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# FIRST BLATCHFORD ORATION.

THE INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY.

Man himself is man's most perplexing problem. Modern logic has been as vain in its endeavor to solve the riddle of his existence as the prayers of antiquity. What divine purpose does humanity fulfill? is the first and last question history addresses to the Father of Light. Partly discouraged and partly inspired by the greatness of his task, man turns from the oracle with its meager and doubtful replies, and nobly endeavors to find this purpose written in the laws ordained by his Maker.

One of the first lessons the human being is forced to learn is the necessity of adapting himself to the nature of others of his kind. He finds this in seeming contradiction to a law within himself—the law of his own freedom. These two great facts he must reconcile. He finds resistance to the first and a practical denial of the second equally impossible. He cannot even take a neutral position. He must ever strive with the great forces about him.

In the advancement of civilization there are three processes—subjugation, liberation, organization. Ancient history is characterized by the process of subjugation; mediæval history, by liberation; and we are now striving for harmonious organization. The problem before us is to find the golden mean between anarchy and universal slavery—that is, to determine the true nature of freedom.

The process of organization is one attended by great dangers and great difficulties. What is the social structure to be? Is society a machine or an organism; or is it neither? On the answer given to these questions depends the whole trend of social evolution in so far as that evolution is the result of man's conscious endeavor.

The consensus of modern science has been to regard society as an organism. This concep-

tion, although not so faulty as the analogy to the machine, is still found to be inadequate. There is in it no analogue for individual freedom. Society is an organism, but it is also something more. Its parts must not only act together harmoniously, but they must have a freedom and autonomy of their own.

We must, in our attempts to progress, follow the trend of the past. This, since the beginning of the Christian Era, has been an advance of individual liberty. The striving of mankind for freedom found its most absolute expression in the French Revolution. In this wild struggle the proposition that liberty equals anarchy contradicted itself. Entire independence then proved to be impossible.

For the last half-century, the results of thought and experience have shown more and more the limitation of individual freedom. There is now a tendency to minimize the individual and magnify the organic brotherhood. Too much stress is laid on the positive authority of the State. Society, undoubtedly, has the right to regulate things for the greatest possible good; but how is it to know what this greatest good is? Ignorant of this, it is entirely unable to wield supreme authority over the lives and property of its members. Absolute authority rests only with absolute reason, and society cannot possess the former till it has gained the latter.

Humanity has by no means reached its mamaturity. It cannot yet put its knowledge into practice. Had Christianity been able to regenerate mankind by forcing entire compliance with the whole code of Christian ethics, there would soon have been no humanity to regenerate. The greater part of improvement is beyond the realm of authority. It can only be effected by a growth whereby the will of the individual shall be harmonized with the needs of society.

We must cherish in our hearts the spirit of

altruism. This is the only solution to the great enigma before us. Chains, the dungeon, and the sword have their part in history; but woe to that nation which shall use them too freely. The spirit of brotherly kindness, that Heavensent messenger of hope, endures not the harsh rattle of iron gyves nor the fierce clangor of the battle-trumpet. Brute force is its defeat. It is the ever-active spirit of Him who came that humanity might have life, and might have it more abundantly. John N. V. Vedder.

#### Faculty Changes.

In accordance with the progress of the college in departments where improvements are possible, a number of additions have been made to the faculty that now enable us to boast of one of the largest, best and most efficient of any of the smaller colleges.

Edward Everett Hale, Jr., comes to us to take the chair in Logic and Rhetoric, thus transferring the logic from the Philosophical to the English department. Dr. Hale is a graduate of Harvard, and subsequently studied at the University of Halee, in Germany, where he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. In addition to the regular work required in the curriculum, Dr. Hale will give a series of lectures on the "Influence of Colloqualism on Style."

The English department also receives another addition in Mr. Reeves, a graduate of Johns Hopkins University. Mr. Reeves has a Ph. D. degree and has made an extensive study in the lines of work which he will teach. He is to instruct in Rhetoric and Logic.

The Philosophical department has been enlarged by the addition of Mr. A. F. Buck, as instructor in Philosophy, Mr. Buck will also instruct in English Literature. He is a graduate of Amherst and has taken post graduate work at Harvard when he received the degree of Ph. D. He will give especial attention to Advanced Ethics and Physiological Psychology.

Mr. Kenneth McKenzie, a graduate of Harvard in '91, will assist in the department of

Modern Languages. Mr. McKenzie has studied at Harvard for seven years besides having spent two and a half years in Europe. He received the degree of Ph. D. from Harvard in in '95. He will have the Sophomores and Juniors in beginning German and French.

Mr. John I. Bennett, Union '90, has taken post graduate work at the University of Chicago and Harvard. For some time he has taught in the Hyde Park High School of Chicago. During the absence of Prof. Ashmore, Mr. Bennett will instruct the Sophomore class in Latin. He will also assist in the Greek department.

Prof. Ashmore will avail himself of a recent decree of the faculty which grants a leave of absence of one year to any member of the faculty who has taught for ten years in the college. He will spend the year in travel and study, visiting Rome especially, in order to continue his studies of the manner and customs of the ancients.

