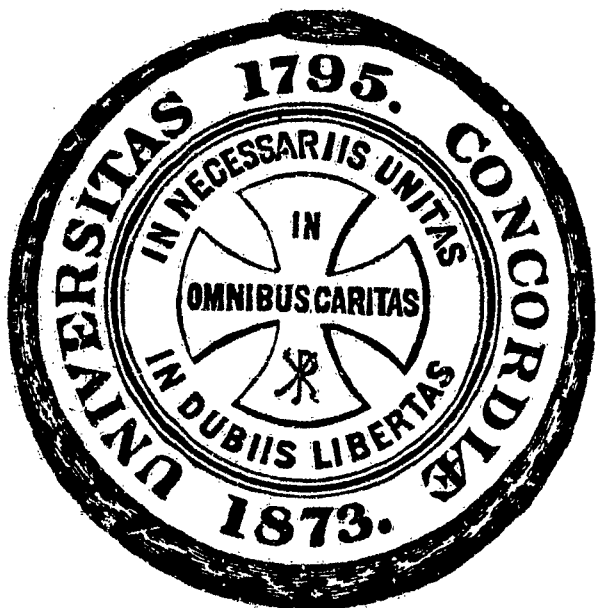


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WELCOME.

President Raymond Greets New Students and Old at the First Chapel Service.

The first chapel service of the new college year was held last Friday morning and few students were absent. President Raymond presided and at the close of the customary devotional exercises delivered an informal address of welcome to the old and new students and to those present for the first time. He said in part:

“On behalf of the faculty and trustees, as well as personally, I greet you this morning with a most cordial welcome. It is a pleasure to look into the familiar faces and feel that another year of fellowship is before us; for above and beyond all else in college life that which brings the largest return of enjoyment for the present and the future is fellowship,—the intercourse from day to day that directs thought, moulds character, and creates mutual understanding, mutual respect, mutual regard. And if it is a pleasure thus to renew the friendships already formed, it is no less a pleasure to open our circle to receive those who ask to share our privileges. Though strangers as yet, I can say by way of introduction that they have been chosen out of many applicants as worthy to bear the name of Union college men. As such we bid them welcome in the name of all that makes the old college dear to us. I am reminded among other things of the flight of time as I turn to the Senior seats and realize that the men sitting there were the first whom I had the pleasure of welcoming officially to the Freshman seats, and because of the fact that I have followed you through all your college course thus far, it is natural that I should feel a special interest in the class of '98, and a special confidence in your co-operation in realizing the ideals always before us, and toward which we have been gradually working—sentiments, principles, standards of scholarship and of character which we would make the distinguishing features of undergraduate life at Union. Better than any other men who have come into the place of influence and leadership

belonging naturally to Seniors, you understand our purposes and aims, and so it is not strange that I turn to you at the beginning of this the last year of our associated life, and say: let us make it a year of special progress in the things that command universal respect, progress in the direction of the worthiest manhood. Let us establish here, firmly and forever, the principle that no man is worthy of our fellowship who does not hold his honor above price.

We meet today under encouraging conditions. There can be little doubt that our whole country is entering upon a new era of commercial prosperity and this is a general assurance that when you go forth as educated men you will face increased opportunities, a larger demand for your services than the last few years have promised. It is a marked feature of every advancing civilization that it calls for trained ability. The need of developed powers increases with every new stage of progress, so that today the young man who aspires to a large place in the life of his generation shows his wisdom by taking time for self-development. It is this that gives special meaning to the years you spend in college, even though you thereby miss passing opportunities of employment; but the benefit of these years depends, of course, upon the use you make of them, the earnestness with which you devote yourselves to the work in hand. That work is primarily study, thought, mental training. Of this work the class-room must always be the truest expression; so that in a general way your work in the class-room becomes the measure of the good you get from college life. What I wish you to realize, young gentlemen, at the beginning of this new year, is that the college by the requirements of its curriculum and by the ability and zeal of its faculty, offers you opportunity. That word, better than any other, expresses the advantage which you have here; and, when you think of it, all that any man has a right to ask is opportunity, a fair chance; and it is always and everywhere the use that a man makes of his opportunities that determines what he becomes. We cannot quarrel with this law of life. When we talk of the blessings of a free land, what do we mean more than this, that it gives every man a chance to rise; and so I repeat, the most that any man has a right to ask is an opportunity. Given

that, the result rests wholly with himself. The college cannot give you knowledge and trained faculties. It only gives you an opportunity to get them for yourselves—a better opportunity than you can get out of college and as good an opportunity here as you can find in any other college. Our responsibility ends when we give you as fair a chance as any man can have. When you accept the chance your responsibility begins; and it is this very responsibility that shows every day what kind of men you are. There are few restraints in college life; we have no prescribed hours for study, no regulations that curtail a man's liberty within certain broad limits. Every man is his own master; he can go and come as he pleases, do in general as he chooses. The use which he makes of his liberty tells the stuff that is in him. If it is the stuff of which men are made, he does what he ought to do, makes the most of his chance, and when he leaves college he is ready to make the most of other opportunities that meet him.

