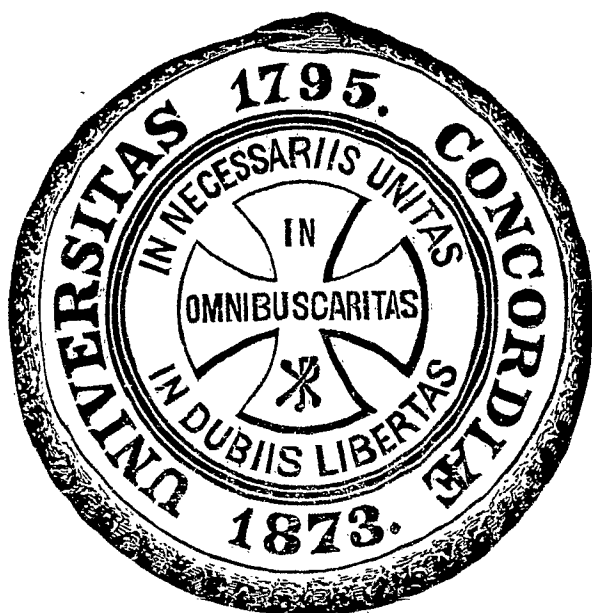


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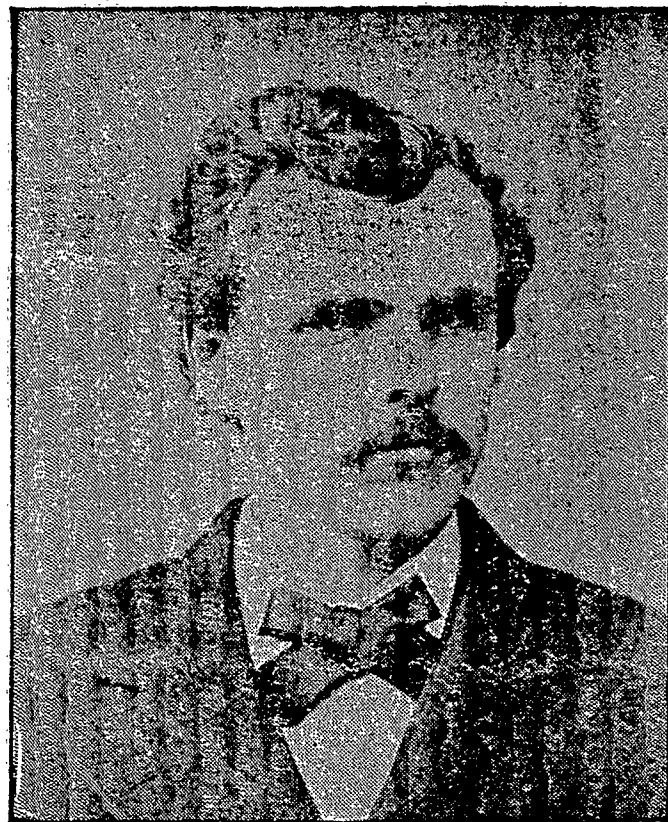
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THE AESTHETIC CHARMS OF EUROPEAN TRAVEL.

The courteous request of *The Concordiensis* for an article on my recent trip, put me in a reverie. There floated before me a vision made up of limitless sea, towering Alp, castled crag, vine-clad slopes, massive cathedral, stately abbey, fairy chateau, and intricate patterns of populous mediæval towns flung over plain and vale and mountain side, and bound together by a network of gleaming rivers, shrine-ornamented roads and winding hedge-rows. But of all that dream I can here record only one series of reflections that answer to the query, proposed by myself to myself, "What was the supreme charm of it all?"

Many reasons, doubtless, can be given for the interest in European travel.

It meets the desire for radical change. The instant one is aboard ship he must conform to a new regime. He is cut off from customary associations and customary modes of living, and must begin a series of adaptations that constitute a new life. Throughout his tour a kaleidoscopic variety of scenes will keep his mind fully but not vexatiously occupied with comparisons, readjustment of views and endeavors to determine what is best.

The fact that this change can be had for less than the cost of a tour of equal length in the United States, where the utmost stretch of rail brings alteration in natural scenery but almost none in any other respect, constitutes an independent attraction. Economy is served by the choice of Europe.

To change of surroundings is added change of conceptions. No adequate idea of the solemn and rapid flight of time can be gained save where walls, highways, buildings, are monuments of down-trodden generations of rulers, thinkers, artists, whose spirits gather like clouds of wit-

nesses and urge the wisest use of time. Comparatively few realize the direct advantage of university education abroad, but to every traveler comes the indirect influence of surroundings in themselves essentially educational.

Only the very smallest number are drawn to Europe for purposes of dissipation in the freer life of its capitals, where custom and law are the protectors and even promoters of unhallowed pleasures. The few who are caught in the mad current are usually ruined very quickly. The greater number of American visitors become only occasional spectators of follies that disgust by their very excess, and with every door wide open and nearly every guide an agent they walk the dangerous paths protected by their Anglo-Saxon training which has given them self-mastery.

