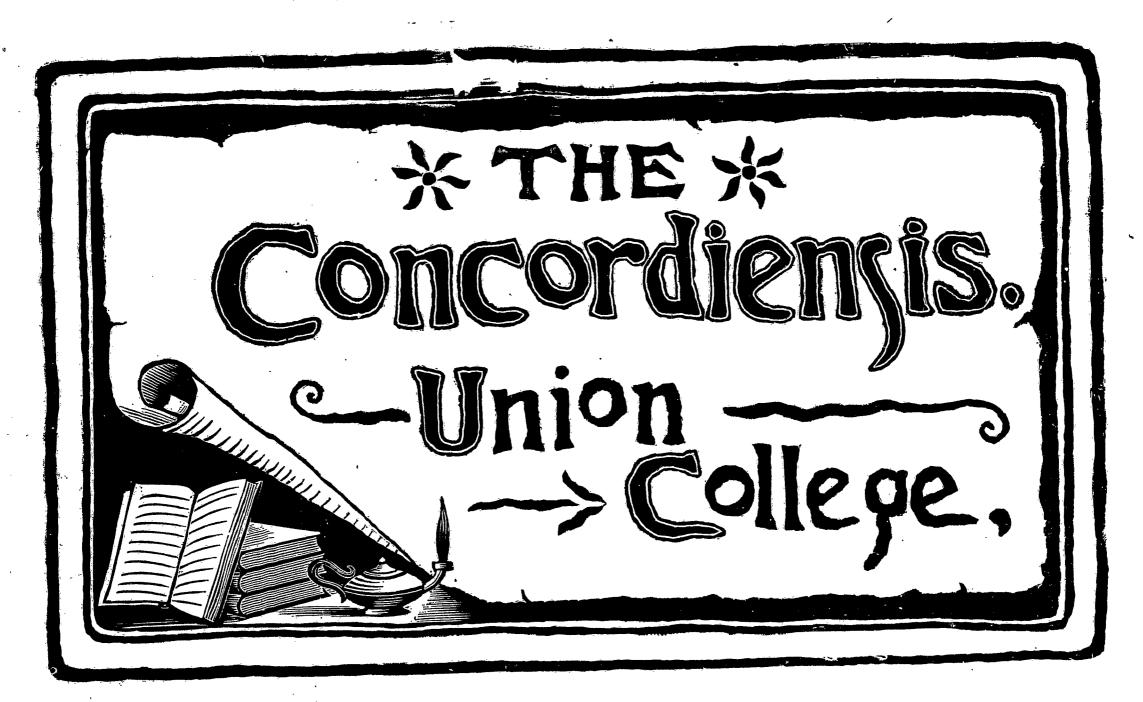
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Reminiscences.

The Hon. Alexander H. Rice. '49, Ex-Governor of Massachusetts, Writes of the Days of Dr. Nott.

The Concordiensis reminds me that in an incautious moment I promised to write something for its pages; and if I knew of any particular subject desired, I would try to discourse upon that; but in its absence, my thoughts turn in delightful reminiscence to the old gray walls which overlook "the campus" and the Mohawk. One venerable and stately form there presents itself which shuts out almost everybody and every thing else. Doctor Nott was a rare man-wise, scholarly, pious and eloquent; and above all, a great teacher and preacher, and a consummate disciplinarian, who left his mark upon his pupils, and to some of the most eminent among these imparted characteristics which, in turn, gave them eminence, especially in the departments of diplomacy and administration. Few colleges in this country have sent forth more men who have achieved distinction than have the graduates of Union. It is needless to mention such by name, as all readers of THE CONCORDIENSIS will readily recall The formative influence of Doctor Nott was exerted not so much by rigid rules arbitrarily enforced, as by a more quiet, almost confidential, intercourse and fellowship which sent into the minds of his pupils a magnetic and ennobling influence, moulding them into the desired shape almost unconsciously. This influence was felt by students of every grade of endowments, and from widely distant

localities, and his power was both positive and negative. He never forgot that he was once a boy, and that the exuberance of youth does not always imply dedepravity of character, and, therefore, that a certain latitude and allowance might be given to boys that would hardly be allowed in the sterner judgment of mature life. He did not see any more mischief than it was necessary to notice; and when seen, unerring discrimination was made between such as was merely sportive, and such as was malicious and depraved. With the former he always dealt lightly, however inexorable he might be toward the latter. But even in cases of the latter kind he always dealt with a paternal regard to the future welfare of its subject. He always left a chance for improvement even in the worst cases; and if retirement from the college were deemed necessary, that result was accomplished with the least possible notoriety, and usually by requesting the parent or guardian to act, thus leaving to those most immediately concerned the proper manner of communicating the fact to the student. Some examples illustrative of Docton Nott's methods and influence occur to me which may be interesting:

A certain Freshman from a distance, who had never seen Doctor Nott, chanced to meet him in the college grounds immediately after he had passed his examination, and being unfamiliar with the customs of the place, doubted for the moment whether or not he should give any sign of recognition to so great a dignitary as the

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President; for he instinctively knew that the stately personage before him could be none other than the President; and before he had quite solved the doubt they met, and were about to pass each other in silence, when the great Doctor raised his hat, and with a genial smile said, "good morning, my son." The Freshman clutched off his hat with all possible alacrity, conscious that the President was his cordial friend, and that he had received a life-long lesson in good manners; indeed it is doubtful if he ever afterwards met any venerable person without feeling that here was a kindly spirit to whom this tribute should be paid.

