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THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. UNION COLLEGE.

In addition to the body called the Senate, which was described in these pages some time ago, there existed another organization among the members of the college, which was called the "House of Representatives of Union College." This association did not last for as long a time as the Senate, being in existence only about seven years, according to the records.

The members of this body were members of the junior class of the college. At the last meeting of the third term in the year, the members of the sophomore class were initiated as members of the House, and the members of the faculty and all graduates were honorary members of the House. The purpose for which the House was established was "for becoming familiar with parliamentary rules and usages." On the organization of the association a constitution was adopted and in all their meetings Cushing's Manual was adopted as guide and authority on parliamentary practice.

As officers there was a Speaker, who was the Professor of Rhetoric in the college; a clerk, a treasurer and a sergeant-at-arms. They were elected at the first regular meeting of each term and held office during one term. The election was by ballot, and a majority of votes cast was necessary for a choice in all cases.

At the fifth regular meeting of the second term a valedictorian was elected, and at the initiation of the sophomore class the valedictorian delivered his address.

Amendments to the constitution could be made by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a meeting, but they had to be laid on the table for two weeks before any action could be taken concerning them. A majority of attending members constituted a quorum for the transaction of business.

The chair had power to appoint all committees, and from the first there were about twenty standing committees, consisting of three members each. These committees were called committees on foreign affairs, finance, commerce, suffrage, patents, pensions, manufactures, agriculture, and many other branches of governmental topics. It was their duty to prepare reports on these different subjects, and bring them before the House, and also to bring forward bills in regard to these and other matters for adoption by the House. These bills were given three readings before the House and in all meetings the business was carried on as nearly as possible to the method followed in the national House.

The different members were assigned to the several States which they were to represent during the term, and they were referred to as Mr. B—— of N—— State.

It is interesting to note that conditions then were very similar to those of to-day, for at their second regular meeting a tax, amounting to only ten cents per man was levied on the members for buying the necessary books and stationery to be used by the House.

At the close of the college year the members of the House were initiated as members of the Senate for the next year and at this time a senior editor of the Union College Magazine was elected.

During commencement week or about that time the House held an anniversary. The exercises were public and a program was rendered. The Senate was invited to join in these exercises.

During the whole time that the House was in existence Prof. R. B. Welch, D. D. LL. D., was Speaker.

Such an organization would undoubtedly be a great benefit to the members of the college, as

individuals and as a body, but it is doubtful if such a body could exist under the present circumstances. However, it is to be hoped that such an organization may again be revived here whenever the conditions warrant.

BASKET BALL.

Hamilton, 47; Union, 28.

The first basket ball game of the season was played Friday night, an. 15, with Hamilton at Clinton, and the team was defeated. At the end of the first half the score was 17-4, in Hamilton's favor and during the greater part of the game the Union men had the advantage in the passing, but Hamilton was stronger on basket throwing, which counts. The game was very clean and interesting throughout.

The following is the line-up of the two teams:

Hamilton. Union.

Roenke (Capt.) L. F. Clowe, Anderson
Allen R. F. Coward
Sherwin C Smith.

Conklin R. G. Brown (Capt.)
Getman L. G. Anderson, Charest
(Referee—Sicard, Hamilton, '06.

Umpire—Knolt, Hamilton, '07.

Timekeeper—Zimmer, Union, '10.

Cornell, 45; Union, 14.

The second game was played with Cornell at Ithaca. The team had a hard trip to reach there and was not in the best condition to play. They were beaten by a better team, both in its passing and in the basket throwing. The captain of the Cornell team made the all-American intercollegiate team as forward, which shows the quality of the team.

Following is the line-up:

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Cornell.	Union.
AveryL. F	Clowe, Anderson
BlumenanR. F	Coward
Crosby, (Capt.)C	Smith
Keith R. G	Brown (Capt.)
Mhowe L. G A	
Referee—Gilbert, Cornell.	