I would not seem to imply that you are here simply to prepare yourselves for a successful business or professional career. In the best sense you are here to prepare yourselves for larger living,—that kind of living that identifies a man with the interests of the community, making him a sharer in the work of building up a stable and beneficent civil life; and for this the college offers exceptional opportunities, not only in the studies which pertain directly or indirectly to the duties of citizenship, but also in the various institutions, enterprises and interests of college life. A student is part of the college community charged with a measure of responsibility for the advancement of all the interests of that community. Whatever concerns the college concerns him, and to just the extent that he shares this larger life of the college is he developing himself as a man. This puts educational value in the enterprises athletic, musical, social, religious, which form so large a part of the college world today. They tend directly to develop that public spirit which is one of the chief characteristics of civilized life, and upon which the progress of civilization depends. Every man needs something to call him out of himself, to create in him enthusiasm for something larger than his own personal interests. I would have you feel, therefore, that it is a legitimate part of your work to engage whole-heartedly in these enterprises, giving them your practical support, your active co-operation. For the time being they are your public interests. They make the world to which you belong. College spirit is public spirit for college men, and public spirit on the part of her educated men is what America needs today. In this way the college becomes the training school for citizenship, and you are doing the most for yourselves and for the nation when you are doing the most for Union college.

With these principles before us and working together, faculty and students, the year will be one of progress."

Union at the University Convocation.

The annual convocation of the University of the State of New York took place in the senate chamber at Albany, June 28-30. Many prominent educators were present and amongst them a conspicuous place was taken by members of the faculty of this college.

The first day was devoted to the welcoming address of Chancellor Anson Judd Upson and an address by Gov. Black. The second day, after a number of interesting papers by professors from different colleges and schools, Prof. James L. Patterson of Union opened the discussion of college athletics. After a short review of the growth of athletics in the college world he said that the past few years had witnessed an increase of interest shown by the faculty in outdoor sports. The alumni had also taken a hand and more interest in general had been shown. By degrees professionalism is being driven out of college athletics, Prof. Patterson said, and, though there are a number of young men to be found in some of our large universities who are kept under salary for the purpose of representing the college in athletic contests, the tendency now is to drive this sort of dishonesty out of the realm of collegiate athletics. He dwelt on the rowdyism displayed by some college enthusiasts in yelling and shouting during a contest. Playing ball with one's mouth is not athletics. Important and beneficial as athletics are to the college student, it should be remembered that the out-door sport that tends to take the scholar's time to the detriment of his studies is a serious impediment to a beneficial college course.

One of the special features of the afternoon's session was a paper on "Rhetorical Exercises and Exhibitions" by Prof. Edward Everett Hale. Prof. Hale said in part: "'Orations' and 'debates' do not exist because our scholarship demands manifestation; they exist for another reason, because we Americans are fond of public speaking. Neither can be regarded as representative of scholarship. They are each manifestations of a particular form of student energy. There is this to be said about college orations and debates. The first we may say

are purely ornamental; the speaker has no real object except to 'exhibit himself.'"

During the third day, Prof. James R. Truax read a paper on "The American College and the American University," arguing that the college does not necessarily decrease as the university increases. Prof. Hale spoke along the same line and said that each has a distinct field of usefulness. Prof. Ashmore declared at some length that the college can do its proper work only when it adopts the German idea.

At the closing session Professors Hale and Patterson spoke again in favor of athletics and Prof. Landreth read a paper on "The Relation of the Engineering School to the University."

Where the Faculty Spent the Summer.

President Raymond and family were at the seashore near Cape Cod part of the time. Dr. Raymond supplied a New York church Sundays.

Doctor Whitehorne visited his son in New Jersey.

Dean Ripton with his family was at Ocean Grove four weeks.

Professor and Mrs. Ashmore were at the Sagamore, Lake George, with a party of friends.

Professor Wright attended the annual meeting of the British association for the Advancement of Science at Toronto, and remained in this city the rest of the time.

Professor Landreth and Instructor Walker have been engaged in engineering work at Saranac.

