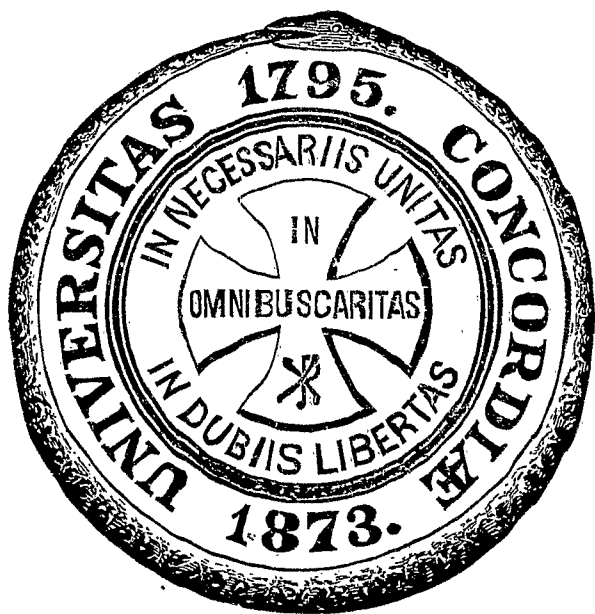


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## "THE MAN AND THE BOOK."

Lecture By Robert Bridges, of Scribner's Magazine.

Mr. Robert Bridges, one of the editors of Scribner's Magazine, delivered one of the finest lectures of the term in the chapel on Friday afternoon on the subject, "The Man and the Book." Mr. Bridges possesses an excellent delivery. His interesting manner of treating his subject and his reputation as a man of letters combined to make his lecture of unusual interest. Doctor Raymond introduced him, referring to his appearance here some years ago.

Mr. Bridges began by quoting from an essay from Stevenson's "Men and Books" in which the author says "Language is but a poor bull's eye lantern wherewith to show off the vast cathedral of the world."

"Literature is essential to life and should be an incentive to arouse man from its routine, and the use of men of letters is to reflect the feelings of humanity.

"It takes a great deal to arouse man from the inanity of everyday life and books, above all, should accomplish this. Any talk about a man or a book should be about the average and not the phenomenal as the former is more common and on this account of more interest. The man who really lives must be active and throw himself with his whole energy into the work which he is doing.

"It does no one any good to tell him what the principles are that governed the life of Napoleon and how Napoleon did when one knows that he has no possible chance of becoming a Napoleon.

"You can apply the same principle in regard to the attitude of men to their work in ordinary walks to the literary man. There are two kinds of men—those who are in the great procession and who do not know the general trend of the procession, do not know when they pass

by noted points. The other class is the one that stands on the corner and cheers or jeers, encourages or shoots putty at the passers-by. This class is the literary class, and the majority of those who shoot putty are the critics. Here is where the utility of the man of letters comes in. He interprets the procession for those who plod along, the meaning of the whole thing to the procession. He cheers and so helps, he gives to the crowd some intellingence of the *tout ensemble*: and he sheds light for the leaders in the great march. And all that he has to do it with is his poor bull's-eye lantern of language.

"Language is but a series of inherited pictures and the man of letters is the one who puts these together into a harmonious whole. Professor Lounsbury in a recent editorial says that the modern newspaper English is the best for it is vital, it is so because the newspaper man is brought into actual contact with men, because he is engaged in watching the stream of life. He is the first to see the new shades of meaning and all this must make him efficient as an exponent of the best mode of expression. This is an impossibility for the cloistered man of letters. A real literary man has a passion for perfection in phrase. The business of literature is to make the flame in the lantern of life to burn as brightly as possible.

"The mind of the man of letters is like that of an engineer in its high degree of development. The same principle is carried out in their work, for example, a bridge, in regard to its form, balancing and strength. The judgment is not simply on the beauty but also on the utility."

Mr. Bridges gave Poe as an example of a genius who was ordinarily pitied, but in fact he is to be congratulated. Rather than being an unfortunate child of genius he was very fortunate. Almost a mere foundling he was adopted by one of the oldest and best families in the South, educated at the best University in the South, and afterwards sent to West Point, the



best military school in the country, and in all he failed to improve his opportunities. But this has nothing to do with his genius and with the judgment of his genius.

