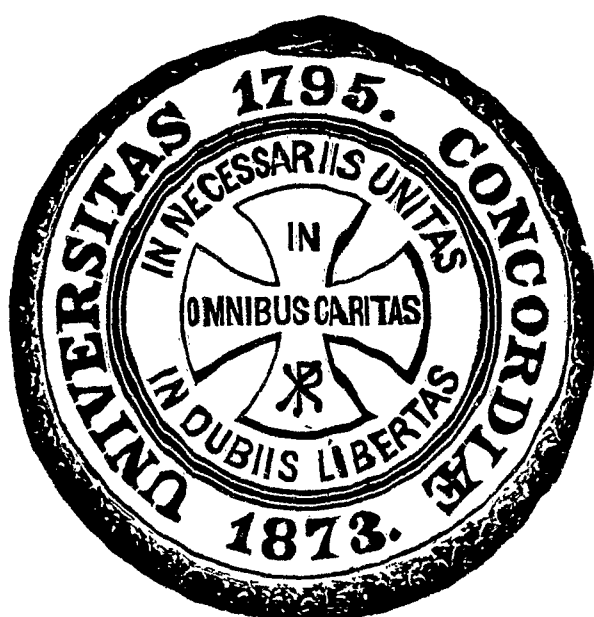


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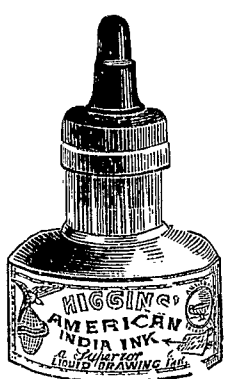
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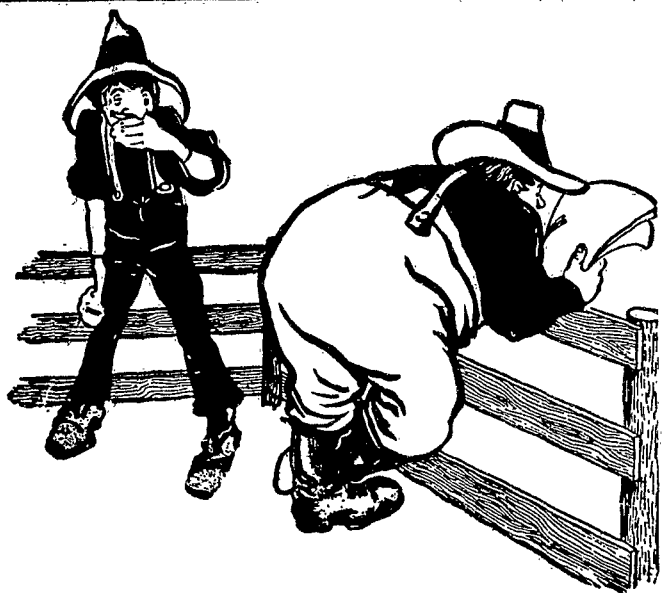
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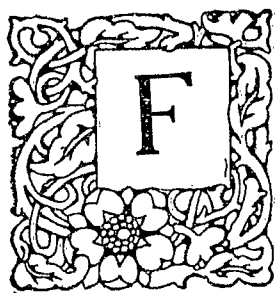
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## PREPARATORY SCHOOL DAY.

Representatives From Many High Schools to  
be the Guests of the College on May 30.



FOR the first time in the history of the college a Preparatory School day will be officially observed when on May 30, the college, it expected, will entertain representatives from over fifty high schools situated in various parts of this state, and other states. The visitors will be the guests of the college in general, and of the various fraternities in particular. They will be loyally entertained, in fact a full program has already been completed which will keep the boys busy from early morning until late at night.

The committee which has charge of the affair consists of Prof. Barnes, chairman; Dr. Ellery, Prof. Garis and Instructors King and Cunningham. The committee at first directed its energies in obtaining the names of the Seniors in various high schools and those schools were, in the main, communicated with which have representatives at Union. In this work the committee was eminently successful. Over fifty invitations have already been issued, and more will follow from time to time. The prospects of the acceptance of a majority of these invitations is exceptionally bright.

The committee is being assisted in its work by the following members of the various fraternities and neutral body: Delta Upsilon, McCormick, '09; Delta Phi, Welles, '09; Psi Upsilon, Clark '09; Phi Gamma Delta, Grant '08; Chi Psi Potter '09; Alpha Delta Phi, Faust '09; Sigma Phi, King '08; Phi Delta Theta, Guardiner '09; Kappa Alpha, Bell '08; Beta Theta Phi, McNab '08; Pyramid Club, Penrose '08, and neutral body, Kline '08.

