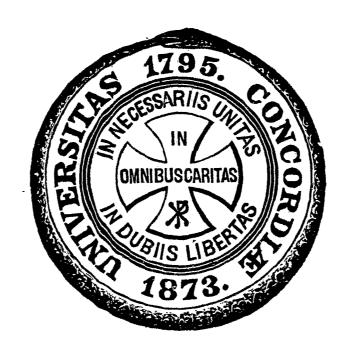
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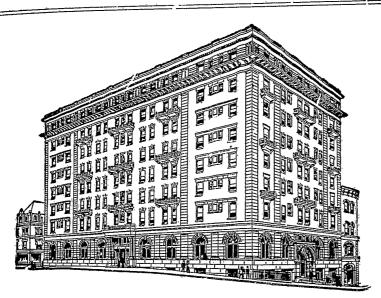
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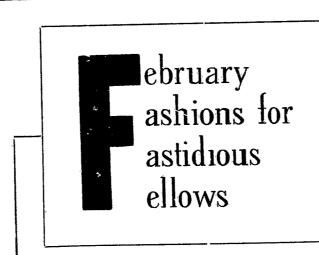
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#### JUNIOR PROMENADE.

Last night was held in Albany at the Ten Eyck Hotel "the" event of Junior Week. The prom was held in the beautiful ballroom of the Ten Eyck and was a most beautiful scene. There were twentytwo dances and then a dance for each one of the classes. Zita's full orchestra of twelve pieces provided the music and rendered an unusually good program. After the twelfth dance a buffet luncheon was served from the Ten Eyck cuisine. The committee consisted of the following: H. P. Stewart, chairman; P. Buck, M. Hotchkiss, M. O. Hallock, A. R. Dennis, S. W. Slutter, R. Merrill, H. Seamans, H. H. Glover, B. Stark, J. McManus and S. McNab. This committee has worked for a long time to make the dance as perfect as possible and they certainly succeeded, according to the consensus of opinion of the people who attended the prom.

The patronesses were the following: Mesdames Richmond, Hale, Jr., Barnes, Ferguson, Young, Stoller, Ripton, O. H. Landreth, Alshmore, Garrison, McKean, Von Voightlander, Bennett, Kriegsman, Price, Simmons, Weed, Lawsong, Hughes, McDonald, Hotchkiss, Bohue, Lovejoy, Hoffman, Hequembourg, Landreth, Landon, Seward, Allyn, Cooper, Featherstonhaugh, Gibbes, Gilmore, Case, Yelverton, Green, Van Voast, Gardener, Pettit, Seamans, Stark, Gill, Chadsey, Wachter, Stewart, Pitkin, Chase and Cullings.

Among those who attended were: The Misses Andress, Willits, Shannon and Ruhn of N. Y. C.; Miss Perry of Herkimer; Miss Andrews of Whitehall; Miss Renney of Pleasant Mountain, Penn.; the Misses Van Wie, Evison, Schaupp, Coughtree, Bentler, Boyce, Sherman and the Misses Gill from Albany; Miss Salmon of Roadley; Miss Mayy of Lansingburg; Miss Traver of Syracuse; Miss Sears and Newton of Buffalo; the Misses Winnie and Zimmer of Gloversville; Miss Whitbeck of Al-