Professor Hale has been the guest of his father at his summer home in Rhode Island.

Instructor Lynes has been at work in the library all summer, but took short trips to his home at Middleburgh. The last ten days were spent at Baltimore.

Instructor McKenzie has just returned from a trip to Europe.

Instructor Opdyke remained quietly at his home at Plainfield, N. J.

Professor Perkins has been in the Adirondacks and at the seashore.

Instructor Bennett took a canoeing trip through Lake George, Lake Champlain and the St. Lawrence.

Mrs. Peissner has, as usual, spent all summer at Asbury Park.

The Cane Rush.

The Freshman and Sophomores had their cane-rush last Monday afternoon on the campus, and in spite of the rain the contest was one of the best that has been held for years. The Freshmen as usual, had assembled in chemical laboratory, while the Sophomores used the Chapel as their headquarters. For over an hour before the engagement, several captured Freshmen were held to put the stores of salt in small paper bags, while their free brethren stored up tomatoes and planned tactics for the approaching campaign. Both classes were out in almost full force, and the "cane," a well greased base ball club, was gotten in readiness by upper classmen.

Shortly after four o'clock, while the Freshmen were still practicing their new yell, in which they harmonized only on the "oh Soph," the "Sophs" themselves sallied forth in foot ball attire and in the raiment of days gone by. They came with lusty cheers. Their slogan reached the Freshmen in the chemical laboratory, and in a moment the battle was on. The Freshmen rushed forth and met the enemy fifty yards from North college. For a moment there was a meteoric shower of white salt in one direction and a twin shower of red tomatoes from another direction. The upper classmen yelled with approval. Then while the conflicting forces were still separated, except here and there where individual wrestling matches were in process of accomplishment, Referee Holcomb, '98, tossed the stick high in air with a haloo for attention. If it had rained sticks none of them would have ever touched the ground. The bat was seized by a dozen eager hands and the game was on in earnest. Backward and forward they surged in a hollow square of umbrellas and onlookers. Everything was interesting to the extreme when time was called and the hands were counted. There was a moment of suspense and then the words "The Freshmen Win." A wild cry from the Freshmen and sheepish looks from the Sophomores, cries of "Good Frosh!" from the onlookers, then a wild scurry through the increasing down-pour and all was over.

College Men in Summer Athletics.

It is interesting to all to note the summer performances of athletes who have been distinguished during the year in college athletics. Good natured rivalry between members of college teams is often continued under the colors of the various athletic clubs, and many a defeat is reversed under these colors.

All Union men are interested in knowing that while the trainer of their victorious track team, John Cosgrove, did not win the American all-round championship as he has formerly done, he bettered the figures of last years' winner, and Ellery H. Clark, who defeated him, broke an all-round record that has stood since 1891.

Another athlete in whom Union men are interested is John F. Cregan of Princeton. As will be remembered he was decisively beaten in the spring inter-collegiate games by Orton of University of Pennsylvania. On the 28th of August, in the A. A. U. championship games, he settled scores by running Orton off his feet in the mile, winning this race and the half-mile as well, both in fast time. This feat has not been accomplished in a number of years.

Bernard J. Wefers of Georgetown university has also retrieved his defeat in the Mott Haven games. He has defeated Maybury and Rush the famous Western collegians, and has repeated his record figures of 9 4-5s. for 100 yards.

The summer's career of T. B. Turner, former holder of the Princeton mile record, should be an encouragement to all persistent athletes. Ten years ago when he began to train, his best performance after a year's running was a mile in 5m. 17s. While in college he was pace-maker for Walter Dohm, and on the 7th of last August made a new metropolitan record of 1m. 56 2-5s. for the half-mile. This is the best amateur half-mile of the year, with the exception of Hollister's 1m. 54 2-5s. made in his spring inter-class games.

Among the bicyclers the most noted college man of the year is probably Powell of Columbia, who besides numerous other summer victories, won the two mile amateur at the great L. A. W. meet in Philadelphia.

Among the western collegians the most noted at present is A. C. Kraenzlein, the low hurdler. He holds the world's indoor record at this game and Perkins of Yale is the only hurdler able to push him at present. He was the only western college man to win an A. A. U. championship this year.

Fetterman, of the University of Pennsylvania, the inter-collegiate champion in the walk, has been forced to take second to Liebgold of the N. J. A. C. His work is as consistent and fast as were his college performances, but the new Jersey man is a world beater and has had much more experience.