At the close of the chapel exercises one afternoon, the Doctor tarried a little upon the platform and called loudly the name of a student who was close at hand, and immediately approached him, to whom the Doctor said, "I wish to see Brown;" (the name is fictitious). "Well, sir, I am he," responded the student. "Of course you are," said the Doctor; "I am getting old, and do not so readily recognize my boys as I ought to do." "Which way are you walking, my son?" "Whichever way you may desire," said the student. "Ah, that is very kind," replied the Doctor, as they passed out of the door of the chapel together. On reaching the walk the Doctor threw his arm around the neck of his companion in a winsome and confidential way, and said, "I believe you are an intimate friend of John so-and-so, and they say he is going to the bad; now John is his father's hope, and his mother's idol. We must save John. I believe that Blank, and Blank, and Blank (naming other students), are John's intimates also, and I wish you to interest them on his behalf, and among yourselves you will

know how to divert him from his evil ways better than I do." At the same time he proceeded to give wise and sagacious suggestions which they might follow.

It is enough to say of the result that John came out of college to a most honorable and successful career in the world.

Away back, under the old postal laws, when the rates of postage were exceedingly high, there was a student in college between whom and the President there was a kind of mutual admiration and friendship; but Ned got a little wild. For a time the Doctor took no notice of his pranks; but after a while these became more noticeable and flagrant, so much so, that the Doctor felt it necessary to check them, and accordingly summoned Ned to his study. Now, Ned's father was a very penurious man, and kept his son on short allowance of money, and even this was by direction sparingly doled out to Ned, as the Doctor well knew. The interview took place, when the Doctor began by saying: "You know well enough why I have sent for you, and it is not necessary for me to recite particulars; but with all your faults, Ned, your veracity is unquestionable, I am glad to say; and if I can have your assurance that there shall be no repetition of your mischief we will let the 'by gones' pass; but otherwise I must write to your father to take you out of the college." Ned was perfectly well aware of the Doctor's partiality for him, and therefore ventured a little upon his complacency by saying, "Mr. President, 'to err is human, to forgive, divine.' I trust you will have pity upon my humanity; for otherwise, if I should give the assurance you ask, and then in some unguarded moment should offend again, you would not be able, at some subsequent interview

of this kind, to express that confidence in my veracity which now so much delights you." The Doctor was much amused at this answer, but summoning a dignified tone responded: "I cannot be trifled with, my son, I must have what I deem satisfactory assurance or I must write to your father, as I said; you can go, my son." Upon hearing this Ned moved reluctantly toward the door hoping all the while that the Doctor would recall him. The Doctor also watched closely to see if Ned would really go. After he had made his exit Ned relented and thought he would go back and make peace with the Doctor by complying with his request. Meanwhile the Doctor also regretted that he had allowed Ned to pass from the room unreconciled, and went to the door seeking him; and it happened that they both had hold of the door handle, on opposite sides, at the same time, and as the door opened they met face to face. Doctor, somewhat confused, said: "Well, sir, you are returning?" To which Ned replied, "yes sir, you were going out for something, I suppose." "Well, why were you returning?" said the Doctor. "Because," said Ned, "you remarked that unless I gave you satisfactory assurance of my good behavior you would feel compelled to write to my father, and I was coming back to tell you to be sure and pay the postage in advance or the old man would never take your letter from the post office." "Oh, go off, you rogue," said the Doctor with a love pat, "and see that you behave yourself hereafter." It is needless to say that Ned's conduct henceforth was always most exemplary.

One night one of the Greek Letter societies was holding a meeting during study hours, in violation of the college rules.

