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## UNION COMMENCEMENT PROGRAMS.

One of the students recently found among some old documents the following commencement programs of Union, early in the present century. They are quaint affairs and present a marked contrast between the commencements of those days and now :

### ORDER OF THE EXERCISES OF THE COMMENCEMENT IN UNION COLLEGE, JULY 27, 1814.

MORNING.

PRAYER.

Music and Distribution of Orders.

The Latin Salutatory ..... By W. L. F. WARREN  
An Intermediate Oration on the Necessity  
of Virtue and Public Spirit to a Free  
Government..... E. PHELPS

MUSIC.

The Oration on the Dignity of Man..... S. CROSBY  
The Chosophis..... J. BOYD

MUSIC.

An Intermediate Oration on the Im-  
portance of a National University. F. W. ATTWATER  
An Intermediate Oration—ironical..... J. J. PELLIS

MUSIC.

An Oration on Eloquence..... J. ASHE  
Our Naval—the Eulogy..... D. C. BEEBE

AFTERNOON—3 O'CLOCK.

MUSIC.

English Salutatory..... By W. HUBBELL  
The Poem..... M. TUCKER

MUSIC.

### *Degrees Conferred.*

Honours Conferred, as Awarded by the Faculty.  
Samuel Bradley, a Gold Medal..... A  
Thomas Beveridge, }  
W. J. Bulkley, } Each a Silver Medal..... D  
C. R. K. Mosher, }  
P. Van Schaick, }  
J. D. Lawyer, } An Elegant Volume of Long-  
A. O. Miller, } inus with an appropriate  
H. Van Den Bergh, } inscription..... E

MUSIC.

### *An Address by the President.*

The Valedictory..... By J. LUDLOW  
PRAYER.

## ANNIVERSARY COMMENCEMENT OF UNION COLLEGE, JULY 22, 1818.

MORNING.

PRAYER.

Music and Distribution of Orders.

Salutatory..... By P. Mc VICKAR  
An Eulogy on Count Pulaski..... J. T. COOPER

MUSIC.

An Oration on Jurisprudence..... A. BLANCHARD  
An Oration on the Character and Pros-  
pects of America..... H. LIVINGSTON  
An Intermediate Oration on the Progress  
of Science..... J. DICKINSON

MUSIC.

An Eulogy on General Montgomery... C. A. CLINTON

MUSIC.

An Intermediate Oration on Super-  
stition..... S. D. BLOODGOOD  
An Intermediate Oration on the Importance  
of Patronizing the Fine Arts..... C. C. KING

AFTERNOON—3 O'CLOCK,

MUSIC.

Salutatory..... By J. B. TEN EYCK  
An Oration on the American Navy..... S. BREESE

MUSIC.

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S. W. Harding, a Gold Medal in test. app.  
B.—W. S. Burt, a Gold Medal of \$15.  
B.—P. P. Rouse, a Gold Medal of \$15.  
C.—L. G. Harkness, a Silver Medal.  
C.—A. S. Porter, a Silver Medal.  
C.—N. S. Sexton, a Silver Medal.  
C.—G. W. L. Smith, a Silver Medal.  
D.—G. S. Boardman, }  
D.—I. V. S. De Ridder, } Each a Vol. Long.  
D.—W. Holland, }  
D.—J. W. Proudfit, }

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## A CHANGE IN THE PRESIDENCY.

### THE RESIGNATION OF DR. WEBSTER FINALLY ACCEPTED.

**Dr. A. V. V. Raymond Unanimously Chosen by the Trustees to Succeed Dr. Webster.**

The board of trustees of Union College at their semi-annual meeting held at the Medical College in Albany, Tuesday afternoon, accepted the resignation of President Harrison E. Webster. The resignation presented by Dr. Webster a year ago on account of poor health was not then accepted by the board in the hope that the president would recover, but the fact becoming apparent that he could no longer do himself or the college justice the resignation was accepted.

The trustees showed their appreciation of the services of Dr. Webster by the unanimous adoption of the following resolution :

"The board of trustees in accepting the resignation of Dr. Harrison E. Webster, as President of Union College, desire to express their appreciation of the ability with which he has conducted its affairs and the success which has attended his efforts.

"During his administration the number of students has been more than trebled, new life has been infused into all the departments of instruction and the interest of the alumni in their Alma Mater has been greatly revived. The curriculum has been revised and extended. The college buildings have been put in repair -- by moneys raised by him. The college has been singularly free from disorder; the utmost harmony has prevailed in the faculty, and the relations of the college with the Board of Control have been marked by entire unity of plan and purpose.

"The board extend to Dr. Webster their best wishes for his restoration to perfect health, and his success in any post of duty to which he may be called."

The choice of a successor for Dr. Webster was made immediately, and Dr. A. V. V.

Raymond, pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian church, of Albany, was unanimously elected President of Union.