Of those who go for health, most obtain benefit through change, not through specific treatment. Men who fancy that business cannot spare them, escape that delusion and give their tired brains a respite, when they are separated from their office by three thousand miles of sea; and having realized once that they can promote their success more by nine months of vigorous than by twelve of languid exertion, they turn a single prescription into a rule of life. Women who are indisposed to outdoor exercise, who cannot see the connection between physical activity and health, but believe in the infinite virtue of drugs, become the despair of their physicians and are sent to Europe to get unconsciously what they refuse to take when it is expressly ordered. Impelled by curiosity in sight-seeing, or by shopping instincts, or ambition for a record in climbing or some novel experience, they will take, in the course of every twenty-four hours, an amount of exercise that would be simply appalling if it were prescribed as such.

But in too many cases of ill health, Europe becomes the last prescription, a forlorn hope, a

temporary abstraction of thought from the contemplation of inevitable decline and death. To one who recognizes this condition, as he walks the steamship deck and looks at the paling face and wasting form, the vessel seems one of Charon's fleet. Still a little brightening of the sky at sunset is something to welcome.

The great mass who in the summer months tax the full capacity of the trans-atlantic lines are not special students, nor invalids, nor overwrought natures, but seekers of change, especially change from the crude to the finished, from the coarse to the refined, from the purely utilitarian to the artistic.

In European cities the sky-line is broken by spires and domes and gables of an infinite diversity of pattern. Every building has a striking and a beautiful individuality like a person with a character and a history. Prodigious masses of stone are flung up toward the heavens in the cathedrals and so richly beset with carvings that they seem to have burst into midsummer efflorescence. Of the municipal buildings some rise from massive bases, through skilful gradations of sculptured walls to the airiest and most feathery pinnacles, others low and spreading are dominated by a huge clock tower of imposing pattern, from whose magic casements pour forth the quarter chimes like songs of birds awaking in rapturous joy, while at the end comes the deep ominous roar of the finished hour as if all the buried past awoke to claim fresh prey and with hoarse voice to vaunt its victory. The palaces of justice seem embodiments in stone of the loftiness and grandeur of law. The richly decorated and spacious opera-houses carry invitation and promise of refined enjoyment in their very appearance.

Last but chief are the endlessly varied private dwellings, each constructed to fit its particular site in harmony with its fellows and to express the individual taste of its builder. Those graceful gables and oriel windows, those carved beams and decorated panels—what delight they awaken, and how it is increased by glimpses of a court reinforcing the exterior beauty by tiers of concentric balconies, vine-trellised, decorated with bust of hero, or figure of sylph, and touched by

rich hues cast from some swinging Venetian lantern! How well do I recall the fascination which held me to Nuremberg, how for eight days I wandered about its crooked streets, and crossed the numerous bridges that span the rapid Pegnitz, and loitered by the moat, studying towers, walls, house-fronts in light and in shadow in a perfect intoxication of delight, or how at Lucerne a single oriel drew me daily as a worshipper at a shrine, or how at Kenilworth the very ruins of such brought back all the "argent revelry" of the England of Elizabeth.

What uniformity of dull architectural effects reigns in our own cities, until we cease to lift our eyes, or what sheer ugliness causes us to cry out in pain! Brussels, on the contrary, protects itself by a special committee and will not suffer its fine vistas to be spoiled through the coarse taste or niggardliness of the individual builder. Some of our streets simply repeat an originally unlovely plan through a series of fresh deformations to a climax of hideousness. Some of our houses have the blank stare of fortress-walls, and cross-bows or blunderbusses projecting from the embrasures would be more congruous than any traces of domesticity. Bay windows, probably bought at an auction, are tacked on to house-fronts with which they harmonize as well as a dress coat would with a pair of overalls. Even the straw thatches of the Black Forest, or of Shottery cottages, the former drooping low, the latter curving over bays to shut out glare, or gracefully rising and retreating to let in sunlight elsewhere, suggest "measureless content" within, and harmonize perfectly with the outdoor world of grass and tree and bird-life. The very tiles and chimney pots of English houses are beautiful and some carved house-fronts are an out-door museum of art. Another aesthetic contrast is furnished by clean streets—a result secured in Dresden by scrubbing pavements as house-floors—by smooth, hard roads bordered with shade trees or protected along precipitous edges by stone parapets; by the paving and curbing of channels of streams as at Vevey; by the provision of dainty chalets of glass and iron as waiting rooms for tram-car passengers in Brus-

sels; by the erection of graceful electric light standards, as at Wiesbaden, from which the globes depend like drooping fruit, in place of our knotted and warped poles with transverse arms like a gallows; by the seizure of points of vantage such as heights, or river, or lake margins for promenades and the training over the broad esplanades of the branches of trees until they interlace in a continuous roof through which the light traces a graceful mosaic on the walk beneath.

