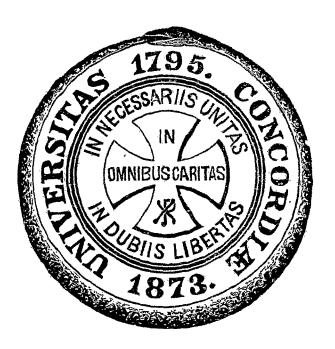
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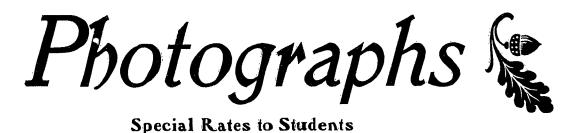
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WESTERN EXPERIENCES

Union Man Tells of Cow Punching There

Last year I wrote a short article for the Concordiensis in which I told in a brief way about my work in connection with the grazing problems of the state of Washington. During the past season my time was spent in taking care of the government experiment station in the Wenatchee Mountains, twenty-six miles north from Ellensburg; and in inspecting a number of large pastures in that general vicinity. The object in inspecting these pastures was to ascertain as nearly as possible the carrying capacity of the stock ranges of that region, and also to learn the best methods for handling stock in such areas. As the total area of the pastures aggregated some 200,000 acres the greater part of my time was spent in the saddle. The best way to give an idea of this work and incidentally to give some idea of the life of a cattleman will be to tell of one of these trips of inspection.

On the tenth of June I left Ellensburg for the Wenatchee Mountain station with a saddle-horse and pack-horse, the latter carrying three weeks' rations, a roll of blankets, a cooking outfit, a five by seven camera, and a portfolio for collecting botanical specimens. On reaching the station I found that, except for some klootchmen (Indian women) who we're camped there, that I was the first arrival since the snow had left. These Indians come to this place every year to dig "ahnne puss" (a species of Claytonia) and "Cammas," the bulbs of which they use for food.

After spending three days in looking over the station I started on a short trip to visit some of the nearby cattle ranges. One of these, belonging to Messrs. Cook and Bull of Ellenburg. I was especially anxious to see. These men had purchased some 30,000 acres the year previous; and were just completing the twenty-eight miles of

fence necessary to enclose it from the outside range. This pasture had been very badly overgrazed in the past few years by nomadic sheep and was consequently in a very bad state of depletion. I had therefore promised to ride over this range with the owners in order to suggest methods of improvement.

I reached their camp in the middle of the afternoon some five days later. As they were evidently away at work somewhere I unsaddled my horses and turned them out to graze, and, after getting something to eat, started out to do some botanizing. On returning to camp about sundown I found that Mr. Bull and his cow puncher had gotten back and were getting supper. About eight o'clock Mr. Cook and his two boys arrived and we all had supper. After planning the next days work we all turned in for the night. They had just finished fencing and the next day were going to begin "riding their range" to "cut out the stray cattle" that had gotten in before the fence was completed, and to gather the stock that was to be branded. As I could see their range to the best advantage by riding with them I told them that they could count on me as an extra man.

The next morning we got up about five o'clock. As soon as breakfast was over and we could get saddled up we started out in three parties, each party having a definite area to cover in order that no cattle should be missed. Our object in this ride was to gather all "strays" (cattle not belonging to Cook & Bull, easily recognized by having brands not used by these men), all the stock to be branded, and all dry cows that were fat enough for beef. About noon all three parties arrived at the place where the strays were to be sorted out and we commenced "cutting." was done by three of the party holding bunch—some three hundred head—while the other three cut out. In cutting out one of the

men rode into the bunch until he found an animal that was to go out. He then gradually worked the animal toward the edge of the bunch where by making a quick jump with his horse he would separate it from the bunch. Before it could get back one of the others would jump his horse in between the animal and the bunch and turn it back. They would then chase it into the stray bunch which the third one held from getting back to the main bunch. After the strays had been cut out, and the cattle that were not wanted had been turned back, the remainder were driven into the holding pasture—a small pasture of three hundred acres where the stock could be held until wanted. We then went back to camp and after getting lunch and changing saddle horses, started out on another ride in which the morning's work was repeated. By the time we had gotten through and had eaten supper it was midnight. The next day was a repetition of the first.