It was in Doctor Nott's section; but being somewhat infirm he did not often make the rounds; though that night he did and came upon the offenders unawares. When his rap upon the door was heard, all within supposed another member of the fraternity had arrived; the door opened and the Doctor stepped in. All were astonished, of course, himself apparently no less than the others; but there was no blowing out of lights nor scurrying away. All the members rose and stood in their places as soon as the Doctor was recognized, and the chairman immediately walked forward and conducted the Doctor to the chair. The Doctor was evidently unprepared for this spontaneous and manly courtesy, but, recovering himself soon, said in substance: "Young gentlemen, the presence of those whom I see before me is sufficient assurance that some exigency has caused this meeting in violation of the rules of the College, for you very well know that I depend largely upon your self respect for the proper government and well-being of the institution; and as I know yours to be a secret and confidential organization I shall not ask you to violate any of your obligations, even so far as to tell me what the exigency is." He then went on with a most interesting and instructive talk upon the mutual relations of the intellectual and moral faculties, and how impossible it is to violate the latter without raising antagonism detrimental to the best development of the former. At the close of these remarks he expressed the hope that the business for which the meeting was called would be accomplished as speedily as possible and that no similar gathering would be necessary; and with no other reprimand he retired. But any dissenter from his wishes would have lost his reputation in the college.

The Doctor's methods of teaching were unique, and so far as I know, often original. He generally used a text book, but was little confined to it, and sometimes referred to it only after long intervals. He discussed principles and their application rather than followed the literature of a subject. It was a favorite practice of his to select some individual student as a typical representative of the locality whence he came, and then proceed to exhibit the characteristics of a New Yorker, a New Englander, a Canadian, a Westerner; also persons of different nationality. He would do this by using the student for the time being selected as an intellectual manikin, a sort of homological model, which he would dissect and explain in every constitutional part; its origin, capabilities and possible combinations, and then put it together again, showing the completed man and his natural relations to society, together with the qualities which he ought most to cultivate and which to avoid. This analysis and synthesis with half a dozen subjects would occupy the greater part of a college term.

As a preacher, Doctor Nott was terse and epigrammatic, sometimes picturesque and often eloquent. His style was always subordinate to his subject though adopted to it. He often indulged in the plaintive and pathetic. His sermon on the death of Alexander Hamilton has been regarded as among the first specimens of elegiac composition in the English language; and I remember a sermon of his preached to the students on the sacredness of the Lord's Day, which was masterly in thought and expression.

There ought to be a bronze statute of seen, but he was this remarkable man erected by the his small stature alumni within the college grounds; and I to joke about it.

should be glad to make my modest subscription toward the accomplishment of that object. Let's have it.

Twenty-First Butterfield Lecture.

The twenty-first lecture of the Butter-field course on November 9, will long be remembered by those who were fortunate enough to be present.

Since the death of Oliver Wendell Holmes the world has learned much about him through newspaper and magazine, but to the students at "Old Union" was the privilege given of hearing facts of his life and character from the lips of his old friend, Dr. Edward Everett Hale.

Seldom has a more brilliant audience assembled in Union's chapel than that which came to hear Dr. Hale relate "Personal Reminiscences of Oliver Wendell Holmes."

The speaker was introduced by Dr. William H. McElroy, class of '60, who spoke of the character and work of Dr. Hale in highest terms of praise.

Dr. Hale's lecture was entirely in the conversational style. He said the first acquaintance he had with Dr. Holmes was when he spoke "Old Ironsides" at school when eight years of age. He related the reasons why "Old Ironsides" was written, of the feeling it stirred up, and how it saved the old hulk of the "Constitution."

Holmes entered Harvard College with the class of '29, and showed considerable literary ability, as evidenced by the success of the "Collegian" as soon as he took charge of it. He wrote many little poems and always spoke at class or college dinners. When he made speeches he always stood on his chair in order to be seen, but he was not sensitive because of his small stature, and was always ready to joke about it. Dr. Holmes' college life was interrupted by his going to Paris to study medicine. He was a close student in his professional work, and was specially interested in physiology and mental science. His many years as lecturer on Anatomy, in Dartmouth and in the Harvard Medical School gave proof of his professional ability.

His deeper thoughts and his humor ran hand in hand. He did not save his best thoughts for his books, but glowed with brilliancy and cheerfulness all the time.

Dr. Hale told of the founding of the Atlantic Monthly, and Dr. Holmes' connection with it. Holmes was very fond of relating coincidences of which Dr. Hale gave numerous examples. Dr. Hale finds it difficult to discriminate between Dr. Holmes' poetry and his prose. Dr. Holmes' was a close student of human nature and a great friend of the young.

Dr. Hale gave many instances showing the cheerfulness and beauty of Dr. Holmes' character.

Glee Plub Organized.

The recent re-organization of the Glee club for the winter is as follows: First tenors, Sturdevant, '98; Kilpatrick, '98, and Schermerhorn. Second tenors, Kelley, '96; Van Duzer, '96, and Turner, '98. First basses, Pemberton, '95; Crumb, '97; Braman, '94, and Winslow. Second basses, Day, '95; Beattie, '96; Dempster, '97, and Pershing, '98.

Amusements.

The following amusements will appear at the Van Curler in the near future:

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Friday, Nov. 30: Frohman's "Lost Paradise" Company.

A Communication.

EDITOR CONCORDIENSIS:

Dear Sir—As an ardent admirer of all amateur athletics and collegiate sports in particular, I ask for a few lines in your publication.

