for many a day, had become rather the worse for wear, so the graduating class presented the College with a new "Old Glory."

THE PROLOGUE

This ceremony was followed by the prologue, by Daniel Hugh Verder of Rutland, Vt. Mr. Verder spoke with regret of the loss of college days, and concluded as follows :

To-day our alma mater's voice profound,
Through clouds and mist unfathomable and deep,
Speaks to our souls in accents full and round :
"Go now, my faithful sons, and laurels reap ;
Do what ye love, for that ye will do best.
Brighten the world and make it beautiful.
To noble ends be all your toil addressed ;
Then never will your work seem hard or dull.
Each man is born with but a single goal ;
Let courage be the watchword of his soul."

THE HISTORY

John Williams Nichols of San Mateo, Cal., read the history in part as follows ;

It is the peculiar province of a small college to develop the individual : To dig him out of the mass and make him feel that the professor is working over him ; that the football team needs him body and soul, not merely his money, but his voice on the side-lines ; that his fellow-students are looking to him for a certain course of action to which he must respond or despise himself for the failure. There is not the convenient escape the big institution presents of keeping in that dull background of the mass of the human body.

When College assembled on May 2, 1898, '99 had five men missing. I think you must know what had become of them. You remember the United States

government was in difficulties at that time, and they had gone for '99. If '99 has a boast it was the action of those five men. You know her motto: "*In omnibus fidelitas.*"

THE POEM

The next number was the class poem by Cranston Brenton of Jamaica, N. Y., entitled, "A Portrait in Verse—(From the prose of Robert Louis Stevenson: Reminiscences of the University of Edinburgh)." Extracts from the poem follow:

He was, as first we knew him in his youth,
 Most beautiful in person, most serene
 By disposition, and most genial;
 Quaint thoughts, gay words and laughter, on his steps
 Attended ever like a retinue.
 He had the customs of a gentleman
 Both great and courteous, and he bore himself
 Among his equals quite as royally
 As to the poorest student he was kind.

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I still can see and hear him, as he went
 His way along the crowded, lamplit streets.
 A noble figure of a youth, but one
 Incredulous of good and following vanity;
 And sure enough, somewhere on life's high seas,
 There with his health, his hopes, his patrimony,
 His self-respect, went miserably down,
 Like a spent swimmer, from his fortune's wreck.
 He desperately came ashore, at once
 Bankrupt of money and of consequence;
 Creeping again to that proud family

He had deserted ; with a broken wing,
 Disgraced, disabled — never more to rise,
 But in his face there was a light of knowledge
 New to it.

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The tale of this great failure is to those
 Who clung to him the tale of a success.

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Thus he was at last
 Our old, familiar comrade, who had been
 Like Samson, careless in his days of strength ;
 But on the coming of adversity,
 And with the strength that had betrayed him gone —
 Yea, "for our strength is weakness," he began
 To blossom and bring forth. Ah, well, the fight
 Is over for him now ; the load he bore
 Thrown down before the great deliverer. We
 "In that vast cathedral leave him,
 God accept him,
 God receive him."

ORATION BY FRANK A. M'ELWAIN

This was followed by the oration, delivered by Frank Arthur McElwain of Brookfield, Mo. The subject was "The College-Trained Man — His Privileges and Responsibilities." After speaking of the intensely practical age in which we live, the orator proceeded to defend college training, and said in part :

With the study of the literature of nations, past and present, there comes a broadening and deepening of our nature and of our appreciation of the beautiful ; mathematics train our powers of analysis, and sciences our powers of

observation ; but above all, and most important of all, our intellectual pursuits develop the power of application and the ability to use the mind properly in solving the problems of later days.

It is very seldom in the world, outside of college, that athletics is regarded as it should be. People are inclined to think that a college athlete can never come to much. But under what a grievous mistake they are laboring. Here is developed that quickness of eye, readiness of hand and steadiness of nerve which serve so well in a crisis, and of which such splendid example was given a year or so ago by a former Trinity football captain.

After speaking of the benefits of the social part of college life, Mr. McElwain went on to show how these elements combine to make sterling men in every walk of life, and closed by mentioning the particular application of his remarks to the class of '99.

THE PRESENTATIONS

The presentations, by Aubrey Darrell Vibbert, were accompanied by witty remarks, and were ingenious and amusing, evoking frequent laughter from the audience. Professor F. S. Luther presented gold footballs to those of the graduating class who had earned them by playing in thirteen regular games or more during their college course. The receivers were ; F. S. Bacon, F. C. Ingalls, E. G. Littell, E. A. Rich, McW. B. Sutton, and A. S. Woodle.

