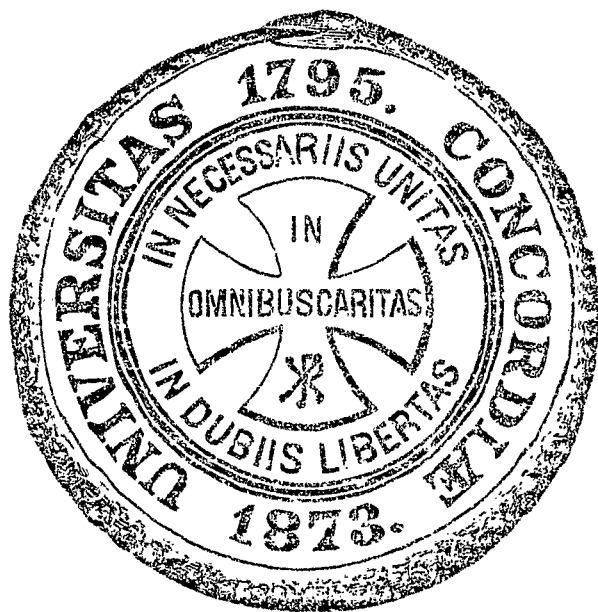


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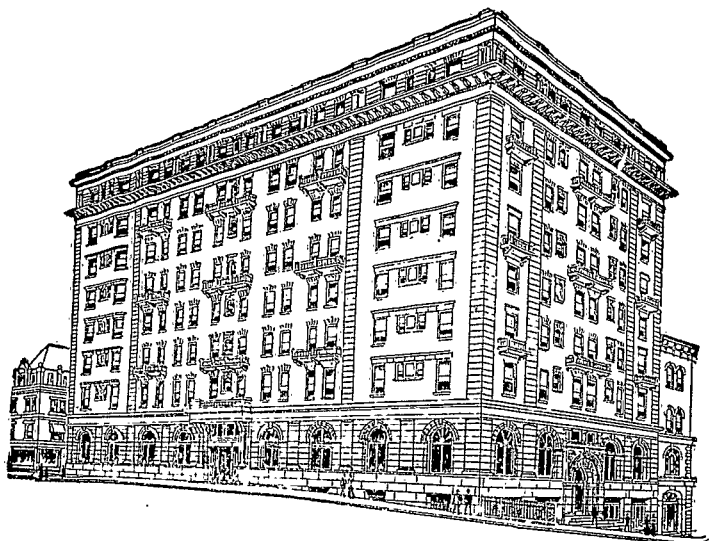
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## The Purp, Bront, and His Girl

He was a disconsolate looking object; still, in spite of his filth, not by any means a disreputable dog. Of some shaggy breed or other, famed through illustrious ancestors, for the present he was clearly just a plain lost dog. Why he adopted Bront and me I don't know. We had been taking our daily constitutional, and almost before we knew it, the two of us had been increased to three. I dubbed the new arrival the Purp. He followed us a block or two, and then assumed a proprietary ownership, warding off others of his kind who would fain have investigated us. In less time than it takes to tell of it, no amount of persuasion could convince the Purp that his company was undesirable to us. He treated our preemptory orders of "Go home!" "Scat!" and so on, as a huge jest, and smiled in a knowing way when we enforced our remarks with a threatening display of missiles, as if he would assure us that he too knew a practical joke when he saw one.

"Darn it, we'll have to adopt the Purp," said Bront. I ventured no opposition as Bront was an upperclassman. So the Purp entered into our household, an active ally of Bront's; recognizing no master but him. Even I was just a passing acquaintance. Developments will show the psychological second-sight of the Purp.

One reason why Bront was so ready to adopt the Purp was because he had quarreled with His Girl; and when a fellow quarrels with his girl it's all up with his studies. That's how I knew; and not because Bront was saying anything. He wasn't very communicative about His Girl even under favorable circumstances. In a veiled way I told Bront how many kinds of a fool he was for quarreling. Bront, in a veiled way, told me kindly to betake myself to Hades. Whereat I held my peace.

After the quarrel Bront walked incessantly, always, since his arrival, accompanied by the Purp. The Purp seemed to understand Bront's mood, and soberly refrained from ostentatious hilarity on their tramps.