Perhaps nothing more fully illustrates the strength of the art instinct than the character of the little hotels. For seven francs a day one could not, in our country, expect more than barren shelter and mere prolongation of life. This is what it will procure in Switzerland: a terraced flower garden among vineyards, with a dozen shady nooks, and two summer-houses, one flanked by graceful statues, the other ornamented with a delicate ceiling painting fit for a parlor; a spacious dining room with windows opening on Alpine sunsets and walls decorated by Italian artists, with garlanded nymphs framed in arabesques; sleeping rooms provided with balconies that command views of verdured slopes, quaint towers, blue lake, and scarred heights terminating in the roseate snow-sprinkled front of the *Deut du Midi*; nutritious food in appetizing form; the prompt, quiet, and intelligent service that banishes irritation; a library of high-class works in English, French and Russian; a drawing room where conversation is a refreshment and an education. But for the saving grace of the hills to be climbed, the gorges to be explored, and the sails to be taken, enough, to make one fall into self-condemnation, for a pleasing vice known among Methodists as "softness and needless self-indulgence."

The smallest towns of Europe have museums not yet possessed by the largest American cities. Opera is with us in general a fitful recreation confined to a day or a week out of a whole year, and offered at prices practically prohibitive for the masses. In Europe it is sustained by the State for educational reasons. One dollar will buy the best seat in the house at Dresden,

and thirty-five cents will buy one still better. In the public squares of German cities military bands play daily the compositions of the greatest masters. A single mark will procure one an entire evening of instrumental or vocal music of the highest class in Berlin, and in some cities like Leipsic the population seem unified by music as by nothing else.

In the matter of dress more is probably spent here than there, but the defter European touch produces rarer effects from simple materials and in *fête* time, which is often, for saints were numerous once, streets, parks, and cafés are art galleries vivified. The effect of attire is enhanced by captivating manners. The polite request takes the place of the brusque command; voice, look, and movement harmonize. Gentlemen raise hats to gentlemen, and pause and stand uncovered in the busy streets when the funeral cortege passes. In German territory the multitudinous *Mahlzeits* and *Gute Nachts*, make one think he eats or sleeps attended by the good will of all mankind.

Ordinary business suffers change into something beautiful. How prosaic is a butcher shop! and yet one with tiled walls, and burnished scales, and hams trimmed with tissue and tinsel, and legs of mutton done up in curl papers, and butcher in faultless white, has a charm sufficient to arrest the passer. Before a Dresden sausage shop I have lingered a full quarter of an hour captivated by the variety of patterns in which minced meat can be arranged. Some of the shops that charmed me infinitely displayed nothing more remarkable than kitchen utensils, or Dutch stoves made of tiles, or a wrought iron sign in which a dragon curved in an arabesque caught from profiles of flowers and leaves and blossoms.

I am proud of American energy. I like the rush and feverish excitement even of our life, but I find a coarseness, and sordidness that is too much with us at times; and the same instinct that drives me out on pedestrian tours over bad roads to catch the faint blue outlines of distant mountains, or makes me tread lonely woodland trails for the joy of seeing sunlight sifted through forest leaves and gilding masses

of tree trunks, makes me seek foreign shores where generations have left memorials of their love of beauty in all the common things their hands have touched.

I know perfectly that all this luxuriance of art will be ours some day. Our land will be a garden and a vast art gallery, and a symphony when some of the centuries ahead have fallen into the rear. Our magnificent scenery, our colossal energies, our noble manhood, our great creativeness that finds now its point of application in material progress, presage it and assure it. The time will come, when, as by some miracle of sunset the rays of light transform the whole clouded heavens into vast fields of beauty, the glory of art will transfigure American life. The treasures that are in the homes of the fortunate few will be given to the public, and the reflex of them will be found in the commonest features of our daily existence. But my generation will not witness it.

For us there is but one remedy, and that is—EUROPE.

JAMES R. TRUAX.

UNION AT THE STANFORD RECEPTION.

One of the brilliant social events of the season was the reception and ball given by Mr. and Mrs. Welton Stamford at Arcade Hall last Tuesday evening. A large number of local alumni and students from the hill were guests. Among them were: Alexander J. Thomson, '48; John A. DeRemer, '57; E. C. Angle, '86; Lee W. Case, '82; Wayne R. Brown, ex-'98; Theodore B. Brown, '98; Horatio J. Brown, '01; Joseph H. Clements, Jr., '01; D. Vedder Clute, '02; Carl Hammer, '98; Prof. F. S. Hoffman, Prof. and Mrs. S. B. Howe, President Raymond, Everett Smith, '78; Philip L. Thomson, 1900; Albert B. VanVoast, '90; John C. VanVoast, '87; James A. VanVoast, '82; James W. Veeder, '94; Clarke W. Cranell, '95; Peter B. Yates, '98; Robert C. Yates, '02; Walter Kruesi, ex-'02; DeLancey Walton Watkins, '80; Douglas W. Paige, 1900; J. T. Jackson, '03; George W. Featherstonhaugh, Jr., 1900; A. S. Golden, '01; Bernard C. Sloan, '83; Abel Smith, '98; J. M. Russum, '02; and Walter E. Hays, '02.

UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL ORGANIZED.

Members Elected—The Constitution as Adopted.

