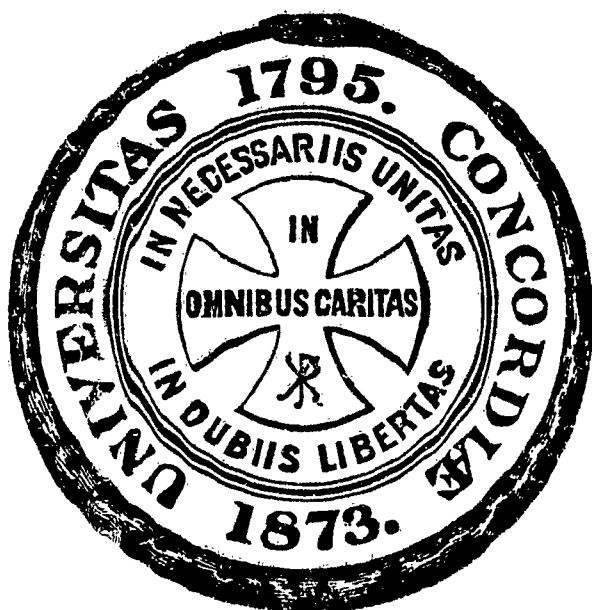


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PRAISE FOR THE DUTCH.

President Raymond tells Holland's Sons of Holland's Virtues.

The annual dinner of the Holland society was held in the Astoria, New York city, last week and among the leading speakers present was President Raymond. His speech on "The Dutchman as an Enemy" was a particularly happy one, being pronounced by those present to be one of the finest ever listened to on any similar occasion.

In introducing President Raymond, according to the Mail and Express of Jan. 13, Mr. Vrooman said he announced on request that there was no better college anywhere than Union college, and that he could announce on his own knowledge that there was no better president. Dr. Raymond's sallies were appreciatively received. He spoke in part as follows:

"When one has been rocked in a Dutch cradle, baptized with a Dutch name, caressed with a Dutch slipper, nursed on Dutch history and fed on Dutch theology, he always accepts an invitation from the Holland Society. It is now four years since I had the privilege of speaking my mind freely about the Dutch, and in the meantime so much mind (or is it only speech?) has accumulated that the present opportunity is a merciful interposition of providence for me. These years have brought a change of residence, for, whereas, I used to live in Albany, I now live in Schenectady, which is like moving from The Hague to Leyden, or, in other words, getting further into the heart of Dutchdom. Nowhere else is Dutch written with a larger D than in the city which I now call my home—with Lisha's Kill on one side, Rotterdam on another, Amsterdam on a third and a real dike on the fourth. * * *

"Some become enemies because of their spleen, others because of their total depravity, and others still because they insist upon standing upright when some one wants them to lie down and be stepped on. That is the meaning of backbone in this world of human strife, and if from time to time it has made enemies out of peace-loving Dutchmen, there has been something about their enmity that has commanded respect and not a little gratitude, for it is the kind of enmity that makes the world more tolerable as a place of temporary abode. If no one resisted tyrants and thieves and heretics and franchise grabbers, corner lots would soon drop in price. It is the fight in the man who will not be stepped on that determines the progress of civilization, and that is why civilization owes so much to the Dutchman. He may not be aggressive, enterprising, inventive, but his powers of resistance are superb, and it is sometimes better to hold fast than to be fast, and so Providence seems always to have put him in the front wherever any great battle was to be fought for the preservation of human rights. * *

"We have institutions and principles and rights and privileges in this country that are constantly being attacked, and it is time for the backbone which the Dutch have given America to assert itself. Hospitality ceases to be a virtue when it means the destruction of the Lares and Penates of our firesides. When a guest insists upon sitting at the head of the table, it is time for the host to become 'hostis.'

