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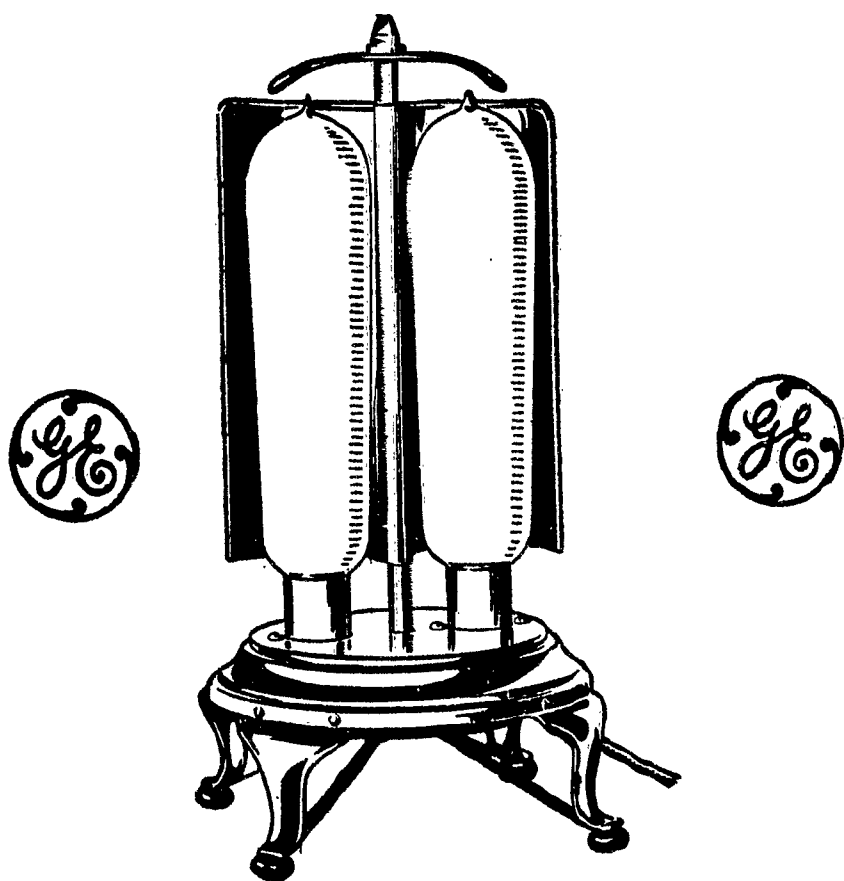
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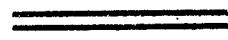
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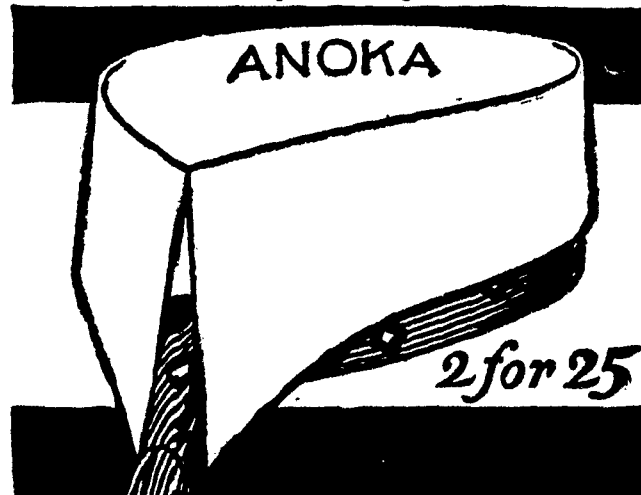
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RESUME OF THE CROSS-COUNTRY SEASON.

The cross-country situation at the beginning of the college year was, indeed, a very serious one, to both the coach and trainer. Four of last year's championship team had graduated, and the fifth man could not run on account of an over-pressure of college work. That left this task to Dr. Mac and Eddie Felthousen—to build an entire team out of new and inexperienced material—and it needs no explanation to see just how difficult a task it was.

But when the first call for candidates was made, prospects seemed rather brighter than expected. Over twenty men, including several freshmen, reported, and, under the leadership and direction of the captain and coaches, consistent training was begun immediately. But after about two weeks the once good-sized squad had diminished to nine (the faithful nine), who stayed out until the last day of the season.

Two runs were held, both of which were won by our opponents. The first with Colgate, over our regular four-mile course, was run under the most unfavorable conditions. It had rained for two days previous to the race, and when the starter's pistol sent the men on their journey it was still raining. This heavy rainfall made our rather level course almost a bed of

mud in places. The Colgate men were better mud horses than we and won, 16-39. Union was represented in this run by Captain Mudge, '14; Gunning, '15; Newton, '16; Friday, '17, and Scoby, '17.

One week later the same five men, with Sherman, '14, and Hoffman, '17, added, went to Williamstown, Mass., and over the four and one-half mile course met defeat at the hands of the fast Williams team by the very close score of 26-29, in the fast time of 23 minutes 19 seconds. We were very greatly handicapped in this race by the fact that we were not used to a hilly course, such as the Williams one, and it was only by a heart-breaking fight that the men finished as well as they did.