Dr. Raymond entered Union College in 1872 and graduated in 1875, taking very high honors. He was elected a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, and is a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity. In 1885 he received the degree of D. D. After leaving Union he pursued a theological course at New Brunswick, N. J., and in 1878 was ordained to the ministry. In 1887 he was called to the pastorate of the Fourth Presbyterian church in Albany, to succeed the late Dr. Henry Darling.

Dr. Raymond has always been interested in the welfare and advancement of his Alma Mater, and for the last four years has been the President of the General Alumni Association. He is an enthusiastic and energetic worker in anything he undertakes. His sermons are of the highest order, and he is noted as a ready and brilliant after dinner speaker.

Dr. Raymond is one of the youngest men ever called to the presidency of a college, being only 39 years of age. He is very popular with the alumni and undergraduates, and will be heartily welcomed by all who have at heart the interests of Old Union.

### AN ANCIENT VOLUME.

Prof. Mosher has handed to THE CONCORDIENSIS for inspection an ancient and honorable volume, published in France in 1820. The work is entitled, Description Statistique, Historique et Politique Des Etats -- Unis De L'Amerique Septentrionale, and was written in the French language by D. B. Warden, American Consul to Paris. The volume was found in Paris while Prof. Mosher was there as a student, and contains an extended geographical, historical and political description of several states, among which is New York. Under the head of colleges is found the following concerning Union :

*College de l'Union.* Ce college, forme en

1794, par les regens de l'universite, sous la direction de vingt-quatre curateurs, est liberalement dote, surtout par l'etat. Il y a un professeur pour le grec, un pour le latin, un pour le francais, l'espagnol et l'italien, un pour les mathematiques et la physique, et un pour la chimie et la rhetorique.

Les fonds de cet etablissement, en 1796, montaient a quarante-deux mille quatre cent vingt-deux dollars, et les terres a mille six cent quatre acres. Le corps legislatif lui accorda ensuite, par une loterie, quatre-vingt-dix mille dollars. Le nombre des etudiants est environ de cent trente. La fin des exercices est le quatrieme mercredi de juin, et il y a trois vacances. La premiere, de quatre semaines, a compter de la date ci-dessus. La deuxieme, de six semaines, depuis la fin du premier trimestre dans le mois de janvier. La troisieme de trois semaines, a compter du deuxieme trimestre; dans les derniers jours de mai. Les depenses annuelles des etudiants, y compris les livres, s'elevent a cent quinze dollars.

#### ELECTRO-MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.

The fifteenth lecture of the Butterfield course was delivered by ex-Gov. Alonzo B. Cornell in the college chapel, January 19th. He took as his subject the electro-magnetic telegraph, with which he has had life long experience. Gov. Cornell was introduced by Robert C. Alexander, of the board of trustees, and spoke for over an hour, holding the closest attention of the students:

In his introduction Mr. Cornell referred to the fact that he has been for three years a trustee of Union during his incumbency of the Governor's chair. He also recalled the fact that nearly half a century before, his father, Ezra Cornell, and the father of Gen. Butterfield were actively associated in constructing through the Mohawk valley the first line of telegraph established between New York and Buffalo. Mr. Cornell traced the evolution of the magnetic telegraph from the earliest rude experiments of Ben Franklin, in 1746, when the identity of lightning with electricity was first established, to the electro-magnet of Prof. Joseph Henry, in 1828, and to the more practical demonstrations and experiments of S. F. B.

Morse in 1837. He dwelt upon the difficulties experienced in inducing congress to assist in exploiting the strange invention, and the discouragements encountered in building the first line, between Washington and Baltimore, in 1844, by which the practical utility of the telegraph was definitely established.

There were still, however, said Gov. Cornell, many unbelievers. The proprietor of the largest New York paper refused to join the other papers in receiving the Governor's message by telegraph from Albany, and was so badly beaten by his rivals that thereafter his paper became one of the most generous patrons of the telegraph. In 1846 the wire was brought to the west bank of the Hudson, but there met an impassable barrier, for no method of insulation from water had yet been devised. Finally, high masts were rigged on the Palisades near Fort Lee, and on Washington Heights on the other side, and a wire suspended between them.

Then came the era of local telegraph companies, with their rivalries, their extravagance, and their eventual bankruptcy followed by their consolidation and extension under the genius of the promoters of the Western Union Telegraph company, which has now 390,000 miles of pole lines and cables, with 770,000 miles of wire in use. It has 21,000 telegraph offices, with 40,000 employees, transmitted last year nearly 70,000,000 messages, and earned last year \$25,000,000.

Gov. Cornell dwelt also upon the history of submarine telegraphy and its great success, of the utilization of the telegraph in times of war, in the banking and newspaper business, in the operation of railways, in diplomacy, and in every-day affairs.

He spoke of the value of the telegraph service as an educating medium, requiring as it does, the utmost care and precision and inevitably fitting the competent operators for promotion to important and responsible duties.