On the third morning we gathered all the stock in the holding pasture and drove them into the corrals. After they were all corraled we began branding, taking the calves first as they were the easiest. One of the men would rope and throw the calf and hold it down while another would brand and mark it. The marking consisted in ear marking, or cutting a definite shaped piece from either the right or the left ear (each brand having its own ear mark) and in dewlapping. In this state the cattlemen not only use brands and earmarks but they also use dewlaps to help identify their stock, thus it next to impossible for a "cattle rustler" to change all the marks without getting caught. Dewlapping consists in cutting a narrow strip of the hide in such a manner that it will hang down in a kind of a string, each man using a different place or method in cutting his dewlap. After the calves were finished the fun began. Messrs. Cook and Bull had been buying several hundred head of cattle and a large number of these were to be rebranded. These included one, two, and three year old steers and cows. Nowadays it is customary to drive the larger animals that are to be branded into a chute where the work can be done with very little trouble, and with very little wear and tear on the animals themselves. As we had no chute and as the corral was too rough for a horse to be used advantageously we went after them on foot. One of us would catch an animal either by the front feet or by the horns and then make a quick snub of the other end of the rope around one of the logs of the corral. As soon as the animal was snubbed someone else would catch it by the hind feet and throw it. The animal was then tied down until it was branded and marked. After it was branded the ropes were taken off and it was allowed to get up again. In this work we were obliged to keep our eyes open for they would quite frequently "get on the peck" (get mad and want to fight.) Whenever that happened we would all make a scramble for the fence until they should cool off. Once I was just going to rope a calf when the cowpuncher yelled for me to look out. I looked around and saw a cow ready to toss me. I made a quick dodge just in time to prevent it. A little later a steer started for one of the other men. He tried to get away but stumbled and fell, and the steer not having time to stop, went on over him. Before the steer could turn the man was on the fence with the rest of us. Another time a cow got Mr. Cook behind a tree and kept chasing him around until one of the boys caught her and snubbed her up so quick that she stood on her head, which diverted her attention long enough for him to join the rest of us in our usual place of retreat. These little incidents are common occurences in the life of a cattle man and simply give a little spice to the work and help to break the monotony.

We finished branding about noon the next day, and then started to ride the lower end of the pasture, some fifteen miles down the canyon. On this trip Mr. Cook and myself made the long ride, following down the canyon nearly to the Columbia River and then climbing up onto the range of low mountains that ran back toward camp. This ride (of some thirty or more miles) was made partly to be sure that there were no cattle at the extreme end of the pasture and partly to enable me to see the more arid portions of their range

and plan experiments with Mr. Cook for its improvement. We caught up with the rest about six o'clock and helped them drive the cattle back to camp. Fortunately it was a moonlight hight for by the time that we had gotten the strays cut out and gotten supper it was after one o'clock. We got up again about four and after completing the branding, broke camp. They were going to drive a bunch of cattle to the valley but as it would take them until the next morning I went on ahead, reaching Ellensburg in time for supper.

J. S. COTTON.

UNION WINS

Defeats R. P. I. in Relay Race

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team this winter for an indoor, intercollegiate track event and last Wednesday easily won from R. P. I. in a one-mile relay race. The occasion was the big athletic carnival in the Troy Armory held under the auspices of the Troy Central Y. M. C. A. Several colleges, schools, Y. M. C. A.'s, Athletic Clubs and Military Companies competed in the numerous events including the high jump, shot put, novice and handicap runs and relay races.

Yale captured the mile run, and high jump, and Williams the shot put and 600 yard run. Union's entries were confined to the relay race with R. P. I. For this event we had entered Norwood, Von Dannenberg, Waldron, Hafley, McNab and Shutler. These six men had shown up so evenly in practice that up to the day of the meet it was a toss up which four would be picked to run. The final choice of the runners was based on their experience more than anything else and McNab, Norwood, Von Dannenberg and Waldron were selected to run in the order named. Each man ran his best, increasing the lead with each relay and when Waldron finished the race for Union, Gifford, R. P. I.'s crack man, was over fifty yards behind.