NINETY-NINE'S STATISTICS

Elton Gardiner Littell of Wilmington read some interesting statistics, partly as follows :

This is the class day of the youngest class in the history of the College, of which any record has been taken. The average is 22 years and 1 month. 'Ninety-nine is also unique in that (on Wednesday) she will have graduated a larger number than has ever graduated in one year from this institution.

Eleven intend to study theology, six will take up medicine, four law and one literature. All but two, in fact, intend to pursue their studies further. The ideal of a girl is a bright, talented blond, 5 feet 7 inches tall. Colloque is our lightweight, at 105 pounds, and "Fatty" Bacon is our 200-pounder. I have mentioned before that this is the youngest class to take part in such an occasion as this. Twenty-four of us shave at least once a week, two as much as twice a day, while the remainder—just before vacations.

The most agreeable man at all times is "Pop" Sutton, while in direct contrast to him is the gloomy man of the walk—Dobbin. The class considers the brightest of its members to be Nichols, though Vibbert thinks he is; the wittiest, Hedrick; the best dressed, Kendal; the favorite in society, Morse; the most literary, Brenton.

Our favorite poet is Daniel Hugh Verder; the most popular professor, Dr. Charles Frederick Johnson.

The noisiest man is "Windy" Rich; the quietest, Green; the best looking, Jack Nichols; the most modest, Corson; the biggest bluff, Vibbert.

The man we all would rather see on the walk, the most influential in college, and by far the most popular, is our president here, Kelso Davis.

'Ninety-nine has attained a distinction that has not been won for nine years. The high standing of Optimus (with honors in everything during his entire course) belongs to H. L. Cleasby.

You all know the delightful change that has come over the College, and how we pride ourselves on our harmonious working together for our alma mater, above everything else—trying, in fact, to live up to our motto, *in omnibus fidelitas*.

To the College (to which we owe so much) our hearts are too full to say more than the comprehensive "God bless her!"

The exercises closed with the singing of '99's class song, written by D. H. Verder.

The class day committee was composed of John Henry Kelso Davis, Chairman; Charles Baker Hedrick, Ernest Albert Rich, McWalter Bernard Sutton, Frederic Stanley Bacon, and Allan Reshell Van Meter.

CLASS-DAY DANCE

THE class-day reception and dance was held on Monday evening, June 26, in Alumni Hall. The hall was handsomely decorated with red and white bunting, '99's class colors. The dance was one of the most successful ever given in Alumni Hall, and afforded great pleasure to all present, among whom were many alumni. The committee in charge consisted of Elton G. Littell, chairman; George F. Kendal, and Cranston Brenton. The patronesses were:

Mrs. T. B. Beach, Mrs. J. W. Bradin, Mrs. B. J. Brenton of Jamaica, N. Y., Mrs. C. J. Burnell, Mrs. J. S. Curtis, Miss Davenport, Mrs. H. Ferguson, Mrs. J. M. Holcombe, Mrs. C. H. Lawrence, Mrs. T. G. Littell of New York, Mrs. F. S. Luther, Mrs. J. J. McCook, Mrs. R. B. Riggs, Mrs. W. L. Robb, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. J. H. Rose, Mrs. G. R. Shepherd, Mrs. G. W. Smith, Mrs. P. S. Starr, Mrs. E. S. Van Zile, Mrs. A. H. Washburn, Mrs. W. J. Wood, and Mrs. P. H. Woodward.

Among those present were:

Misses Allen, Allion, H. Barbour, Blakeslee, Bradin, Cleasby, E. Corwin, Curtis, Day, Ehberts, Harding, S. Hawkins, Hilliard, Hyde, Johnson, Kirkland, Lawrence, Mansfield, McCook, Moore, Nason, L. Pierson, H. Roberts, Root, K. Seyms, L. Seyms, Shepherd, Starr, Stone, Taylor, Thompson, Turnbull, D. Watson, Wainwright, Westcott, Wilcox, Wood, and Young, of Hartford; Mrs. Bowie of Baltimore, Misses Ambridge of Detroit, Benson of Hudson, Brice of Philadelphia, Cooke of Stamford, Cowles of Farmington, Davenport of Staten Island, Dodson of Bethlehem, Eaton of Pittsfield, Fearing of New York, Gallaudet and Hyatt of Washington, Hart of New Jersey, Ingalls of Virginia, Jackson of Middletown, Keyes of New York, Leavitt of New Haven, Littell of New York, Morse of Wilmington, Nichols of San Mateo, Pierce of Grand Rapids, Pitcher of New York, Rich of Baltimore, N. Reynolds, E. Reynolds of Baltimore, Sloan of Brooklyn, Thair of New York, Vibbert of New York, Van Zile