"We are yet," said he, "in the infancy of electrical inquiry, and the development of the study of electricity in our colleges and universities within recent years is one of the most remarkable phases of modern education. Hosts of bright young men and women are devoting themselves to investigation in this extremely interesting science, and there can be no doubt that the early future has in store for us wonderful results."

Gov. Cornell closed with an eloquent eulogy of the three great Americans who have led the world in the pathway of electrical science, Franklin, Henry, and Morse. He was heartily applauded when he closed, and as he left the chapel to take his train he was greeted with the vociferous Union yell.

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**HARRY E. SPRAGUE.**

Since our last issue the college has been called upon to mourn the loss of one of its most promising students.

Harry E. Sprague, of the Sophomore class, was taken ill with typhoid fever during the holidays, and after a severe sickness of about three weeks, died at his home in Amsterdam, on January eighteenth. Mr. Sprague was president of his class during the Freshman year, and one of its most active members. He was a member of the Chi Psi fraternity, a fine scholar, and, as a man, kind but firm, and exemplary in his character.

The following from Prof. Truax, expresses the general sentiment of both the faculty and students:

"When I returned to college at the beginning of this term, I was surprised not to find Mr. Sprague in his place, and greatly pained to learn that he was very ill. He was so faithful and earnest that I felt confident he would appear at the earliest moment he could escape from the hands of the physician, and not anticipating any fatal turn in his illness, I reserved his seat. Close upon this came the news of his death. The shock to me was very great, and the sense of personal loss keen. For although I met him only in the class-room, I was impressed by the excellence of his work and the combined firmness and gentleness of his manner. He obtained the highest rank in my department and merited praise even beyond that. The college has suffered a loss in the untimely disappearance from the living of a young man with qualities of mind and heart which gave promise of a life of great usefulness and honor. The world is the poorer by the loss of such an intellect and purpose as were his. The memory of his brief collegiate life, will however, I am confident, prove a tender and inspiring influence to all his classmates, suggesting both the value of time and the imperishable beauty of worthy character."

The funeral services were held Saturday

afternoon, January twentieth, at the home of his parents, in Amsterdam, and were largely attended, the members of his fraternity and many of his classmates being present. Rev. Dr. C. H. Baldwin officiating, assisted by Prof. Cole. There were numerous floral tributes, among which were a wreath from the Beta chapter of Pi Phi, Union Classical institute, an anchor from the class of '96, and a quantity of cut flowers from the Chi Psi fraternity.

The following members of Chi Psi were the bearers: R. H. Potter, A. L. Peckham, R. S. Greenman, A. B. Van Vranken, E. E. Draper and W. H. Sinclair. The remains were taken to Tribes Hill for burial in Pine Grove cemetery.

**COLLEGE MEETING.**

At the last regular college meeting held in the chapel Friday evening, January 19, Campbell, '94, presiding, the following business was transacted: J. N. White, '94, manager of the '94 base ball team was instructed to enter Union in a new base ball league, to be composed of Union, Hobart and Colgate—Rochester, Syracuse and Hamilton have forfeited their memberships in the old league.

The annual undergraduate banquet was then discussed, and the chair appointed the following committee to arrange for the holding of such a banquet: Baggerly, '94; Bissell, '95; Nicholson, '96, and Williams, '97.

It was voted to petition the faculty to do away with final term examinations, a step which has been taken by several colleges. The following men were appointed to draw up a petition and present it to the faculty: Lynes, '94; Crannell, '95; Anthony, '96, and Daley, '97.

The nomination by the advisory board of William Allen, '95, as base ball scorer for this season was unanimously confirmed. Mr. Allen will manage the team during the season of '95.

**ALUMNI DINNER.**

The sixth annual banquet of the Union College Alumni Association of north-eastern New York was held at the Delevan, Albany, Tuesday evening, January 23. The dinner was a very brilliant affair and the festive board was graced with the presence of many of the famous sons of Old Union, who reside in the north and eastern part of the State. General Daniel Butterfield presided, and calling the alumni to order announced the following toasts and speakers: Prof. B. H. Ripton, "The Faculty;" Mr. Louis W. Pratt, "The President of the United States;" Judge Robert Earl, "The Judiciary;" Prof. O. D. Robinson, "The New England College;" Gov. Roswell P. Flower, "The State of New York;" the Rev. Dr. T. S. Hamlin, "Public Life in Washington;" Senator Charles T. Saxton, "The Legislature;" the Rev. Wm. N. P. Dailey, "Alma Mater."