At the college meeting Monday morning the plans for the undergraduate council were perfected, and members from the two upper classes were elected. Willard Dayton Brown and LeRoy O. Ripley were chosen from the senior class, and Richard Franchot Warner and Charles P. Wagoner from the junior class. The other members are: G. Ernest Raitt, president of the College Y. M. C. A.; Philip L. Thomson, of The Concordiensis; W. Dewey Loucks, president of the senior class; Erskine C. Rogers, secretary of the Athletic Board; and J. P. Carver, president of the junior class. The object of the council is to have a general oversight over the affairs of the undergraduates and so keep things running smoothly. Its actions will not be made public except so far as results may show them. A meeting was held after chapel to organize and start their work.

The constitution of the council follows:

ARTICLE I.

The name of this organization shall be "The Union College Undergraduate Council."

ARTICLE II.

The objects of this organization shall be: (a) to furnish a permanent, organized, and executive head of the student body; (b) to promote the interests of the undergraduate organization; (c) to represent to faculty, alumni, and trustees, the current undergraduate sentiment; (d) to promote and preserve harmony among the students and between students and faculty; (e) to foster healthy college spirit, and to keep college politics clean.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1. The members of this organization shall be:

1. The president of the Senior class.
2. The president of the Junior class.

3. The president of the Y. M. C. A.
4. The editor-in-chief of The Concordiensis.

5. The secretary of the Athletic Board.

6. Two members of the Senior class to be elected at the second regular college meeting in the Fall by the student body.

7. Two members of the Junior class to be elected at the second regular college meeting in the Fall by the three upper classes.

Section 2. No manager or captain of any team shall be a member of this council.

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. The officers of this organization shall be a chairman, a vice-chairman, and a secretary.

Sec. 2. The chairman of this organization shall be the president of the Senior class.

Sec. 3. The vice-chairman of this organization shall be the chairman of the Junior class.

Sec. 4. The secretary of this organization shall be the secretary of the athletic board.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the chairman to preside at all meetings of the council and to call special meetings.

Sec. 6. It shall be the duty of the vice-chairman to perform the functions of the chairman in his absence.

Sec. 7. It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep a record of all meetings of the council and to preserve a file of all important papers that come before the council.

ARTICLE V.

The duties of this organization shall be: (a) To formulate and present all petitions from the undergraduate body to the faculty and to the trustees; (b) to do all in its power to arrange any interclass difficulty, and to change any undesirable relations between college organizations; (c) to discuss freely the action of all men holding positions of responsibility to the student body, to keep all such men in touch with college sentiment, and to give them such suggestions and such moral support as to enable them to fulfill their obligations to the college; (d) to privately warn, and, if necessary, publicly reprimand any undergraduate officer who proves

himself unfaithful to his trust; (e) to call a mass meeting of the student body at any time it deems fit, to place before that body any matter of special importance; (f) to appoint men to organize and superintend any college celebration or rally, to appoint men to act as cheer leaders for any college game; and to see that these men are faithful to their duty; (g) to deliberate on any college reforms that come to its notice and to be a body to which such reforms may be submitted; (h) to direct the work of influencing desirable men to come to Union and to give such men any possible assistance when here.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. Regular meetings of this organization shall be held on the first Friday of each month; special meetings may be called at any time by the chairman or acting chairman.

Sec. 2. Two-thirds of the members of the council shall be necessary for a quorum.

PROF. PROSSER'S WORK.

The following item of news, clipped from the weekly publication of Ohio State University, is of interest not only because of the mention of the name of Professor Prosser, who was a member of Union's faculty up to last year, but as well for the names of the two Union men who have been co-workers with him. Mr. Rowe was a '96 man, and Mr. Cummings valedictorian of '97.

"There is now passing through the press a work on the Silurian and Devonian systems of central and eastern New York, by Professor Prosser. This report which is based on field work conducted by Prof. Prosser during his four years' connection with the State Survey as Assistant Geologist, will appear in the Seventeenth Annual Report of the State Geologist of New York, and will make a book of some 400 pages illustrated with one hundred or more half-tones, maps and sections. The volume will also contain two joint papers by Prof. Prosser and his graduate students; one with R. Burton Rowe, who is the present Fellow in Geology in John Hopkins University, and the other with Edgar Roscoe Cummings, who is now instructor in Geology in Indiana State University."

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THE PROPOSITION explained in another column, to change the football rules so that none but actual players shall be within the ropes, is certainly a scheme worthy of adoption. Union men, especially, recognize the need of a rule of this nature. A certain flagrant violation of the existing rule on our own campus during the past season forcibly points out to us the necessity of the adoption of some more iron-clad regulation. Fair play in contests seems at times to be forgotten while courtesy is disregarded and abused. Cornell dealt righteously with a coach from another New York state college who abused his rights during the early part of the season. Columbia experienced a bitter taste of breach of courtesy in the Princeton game, when a Princeton substitute saved the Yale game to his eleven by running out on the field and telling the time left to play. When courtesy and fair play do not prevail, it is necessary to remove the means of their disregard. Union earnestly advocates this timely proposition to remedy existing conditions.