The first mile was nearly all up hill, and Williams, having trained over these hills daily, ran away from us, so that at the end of this first mile practically the entire Union team was a considerable distance behind. But we came back with a strong fight in the remaining 3½ miles and, as the score shows, came within 3 points of a victory. Had the run been over a familiar course I think we could have defeated them. They admitted, afterward, that it was their familiarity with the hills of the course that won for them.

The improvement in the condition of the men was very noticeable, indeed, even that since the run with Colgate, and it is the best

praise that can be given the coach and trainer. Had it not been for this fine physical condition the men could never have recovered themselves after the first mile and made the fight they did.

Now, the most important thing is the prospects for next year. Only two men will be lost by graduation. Captain Mudge and Sherman, and with the remaining five "Dr. Mac" will have a splendid working basis, a nucleus around which he can build a team of men who will bring honor, not only to themselves, but to their Alma Mater.

A cross-country team can not be made in one season, no more than can a football team. Experience is absolutely necessary, and more than that, it is indispensable.

Every man on the team gave the very best he had to give, all that was in him, but, as the results show, it was not quite good enough.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the consistent work of the scrubs throughout the year, especially that of Wadsworth, '14, and Rollins, '16, and also wish "Dr. Mac" and his men next year the best of success, and hope they will do what we failed to do this fall.

WILLIAM A. MUDGE,
Captain.

ENGLISH CLUB.

Although as yet no definite program has been arranged, the English Club expects to take up the subject of Drama in its work this winter. The first paper of this series was read by Doctor Stewart at the meeting held Dec. 5th; the subject being "Ibsen's Ghosts."

At a meeting of the English Club held Nov. 21, Dr. Marsh presented a paper on Kipling.

The next meeting of the club will be either Dec. 19th or Jan. 9th, the date as

yet being undecided. At this meeting, Hawley, '14, will present the second paper on Ibsen, which will be a discussion of his well-known play, "The Doll's House."

UNION THIRTY-SIX YEARS AGO.

"We solemnly protest against the removal of the milch kine from the college pasture. We miss the pleasant sound of the milk streaming into the wash-pitchers at all times of the night, while occasionally you could distinguish the voice of the milker, reciting select passages from profane history, as a well-directed kick caused him to relinquish his hold and pick up himself and the shattered pitcher from the lacteous ruin around him. Now it requires five able-bodied men to milk a cow properly. One creeps up and wakes the "critter" from her placid slumber, and seizes her by one horn; two more come up and lay hold respectively (not respectfully) of the other horn, and the caudal appendage; another proceeds to the active duty of drawing the milk, while the fifth keeps off and guards against the interruption of officious intruders. Milking here requires experience and decision."

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

"In a recent issue of the New York Mail and Express there was an article about famous college classes. In this it makes prominent mention of the class of '20 at Union, of which nearly every one of the seventy-four men rose to a high position in life. In this class were such men as Dr. Potter, Dr. Hickok, William H. Seward and the famous scholar, Taylor Lewis."

Young Ladies' College. Prof.: "What can you tell of Pluto?"

Miss D.: "He was the son of Satan, and when his father died he gave him Hell."

FINAL EXAM. SCHEDULE.

Wednesday, Dec. 17.

- 9 A. M. Senior Latin.
Differential Equations.
Economics (Acad. and option B).
Junior Greek B.
History (Soph. Acad. and Jr. option B).
French (Fresh. Acad.)
German (Fresh. Acad.)
Sophomore B. E. Mechanics.
Freshman B. E. English.
- 2 P. M. Mathematics (Jr. A. B. and Soph. B. S.)
Junior English, 4.
Sophomore Latin.
Freshman Greek
Senior E. E. Design.
Junior E. E. laboratory.

Thursday, Dec. 18.

- 9 A. M. History of Philosophy.
Junior English, 6.
Sophomore Physics (Acad.)
Algebra.
Freshman Latin.
Economic Geology.
Junior B. E. Chemistry.
Senior E. E. Theory.
Sophomore B. E. Calculus.
- 2 P. M. Senior Greek (Honors).
American History (Junior Acad.)
Junior French.
Sophomore Hygiene.
Junior E. E. Mechanics.

Friday, Dec. 19.

- 9 A. M. Comparative Politics.
Mathematical Physics.
Junior English, 5.
Logic.
Sophomore Analytics.
Freshman Acad. English.
Junior B. E. Mechanics.
Sophomore B. E. Chemistry.
Freshman B. E. Int. German.
- 2 P. M. History of Education.
Sophomore Acad. English.

Railroad Construction.

Heating.

Senior E. E. laboratory.

Junior B. E. and E. E. American History.

Freshman B. E. Physiology.

Saturday, Dec. 20.