"What America needs in this new year of grace is not less hospitality toward friends, but more hostility toward intruders. There is no more portentous war cloud hanging over Europe today than that which hangs over this western land; and, the war which it threatens is nothing less than a struggle for the supremacy of American ideas and American principles; not a war of conquest, but a war of defense and self-preserva-

tion. The spirit of the age is iconoclastic. It seeks to destroy sacred memorials, hallowed associations, holy shrines—all that speaks of the faith and worship of a God-fearing past. The spirit of the age is cynical, irreverent, faithless. Against this and all despoiling forces are we as patriots called to arms.

"For what does America stand? What truths have entered into her blood and made her strong, beautiful, dominant? The divineness of human rights, the claims of a man superior to the claims of property, popular government—not an oligarchy, popular government, not a dictatorship—the sacredness of the home, the holiness of the sanctuary, faith in humanity, faith in God—without these there would have been no America. Without these there can be no America; and, because they are attacked, the need of the hour is a patriotism that breathes again the spirit of the people, who, above all others in history, have known how to keep their land, their honor and their faith. The mission of little Holland is not ended so long as America needs the inspiration of her example, the devoted citizenship of her sons."

The "Quad" Dance.

The "Quad" held another delightful dance at Yates' boat house, Friday evening, Jan. 14. Music was furnished by Zita and refreshments by Doberman.

Those present were: Miss Vincent, Poughkeepsie; Miss Murdock, Pittsburg; Miss Calvert, Maryland; Miss Strang, New York; Miss Kline, Amsterdam; Miss Esseltyne, Hudson; and from the city, Mrs. Price and the Misses Williams, Curtis, Lewis, Price, DeForest, Miller, Kingsbury, Walker, Strain, Horstman, Campbell, Yates, Veeder and Beattie and the Messrs. Turner, Strong, W. Yates, P. B. Yates, S. Medbury, W. Merriman, P. Merriman, Foote, F. Wright, Sylvester, Paige, Kirby, Bender, Kline, Warner, Nevins, Parsons, Van Vlack, Miles, Lawrence, Loucks, Leavenworth, N. Medbury and Vrooman.

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Ninety-Nine's Garnet.

The editorial board of the '99 Garnet announce that the book this year will show a decided advance over all previous issues. The book will be handsomely bound in garnet with gilt top and untrimmed edges. An edition of 400 volumes will be published and the price has been fixed at \$1.25. The art department, in charge of Mr. Lawrence, and the literary department in charge of Mr. Hinman, are both far above the average both in the quality and the amount of matter secured. The first sheets will go to press next Monday and the book will be out within a few weeks.

Last Sunday's Meeting.

Rev. Walter H. Waygood, pastor of the East Avenue Presbyterian church of this city, gave an informal but very interesting talk in chapel last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Waygood used as the leading topic of his discourse, Romans viii, 30, "Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called; and whom he called, them he also justified; and whom he justified, them he also glorified."

In his opening remarks he treated the doctrine of predestination in a very comprehensive and lucid manner, and laid especial stress on justification. He recommended a frequent perusal of the parable of the prodigal son. The twofold nature of sin, enters largely into man's experience. He commits a sin of commission and while engaged in that, some important means of development of his better nature has been neglected. Thus the sinner not only is farther from justification because of his sin, but for the same specific reason he has failed to make the advance toward it he should have done, because the means of advancement has been neglected while engaged in sin.

The twofold character of Christ wholly counteracts these deteriorating influences. He did no sin himself and yet he suffered for our sins. Hence the twofoldness of our sin is washed away by Christ's blood.

It is most difficult for man to realize the extraordinary responsibility of one man in bearing the sin of the whole world. We could comprehend it better by a comparison which though unusual yet serves its purpose. Could Queen Victoria by a death of suffering free the insect world from sin, if that comparison were possible, the difference would be no greater than Christ dying on the cross for our sin.

Joe—What became of Ryter, who used to do so many pretty verses in our college paper?

Eli—Why, haven't you heard? He has become famous as the poet laureate of the Porcine Soap company.—Harlem Life.