This brief review may be fitly ended with a notice of T. E. Burke of Boston university. He has not been beaten at 440 yards this year, and has won numerous races from 250 to 880 yards inclusive. At 600 yards he holds the world's record. Twice he has been inter-collegiate champion in the quarter mile and for a number of years A. A. A. champion. His 49 seconds, on August 28th, are the fastest figures for the year, and this together with his other performances mark him as the fastest middle distance man living, and an athlete of whom college men may be proud.

The Y. M. C. A. Reception.

The Y. M. C. A. gave their fourth annual reception at the home of President Raymond on Friday evening, September 17. In the past this has proven to be one of the most pleasant gatherings of the college year, and this year's reception will evidently be no exception. An unusually large number of students were present, and for the time being all class feeling was forgotten and all joined in making the incoming Freshmen feel at home. Many members of the faculty were there to welcome the new students, and greet the older ones. Several of Schenectady's clergymen were also there, representing the various churches. Part of the evening was spent in singing college songs. Everybody had a good time and the evening afforded an excellent opportunity for everyone to become acquainted with each other.

The Opening Sermon.

A large number of students and members of the faculty were present at the chapel service last Sunday afternoon to hear President Raymond preach his opening sermon. The discourse was a powerful one and of peculiar fitness to the occasion and the auditors. He took his text from Paul's second Epistle to the Corinthians, 1:19.

Among other things he said: "Paul was a great man, as writer, orator, organizer, and as such he is entitled to respect for the truth he spoke. But like all great men he had enemies, some even in the church. And when he was forced to break his promise of a visit to Corinth, some in the church tried to hurt his reputation by saying he was either treacherous or fickle. Now it is a good thing to have a good reputation. Men should diligently seek for this, and they should be positive and open in all things. When we attempt to count up the number of those whom we know will be on the right side in any question of right and wrong, we have to stop soon, for men are not positive enough. It was nothing praiseworthy for the seven thousand in Israel who had not bowed the knee to Baal that Elijah did not know of their existence. It is doubtless a comfort to know that in every community there is much unknown virtue; but how much better for the cause of Christ if the leaders did know it and could count positively on it.

"Paul says that in God was yea, and the positiveness that is a part of Him is a trait for all men to cultivate. A wrong belief strongly held is better than no belief. There are no dynamics in agnosticism. The safest place for a man is in the heart of a country, not on the frontier between two beligerent powers. It has been said that it was a wonderful thing that Columbus discovered America, but it would have been far more wonderful had he failed to discover it. That is to say, it was a wonderful thing that he sailed west, when all other navigators were sailing north and south and east. But once having started west, and continuing in that direction, it would have taken a miracle to prevent his discovering the new continent. Col-

lege life is, to an entering class, an undiscovered world. It has much richness to afford, and it will require a miracle to prevent him who starts and continues aright, from acquiring and enjoying this richness. Then start in the right direction and be positive in everything, for the zeal that will enable one to lay hold strongly on falsity, will likewise enable a man to be powerful in truth."

General Athletics.

The golf links are being gotten into good condition and a fine season is being looked forward too. Daley, Pildain and Campbell will be missed this season in the expected tournament with the Edison club, but several promising players are looked for from the incoming class. As yet no games with other clubs have been arranged.

Tennis is enjoying an active revival just at present, and to most of the men in college it has lost none of its old time interest. Two of the four courts are in use every available hour of the day, and the two other courts will be put into form within a few days. Under the auspices of the Tennis association, an inter-class tournament has been arranged which promises to be of decided interest. What the result will be is a much-mooted question. The star players of each class are putting in some hard practice and there is every indication that the contest will be a close one.

Although it is rather early yet to forecast the track athletic season, the prospect is anything but a gloomy one. The loss of O'Neill, Cotton, Pildain and Campbell, is of course a serious one. But already some new men are looming up on the horizon who will make worthy successors. What is needed just at present are the cross-country runs to develop some of this new material.

The student-body feel assured that they have a stronger band than ever between themselves and the faculty, now, in matters athletic. It is a rather novel sensation to have a member of the august body work with the men on the campus and in the gymnasium with enthusiastic interest and common sympathy. The sensation is as novel as it is gratifying.

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IN the freshman vocabulary just at present, the word "sophomore" stands for all that is unsavory, foul and offensive. In twelve months he will have us understand it as meaning that which is 'nobly sweet and audacious.'

IN another column of this paper will be found a statement of the present status of affairs of the new athletic-field. It is urgently requested that under-graduates and alumni give the matter their immediate and sympathetic attention. The field should have been completed long ago. Beginning with this issue a weekly statement of subscriptions will be published, together with the names of subscribers unless otherwise requested.