Among those present were: Governor R. P. Flower, Louis W. Pratt; Amasa J. Parker, '63; J. Newton Fiero, '67; Oscar D. Robinson, E. D. Ronan, '67; J. A. DeRemer, '57; Alex. J. Thomson, '58; Charles F. Bridge, '87; William Wells, H. T. E. Brown, John M. Bailey, '61; Lewis Thomson, '50; William Page Newman, '76; E. A. Corbin, '71; Charles F. Shaw, '89; George D. Buel, '87; James F. Barker, '74; Albert H. Pepper, '87; John C. Van Voast, '87; Howard Thornton, '72; Harwood Dudley, '75; Edward P. White, '79; Charles F. Peck, '59; Charles H. Mills, '72; George C. Baker, '88; W. J. Hills, '72; Edward M. Cameron, '87; E. C. Angle, '87; Charles B. Templeton, '84; David Muhlfelder, '80; W. N. P. Dailey, '88; Sidney G. Ashmore, '72; Frederick W. Cameron, '81; J. M. Lawson, '62; W. H. Murray, '67; Charles D. Meneely, '81; Charles Stanford, Rev. A. V. V. Raymond, Prof. B. H. Ripton, Charles T. Saxton, Robert Earl and Rev. Dr. T. S. Hamlin.

The officers of the Association for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Edward

D. Ronan; vice-president, Howard Thornton; secretary and treasurer, Charles F. Bridge. The new executive committee is composed of J. Newton Fiero, Edward P. White, Dr. James F. Barker, Prof. Ernest A. Corbin, Charles C. Lester, Seymour Van Stantvoord, Frederick W. Cameron, Dow Beekman, Franklin W. McClellan, Frank Burton and Geo. C. Baker.

**Y. M. C. A. ORGANIZED.**

In place of the usual prayer meeting of the Christian Association on Tuesday afternoon, January 16, the members were met by Mr. Frank Goodman, of New York, State Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Goodman spoke of the advantage of having a regular Y. M. C. A. organization, such as there are in other colleges. He said that Union and Hobart were the only colleges in this State not in line. He then gave a short history of the movement and showed that there are in New York State twenty-two college associations, and in the country four hundred and fifty-seven, with a membership of nearly 30,000.

The model constitution was then read and a committee appointed to look it over and report at a meeting a week later.

In the evening Mr. Goodman gave an address on "What the Association Stands For," and brought out seven points. 1. For rescue of fallen young men. 2. For refuge. 3. For training for christian work. 4. For redemption of spare hours. 5. For world-wide evangelization. 6. Practical christian sympathy. 7. Ideal manhood.

Wednesday, January 24, another meeting was held and the report of the committee on constitution presented. The recommendation to adopt the model constitution and to apply for admittance to the State organization was adopted. By vote of the society the State constitution was ratified and application made through Mr. Goodman for State membership. The officers of the former association were

elected to the same positions in the new, to serve until time for the annual election.

The officers and committees of the association for this term are as follows: Officers: President, E. Sloat, '94; vice-president, R. H. Potter, '95; secretary, James A. Collins, '95; treasurer, G. L. Van Deusen, '96. Lookout Committee: R. H. Potter, '95; W. L. Terry, '96; H. Mallery, '96; H. P. Willis, '97; W. L. Cherry, '97; H. M. Dann, '97; I. Hotaling, '97. Executive Committee: Theodore F. Bayles, '95; R. S. Greenman, '96; C. B. Hane, '97. Topics and Leaders: January 16. Business meeting at 5 P. M.; devotional meeting at 7 P. M.; Frank Goodman, Traveling Secretary of the General College Y. M. C. A. will be present at both meetings. January 23. Devotional meeting, C. A. Dann. January 30. "An All Around Athlete," Rev. E. A. Braman. February 6. "Young Men, Rejoice," Eccl. 11, Rev. C. A. Alden. February 13. Devotional meeting, C. B. Hane. February 20. "Self Denial the Basis of Christianity," Matt. 16:24, Rev. W. H. Waygood. February 27. "The Duty of Everyday," Ezra 3:4, Eph. 6:6-8, J. H. Dunham. March 6. "Practical Advantages of a Christian Life," Wm. F. Cromer, Secretary of the Schenectady Y. M. C. A. March 13. "Christianity in Business," Mr. J. C. Aitken. March 20. Devotional Meeting, D. H. Craver.

#### THE NEW CATALOGUE.

The annual catalogue of the University, which includes Union College, the Albany Medical College, the Albany Law School, Dudley Observatory, and the Albany College of Pharmacy, was issued last week. The ninety-ninth year of the college proper opens with a muster roll of 228 students, or with the allied schools 485 students, a considerable gain in all departments over last year.

The changes in the faculty are the appointment of Prof. Olin H. Landreth, lately dean of the engineering school of Vanderbilt University, to the chair of civil engineering, in

place of Prof. C. C. Brown, resigned; and the addition of Prof. Albert H. Pepper to the department of modern language, and Mr. E. M. Burke to the department of English.