On this trip the team received excellent treatment at both places. The officials were as fair as could be, and the members of the team speak very commendably of their treatment.

It appears from these games that it is bad policy to schedule the first games of the season away from home and with very strong teams, and it would be better to have those games played on the home floor, until the team is more developed. This week the team has been going through very hard practice in order to make themselves stronger in all points, especially in throwing baskets.

BASKET BALL SCHEDULE.

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Jan. 15—Hamilton at Clinton	47	28
Jan. 16—Cornell at Ithaca		14
Jan. 23—Rochester at Schenectady		
Jan. 29—N. Y. U. at Schenectady		-
Feb. 12—Hobart at Geneva		
Feb. 13—Rochester at Rochester		
Feb. 17—Hamilton at Schenectady		-
Feb. 26—N. Y. U. at New York		
Feb. 27.—Rutgers at New Brunswick.		
Mar. 12—Hobart at Schenectady		
Makal.		
Totals	92	42

WASHINGTON ALUMNI BANQUET.

The annual banquet of the Union University Alumni Association of Washington, D. C., will be held this year March 2d, at the Shoreham Hotel, corner of Fifteenth and H Streets. There will be a meeting of the Association at the hotel at 7 o'clock, followed by the banquet at 7:30. There will be reduced rates to Washington from all parts of the country on account of the inauguration.

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 ALLISON-FOOTE DEBATE.

Won by the Adelphics.

In one of the most interesting Allison-Foote debates ever held on the "Hill" the Adelphic Society was awarded the prize over the Philomatheans on Monday evening. The prize for the best individual speech was awarded to James M. Dunn, '12.

The question for debate was, "Resolved, That the policy of tariff for revenue only would serve the interests of the United States better than the policy of protection." The Philomathean team, composed of Bartlett, '10, R. J. Ury, '09 and Cohen, '11, upheld the affirmative side of the question. The Adelphic team, defending the negative, consisted of Wachter, '09, Dunn, '12 and Mould, '09.

Bartlett, in opening the debate, analyzed the question and stated the main arguments for the affirmative, which were:

That a careful analysis of the question shows that the policy of tariff for revenue only is better than the policy of protection.

That the result of a protective policy is of great benefit to the capitalist and of harm to the great laboring class.

That the general welfare of the United States is better provided for under a policy of tariff for revenue only.

Wachter, in the opening speech for the negative, laid the burden of proof on the affirmative and showed how much more our country has been tenefited in times of protection than in times when the prevailing policy was that of tariff for revenue only.

The affirmative proved that while the average wage per capita has increased, the average cost of living has proportionately increased, while the negative showed that a reduction of the tariff would throw out of employment over 3,000,000 persons engaged in the manufactures.

The board of judges consisted of Mr. Charles H. Mills of Albany, Mr. M. D. Nolan of Troy, and Mr. John A. T. Schwartz of Saratoga Springs.

Mr. Mills, in rendering the decision of the judges, declared that never before had he heard

such an abstruse subject dealt with in such an intelligent manner before a mixed audience. He also said that forty years ago, when he was a student in Union College and a member of the Philomathean Society, it would have been next to impossible for the two societies to give such an interesting debate.

JUNIOR WEEK,

At this time College Hill is looking forward expectantly to Junior Week, which comes this year on February 11-13. Already the fellows are anxiously counting their shekels with a view to ascertaining how many of the festivities they can take in; and the problem confronting them would puzzle the average American financier.

The Sophomore soiree will be held on the 11th at the Golf lCub, if the support of the students warrants it; otherwise it will be held at the boat house.

On the following evening the "Prom" will be held at the Ten Eyck in Albany.

In addition to this, many of the fraternities will give house parties, dances and theater parties, so that Junior Week this year promises to be a rousing success.

The following fraternities will celebrate Junior Week:

Sigma Phi-Dance on Saturday evening.

Psi Upsilon—House party and dance Saturday evening.