LET the beginning of the new year mark the beginning of a new era—an era of loyal and enthusiastic support to captains, managers and committeemen. Not that this has been entirely lacking in the past, for it has not. But now let it be

lacking not at all. In many respects this is an inaugural year and the demand for combined effort in all that has to do with the welfare of the college was never greater. The concrete form of this is to subscribe as much as you can, pay what you subscribe, and then fill the measure to overflowing with active participation.

WE wish to offer the right hand of fellowship to our brothers in the class of 1901 and extend official greeting. They have taken the path which, according to history has been trodden by one President of the United States, two Secretaries of State, two Justices of the United States Supreme Court, ten Senators, two Speakers, 130 members of the House of Representatives, 36 college presidents and "one-fifth of the whole number of judges elected to the bench of the Court of Appeals and of the Supreme Court in New York state." Surely, here is inspiration to students of Union for honest effort.

THE opening address of President Raymond delivered in the college chapel last Tuesday morning, should be carefully perused by every man in college, not once, but often. It should have a permanent place in the mental and moral furniture of every student at Union, for it is a terse statement of those principles that have made our beloved old college renowned. It is not so much to her statesmen, her scholars, or even to her poets that her fame is owing, although these have not been few; but it is rather to that vast army of her sons who have been famous in nothing but good citizenship. The faculty of being a man, under circumstances however trying, can seldom be acquired by post-graduate study. No school of manhood invented by civilization can quite compare with the campus, the class-room and the chapel.

AN effort will be made this year by the editorial boards of The Concordiensis and Parthenon to make these publications of especial interest to the older alumni and friends of the college. We shall strive to have all alumni news full and up to date, and contributions from their pens are earnestly solicited. We trust that they will use the pages

of the college publications as freely as they did in undergraduate days, or more freely as the case may be. We feel that the number of alumni who could, if they would, enhance the literary value of the Parthenon, is a large one. Prose or verse will be greedily accepted, and the name of the author will be published only when the mss. is unaccompanied by a request to the contrary. We trust this appeal will be heeded by undergraduate writers as well. It will not have to be repeated often, we hope, but will hold throughout the year no small place in the undergraduate and alumni mind.

PRESIDENT JORDAN of Stanford, it would seem, takes a rather extreme view of some things or perhaps the sons of our far Western sister carry some things to extreme. In a recent interview Dr. Jordan is reported to have said, "The faculty is opposed to that form of rowdyism known as class rushes, and especially to the barbaric custom of hazing." The nomenclature suggests the lariat and bowie knife. Dr. Jordan has also vested extreme powers in the student committee that regulates undergraduate affairs—a revival of the old "vigilance committees," it would appear—for he gives the committee authority to virtually expel not only "those found guilty of specific acts of immorality or dishonesty, but any whose personal influence is objectionable." He even authorizes this committee "to check excesses of zeal for advancement," as it is expected to check other excesses. Whether this is all right or all wrong, would seem to depend largely on what standard is used in guaging Stanford students. If they are held as so many persons, somewhat irresponsible and having a little world all to themselves, very well and good. But if, on the other hand, they are regarded as prospective American citizens they should be educated under no system so un-American.

WHILE the football team is working hard every day in the rain and cold, it should not be forgotten by the other men in college that they have a place of equal importance to fill. It is as much a duty for every able bodied student to don a football suit and take part in the daily practice, as it is for Captain Crichton himself. The amount of glory in a football captaincy and the amount of actual hardship endured, are not commensurate in the least. It is not pleasant to perform labor that a stevedore would shudder at, we admit, but when the honor and welfare of the college are concerned who of her sons would be so disloyal as to stop at fire or water? We venture to say not one. And yet when we come to lesser

things, we find no small amount of lethargy and lack of interest. It seems as though the true sublimity of little things has never, to any great extent, taken hold of the student mind. It seems to be forgotten at times that the man who, of his own free will, comes out on the campus with the scrub and works every day, although no chances are his of making the team, is a hero. And all the more a hero because his works are soon forgotten and seldom sung. We need "rooting," to be sure, but more than anything else we need the spirit that makes men work. In matters like this there is nothing more inspiring than perspiration.

Our Football Season.

The beginning of the college year brings with it another football season and we are all hoping that it may be a successful one. We have an excellent management, a good schedule, and plenty of good material. If the fellows keep on working as they have begun, there is no reason why we cannot have an old-time winning team. There is, however, a lot of undeveloped material among the students and if they will come out and practice they will greatly help the management. There are places on the team open to every one who can play them. Even if a place should not be won, nothing helps a team so much as a good scrub. There should be at least 30 men out every day.