THE CONDITION of the college Young Men's Christian association calls for favorable comment and commendation. At the present time there is no undergraduate organization on a firmer basis, and this excellent condition is the result of faithful interest and unceasing labor on the part of all the members and in particular, of the officers who have served during the past year. Within the association there have been carried into effect many changes, and every innovation has strengthened the organization. The improved condition of the association is outwardly manifest in the interest in and attendance at, the two regular meetings; the midweek service on Tuesday evenings, and the Sunday afternoon vesper service. Through the efforts of the Y. M. C. A., the students have had from time to time the pleasure of listening to clergymen of this and other places, while the classes in Bible study have been of great profit to those who have enjoyed membership in them. In short, every phase of the Y. M. C. A. work has been enjoying a healthy growth, which we hope will be continued under the new set of officers; for with the new Y. M. C. A. building on our campus this branch of undergraduate activity must have a still larger place in the student life.

NEW Y. M. C. A. OFFICERS.

The weekly meeting of the college Y. M. C. A. was held as usual on Tuesday evening. Ray Finch, '03, was the leader. After the devotional exercises a business meeting was held at which the report of the nominating committee was received and accepted and the following officers chosen for the next year: President, Fraser Metzger, 1902; vice-president, Harry L. Crain, 1902; corresponding secretary, J. H. Clements, 1901; recording secretary, W. L. Dickenson, 1903; treasurer, T. DeL. Coffin, 1903.

'38.—Grace Episcopal church of Albany held memorial services last Sunday in honor of the memory of the late Rev. Maunsell Van Rensselaer, '38, founder and first rector of the church. Dr. Walter W. Battershall of St. Peter's Episcopal church, an honorary graduate of Union, preached the memorial sermon.

FOR NEW FOOTBALL RULES.

Many Proposed Changes in the Regulations Governing the Sport.

A lively discussion is going on between the large universities in regard to several proposed changes in the existing football rules. Coaching from the side lines, the relative value of the touchdown and the goal from the field, and the retention or rejection of the twenty yard rule to retain possession of the ball are being actively fought over.

The many troubles of the last season resulting from coach interference appear to have brought about a strong sentiment in favor of relegating everyone except actual players to the ropes. The Yale-Princeton game especially emphasized the need of such a rule. The disgraceful incident in the Princeton-Columbia game, when a Princeton man on the side-line tripped up a Columbia back, will be remembered by every one.

The rules committee at its coming meeting will undoubtedly adopt some regulation in regard to this most important matter.

Princeton is advocating a diminution in the valuation of the goal from the field. A recent dispatch from New Haven strongly opposes any such change. It is argued that such a method would bring about a decadence in the art of punting and drop kicking. Yale denies that rushing ranks above kicking in really scientific football and argues that the punter and drop-kicker represent the highest types of the football player. Great games, she declares, are invariably fought out inside the twenty-five yard line so that the risk of an attempt at a placed or drop kick from the field raises football science to an higher plane.

It will be remembered that an old rule in the code gives an eleven the right to retain possession of the ball when losing twenty yards or more on the four downs. It is said some elevens have been taking advantage of this to delay games. The rules committee may possibly adopt some modification of this regulation. However, there appears to be no urgent necessity at present of any such change.

MIDWINTER MEET.

Successful Affair Held in the Gym on Friday Evening.

The annual inter-class midwinter meet was held in the college gymnasium Friday evening, March 2. The freshmen particularly showed admirable spirit in the contest, having the most entries in each event and proving themselves victors with $52\frac{1}{2}$ points to their credit. The sophomores were their nearest competitors with $35\frac{1}{2}$ points.

The preliminaries for the high jumps and the finals in the shot put and high kick were held Friday, Feb. 9th. The results of the meet were as follows:

Shot put—Slack, 1901, first, 37 ft. 7 in.; R. Donnan, 1903, second; Hoxie, 1903, third; Oakley, 1902, fourth.

Fence vault—Kline, 1901, first; Baiz, 1902, second; Davis, 1900, third.

High kick—Shroeder, 1903, first; Paige, 1900, second; Griffith, 1902, third.

Twenty yard dash—Kline, 1901, first, time 24.5 sec.; Hoadley, 1902, second; Wells, 1903, third; Davis, 1900, fourth.

Elephant race—R. Donnan and Weed, 1903, first; Slack, 1901, and Anderson, 1900, second.

Pole vault—Clark, 1903, first, 9 ft. 4 in.; Bahm, 1902, and Weed, 1903, tie for second; Griffith, 1902, fourth.

Egg race—Griffith, 1902, first; Hulsapple, 1903, second.

Running high jump—Griffith, 1902, first, 5 ft. 1 in.; Garretson, 1903, second; Hoadley, 1902, third; Grout, 1901, fourth.

Potato race—Borst, 1903, first; Griswold, 1903, second; Hoadley, 1902, third; Anderson, 1900, fourth.

Standing high jump—Pearce, 1903, first; Kline, 1901, second; Hunt, 1903, third.

High dive—Slack, 1901, first; Griffith, 1902, second; Weed, 1903, third; Bahny, 1902, fourth.