Philip H. Cole who has been assistant professor in the English department for six years has severed his connection with the college and devotes all his time to his pastorate of the Second Reformed church.

## Death of Ex-Gov. Rice.

One of Union's most loyal and enthusiastic alumni, Ex-Gov. Alexander H. Rice, passed away at his home at Melrose, Mass., July 22. His death was caused by paralysis; this fatal shock having been the third.

Mr. Rice was born in Newton, Lower Fall, Mass., Aug. 30, 1818. His father was an extensive paper manufacturer, and he learned the business in his father's mills.

He entered Union in 1840, graduating in '44. After leaving college he entered upon a business life as clerk in a paper firm in Boston. After two years service he became a member of the firm, and was soon recognized as one of the leading merchants of Boston.

He always took an active interest in the municipal government, and entered upon his political career by being elected a common councilman. He served successively as president of the council and mayor of the city. During his administration many improvements were made, both in the city and its government.

In 1859 Mr. Rice was elected to Congress by the Republicans, and served for four successive terms. After leaving Congress he retired from public life until 1876, when he was chosen governor of Massachusetts, and served for three terms. And as governor he showed the same ability and conscientious devotion to duties that he had manifested in other positions of public service.

Mr. Rice was a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and took a very active part in all its services.

To Union men he has endeared himself in many ways. He has delivered a lecture in the Butterfield course on "The Duties of a Governor and His Work," and his smiling face has always been seen at college on commencement day. Union has certainly sustained a loss.

#### Union at Northfield.

Each year, immediately after the close of college, Mr. D. L. Moody holds a conference of college Y. M. C. A.'s at his home at Northfield, Mass. This year there were 500 students in attendance, representing 125 college associations. The conference is held in the buildings of the Northfield Seminary. The forenoons were given up to Bible classes and platform meetings, the afternoons to recreation and the evenings to platform meetings.

Union was represented by twelve men: Geo. E. Pollock, J. G. Hilton, D. L. Wood, G. L. Van Deusen, Geo. Young, W. H. Hall, O. B. Pershing, H. R. Hover, G. C. Perry, E. H. Rodgers, C. H. Mattison, W. M. Swann. Next to Cornell this was the largest delegation from New York State, and Union tried to make herself heard from.

For speakers, Mr. Moody brings together the best talent from this country and Great Britain—such men as Theo. L. Cuyler, President Patton, of Princeton; Bishop Hall, of Vermont; Dr. A. T. Pierson and Robert E. Speer.

The Bible classes were conducted by W. H. Sallomon and Prof. James McConaughy; the Round Top meetings were in charge of Rev. H. P. Beach, and the conferences to discuss college work were led by John R. Mott.

Swimming, tennis, base-ball and other athletic amusements filled up the afternoons. Base-ball games were played for the championship of the conference, which was won by Yale. The first game of the series was between Union and Haverford, and a glance over the list representing Union is enough to show how well her base-ball honors were defended. For with such veterans as Van Deusen and Hilton as battery, Pollock first and Hover third, the team was invincible. Of course the work done by Hall at short and Young in left field was phenominal. The rest of the team played a strong, steady game.

One evening, or rather midnight, Union varied the program of things by arraying themselves in their retiring gowns and taking Princeton for a ride in a hay wagon, Princeton being similarly arrayed. At the 4th of July celebration the garnet waved over a booth of its own, and the "Song to Old Union" vindicated its right to being called the finest of any college song.

But mcrely repeating the program cannot tell the story of that convention. Nor can the influence of it be told in words. All who met together there to study plans for advancing the association's work saw a broader life open before them, and felt an influence that cannot be expressed in words.

#### Alumpi Note.

The wedding of Dow Vroman, '88, and Miss Sloan of Buffalo, took place Thursday afternoon, Sept. 26. Mr. Vroman is a member of a very prosperous law firm of Tonawanda.

Dr. Linhart wishes to announce that the gymnasium will not open until Oct. 1st. His examinations began last Monday.

# **HEARTY WELCOME TO '99**

#### 78 FRESHMEN HAVE ENTERED.

#### MEMBERSHIP OF THE NEW CLASS.

Seventy-eight Freshmen had entered up to Tuesday and more are expected. The class, while not as large as that of last year, could easily have been increased to a larger number had not many been turned away, owing to lack of preparation. Those who have registered are as follows:

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E. E.	Julian V. Aquilera,	ADDRESS. Havana, Cuba
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L. S.	Frederick R. Champion,	Schenectady.
<b>C</b> .	Roy N. Clayton,	Granville.
C.	John Hawley Cook,	Albany.
E. E.	James H. Cotton,	Friendship.
E. E.	John F. Cregan,	Schenectady.
$\mathbf{C}_{\epsilon}$	Wm. B. Davis,	Schenectady.
L. S.	Homer Dillenbeck,	Palatine Bridge.
E. E.	George A. Doran,	Amsterdam.
L. S.	Robert M. Eames,	Albany.
L. S.	Wallace H. Failing,	Baldwinsville.
<b>E</b> .	Geo. Clarke Foote,	Port Henry.
C.	Chauncey French,	Binghamton.
L. S.	Win R. Fox,	Kalamazoo, Mich.
$\mathbf{E}$ .	Snider Gage,	Johnstown.
L. S.	Robert C. Gambee,	Waterloo.
L. S.	Frederick L. Green,	Albany.
L. S.	Wm. L. Guernsey,	Broadalbin.
L. S.	Stillman S. Ham,	Schenectady.
s.	Geo S. Haggart,	Gloversville.
E. E.	Edmund L. C. Hegeman,	Newark, N. J.
L. S	Harold J. Hinman,	Albany.
E. E.	A. J. Hornsby,	Palmyra.
C.	Allen C. Hotchkiss,	Potter.
E E.	Burton E. Huggins,	Salamanca.
E. E.	Robert M. Huntley,	Amsterdam.
C.	Irving Ketchum,	Schenectady.
L. S.	Walter G. Kellog,	Ogdensburg.
E.	Erwin E. Lampher,	Lowville.
S. E.	Cornelius Wygant Lockw	ood, Newburg.

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s.	Maurice H. Mann,	Albany
L. S.	John Mark,	Amsterdam.
s.	Alexander McKee,	Sandy Hill.
s.	John P. McLean,	Massena.
C.	Raymond D. McMahon,	Albany.
E. E.	George W. Mead,	Victor.
E. E.	S. Clark Medbury,	Ballston.
S.	Wesley R. Nellis,	Le Roy.
L. S.	D. Webster Noel,	Chicago, Ill.
s.	James N. Nolan,	Albany.
s.	John M. Peacock,	New York City.
${f C}$	Morgan S. Post,	Schenectady.
$\mathbf{E}$ .	Morton M. Price,	Schenectady.
E E.	John McEwan Pruyn,	Albany.
s.	Wilfred Purchase,	Newark.
s.	Wm. H. Roselle,	Albany.
L. S.	Geo. C. Rowell,	Ogdensburg.
E. E.	George E. Sage,	Schenectady.
·C.	John Everett Sawyer,	Sandy Hill.
C.	Ferdinand L. Schmitter,	Albany.
$\mathbf{E}_{\cdot}$	John E. Seaman,	Johnstown.
S.	John L. Sherwood,	Ballston.
E. E.	Carlton E. Smith,	Potsdam.
E. E.	Wm. G. Smith,	$\mathbf{Waterford}$ .
L. S.	Clayton A Snyder,	Middlebury.
L. S.	Edward Steinert,	Schenectady.
S.	Willard J. Stone,	Gloversville.
E.	Frank A. Storm,	Brewster.
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C.	James N. Van der Veer,	Albany.
S.	David F. Van Wormer,	Dunsville.
S.	Fred. H Weston,	Schenectady.
C.	G M. Wiley, Jr.,	West Hebron.
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#### H. J. Manger, Brooklyn.

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Harrison R. Wright,

Edward William Walker, Schenectady, Post Graduate in Chemistry.

A very pleasant Union College camp was located at Sodus Point during the summer. Those who were there included Hon. S. K. Williams, one of the trustees, Charlie Fields, '93, William Allen, '95, A. E. Barnes, '95, Geo. Williams, '97, Homer A. Crothers, '98, E. W. Sylvester, '98, C. A. Hartnagle, '98, F. W. Closs, '98 and Purchase, '99.

### Where the Faculty Spent Their Vacations.

The name and fame of Union College entered distant places in "far countrees" last summer, for she was well represented both at home and abroad. While one member of her faculty fished, another was climbing the Matterhorn, and still another, perhaps, going over, with scholastic brain, the dreamy legends of the Rhine.

President Raymond, after the excessive and ardous labors of commencement week, sought recuperation for mind and body on a slow Dutch ocean liner bound for Holland. After a few weeks in the Rhine country, a return was made and work was resumed.

Dean Ripton was so taken up with the new curriculum, and work generally incident to an increased faculty, that he found it impossible to get away for a long vacation. He did allow himself a week, and this was spent in Canada. We all know what a delightful place Lake George is, and can fully appreciate the completeness of Prof. Lamareaux's summer at the Sagamore.

Probably no one however enjoyed a more pleasant and profitable vacation than did Prof. Stoller, at the Cold Spring Harbor Summer School for teachers. Prof. Stoller was an instructor in the Biological Labratory. The last week in August, however, he found time to attend the convention of the American Association for the advancement of science, held at Springfield, Mass.

Prof. Truax, accompanied by Mrs. Truax, took an extended trip abroad. They left immediately after the close of college, taking the steamer Westernland for Antwerp. From that point they visited many of the most interesting points in Switzerland, Holland, Germany, France, England and Scotland, returning the day that college opened.

Prof. Wells says he has been told many times to "go to Halifax," so he made up his mind to try it. While he was away he made an extended tour through Nova Scotia and the land of Evangeline. He also spent a time on the coast of Maine and in Boston. His trip occupied about a month, and the remainder of the time he spent on college hill.

Prof. Wright was at home most of the summer, but he spent a while on the Long Island coast and up among the Helderbergs, inhaling that refreshing atmosphere.