By winning this race the team won for themselves individual medals, and for the college, a silver cup.

DR. STEINMETZ LECTURES

Great Scientist Gives an Interesting Talk

The week's regular Tuesday evening lecture was given by Dr. Steinmetz, who spoke on "Science and Engineering." The lecture was well attended, there being present besides the faculty and students a number from the Electric works.

The talk was based upon the development of facts, laws and theories and how upon these both science and engineering, which are so closely related, are based. He said in part:

"All modern science is based on experiences. Foundation of all science and applied science, or engineering is the imperical facts discovered by experiment or accident. Facts are the fundaments of our scientific knowledge. The great number of facts on which science is based makes necessary the classification of these facts and their arrangement into imperical laws.

"In representing facts by theories we really add things, for we always have the co-ordination of the facts concerned and also something else. In the case of the Newtonian and the later theories of light, each one contains some fact, with the addition of other supposed facts, which render the theory not a law. Most chemical theories are of this nature.

"In the consideration of electrical laws, electricity is measured always by the product of quantities. Though the product of these gives a real physical quantity, the quantities which make up the product are nothing but mathematical fiction. In explaining the production of electromotive force the idea of a magnet cutting the lines of force in a magnetic force is a very useful picture, as far as it reaches, but after all it is nothing more than a picture and there are cases where the idea does not apply.

"All theories must represent the effects following the facts which are stated. In ages ago the minds of people were different. People thought they could understand action across a distance. Now we do not believe in action except through a medium.

"After all a theory is only a tool, but cannot

be used for work outside that for which it was designed. Any mind can apply a theory to the work for which it was made, but the things which come outside the field of the theory is what is left for the engineer and scientist. The general trend of science now is to take things for granted. One theory is founded upon another without thorough investigation of that theory, until a theory is built up which varies farther and farther from the truth. On the other hand there is a tendency to change existing laws where there is no reason for doing so which will overcome the inconvenience, expense and tendency to mix up things, which will result.

"And so I have tried to show that experimental facts are represented by imperical laws, that from these laws are developed theories, and that on these facts, laws and theories are based science and engineering."

DEATH OF ALBON MAN

A Famous Inventor, Soldier and Lawyer

A recent issue of the Brooklyn "Eagle" says: "Albon Man, the eminent lawyer, soldier and inventor, died at the Hotel St. George, Saturday night, of paralysis, with which he was attacked last December. He had been in a semi-conscious condition for the past ten days and his death was peaceful."

Following this is more than a column, paying an eloquent tribute to the memory of a man whose life has been a signal success and has brought naught but honor to the name of his Alma Mater. We would quote more of the article but for lack of space.

Albon Man entered Union sixty years ago, graduating with that famous class of 1849, being one of the honor men of his class. He studied law and was in due time, admitted to the bar, where he was strikingly successful.

It was during his law practice that he received what he considered to be one of the most signal honors of his career. By his careful study of land titles, he was enabled to greatly extend the land benefits of the St. Regis tribe of Indians of

this state. For this service the tribe gave him an Indian name and made him one of its chiefs, the highest honor that it could bestow.

He enlisted immediately on the outbreak of the Civil War and served well. He left the army with the rank of major, though had he been at all ambitious, he might have risen much higher. His desire was to remain with his old comrades throughout the war.

After the close of the war, Major Man was put in charge of one of the bureaus of the National Treasury, later resuming the practice of his profession in New York, continuing this until a short time before his death. He was counsel for and manager of several large estates, among them, that of the Lorillards.

Eut he was even more noted for his activity along scientific lines. While a boy, he produced what were, in fact, photographs, long before others perfected the process. He suggested and stated the theories and methods of wireless telegraphy long before the practical illustration of its active operation." Fut probably his greatest scientific attainment was his work on the incandescent light known as the Sawyer Man Light. He received the degree of Ph. D. from Union.