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I was calling on Her one night as was my more than occasional habit. When I say "Her" I don't mean Bront's Girl. The Girl I called on was The One in my estimation. His Girl and The One were the firmest of friends, so in my talk that evening with The One our conversation naturally drifted to Bront, His Girl and the Quarrel. I knew little about it at first, but I sat quiet—(who doesn't when a Girl has the floor?) and imbibed facts. I learned that after the quarrel His Girl had become possessed of a dog, upon which she had lavished all her affection. Soon afterwards she fell sick; then one night the dog disappeared, and in spite of rewards could not be found. I asked for a description of the dog, and then began to sit up and take notice. Our conversation now grew very confidential, and what we planned there, is irrelevant now, though it develops later.

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Bront knew as well as I did when His Girl recovered from the fever. He became more like his old jovial self. I thought the occasion ripe to propose a reconciliation. Bront's answer to my proposal is too unpleasant to record. Still it did not affect me much, and I smiled a broad smile behind Bront's back. I had a scheme up my sleeve and was hopeful. Then I suggested that Bront and the Purp accompany me on a stroll. Bront acquiesced.

It was a warm evening late in Spring, with a clear full moon in the sky, and the air redolent with the odor of roses. We rambled up the quiet streets until we came to the gate of The One's garden. I turned in, giving Bront an invitation



to enter. He refused, but the Purp sniffed eagerly at the gravel about the gate.

The One was waiting for me as I came up. His Girl was seated on a bench at a turn of the path. She nodded and expressed her willingness that I should take The One into the garden to gather some roses. So The One and I strolled down the path. We had just rounded a turn, when we heard an eager whine, a rush up the gravel and through a rift in the bushes saw the Purp hurl himself into the lap of His Girl. Then, not suspecting a trap, Bront himself, cussing a broken leash under breath, swung open the gate and strode swiftly down the path. At the bench he stopped short. The Purp left the Girl's lap and ran up to Bront, in a pathetically earnest way trying to draw him to Her. Bront hesitated, made an impulsive step forward and ——— I swear I'll never forgive that cloud.

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When in my capacity of Best Man, I was fixing Bront up for The Wedding, for the thirtieth time he expressed his regret that The One and I were not the second couple for a double wedding. I thought first to tell him about The Other One, but decided to let him remain in ignorance for the present.

The remembrance of the half cut leash caused me to look at the Purp and wink. The Purp smiled, and as he is happy I'm sure he'll say nothing of the conspiracy to Bront.

Paul Pringle, '08.

Are you going to the dances?

### Mr. McElroy Lectures

Wm. H. McElroy, '60, delivered a very interesting talk in chapel last Friday afternoon. His subject was "Some Interesting Inaccuracies" and he treated it in his own inimitable manner. He started with the beginnig of things and showed the inaccuracy of the Adam and Eve "apple theory" by saying that the apple was an outgrowth of the crab apple, which is too sour to tempt anyone.

In relation to oratorical "breaks" he spoke of Sheridan being claimed as an Ohio product, al-

though Sheridan, himself, seemed to accept without hesitation, good proof that he was born in Albany. In his characteristic manner, he did all sorts of things to poets, picking to pieces many instances of "poetic license." He dwelt at length on newspaper in accuracies, mistakes due to misfit words and to over and under statements.

Mr. McElroy exploded the old theory of Jeffersonian simplicity, claiming that Jeff. was very much an aristocrat. He rode horseback to his inauguration because it was too muddy for a coach. The popular idea of Henry VIII was also dealt with rather severely. Mr. McElroy said that he had been brought up to believe Henry had but two fads, murder and matrimony, and was not, on the whole a very reputable citizen, which he had later found was not entirely true. His reference to Davy Crockett's famous saying, "Be sure you are right, then go ahead," created a laugh among those in whose minds the memory of that pleasing drama is still green.

The talk was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were present and any further opportunity to hear him again will be welcomed by all. No one took advantage of his kind permission to leave when tired, for no one was tired.

### Musical Clubs Busy

The Musical Clubs are working hard in preparation for the Junior Week concert which occurs Saturday afternoon at the First Baptist Church. A few changes are being made in the quartette and it is hoped that it can attain the excellence of last year's quartette. Manager Parsons has been corresponding for later concerts in the vicinity and elsewhere, and if the Schenectady concert is a success definite dates for concerts will be announced for the near future.