Chi Psi—House party, tea, Saturday afternoon; cance Saturday evening.

Phi Gamma Delta—House party and dance on Saturday evening.

Delta Phi—House party.

Delta Upsilon-Theater party on Saturday.

Beta Theta Pi-Dance Saturday evening.

The Glee Club will probably give an entertainment on Friday, although definite plans have not as yet been completed.

There are metres of accent,
There are metres of tone,
But the best way to metre (meet her)
Is to metre (meet her) alone.—Ex.

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Mr. Cavert's announce Resignation. resignation

The Concordiensis Board announces with regret the resignation of Mr. Cavert from the Board on account

of the pressure of college work. Mr. Cavert has been on the Board for the past two years and has made his services invaluable in the publication of our college paper. His services will be greatly missed.

Captains and Managers—
Another Why don't you come to college
"Fault." meeting and tell us about your trips with your respective teams? When you are there, why don't you get up and "spiel"?

The student body makes your trips possible. Your teams represent us. We like to know what you do and how you are treated as a team. We are with you, win or lose. Isn't first-hand information due us?

J. B. Chapman, '09.

Sometime ago, about the be-A Hint. ginning of the year, there appeared an article in these pages in reference to some of the things for a Freshman to do while on the campus. It seems that very few took particular notice of this, although it would have been a great benefit, both to them and to the college as a whole. We do not come here to keep to ourselves; at least we should not, and should do all we can to become acquainted with the men, not only those in our class or classes, but those in the whole college. Of course the upper-class men can help in this, but the greater part of it rests on the Freshmen. Recently it has been noticed that there are very few

Freshmen who make it a point to speak to all those whom they meet on the campus. Some do this, but do not do it on the streets of the city. A few men always speak, and they are the men who are of real benefit to the college, and they are the ones who get the most out of their college life. The Freshmen seem to think that it is not their place to speak first, but leave it to the other fellows. Now, the Freshmen are the ones to speak first wherever they meet a college man. Do not be afraid to do that, for it is for your own good as well as the other fellow's. us see from now on if the Freshmen cannot be more sociable in this respect than they have been so far this year.

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Last Sunday, the 17th of January, Dr. F. S. Hoffman addressed the Vespers Service in Silliman Hall at 5 o'clock. His subject was "Religion and Health," and it proved most interesting to all. He brought out the relation of one to the other, and all those there profited much by it.

The Tuesday evening prayer meeting was led by Van Deusen, '10, who took as his subject "Honesty." A very interesting discussion followed, concerning in particular the matter of "cribbing." Then came the Dean's Bible Class, which was most instructive.

Announcements will be made in Chapel concerning the Sunday speaker and the leader of the next Tuesday night meeting.

HOCKEY.

The Union hockey team has been practicing regularly on the Locomotive Club rink the past week, and this week on Saturday will face off with the Locomotive Club team. This will be the first of the series of games for the cup championship of the city league. The men out for the team are as follows: Rankin, '09, McCormick, '09, Burleigh, '09, Walser, '10, Kriegsman, '10, Brainerd, '11, Mackey, '11, MacGill, '11, West, '12, Walser, '12, Briggs, '12, and Trumbull, '12. The team is fast getting into shape and has great hopes of being successful.

COLLEGE MEETING.

At the college meeting on Monday noon Charest, '10, spoke on the Hamilton and Cornell trip of the basket ball team. He said that the team started in the season with its hardest games heading the schedule.

Faust, '09, remarked on the foreign education movement, and asked any of the fellows who were willing to assist to hand their names to him.

Rankin, '09, spoke about the coming meets at Albany and Troy. He urged the fellows to come out for track practice, thereby increasing the squad. He advanced the question whether or not we should resume athletic relations with R. P. I.

Brunet, '09, made a motion that all athletic relations with R. P. I. remain severed as at present. Seconded and carried unanimously.