I have recently read in several papers published in the central and western portion of the State that at the next meeting of the New York State Intercollegiate Foot Ball League, Union would be dropped from the organization, as she is too strong on the gridiron for the other teams in the league. I am of the opinion that by doing so the league would both pay a high compliment to "Old Union," and do her a great favor. I say compliment, because it would be a complete acknowledgment by Rochester, Syracuse and Hamilton that Union is in a class way above them. I say favor, because it would compel Union to seek games with colleges whose teams are higher than the fourth and fifth grades.

If these rumors prove true, it strikes me Union has a golden opportunity to get into "faster company." It is a well known fact that Williams, Amherst and Dartmouth are at swords point because the latter is playing a "ringer" this year, and I have learned from a trustworthy source that Williams and Amherst would favorably consider a proposition to drop Dartmouth and take Union in their league. There is no need to point out here the advantages that would be gained if Union made such a change. Considered from all points of view, there is absolutely no question about Union being better off, and I think it a matter worthy of serious consideration by President Raymond, the faculty and under graduates. Even if the Intercollegiate does not "fire" us, it would be a wise move to resign and get into "faster company." So thinks an

ALUMNUS.

Union, 96 - Hamilton, o.

Union won the first game in the State Intercollegiate series from Hamilton, on Saturday, November 10, at Clinton; the score being 96 to 0.

Hamilton was not in the game at any time during the contest and the wearers of the garnet scored at will. The only reason that they did not make 150 points instead of 96 was the fact that the last half of the game was only fifteen minutes long and the making of touchdowns and kicking of goals had grown monotonous.

Hamilton played her regular team and was decidedly outclassed by Union who played four substitutes. Mud on the field was very deep, but that did not prevent the first touchdown being made within two minutes. Runs and rushes were frequently made in which seventy-five yards were gained. In the first half which lasted thirty-five minutes 68 points were scored.

During the game Union made 17 touchdowns, and Richards kicked 14 goals. The teams lined up as follows:

		
UNION.	POSITIONS.	HAMILTON.
Haviland	. Left end. \dots	Burge
Palmer	Left tackle	Paine
Blodgett	Left guard	Darling
Terry	. Centre.	Thorne
Sweetland	. Right guard	Thomas
Beckwith	. Right tackle	Ward
Mallery	Right end	Finn
Brown (Capt)	Quarter back	Toumer
Myers	Right half back	Burt (Cant.)
Baker	T 611 101 1	· zaro (oupu)
Baker	Left half back	Wibber
Richards	Full back	Aiken
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Touchdowns, Mallery, Myers (6); Baker (3); Richards (4). Goals from touchdowns, Richards (14). Umpire, Mr. Hooker. Referee, Mr. Westcott, of Lehigh.

S. B. Patrick, 97, who lost a few weeks last year through sickness, has been unable to continue his work this year. He left the city last Friday for a prolonged rest in the country. He expects to return to college in the spring.

The New Song Book.

All Union men are more or less interested to know about the new Union College song book, when it is coming out, what songs will be in it, and other de-The book is being published by the tails. White-Smith Music Publishing Company of Boston. It will be the same size as other college song books; it is to be bound in garnet, limp cloth covers. It is hoped to have the book out by the close of the present term, but possibly it will not be ready before the first of next; work, however, is progressing as rapidly as possible. The book will contain all the popular Union songs; songs of other colleges changed to suit Union sentiments, some general college songs, a few national airs, negro melodies, and some of the popular songs of the day. There will be seventyfive or eighty selections in all. Some of the Union songs are entirely new, written expressly for this book. The publication bids fair to be as good a collection of college songs as any book in print.

Lecture Course.

The course of lectures for the benefit of the Schenectady Free Public Library and Reading Room includes the names of the following distinguished lecturers: Max O'Rell, Conan Doyle, Dean Hole and Gen. Lew Wallace. The lectures will be delivered in the Van Curler. Course tickets, \$2.00.

Kirby, '97, was summoned home a week ago last Friday on account of the sudden illness of his father. The illness, a paralytic stroke, proved fatal, and Mr. Kirby passed away very soon after his son's arrival. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to our fellow-student in this his sudden bereavement.

tendance, 1000.

Union, 62---Rochester, o.

The second game of league foot ball was played on the campus, Saturday afternoon, in the presence of about 1000 spectators, and Union was again easily victorious.

Exactly at 2:30 the game began with Union in possession of the ball, and Rochester choosing the south side of the field. Myers kicked off across the goal line. The ball was kicked back to the twenty-yard line, and Union got it. Lavery made a run of fifteen yards. Richards carried the ball over in fifty seconds. He also kicked a goal.

Rochester kicked off to Lavery, who made twenty yards. Union lost the ball on off side play, and was forced to centre of the field. Rochester could not gain on four downs and Union took the ball. Lavery ran sixty-five yards for a splendid touchdown. Richards kicked the goal. Score, 12 to 0.