All the old men are back except Palmer and Blodgett, who graduated in June, and Jones, who will not return until next term. The team is very strong at ends, centre and guards, but is a little weak at tackle. This can and will be remedied by good, earnest work. There will be a regular training table in the near future.

The candidates for positions are partially as follows: Center, Cooper, Mattice; guards, Bookhout, Schmitter, Thomas, Carver; tackle, Beardsley, Carver, Slack; ends, Price, Weed, Mallery, '98, Robinson; quarter, Smith, Robinson, Strong; halves, Messmer, Crichton, Mallery, 1901, Sylvester; fullback, Hoxie, Messmer, Mallery.

Manager Turner has announced the following schedule for the team: Sept. 25, Albany Y. M. C. A. team on the campus; Oct. 2, Hamilton college on the campus; Oct. 9, New Jersey Athletic club at Ridgefield, Albany; Oct. 16, Laureate Boat club of Troy at Troy; Oct. 23, Syracuse university at Syracuse; Oct. 27, Princeton university at Princeton; Oct. 30, Rutgers college at Ridgefield, Albany; Nov. 3, Laureate Boat club of Troy on the campus; Nov. 6, Colgate University at Hamilton; Nov. 13, Buffalo Football club at Toronto, Canada; Nov. 20, Hobart college at Ridgefield, Albany.

The Incoming Class--1901.

The class of 1901 entered with a membership of about 50. Although this is rather smaller than in previous years, they have been selected from a much larger number of less well prepared applicants. The usual increase in the percentage of classical students is maintained this year, and the bar and the pulpit prospectively are well represented.

An alphabetical list of the names of the Freshmen follows: Claude Adams, Amsterdam; Roy Edwin Argensinger, Johnstown; John Winthrop Ayrault, Fairport; Henry James Bahler, Saugerties; Charles Joseph Bennett, Amsterdam; Lewis S. Benton, Phelps; Robert Andrew Bowden, Mont Pleasant; Horatio Jones Brown, Schenectady; James Walton Cheeseborough, Biltmore, N. C.; Joseph Harvey Clements, Schenectady; Guy Bain Collier, Kinderhook; Peter Winne Finger, Saugerties; Herbert L. Fuller, Waterport; Walker Miller Gage, Johnstown; Arthur Spencer Golden, Rensselaerville; George Hackett, Utica; George Patrick Harran, Schenectady; Clayton J. Heermance, Hudson; Wilfred Day Hodgson, Binghamton; Edward H. Keller, Schenectady; Louis Clifton Kerker, Florence, S. C.; Ernest Klipphahu, Norfolk, Neb.; John Anderson Laing, Andes; Thomas Frederick Leavenworth, Amsterdam; John Ludden, Troy; Levi Lewis Lumenski, Fairport; Everett Turner Mallery, Middleburg; John Barnard Mattice, Middleburg; John McNab, Troy; Neil Gilmour Medbery, Ballston; Robert Lee Merriman, Albany; Charles P. Messner, Schenectady; James Wadsworth Miller, Johnstown; Russell Hubbard Nevins, Stamford, Conn.; Charles Andrew Reynolds, Ouray, Col.; Arthur Henry Robinson, Brandon, Vt.; Robert Hayard Robinson, Brandon, Vt.; John G. Schumacher, Schenectady; William Francis Sheehan, Troy; George LeRoy Shelly, Amsterdam; Earl Brown Slack, Groton; William Purdy Smith, Newark; Edwin James Travis, Johnstown; Robert Bruce Trummond, Fairport; Richard F. Warner, Rochester; Charles Porter Wagner, Albany; Leroy J. Weed, Binghamton; Wellington Eugene Wormer, Middleburg; Thomas Herbert Wright, Andes.

The New Athletic Field.

The movement for the new athletic field which has been under way for the past few months is one of great importance to the college. Considerable progress has been made and the outlook is such as to warrant strong expectations of an early accomplishment of the work if the alumni who have not yet contributed will do so at an early date.

All those in touch with athletic affairs will at once see of how much value such a field will be to the college. With the present population of Schenectady, in which there are so many college men from almost every institution in the land, to be attracted to well equipped athletic grounds, the new field will of a certainty remove athletics from that depressing condition of everlasting deficit. If that were the only gain, it would be worth a great sacrifice to obtain. But with better finances will come a great increase in our athletic powers and reputation and our name will be known at a greater distance than ever.