- 9 A. M. Advanced Psychology.
General Chemistry.
Argumentation.
Biology (Soph. B. S.)
Sophomore Greek A.
Sophomore Greek B.
Senior Law.
Senior B. E. and E. E. Economics.
Topographical Surveying.
Junior E. E. Hydraulics.
Sophomore B. E. English.
Freshman B. E. Trigonometry.

Monday, Dec. 22.

- 9 A. M. Senior English, 7.
Sociology.
Mathematics (Sen. A. B. and Jr. B. S.)
Junior Latin.
Mineralogy.
Sophomore Acad. Int. French.
Freshman Acad. Hygiene.
Stresses.
Highways.
Junior E. E. Theory.
Sophomore B. E. Physics.
Freshman B. E. Drawing.
- 2 P. M. Senior Greek B.
Organic Chemistry.
Laboratory Physics.
Qualitative Analysis.
Biology (Medic.)
Senior E. E. Seminar.
Freshman B. E. Elem. French.
Freshman B. E. Int. French.

Tuesday, Dec. 23.

- 9 A. M. Senior Greek A.
Senior French.
Junior German.

Junior Greek, A.
 Elementary German.
 Mathematics (Freshman, A. B.;
 Ph. B.)
 Motors.
 Sophomore Surveying.
 2 P. M. Advanced Argumentation.
 Quantitative Analysis.
 Sophomore Int. German.

UNION ALUMNI ESTABLISH TWO NEW SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS.

President Richmond Returns From Ex- tended Western Trip, Reporting Loyal Spirit of Our Alumni.

President Richmond's message to the student body on returning from his extended Western trip was one of vital interest to all Union men, both undergraduates and alumni. The news that two new scholarship funds had been established was brought direct to the students, in that they are most interested. President Richmond's trip carried him as far west as Minneapolis, and everywhere he was met by loyal Union alumni, who showed a splendid spirit of regard for their Alma Mater.

At a dinner of the Chicago Alumni Association, that organization voted to establish a Chicago scholarship, by which one man will be sent to Union annually from that city.

The second gift was that of \$10,000 in bonds for the establishment of a Buffalo Scholarship Fund, the donation being that of Thomas B. Lockwood of Buffalo, in memory of his father, Daniel N. Lockwood, of the class of 1865. The latter played a prominent part in the activities of the Alumni Association, both at Buffalo and Washington. He was a member of the forty-fifth, fifty-second and fifty-third Congresses; United States Attorney for Northern New York; President of the New York

State Committee, Pan-American Exposition; delegate to the Democratic National Convention from 1880-1884, and a member of the State Lunacy Commission in 1902.

Following is an extract from his letter to President Richmond, giving the conditions governing the scholarship:

"In pursuance of our conversation of this morning, I have this day forwarded to Frank Bailey, the treasurer of Union College, ten bonds of the value of \$1,000 each of the International Traction Company. These bonds are given to Union College to be held in perpetuity by the trustees thereof for the purpose of honoring and perpetuating the memory of my father, Daniel N. Lockwood, who was graduated from Union College in the class of 1865. The interest from these bonds is to be applied to scholarships to be known as the 'Daniel N. Lockwood Scholarships.' These scholarships are to be awarded on the basis of competitive examinations to be held each year in the city of Buffalo, and, in the award, preference shall be given to contestants from Erie County, New York, who desire to attend Union College. I wish to leave it optional with your board of trustees as to the number of scholarships to be formed from the yearly income of these bonds. In case there are no contestants from the city of Buffalo, who wish to attend Union College, the income may be used for such general purposes as your board of trustees may direct.

"Yours very truly,

"THOMAS B. LOCKWOOD."

The average man's arm is thirty inches long; the average woman's waist is thirty inches around.

O, nature, how wondrous art thy works.
 —Tiger.

THE CHATHAM CONCERT—WHY? Billy Mudge Discovers a Little Village Teeming With Pretty Girls and Rhythmic Raggers.

Once upon a time Bill Mudge was reading over his schedule of glee club concerts. "Pretty good schedule," he thought to himself. "Yes, sir, it's a mighty—but wait a minute. Here's one more date that ought to be filled," and he put his finger on the sixth of December. "Must find an ideal place for this one," he thought. "Must have ideal girls and ideal—er—well, ideal girls." So out he started in search of the ideal city. He walked and walked—past Albany, past Troy, over plains and deserts, around snow-capped mountains and through deep valleys, over rivers and lakes and icebergs, until the fruitless search was abruptly ended by his catching a foot in the Massachusetts state line and landing primarily on his nose. He arose quite profanely, looked about him, and then his heart, turning over two or three times so as to get a good running start, jumped lightly up into his mouth and had to be re-swallowed like one does an egg when the chapel bell rings. They say Bill has a mighty good eye for feminine beauty, whether it be dancing in a calcium light or milking a cow. Surely he must have encountered a wonderful specimen, for he tells us that inside of three minutes he had signed up the nearest social center for the evening of December sixth. Hence—the Chatham concert.