And now Prof. Ashmore went to Europe this summer only to return again on a mission not Latin. His story is told in another column.

Prof. Hoffman almost devoted the entire of the vacation months to his work in this city, finally permitting himself a week on the coast of Maine, and a visit to the points of historic interest in and about Boston.

It is not with a bit of surprise that we learn of Prof. Pepper's stay in Spain. Never too old to add to that vast fund of knowledge that has made him such a prominent figure in the history of American colleges, he has devoted the entire summer in the study of Spanish as the Spaniards' speak it, and all with a view of teaching it here at Old Union.

Prof. Patterson found so much work to do in local circles that he could not get away, as did also Prof. Perkins. Prof. Landreth also spent much of his time in this city.

Prof. Edwards spent much of his vacation on Peconic Bay near his home at Riverhead, L. I.

Prof. Whitemore spent a very quiet summer, his time being divided between his home on college hill, and those of his sons in the vicinity of New York.

Prof. Winans enjoyed a very pleasant summer at his former home in Gloversville, while Dr. Linhart played tennis and mapped out this year's work at Bolten Hill, just east of Hartfort, Conn.

Prof. Bennett wheeled all over Chicago and vicinity.

This summer, Prof. Hale, apart from a short stay in Rhode Island, devoted his attention and time to Schenectady.

Prof. Mosher found rest in Rochester, where he spent the entire summer.

One who had unusual facilities this summer for a thoroughly enjoyable and profitable vacation was Prof. Kenneth Mackenzie. Mr. Mackenzie visited the Russias, and also toured Switzerland, Italy, Spain and France.

Prof. Opdyke spent a quiet vacation at his Massachusettes home.

Prof. Buck was at Cape Cod and Nantucket for a month's outing, and spent also a few days at Richfield Springs.

Prof. Prosser put in an unusually busy summer, being assistant geologist on the New York geological survey under Prof. Hall, the State geologist, being engaged on this work from the 1st of July to the opening of college. In connection with the work, Prof. Prosser made a large and valuable collection of rocks and fossil forms, for use by the college.

# Laws Controlling the Management of Ghe Concordiensis.

The attention of new students is called to the following extract from the laws controlling the management of the The Concordiensis, the selection of Editor-in-Chief, and other members of the editorial board.

#### EDITORIAL BOARD.

- 1. The selection of literary editors shall be by competition.
- 2. All Freshmen are eligible to the competition.
- 3. Registration of all competitors must be made with the editor-in-chief by December 1st, of Freshman year.
- 4. Original work will be required from every competitor and special work under the direction of the editor-in-chief.
- 5. On the basis of all work submitted, five men from among the competitors shall be selected before the following June, by a committee as hereinafter provided for.
- 6. The five men selected shall continue work as before, and, from among them, three shall be selected before the next succeeding June to continue until January 1st, of Junior year, at which time one shall be selected to act as senior editorin-chief, and one to act as senior literary editor.
- 7. All these selections shall be made by a committee. Every committee shall consist of three members—the editor-in-chief, the literary editor and a member of the faculty. The member from the faculty shall continue in office over

the same class until the final selection of editorin-chief and literary editor in Junior year.

- 8. Vacancies occurring shall be filled by the committee in whose class the vacancy may occur, and at their discretion.
- 9. The duties of literary editor shall be assigned by the editor-in-chief.
- 10. Compensation: The five men shall receive one copy each of the paper through Sophomore year; the three men four copies each through Junior year; business managers, four copies each from the time of their election; Editor-in-chief, \$100; Business manager, \$100; Literary Editor, \$50, or pro rata up to these amounts, and 50 per cent. of all profits above these amounts, and in the same ratio. The remaining 50 per cent. to be given to the athletic association of the college, and no divisions to be made until the report of the Business Manager shall be presented at the last college meeting of the year, his accounts having first been audited by a committee consisting of the president of the Senior, Junior and Sophomore classes, members ex-officio of the committee.

#### Union's Tax Question Settled.

We take the following clipping from the New York *Times* of Sept. 11:

- "City Treasurer Knapp, of Long Island City, to-day straightened out the back taxes due the city from Union College. The last Legislature passed a bill that virtually makes the State pay the taxes for the college. There was due the city \$150,268.72, and at a meeting of the Queens County Board of Supervisors, held to-day, County Treasurer Dykes reported that the matter was ready for settlement.
- "Long Island City owed \$100,000 of taxes up to 1894, and \$72,000 for 1894. It was arranged that the county should give the city credit for the \$101,000 and that City Treasurer Knapp should pay the other amount out of the city treasury. The arrangement leaves the city with a balance due from the county that will be passed upon when the next levy is made. The State comptroller has already given Queens County credit for the entire amount."

#### Foot-Ball Prospects for Season of 1895.

The prospects for a good foot-ball team this season are good notwithstanding the fact that several of our best players of last season will not be with us. Many new men have entered and among them is some excellent material. Lyon, who entered with '98, is back again and will certainly do good work at full back. Peters, '06, who needs no introduction to Union College men, will probably play behind the line. Myers, '96, will back the line as usual. Hayes, a new man, who has had four years experience, having played two years on Fordham, may find a place behind the line. Smith, '99, and Sommer, '96, are trying for quarter, and notwithstanding their light weight may do good work in that position.