Attention is called to the revision of the class regulations as regards chapel attendance. The new system of awarding the degrees of A. B., B. S., Ph. B. and B. E. in the several courses, which was adopted four years ago, goes into effect with the present graduating class. A special course in sanitary engineering has been established, and the English work of the engineering courses extended and developed.

Several pages of the catalogue are devoted to a review of the lectures already delivered in the Butterfield course; and a list of the topics to be discussed the coming year is given. The lecturers are all distinguished public men.

#### THE STUDENTS TO DR. WEBSTER.

UNION COLLEGE,  
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HARRISON E. WEBSTER, L.L. D.,

*Our Beloved Sir:*—It is with deep sorrow that we, the undergraduates of Union College, extend to you the sincere expression of our heartfelt regret at losing the President whom we have learned to love and respect. We feel that not only the institution but that every one of us owe to you a debt that can never be repaid, for it is largely due to your earnest labors that the college enjoys its present prosperity, which we have shared.

We congratulate you upon the rapid strides taken by our beloved institution during your incumbency.

We feel confident that your work in new fields will be as prosperous as your work in the past.

CHARLES RUSSELL SMITH, '94,  
HOWARD PEMBERTON, 2d, '95,  
HERBERT F. BRIGGS, '96,  
OSBORNE J. DEMPSTER, '97,  
*Committee.*



**THE MINSTRELS.**

The college minstrel troupe is rehearsing every evening and endeavoring in every possible way to make the entertainment a success. The proceeds of the entertainment will be used in alleviating the suffering of the poor in this city, thus deserving the support of the residents of this city. The boys will give two performances in the Van Curler opera house, on the evenings of February 5 and 6. On Thursday evening, February 8, they appear at Ballston, and on Friday evening, February 9, at Amsterdam. They will be assisted by the mandolin and guitar clubs.

The entertainment will contain several specialties, prominent among which are the foot ball dance and an Italian Opera. A farce will conclude the programme. The end men are: Sanger, Daley, Beattie, O'Neill, Dievendorf, Cooke, White and Brown. The chorus is composed of the following men: Burlingame, Bissell, M. R. Skinner, Burtiss, Van Duzer, Palmer, Clowe, C. S. Daley, Van der Bogert, Auchampaugh, Cox, Ball, Fisher, Gilmour, Dempster and Johnston. N. I. Schermerhorn is interlocutor.

**MID-WINTER MEET.**

The second annual mid-winter meet of the Union College Athletic Association will be held early in the month of March. The following events will compose the programme: 20-yard dash; 20-yard hurdle; standing high jump; standing broad jump; running high jump; putting shot; swinging Indian clubs; horizontal bar; rope climbing; standing hop, step and jump.

The following men have been selected to make the necessary arrangements: C. R. Smith and H. L. Cooke from the Senior class; A. D. Bissell and B. O. Burgin from the Junior class; Z. L. Myers and J. G. Beckwith from the Sophomore class; G. Williams and B. Burtiss from the Freshman class.

**SOPHOMORE SOIREE.**

The annual soiree of the Sophomore class will be held in the Van Curler opera house on the evening of February second. The committee in charge realizing the "cramped" condition of the gymnasium on previous occasions of a like nature, have this year inaugurated the plan of holding the soiree in some other building than the gymnasium, where, because of the increased facilities both as to size and comfort, the large number expected to be in attendance might be much easier handled. The floor of the pit of the Van Curler will be raised to the level of the stage, leaving a space for the dancers sufficiently large to accommodate the large number from this and other near-by cities that will undoubtedly be in attendance. The boxes have been sold to the various fraternities and these, aided by the innumerable electric lights throughout the entire building, will make the scene one that will not soon be forgotten by those present. Gioscia's orchestra of Albany, hidden by a bank of palms, will furnish the music for the occasion.

The patronesses are: Mrs. Harrison E. Webster, Mrs. D. P. McQueen, Mrs. Maurice Perkins, Mrs. William L. Campbell, Mrs. E. C. Van Duzer, Mrs. Alfred DeGraff, Mrs. Thomas W. Wright, Mrs. Edward Ellis, Mrs. Philip H. Cole, Mrs. J. W. Smitley, Mrs. John A. DeRemer, Mrs. Wm E. Walker, Mrs. James H. Stoller, Mrs. James R. Truax, Mrs. Wm. G. Schermerhorn, Mrs. Benjamin H. Ripton, Mrs. Wm. Wells, Mrs. Howard T. Mosher, Mrs. William C. Vrooman, Mrs. Thos. Yelverton.

Committee.—James E. Kelley, Theodore V. W. Anthony, Robert B. Beattie, William A. Campbell, Howard A. DeGraff, Russell S. Greenman, R. Burton Rowe, W. Lancelot Terry, Henry B. Van Duzer, Dann L. Wood.

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Be prepared to be present at our undergraduate banquet in Albany next month. It is going to be a success. There is no doubt about it.