The next touchdown was made by Lavery, who ran forty-five yards. Richards failed to kick the goal.

Rochester got the ball to Union's twenty-yard line, but lost it, and Myers soon made a touchdown. Score, 20 to 0.

After the kick-off, Myers ran eighty-five yards, but was downed within a foot of the goal line, and time was called for the half. Score, 24 to 0.

In the second half Union did nothing but run away with Rochester and scored practically at will, the score standing 62 to 0. Following is the line-up:

UNION.	POSITIONS.	ROCHESTER.
Haviland (Cass)	Left end	Menzie
Palmer	Left tackle	Montgomery
Rarnes	Left guard	Glass
Terry	. Centre	Baker
Sweetland	Right guard.	
Peters	Right tackle.	
Mallery	Right end	Jessup
Brown (Cant.)	(Juarter back	Smith
Lavery	Left half back	kSenoipp

Starin Qup Competition.

It will be very satisfactory to the college to know that the Starin games are to be continued. Last year the magnificent gift of the Hon. John H. Starin for the inter-class championship was won by the class of '97. The question then arose as to whether the cup should remain as a class trophy, or be again made the object of inter-class competition. At the Sophomore class meeting held last week, it was decided that a committee, after corresponding with Mr. Starin as to his wishes in the matter, should draw up a set of regulations under which the trophy will be placed before the classes each year for This seems to be in accompetition. cord with the wishes, not only of the undergraduate body, but also of the faculty and alumni. There is room for engraving on the cup the annual championship of other classes in addition to that now recorded for '97. Let the class managers get their men in shape for a sharp contest. If there is any way to do so, '97 is determined to hold the top notch. We will publish the rules as soon as they are drawn up.

Butterfield Cecture Course,

The next lecture in the Butterfield course will be delivered in the chapel on Friday, November 23, by Prof. Harkness, of the National Observatory at Washington. Prof. Harkness will take as his subject: The Practical Uses of Astronomy. Very likely the next lecture will be delivered by the Hon. Chauncey M. Depew.

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OUR CALENDAR.

Nov. 23. — Butterfield Lecture. Professor Harkness: "Practical Uses of Astronomy."

Nov. 23.—College meeting; 8 A. M.

Nov. 23—Junior Hop; 9 P. M.

Nov. 27.—Christian Association prayer meeting; 7 Å. M.

Nov. 29.—Thanksgiving Day. Recess, 5 days.

Nov. 29.—Foot Ball. Union vs. Wesleyan at Ridgefield, Albany.

Dec. 5. — The Concordiensis. Vol. XVIII, No. 6.

THE current number of the American University Magazine contains an interesting article on "The Union College Alumni Association of New York," by R. C. Alexander, '80. The article is accompanied by fifty pictures of prominent members of the New York association; also by several college views, including the Blue Gate, the Idol, the Grove, the Pasture and North and South Colleges.

WE ARE indebted to the Hon. Alex. H. Rice of the class of '44, for the interesting reminiscences of life at Union in the forties, which we publish in this issue. Dr. Rice is one of Old Union's most illustrious sons, having served two terms as Mayor of Boston, and three as Governor of the State of Massachusettes. He was also a member of the House of Representatives from 1859 to 1867. He is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and Psi Upsilon fraternities.

The new catalogue will contain enough new or altered rules to make it an interesting volume for both old and new students to keep on their tables for frequent reference. The new chapel regulations, which we published in a former issue, and which were put into immediate operation seem to meet with the unanimous approval of the undergraduate body. So far, we have reason to believe that the alterations in the rules governing recitations will meet with similar approbation.

While not as unfortunate as many other colleges in accidents to the 'varsity foot ball men, Union feels the loss of two of her best players. The regret at the disabiling of Sweetland, '97, in the Amherst-Union game, has risen a step nearer consternation by the loss, for this season, of the efficient playing of Beckwith, '96. In the practice of last Wednesday an unfortunate stumble broke the small bone of his leg just above the ankle. But while Fortune is unkind occasionally, we are still in the race. The pennant must come to Union.

Manager Day informs us that the seats for the Thanksgiving Day game will be placed on sale at an early day, thus giving Union men an opportunity of securing a section of the best seats on the grand stand. This is an excellent suggestion and should be acted upon. Effective cheering can not be done unless the men are properly grouped, and Union should engage the centre of the stand, and whoop it up from the moment the team appears on the field, until time is called. There should also be a liberal display of the garnet. Every man should provide himself with a flag and plenty of ribbon. Nothing makes a prettier scene than a college contest where the colors of the respective institutions are displayed After the game, when that in profusion. dreadful uncertainty has been removed, and that nervous strain relieved, there will not be a Union man but that will be proud of the fact that he hails from Dorp. This is our prophesy. So show your colors and yell.