"The true man of letters is the one who takes his hard knocks with the rest of his fellows. Tennyson, Longfellow, Parkman, Stevenson, were great men as men, they would have been great men had they never written a line. They didn't go through life whining. They took life with its husks without the corn, the shell without the oyster.

"The mere craft of joining thoughts together in such a way as to give temporary pleasure is a very common acquirement. This is an age of 'pianola poetry.' The land is filled with petty versifiers and magazine offices are flooded with their productions, but the true man of letters is a rare person. There are hundreds of interesting books but they are for the most part worthless as far as any good they do is concerned. A true example of the literary genius who shows depth and natural art is Stevenson. Although handicapped by physical infirmities that would discourage most writers, he continued to write of life as though he could see the beauty and feel the joy in it—all of which he did in spite of his suffering. The man of letters should be able to laugh with his fellows, at them and at himself, and yet retain that sweet and charitable spirit that refrains from pessimistic criticism."

Mr. Bridges made the witty remark that much of his lecture was stolen from a literary personage, now deceased, known to the world as "Droch," whose literary executor he was, and that all that was good in his lecture was his own and all that was bad was "Droch's."

"It is seldom the case that an author's masterpiece is the one that the author thought to be his best, but it serves as a stepping-stone to later work, is on the way towards the real masterpiece. 'Adam Bede' was on the way towards 'Savronola,' 'Kidnapped' was on the way towards 'Weir of Hermiston,' 'The Jumping Frog' on the way towards 'Yankee in King Arthur's Court.'"

Continuing Mr. Bridges said that he believed in the unutterable pathos and tragedy of life as

well as in its unutterable beauty and joy, and read in this connection Stevenson's poem, "God if this were Enough," and gave his estimate of Stevenson in this as being the true artist in the deepest problem of his race. Mr. Bridges closed his interesting lecture by reciting an original poem.

### SIGMA PHI BANQUET.

The annual banquet of Sigma Phi was held at the Ten Eyck last Friday evening. Alumni and undergraduates from Union, Williams and Hamilton attended. DeLancey W. Watkins, '80, acted as toastmaster.

Those present were :

Union—G. W. Featherstonhaugh, '71; G. W. Featherstonhaugh, Jr., 1900; R. F. Gilmour, '94; W. G. Gilmour, '88; D. W. Paige, 1900; A. Smith, '89; Frank Vander Bogert, '95; James W. Veeder, '94; D. W. Watkins, '80; P. B. Yates, '98; R. Yates, 1902; E. E. Yelverton; R. F. Warner, 1901; W. E. Kruesi, 1902; J. D. Guthrie, 1902; G. Parker, 1903; A. S. Peck, 1903; H. W. Murphy, 1904; W. B. Watson, 1904; Paul Kruesi, 1900.

Williams—A. H. Bacon, Dr. F. G. Cox, G. Y. Lansing, D. W. Olcott, Marcus T. Reynolds, J. S. Russell, F. Tillinghast, Edwin Van Wormer, H. C. Jones, Albert Parker, Franklin Townsend.

Hamilton—D. C. Gilbert, B. W. Johnson, A. P. Ames, G. P. Stowitz.

### A VICTORY AT SCHUYLerville.

Captain Thebo and his basketball five won a sweeping victory for the Garnet over the Victory Athletic club at Schuylerville, last Friday evening. The line-up for Union was: Anderson, '02 and Mallery, '02, guards; Olmsted, '04, center; Thebo, '02 and Cronkhite, '04, baskets. Fifteen minute halves were played with a total score of Union, 19; V. A. C., 5. L. L. Melius, '93, who played quarter-back on Union's '92 eleven, refereed the game.