bany; the Misses Cooley and Geiser of Troy; the Misses Redmond and Medberry and Mrs. Weed and Simmon of Ballston Spa; the Misses Bailey and Froass of Oneida; the Misses Tredozy, Stowell and Riley of Elmira; Miss Chapin of Albany; Miss Carlock of Little Falls; the Misses Taris and Rogers of Sandy Hill; the Misses Bourke and Congdon of Omaha; Miss McNett of Bath; Miss Polock of Hartford; Miss Olmstead of Fort Edward; Miss Inginare of Saratoga; Miss Green of Utica; Miss Knight of Delanson; Miss Van Vechten of Johnstown; Miss Marclay of Richmondville; the Misses Post and Hempstead of Binghamton; Miss Atkin of Rochester; Miss Senior of Holyoke; Miss Grover of Hoosic Falls; Miss Corbin of Binghamten; Miss Robinson of Hornell; Miss Sanburn of Boston; Miss Pardee of Cherry Valley; Miss Stott of Hudson, and the Misses Halliday, Dodge, Durston, Ennis, the Misses Landreth, Becker, Myers, Rempton, Moffett, Freeman, McMillen, Fullerton, Murray, Coyle, Featherstonhaugh, Watkins, Pruesi Buckley, Veeder, Smith, Haight, Landreth of Schenectady; Miss Algie of Ogdensburg; Miss Henderson of Gouverneur, and Miss Fowler of Buf-

A number of students and a large part of the college faculty were present at a lecture given by Judge Ben B. Lindsey of Denver, Col., at the annual meeting of the Schenectady Charities Association held in the High School auditorium on Wednesday evening.

Judge Lindsey is the originator of the juvenile court. His lecture told, in the main, of the evils that surround the street urchin of to-day and the inability of our courts to fully understand the way as a law-breaker. The Judge dealt almost entirely with the concrete and in this way told many amusing and at the same time pathetic stories of the injustice done to the boy criminal.

# HEAD OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST FEMALE COLLEGE.

As President of Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, Dr. L. Clark Seelye in 35 years has built up the largest exclusively female college in the world. He has done it as a rigid disciplinarian working on strictly business lines , even to discouraging the traditional cap and gown for college women.

Dr. Seelye, on his seventieth anniversary, has resigned the presidency of Smith in accordance with his reiterated decision to retire at three score and ten. He has been at the head of Smith since 1873. The college was chartered in 1871.

He was born in Bethel, Connecticut, September 20, 1837, and was graduated from Union College when scarcely 20. A period of study at Andover and in the Universities of Berlin and Heidelberg followed, after which he became pastor of the North Congregational Church in Springfield, Massachusetts. Previous to this he was married to Henrietta Sheldon Chapin of Albany, New York. After about two years of pastoral work he accepted a professorship in Amherst College, where he remained until he was called to take up his work with the new college in Northampton.

The founder of Smith College, Miss Sophia Smith of Hatfield, Massachusetts, made it plain by the terms of her will that men should have a part in its government and instruction, "for it is a misfortune for young women to be educated wholly by their own kind," and the selection of President Seelye was in accordince with this provision.

In all the country there could not have been found a man better suited to carry out the ideas of Miss Smith. His conception of the ideal college woman is that she must be refined, educated, gentle.

His business capacity is shown by the wonderful growth of the college. College Hall, the first academic building, was dedicated July 14 1875, the president then being formally inaugurated into office. The college opened with four resident teachers and fourteen students. The fund provided by Miss Smith's will amounted to \$386,608.29, to

which was added \$25,000 given by the town of Northampton.

Smith has had very few large bequests; is, in fact, one of the poorest of American colleges in this respect, but in 1908 it graduated 305 young women. Its faculty now numbers 105; it has twenty-five large buildings used for academic work and dormitories.

President Seelye has written no books; he has not had time. His business was building and administering an ideal college for women, and he has done that one thing so well that it now seems impossible to find anyone to take his place.—Hampton's Maagazine.

#### A LETTER.

Editor of the Concordiensis:

Dear Sir: - Something that has been bothering niy mind of late and which is to my mind, showing a falling off of the Union spirit is the small showing the students made at the Armory during the Rochester game. There were about half of the men present and they did some good cheering, in spots, but they are not showing the skillful cheering and singing that characterized our football games last fall. There is no excuse for this either. The game was played on a Saturday evening, thus letting the men off from work. The sport may be sniffed at by some as being a minor one and not needing much support. That is a very erroneous idea, for the team represents Union, every Union man, not a bunch of fellows who like to play We have become famous for our basketball. cheering and singing, but that fame will be shortlived if conditions such as existed at the Rochester game continue. We cannot hope for a winning team without every man's support and that must be whole-hearted. But whether we win or not every man owes allegiance to Union and to the team whatever it is. Now is the time to remedy this thing. Next Wednesday we play Hamilton in the gym, and it's up to everyone to be there and to let people know you are there.