As soon as the foot ball season is over, and the weather becomes unsuitable to out door work in athletics, Dr. Linhart will organize several classes for the pursuance of indoor work.

We learn that a scheme for the organization of boxing, fencing and fancy athletic clubs is under way. These clubs will have their individual officers, and will pursue a course of work under the direction of Dr. Linhart. It is needless to say that the plan is a good one, and should receive the co-operation of the student body. Boxing, fencing and Indian club swinging should be made a feature of the indoor meet which will be held sometime during the winter term. Heretofore this branch of athletics has not received the attention which it merits, but the organization of clubs will doubtless give it a stimulus that will favor its rapid developement. We will publish further particulars in a later issue.

THE foot ball season will be fittingly closed by the game with Wesleyan on Thanksgiving Day. Union, for the third successive season, champion of the State league, will go to Ridgefield flushed with recent victories; but do not let us be so confident that we over-estimate our prow-The Wesleyan team has recently undergone a thorough overhauling; several of the old players are back to coach the eleven for the final struggle; and when they play, it will be to win. At Union everything is pursuing the even tenor of its way. The team is working hard, steadily and faithfully, and, owing to the watchful eye and thoroughness of Captain Brown, is the best disciplined team that ever represented Union. It certainly gives the friends of the college no greater satisfaction to read such news than it gives us to write it; for if ever a team deserved the enthusiastic support and hearty applause of a college, the team of '95 does; and if ever a captain merited the praise of a student body, that captain is Brown.

THE following from the Ogdensburg Advance explains itself:

'The Freshmen of Union College are carrying canes this year, it being the first time they have had that pleasure in a number of years. The "cane rush" was held about two weeks ago and for fifteen minutes one of the liveliest times in the college history was experienced. A cane about five feet in length and two inches through was given to the Freshmen. This was handed to a few chosen ones, around whom the other Freshmen rallied. The Sophomores were on the outside and at a signal a rush was made to secure possession of that cane. It was a rough and tumble time for a quarter hour, at the end of which, time was called, and a count of hands on the cane showed twelve Freshmen and two Sophomores, thus entitling the Freshmen to the honor of carrying canes during their first year of college work. One of the Freshmen from this city, wrote home to his mother, and in describing the "fun" said: "your son was inside the circle, and had both hands on the cane." The clothes were nearly all stripped off the backs of some of the men in the tussle; however, they are rejoicing in the honor won."

The Advance is mistaken. True, the cane rush was held shortly after the opening of the term, and the Freshmen were victorous, but their victory by no means entitled them to carry canes. So far as we are able to ascertain, the Freshmen are sufficiently satisfied with their success, and have no desire to carry canes before the customary time, spring term. This is one of the iron-bound customs at Union; it is a law that the upper classes could permit no infringement upon. The Freshman who wrote home to his mother saying that he was "inside with both hands," we should say, to use a slang expression, was "in it with both feet." We hope that his enthusiasm will take the form of loyal college spirit, and that throughout his course he will cultivate the interest in college institutions which his enthusiasm as a few-days-old-freshman foretells.

New Rules Regarding Recitation Attendance.

The student is allowed as many unexcused absences from recitations in each subject during a term as he has recitations in that subject during one week. Each additional absence subjects the absentee to a preliminary examination before the regular examination of the term. If absences in any subject reach the number of recitations in that subject for three weeks, the absentee must discontinue his work therein until the next class lower takes up that branch. No professor is hereby denied the privilege of demanding students to make up any or all recitations. No excuses are granted except for protracted illness.

The rules of which the above is the substance will go into effect next term.

Here and There.

PREACHER AND TEACHER.

William H. Hall, '96, who recently spent several days in Boston, on business pertaining to the publication of the new song book, reports the following interesting incident:

"On entering the Old South church, Boston, the other day, one of the first objects that greeted my sight was the portrait of a familiar face. It bore this inscription: 'Eliphalet Nott. Preacher, Teacher. President of Union College. 1773–1866."

DOES SLUGGING PAY?

In its report of the Cornell-Williams game at Ridgefield, the Albany *Argus* draws it mild when it says:

"The injured were about evenly divided between the teams, and there was quite a little scrapping. Cornell has the reputation of being fighters and Williams of being "sassy," so the two peculiarities acted as excellent foils. Both sides consisted of smart gritty men, and when a man did anything contrary to rule he got as good as he sent."

Presumably the word "fighters" is used for sluggers; certainly the public can take it in no other sense. The term "sassy," I presume, is used in the sense of boldness, and would convey the idea that Williams is made of the sort of stuff that can't be bull-dozed or slugged out of a game; so they made the best they could of a bad job, and tied the score.

SCIENCE OF SLANG.

First Frosh: "Hello, Skip, got Toughy up yet?" Second Frosh: "Nope, have you?"