Rev. Charles D. Nott, grandson of Dr. Eliphalet Nott, at one time president of Union College, lectured in the chapel Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Subject: "Success in Life." The lecture occurred at an hour too late to be published in this issue of THE CONCORDIENSIS.

Any movement that tends toward alleviating the present condition of the poor people of this city is worthy of the support of the residents. The performance to be given by our minstrel troupe is such a movement. Therefore the minstrel performance should be supported by every student in college.

Let every student support the College Minstrels. They, as an organization of the college, deserve our hearty co-operation. Columbia, University of Pennsylvania, Harvard and other colleges have their regular dramatic clubs, which materially aid their respective colleges in various ways. If we, as

a student body, take hold of this entertainment, which will be given at the Van Curler next week and give it our support, we cannot help but make it a great success.

Much sorrow was manifested by the undergraduates when they learned that the resignation of Doctor Harrison E. Webster, tendered to the board of trustees about a year ago, had been accepted and a successor elected by that body. The resignation presented by Doctor Webster, on account of ill health, was not then accepted in the hope that the president would recover. He was also given a vacation, which he spent in the south, from which he returned somewhat recuperated shortly before the last commencement. With the progress of the present college year and the strain of its exacting demands Doctor Webster found that he could no longer do himself or the college justice, consequently the resignation was accepted. When about five years ago the trustees of Union College were in need of a man to place at the head of the college who could lift it from its then unpromising condition and secure for it more than its former prestige they called to the presidency Harrison E. Webster of the class of '68. Their expectations were amply verified in the eminent capability of the man selected. Doctor Webster immediately set about his new duties with his accustomed vigor, and the result of his labor very soon manifested itself in the rapid advance of the college in the number of its students and the renewed interest of its alumni and friends. The Doctor has worked with untiring energy for the interest of the college and has, by his personal magnetism and inspiring addresses before public gatherings, drawn to the college increased numbers of young men seeking advanced educational facilities. During his administration the curriculum has been revised and extended; the number of students has been trebled; the departments of instruction enlarged, and the buildings put in repair. To

the accomplishment of this President Webster has devoted the best years of his life, and as a result his physical powers have yielded to the strain and he has been compelled to vacate the post of honor with its duties. During his incumbency Doctor Harrison E. Webster has greatly endeared himself to the alumni, the undergraduates and the friends of the college. He has ever been ready to consult with the boys as to what was best for their interests and been more than willing to grant the requests of the student body. He regarded each student as a gentleman and this caused the students to respect him far more than if he had imposed a code of exacting rules. While the students greatly regret the fact that we are to lose Dr. Webster they extend to him their best wishes for success in whatever position he may occupy.

#### JUNIOR HOP.

The last of the series of Junior hops, which this year have been more than ever one of the enjoyable features of Union, occurred on Friday evening, January 19th, in the college gymnasium.

The tasteful decorations, delightful music and merry dancers combined to make the last hop of the season the success that it was. Gioscia's orchestra, of Albany, furnished the music. Among those present were: Miss Hilton, of Troy, N. Y.; Miss Wentworth, of Sandy Hill. From the city: Mrs. Price, Mrs. Mosher, Mrs. Seward, Misses Davis, Yates, Watkins, Johnson, Hart, Horstman, Ellis, Westinghouse, Kosboth.

#### MEETING OF THE N. Y. S. I. B. B. A.

At the meeting of the New York State Intercollegiate Base Ball Association held at Syracuse last Friday, contrary to expectation, a triangular league was not formed. This was due to the reluctance of one college to enter such a league. A new league was then formed including the following colleges: Rochester, Syracuse, Hobart, Colgate and Union. A schedule for the coming season was prepared.

#### Local and Personal.

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A banjo club will soon be formed by the students.

The glee and mandolin clubs held regular rehearsals Saturday.

G. T. Hughes, '93, of the New York *Mail and Express*, spent the Sabbath in this city.

The *Garnet* board is busily engaged in closing up the final copy and forwarding the same to the publishers.

R. G. Perkins, '95, who is taking a senior course at Harvard, has been spending a few days at his home on the hill.

C. A. Dann, '97, who has been at the hospital for two weeks, threatened with typhoid fever, is steadily improving.

J. N. White attended a meeting of the New York State Intercollegiate Base Ball Association, held at Syracuse last Saturday.

The recitation room at the north end of Washburne Hall formerly occupied by Professor Pepper, is now used as a drawing-room.

W. W. Stewart, '95, attended a meeting of the executive council of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity, held in New York Monday night.

The January number of the *University Magazine* contained a cut of the Union foot ball team, and an article on foot ball at Union by W. A. Johnston, '95.

The glee and mandolin clubs and the board of editors of THE CONCORDIENSIS have been photographed. Cuts of these organizations will appear in the '95 *Garnet*, soon to be issued.

Services appropriate to the observance of the day of prayer for colleges will be held in the chapel Wednesday morning. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Chas. D. Nott, of Plainfield, N. J.