My "Concordy" assignment this week was "200 or so words on the Chatham concert." Suppose I should proceed to expound on "the usual pleasing manner in which each number was rendered," but the lid was shut down on this expression just after the preceding number came out. Suffice it to say that the clubs have now rounded into such form that they breeze through their numbers with such decision and dispatch as would make even Walter

Damrosches' symphony look weak beside them. The soloists have already been signed up for big-time vaudeville next summer, while "Stan" Smith has developed such aesthetic grace in leading the men with his upper lip that he's the rage of the feminine world. Any old day he could walk right off the campus and marry a girl worth two hundred or so. As for the concert itself, the men were treated royally, the program was "rendered" in its habitual gratifying custom, and, as far as we know, none of the men slept under the Anheuser-Busch that night.

ENGINEERING NOTES.

A new 23-horse-power motor has lately arrived at the electrical engineering building from the General Electric Works. The machine is large and modern and is a good addition to the other apparatus in the building.

The shop wiring will be completed in a week or ten days, when all the shop tools will run electrically.

The senior engineers are preparing for their spring term theses, an important part of their work.

THE DRAMATIC CLUB.

On Wednesday evening last, the members of the last year's caste held a short meeting in the Chapel. Plans for a new play and for procuring a coach were talked over. As it is not yet known whether or not the club will be allowed to play out of town, nothing definite was decided. Wadsworth, '14, and Baker, '15, were appointed a committee to consult Dr. Richmond and Dr. Hale, the faculty adviser, on the subject. If possible the play will be given in the new gym during Junior Week. In the near future a meeting will be called to discuss the practicability of giving the play in conjunction with the musical clubs.

THE CONCORDIENSIS

FRESHMEN DEFEAT JUNIORS. Fast Work in Last Half Takes the Game —Seniors Also Lose.

In the fastest of the interclass games yet seen, the freshmen defeated the juniors Thursday, December 4, by a score of 23 to 17. The game was fast throughout and was featured by close guarding. This was especially noticeable in the case of Starbuck, who held Haubner down in clever style. The first half ended 9-9, but toward the end, baskets by Haubner and Roof put the freshmen in the lead.

The line-up:

1917	Baskets
Naylon, R. F.....	1
Haubner, L. F. (3 fouls).....	4
Jones, Goodman, C.....	3
G. Roof, R. G.....	2
G. Scoby, L. G.....	1

1915	Baskets
Turgeon, R. F.....	1
Byron, L. F. (1 foul).....	2
C. Faust, C. (2 fouls).....	1
Starbuck, R. G.....	2
Hunter, L. G.....	1

Union College has donated a cup for the team first winning the championship of the Northern Inter-scholastic League. This league is composed of Glens Falls, Hudson Falls, Fort Edward and Greenwich. This act should serve to advertise Union in a territory from which we draw a large number of students.

Seniors Lose to Juniors, 23 to 9.

Tuesday, December 2, the second game of the interclass series took place at the armory and resulted in the downfall of the seniors. From the very start 1915 played rings around the seniors and scored at will. "Heine" Faust, with his long legs and four baskets, led the scoring.

The score:

1914	Baskets
Sherman, R. F.....	1
Mudge, L. F. (1 foul).....	2

Vosburg, C.	0
Story, R. G. (Capt.).....	1
Hagar, L. G.	0

1915

Baskets

Starbuck, R. F.....	2
Byron, L. F. (1 foul).....	1
Faust, C.	4
Hunter, Hughes, R. G.....	1
Turgeon (Capt.), Boyce, L. G.....	3

Referee—D. Beaver.

Timekeeper—Houghton.

1915 CLAIMS THE "BEST EVER."

Just a word to the fellows about that coming Junior "Prom"! Now is the time to save the pennies to go to a dance that you will never forget, and this will be the "best ever."

This year Junior Week will be a distinctive college function. The new "gym" will be the scene of the gay festivities, marking a new epoch in Union's social life. You want to be there! If you are not there do not feel sore afterwards, but make sure of overcoming whatever disappointment you may have by eliminating the cause. That means go to the "Prom" and always be happy.

Besides, boys, you remember the girl back in the "old home town." Just ask her and see if she will say "No." "Oh, Charles, it is so good of you." There, what did I tell you? So long.

Mr. 1915.

First Dame: "What did you do when Mr. Kenworthy got fresh the other night?"

Second Chicken: "Oh! I sat down on him."

'16 (going home for Xmas): "What! A dollar and a half for an upper? I only paid a dollar last year."

Ticket Agent: "I know, but you see there has been an increase in the berth rate since then."

IDOL HAS NEW THRONE.

The old Idol, the revered diety of every freshman class, has left his old dingy surroundings and has taken up his abode in a new place, behind the new gymnasium.

The change is a good one and it certainly is fine to see Union's patron saint treated with some slight respect. For years Union men have deplored the fact that His Highness was forced to remain in a dirty, insignificant, out-of-the-way spot, where his surroundings were more befitting a native of Pluto's realm than a benign old saint who, every year, received the loving caresses of frightened, yet adoring, Frosh.