F. F.: Yep, think I can hit him in the eye for a ten spot, sure."

S. F.. "Well, I'm going over to poll him up now. He'll stick it up my back unless I get a yank on his leg. Well, so long!"

F. F.: "Bon sours!"

MAX O'RELL IN ERROR.

Max O'Rell, in his recent lecture on "Her Royal Highness, Woman," attempted to give an explanation of the origin of the now fashionable handshake, whereby the elbow is raised on a line with the chin, the forearm slightly extended, the tips of the fingers used to daintily grasp the other's hand, and, by a gentle side-long motion, the new acquaintance, or old friend is welcomed. Mr. O'Rell's, or rather Mr. Blouet's story of the French society woman, who, in the costume of a shepherdess, resting upon her crook, received her guests with this peculiar hand-shake, is interesting in itself, and was admirably told; but Max is mistaken when he says that the shake originated in France or in this manner.

The shake originated in Old England, and the originator is the Prince of Wales. It seems that the Prince had a very troublesome boil immediately under his right arm—it was one of those "early rose" boils that Bill Nye speaks of in such touching terms—and so, when greeting an acquaintance or friend, the Prince, of necessity, raised his elbow on a line with his chin, and executed the manoeuvre after the manner so aptly described by Max O'Rell.

Ardent admirers of the Prince, little suspecting the cause of his sudden departure from the conventional shake, immediately cultivated his method of greeting, and, before long, it found its way to this country where it has continued to be the pet juggle of tin-foil society for a year or more. And, by the way, it has recently invaded Schenectady. It was given to me, rather unexpectedly, by a young lady at the last Junior hop. Remembering the misfortune of the Prince, my first feelings were those of sympathy for the fair society belle; but I quickly recovered myself, attributing her actions to the popular fad, rather than to any physical disability.

Thanksgiving Day Game.

The preliminary arrangements for the Union-Wesleyan game, at Ridgefield, Albany, on Thanksgiving Day, have all been made. The offer of the Manhattan Athletic Club, of New York, to have the game played on their grounds was rejected by Manager Day. It is needless to say that the action of the management in this regard meets with general approval. Provided the weather be favorable, no less than 5000 people will attend the game; 1500 seats will be reserved upon the grand stand, and it will be necessary for all, who desire choice positions, to make early application for the same. Excursion trains will be run on the Central from Utica and Poughkeepsie, on the D. & H. from Glens Falls, on the B. & A. from Pittsfield, and on the Fitchburg from North Adams.

President Raymond addressed a meeting of the Schenectady Sunday School Teachers' Union, on Tuesday last, in the Second Reformed church.

Stolen Sweets.

(For The Concordiensis.)

Near, a maiden's cheek is waiting,
For a man with courage strong;
Bold enough to risk in taking,
All reproaches as to wrong.

Let him take the kiss he's wanted, From those ruby lips so fair, With a courage still undaunted; Looking out for Madame Mere.

If too sweet, as he may find it,
He another yet may take;
For the chance is ready, waiting,
And the game is worth the stake.

Kiss her once, nay, kiss her often; Though the blushing maid objects; Though she calls you "bad" and "horrid," And the meanest of your sex.

Afterwards, then ask her pardon,
When you 've had those stolen sweets;
Tell her you'll return the kisses,
Which you took from her fair cheeks.

Ask her, then, for her forgiveness;
Tell her you'll ne'er do it more;
And to make the bargain binding,
Kiss her as you did before.
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A Paradox.

They met in the evening's twilight,
And talked of their ardent love;
They plighted their troth to each other
By the stars that gleamed above.

But when, on the following morrow,
They chanced on the street to meet,
They passed each other like strangers,
And failed one another to greet.

And yet she had n't jilted him;
Nor had given him the slip.
He was a student at Union,
And she—a Schenectady chip.
—G. A. J. '95.

Quartrain.

The blackest pool may love the light,
And gazing in the heavens afar
May hold within its slimy breast
The image of a shining star.

-Bowdoin Orient.

local and Personal.

Roberts, '98, has been on the sick list. There's a barrel of apples in S. S., S. C. Manager Day spent several days in the metropolis recently.

H. C. Todd, '97, met with an accident to his left foot recently.

The Freshman class has begun "The Study of Words" by Trench.

Pollock, '95, led the Prospect Hill chapel prayer meeting last Thursday.

Barnes and Allen, '95, and Williams, '96, were in New York last week.

Doctor Linhart has commenced taking the measurements of the Freshmen

T. F. Bayles conducted parliamentary drill at the Philo. meeting of the 10th inst.

The Philomathean Society will have a miscellaneous literary program on Saturday.

President Raymond preached in New York last Sunday, occupying Dr. Parkhurst's pulpit.

The idol has assumed a coat more in keeping with its wintry surroundings than with its verdant devotees.

Hemstreet, '97, who has had several weeks experience as a patient, returned to college a week ago Monday.