### DR. RAYMOND'S REPLY.

#### His Answer to the "New York Sun's" Unfavorable Comment on the Engineering School Bill.

The "Sun" recently contained an editorial on the proposition to found a State School of Electrical Engineering at Union. The writer evidently had hastily examined the bill and its intent, for he could not find a single argument in its favor, and did not present a single argument against it. He simply advised "killing" it. President Raymond's attention was called to the article, and he accordingly wrote the "Sun" a letter in answer, which that paper promptly published. The letter states concisely the arguments for the establishment of the school and is therefore copied below.

"An editorial article entitled 'A Good Bill to Kill' which appeared in your issue of Thursday, Feb. 21, prompts me to send you a word of explanation which may make the bill seem less 'preposterous.'

"Your clear statement of the provisions of the bill leaves nothing to be desired in that particular. It proposes to build and equip a state electrical laboratory at Union college and to provide for its maintenance and for the work of experimentation and instruction. The college is to deed to the state the land needed for the laboratory and to offer to students resident in the state one hundred free scholarships in electrical engineering. The passage of such a bill would be justified by certain considerations which I wish to call to your attention.

"Electrical science, still new, and but partially developed, is already of commanding importance to the state, since it enters more largely than any other science into industrial, commercial and domestic life, and it is certain to become more closely identified with public interest by its application to new uses. Every thought of the future puts an emphasis upon this science that is given to no other. We have but to realize that all the water power of the

state is being rapidly utilized for the development of electrical energy to see at once how vital is the relation between electrical science and public interests. This alone is enough to justify the state in fostering directly a study of this science on the same principle that has led to the establishment by state endowment at Cornell university of a state school of forestry, a state veterinary college, and a state biological laboratory.

"A second consideration is the increased legislation that will be demanded as electrical science progresses. Property must be protected and life safeguarded. For the enactment of right and necessary laws the state should have an independent and authoritative source of information free from the rivalries of commercial interests.

"A third and most important consideration is the need of an official standardizing laboratory for electrical measuring instruments. No such laboratory exists today and the demand for it increases every year.

"If it is admitted, for the above reasons, that the state should be justified in establishing an electrical laboratory the question of location is still open. Why should Union college be chosen? Because the works of the General Electric company, the largest in existence, make Schenectady the most natural place in the state, if not in the country, for an experimental station and for investigation and instruction in electrical science. Union college has the oldest engineering school connected with any college in America. It has already a fully organized department of electrical engineering. It is by its charter absolutely undenominational and, therefore, free from the constitutional provision against state aid to sectarian institutions."

### BASKETBALL SCHEDULE.

March 21.—V. A. C., at Schuylerville.

March 22.—Satterlee Hose Company at Fort Edward.

March 23.—Glens Falls Y. M. C. A., at Glens Falls.

## NEW UNIVERSITY CATALOGUE.

### Publication Just Issued a Splendid Advertisement for the University.

The University catalogue for 1900-1901, has just made its appearance. It is a large book of 170 pages and is the most complete publication of its kind ever issued by the University. Sixteen pages are devoted to the University calendar, officers and faculty; 82 to the academic department; 25 to the School of Engineering; 18 to the Albany Medical College; 14 to the Albany Law School; 11 to the Albany College of Pharmacy, and 2 to the Dudley Observatory. The curriculum and requirements of every department are fully presented, and complete lists of officers, faculty, and undergraduates are inserted.

A count of the undergraduates reveals the fact that 519 students are now in attendance at the various departments, and that the faculty consists of 91 men—an extremely large proportion for any university. The law department has the largest enrolment in its history. A resume follows:

FACULTY.	
Union College.....	23
Albany Medical College.....	45
Albany Law School.....	16
Albany College of Pharmacy.....	7
Total.....	91
UNDERGRADUATES.	
Union College.....	184
Seniors.....	26
Juniors.....	41
Sophomores.....	48
Freshmen.....	66
Irregulars.....	3
Albany Medical College.....	137
Seniors.....	28
Juniors.....	25
Sophomores.....	37
Freshmen.....	47
Albany Law School.....	130
Seniors.....	72
Juniors.....	58
Albany College of Pharmacy.....	68
Seniors.....	34
Juniors.....	34

These 519 men are drawn from fifteen states—New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Michigan, Nebraska, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Tennessee, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Vermont; from one territory(?), Porto Rico; and from Syria and Cuba.