of New York, Woodle of Pennsylvania, and Willcox of Buffalo. Messrs. Churchman, '91, Dr. J. B. McCook, '91, Willson, '93, J. W. Edgerton, '94, Rev. R. L. Paddock, '94, Dr. Carroll Beach, '96, Coggeshall, '96, Ferguson, '96, Forward, '96, A. K. Gage, '96, W. H. Gage, '96, Hicks, '96, W. S. Langford, '96, Leonard, '96, Morris, '96, Robinson, '96, Rev. W. A. Eardeley-Thomas, '96, Beecroft, '97, Cogswell, '97, A. M. Langford, '97, Sheldon McCook, '97, Austin, '98, Blakeslee, '98, Buck, '98, A. L. Ellis, '98, Johnson, '98, Lord, '98, Parker, '98, Travers, '98, Waterman, '98, Wildman, '98, Bacon, '99, Colloque, '99, Corson, '99, Davis, '99, Dobbin, '99, Eaton, '99, Hedrick, '99, Henry, '99, Ingalls, '99, Kendal, '99, Littell, '99, McElwain, '99, Morgan, '99, Morse, '99, Nichols, '99, Onderdonk, '99, Rich, '99, Sutton, '99, Van Meter, '99, Verder, '99, Vibbert, '99, Willcox, '99, Woodle, '99, F. H. Glazebrook, ex-'99, Sterling, ex-'99, Arnott, 1900, Bradin, 1900, Coons, 1900, Fox, 1900, H. McK. Glazebrook, 1900, Hill, 1900, Hornor, 1900, Kurth, 1900, McIlvaine, 1900, Prince, 1900, Taylor, 1900, Titus, 1900, Brinley, 1901, M. W. Clement, 1901, Evans, 1901, Hudson, 1901, McNeil, 1901, McNeil, 1901, Mitchell, 1901, Moorehouse, 1901, Rudd, 1901, Van De Water, 1901, Wales, 1901, Walker, 1901, Wheeler, 1901, Wilson, 1901, Wynkoop, 1901, Barton, 1902, Bradfield, 1902, Clapp, 1902, Cooke, 1902, Goodridge, 1902, Maginnis, 1902, Wheeler, 1902, J. G. Jackson of Middletown, M. P. Walker of Hartford, and L. D. Alexander of the University of Virginia.

CORPORATION MEETING

THE Trustees held their annual meeting in the United States Hotel, June 26, at 8 P M. The president's report was read and accepted.

A recommendation of the executive committee concerning the sale of land on Capitol avenue was acted upon favorably.

A. S. Murray was elected to succeed himself and Edward M. Scudder of New York was elected a new member of the board of fellows. The following

committees were appointed: Executive, President Smith, Judge Hamersley, Charles E. Graves, James J. Goodwin, the Rev. Francis Goodwin, P. H. Woodward and Colonel Jacob L. Greene. Auditing, the Rev. Francis Goodwin and Jacob L. Greene. Committee on Library, President Smith, Dr. Charles J. Hoadly and Professor W. R. Martin.

The meeting then adjourned till the next morning.

The second meeting was held in the mathematical room, June 27, at 10 A.M. Dr. Hart's resignation was accepted and a complimentary resolution was adopted. The valuable services and gifts of Dr. Charles J. Hoadly of Hartford were recognized by a vote of thanks. A vote of thanks was also tendered to the Rev. Robert Benton for rare manuscripts of the New Testament. The usual appropriations were voted. Mr. Cogswell's election to the board was announced and confirmed. The president was empowered to appoint a librarian. Bishop Niles's minute memorial of Bishop Williams was presented. Five hundred dollars was appropriated for the graduate department in Trinity. Bishop Brewster was elected a trustee. Frank Cole Babbitt, Ph. D., now instructor in Trinity, was elected professor in Greek. Percy S. Bryant and F. E. Johnson were elected junior fellows. The honorary degrees were then conferred. A motion was passed to allow the alumni power to enlarge the athletic field and improve it, and voting them \$2,500 when they raise \$7,500.