After his death, forty of his personal friends and associates met at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn, and passed resolutions of appreciation and condolence. Among those present were Judge Augustus Van Wyck, John C. McGuire, Caleb S. Shepard, James S. Leeds and Col. Mallory of Alabama.

After the funeral services, the body was taken to Malone, Mr. Man's native place, for enterment.

ALUMNI.

Union University Alumni Association, Washington, D. C.

Through the courtesy of the University Club of Washington the first Monday of each month has been selected as "Union Night" at the Club. Portraits of Presidents Nott and Raymond have recently been hung on the walls of the club.

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'45.—Kasimir P. Jervis died at Nunda, N. Y., May 23, 1891.

'58.—Horace M. Dake may be addressed at Brookfield, Mo.

'59.—Rev. George D. B. Miller is pastor of St. Augustine's Church at St. Louis, Mo.

'60.—"William H. McElroy, a newspaper editor, has a supply of keen-edged non-sense and sense, which keeps people waiting through almost any number of what are called "filling in" speeches to hear what he has to say."—Everybody's Magazine, March, 1905.

'61.—"The Clover Club, of Philadelphia, exists for dinner-giving." "Grover Cleveland is the only guest of the club who was never "roasted." Yet the Clover Club has always been ready to settle down and listen to the speaker who has come with a forceful message. Former Postmaster General Smith has always been able to bring a hearing from it."—Everybodys Magazine, March, 1905.

'97.—The address of Rev. Alfred H. Birch is Amsterdam.

'98.—William A. P. Earls is in the coal business at Cincinnati, Ohio.

'01.—Wellington E. Van Wormer has resigned his position as principal of the Schaghticoke High School to accept that of the Mt. Vernon High School.

The Alumni Association of Albany and Northeastern New York will hold its annual smoker at Albany, March 3, 1905.

TELEPHONES

A highly interesting and instructive lecture was delivered before the senior and junior elec-

trical engineers Monday morning on "Tele-phones" by Mr. Baker of the General Electric Co.

The lecturer dwelt at length on the ilementary theory of telephones, taking up the work of Reis, Bell, Hughes and Dolbear.

The construction and operation of the magneto telephone was fully explained and illustrated by means of suitable apparatus. The flow of the electric current in the telephone was especially well shown.

The lecture is the first of a series to be delivered by the speaker on the same subject.

The Pattersonville Concert

Friday evening the Glee and Instrumental Clubs took the car to Hoffmans, were ferried across the Mohawk and found waiting for them three sleighs with plenty of straw and blankets; there followed a ride up-hill through drifts and pit-holes for about three miles to "The Church in the Valley by the Wildwood." When, on arriving, it was found that supper would come "after the concert," it was surprising with what alacrity the men donned their dress suits.

The church contained a good sized audience, most of them having come in sleighs and cutters from the surrounding farms. They were very appreciative and encores were plentiful.

The Glee Club and Quartette, in spite of the weariness caused by singing and yelling on the way up, made a very creditable appearance and were compelled to sing again and again.

The lack of a piano and the difficulty of getting in tune, coupled with some species of stage-fright caused the Instrumental Club to come so near to breaking down at one time that the leader called out, "Sh! play softly," which they were well able to do; but the audience didn't seem to notice any thing amiss.

The best part of the trip came after the concert; a country supper and plenty of it. The drive back was entirely down-hill, and the pitholes caused some exciting times. As a practice concert, it was a success, in showing just where the clubs need further practice.

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It was with great sorrow that we learned, early in the week of the death of Albon Man, one of Union's most illustrious sons. On another page we give a brief sketch of his life, a life of many sides but having all sides equally well turned.

WE KNOW THE STATE OF SHIPS

Mr. Man was an enthusiastic alumnus and, until the time of his sickness never failed to attend the alumni dinners in New York. He was well known about here until a comparatively short time ago, having been one of the lecturers in the Butterfield Lecture course.

Union, the foster mother, proud of and sorrowing for her lost one, extends her heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

In another part is published an article taken from the North American Review concerning the amount of work done by college students. It was written by a man standing high in the educational world and one who must needs know whereof he speaks.