### Mr. Cunningham in Baltimore

Robert Cunningham, who was an instructor in mathematics here last year and also coach of the baseball team is now teaching in the Bays' High School, Baltimore.

Are you going to the dances?

### A Frosty Fancy

Graceful branches, leaves and sprays, massed in  
rich luxuriance,

Glistening in the morning light, white and pure as  
innocence;

So enriched, yestermorn, we beheld the window-  
pane

When we Seniors gathered round, waiting Happy's  
thoughtful words;

Scratched across the foliage, were our Senior  
numerals.

Now another morn has come; here again, we note  
a change.

Other branches, leaves and sprays, hills and tree  
tops, fill the pane,

But our numerals are gone; vanished, not a trace  
remains.

Is there symbolism here? Yes; for we must also  
go,

Leave these well known rooms and chairs; vanish  
quickly in a night.

Vanish? No; th' analogy changes when it comes  
to that.

May we leave some trace and spread those numer-  
als o'er the world.

By '06.

### Junior Week

From present prospects it seems as though Junior Week this year will surpass the event of last year. The faculty has granted a two day's vacation to the entire college for Friday and Saturday, the sixteenth and seventeenth. This will enable the festivities to start on Thursday evening with no bad effects upon studies.

Thursday evening the program will open with a Junior Hop. No ordinary Junior Hop will this be, as the committee has exerted every possible means to make it the hop of the year. It will be held at the Mohawk Golf Club House where the facilities will be perfect to give an ideal dance of this kind. A light lunch will be served during the evening.

Those who do not attend the hop, and the hardier spirits who do, will be on hand in chapel Friday morning to hear Hamilton Wright Mabie deliver

one of his characteristically witty lectures. In the afternoon the ancient rival debating societies, the Philomatheans and the Adelphics will cross swords for the year's supremacy. The subject:

"Resolved, That President Roosevelt's Policy, as Regards Internal Control of Railways, be Adopted," is timely and well balanced, so that a close decision may be expected. The Philomatheans, upholding the affirmative, will be represented by Putnam '06, Wright '07 and Hanigan '08. The speakers for the Adelphics are Reed '06, Casler '06 and Weyranch '08.

Those who survive the debate will attend the Soiree in the evening. The Sophomore Soiree this year will undoubtedly be the event "par excellence" of the college year. The committee have secured the use of the Hotel Ten Eyck ball room and banquet hall for the occasion. This fact speaks for itself, and it would be useless to dilate upon the event. Results will show that it has never been equaled at Union, it is hoped.

Saturday afternoon at 2:15 the Glee Clubs will give their first concert of the year at the First Baptist Church. Trips for the rest of the year, will depend upon the reception and success of this initial entertainment, so all the members are on their metal to do their best.

Saturday evening will wind up the week's gaieties. Most of the fraternities on the hill will have something on in the line of informal dances, suppers, etc.

There is no reason why this coming week should not be the finest Junior Week we have seen, and doubtless a retrospect in two weeks from now will cause many regrets that it passed so quickly and will not return for another year.

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### PROGRAM

Thursday, Feb. 15, 8:30 P. M., Junior Hop, Mohawk Golf Club. Tickets \$2.00.

Friday, Feb. 16, 10 A. M., lecture, H. W. Mabie, chapel.

3 P. M., Allison-Foote Debate, chapel.

9 P. M., Sophomore Soiree, Hotel Ten Eyck, Albany. Tickets \$4.00.

Saturday, Feb. 17, 2:15 P. M., Glee Club Concert, First Baptist Church. Tickets 50c.

### Christian Association

**SUNDAY VESPERS**—Dr. Williams will speak on "One Attitude Towards Christ and the Church."

**TUESDAY EVENING** Subject: "Truth and Action. Lewis, '06, leader.

The State convention of Christian Associations will be held in Troy, Feb. 22-25. The Association will send two delegates but for the banquet on Saturday as many as can are urged to attend. Those wishing to attend will hand their names to McIntosh and arrangements will be made for them.

Last Sunday the committee on visiting local boys' clubs sent Wright to speak before the Troy Y. M. C. A. Next week Nutt will speak in Albany. These trips help to advertise the college and this work is of much practical value.

When "sour-balled" attend the Dean's Bible class. You will recover cheerfulness.