It remained for Prexy Richmond to bring about the change, and to him we owe our thanks for at last giving our old idol a place worthy of His Royal Awfulness. He is now surrounded by an open space, where freshmen and sophomores may contend for the honor of first applying paint to his hideous physiognomy, while ample room has been provided for the roaring furnace into which rebellious freshmen will be hurled as sacrifice to their saint.

Union has not always been proud of her Idol, but she is today, and the "studes" are glad that He has been at last officially recognized. Long live our patron saint!

CLASSICAL CLUB PLAY?

The last meeting of the Classical Club for this term was held Tuesday evening, December 4. DeForest, '16, read an interesting paper on "Quo Vadis," after which followed a general discussion of the subject by members of the club. R. E. Taylor, '16, read a translation of part of a scene from "The Clouds" of Aristophanes. The club plans to give this in Greek some time in the winter term.

A discussion was then held to formulate plans for next term. A lecture on "Pompeii," illustrated by lantern slides, was favorably considered. Dr. Kellogg has

a gentleman in view to give the lecture.

A proposal was set forth that the club should visit the "House of Panza," in Saratoga, some time in the future.

At the previous meeting of the club C. Foster Brown read a highly entertaining and interesting paper on "The Captives" of Plautus, as given at Hamilton College last June. The hints and suggestions contained will be of great help to the Sophomore Latin students, if they give the projected play of Plautus' "Menaechmi."

BLACK CAT CLUB.

During the Fall term the members of the Black Cat Club have greatly enjoyed several short talks which members of the faculty have given them in their bi-monthly meetings. During the Winter term several talks from men of affairs will be given before the club and a very interesting schedule is expected by the members.

To make sure that the activities of the club should not interfere with the extra scholarship work of the closing term, it has been agreed that only one meeting shall be held between Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations.

HEARD AT THE ARMORY.

"Cover up," said the basketball fiend, as two dames passed the locker room.

Billy Mudge (in chem. lab. He thinks he has discovered his unknown substance): "I've determined my unknown—it's zinc."

Pink Whiskers: "Wrong."

Billy: "—! ! x x x—"

Pink: "Wrong again."

Zig: "I certainly had some luck last night. During the evening I held half a dozen 'Pianola' hands."

Art: "'Pianola' hands? What do you mean by 'Pianola' hands?"

Zig: "Why, you boob, hands that anyone can play."

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THE ALLISON-FOOTE DEBATE.

Tomorrow night our debating season will be formally opened by the Allison-Foote debate. Union feels a great pride in the debating teams, which have represented her in the past, and it is much to her credit that she has given debating the place in college activities which it now holds.

If there is one thing above all others which does distinguish an institution and does make it stand out prominently among other institutions of its kind, it is the loyalty which that institution shows to its activities. Loyalty in the alumni body means backing and inspiration to the

younger members of the institution. We have this spirit in our alumni body. It is manifesting itself in every branch of activity toward the college in which our alumni are allowed to enter. They are backing our athletic interests and aspirations, not only by helping us to realize a new gymnasium, but by adding their interest and encouragement to the work we accomplish along athletic lines.

Therefore, loyalty in our undergraduate body is no less a necessity, for the realization of the hopes we have for Union, than it is in our alumni body. We must remember that loyalty to the debating teams does not mean that every student should necessarily join one of the debating clubs or be definitely active in debating work, but it does mean that every Union man should do everything that he can to back these teams with his support. What we mean by support is personal recognition of the service which these men are rendering our institution.

The same position must be taken in regard to our debating activity as is taken in reference to all our athletic activities. Those men who have debating ability and who can possibly get out should work with the debating squad; for we must keep in mind that the debating team must have strong debaters to contend with here in college if it is to be prepared to represent Union's best against other colleges. On the other hand, those of us who are unable, for any reasons, not to give the team active support by our presence on the squad, must support the teams with encouragement and appreciation from the side lines. On the campus and in the chapel tomorrow we

can show our loyalty by our presence.

We all know that loyalty is not generally accomplished by lying back on "flowery beds of ease." Where true loyalty exists there will always be found some degree of sacrifice. But that sacrifice is the thing which makes loyalty such an effective element in our college life. The alumni make certain sacrifices when they spend their time and money to support the college in those ways in which they are able, but they are then justly proud when the college is successful in its purposes. So, we must make certain sacrifices to our activities in proportion to our individual abilities and opportunities, if we are to have the right to be justly proud of their accomplishments.

Remember the debate tomorrow night, and remember also that nothing does more to put spirit into anything we undertake here or anywhere else than loyalty.

THETA LAMBDA PHI TO BE KNOWN UNDER NEW NAME.

At a recent convention held in Chicago the Theta Lambda Phi Fraternity consolidated with the Alpha Kappa Phi and Delta Phi Delta fraternities under the name of Delta Theta Phi. The Union Chapter of Theta Lambda Phi will therefore hereafter be known as a chapter of Delta Theta Phi.