AN UNDERGRADUATE.

# FRENCH CONVERSATION IN THE 17TH CENTURY.

BY F. W. SMITH.

(Continued from January 29.)

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The gentlemen used up all of their energies in surmounting the difficulties of approaching the fair sex. But in France, the ladies having no defence but virtue, made of it a fortress more secure than castles furnished with numerous locks and iron bars and guarded by vigilant duennas. In consequence, the gentlemen were compelled to employ so much attention and address to gain the favor of the beau sexe that they acquired an ert almost unknown to people of other countries.

The ladies who attended the Rambouille receptions soon came to be noted for their elegant conversation and bearing, so very much so that they were given the appellation of Les Precieuses, a term meaning the precious ones.

L'Abbe Pure says: "Precieuse is a word of the period, a fashionable word, which is current to-day as was formerly the word Prude and later Feuillantine. The Precieuses are certain ladies who have been able to rise above common estimation and acquire a peculiar designation and rank."

In another place he writes: "It is said there is a kind of religion among the Precieuses and that they make some sort of solemn and inviolable vows. First, the subtlety of thought; second, method in desires; third, purity of style; fourth, mortal combat against the pedant and the provincial who are their irreconcilable enemies and fifth, the extirpation of bad words."

Everyone spoke of the beauty of the Precieuse language. Changes in pronunciation were made new words and phrases were constantly invented, and alterations in spelling, consisting mainly in the dropping of superfluous letters, were made. Examples of these changes are to be found in such words as tete from teste, auteur from autheur, merchant from meschant, defant from deffant. Many more can be seen by reference to Somaize's Dictionnaired es Precieuses.

There were endless discussions about words

and expressions, the adoption or rejection of which gave rise to many intrigues and cabals. Balzac writes: "Si feliciter n'est pas encore Français, il le sera l'annee qui vient." Such questions were discussed in regard to language as, "Ought one to write as one pronounces or ought one to follow the ancient annd common orthogoraphy?"

They read in public the letters of absent persons, written and polished with that end in view. Written conversation modeled itself upon spoken conversation at first, and curious examples of it may be found in dialogues in novels, in comedies and tragedies of the day. Afterward, when the preciense craze became popular, it may be said that its provincial votaries tried to speak after the manner of the characters in the current novels, and this is apparently one thing that Moliere so severely ridicules. At the height of the movement, correspondence proves that great pains was akin with literature and conversation. In many cases there seemed to be a search for polished expression rather than the bringing out of refinement of thought. Moreover, there seemed to arise a desire to please the ladies without offending their scrupulous modesty, and there was likewise the apparent effort to veil true sentiment under Although literature received a good a mask. share of attention, it was not the only subject of conversation. War, religion and politics were also considered and in many instances these imrortant subjects were treated with a surprising familiarity and insight. Weighty questions did not discourage the ladies in the least; they were as eager as the genlemen to discuss them.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### JUNIORS.

"Woman," hissed the student, "woman, do you thus, spurn my heart after leading me on."

"When did I lead you on, as you call it?" asked the girl.

"Did you not tell me that the fortune teller had told you that you were to wed a handsome, blond young man, with the grace of a Greek god and the voice of an Aeolian harp?"—"Southern Collegian."

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TERMS.

Our Guests on all her finery and beams welcome, from the oldest

Professor to the greenest Frosh. For this is our gala day. There is not a man who has ever attended the Junior Week festivities—and there ought indeed to be no Union man—who does not look backward to past Soirees or Proms with a spirit of sadness that they are past and to the future ones with a joyous anticipation of some excellent times. We should not spare ourselves to give "the girls" the best times they ever had and to make Union's good times stand out far above all others.