The line will not be as heavy as last year but the new style of play will not require weight so much as activity. The center will be held down by the invincible "Pop" Sweetland, '97, who has in past years added so much glory to Union's kickers. The guards are uncertain. "Big" Sweet, who played right guard last year is sadly missed but we have both Terry, '96, and Willis, '97, to pick from. Taylor, '96, a new man, who has captained a Kansas university team, is an experienced player and with McMillen, '98, we need not fear a weak left guard. Both Capt. Beckwith, '96, and Palmer, '97, are back in their old places at tackle. Bookhout, '97, and Beardsly, '99, are trying for Palmer's place at tackle, who as yet is a trifle slow but may wake up before the season is over. Mallery, '96, is again on right end, while Barry, '99, and Jones, '98, are trying for Hildner's place at left end. Hildner, who was compelled to give up the place on account of ill health, will coach them.

There are a large number of men who will do excellent work on the "scrub" and in case of necessity may be used to good advantage on the "'varsity." Among them is Hilton, '96, Cotton, '97, Mallery, '97, McLean, '99, Humphrey, '98, Crichton, '98, Lord, '99, Miller, '99, Thomas, '98, McKee, '99, and Price, '99. Our coach, Mr. E. M. Church, was captain

Our coach, Mr. E. M. Church, was captain of the University of Pennsylvania's team for the

seasons of '90, '91 and '92. In coaching he follows the general style of the Pennsylvania game and insists upon hard vigorous playing for every man on the team. His greatest anxiety is in the work of getting out the "scrub" which as we all know is essential to the success of any foot-ball team, no matter how good the individual players or how good the coaching. It is the duty of every man who can to come out on the field and help the "scrub" and by so doing strengthen the "varsity" for the early games.

Ex-Capt. Brown is back coaching. If the enthusiasm which characterizes "Father Brown" could by some means be transferred to the players on this season's 'varsity, we could have the star team of the country.

Capt. Beckwith is doing all he can to raise the standard of each man's playing as well as that of the team in general.

The schedule of games as it stands at present is as follows:

Sept. 28—Ridgefield at Schenectady

Oct. 5-Yale at Albany.

Oct. 12-Middlebury at Schenectady.

Oct. 19-Amherst at Albany.

Oct. 23—Princeton at Princeton.
Oct. 26 Penggalaar Polytochnia Ingtitute at Solv

Oct. 26—Renssalaer Polytechnic Institute at Schenectady. Oct. 30—Ridgefield at Albany.

Nov. 2—Dartmouth at Manchester, N. H.

Nov. 9—Williams at Albany.

Nov. 16-West Point at West Point.

Nov. 23—Wesleyan at Albany.

#### Sophomore-Freshman Serap.

The annual salting of the Freshmen and the cane rush took place on the campus Friday afternoon. The Sophomore gathered up the salt that they had received a year ago, added to it a few pounds purchased for the occasion by a Freshman, and waited outside the laboratory for the new class to appear. The Freshmen had adopted as slogan of war, "zigger one, zigger two, zigger zagger zan! '99, '99, lick us if you can! And with this yell rushed into the conflict. Salt flew in the air and it was difficult to see who was salted most. A ball club was then procured and for fifteen minutes the two classes strove for its possession. The Sophomores were found to be in the majority and were awarded the victory.

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IN OUR next and following issues we intend to devote space to news from all the other departments of the University. We believe that there ought to be a closer relationship between all the departments, and we hope in this way to bring it about to some degree. The students at present in one department never know what is going on in another; but I ereafter we hope to be able to supply them with that information.

WITH this number of THE CONCORDIENSIS begins its nineteenth year of existence. In accord with the advances that are being made by the college we are striving to keep up the same pace. Whether we are doing it or not we leave for you to decide.

This is the first board that has been under the rules that now govern the management of THE CONCORDIENSIS, and those laws will be carried out to the letter. We think they are good ones, and as the paper now declares a dividend for athletics after the officers of the paper have been paid, we see no reason why every man in college should not support it. It is a college organ, and an organ that can do the college a vast amount of good if it receives the hearty support of all the students. We have no doubt but what it will, for we think Union College men "know a good thing when they see it."

IN ANOTHER column may be found an extract from the laws governing the management of THE CONCORDIENSIS. All Freshmen who intend to take up journalism as a profession, or are any way interested in literary work, should avail themselves of the opportunity that is offered and begin their work in the competition at once. The value that one gains through experience on a college journal is great, and one's success is in proportion to the interest that he takes in his work. We sincerely hope that the number of competitors this year may far outnumber that of any former year.

EVERY man in college should support the foot-ball team in one way or another. If you don't think you can play, get out and try, and if you find that you can't, then get out and yell. Show your enthusiasm in some way, and show the men on the team that you appreciate what they are doing for the college. Captain Beckwith says that he cannot get out a good second eleven. He ought to be able to say that he cannot use all the men on the field. Out of 250 men it is a shame that the 'varsity cannot get a scrub to give them practice, and they need it badly enough. Some of the men on the team, too, seem to think that hard training is not necessary. It is as necessary as the practice, and no man on the team should lose sight of that. Now hereafter let us show our foot-ball enthusiasm. We have some large games on hand, and we must make a good showing, for our honor depends on it. Let us have a good scrub out every day, and let us have a crowd on the field with it to see the practice and encourage the team in this way. We cannot expect a good team unless the college body will enthuse over it.