We would recommend that the overworked and overburdened ones wander off in a corner and chew the cud of reflection for a short time over this article. The author takes as his example Harvard. We will admit that the number of hours of class room work which he assigns to Harvard is much smaller than that given here, and, consequently, the number of hours of preparation are less. But what of that? Are we so tremendously overworked and so cruelly downtrodden as we sometimes claim?

When, in years after, we pause a moment in our labors, what will be the thought? What is the thought now when we look back to our hard worked prep. school days? "How easy it all was." Just as in those old school days were we learning how to work, with a preparation for the harder work which has followed, so are we now but learning how to use ourselves and the time which

will be ours when once we say farewell to old Union and are left to strike out for ourselves.

This is the time of our preparation; the pleasantest and easiest time of our lives. Let us then work on, unmindful of our overworked condition, with the view of preparing ourselves thoroughly for what we are to meet, that we may but live to reflect honor upon Union, the proud mother of so many illustrious sons.

TRACK.

This winter we undertook to do some special track work. A dozen men or more trained for a one mile indoor relay race. The team won the race with a good bit to spare, and a new trophy has been placed in the trophy room in Silliman Hall. This shows not only that the college in general is displaying more interest than for some years in track athletics, but also that we have in college excellent material from which to develop a good track team in the spring.

There are three necessary elements that go to the making of a good representative colege team in any branch of athletics. They are; first, material to work on; second, college spirit enthusiastic and determined; third, good coaching. In contemplating the chances for track we must consider these three elements. As regards the first one, material, there is only one thing to be said—we have it. The whole of last year's team with the exception of one man is still in college and the class of 1908 contains more than its share of men of ability in this direction.

Now it takes determined and enthusiastic spirit or this material remains practically useless. A fair amount of spirit has already been shown this winter. This must continue and increase from now on. An opportunity for the college to show a decided increase in spirit will be the inter-class meet in the Armory, March 15th. We want this

meet to count for something, to surpass if possible the success of last year's meet. The program will consist of the regular track events and everyone will be given a chance to show what he can do. It takes the united efforts of many men to make good college spirit and that this element shall be used to the best advantage depends upon the college collectively and individually.

The third element, that of good coaching will not be lacking at Union this year. Dr. Towne has resigned as coach of the baseball team in favor of Mr. Cunningham and is to use his efforts from now on in coaching the track team only. Of course this means a lot for track athletics. In former years we have gone without the services of a permanent coach, a coach being hired only for a few weeks in the spring. Ae regards Dr. Towne's ability no one can fail to recognize it. He has already proved his worth in a practical manner, in the training of a victorious relay team. But what is more, he is with us all the time. He can watch and help a candidate in his work from now on through the entire season. Let every one realize this, and take advantage of the new condition of things. Give Dr. Towne and the team your support and slowly and together we will develop a team which will truly and successfully represent Old Union in the coming meets this spring.

CAPTAIN.

BASEBALL.

Captain Hagar has issued his first call for baseball candidates and regular work will be begun in the gym next Tuesday afternoon. It was not long ago that an appeal was made in these columns on this same subject but we feel that at this time too much can hardly be said upon it. Let us have a good squad out for the first day and keep that squad out for the rest of the days. We have received the cheerful news that no batting will be allowed in the new gym. Our

efforts must be confined to fielding work and a general loosening up. But get out and make the most of what is to be had. A few weeks indoors is a really wonderful help when once out-door work is commenced.

We want to make a good showing in base-ball this year, better than we have for the last few, and there is no reason why we shouldn't, provided that we go about it right. Our schedule shows a list of colleges with which we are pretty evenly matched. We should win a majority of the games. It's up to you. All out!

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

At Sunday's vesper service Dr. Ripton in the second of his series of talks on the prophets spoke on "Jonah, the Missionary Prophet." Dr. Ripton said in part: "The book has too many people become a mere stroy, a fish story if such a term could be applied to a book of the Bible, and when we think of it we think only of the remarkable part. People argue that it must be taken literally and discuss the size of a whale's throat, the action of the pieces of it's stomacin, etc., forgetting the lesson of Christ's rebuke to His disciples for taking things literally, as they appear on the surface.