The Washington there Alumni Banquet the V

In another column there is an article on the Washington Alumni Banquet, to be held

during Inaugural Week. It would be a grand thing to have a large attendance of out-of-town Alumni at this, and everything is propitious for such an attendance. The railroads will run special excursions, and with the advantage of having the Association look out for your lodgings, everything would be more than easy. Let every one attend that can possibly do so.

We note with pleasure that Football. Hamilton is to make the Union game her big game of the year next season. It seems an excellent idea to us, as with the increased rivalry the Hamilton-Union contest should become known all over. There hardly are two colleges in the country which enjoy such reputations for their cheering and singing, and the game will in truth be between the two colleges as unities, and not between the two teams.



#### ELIPHALET NOTT.

Of all the men who from time to time have been instrumental in shaping the career of Union College there is one who stands pre-eminent, one the mention of whose name never fails to bring a thrill to the heart of every loyal Union man, and whose memory is revered not alone by the men who have studied within the walls of the collage to which he devoted his life, but likewise by the whole educational world.

This man is Eliphalet Nott.

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What George Washington is to the United States Eliphalet Nott is to Union College. When he became president of the college in 1804 he found it in anything but a prosperous condition. There were but a mere handful of students, the curriculum was an imperfect one, the buildings inadequate, practically no grounds, and the college upon a decidedly insecure financial footing.

During the sixty-two years that he held sway as its president, the change in the college was so marked that it excited the wonder and admiration of every one. He increased the number of students until Union became the largest college in the United States, and it maintained this position for nearly twenty-five years. He selected this site and caused the college to be moved to its present

location. He enlarged the curriculum and obtained money from public and private sources. In short from a position of insignificance, under the of Dr. Nott, Union was broughtskillful guidance to the very foremost rank of American colleges.

Students came not only from preparatory schools all over the country, but many times from other colleges to finish their course here, to receive their diplomas from his hand and to be known as Union College men.

His interest in the college, his deep regard for the students and his constant personal interest in their welfare made him in turn loved by each one who came under his jurisdiction.

Aside from his wonderful tact in handling men and his rare executive ability, he had that keen business foresight to which is due more than anything else the great success that he accomplished.

Dr. Nott set the college on a firm foundation; he made the name "Union" stand for a college second to none. And when he was called from the president's chair by death he left this name and all that it stands for, to the world. And as the years go by and Union continues to prepare men for their future lives, each one will bear the imprint of his influence, an influence for better, truer things—typical of the man himself, of Eliphalet Nott.

C. L. M.

#### GLEE CLUB CONCERT.

The first concert of the year by the clubs of the Musical Association was given in the High School auditorium yesterday afternoon. The singing of the Glee Club as a whole was excellent and it would be hard to find a better college quartette than ours.

The instrumental numbers rendered by the Mandolin Club, and Orchestra were not as good in their line as the Glee Club, but they went off well and were well received by the audience.

The following is, the program as rendered:

- 1. "The Village Choir"..... Lynes Glee Club.
- 2. "Our Director" ...... Bigelow Mandolin Club.
- 3. "Ho, Jolly Jenkin" ............ SchneckerWoodward '11, Corbin '09, Miller '11,J. W. Faust'09.
- 4. "Melody of Love" .............Englemann
  Orchestra
- 5. "Torreador's Love Song" ............Concnois Solo—J. W. Faust '09
- 6. "Ectasy Waltz" ......Waldmeister
  Glee Club
- 7. "The Darkies Patrol" ......Lansing
  Banjo Solo—McCullough '11
- 8. "Tehama" ..... Haines

  Mandolin Club
- 9. "The Cat With the Baritone Voice......Scott Glee Club
- 10. "Let the Grecian Dream" ......Ludlow '56 Glee Club

Mr. Faust's solo was one of the most pleasing numbers on the program. He has an excellent voice and one that has great power of expression.

The Mandolin Club made quite a hit in their encores for Tehama, which was delightfully rendered.