The academic requirements are changed in several particulars. Next year the entrance requirements will be the same as heretofore, but in 1902 physics will be also required in the scientific and engineering courses. The catalogue says in regards to this that the following preparation in physics is necessary:

“An elementary knowledge of physics, such as may be gained by a year’s course of study covering mechanics, sound, heat, light and electricity. Preparations should include individual laboratory work, attested by a note-book, comprising at least thirty-five exercises, chiefly quantitative.”

Formerly a man has been admitted into the B. S., B. E., and Ph. B. courses on either one year of French or German. In 1901 the requirement will be in German, instead of French or German. But in 1903 a two year’s study in German will be required as the candidate will have to have read 300 pages of standard German prose and poetry before being admitted which will mean two year’s work for the ordinary student.

The study of bacteriology is offered to seniors. The catalogue says:

“Students who have elected the course in animal morphology may be permitted to take, in the third term, elementary practical bacteriology in place of a part of the anatomical work.” The course in geology will be given on alternate years hereafter. It will be given in the year 1901-02. These are the only changes of importance in the curriculum.

There is interest in the recommendation that “candidates for entrance to the academic and engineering departments take, if possible, the uniform entrance examinations offered by the Association of Colleges and preparatory Schools for the Middle States and Maryland.” Information concerning the time and place for their



examinations can be obtained by addressing Prof. Nicholas Murray Butler, Columbia University, New York city.

It is particularly desirable that the catalogue should be placed in the hands of every man who thinks of entering any department of the University. Applications sent to Dr. Benjamin H. Ripton, Dean of Union College, Schenectady, N. Y.; Prof. Olin H. Landreth, Engineering School, Schenectady, N. Y.; Dr. Willis G. Tucker, Registrar of Albany Medical College; W. R. Davidson, Secretary Albany Law School; or Theodore J. Bradley, Albany College of Pharmacy; will receive prompt attention.

### CONCERT IN ALBANY.

#### Annual Event Takes Place at Centennial Hall on March 16.

The annual concert of the Musical Association occurs at Centennial Hall, in Albany, on Saturday evening, March 16. Manager Brown is making extensive preparations to have this concert the best attended one given in years. A large number of patronesses from Albany society have consented to lend their aid. A large committee of Union alumni has also been formed.

The management is attempting to make the concert a university affair. Several men from the professional schools will participate as members of the clubs. Committees have been formed in the Albany departments to further interest in the affair.

The farce "Found in a Four-Wheeler," or "Cabman 93," has been cut from the program, as the management desires to have the concert entirely musical in nature.

The list of patronesses include a number of prominent Albany society matrons, among them being Mrs. Benjamin B. Odell, jr., Mrs. Timothy L. Woodruff, Mrs. John V. L. Pruyn and several others. Well-known Albanians who will serve on the committee are: Charles E. Patterson, '60, Amasa J. Parker, '63, J. Newton Fiero, '67, Andrew Hamilton, '75, Samuel B. Ward, '62, and Willis G. Tucker, '70.

### CITY LIBRARY ON UNION STREET.

#### The College Sells the City a Lot in the Pasture for \$12,000.

The \$50,000 library which Andrew Carnegie has promised the city of Schenectady, will be erected upon a portion of the college pasture fronting on Union street. The negotiations were brought to a head after a number of conferences between the resident members of the Board of Trustees and a committee of the local Library Association. The college originally asked \$15,000 for the lot, while the Association offered \$10,000. A compromise price of \$12,000 was finally agreed upon. It is understood that the land would never have been sold for any other purpose. The new library will be situated at the foot of the hill and will be of such an attractive appearance that the college will be none the loser by its erection. The site is an ideal one. Students of the college will have equal advantages with residents of the city in the use of the library.

The lot is situated seventy-five feet east of the grounds of Dr. Pearson and is one hundred by one hundred and fifty feet in size. Enough frontage is allowed on Union street to allow of the extension of Quackenbos street at some possible future time. The \$12,000 needed for the purchase of the land will be raised by popular subscription and lists for that purpose will be left in the principal stores and hotels in the city.