The use of the field was extended for twelve years. The board authorized the publication of a general college catalogue in 1900.

ALUMNI MEETING

THE annual meeting of the alumni was held in the Latin room at 10 A. M. Tuesday, June 27. Vice-President George L. L. Cooke presided. The report on necrology was made by Dr. Hart, being as follows:

ALUMNI

The Rt. Rev. John Williams, of the class of 1835, M. A., D. D. 1849, LL. D., tutor 1837-40, professor and president 1845-53, lecturer 1853-92, vice-chancellor 1853-65, chancellor since 1865, assistant bishop and bishop of Connecticut, presiding bishop, died at Middletown, Conn., February 7, 1899, aged 81

The Hon. John Turner Wait, of the class of 1835, B. A. and M. A. 1851, LL. D. 1886, Representative in Congress, died at Norwich, Conn., April 21, 1899, aged 88.

The Rev. Robert Brinckerhoff Fairbairn, of the class of 1840, M. A., D. D. 1864, LL. D., professor and warden in St. Stephen's College, died at Brooklyn, N. Y., January 27, 1899, aged 81.

The Rev. Israel Foote, of the class of 1842, M. A., D. D., professor in Jubilee College, died at Rochester, N. Y., July 1, 1898, aged 81.

Reginald Heber Steele, of the class of 1851, M. A., died at Washington, D. C., November 30, 1898, aged 70.

The Rev. Alfred Lee Brewer, of the class of 1853, M. A., D. D. 1891, died at San Mateo, Cal., February 16, 1899, aged 68.

The Rev. Thomas McKee Brown, of the class of 1864, M. A., died at New York, N. Y., December 19, 1898, aged 57.

Leland Simons, of the class of 1867, M. A., died in New York, N. Y., in the burning of the Windsor Hotel, March 17, 1899, aged 53.

Charles Hunter, of the class of 1878, M. A., M. D., died at Colorado Springs, Col., January 14, 1899, aged 42.

HONORARII

The Rev. Henry Edwards, Yale, M. A. 1847, died at Hagerstown, Md., February 25, 1899, aged 77.

The Rev. William Kirtland Douglas, Yale, M. A. 1854, D. D., professor and president in Jefferson College, died at St. Francisville, La., November 28, 1898, aged 68.

The Rev. Jesse Ames Spencer, Columbia, M. A., *ad eundem*, 1854, D. D., professor in Burlington College and in the College of the City of New York, died at Passaic, N. J., September 2, 1898, aged 86.

Samuel Eliot, Harvard, M. A., *ad eundem*, 1857, LL. D., professor 1856-64, president 1860-64, lecturer 1864-74, died at Beverly Farms, Mass., September 15, 1898, aged 77.

The Hon. William Davis Shipman, M. A. 1858, LL. D. 1871, professor 1871-74, judge of the United States District Court, died at Astoria, N. Y., September 24, 1898, aged 80.

Nathan Bouton Warren, Mus. B., 1858, Mus. D., 1873, died at Troy, N. Y., August 28, 1898, aged 84.

Sherman Wolcott Adams, M. A. 1894, LL. B., died at Hartford, October 19, 1898, aged 63.

The Rev. Walter Gardner Webster, Brown, M. A., *ad eundem*, 1896, B. D., died at sea in the loss of *La Bourgogne*, July 4, 1898, aged 44.

George Medad Bartholomew, trustee, 1863-86, died at Hartford, February 16, 1899, aged 82.

Dr. Pynchon, as trustee of the Alumni Library Fund, reported many valuable additions to the library.

Messrs. Percy S. Bryant and F. E. Johnson were elected junior fellows.

The report on the condition of the College was made by Professor McCook. He spoke highly of the work that is being done. Trinity College, he said, is becoming more and more valuable to the city of Hartford and its vicinity.

Mr. William S. Cogswell was re-elected a member of the Board of Trustees.

Committees were appointed to draw up resolutions on the deaths of Bishop Williams and former President Samuel Eliot. It was stated that \$10,000 should be appropriated for the athletic field,

and E. S. Allen, '94, and A. W. Langford, '97, were appointed a committee to ask for the continuation of the privileges in using college land for athletics and an increase of the tract now used.