Prof. Walker was in New York last week attending the convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

W. H. Robinson, '97, has returned to college, after an absence of a few weeks, caused by trouble with his eyesight.

George T. Hughes, '93, of the New York *Mail and Express*, made a flying call on friends in town Sunday, November 4.

President Raymond made an address at the last meeting of the Sunday School Union. Prof. Hoffman is president of the Union. Since last Saturday's league game the study of comparative foot-ballology predicts a sure thing for Union in the pennant struggle.

"The Sphere of the State," Prof. Hoff-man's new book, will be used by the Seniors next term as a text book. Thomas, '98, has the general agency for this city.

Dean Ripton gave an address to the members of the Society for the Promotion of Useful Reading, Saturday afternoon. The subject of his lecture was "Introduction to the Middle Ages."

C. B. Hane, ex-'97, was observed energetically aiding in the victory of the Republicans on election day, at his home, Ohio, N. Y. He expressed the intention of returning to Union in the spring.

Professor Sidney G. Ashmore has an article in the Classical Review (London), analyzing Schlee's work on the manuscripts of Terrence. Professor Ashmore is an authority on all subjects pertaining to the Latin Language.—Troy Press.

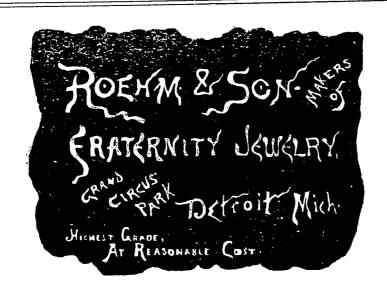
The students will be pleased to hear that the condition of George J. Sweetland, '97, who was injured in the Union-Amherst game, is somewhat improved. He is able to get around with the aid of a cane, although his sight and head trouble him so that he can not study.

D. L. Moody, to whose pleasant home at Northfield, college men delight to turn every spring to the Y. M. C. A. Students' Convention, has been holding most successful services in Toronto, Canada. Massay Hall, with its seating capacity of 6000, has been too small to hold the multitudes who have flocked to hear him, and long before the time of meeting people have been compelled to turn away in disappointment.

Charles Bradford Templeton, '84, an Albany lawyer, well known in this city, was married Thursday, November 14, to Mrs. Margaret P. Dungay of the same city. The wedding took place in All Saints Cathedral, and was a very fashionable one. Dean Robbins performed the ceremony.

The Junior sanitary engineers, under the direction of Professor Landreth, are making measurements for the purpose of calculating the necessary capacity of a steam heating apparatus to place in Memorial Hall. It has been declared impossible to heat this building on account of the great height of its roof. But Prof. Landreth believes that with a canvass covering at the first or second gallery, the work can be performed. It is the intention, at present, to use the hall for the Butterfield lectures. Everybody interested in the college will be pleased to see this magnificent, but hitherto almost unused structure, put to some practical use. The "poller" has had his eye on it for a library, the athlete for a gym; but both will be pleased to see it thrown open for any good purpose whatever.

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One can see such dwellings if one would roam;—
But for real uniqueness seen nowhere else
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On the door a warning "keep off the grass:"
Don't let this deter you—simply walk in;
A welcome is found in all student's rooms.
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The walls are frescoed with many trophies That escapades tell to the student mind; Collections of pipes and groups of pictures; And the face of a girl that's left behind.

The lamp-light shimmers thro' an old green shade And its rays look dim thro' the circling smoke, As you sit there talking or singing low, Or guess at the point of some 'faculty joke.'

Old gray walls so endeared to our hearts; Dusty stairs that seem Appian ways; Life is a springtime of hope at Union, Old Union, the home of our college days!

-F. E. STURDEVANT, '98.



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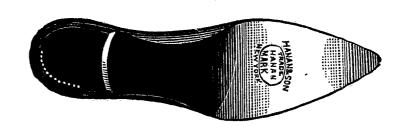
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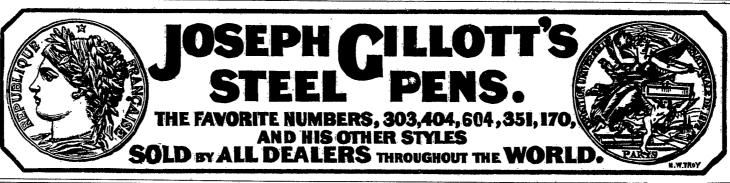
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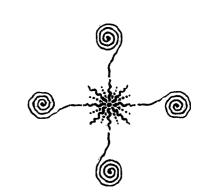
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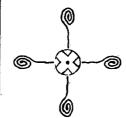
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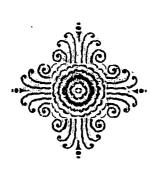
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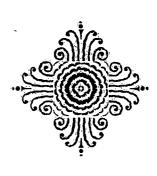
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