Union College has begun her new century and with it comes many changes. The greatest, perhaps, and certainly the one which will attract the most attention, is that of raising the entrance standard. Heretofore a man could easily enter Union, but it was hard for him to stay unless thoroughly prepared. As a result, large classes would enter, but smaller ones graduate. The trustees and faculty have, however, taken the stand that unless a man can pass his entrance examinations unconditioned, thus showing that he has a thorough preparation, he will not be allowed to register. This bars out all the class that has been known as eclectics.

The class this year, while not numbering as

many as that of last, is composed of men that have come to college to stay. The number could easily have been made much larger, but President Raymond is determined to hold to his present policy, knowing in the end that it will be best for the college. Many men were turned away owing to a lack of preparation, and it is far better that they should go now than later. The policy is surely a good one, and while the number of the entering classes may for a while be smaller than usual, the college cannot help in the end receiving a great advantage from it.

THE prospects for athletics at Union were never brighter than to-day. Men have entered college that have already made names for themselves as athletes, and who are ready to uphold the honor of the college on all occasions. The foot-ball team is at its work, and work that counts, every day, and Coach Church says that he has good reasons to believe that he can develop a strong team out of the material on hand. The team is doing its best; and while we lose several of our strongest and most reliable players, there are lots of new men to step into their places. As a coach, Mr. Church goes about his work with a vim and determination that shows he is there for business. He is doing the team a wonderful amount of good, and the management is to be congratulated on securing such a man.

The base-ball outlook seems to be far brighter than it has for the past few years. The candidates have been on the field practicing for a few days past, and there are many new men that are showing up in fine form. There are several men trying for each position, and after a sharp competition which will arise from this, a better team ought to be on the diamond next spring than we have ever had before.

Track athletics, too, are on the advance. The rapid strides Union has taken in this direction in the past seem not to slacken. Nearly all of last year's team have returned to college, and many new men are showing up Kilpatrick, the record breaker, and Sands will both be back, and "Tommy" Conneff, the world's champion long distance man, will also be with them. With such a trio and the other second class men, Union need have no fear but what her colors will be borne to the front on the track and field.

G. W. Spiegel, '98, acted as one of the bicycle marshals at the Saratoga floral parade.

#### Personal.

Lipes, '98, enters the Medical this fall.

"Shortie" Bowers is back as big as ever.

A number of Union men spent the summer at Lake George,

Prof. Prosser took a class in field geology to Hoffmans on Friday.

H. C. Todd, '97, was on the ball committee at the Saratoga floral fete.

M. H. Strong, '96, spent several weeks on Lake George last summer.

W. A. Campbell, '96, spent the summer at the Sagamore, Lake George.

Pershing, '97, spent a part of his vacation at his home in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mensuration is a new subject that Freshmen Engineers will study this year.

Wm. H. Hall has spent the summer studying at his home in Kalamazoo, Mich.

S. B. Brown, '97, is studying law at Glovers-ville, and will not return to College.

R. B. Beattie has assisted in the First National Bank of Middletown the past summer.

Streeter, '95, Perkins, '94 and Brown, '95, have been spending several days on the hill.

G. M. Schofield, '96, has a good engineering position in Ohio, and will not return to college.

Failing, '98, held a position in the city engineers' office, Syracuse, during the summer.

W. J. Sommer and George Jones have reported for Buffalo papers during the vacation.

Dexter Hunter, ex-'98, now a member of the class of '99, at Harvard, has been visiting friends on the hill for the past week.

C. V. Kirby, ex-'97, has been admitted to the Art Students' League of New York, and will enter next month.

E. Pildain, '96, has been spending the summer in the city, but made some short visits to Lake George and New York.

E. A. Sommer has been working for the White-Crosby Construction Company in building an electric road from Buffalo to Niagara.

A. S. Derby, '96, spent a few weeks before returning to college on the coast of North Carolina, on a fishing and hunting expedition.

"Tommy" Cregan, '98, has played with the Richfield Springs base-ball team the past summer and has added renown to Union's name.

At the dedication of the Second Reformed Church at Rotterdam, on Monday, Prof. Hoffman delivered a sermon on "Why Study the Bible?"

# '95.

Where the Centennial Class is Cocated.

W. Allen is reading law in the office of Bacon, Briggs, Beckley & Bissell, at Rochester.

A. E. Barnes has been appointed principal of the school at Palatine Bridge N. Y.

T. F. Bayles enters the Presbyterian Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

W. G. Brown is reading law with Ward & Cameron at Albany. He will enter the Albany Law School when it opens.

J. M. Cass will take the theological course at Boston University.

H. Clements has entered Auburn Theological Seminary.

Clarke Day is studying law at Albany.