### Vespers

Prof. Hoffman gave the fourth and last of his series of talks on "How the Bible Came to Be Written," at the vesper service Sunday afternoon. He summarized the preceding talks, "Other Bibles and Their Influence on Ours," "Writing of the Old Testament," and "Writing of the New Testament."

He then went on to show how the whole Bible was a natural growth of a natural religion. He spoke of how the conception of God had changed from the time of the Tower of Babel to the conception of John. John's conception, he said, is by far the highest that has ever been taught. He spoke of the wrong popular conception of the book of Revelation, and closed with a comment on the unfortunate and incorrect order of books in the New Testament.

### New Heating Apparatus Working

The new boiler house, which has been building during the past fall, was put into commission Saturday, stack and all, and seems to work very successfully, though no heat prostrations have been reported from any of the rooms. It is reported, however, that a serious accident was narrowly averted Wednesday night. Someone turned off the steam in South College and, as a result, the pres-

sure took a balloon trip. The trouble was discovered in time else we might have risen from slumber to find ourselves on the Princeton hills.

### Alumni

'56.—Leander Hall's address is Pinkney Court, West 140th St., New York City.

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'59.—Augustus W. Nicoll is a lawyer at 9 Prospect Park, Brooklyn.—The address of Major Frederick M. H. Kendrick, U. S. A., retired, is 24 S. Saint Albans, St. Paul, Minn.

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✓ '70.—Rev. George F. Genung of Hartford, Conn., was one of the principal speakers at the second annual meeting of the New England Alumni of the Rochester Theological Seminary held at Boston, Mass., Jan. 29th.

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✓ '71.—George W. Featherstonhaugh delivered a lecture on "The Town of Duanesburg" before the Schenectady County Historical Society, Feb. 1, 1906.

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✓ '73.—Leonard F. Croft is a civil engineer at North Clarendon, Vt.

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✓ '76.—Hamilton Scott Allen is pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Burnt Hills, N. Y.

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✓ '77.—Prof. Franklin H. Giddings of Columbia University has an article on Marshall Field entitled "A Good Example" in the Independent for Feb. 1, 1906 and a review of Henry George, Jr.'s new book "The Menace of Privilege in this Republic" in the New York Times Saturday Review of Books for Feb. 3, 1906.

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'79.—The address of Henry G. French is 334 West School House Lane, Germantown, Pa.

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'82.—Edmund E. Ford's address is 119 Convent Ave., New York City.

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✓ '95.—Rev. Rockwell H. Potter of Hartford, Conn., has been selected as one of the preachers of the



spring term at Amherst College. He is also one of the preachers of the winter term at Wellesley College.

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✓ '05.—Clarence S. Arms is engaged in civil engineering work at Kinkora, N. J.

### A Communication

To the Editor of the Concordiensis:

Dear sir—I question the wisdom of any act intended to produce a controversy over the publication of the "Garnet." Above all it is desirable that evidences of such a controversy should not appear in the Concordiensis.

Yet, being one of a fairly numerous body of students, holding somewhat similar views concerning the "Garnet" and its publication, to those set forth by "A Student" in last week's Concordiensis I wish to make just this one plea for our sanity.

We feel safe in stating that we have these two facts: First, the neutrals have no representative on the Garnet Board; second, on the title page of the Garnet there is this statement: "Published annually by the Greek letter fraternities of Union College."

It seems evident that apparently and in fact, so far as management is concerned, the Garnet is a Greek letter fraternity publication. Then is the conclusion unreasonable that, either the terms "Greek letter fraternity of Union College" and "Union College" are equivalent, in which case the neutrals are zero, or the Garnet is not truly a College publication? In either case I respectfully leave it to your fairness, kind reader, to determine the amount of support we ought to be expected to give.

We make no claim to a natural right to officially take part in the publication of the Garnet. It was founded by the Greek letter fraternities. It is within their power to withhold it or to give it to the College. It has seemed, however, to need the cordial support of a united student body. Because of this fact, but probably more because of the growth of true college spirit, fraternity men have come to think of the Garnet as pre-eminently a college publication. If it is to be this in fact, it seems clear to us that it must be published not by the juniors

of the Greek letter fraternities but by the junior class of Union College. If it is not so published it has no claim on the college spirit of neutrals.