Subscriptions to the new athletic field:

Proceeds of lecture by "Eli Perkins" (Melville D. Landon, '61).....	\$95 90
St. Clair McKelway, LL. D. (his special request)	25 00
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John L. Schoolcraft.....	6 00
Hon. Warner Miller, '60.....	25 00
Col. Charles E. Sprague, '60	10 00
Total acknowledged.....	\$260 00
Total contributions so far.....	\$735 00

In the second issue after this will be published the contributions from the class of '76. Other classes will be bulletined in succeeding issues.

Some Faculty Changes.

The following faculty changes for the college year, have been announced by President Raymond:

Prof. T. S. Wright will have general direction of mathematics and physics and will eventually fill either the chair of mathematics or physics when another professor has been chosen. Since much of his time will be given to the teaching of mathematics, an assistant in physics has been provided and Mr. Frank S. Thompson has been appointed to the instructorship for the current year. Mr. Thompson graduated from Princeton in the class of '94, with the degree of A. B., taking the experimental science fellowship in physics. He then entered the post-graduate department of the Engineering school at Princeton, and in June last received the degree of electrical engineer. During the summer months he has been employed on constructive work with the firm of J. G. White & Co.

Under the rule of the board of trustees, Prof. J. H. Stoller has been given leave of absence for one year, for travel and study in Europe. Prof. Stoller and family are now in Germany where they will remain until the beginning of the next college year. Dr. A. A. Tyler has been appointed as instructor in biology during Prof. Stoller's absence. Dr. Tyler is a graduate of Lafayette college in the class of '92, taking the degree of A. B., and was appointed Latin salutatorian, one of the highest honorary appointments of his class. After graduating he was appointed instructor at Lafayette and left to take up post-graduate work in biology in Columbia university, New York city. He has just completed this special course, taking the degree of Ph. D. last June. Dr. Tyler is eminently fitted for the work before him at Union.

Mr. John W. H. Pollard has been appointed to the instructorship in physical culture, made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Linhart. Mr. Pollard graduated from Dartmouth in 1894 with the degree of B. L. Throughout his whole college course he was prominent in athletics, playing on the football team and the track team. After taking his degree at Dartmouth, he entered

Dr. Sargent's Harvard school of physical culture and after graduating from this school, began his work as a teacher in the west. Mr. Pollard is full of enthusiasm over his special subject and will be a great help to the athletic interests of the college.

The new instructor in civil engineering to take the place of Mr. Cummings, is Mr. Edward B. Kay, a graduate of the Rensselaer Polytechnic institute, of Troy, in the class of '83. He was instructor in the same institution for two years after graduation, when he went into professional work and has been engaged for the last twelve years in many important engineering enterprises, especially in the west, such as the drainage system, the inclined railway, the Waldo Park railway and the drainage system of the Armour Packing Co., Kansas City, Mo. In the east he has been connected with the waterworks system in several towns in Pennsylvania. His long experience in practical work adds greatly to the efficiency which he showed as a teacher during his engagement at the institute in Troy.

The important position as instructor in electrical engineering has been given to Dr. Byron B. Brackett, who graduated from Syracuse university in 1890 and from Johns Hopkins in 1897 with the degree Ph. D. Dr. Brackett has had several years' experience as a teacher, but comes directly to us from Johns Hopkins, where he has been doing special work for three years in electrical engineering. Under his direction it is confidently expected that this new and important part will grow rapidly.

Mr. H. K. Webster has been appointed to the instructorship in the department of rhetoric and logic, held last year by Dr. Reeves. Mr. Webster is a graduate of Hamilton and has shown marked ability both as a writer and speaker.

First College Meeting.

The first college meeting of the year was held last Monday morning in the chapel, and favorable reports were made on every department of student effort. A pleasant feature of the occasion was a brief address from Mr. Pollard. At the meeting next Monday morning the question of a geneaol honor system will come up for adoption.

New Committees Appointed.

The following standing committees of the faculty have been appointed for the ensuing year:

Education and Curriculum—Professors Ripton, Whitehorne, Wells, Perkins, Ashmore, Truax, Wright, Hoffman, Landreth, Stoller, Hale and Prosser.

Library—Professors Landreth, Truax and Ashmore.

Catalogue—Professors Hale and Ashmore and Instructor Opdyke.

Scholarships—Professors Ripton and Winans and Instructor Bennett.

Athletics—Professors Mosher and Perkins and Instructor Pollard.

Rules—Professors Ashmore, Wright and Hoffman.

Preparatory Schools—Instructors Bennett, Opdyke, McKenzie, Brackett, Kay, Pollard, Tyler, Webster and Thompson.