The building when completed will be one of the finest library buildings in this part of the state and will be equipped with every modern convenience. The equipment of the building is in charge of an enthusiastic committee which intends to make it as complete in every line as possible. The membership committee has met with great success in the canvass for members and the desired roll of 1,500 will doubtless be obtained in a short time. A school-children's membership ticket is being talked of and will in all probability become a feature in the near future. The committee is anxious to raise the membership list as high as possible and it is earnestly desired that any who have not joined the association do so at once.

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THE Board of Governors of the University are to be congratulated upon the fine appearance of the catalogue just issued, and upon the increased space given in it to the professional departments at Albany.

An examination reveals but a single omission which, we believe, takes away from the completeness of the book. In the list of students of the Medical College, no mention is made of the college from which the fourteen men with academic degrees have graduated, and in that of the Law School and College of Pharmacy, there is no indication that the undergraduates have ever attended a college. As a matter of fact, there are very few such men in the latter department, but in the former twenty-nine have graduated from higher institutions of learning. Harvard takes particular pride in pointing to the large proportion of Yale

men in her College of Law, and other professional schools seize the opportunity of indicating the fact that they attract college men to them. Such information is of value to the matriculant. Would it not be interesting to such men to know that the Albany Law School has students at the institution who have graduated from Yale, Rochester, Colgate, Syracuse, St. Lawrence, Harvard, Vermont, Wesleyan, Hamilton, Hobart, Princeton, Amherst, Glasgow and Pennsylvania? Perhaps such information would be the means of attracting additional recruits from these or other colleges.

## UNION vs. DARTMOUTH MEDICAL.

### Fast Basketball Promised for Saturday Evening.

The basketball contest with the five from the Dartmouth Medical college at the Armory, Saturday evening, promises to be well worth witnessing. The Union five showed up in good shape last week when the Victory Athletic club of Schuylerville was easily taken into camp. Dartmouth has a fast team which will make the men in Garnet work for every basket. John W. H. Pollard, a sophomore at the Medical college, who arranged the match, promises Captain Thebo a hard contest.

The Union line-up will probably be as follows: Forwards, Anderson and Cronkhite; center, Olmsted; guards, Mallery and Pearce. The substitutes are Sherrill and Gould. Hard daily practice should put the men in the best of condition.

## SENIOR VACATION.

The faculty has made the announcement that all works of the present senior class will conclude Wednesday, May 22. This will give 1901 men the vacation of three weeks usually allowed the senior class. The further announcement is made that, in the future, the vacation will be ten days shorter. In that case, senior vacation next year will commence on the second Saturday before commencement.

## ELECTRICAL SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY.

### What the "Amsterdam Democrat" Thinks of It.

The few newspapers here and there in this state that have published articles opposing the proposed grant by the legislature to Union college for establishing a department of electricity, have based their oppositions mainly on the fear that if one institution or one branch of science is thus favored, future legislatures will be beset by special educational interests for state assistance at this and that college all over the state. In this argument no consideration is given to the fact that almost all the colleges and academies in the state are excluded by the constitution from receiving financial assistance at the hands of the legislature. Such is the effect of the section which prohibits the legislature from granting aid to any sectarian institution. Union college, like Cornell, and a few other universities and colleges in the state, is absolutely undenominational, and always has been during the hundred and five years of its existence.

The same newspapers all fail to notice that the principle upon which this Union college bill in the legislature is based, is the same as that which the legislature in years not far back found sound, when it voted substantial aid to the State School of Forestry, State School of Veterinary Science, and the State Biological Laboratory, all adjuncts of Cornell university.

Can it be said that any one of these sciences which Cornell is thus exceptionally well prepared to teach is of more general applicability to the practical needs of today than the science of electricity? And where else in the United States are such important advantages to be found for the success of an electrical laboratory as at Schenectady, where the General Electric Company's works are established? And the company has expressed a willingness to lend assistance in details of the operation of such a department at Union college.