Obstacle race—Griswold, 1903, first; Parsons, 1902, second; Griffith, 1902, third.

Score by classes—1900, $8\frac{1}{2}$; 1901, $25\frac{1}{2}$; 1902, $35\frac{1}{2}$; 1903, $52\frac{1}{2}$.

Following the meet a basket ball game was played between the seniors and freshmen. The game resulted in a victory for the freshmen by a score of 8 to 0. Two goals were scored in the first half by Pearce and in the second half Mulvaney and Pearce each scored a goal. The line up was—1900, Fenton, Anderson, Elliott, Broughton, Reed. 1903, Pearce, Staebler, Wells (Clark), Mulvaney, Morgan.

"ANSWER TO PRAYER."

The Rev. Philip H. Cole, '88, the Sunday Afternoon Speaker.

The vesper service in chapel last Sunday afternoon was addressed by the Rev. Philip H. Cole of Syracuse. Mr. Cole was graduated from Union in the class of '88, and was for a time an instructor in the college. He also held a pastorate in one of the city churches. At present he is a trustee of the college and pastor of the First Reformed church of Syracuse. Mr. Cole preached in Dr. Raymond's stead in the First Reformed church of this city on Sunday.

At the meeting in chapel Mr. Cole took for his theme, the answer to prayer. He read the passage of scripture in which Christ said that if we abide in Him and His words in us, whatsoever we will shall be done unto us. Mr. Cole said that if there is no prayer there is no spiritual life. Mr. Moody said of his buildings at Northfield, that he prayed up every one of them. We need not say that those structures became material facts as a direct result of Mr. Moody's prayer for each one, but we may ask, "Is it likely that those buildings would have arisen if Mr. Moody had not been a prayerful man?" Mr. Moody had his character formed by prayerfulness which gave him a purpose, an energy and a power which he would not otherwise have had. Therefore it would seem that Mr. Moody's utterance is a worthy testimony of the efficacy of prayer.

Mr. Cole said he believes that God directly answers prayer. He believes that we cannot rightly argue against God's free agency. Prayer is a law of the universe. He illustrated with a short parable. An angel comes into a garden where there is a learned and thoughtful scientist. The angel desires explanations of natural phenomena. The scientist explains the geological structure of the mountain, he explains celestial movements, and the angel is delighted with the depth of the scientist's thought. The scientist goes on to say that there is nothing but force and law. The angel expresses himself as delighted with all he has heard but says that of

all the wonderful things the scientist himself is most wonderful. The scientist has a personality, a conscience and all the attributes which we allot to a human being but yet the scientist gives no explanation of his own personality. What can the explanation be but God? If God is behind everything he must possess a free personal agency and he must be able to answer prayer by a means that overpowers the laws of his own construction. "Interpret Christ's aim and whatsoever you ask, following his teachings, it shall be done. The man who does not believe in prayer must deny that there is a God or deny his personality, he must deny the divine revelation of the scriptures and Christ."

CHI PSI ALUMNI BANQUET AT ALBANY

The annual banquet of the Chi Psi Alumni Association of Northern and Eastern New York was held last Friday evening at the Hotel Ten Eyck, Albany, and was thoroughly enjoyed by both the alumni and undergraduates present. Aside from the alumni there were representatives from ten different colleges and the general feeling of good will was often augmented by college and fraternity songs and yells.

Previous to the banquet a business meeting was held and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Col. William F. Fox, Union, '60; vice-presidents, William J. Youngs, Cornell, '72; James H. Callanan, Rochester, '89; John H. Peck, Hamilton, '59; secretary, Frank Cooper, Union, '93; treasurer, E. C. Knickerbocker, Williams, '88; executive committee, Frank B. Gilbert, Hamilton, '89; M. B. Griswold, Cornell, '94; J. R. Carnell, Jr., Amherst, '97; Neile F. Towner, Hamilton, '96; Edward E. Draper, Union, '97.

Among the Union men present were: William F. Fox, '60; Frank Cooper, '93; H. Earl Furman, '94; R. S. Greenman, '96; E. E. Draper, '97; Theodore B. Brown, '98; F. T. Bonesteele, P. L. Thomson, 1900; E. C. Rogers, 1900; A. S. Golden, 1901; W. H. Gillespie, 1902, and H. G. Hoxie, 1903. Among the speakers were: President, John H. Peck of R. P. I.; Col. W. F. Fox, '60; Commodore Elbridge T. Gery, Columbia, '57; Prof. J. O. Ibbertson of Hamilton; William M. Collier, and William J. Youngs. Gov. Roosevelt also made a short speech on the value of fraternity life as a part of a college course.

"SIG" REUNION AND BANQUET.

The members of Sigma Phi of Eastern New York held their reunion at the Ten Eyck, Saturday night. There were many of the alumni present besides a large delegation from the Williams chapter and the undergraduate members of Union. Among those present from Schenectady were: George W. Featherstonhaugh, '71; DeLancey Walton Watkins, '80; Bernard Cleveveland Sloan, '83; William G. Gilmour, '88; Robert F. Gilmour, '94; James W. Veeder, '94; Abel Smith, '98; Edward E. Yelverton, M. A. Viele, Peter Bertram Yates, '98; Walter E. Kruesi, ex-'02, and Professor Howard Opdyke.