We must beware of the man who insists on the non-essential things. We must also beware the man who stands by and criticises. The spirit of criticism does not wear in the world. Biblical criticism is important to our understanding of the Pible, but unless we make a business of it, it is better to spend our time building more positive things into our lives, incultivating the power of construction, not of destruction. The saints of the middle ages were splendid and wonderful men toward whom our hearts warm as we read their lives, yet they believed with all their hearts things we could not possibly accept as true. To quote from Prof. Adolph Hamack: "The Gospel in its simplicity means to believe that God, the powerful ruler of the universe is also our Father. It means that we get hold of this thought and ex-

perience its meaning, and hold fast to it as revealed in the person of Jesus Christ, who is spoken of by St. John in the fourth Gospel as the Way, the Truth, and the Life. And yet, upon this foundation, what variety of individual opinions may be reared and elaborated! On basis, one soul may hold as indispensible what does not even exist for another. To feel God near takes form to suit each personal temperment; so that what is necessary for one Christian may be an impossible experience for his neighbor. The orthodox man has this advantage over the man of heterodox beliefs. He has something taught on which to go ahead and work while the heterodox believer is likely to fill his life with zeros and minus signs.

The book of Jonah is an allegory which clothes some of the most beautiful thoughts of the Bible. Jonah's mission was to carry the message of the Lord to the people of Nineveh telling them: their city was to be destroyed. When he at length reached them and delivered it, the people repented and Jonah was angry because God had compassion upon them. The last verse of the book is extremely beautiful. 'And should I not spare Nineveh, that great city wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?' The story is a lesson of forgivness which goes far ahead of many of the books of the Old Testament in anticipating the spirit of the New."

The Tuesday evening service was led by Hitt, '06. The subject was, "What is Practical Christianity?"

Prof. Ellery will have charge of the Vesper service Sunday afternoon. His subject will be "The Healing of the Leper," a reading from Ben Hur.

The attendance at the Sunday metings, this term, has been up to the usual standard; but this is not enough, for the addresses have been unusually strong and inspiring. They are given by men who were once college students themselves, and they thus know how a college man thinks and how to present the Gospel message to him in a forcible manner. Many of those who

are regular in attendance have been heard to say that these Sunday afternoon talks were better than the average sermon; that the speaker seems to be talking right to you and he always says something that makes you think and that helps you to be a better man.

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If you haven't been attending these meetings come to Silliman Hall Sunday afternoon at five o'clock and then judge if you can spend the hour more profitably.

The Y. M. C. A. presidents' conference will be held March 30-April 2. The place has not been definitely decided, but probably they will meet at Williams college.

West, '05 will lead the prayer meeting next Tuesday night. The subject will be "Lessons From Failures."

THE FRENCH DRAMA

Prof. March Lectures Before the Shakespeare Club

Last Monday evening, before the members of the Shakespeare Club, Prof. March delivered a lecture on the French Drama. The lecture consisted mainly of a comparison between the French drama as exampled by Moliere and the Shakesperian drama.

He said in part:

The comparison between the greatest character in English comedy and teh greatest character in the French is an interesting one. Shakes-

peare's plays reached every one, or, as Emerson has it, "Shakespeare keeps up the credit of the human mind. But Moliere was a very different kind of man. His was a strong personality; he was a man of few words, a capital critic and easily the best comedian of his day. Shakespeare and Moliere are alike in that they both wrote very rapidly and out of a tremendous vitality.

Corneille, sometimes styled the greatest French tragedian, wrote the first great French comedy and Racine, himself a great tragedian, also closely followed the Latin models. Unlike the English, circumstances forced the French to confine their plays to one scene and the time to a few hours. As soon as the French became acquainted with Shakespeare how ever, all this was changed.