It is not entirely a free gift that is proposed in

behalf of Union college. It is provided in the bill that the state is to have the disposal of a large number of free scholarships in the college's course of electrical engineering, a hundred or a hundred and twenty-five.

The same provision is in operation at the above mentioned state-assisted departments of Cornell university. As in the case of Cornell, these scholarships are to be apportioned among the legislative districts of the state, and to be awarded to aspiring students in electricity by competitive examination.

## TIMES-UNION EDITORIAL.

### Albany Paper Approves the Electrical School Bill.

The Albany "Times-Union," a Democratic newspaper, speaks editorially of the bill for the establishment of an electrical engineering school at Union, as follows:

"A bill is pending in the senate appropriating \$150,000 for the erection and equipment of a laboratory of electrical engineering in connection with Union college in the city of Schenectady. The state is to have the title to the land and twenty-five four-year free scholarships annually in electric engineering at the college. The selection of Union college is determined by the fact that the great works of the General Electric company are situated in Schenectady, and from them extraordinary facilities are to be obtained. The bill is worthy of the support of every vote. The object is a good one and it would not be long before its beneficial results would be felt if it became a law."

August H. Kruesi, '98, Wednesday afternoon delivered a very interesting address before the engineering students of Union college on the subject "Speed Regulation of Steam Engines." Mr. Kruesi has recently returned from a two years' residence abroad in the interest of the English branch of the General Electric Company, and has given especial attention to the subject covered by the paper.

## UNIVERSITY CLUBS.

Movements on Foot in Albany and  
Dorp to Establish Such Organizations.

College men in both Albany and Schenectady are interested in movements to establish University clubs in both cities. The idea is to organize on a basis similar to that of the University club of New York city, the necessary qualifications for membership being that candidates shall be college graduates.

Schenectady has an extremely large proportion of college men among its residents. Hundreds of men in the General Electric works are graduates of colleges and technical schools. But one club, the Mohawk, now exists in this city. Those who have the idea in mind claim a University Club would attract a large membership at the very start. Union, of course, has the largest representation of men in town, but Cornell, Yale, Lehigh M. I. T., Stevens, Tufts and Lafayette have large delegations. Columbia, Virginia, Harvard, R. P. I., Kansas, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Syracuse, Brown, Rutgers, Vermont, Wesleyan, Michigan, Colgate and many others are also represented.

The projectors of such a club in Albany call attention to the fact that the proportion of college graduates in the city is large and that there would be no difficulty in obtaining plenty of desirable members. The idea is to form a regularly established club like the Fort Orange or Albany or Press clubs, and raise enough money to build a house. Such an organization, it is said, would fill a want not supplied by the Press club, which has become an association of young mercantile men almost entirely; nor the Albany club, which has grown to be the rendezvous of political elements, nor the Fort Orange, which is ruled by the older men of the city's most aristocratic families.

G. LeRoy Shelley, 1901, has resigned his position as leader of the Glee club. S. B. Howe, Jr., 1903, has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

## PROF. HOLLIS ON ATHLETICS.

The following appeared in a recent number of the "Boston Record" and will be of interest to those who knew Prof. Ira N. Hollis, who was instructor of mechanical engineering at Union from 1881 to 1884. It will also be of especial interest as it is the view taken by one of the prominent professors of Harvard in regard to athletics. The article refers to a speech he made at a University of Pennsylvania dinner:

"When Prof. Hollis of Harvard talks athletics he does not mince matters. His statement at the U. P. dinner last night that a university is founded to promote learning, not to furnish candidates for the arena, is true and it is right. Prof. Hollis goes further in his analysis than any of his predecessors and looks into the preparatory school for causes. He says:

"The object of amateur athletics in inter-collegiate sports, is one of education. It is only within the last three or four years that we are recovering from the old feeling that amateurs and professionals could list together. To day it may be considered legitimate to go into the preparatory schools to pluck the fairest blossoms from the athletic field. It seems to me there is nothing more vicious than to go into the secondary schools and solicit a young giant.

"Of course there is the spirit to win. The system is not immoral, yet it is one step towards the formation of teams of gladiators that would be unconquerable. Some universities conquer by failure. It does not decrease attendance for we have failed more than anyone else.