PENN'S RELAY RACES.

The Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania has fixed upon Saturday, April 18, for its sixth annual intercollegiate relay race meet, and has issued invitations to the colleges and Universities of the United States and Canada to participate. There will be three races to determine the college championship of America, open to any college or University that desires to enter. The races will be a mile, four miles and two miles, each man to run a quarter, a mile, and a half mile, respectively.

An effort will be made to arrange colleges in groups that are about equal in strength. Union has been invited to send representatives, and is classified with Syracuse, Rochester, Fordham, Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, and Hamilton.

CAMPUS NOTES.

Shelley, '01, sang at a concert at Burnt Hills last evening.

Regular rehearsals of the musical clubs were resumed last week.

Examinations for the removal of conditions were held Saturday.

Psi Upsilon will give its annual college smoker on Friday evening.

The last essays of the winter term are due from the freshmen, Friday afternoon.

W. G. Hartin, '03, has been obliged to leave college permanently on account of ill health.

Frank Croft, Hamilton 1903, was a guest on college hill during the latter half of last week.

Ripley, 1900, returned to college last week after a three weeks' illness at his home in Marathon.

Another load of marble has arrived for the new Y. M. C. A. building. Total—two loads.

The engagement is announced of Prof. Frank Sargent Hoffman to Miss Rebecca Lowell of this city.

President Raymond preached last Sunday morning and evening at the Church of the Pilgrims in Brooklyn.

Messrs. Williams, 1900, Sheebler, 1900, and Underhill, 1900, of Stevens Institute of Technology, were guests at Chi Psi Lodge Thursday and Friday of last week.

Manager VanVlack of the Musical Association has been spending a few days in New York, incidentally making arrangements for the Eastern trip of the clubs.

The Delta Upsilon alumni of Albany and vicinity will hold a banquet at Hotel TenEyck next Friday evening. A large delegation of the local alumni together with the active chapter expect to attend.

At Monday's college meeting, David Montgomery Dunning, Jr., '02, was elected secretary of the student body. The creation of this office was deemed necessary in order to formally preserve the actions of the undergraduates.

Instructor Pollard suspended regular freshman Physiology recitations Wednesday and Thursday that he might show the "Frosh" the interior view of a specimen of the canine species. The "Frosh" say that as a demonstrator of anatomy the "Dr." is an adept.

The freshman class has adopted as the class head gear a black cap with garnet numerals. A number of freshmen are now wearing it. In accordance with the college custom now observed, 1903 restricts wearing of the cap to members of her class teams. This rule has proved a decided incentive toward activity in class athletics.