Notes from Other Colleges.

Sixty-five men have worked their way through Yale in the past six years.

At Columbia ten minutes is allowed for students to pass from one recitation to another.

President Schurman, of Cornell university, has expressed willingness to establish a course in road making if funds are forthcoming.

The faculty of the University of Cincinnati is engaged in a squabble with the students over a proposed faculty censorship of the college press.

W. H. Howell, '99, medical, has been elected captain of the 'varsity crew of the University of Pennsylvania, in place of Samuel Boyle, resigned.

A bust of the late General Francis A. Walker of economic fame, has been presented to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, by the undergraduates.

The Athletic association of the University of Pennsylvania is trying to raise \$60,000 to build an athletic club house. Over one-half that amount has been secured.

The freshmen at the University of Pennsylvania, have adopted a class pipe. This is a violation of college custom and the sophomores, supported by the upper classes, have forbidden their use on the university premises.

Yale extended an invitation to Cornell to race this year at New London, and Cornell accepted on the condition that she be allowed to name the place next year. Yale refused to accept that condition and the probability of a triangular race this year is doubtful.

The Cercle Francaise of Harvard, has been presented by its president, J. H. Hyde, '98, with a fund of \$30,000, to establish an annual lecture course on French literature, art and history. Rene Doumic, literary critic of the "Reven des Deux Mondes," will give the course of eight lectures this year on "French Romanticism." The lectures will be given in French.

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IN spite of all that has been said on the subject, there are still several misguided denizens of the dormitory sections who make a practice of emptying the contents of their ashpans into the halls. Those persons that continue such a nuisance after once having their attention called to it, are open to the suspicion that something was lacking in their early training. Their present opportunities avail them little.

ATTENTION is called to the announcement appearing in another column of the Century's offer of prizes to college graduates. The announcement has probably been seen before by all the readers of this paper, but we give it space hoping that some laggard genius may decide to become a contestant; and so deciding, do a little experimenting on the college press. The Century editors tell us that "The department of our literature perhaps most in need of stimulus is that of the essay." There's a suggestion. Sit down and write an essay. And if it is not accepted, there still is left

the consolation that it may be handed in sometime when other duties are pressing, for a first, second or third grade.

AN undergraduate contemporary has been so thoughtless as to publish figures showing the faculty attendance at chapel in the institution it represents. Need we state what those figures discovered? And figures never lie. But our astute contemporary should not forget that chapel had probably been once "passed up" by the honorable and august body assailed, long years ago when chapel was nothing short of church, as the saying goes.

ACTING upon the suggestion of Dr. Jones, the senior class has established a most commendable precedent in the matter of presentation of books to the college library. Instead of the regular purchase of individual text books in sociology this term, the members of '98 each contributed a fixed amount, the sum of which will be invested in books pertaining to economic and sociological subjects. The selection of the books is to be made by Dr. Jones. They remain the property of the class during the term and are then to be turned over to the library. By this means quite a number of volumes will be added to a department of the library at present rather weak. By similar action on the part of other classes this could easily become a source of income to the library of no mean importance. Nor need the scheme be limited wholly to the department of sociology.

THE man who regularly slips out of chapel Monday mornings, before college meetings, with a self complacent smile on his face, need consult no palmist concerning his present or future. He may fancy he is clever but any honest student will disillusion him. It is the same cleverness he uses when dodging an athletic subscription or a pay game on the campus; the artfulness that borrows a comrade's books and papers; the cunning that feeds upon unfair advantage in the classroom; the craftiness of acute selfishness. But he is known. With all his trickery he deceives no one.

So much for the undergraduate.

When such a fellow gets out into the world he becomes the alumnus that scoffs at his Alma Mater; he becomes the citizen that does not vote; whatever his calling he remains the skinflint.

He is now, and he will be then, a good man to avoid.

Alumni Notes.