Returning now to our comparison, we remark a much more essential difference between the two playwrights, namely, a difference of manner. Shakespeare takes us to the heart of his characters but Moliere shows his from the outside. The Englishman believed firmly in the ultimate triumph of the good in human nature over the evil; Moliere made a man real, made him stand out before one, in short, he depicted people entirely from the outside. The Frenchman was not trying to keep up the credit of the human mind. Shakespeare always had a moral purpose in mind but Moliere tried to correct the petty faults of men. Moliere, though the greatest of the French dramatists, can in no way be compared to Shakespeare, who towers far above him.

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KAPPA ALPHA ENTERTAINS

Pleasant Informal Dance at the Lodge

The Kappa Alpha Society gave a small informal dance at its house on the hill, Friday, February 17. Reed, '06, furnished the music. Light refreshments were served about midnight and the party broke up slightly before 3 o'clock.

Those present were Mrs. E. E. Hale, jr., Mrs. W. C. Yates, the Misses Donnan and Foster of Troy, Schuyler of Albany, Case, Ostrom, Horstmann, Hoffman, Furman, McMullen, Button, Kitts, Drummond and Lundgren of Schenectady; the Messrs. Donnan, Whitcomb of Troy; Fiero and Woods, Albany; A. B. Lawrence, W. C. Yates, J. J. Lawrence, Briggs, Hampson, Jimpson, Gardiner and Spear of Schenectady, and the active chapter.

Should College Students Study?

There is an interesting article in the North American Review for February, by Charles F. Thwing, LL. D., president of Western Reserve University and Adelbert College. The subject of it is: "Should College Students Study?" He says, taking Harvard as an example, that the average student gives 26 hours a week to study, 12 of which are spent in the class room, leaving only 14 hours of actual study. Now the college should be a place of high aims, high opportunities and high spirits, it is a place for work as well as for freedom, association and good fellowship. Yet the number of men in this our greatest college, who do work as they ought, is discreditably small. Is the college not founded to save men from themselves? If men be indolent, is it not to show them the joy of labor, to reveal to them the opportunities of work, and to impress upon them the obligation of hard service. Most men of fifty would say that their college had not dealt fairly with them, if, receiving them at the age of 20 as her students, she had failed to oblige them to read the best books about the best things and to give hard thinking about hard subjects. Out of great struggles great men are born. Tolerance, courage, patience, power of

observation, judgment, honor, noble purpose, are among the qualities which are both cause and result of hard and constant labor. Such are the elements which constitute a great nation. The college is a trustee for the nation and should train its men to work and work hard. Thus, therefore, not a little may be urged in favor of permitting college men to work three or four hours a day. But more, very much more, may be said for their working at least 6 or 8 hours a day. Going to college and working little is good; going to college and working much is better, very good. One needs simply to consult and follow the laws of value. First things are to be made first, and secondary things are to be made second. The college student should, indeed, other than a student. But he should, at least, be a student, and a hard one, too.

Lecture and Reception

Dr. Wm. H. Tolman, director of the American Institute for social service in N. Y., gave an illustrated lecture on "The Homes and Workshops of the People" last evening in the chapel. The lecture was well attended by the students and faculty and various other people who are interested in the labors of the institute. Dr. Tolman gave a good description of the life of the workingman, both at home and in the workshop. This lecture was appreciated by all who attended at d all were loud in their praises of Dr. Tolman.

Following the lecture a social was given by the Y. M. C. A. in Silliman Hall, to which the students and faculty had been invited. The affair was well attended and the speeches, which were was well attended. The cup won at Troy was here presented to the Athletic Board.

COLLEGE BRIEFS.

Prof. J. I. Bennett delivered a lecture before the Women's Club of Schenectady last Monday on the subject, "Greece." The lecture was illustrated by several excellent stereopticon views.

Howard Kitchin, '08, who has been ill with

pneumonia has returned to college.

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Captain Hagar is giving the baseball men light practice every day in the gym.

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The annual district convention of the second district of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity will be held in Syracuse on March 2 and 3. The colleges in this district are Rutgers, Union, Cornell, Stevens, St. Lawrence, Colgate, Syracuse and Columbia. George Elmendorf, '05 will be the delegate from the Union chapter.