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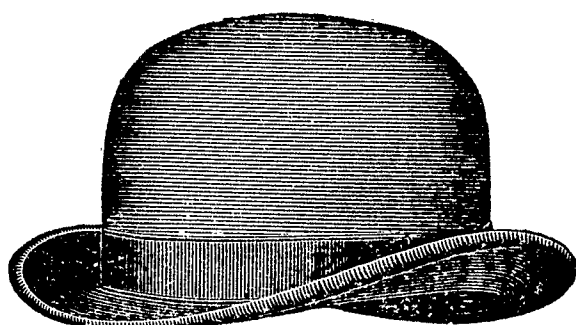
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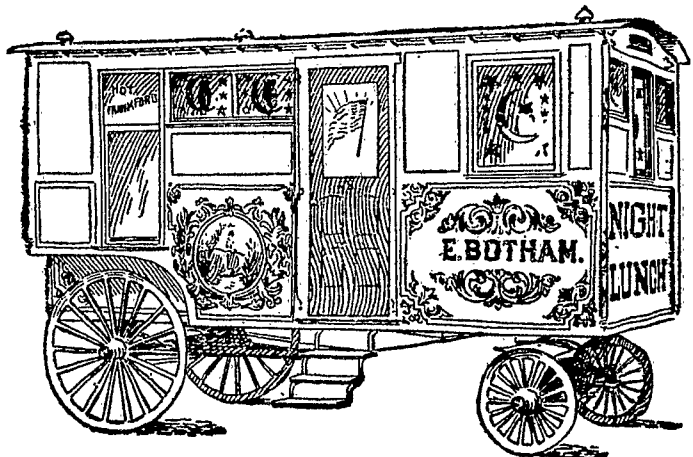
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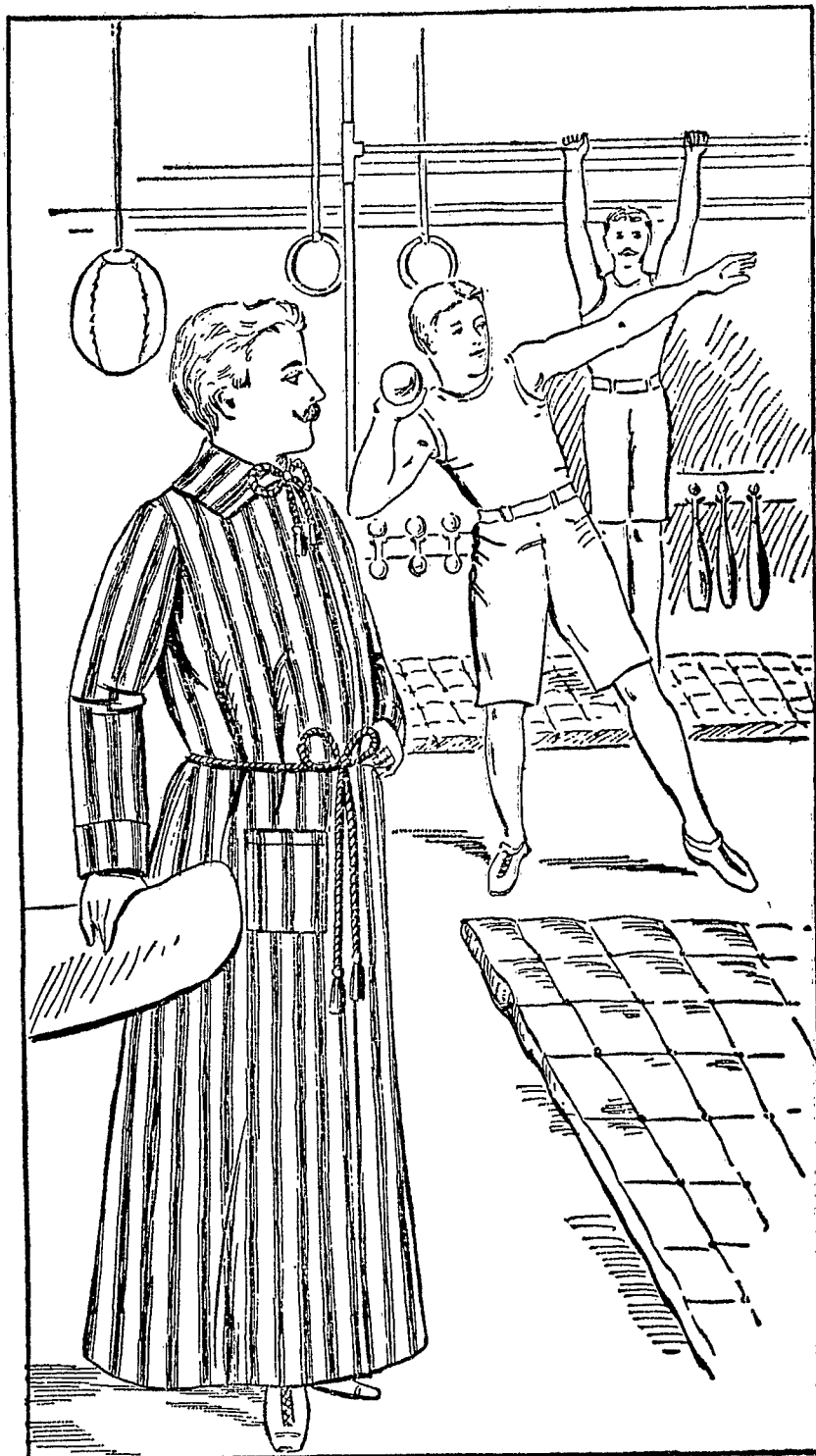
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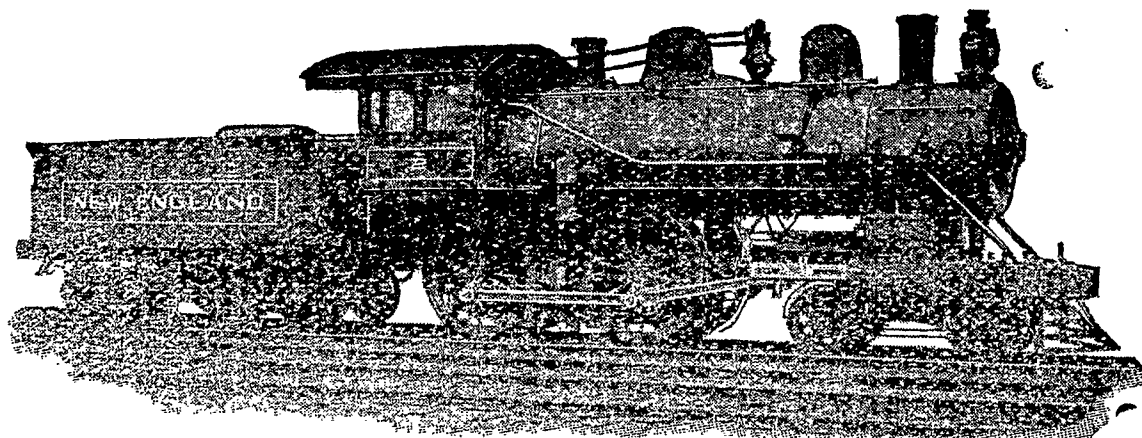
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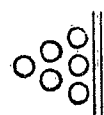
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