McCormack, '09, announced the fact that the Hockey team had joined the city Hockey League and is to compete for the cup offered by the League.

After reading of minutes meeting adjourned.

JUNIOR PROM.

The Junior Prom. committee this year is making preparations for the equal, if not the best, of any Prom. yet held at Union. It is expected that the attendance this year will be larger than in former years, and the committee is counting on this in making its arrangements.

Zita's orchestra will furnish the music, and his music is always excellent. The Ten Eyck Hotel affords excellent facilities for a large dance of this kind. The lower halls and the mezzanine floor have been reserved for the event. The programs have been tastefully gotten up and will make pleasing souvenirs.

It is planned to open the dance with a Grand Promenade at 9:15 p. m. sharp. Prior to this a concert will be rendered by the orchestra. The dancing will start directly after the promenade.

The college is cordially invited to attend, and we are sure that a more enjoyable evening could not be spent elsewhere.

The Committee.

BRIEFS.

Van Deusen, '10, edited this number of The Concordy.

Owing to the bursting of a steam pipe in the room of Professor Smith, some of his classes were treated to a "bolt" on Tuesday morning.

Dr. Ashmore was confined to his house by illness during the first part of the week.

Professor Bennett was present to take the chapel attendance of the Seniors on one day last week. He expects to take their attendance twice during the coming week. All Seniors are requested to be present on those two days.

Micks, '11, who broke his thumb two weeks ago, is again able to report for basket ball practice.

Potter, '10, is back in college again, after an illness during the first part of the term.

Ferguson, '10, and Barry, '11, accompanied the basket ball team on their trip to Hamilton and Cornell and afterwards spent Sunday in New York.

The Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity will hold its annual convention here on February 17-19.

Topscott, '09, and Hyde, '10, spent Sunday in New York.

Ferguson, '10, has attained the honor of champion mouse catcher in the college.

Spike—"What is the difference between Paradise Regained and Samson Agonistes?"

Pop—"Why, they were both written in the same year."

Former President of the College A. V. V. Raymond is to be with us on January 28, and will preach in the chapel at that time, which is the Day of Prayer for colleges.

Arthur R. Chaffee, '10, has been chosen as assistant business manager of The Concordiensis.

Last Friday and Saturday Dr. McComber paid a visit to the Narragansett Machine Company, Providence, R. I., in order to secure estimates of cost for gymnasium equipment and for indoor running track. He also paid a visit to Brown and inspected the college gymnasium and equipment.

Meetings of both the general and executive committees of the student movement for the new gymnasium were held last Tuesday. The executive committee is preparing a petition to place before

the trustees of the college at their meeting next Tuesday. H. E. Lewis, '09, has been chosen as delegate from the student body to attend this meeting and present the matter to them.

Under the direction of the committee on plans and estimates borings are being made in the pasture to test the condition of the ground for the foundation of the gymnasium.

Although elective courses in gymnasium work have been offered to Seniors and Juniors, only one man has signified his intention of entering a class. These consist of two hours per week and count as one extra hour, and cannot be substituted for any other work.

Contractors are drawing materials for the new engineering building. Work on the building will be started as soon as possible in the Spring.

A large number of track men is reporting daily for indoor practice and work in the gymnasium. There are several in the upper classes who have not as yet come out, and they should do so in order to get in condition for the winter meets. Captain Rankin went to Albany Wednesday night to see the track men in the departments of the college there in regard to work in connection with the team from this department.

At the meeting of the Brown Alumni Association of Albany and vicinity, which was held in the Governor's mansion January 9th, Dr. McComber was elected president of the association for the coming year.

A meeting of the Press Club was held Wednesday night in Silliman Hall.

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Phi Delta Phi-1910.

Arthur Beach King, A. B. Union, Sigma Phi.

O. Byron Brewster, Ph. B., Syracuse, Phi Delta
Theta.

John S. Skinner, A. BB., Wisconsin, Psi Upsilon.