Congressman Wallace T. Foote, '85, one of the board of trustees, has returned from a pleasure trip to Europe.

The engagement has recently been announced of Guy Miller, '94, the son of ex-Senator Warner Miller, '60, and Miss Margurite Lansing of Watertown,

Robert C. Alexander, '80, editor of the Mail and Express, was one of the speakers at the fourteenth semi-monthly dinner of the Campfire club at the Hotel Vendome, New York, Saturday, Jan. 8.

General Daniel Butterfield, '49, gave an address on the life and work of Ezra Cornell, founder of Cornell University and his intimate friend, before an audience of a thousand persons, in the University Armory on Tuesday, January 11, "Founders' Day."

The annual dinner of the New England Alumni association will be held at Hotel Tuilleries, Boston, on February ninth. Dr. Winchester Donald, successor to Phillips Brooks, as rector of Trinity church, will be a guest and speaker. Among other prominent men Dr. Edward Everett Hale will be present.

General Horace Porter, LL. D., '64, the United States Ambassador to France, gave a dinner January 9, at which were present Mme. Carnot, widow of President Carnot, the Turkish and Chinese ambassadors, Princess Isenburg-Brinstein, the Duc d'Anerstaedt, Grand Chancellor of the Legion of Honor, and others.

Sophomore Soiree.

It has been decided to hold the annual sophomore soiree in the Van Curler opera house as usual this year, the event to take place on the evening of February 18. Giocia will probably furnish the music. The committee is an unusually active one and the dance will be one of the best of any held for years. The tickets of admission will be at the usual price, \$3.50.

Minor Topics.

J. W. Ayrault, 1901, has left college.

Smith, '99, was at Fort Edward last week.

Minken, 1901, spent Sunday with his parents in Albany.

T. B. Brown, ex-'98, is confined to his home in this city.

Tinning, 1900, spent Sunday at his home in Pattersonville.

Prof. Opdyke has decided to excuse first men from his Algebra examination.

Owing to the absence of Prof. Ashmore on Wednesday his classes did not meet.

Wormer, 1901, who was injured recently in the gymnasium, is rapidly improving.

Mr. J. W. Falk of Hudson, N. Y., was the guest for a few days of Heermance, 1901.

The A. B. and L. S. freshmen algebra divisions were examined last Wednesday.

A number of students attended a dance given by the Nu Delta Sigma fraternity at Albany last Friday evening.

Cullen, '98, has resigned from the Adelpic debating team. Breeze, '99, has been elected instead.

The general engineering division of the senior class will design a sewerage system for the village of Middleburgh, N. Y.

The sophomore soiree committee held a meeting at the Alpha Delta Phi house, Friday, Jan. 14, at which the chairmen of the sub-committees made their reports.

Messrs. Hoxie, '98; Wilson, '99; Bonesteel, '99, and Thomson, 1900, were guests at a reception given last week by the Misses Bates at their home on Jay street.

Dunham, 1900, entertained a number of his friends at his home Wednesday evening. Gage, 1901, secured the gentleman's prize at progressive euchre.

The last college dance before the soiree is to be held this evening, when the members of the Chi Psi fraternity will entertain their friends at Yates' boathouse. Giocia of Albany, will furnish the music.

Gailey, the ex-foot ball centre of Princeton, who will enter the missionary field in China when his theological course is completed, will be at the college Y. M. C. A. January 25 and 26 in the interest of the Student Volunteer movement.

The students have been enjoying the skating on the river during the week. The ice in the main river opposite the city, with last week's thaw broke up, but in the Bennekill and the several branches of the main river the ice remaining intact has been in good condition for skating.

The students were well represented at the reading Monday evening, given by Clyde Fitch, the dramatist. Mr. Fitch is a graduate of Amherst, in the class of '86, and was for many years a resident of this city. Tuesday afternoon he was entertained by the members of the Chi Psi fraternity of which he is a member.