We are pleased to call the attention of the students who intend to make teaching their profession, to an advertisement of the Albany Teacher's Agency, which appears for the first time in this issue of THE CONCORDIENSIS. We believe that Mr. French, who is the man-

ager of the agency, will be of great assistance to one in securing a lucrative position.

Dame Rumor whispers to us that Baggerly has left the stage. No doubt this is due to the existing financial depression. We do not question the artistic ability of the gentleman. He is indeed a star.

The undergraduate banquet will be held at the Delavan in Albany, Wednesday evening, February 21. The members of the Medical, Law and Pharmacy departments of the University have been invited to participate in the festivities.

The first annual contest between representatives from the Philomathean and Adelpic societies will take place in the college chapel, Thursday, February 8, at 3 P. M. The successful contestant will represent Union at the New York State Intercollegiate contest.

On January 27, Prof. H. T. Mosher lectured before the Philomathean Literary Society on "The Obligation of an Education." He chose for the leading thought of his discussion, "The word education is used to mean that in acquiring the possession thereof, a man is made useful for life work." The Adelpic Society adjourned to the Philomathean rooms for the purpose of hearing the lecture.

"Walton High School Club" is the name of an organization recently formed for the advancement of Union College interests in Delaware county. The members of the club are: Anderson, '95, president; Renwick, '96, secretary and treasurer; Burgin, '95; Dann, '96; Herring, '96; Terry, '96; H. M. Dann, '97, C. A. Dann, '97. J. R. Fairgrieve, M. A., Union '72, is Principal of Walton High School.

#### N. Y. S. I. A. A.

The annual meeting of the New York State Intercollegiate Athletic Association was held in Syracuse, Saturday, January 26. A. E. Barnes represented Union. The principal feature of the meeting, was the contest between Syracuse and Hamilton over the awarding of the cup. Hamilton entered a protest

against Ackerman, of Syracuse, claiming that he was not a college man. Syracuse in return protested against Ralsten, of Hamilton, on the ground that he was a professional. It was finally decided to send the evidence on both sides to Mr. Barnes, of Union, who will decide the dispute. The next athletic meet will be held at Syracuse, May 30, 1894.

#### SHAKESPEARE CLUB.

The next meeting of the Shakespeare Club will take place on Friday evening, February 16, when the Twelfth Night will be discussed. As preparatory work the following books should be read: 1. The play itself; Deighton's annotated edition, MacMillan & Co., is recommended. 2. Gervinus' Commentaries, Bunnett's translation; the article on this play. 3. Ward's English Dramatic Literature, Vol. I, pages 404-406.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. To what period of Shakespeare's dramatic poetry does this play belong?
2. Sources from which Shakespeare derived his material?
3. Discuss the plot interest.
  - a. How are the different actions interwoven?
  - b. What is the common bond between them?
4. What is the leading idea of the play?
5. What classes of society are represented?
6. What is the climax of the play?
7. What is the distinguishing feature of Malvolio's character?
8. Show that Sir Andrew is the reverse of Malvolio.
9. Discuss the character of Sir Toby.
10. What common fault have Malvolio and Orserio?
11. Is Olivia's estimate of the Duke's love just?
12. Discuss the character of Sebastian.
13. Point out the contrast between the Duke and Olivia.
14. Show that Olivia is the central point of the whole action.
15. Discuss the character of Olivia.
16. Discuss the character of the fool, Feste. How does he differ from Shakespeare's other fools?
17. Give reason for the predominance of the musical element.
18. Requirements for a good presentation of the Twelfth Night.
19. How does this play compare with Shakespeare's other comedies?
20. Give some of the best thoughts of the play.
21. Locate and explain the following:
  - a. Then he's a rogue and a *passy measures paynim*.



- b. I did *impetico*s thy *gratillity*.  
 c. The fool has an excellent *breast*.  
 d. Mercury endue thee with *leasing*.  
 e. And my desires, like *fell and cruel hounds*.

## SELECTIONS FOR READING.

- Act II. Sc. V. Whole scene.  
 Act III. Sc. IV. To enter Sir Andrew Ague-cheek.  
 Act IV. Sc. I. Whole scene.  
 Act V. Sc. I. Enter Olivia and attendants, to enter Sir Andrew Ague-cheek, with his head broken.  
 Act V. Sc. I. Enter Sebastian, to enter Clown with a letter.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PHILOMATHEAN AND  
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The following agreement is entered into this 19th day of June, 1893, between the Adelpic and Philomathean societies of Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., for the purpose of establishing the respective rights of the two societies as members of the N. Y. State Intercollegiate Oratorical League.