Delta Chi-1909.

James R. McDonough, Albany, N. Y. Fay H. White, Cohocton, N. Y. Emmett H. Ross, Jamestown, N. Y.

1910.

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Lee E. Pratt, Portland, Maine.

Philip M. M. Phelps, Fair Haven, Vt.

Richard Smith, Patchogue, N. Y.

Devil's Own-1909.

Emmett H. Ross, Jamestown, N. Y.

INTERCOLLEGIATE.

Rev. William Arnold Shanklin, D. D., LL. D., presiden of Upper Iowa University, Flayette, Ia., has been elected by the trustees of Wesleyan Umiversity as president of that institution. His inauguration will probably take place next June. Dr. Shanklin is a graduate of Hamilton College in the class of 1883. He is a Methodist Episcopal minister and has held pastorates in Kansas, Washing Iom and Pennsylvania. Since accepting the presidency of Upper Iowa University three years ago, Dr. Shanklin has raised a considerable endowment, increased the student enrollment, and improved the scholarship and general standing of the institution.

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by the managers of the four major sports, but suggests that Hamilton take the lead and make this Union a living reality. If this Union has rules of eligibility and a constitution of some kind they are certainly unknown to the undergraduates and even to the managers of teams. There should be a rule limiting the playing of one man in any college sport to four years, and there should be a rule against the playing of a man entering from other colleges in his first year. What has gone far to discredit the Union in the past has been the apparent lack or any power to enforce rules and the lack of any rules to enforce. The Union has been for some years a dead letter—a mere tradition, existing only by sufferance; it is for Hamilton to give it life and usefulness.—Hamilton Life.

SKULL AND SHIELD INITIATION.

On Jan. 13th the Phi Alpha Society initiated the following men: Campbell, Butler, Easterly, Trumbull, Slade, Shepard, Westcott, Walser and Hill of the Freshman Class. After the initiation the society adjourned to the New Vendome Hotel, where a fine banquet was enjoyed and several very witty toasts were listened to.

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THE EVENTS OF AN HOUR.

One night a little mouse who was dissatisfied with his musty abode in room three, Washburn Hall, ran along the corridor to room ten, where he slid under the door and hid beneath a low platform.

The next morning he was greatly terrified when the door opened and a man sat down above him with a force which shook the very floor. On peeking out, the frightened mouse saw seated on the platform a short, stocky, professor with well-cut Grecian features.

Six minutes afterwards the door opened again and five intelligent looking students whom the mouse immediately recognized as belonging to the noble class of 1911, entered the room.

The Grecian then laid down his newspaper and

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L. D. Phone, 1415 Home, 325 looking up said: "Well, you are a devilish nice-looking lot of fellows." He soon took up a book and said: "C-f-n, give the first rule." The student vainly endeavored to give the rule and the professor, throwing down his book, exclaimed: "My boy, you are a sinner, a downright, positive sinner. I trust you will mend your ways, for you know what inevitably happens to all sinners."

The genial Grecian again took up the book and turning to the next student, asked: "C-r-t, can you give the rule." This time the reply resembled the correct answer and the instructor commended him by saying: "Really, you might be a nice fellow if you were alone, but you are in bad company and I always judge a person by the company he keeps."

It was now the third student's turn. The professor looked at him with a sigh and said: "Come now, Mixy, old boy, brace up and give me a nice answer to this question." The student called on proved to be a Mixer, and the professor, by an action that spoke louder than words, recorded the result in his little book.

Then turning to the next student he said: "Now, Grouchy, wake up and look pleasant, for it's your turn. Can you recite the second rule?" The fellow called on looked up and mumbled something about 'indirect discourse." With an oath the Grecian turned to the last student and said: "On, H-k-ns, beloved of the gods, cans't thou answer this question correctly?" The beloved one simply smiled sweetly and did his durnast. However, it was not durned enough for the professor, who closed the book with a bang and exclaimed in a voice so direful that it made the mouse as well as the class, tremble. "Gentlemen, I warn you that at the end of the term I am going to weed the rubbish from this class and there may be left of you five, four, three or two, and perhaps not a one."