U. C. C. A. NOTES.

Sunday's Vesper Service was held in the College Chapel and was devoted to the subject, "The United Missionary Campaign." Secretary Male placed the charge of the meeting in the hands of Rev. E. W. Miller, D. D., an alumnus of Union College of the class of 1887. Dr. Miller is the home secretary of the F. B. R. C. A. Short

talks were also given by Rev. W. I. Chamberlan, D. D., district secretary of the F. B. R. C. A., and by Mr. David McConanghy, general secretary of the Foreign Board of the Presbyterian Church. These men sought to lay stress upon the college man and the missionary, and to promote and advance every interest and activity that might exist among the college men regarding the missionary enterprise.

The Association is working to send two undergraduate delegates to the Kansas City Convention, besides the one whom the student body will send.

A cabinet meeting was held in Silliman Hall on Monday evening. The reports of different committees were heard and the plans for the Kansas City Convention for the Student Volunteer Association were discussed more fully. Carroll Gunning, '16, was elected to represent the Christian Association at the Convention, and Secretary Male was also named as a delegate. There is a possibility that another undergraduate may be sent, but lack of funds seems to make this doubtful. As the matter now stands, R. S. Blodgett, '15; W. C. Gunning, '16; C. T. Male, '13, and Mr. Taylor will represent Union at the Convention.

The last Vesper Service of the term will be held Sunday afternoon in Silliman Hall. Dr. A. R. Brubacher, Superintendent of Schools of Schenectady, will be the speaker. This will close the term for the Christian Association and they want to have a good bunch of fellows out to hear Dr. Brubacher. He is always interesting and worth hearing.

Mary's skirt was trim and tight,
But she slit it right in half,
So all the fellows on the street
Could see the "fatted calf."

Ex.



DR. MCGREGOR—DON'T TELL *ME* ANYTHING ABOUT GERTIE HOFFMAN

FRESHMAN PHYSIOLOGY CLASS.

Scene: A large classroom filled with notebook-armed studes.

Time: An eight o'clock.

Dr. McGregor (standing in front of class): "This morning we'll have an oral test. Now all you fellows remember that I mark very strictly according to your grammatical constructions. I also pay much attention to your intonation and delivery. I have arranged with the English Department to have these tests counted as part of your rhetoric. There is a dictograph attachment here by which your answers will be transmitted to a phonograph in the second floor of South College. On this phonograph is a recording needle and disk to take down your recitations. Now, Johnson, take a deep breath, stand with your arms at your sides, and tell me in plain idiomatic English about the process of digestion."

(He presses the dictograph button.)

Johnson: "Why—er—the first step in digestion is now eating. When you eat food it now passes into your mouth and you—er—now—eat food."

Dr. McGregor: "What about chewing, Johnson?"

Johnson: "The now food is broken up into minute parasites by the action of the selinah."

Dr. McGregor: "Well, that answer might be better—96 per cent. Hawkshaw, stand up straight—you're all bent (Hawkshaw straightens up). That's the way. I hate to see anything crooked around me. Now tell us about what change takes place in the epiglottis?"

Hawkshaw: "Hot air is changed to talk."

Dr. McGregor: "Very good. Does this always occur?"

Hawkshaw: "Not always. Sometimes

no change is apparent."

Dr. McGregor: "That's right—96 per cent. Sit down. MacIntosh, what is the effect of too much clothing? Tell us some authorities for your statement?"

MacIntosh: "Too much clothing is very, very bad. Miss Gertrude Hoffman hasn't had a cold for ten years, and she—"

(Hisses, cat-calls, groans from the class. Cries of "Yes, Yes—go on!")

Dr. McGregor: "Don't tell me anything about Gertie Hoffman, boy. Proceed."

MacIntosh: "The reason for the ill-effects of too much clothing is that it obstructs the air. If the air is shut out by non-conducting clothes a vacuum is formed and we blow up."

Dr. McGregor: "Very good. What is a secretion?"

MacIntosh: "A secretion is something which somebody tells somebody else when they shouldn't tell anybody."

Dr. McGregor: "Ah—that's a moral secretion. How about physical ones?"

MacIntosh: "Why—they are caused by strong winds and usually rise in the west, traveling over the desert at a stupendous rate of speed, sweeping everything before it and —"

Dr. McGregor: "Yes, yes—go on!"

MacIntosh: "—and finally bursting upon the weary traveler with the greatest vehemence."

Dr. McGregor: "Very fine; remember those words and make an oration of them two years from now—96 per cent. Skinner, what action do the enzymes have on food. Remember the use of clear idiomatic English."

Skinner: "These rash little adventurers lurk behind the tonsils and rush forth when least expected. In the twinkling of an eye they change all hydrogen, glycerine, oleo-margarine and carbons to macaroni in the mouth."

Dr. McGregor: "What is the next pro-

cess in digestion?"

Skinner: "The fugitive food is next overtaken by the philharmonic juice and by that is resolved into its exponent parts—utor, fruor, fungor, potior and vescor."

Dr. McGregor: "96 per cent. Mr. James, name various kinds of baths?"