It is still true that "a house divided against itself cannot stand." For our own sakes, but, more than that, for the good of Old Union, we hope that in this field, if it is a college field, Union's sons will be brothers, that no body of her sons shall deny to any one of the rest of her sons the right to serve her so far as he has ability and is willing.

We believe, however, that these ends should be attained not by a controversy, nor by boycott, but by peace. War among the students and among alumni works ruin to the College. Because of this belief we have supported the Garnet in the past, and though there can be no room for doubt that our support would naturally be more enthusiastic if we were not officially ignored, we will support it now.

We are willing to leave it to the fairness of Greek letter fraternity men to judge of the spirit we have shown in supporting the Garnet under these conditions, and we believe that their loyalty to the College will before long lead them to settle the matter rightly.

Respectfully yours,

L. R. LEWIS.

### ✓ Dr. T. G. Darling Dead

Rev. Timothy G. Darling, D. D., Professor of Christian Theology in the Auburn Theological Seminary, died very suddenly last Saturday morning at the city hospital in Auburn. The cause of his death was appendicitis.

Dr. Darling was acting professor of Mental Philosophy and Hebrew of this college during the year 1879-80, which position he held while pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of this city. Dr. Darling was a graduate of Williams College.

### ✓ Dr. Raymond Honored

It was recently announced that, as a result of several new appointments, Dr. Raymond had been named as one of the governors of the large State Hospital at Utica.

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## THOSE CHAPEL BELLS

Well, the chapel bells are back at their old stands again. No more excuses for being late to chapel and recitations because the faculty watches and ours don't agree. Peculiar instruments, too, those faculty watches are, when you come to consider it. They are always fast at the beginning of the hour and invariably slow at the end. Strange, isn't it, when you stop to chew the reflective chewing gum?

But this isn't a treatise on watches. We don't feel qualified to give expert testimony thereupon.

The burden of our song is the chapel bell, or bells, which are supposed to regulate the time of professor and student alike. That they failed for several days this week is our cue. Some one, actuated by some youthful impulse, perpetrated that ancient and honorable (?) child's trick of doctoring the bells. The why and the wherefor, we do not profess to know. The caper itself is so old here at Union that it was covered with moss years ago. It should have been pensioned in the days of Dr. Nott.

It is the chapel bells that all of us come to depend upon to make classes and chapel. If they do not ring, the whole mechanism of the college is thrown out of gear. It isn't a particularly inspiring job to get to a class room with the thermometer doing the high dive, and then to hover around the door waiting for another class to get out. Nor is it a pleasure to rush into a class room several minutes after roll-call. In view of the former, at any rate, we would respectfully request our little playmates, in the name of a frost-bitten student body, to desist from their exercises until some of these balmy days when it is about "80 in the shade." Then we can afford to wait for classes, and probably will, if we follow a strong precedent. At any rate let us have done with these tricks that have long ago lost their zest and which are not only of ad-

vantage to none, but are a disadvantage to all.

The baseball team has excellent prospects of a "skin" diamond for its spring gambols. Why not go a step more in this policy of improvement and furnish the team, when it begins to play, with an official score-keeper. This idea is by no means as useless as some would believe. The system that has been in vogue has lead to endless confusion. Hardly has the record of any two games been kept by the same man, and sometimes, not at all. Two years ago we had to wait well into the fall to make out the team averages, because there was no score kept of the Hamilton game and it was through the kindness of the Hamilton management that we obtained the records, at all. An official score-keeper, with one system, would not only be an advance in the management of the team, but would also be of great assistance to the college publications in giving to the student body the records of the team.

The 1909 basket ball team has been successful in getting games and in a couple of instances, have played in our "gym." This proves that basket ball can be played there but the general effect was to remind one of a game of tennis on a ping pong table, if we may be pardoned for going to ancient history for our figures. As long as we are in such cramped quarters, just so long must the college fail to be represented in a sport which all other colleges have so heartily taken up.

After weeks of waiting and preparation. Junior Week is almost at hand. A few more days will see it at its full tide. From all indications the second of these affairs is going to be even more of a success than the first. It is to be hoped so, at any rate, for the various committees have worked hard,

and deserve the best that the college can do by them. The Soiree, especially, is in the nature of a venture as regards the place of holding it.

## LAW SCHOOL NOTES.

### New Men—New Building in Prospect

The second semester of the department of law began Tuesday, Jan. 29th, and registrations were completed last week.