The mouse, having heard enough to know that

anyone's life is in danger in room number ten, dashed from under the platform and disappeared beneath the door.

ALUMNI NOTES.

1837

Addison Millington Burt, for nearly seventy years a resident of New York, died yesterday at his home, 131 West Sixty-first Street. He was born near Fayetteville, N. Y., June 1, 1817, and was the son of Aaron Burt, who was identified in his early days with the development of Syracuse, N. Y. He was a lineal descendant of the seventh generation of Henry Burt, of Springfield, Mass. He was prepared for college under the tutelage of George F. Comstock of Syracuse and was graduated from Union College in 1837. He studied law in Syracuse in the office of Wilkinson & Outwater, and was licensed to practice in 1840. The following year he removed to New York, and in 1844 married Eliza Gardenier Dunn. Addison Burt was the eldest and the sole survivor of six brothers and two sisters, all prominent in Syracuse. He leaves several nieces and nephews, but no children. His only relative living in New York is his nephew, Dr. Stephen S. Burt. For thirteen years he practiced law in this city and then turned his attention to the construction of the Albermarle and Chesapeake Canal and various other business enterprises. -N. Y. Sun, January 16, 1909.

1845.

The Rev. John Henry Babcock, president of the Council of Advice and member of the cathedral chapter of the district of South Dakota, died at his home in Sioux Falls, on Monday, October 26, at the age of 81. He was the son of the Rev. Dr. Deodatus Babcock, a faithful clergyman and teacher in western and northern New York, and was graduated from Union College in 1845, where also two other members of the family took their degrees. John H. Babcock was ordained by Bishop Wainwright in 1853, and after serving in the ministry in Glens Falls, N. Y., went to Conneticut as principal of the Episcopal Academy at Cheshire in 1857, remaining there until 1861,

when he removed with some of his scholars to Copake, N. Y. He was a natural teacher, and many will join in grateful acknowledgment of in debtedness to the instructor and friend or years His later work was in Oregon and California, until he removed to South Dakota, where he was rector of St. Mary's, Mitchell, for eleven years and afterward a member of the staff of the cathedral at Sioux Falls. Here his funeral was conducted on October 30, by Bishop Hare, assisted by the Rev. George Biller and the Rev. B. S. McKenzie. The Rev. A. W. Beil accompanied the body to Mitchell, where the committal service was said on Saturday by the Rev. Dr. Robert Doherty and Mr. Bell. Mr. Babcock was universally revered and beloved and his work in this Western field has been widely effective.

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And his eyes of piercing light,
I feel his hand on my shoulder,
As he peers deep into my soul,
And I struggle with fear in the darkness,
At the touch of his ghostly hold.

The spirit that lurks in the twilight,
The spirit that lurks in the night,
Is the ghost of the past and future,
A god with power and might,
He holds my hopes for the future,
In the palm of his bony hand,
Sifting them through his fingers,
As I would the seashore's sand.

This spirit that lurks in the twilight,
This spirit that lurks in the night,
Governs the world and its people,
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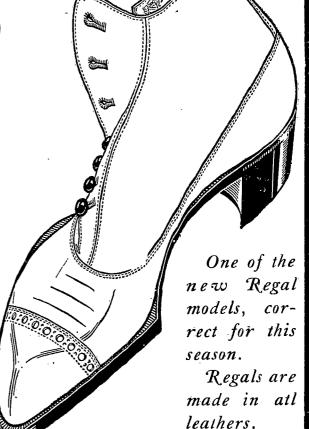
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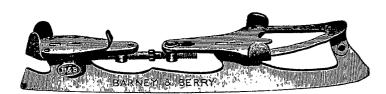
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