#### HAMPTON QUARTETTE AT CHAPEL.

The chapel service on Monday was conducted by Rev. Charles E. Chichester, chaplain of Hampton Institute. He gave a brief account of what Hampton is accomplishing in a direction which he believes is the only solution to the race problem.

The Hampton Quartette, consisting of four seniors, sang several old plantation songs, rendered in negro fashion. The singing was greatly appreciated by the students and was followed by loud applause.

Dr. Chichester and the quartette are making a tour through New York and other Northern States advertising their institution. The quartette sang in Albany on Sunday night and after leaving the college on Monday afternoon they went to Amsterdam, where they sang in the evening.

#### BRIEFS.

The basketball team played Hobart last Thursday and Rochester last evening. The reports of the games could not be had before, the paper went to press.

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#### WASHINGTON ALUMNI BANQUET.

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All Union men who will be in Washington for the inauguration are asked to attend the meeting and dinner.

Any one intending to be present should notify the secretary of the Association, David L. Wood, 1743 North Capitol Street, Washington, D. C., by February 23d, if possible, in order that corresponding arrangements may be made.

The cost of the banquet will be two dollars.

The following was clipped from a city paper of Rochester in regard to the Rochester-Union game which came the night after Rochester's game with Colgate:

The local collegians are warm in praise of the treatment accorded them in the Union game at Schenectady. The large crowd, composed mainly of college students, enthused as freely over good plays by Rochester as it did over those of its own representatives. The good feeling existing between the players and the remarkable cleanliness of the game, but nine fouls being called on the two teams, stood out in bold relief when contrasted with conditions in the game the previous night and was greatly appreciated by the Rochester players.

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#### SOPHOMORE SOIREE.

Last Thursday evening was held the first dance of Junior Week, the Sophomore Soiree. This was held at the Mohawk Golf Club and a very pleasant evening was spent by all. The ballroom was very prettily decorated with smilax. Light refreshments were served at midnight. The music was by Reu bens, with four pieces, and was as excellent as ever. The dance orders were white, in the shape of a pennant and tied with a garnet card. On the outside was a seal and 1911 within a U.

The following ladies were patronesses of the dance. Mrs. Allyn, Mrs. Canfield, Mrs. Case, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Cullings, Mrs. Featherstonhaugh, Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Gibbs, Mrs. Hale, Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. Landon, Mrs. Landreth, Mrs. Lawsing, Mrs. Simmons, Mrs. Simms, Mrs. Swart and Mrs. Weed.

#### OH CAPTAIN! MY CAPTAIN!

# (Walt Whitman's poem on the death of Abraham Lincoln.)

O captain! my captain! our fearful trip is done; The ship has weather'd every rack, the prize we sought is won;

The port is near, the bells I hear, the people all exulting,

While follow eyes the steady keel, the vessel grim and daring;

But O heart! heart! heart! Leave not the little spot, Where on the deck my captain lies, Fallen cold and dead.

O captain! my captain! rise up and hear the bells; Rise up—for you the flag is flung—for you the bugle trills;

For you bouquets and ribbon'd wreaths—for you the shores a-crowding;

For you they call the swaying mass, their eager faces turning;

O captain! dear father!
This arm I push beneath you;
It is some dream that on the deck
You've fallen cold and dead.

My captain does not answer, his lips are pale and still;

My father does not feel my arm, he has no pulse nor will;

But the ship, the ship is anchor'd safe, its voyage closed and done;

From fearful trip the victor ship, comes in with object won;

Exult, O shores, and ring, O bells! Walk the spot my captain lies, Fallen cold and dead.

Last Thursday the Schenectady Daily Union got out a Lincoln memorial number, the largest edition of a daily paper ever printed in Schenectady. It is an excellent issue in all respects.

# "AMERICAN EXAMINATION AND REVIEW BOOK."

Recently the above named book made its appearance before the public as the work of two Union graduates, Dr. Pollick and Mr. G. C. Rowell. Dr. Pollock is the instructor in economics and mediaeval history here, being formerly chief examiner of the State Civil Service Commission and well qualified to prepare a book of this sort.