H. R. Dwight will probably take P. G. work at Johns Hopkins.

G. A. Johnston is in business with his father at Palatine Bridge.

J. Y. Lavery follows up his engineering work in West Virginia.

Howard Pemberton, 2d, remains in Albany studying law.

H. M. Pollock, accompanied by a fair daughter of Cobleskill as his bride, will continue his studies in Germany for two years.

W. J. Sanderson attends Auburn Theological Seminary.

George Streeter takes a course in medicine at Johns Hopkins.

John N. D. Vedder is at home. He expects to enter Harvard next year.

W. E. Walker returns for P. G. work at Union. Orman West enters Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.

C. W. Crannell is on a visit to New York and Long Island.

J. A. Collins is at Auburn Theological Seminary.

F. M. Eames is teaching English, Latin and Zoology in York Collegiate Institute, York, Pa.

M. R. Skinner has entered the University of Pennsylvania Medical College.

S. W. Skinner is studying law with Randall & Huyck, at Le Roy, N. Y.

S. L. Vossler is working as draughtsman in the General Electric Works.

A. D. Bissell is in the law office of his father and grandfather.

- A. Spencer is in New York teaching an evening school and reading law.
- M. Ayrault is in business with his father at Tonawanda.
  - C. Bannister is at home.
  - B. O. Burgin is teaching school at Lowville.

Isaac Harbey is employed in New York City.

- B. Howard, after a season at base-ball, takes up the study of law at Hornellsville.
- L. J. Lane takes a medical course at the University of Pennsylvania.
- F. Van der Bogert is studying medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.
- W. H. Wright is assistant chemistat the General Electric Works.
  - R. H. Potter has entered Yale Divinity School.
  - W. McEwan is in his father's office at Albany.
  - D. B. Eldridge is at home.
  - E. Shalders has returned to Brazil.
  - W. L. Sawyer is studying law at Sandy Hill.
  - F. Klein is in Gloversville.
- L. C. Guernsey is teaching school at Griffin's Corners, N. Y.

#### Union Was Well Represented.

The ladies of Saratoga, in July, gave what they called a "College Tea" for the benefit of the Saratoga hospital. Convention hall is where it was held and the idea was a novel one. The whole floor of the hall was filled with small tables decorated with the colors of a seperate college and waited on by young ladies also dressed in the same colors. There one could buy ice cream and other refreshments and meet his college mates. During the evening a continuous high class vaudeville performance was carried on, and the whole affair was a very enjoyable one.

The Union table was taken care of by two of Saratoga's fairest daughters, Miss Varney and Miss Walbridge, and they made every Union man feel thoroughly at home. Saratoga contains many Union alumni and they turned out in good numbers. They, together with the Saratoga undergraduates and several Union visitors, showed up Union at her best, and none of the other colleges could boast of a larger representation.

## UNION AT THE INTERNATIONAL GAMES.

# Chas. Kilpatrick Wins the Half-Mile Run in 1 Minute, 53 2-5 Seconds, Breaking the World's Recond by One Second.

Never before in the history of athletics has there been so much interest centered around a set of games as those which took place on Sept. 21, between the London A. C. and the New York A. C., for it was really Great Britain against America.

The enthusiasm at Union was naturally great, for two of her undergraduates took part in those games, and won laurels for her that every college in the country can with good reason envy.

The New York Athletic Club won out of the eleven events all the first places and six of the seconds. Four new world's records were made and one equaled. Of course the new record that was established by Kilpatrick in the half-mile run interests Union men more than the others.

The New York A. C. people had said but little about Kilpatrick in the papers, but they had been thinking just the same, and they knew the record was in danger. He ran a great race, and he has won a place in the hearts of all American athletes. A description of the race as taken from the New York World will show how it was run and won:

- "The first event, the half-mile run, meant much, for it was one of the events which was most in doubt.
- "A cheer went up for Kilpatrick, for the Americans depended upon him to defeat the Cambridge crack, Frederick S. Horan, a shorter, stockier man. The long, loose-jointed Kilpatrick worked his liberal muscles and shook his brown, curly hair. His trunks and shirt, like those of all the New York Athletic Club men, were trimmed with red bands. The Englishmen wore narrow black bands.
- "The officials gathered about the start, and the men arranged themselves. A. A. Jordan, the starter, stood behind them. The whistle was blown, and the runners made ready. They

went away easily, Lyons setting the pace, and Lewin, the other London man, going up and down in the air in a fussy way.

"The runners moved around the track with long strides, landing lightly on their toes. The crowd watched their every movement. They waited for Kilpatrick to make his showing, to cut out and see what he could do.

"It was on the second time around that his knees came up higher, his toes reached out further. In four jumps he was ahead, and then sweeping along, covering many feet with every stride. Horan started after him, and Kilpatrick shook his curles out of his eyes and went the faster.

"And then came a roar. It broke from thousands upon thousands of throats at the same instant. The pent-up enthusiasm and excitement had its first outlet, the American eagle had its first chance to scream and give a sharp wrench to the tail of its ancient enemy. For in the space of a few seconds they saw that Kilpatrick had the race won, and that he would romp home, so easily had his big legs carried him forward. And when he snapped the red cord across the line from four sides, another shout went up, a voicing of joy and triumph. On the fields a score of hats went into the air.