Senior Class—Professors Hale, Landreth and Winans.

Junior Class—Professors Perkins and Mosher and Instructor Bennett.

Sophomore Class—Professors Whitehorne and Pepper and Instructor Opdyke.

Freshman Class—Professors Hoffman and Walker and Instructor Thompson.

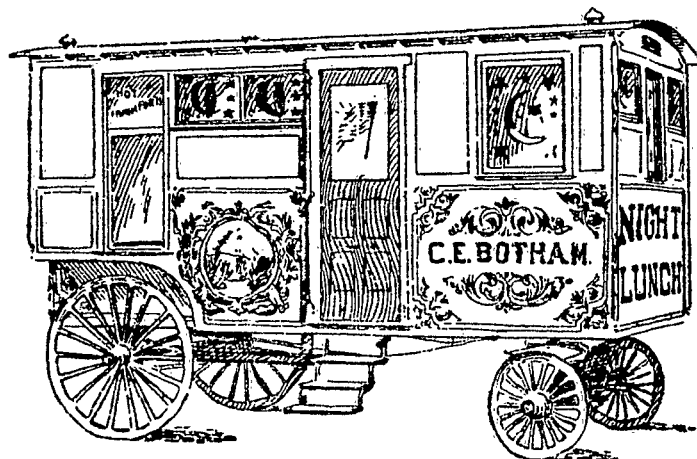
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The New Rule for College Meetings.

At a meeting held June 17th, the Faculty adopted the following regulations:

1. On Monday mornings, chapel services shall be held at 8 o'clock, no recitations being scheduled for that hour, and the portion of the hour remaining after the service shall be given to the students for a college meeting each week.

2. The recitations displaced by the college meeting shall be put at any convenient time during the day.

3. No part of the scheduled hours of recitation, except as provided by this faculty rule, shall be given for a college meeting for any purpose whatsoever.

Amusements.

The attractions to appear at the Van Curler soon include Jerome's comedians in "A Jay in New York" Friday of this week, and the English comedienne Bessie Bonehill and a company of 50 people in the operatic comedy "Little Monte Cristo" Saturday, Sept. 25. On Monday, Sept. 27, the famous Wilbur Opera company with Susie Kirwin will commence a week's engagement, appearing in a repertoire of standard operas.

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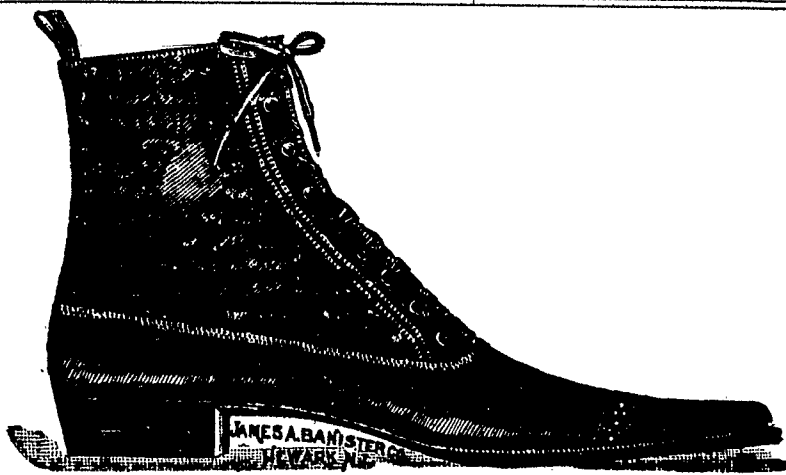
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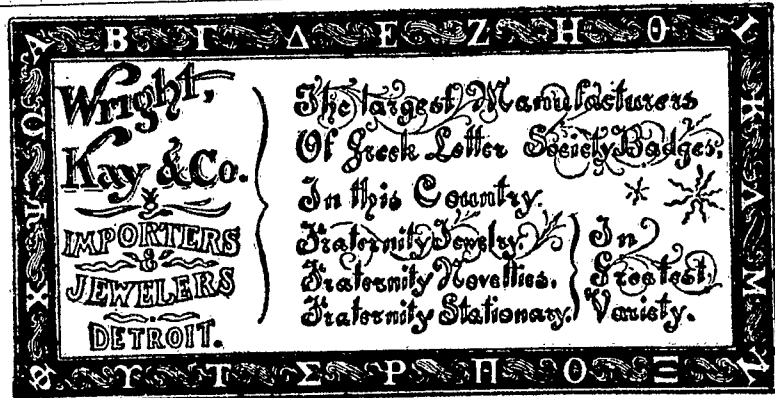
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