In addition to the old membership of the two classes, are the following men:

#### Seniors.

C. C. Chappell, ex-'05. O. G. Porter.

#### Juniors.

P. C. Schermerhorn, L. H. Govern,

C. H. Leyfield, Wm. Hoxie,

J. A. Rickard, W. F. Geer.

W. E. Thorpe.

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The results of the recent examinations were posted Monday.

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It is probable that quite a number from the Law School will attend the Sophomore Soiree of the college on Feb. 16th.

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Frank B. Gilbert, lecturer on Real Property, has been appointed librarian of the State Law Library. Mr. Gilbert will still be able to deliver his course of lectures at the school.

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The Board of Trustees has under consideration, plans for a new building for the Law Department. Owing to the present rapid growth of the school, new quarters will soon become a necessity.

## BASKET BALL

### Sophs and Turners—Freshmen Win Three

The basketball team played its first game in the college gym last Saturday evening, having as opponents the West End Tennis Club of Amsterdam. The Freshmen won by superior all-round playing, and showed great improvement in team work and basket shooting. Perry, for 1909, played an excellent game, while Carpenter excelled for the



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### Edgar Allen Poe Honored.

To those who heard the recent lecture on Edgar Allen Poe that was delivered in the chapel by Michael Monahan, the following item may be of some interest. It will be seen that women still delight in honoring the great poet:

"At the University of Virginia a memorial tablet has been placed on the door of number thirteen, West Range, Edgar Allen Poe's room, while a student in the University. It is a large bronze slab and besides the name, has the following: 'Domus Parva Magni Partae.' The tablet is the gift of two Washington women."

### Skating Rink Revives

With the coming of the recent cold weather, additional water was put on the rink and soon formed into a heavy coating of ice. Thursday the side boards for hockey work were again put up. It is to be hoped that the cold weather continues, so that the team work of the men may be improved for it was only due to lack of practice that such a poor showing was made against Albany. Good ice will do away with that feature and a successful team may be looked for.

Are you going to the dances?

### MEDIC NEWS

#### State Doctors in Session

The one hundredth annual meeting of the Medical Society of the State of New York was held in Albany last week. Dr. S. B. Ward delivered the "Oration on Medicine" and Dr. MacDonald also read a paper. There were no lectures Tuesday and Wednesday, during the course of the convention.

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Dr. Tucker resumed his lectures Monday, after a long illness.

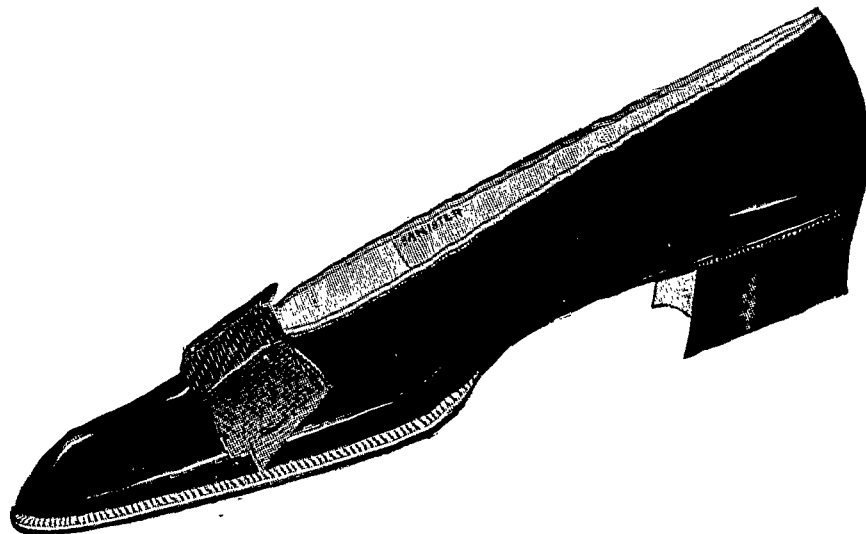
### Foreign Correspondence

The movement for the interchange of German and Russian professors, in which Harvard has taken a leading part, is in progress in the West as well as in the East. Professor Oncken of the University of Berlin, is delivering at the University of Chicago, in English, a course of lectures on German history, and conducting in German a seminar on the same subject. On the other hand, Professor J. Laurence Laughlin, head of the department of political economy at Chicago, has been invited by Ministerial Director Althoff of the Prussian Kultus Ministerium, to deliver a series of lectures in Berlin before the Vereinigung fur Staatswissenschaftliche Fortbildung during the coming season. This

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institution is a body composed of members of the Government bureau. It was suggested in the invitation that such subjects as the labor problem, railway rates, trusts etc., in the United States would be most interesting to the members. Professor Laughlin has accepted the invitation, and will leave for Berlin in the spring.—Boston Transcript.