"There is great promise between the universities for the future, for the upbuilding of amateur sports. It is a work, a system of taking freshmen and telling them what is right and what is not. He does not know by instinct, but learns by experience."

"Prof. Hollis was treading on *dangerous ground*, too, but he was loudly applauded."

On Thursday and Friday last, 30 seniors from Stevens Institute of Technology, made a tour of the General Electric works.

### THE SHAKESPEARE CLUB.

#### Dr. Truax Lectures the Organization on "The Shakespearean Englishman as a Play-goer."

The initial meeting of the Shakespeare club was held in the English room Wednesday evening. Dr. Truax delivered an interesting lecture on "The Shakespearean Englishman as a Play-goer." At the conclusion of his lecture he was given a vote of thanks.

A large number of men from the upper classes were drawn to the meeting. An election of officers resulted as follows: President, Leopold Minkin, 1901; vice-president, H. S. Bahler, 1901; secretary and treasurer, Adams, 1902; curator, Griffith, 1902. Regular meetings will be held in the future.

### COLLEGE CALENDAR.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 9.

8:00 P. M.—Basketball at the Armory. Union vs. Dartmouth Medical College.

#### MONDAY, MARCH 11.

5:00 P. M.—Glee club rehearsal.  
4:00 P. M.—Sophomore Essays due.  
7:00 P. M.—Instrumental clubs rehearsal.  
Mandolin club rehearsal.  
8:15 P. M.—Banjo club rehearsal.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 12.

4:45 P. M.—Glee club rehearsal.  
7:15 P. M.—Y. M. C. A. meeting.  
8:00 P. M.—Adelphic meeting.

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13.

4:45 P. M.—Glee club rehearsal.  
7:00 P. M.—Philomathean meeting.  
7:00 P. M.—Glee club rehearsal.  
8:00 P. M.—Bible class at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. "Studies in the Acts and Epistles." Mr. Metzger, leader.

Basketball, Univ. of Vermont at Fort Edward.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 14.

4:45 P. M.—Glee club rehearsal.

### INTERCOLLEGIATE ORATORICAL CONTEST.

#### No Representative Selected by Syracuse as Yet.

Speculation has failed to account for Syracuse's delay in sending the name of the man who is to represent her at the Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest. Those in charge expect to hear from her within a few days. The date of the contest has not been definitely decided upon.

Rochester had five contestants in her preliminary speaking. She chose to represent her: Mr. Fred. M. Robinson, whose theme is "Henry Ward Beecher, the Champion of Anti-Slavery Reform." The alternate, Mr. John E. Weinhauser, speaks on "The Moral Dignity of Foreign Missions."

### PHI BETA KAPPA SENATE MEETS.

The Senate of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity met at the Ten Eyck in Albany, Friday afternoon and decided to hold the Council of United Chapters in Saratoga on March 12, 1901.

Twelve applications for the establishment of chapters in various colleges all over the country were considered and the Senate will report on these applications before the council at the time of its meeting at Saratoga.

Those present were: John A. DeRemer of Schenectady, president of the Senate; Dr. E. B. Parsons of Williams college, secretary; ex-Attorney-General Hancock of Syracuse; Prof. Francis Philip Nash of Hobart college; Prof. J. C. Van Benschoten of Wesleyan university; Prof. Adolph Werner of College of City of New York; Prof. Samuel Hart of Berkeley Divinity school, Middletown, Ct.

Dr. Hale reads a paper before the Schoolmasters' Association of New York city Saturday evening on "A Logical Basis for the Course in English."



## THE ALUMNI COLUMN.

'97.—After a vacancy of nearly eighteen months, during which a great many candidates passed in review before the congregation, the consistory of the North Reformed church of Watervliet has extended a unanimous call to Rev. Orlando B. Pershing, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Cato.

Rev. Mr. Pershing was born at Ashland, Ohio, May 19, 1871. In 1887 he removed with his parents to North Madison, Ohio. The thirst for knowledge and a desire to enter the ministry drove him from the farm to begin unaided his educational career.