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Thy red cheeks that have pallid grown?  
Thine eyes so dull, that once so bright,  
Shone like fair beacons on the night?  
Thy noble form was erst thy pride,  
Now bowed, as though the fates deride.  
Has some fair damsel wrung thy heart?  
Or torn herself from thee apart?  
Has all the world proved false to thee,  
And friends deserted willingly?  
Do dire forbodings 'round thee soar?  
Does adverse fortune haunt thy door?  
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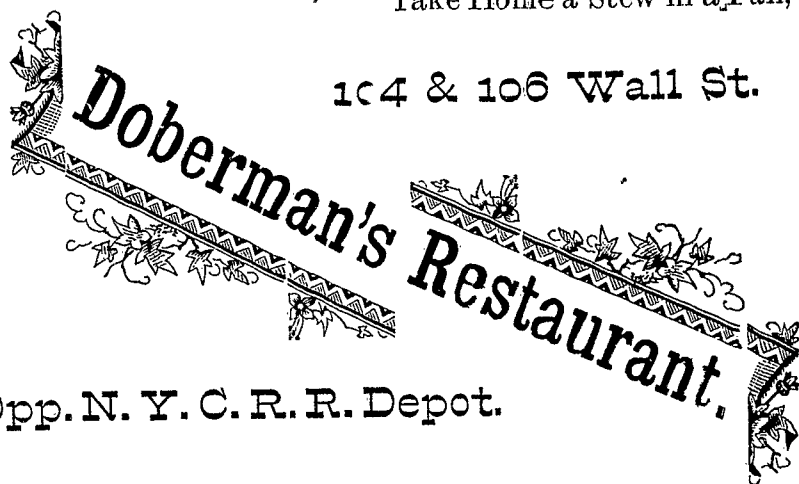
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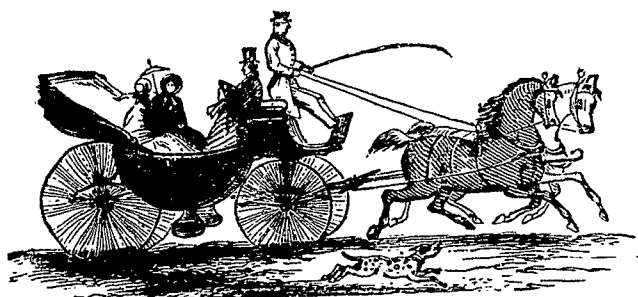
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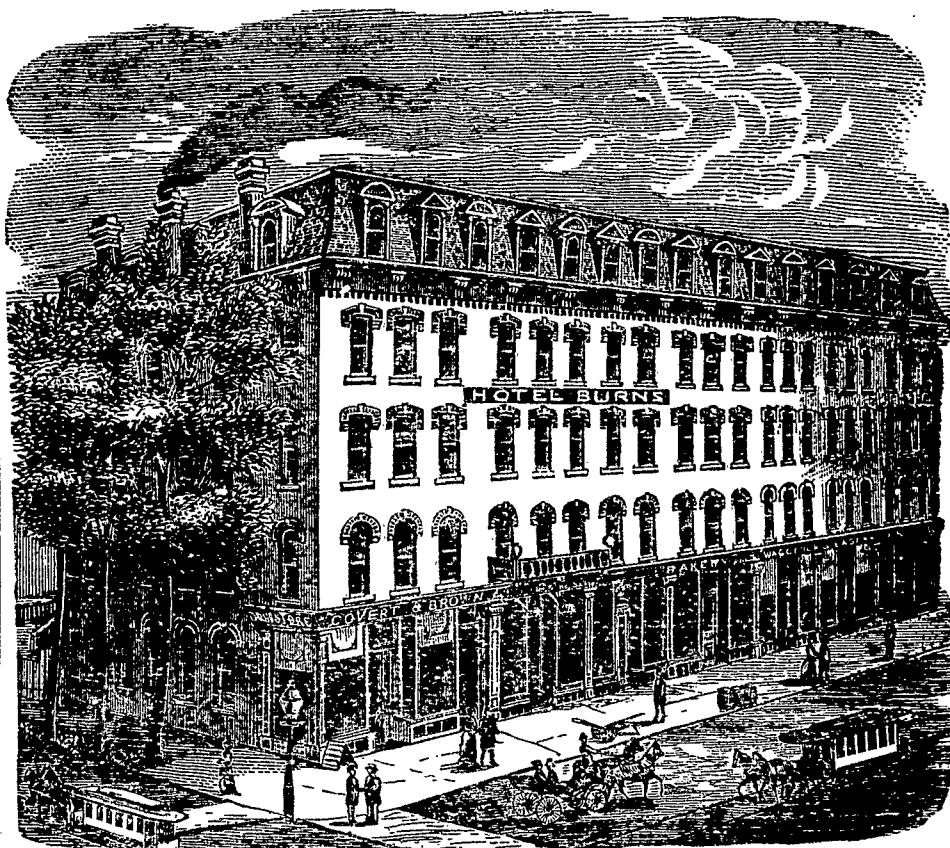
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