James: "Milk-sops, dips, sponges, soaks, and sedative or paralysing baths."

Dr. McGregor: "Very good. Now tell us what are the colloids?"

James: "I decline to answer."

Dr. McGregor: "Quite right. You're a very moral young man—96 per cent. Now the class will rise and repeat after me the pledge."

(Class rises and repeats in chorus.)

Class: "We now at the close of this test do state that we have neither given nor received first aid in the course of this examination, that we have taken our cold bath this morning, and shall endeavor to chew each particle of food at lunch at least sixteen times, and we state that we have neither any bicloride of mercury nor particles of bituminous coal concealed about our persons."

Dr. McGregor: "Class is dismissed."

COSMOPOLITAN CLUB.

On Wednesday evening, December 10, Effendi Mehamed Kani, of Constantinple, lectured for the Cosmopolitan Club. His subject was the war between Turkey and the Balkan States. Effendi Kani was an officer in the Turkish army during the war, and as such was able to present a very interesting and first-hand account of the war.

At a meeting in the near future a number of new members will be elected from the freshman class.

An advertisement in the Cornell Daily Sun reads, "Overalls for Poultry." This modesty movement has gone too far.

ANGELS—MALE OR FEMALE?

After Five Weeks of Nerve-Racking Investigation Our Reporter Tells His Astounding Story. Prexy, Chapel and the New Lights All Are Important Factors.

Ancient monks, they say, were gifted arguers. When they were not praying or drawing pretty pictures in heavy books—those pictures looked just like Mogul cigarette advertisements, only not so well done—they were arguing. Once in a while they ate and told their beads. What they told their beads no one knows. It was probably about compulsory chapel; but, at any rate, the principal and best little thing they did was argue.

A great thing to argue about in those days was whether angels were male or female. Since no one of those monks had (as yet) seen any authentic angels or talked to one, there was no way of telling. So they would argue. One theory was that Gabriel must be a man because he talked rough and blew a cornet. No one ever heard a lady blow a cornet except in vaudeville. But that argument didn't count, after all, Gabriel wasn't an angel—he was an archangel. An archangel is a sort of foreman or a Past Grand Master Angel, who rides in the first coach at lodge funerals and wears a high hat Election day. Then they'd argue about Hell—but that's neither here nor there, as Darby O'Gill used to say.

One thing they may have argued about was whether it was easier to pray with one's eyes shut or open. No records have been kept of such a discussion, so there is

no way of telling. But, at any rate, President Richmond has solved that important question.

Which brings us around to the new lights in Chapel. Recently it was decreed by the fates ("Sic Volvere Parcas," with apologies to Mr. P. Virgilius Maronis, the well-known novelist) that everybody should pray with their eyes shut. The old lights were so strong and shone so brightly in everyone's face that everyone had to shut their eyes anyhow to rest them. But Dr. Richmond has installed a new system of globes suspended from the ceiling, so now students and faculty can elect prayers, with or without optical assistance. This applies for all four classes and went into effect last week.

One of the three lights, you may notice, is hung just above the pulpit. This light sheds strong radiance upon the wall behind. Rumor has it that Dr. Richmond, in his usual canny manner, had an Ulterior Purpose behind the hanging of that light. Rumor states that it was so placed eventually to shine upon the face and figure of Prexy's revered predecessor, Eliphalet Nott—or rather upon the full-length portrait of the revered Eliphalet which now hangs in the gloomy confines of the Library. Thence it will be resurrected and given the place of honor behind the pulpit. It will then look down like some old Roman diety from the Inner Shrine upon the worshipping faces of young barbarians.

After all, Prexy Nott is only coming in to his own again, for once before he hung there—and thereby hangs a tale.

Once upon a time (that sounds unreasonable, but it was, as a matter of fact,

from 1903 to 1909) there was a certain Assistant Treasurer at Union whose name was C. B. Pond. C. B. Pond was a large hearty man with an ornate face that resembled Punch. He was a boisterous, blustering sort of man with Great Thoughts. He was strong for Boosting Union and Internal Improvements. He had a great thought with respect to the portrait of dear old Eliphalet which then hung on the front wall of the Chapel. C. B. Pond revered Dr. Nott, but he loved angels. (You see, we've gotten back to the monks again.) He wasn't quite sure whether Union was a cloister or a college, but he decided to find out.

So, upon a day, he removed the picture of the well-known prexy and (just at that time electric lighting was being installed at college) suspended a large number of strong lights upon the front wall where the portrait had hung. Then with great care he suspended in front of those lights a large, heavy stained-glass window with the effigy of a young angel upon it.

When the lights behind were lit the effect was astounding.

Now by all this I don't mean to infer that Mr. C. B. Pond was a holy man or in any way related to the monks; but evidently besides the Great Thoughts in regard to Boosting Union and Internal Improvements he must have had a passionate desire for knowledge as to whether angels were male or female.