PHI BETA KAPPA

THE following men were initiated into Phi Beta Kappa on Tuesday noon, June 27:

Simon Lewis Tomlinson of Hartford; Harry Archer Hornor of New Orleans; Frederick Welles Prince of Hartford; Ellsworth Morton Tracy of Waterbury, and Ernest Leon Simonds of Hartford, in the class of 1900. Harry Daniel Green of Berlin, N. H., and Aubrey Darrell Vibbert of New York, class of '99, were also elected.

NATURAL HISTORY BUILDING

THE ceremony of the breaking of ground for the Natural History Building took place Tuesday, June 27, and was largely attended. The procession formed in front of Northam Towers at 12:30 P. M. On reaching the site a line was formed surrounding the limits of the new building, then the President said the Lord's Prayer and a collect, after which he made a few remarks, calling attention to the fact that in breaking ground for this new building we were but carrying out the ideas of the founders of the College, who, instead of adhering to the old, fixed collegiate curriculum, had introduced

the departments of Zoölogy and Botany, and by so doing had placed the College fifty years ahead of its day. The President then took a spade and said :

“In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, the Holy and undivided Trinity, I begin this work.”

Spades were passed along the lines to the officers, students and others until the line of the building was marked out. After the concluding prayers the doxology was sung and the President pronounced the benediction.

UNVEILING OF CHURCHMAN TABLET

THE unveiling of the tablet in honor of Clarke Churchman, '93, Second Lieutenant, Twelfth Infantry, U. S. A., who died for his country, at El Caney, Cuba, July 2, 1898, took place at 4 P. M. of Tuesday, June 27, in the College Chapel. The tablet was presented by the classmates of the deceased in Trinity, and the service was attended by a large number of graduates. At the ceremony of unveiling, the following was uttered by the assemblage :

To the glory of God, and in pious memory of His servant, our brother, Clarke Churchman, we have set here this memorial ; that they who enter into this place of worship may know that, dying for his country, he was a good soldier of Jesus Christ : In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Professor Luther delivered the address. He said in part :

This memorial, which loving hearts designed and loving hands have brought here, is to help in the further making of the Trinity atmosphere. Class after class shall march past it, as the routine of college life goes on. Clear eyes shall

rest upon it and catch new inspiration. Brave young hearts shall be moved to high resolve by seeing that our students do not forget their gallant dead, that the ties which bind classmates together are not broken when the College work is done.

The slow-gathering sediment of centuries may cover the dear name, Clarke Churchman, from human eyes. But the golden threads of influence from his brave young life should be forever woven into the texture of high ideals and gallant deeds.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

MANY alumni, undergraduates and visitors attended the annual reception given by Dr. and Mrs. Smith on Tuesday, June 27, from 5 to 8 P. M.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

NINETY-NINE'S commencement exercises, held at Parsons' Theatre on Wednesday, June 28, at 11.30 A. M., closed one of the most successful and enjoyable senior weeks in the history of the College.

After prayers at Christ Church, the commencement procession proceeded to the theatre, the rain preventing a regular formation. President Smith presided, with Professors Pynchon and Hart on either side. The ecclesiastical and civil dignitaries, together with the Board of Trustees, were seated at the President's right. The other half of the stage was occupied by the members of the faculty. Harry Archer Hornor, 1900, acted as College marshal. The order of exercises was as follows :

Salutatory in Latin,	Charles William Henry.
The Anglo-Saxon Bond,	Reul Allan Benson.
	Music.
In Justification of Capital Punishment,	Adrian Holmes Onderdonk.
The Proper Treatment of Criminals,	Elton Gardiner Littell.
	Music.
The Disfranchisement of the Negro,	Charles Baker Hedrick.
Chaucer's Relation to the Beliefs of His Time,	Cranston Brenton.
	Music.
Valedictory Addresses,	Harold Loomis Cleasby.
	Music.
Conferring of Degrees.	
Doxology.	
Benediction by the Bishop.	