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The following Glee Club concerts are scheduled for next week: Wednesday evening at Ballston Spa., Thursday at Cohoes, and Friday at Troy.

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Thomas M. Holmes, '05, has been chosen to represent Union in the Intercollegiate Oratorical League composed of the colleges of Union, Rochester and Syracuse. The contest takes place this year at Rochester.

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Pres. Raymond addressed the pupils of Lafayette High School, Buffalo, on Monday last.

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Chas. E. Parsons, Union, '98, chief engineer of Hudson River Water Power Company delivered an illustrated lecture in chapel Friday P. M., at 3:30 on "The Building of the Spier Falls Dam."

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The annual convention of the Chi Psi fraternity was held in Boston this week, February 22-25. The delegates from the Union Chapter were A. J. Thomson '05, and L. N. Rider '06.

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The preliminary trial for the Rutgers debate was held in the chapel yesterday afternoon and a number took part. Each man spoke for six minutes, the six best speakers being chosen. The second trial will be a debate, when the four men, three principals and the alternate, will be finally chosen. The six men from Friday's competition had not been chosen up to the time of going to press.

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tady, the subject being: "Resolved, That Legislation Aiming to Destroy Trusts is Unwise."

W. B. Rankin, '77 was married to Miss Norton at his home in Niagara Falls Thursday. Mr. Rankin is one of the trustees of the college. In the near future he will lecture here on the subject, "The Development of Niagara Falls."

This week's issue of the Concordiensis is edited by D. F. Imrie.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Carl Williams, who coached Pennsylvania's championship football team this season, will sever his connection with the institution. A graduate coaching system will probably be adopted.

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The authorities at the University of Michigan are considering the advisability of issuing an edition of the catalogue in Spanish, for circulation p Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. It is

believed that the issuance of such a catalogue would result in a greatly increased attendance of Spanish students, and that it would be a move in the interests of future American progress. There are already a number of Spanish students in attendance at the university.

The library at Harvard has been enlarged by 22,000 volumes. This makes a total of 438,000 volumes in the library and 675,000 in the entire university.

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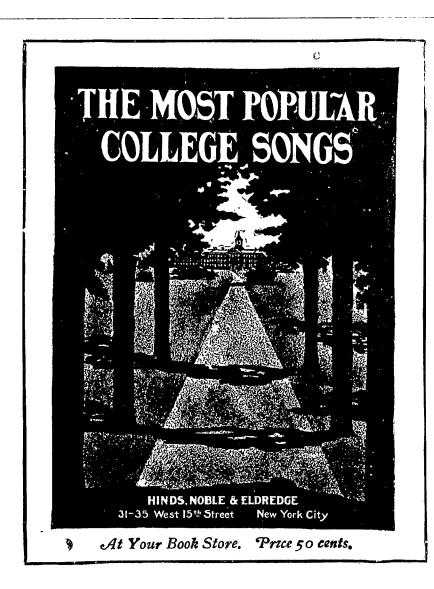
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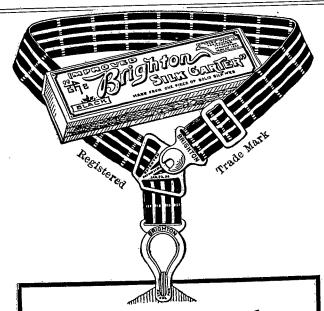
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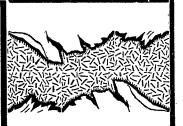
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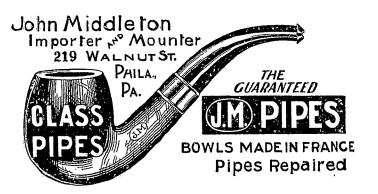
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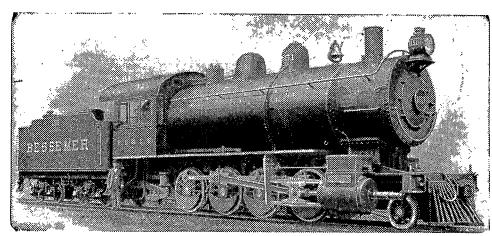
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