"They caught Kilpatrick as he crossed the line. Two men supported him and went limping to the club-house as if he had broken both legs. They cheered him as he walked, and they cheered Horan, too, especially the English people, but he shook his head wofully. And then the Americans cheered him, for they were sorry and they liked his effort.

"And when the time went up on the board and the crowd saw that the American champion had broken a world's record, held by an Oxford man and made as far back as 1888, the splendid enthusiasm broke forth again. Long Kilpatrick had lowered that record a full second, making the run in 1 min. 53 2-5 sec., and placing the American record of the once peerless Walter Dohm further in the shade. And the loyal ones felt that it was in truth a victory which would be talked of for years to come."

Geo. Sands also represented the Americans in the quarter-mile run, but he was running under orders to help the other American, Burke, finish a winner, so of course he was not placed, although he ran a plucky race.

#### Here and There.

'95 TO THE FRONT.

Union College men have distinguished themselves in many noble and daring deeds, and some of them have also had hair-breadth escapes, but as yet I have been unable to find anything in the annals of the college that can equal a performance by one of the class of '95. I was on the scene of action only shortly after it occurred, and can vouch for the veracity of the account which I take from the Albany *Evening Journal*. It is as follows:

#### A WOMAN'S SHRIEK SAVED HIM.

"A former Albanian, Townsend H. Fellows, has had an experience that he will remember should he arrive at the age of Methuselah. His splendid baritone voice has made him famous at his new home, New York, and this season he has been stopping at the Temple Grove Seminary, Saratoga Springs, which is a hotel in the summer. The night clerk is a graduate of Union College, a native of Brazil and an exceedingly intelligent and agreeable gentleman. Since the Puritanical crusade against cards and such things, singularly enough, there has been a sort of sporadic epidemic of petty crimes, such as sneak-thieving, in the village.

The man from Brazil was not to be caught at a disadvantage, and supplied himself with a self-cocking, quick-action revolver. In the hours of the night or morning, commonly denominated by the Scottish bards as "sma," he was accustomed to catch forty winks or more on a comfortable lounge in the office, and now comes in the blood-curdling episode in the life of Albany's great baritone, Townsend H. Fellows. It so happened that on a certain night last week, about 2 A. M., Mrs. Fellows was seized with a sudden and very acute attack of dyspepsia, and "Town" hastily donned his clothes and hied him down stairs to the office to get some medicine. Here he found the amiable Brazilian on the lounge, fast asleep, with his revolver in his hand and his finger on the hair trigger. Mr. Fellows had seen this shooting iron before and knew of its quickfiring propensities. He therefore hesitated to

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awake the sleeper too suddenly. He stepped into the corridor and called out loudly. This he did several times, and then the Brazilian arose, and with revolver in hand advanced on the baritone and only stopped when the muzzle of the weapon covered his heart. Townsend H. then began an oration in gentle tones of expostulation, but not a word in response passed the lips of the youth of South America, and in lieu thereof he only uttered an inarticulate sound, something like "huk." Then there followed a few more flights of vocalization with similar results. There was vacancy in the eye of the man with the gun, and with feeling of horror Mr. Fellows discovered that the clerk was asleep. To say that "Townsend was scared" would be to put it mild. The hairs of his light chestnut locks stood on ends like quills upon the fretful porcupine, and if his blood was not frozen in his veins, it took on a particularly chilly temperature. Should the man awake suddenly, he thought, the baritone would speedily join the Heavenly choir or assist in the Miserere of those in the Mephistophelian dominions.

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#### A RUMOR.

Of course only rumors and conflicting reports are afloat; but at the same time every one knows there is fact at the bottom. And with the fact is also a very pretty little romance, for it seems that one of our faculty has decided to take a vacation of a year in Europe. But before going he participated in the commencement festivities, and there met a charming young lady from Troy. Of course he enjoyed her company very much; so greatly indeed that he felt he would be content to live forever with her. Therefore, about the time of sailing for Europe he wrote a little note telling her his love; and what was his most extreme joy to receive a cablegram saying he was accepted. Of course nothing would do but the professor must hie himself home and see to his future happiness. And that happiness we understand is soon to be realized Of course this is only "what they say," but then we wish the greatest possible joy to the professor.

W. A. Johnston, ex-'95, Arthur Peters, ex-'96 and Boss, ex-'97, who left college last year through sickness have returned, and will enter respectively '96, '97 and '98.

James E. Kelly, '96, will not return to college, he having received a good engineering position at Tuxtla-Gutierreg, State of Chiponas, Mexico, where he will in the future make his home.

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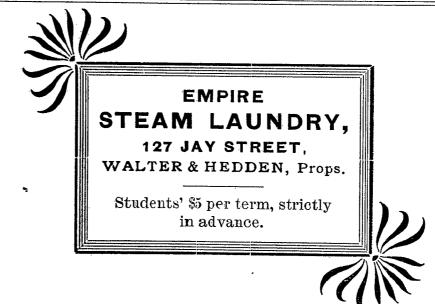
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