Before the conferring of degrees, President Smith made formal announcement of the award of the Holland prize scholarships, value \$600 each, awarded to the highest men in the three lowest classes—in the class of 1900, Simon Lewis Tomlinson of Hartford; in the class of 1901, Francis Raymond Sturtevant of Hartford, and in the class of 1902, Anson Theodore McCook of Hartford. Degrees were conferred as follows:

Bachelor of Arts, in Course.—Harold Loomis Cleasby of Hartford, with title of Optimus; Frank Arthur McElwain of Brookfield, Mo.; Charles William Henry of Bridgewater, Mass.; Allen Reshell Van Meter of Riverton, N. J.; John Williams Nichols of San Mateo, Cal.; Harry Daniel Green of Berlin, N. H.; Aubrey Darrell Vibbert of New York City; Charles Baker Hedrick of Jacksonville, Fla.; Orrok Paul Colloque of Oxford, N. Y.; Reginald Norton Willcox of Buffalo, N. Y.; Raymond Sanford Yeomans of Andover, Conn.; Daniel Hugh Verder of Rutland, Vt.; Lloyd Raeburn Benson of Hudson, N. Y.; Edward Savage Dobbin of Faribault, Minn.; Alphonse De Salvio of Boston; Harry Landon Rice of Lansingburgh, N. Y.; John Henry Kelso Davis of Fortress Monroe, Va.; Frederick Clark Ingalls of Milford, N. Y.;

Elton Gardiner Littell of Wilmington ; Bryan Killikelly Morse of Wilmington ; Adrian Holmes Onderdonk of Baltimore ; Ernest Albert Rich of Reisterstown, Md. ; Clarence Alexander Smith of Fishkill-on-Hudson, N. Y. ; Curtis Smith of Auburn, N. Y. ; Allan Sheldon Woodle of Altoona, Penn.

Bachelor of Science, in Course.—Cranston Brenton of Jamaica, N. Y. ; Victor Forest Morgan of Hartford ; Thomas Emmett Addis of Hartford ; Reuel Allan Benson of Oakland, Me. ; Donald Skelding Corson of Grand Rapids, Mich. ; William Hanmer Eaton of Pittsfield, Mass. ; George Talman Kendal of Grand Rapids, Mich. ; McWalter Bernard Sutton of Rochelle, N. Y.

The following honorary degrees were also conferred :

Doctor of Laws, *Honoris Causa*.—B. Lawton Wiggins, M. A., vice-chancellor of the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.

Doctor of Canon Law, *Honoris Causa*.—The Rev. Samuel Hart of the class of '66, late professor of the Latin language and literature.

Doctor of Divinity, *Honoris Causa*.—The Rev. Henry Harrison Oberly of the class of '65, rector of Christ Church, Elizabeth, N. J. The Rev. John Humphrey Barbour of the class of '73, professor of the literature and interpretation of the New Testament in the Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown.

Master of Arts, in Course.—The Rev. Frederick Bradford Cole, Wickford, R. I. ; William Eugene Conklin, Hartford ; the Rev. Samuel Henry Jobe, New York City, N. Y., of the class of '93 ; the Rev. William Appelbie Eardeley-Thomas, Brooklyn, N. Y., of the class of '96.

Master of Arts, *Honoris Causa*.—Jeremiah Mervin Allen of Hartford.

ALUMNI DINNER

THE annual commencement dinner was held at the United States Hotel at two o'clock, immediately after the exercises. It was a very enthusiastic gathering of alumni, and the after-dinner speeches were exceedingly good.

Mr. George Lewis Cooke of Providence, vice-president of the Alumni Association, acted as toastmaster. The following toasts were responded to :

The College,	President Smith
The Church,	Rev. W. W. Webb of Nashotah Theological Seminary
Our Country,	William H. Gage, '96
Our Sister Colleges,	Rev. T. G. Littell of Wilmington
Dr. Samuel Hart,	Rev. F. P. Buckley of Waterbury
The Father of the Alumni,	Dr. Gurdon W. Russell, '34
The Old Boys,	Dr. Charles A. Lindsley, '49, and Charles Wheaton, '49
The Young Boys,	Lucian Rogers, '91
The Babies of the Alumni,	F. A. McElwain, '99
Trinity College and Hartford,	Hon. J. M. Allen

NOTES OF THE WEEK

THE annual meeting of the Board of Fellows was held at 114 Main street Friday evening, June 23.

The class of '96 held its triennial re-union at Koch's on Saturday evening, June 24. The informal banquet was greatly enjoyed. Langford was elected president until next meeting, and Underwood secretary and treasurer.

Monday, June 26, at 10.30 P. M., the 'varsity baseball team defeated a team picked from the alumni by the score of 9—8 at Trinity Field.

At 1.30 P. M. of Tuesday, June 27, luncheon for the trustees, alumni and friends of the College was served in the College dining hall.