The book is well gotten up and one that is needed by all who wish to take examinations for clerical work. It not only considers the examinations in the common branches of study, but also contains treatises on the marking of the papers and some hints in regard to the National Civil Service examinations. The essays are prepared by Dr. Pollock and are very instructive in regard to the actual means employed by the Regents in preparing and marking the examination papers. The sample questions make it almost easy to pass such examinations, for almost every sort of question is answered as the Board require. The book is not only of benefit to those who are preparing for examinations, but also for those who with little leisure wish to become more proficient in the common branches. There is also a benefit to be derived by teachers who wish practical work for review and supplementary work.

All in all the book is one that will do a great deal of good and will fill a long felt want in many ways. Dr. Pollock is to be congratulated on this excellent work and all its readers will be gainers from an acquaintance with it.

For quite a while the Concordiensis has been appearing at different intervals, sometimes through the fault of the printer and sometimes through the fault of the Board. We have no excuse, but to try to remedy this trouble will be our aim. We are going to get the "Concordy" out every Saturday afternoon from now on, and in order to do so all stuff must be in by 3 o'clock on the Tuesday prior to the issue.

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#### CONSIDER.

Friend, have you heard of the town of No Good,
On the banks of the River Slow,
Where the Some-time-or-other scents the air,
And the soft Go-easies grow?
It lies in the valley of What's-the-use
In the province of Let-her-slide;
It's the home of the reckless I don't-care,
Where the Give-it-ups abide.
The town is as old as the human race,
And it grows with the flight of years,
It is wrapped in the fog of the idler's dreams;
Its streets are paved with discarded schemes,
And are sprinkled with useless tears.

-Selected.

#### TEAM CHOSEN FOR HAMILTON DEBATE.

The final try-out for the Hamilton debate was held in the college chapel last Saturday afternoon with Dr. Hoffman and Prof. McKean acting as judges. The team which was chosen consists of Mould, '09; Bartlett, '10; Wilson, '09, and S. Cavert, '10, as alternate.

The subject for the debate this year is: Resolved, That Canadian lumber should be admitted to the United States free of duty. According to the terms of the agreement made last year the debate will take place at Hamilton.

The team is hard at work on the question, and on Tuesday they thoroughly reviewed the subject and made a general outline of the debate. The fellows have decided to speak in the following order: First speaker, Bartlett; second, Wilson, and third, Mould.

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The Schenectady Railway Company are to stop selling tickets on March 1st. It seems that they are not getting rich enough to satisfy them so they will have to get the poor people to help them out. We must assist them all we can and perhaps a collection might aid some.

#### ALUMNI NOTE.

Fisher to the Rev. William Hooper Adams of Charleston, S. C., took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. David Allen Fisher, in Voorheesville, January 14th. Because of the recent death of Mr. Fisher, only relatives on either side were present. The Rev. J. V. Moldenhawer of Albany officiated. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Eleanor, the bridegroom by his cousin, the Rev. Philip Adams Job of Carlisle, Mass. The ushers were Peter Nelson of Albany and Burton Fisher of Amsterdam. The music was rendered upon the harp and violin under the direction of Gioscia.

At the close of the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Adams received the congratulations of their friends, and after the collation left for a tour in New England. The Rev. Mr. Adams was lately installed as pastor of the Presbyterian churches of Worthington and Dublin, prosperous and growing suburbs of Columbus, Ohio.

#### BASEBALL SCHEDULE.

The following is the baseball schedule for this spring:

April 14—Army at West Point.

April 17—Pratt on campus.

April 24—Rutgers at New Brunswick.

April 30-Middlebury on campus.

May 7—Hamilton at Clinton.

May 8—Colgate at Hamilton.

May 13—Rochester on campus.

May 15—Hobart on campus.

May 21—Hobart at Geneva.

May 22-Rochester at Rochester.

May 29 University of Vermont at Burlington, Vt.

Mar 31—Hamilton on campus.

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