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At the Brown University Alumni dinner given in New York on Jan. 19th, President Faunce announced that a library was soon to be built by the University, to be known as the John Hay Library. The library will cost \$300,000.

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Prof. Baldwin, of Johns Hopkins, has just returned from Mexico, where at the request of the Mexican Government, he has spent six years inspecting the educational system of that country as a guest of President Diaz.

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The latest catalogue of Tufts College, Massachusetts, shows an increase in the faculty from 191 to 219 and in students an increase of 70, the total registration being 1,097.

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William P. Burns, Ph.D., of Harvard, has been chosen head of the new Pedagogical Department of the University of Cincinnati.

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In the physical examinations of the entering class at Yale it was found that 33.8 per cent of the class use glasses, 6 per cent have never been vaccinated, 18 per cent cannot swim, and that 44.3 per cent use tobacco.—Ex.

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At Amherst the freshman class has been divided into sixteen basketball teams. Every member of the class is required to play as a part of the regular gymnasium work.

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Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., of Harvard, has declined the presidency of his class. This sounds like the metal of Theodore, Sr.

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Henry Pratt Judson, head of the Department of Political Science and head dean of the University

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of Chicago, has been made acting president of the University since the death of Dr. Harper.

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Dr. Kanishi A. Sakawa has been appointed a member of the faculty of Yale. He is the first Japanese to be elected to the faculty of this university.

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It was very recently decided at Chicago that a magnificent library building be erected on the campus of the University of Chicago in memory of the late President Harper. It is intended by those who are at the head of this project, that the body of Dr. Harper shall find its final resting place within the walls of this library.

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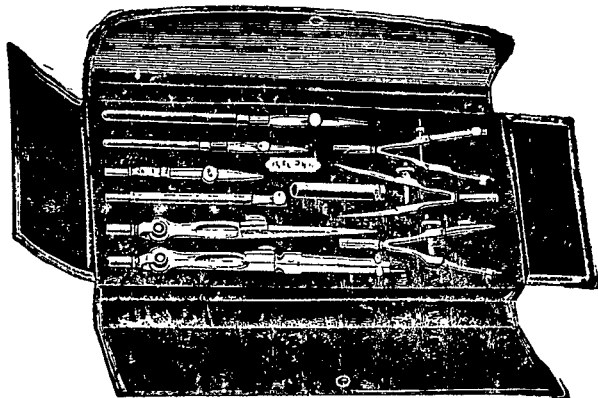
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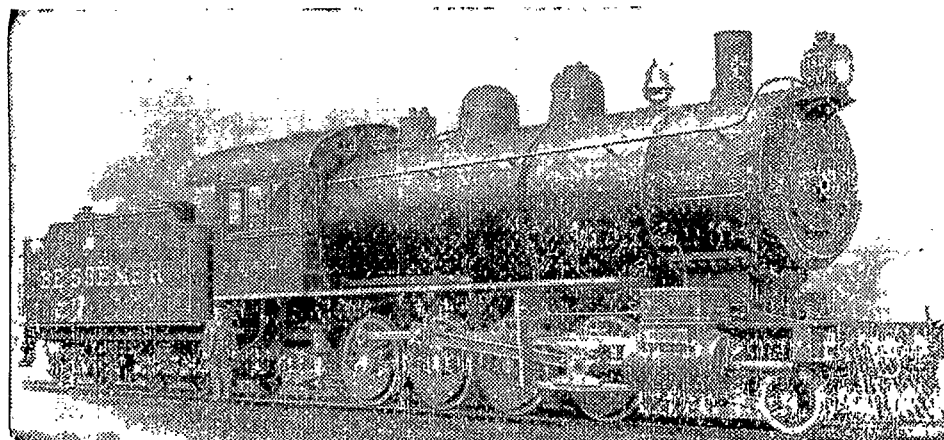
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