After a brief normal training at Scio college he was engaged as teacher in the school district near his home, which position he held for two successive years. In 1893, having secured a first class scholarship, he entered Union, from which he was graduated with high standing in 1897. At the beginning of the senior year at Union he was asked to supply the pulpit of the Reformed church of Glen. It was with enthusiasm, therefore, that he entered the theological seminary of the Reformed church at New Brunswick, N. J., in September of '97. The New Jersey climate not being congenial, the fall of '98 found him hard at work in the Auburn theological seminary.

Graduating from Auburn, he accepted a call from the Presbyterian church of Cato, and on May 15, 1900, was ordained and installed pastor by the Presbytery of Cayuga. In July of the same year he was married to Miss Kate Cummings of Madison, Ohio, the girl of his early love, now a woman of rare gifts and literary culture.

He has won a large place in the confidence and affections of the people of Cato, and it is with keen regret that the pastoral relations are so soon to be severed. Rev. and Mrs. Pershing will remove to Watervliet about April first and occupy the parsonage adjoining the church, which is now being fitted up for their reception.

The new 1903 class pipes have appeared on the hill.

## CAMPUS NOTES.

Gillette, '03, has been seriously ill with pleuro-pneumonia at his home in Albany. His condition is now somewhat improved.

Allter, '04, has been elected manager of his class baseball team. The class decided to put off the election of a captain until the candidates for the team shall have shown their ability.

President Shelly of the class of 1901, has appointed the following committees for the senior class: Picture and cut, Leopold Minkin, LeRoy J. Weed; commencement invitations, J. W. Cheeseborough, John E. Parker and Earl B. Slack; class day committee, Henry S. Bahler, John H. Cook and Earl B. Slack; grove exercises, Leopold Minkin, John E. Parker and James W. Miller; senior ball committee, Charles J. Bennett, Porter Lee Merriman, Horatio J. Brown, Charles P. Wagoner and Harry A. Barrett.

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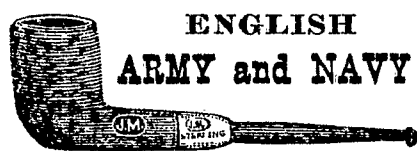
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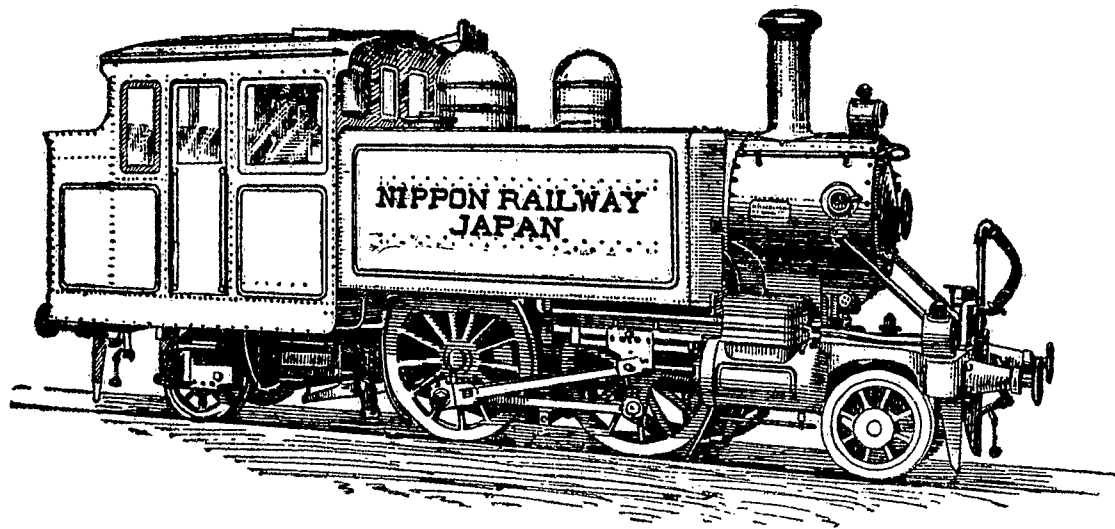
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