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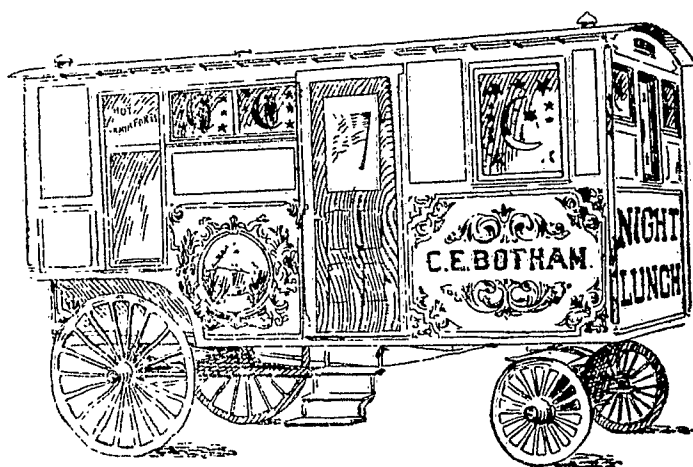
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The remainder of the season of the musical organizations bids fair to outshine the successes that have been met with thus far. The prospects of the Lansingburgh concert, held Thursday night, were most flattering and both Manager Sinclair and his assistant, Mr. Vander Veer, are to be congratulated. After the concert the organizations were handsomely entertained by the Riverside club. The Amsterdam concert will be given on the evening of February 11, at the opera house in that city. The Amsterdam alumni and undergraduates are using every effort to make the affair a success.

Early in April the organizations will make their annual New York tour, spending a week on the road. On this trip, Hudson, Newburgh, Poughkeepsie and Kingston will be also visited. The Albany concert will be repeated sometime in May.

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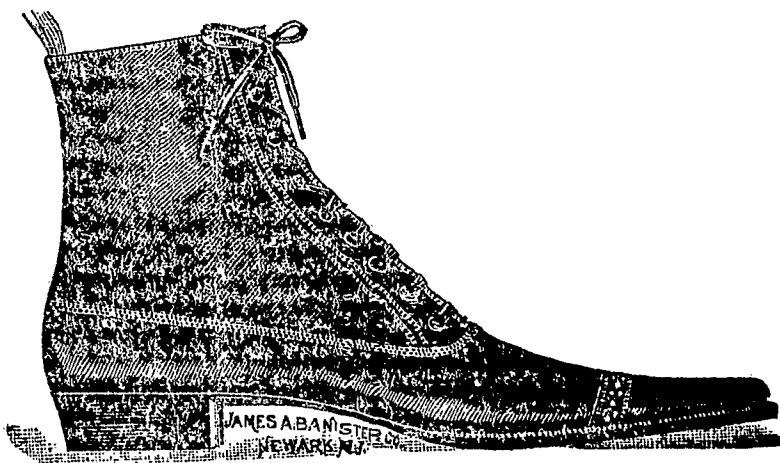
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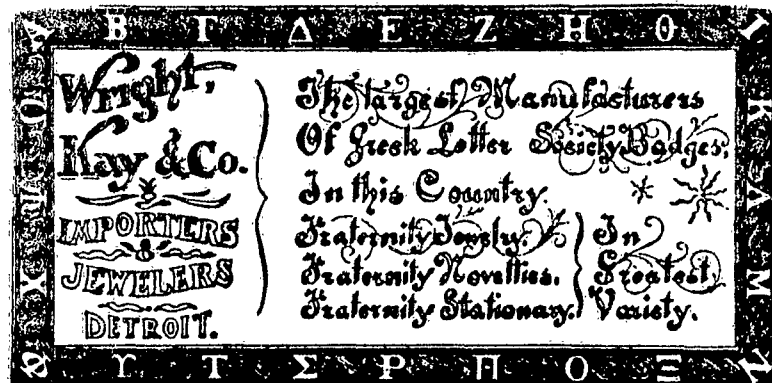
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