Now if angels are female if would never do to have an angel in Chapel. Respect for ladies and Fred Dawson's anatomical remarks before football games can't be reconciled. So soon afterwards young Saint Archibald was relegated to the cellar below the Chemical Lab., where he has since been chasing out good old Hydrogen Sulphide just as Saint Patrick chased the

snakes out of Erin.

But (to return to the original proposition) rumor has it that the well-known E. Nott's portrait will soon be returned to its original position upon the chapel walls, where students may now pray with their eyes open or shut (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior Electives).

From this we infer that angels are feminine (Reductio ad Absurdum).

Q. E. D.

Salathe: "How can you detect the presence of hydrogen sulphide?"

Frosh: "Instinct."

BRUNET TO RUN SOIREE.

Meade C. Brunet, '16, was appointed chairman of the Sophomore Soiree committee at the meeting of the Sophomore class last week. President Danner will appoint five other men to help him on the committee. 1916 decided to abandon the custom of having large and cumbersome committees to take charge of the class dances and prefers a small, but efficient, committee. The plan is apparently a very wise one, and it is to be hoped that other classes will follow the precedent 1916 has established.

'17: "What do you think of 'September Morn' anyhow?"

'14: "It looks to me like a take-off on a Kellerman poster."

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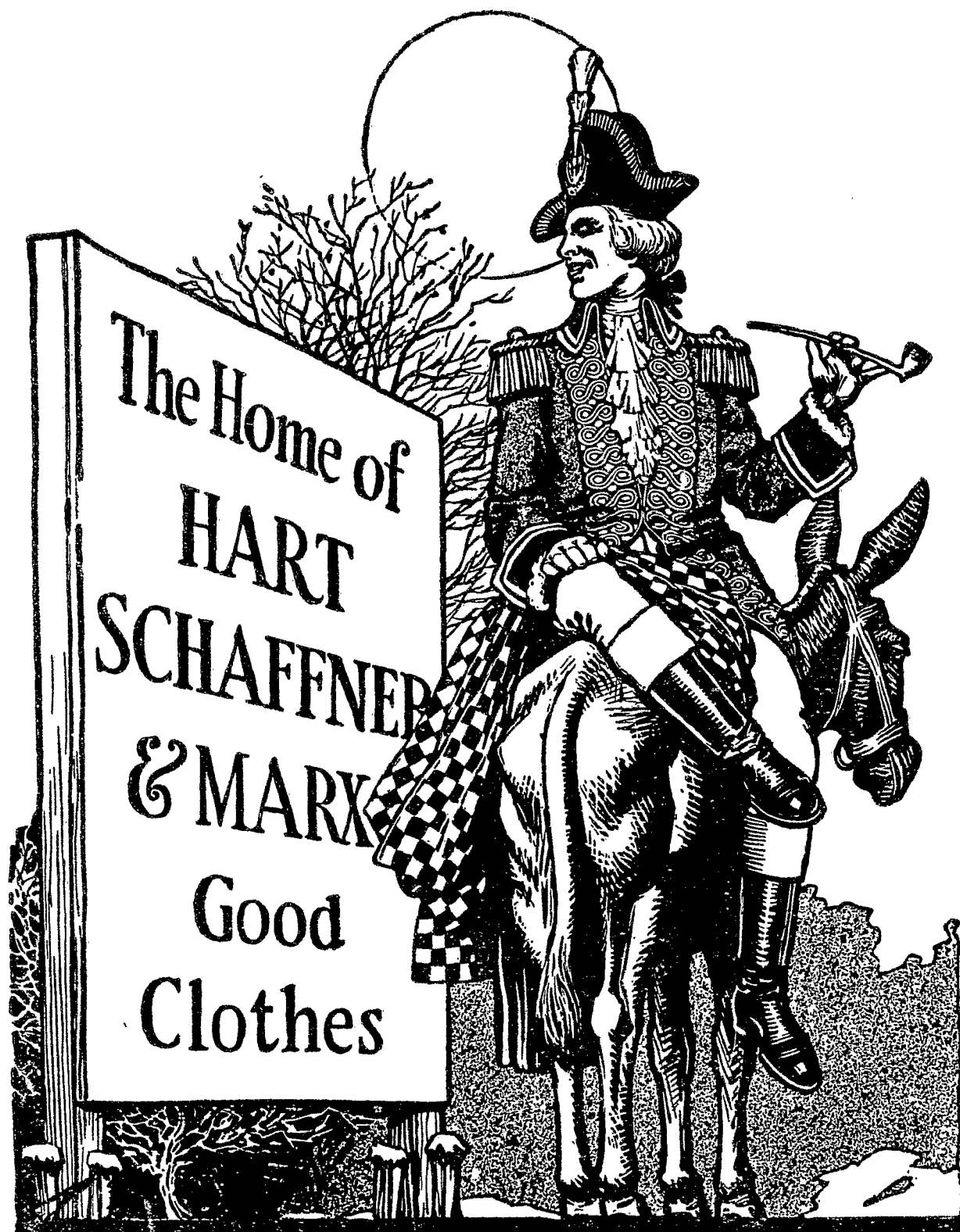
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