According to the program, the guests immediately upon their arrival will be taken to

the various fraternity houses where they will be entertained or shown about the campus, until ten o'clock, when there will be a baseball game between two strong high school teams. In connection with this game, it may be said, Dr. MacComber has suggested to the committee that it make a tentative award of a gold cup to the winning team, the cup to be retained permanently by that school which has won three annual contests.

The suggestion made by Dr. MacComber is a good one, and ought to be adopted. The awarding of a cup in such a manner will not only insure the essential permanency of interest in the Day from year to year, but it will add materially to the interest and spirit of the game itself.

In the afternoon, the visitors will occupy seats of honor on the bleachers when they will witness a spirited game of baseball between Hamilton, our old time rival, and Union. Incidentally they will then become acquainted with the spirit of Old Union. They will listen to the famous songs of the college, and hear the yells which has brought victory to the Garnet in many a hard fought contest.

The events of the evening will mark a fitting climax to the whole affair. There will be a huge campus meeting at which there will be an interchange of high school yells and songs. Speeches will be given not only by various members of the faculty but also by representatives of the different high schools as well. The visitors will then be escorted to Silliman Hall where they will be treated to an informal social. Refreshments will be served, and the Glee and Instrumental Clubs will render various selections. In brief, the visitors will be loyally entertained from early morning until late at night.

The program is unique, and interesting. But only one thing is needed to bring about its complete success, and that is the full and hearty support of every member of the student body. The committee has worked hard and will continue to do everything in its power to make Preparatory School Day a success in every possible way.

## UNION'S EARLY ALUMNI.

### Tayler Lewis.

Tayler Lewis, one of the most brilliant scholars among Union's great host of famous alumni and one of her most popular and most beloved professors, was born in the little country town of Northumberland, Saratoga County. Throughout his long life he had a lasting affection for this first home, with its scenery of the Upper Hudson and its landscape of forests and mountains not far distant.

In his early school days he gave promise of the fulfillment of the fondest hopes, for even then he began to attain too great proficiency in classical pursuits.

He was prepared for college under Dr. Proudfit, a relative of Prof. Proudfit of Union College, and it was to the influence of this teacher that Dr. Lewis owed considerable of his deepest religious convictions and earnestness. At eighteen he had graduated from Union, where he had come into touch with the peerless Dr. Nott and had had as classmates such men as Lawrens P. Hickok, the great metaphysician and President of the College after Dr. Nott's death, and William H. Seward, the first statesman of his day.

After graduating, Dr. Lewis began the practice of law, but becoming convinced that his duty lay in another direction, he took up the study of Hebrew. So untiring and eager was he in his study, that he often sat up all night and the small hours of morning found him still pouring over the classic languages and his Hebrew Bible.

In 1838 he was asked by Dr. Nott to deliver the Phi Beta Kappa oration at Union. His masterful, scholarly address, "Faith and the Life of Science," won for himself the favorable attention of the world's best scholars, and he was soon called to the chair of the Greek and Latin languages in New York University.

In '49 he accepted the professorship of Greek and Latin at his Alma Mater and later that of Oriental Languages and Biblical Literature. For nearly thirty years he was connected with the Union Faculty.

In the class-room he was an object of affection to his students, in whom he inspired his own

earnestness and noble Christian manhood. As a man he was frail but firm, small in stature but mighty in mind. He was undoubtedly the best linguist and scholar of his time. He could converse easily in Greek, Latin, Hebrew. He could write Greek, Latin or Hebrew verse. He knew Chaldaic, Syriac, Koptic, Samaritan and Arabic. He studied the Koran carefully. He had also a knowledge of Gothic, could read German and several other modern languages. He delighted in solving original problems in higher mathematics. He was zealous in his study of astronomy, and in leisure hours used to calculate eclipses frequently. He was a lover of music and produced occasional compositions. He had, also, an unusual familiarity with the poets, Shakespeare especially.

Dr. Lewis was a voluminous writer and an author of wide reputation. In his literary works he endeavored for the most part to harmonize religion with science and exerted profound influence on the world of theology and science. He was one of the readiest defenders of the church against skepticism and atheism.

As an alumnus, Dr. Lewis was worthy of emulation. He made it a rule to return to his Alma Mater at commencement every year. For years he drove here from Fort Miller in the same wagon which had brought him here in his college days. He had a keen interest in the college and an undying love for it. Only a few weeks before his death he exclaimed: "Oh, how can I leave Union college!"

He died in May, '77, after a long life nobly spent, in the comforting conscientiousness of duty well done and with heart at peace. His reputation extends through the world of scholars and students. His influence was wonderful and is still felt. Union College has borrowed lustre from his name. May his life be an inspiration.

### A GIFT.

Zim—"What mark did I get in Rhetoric, Professor?"

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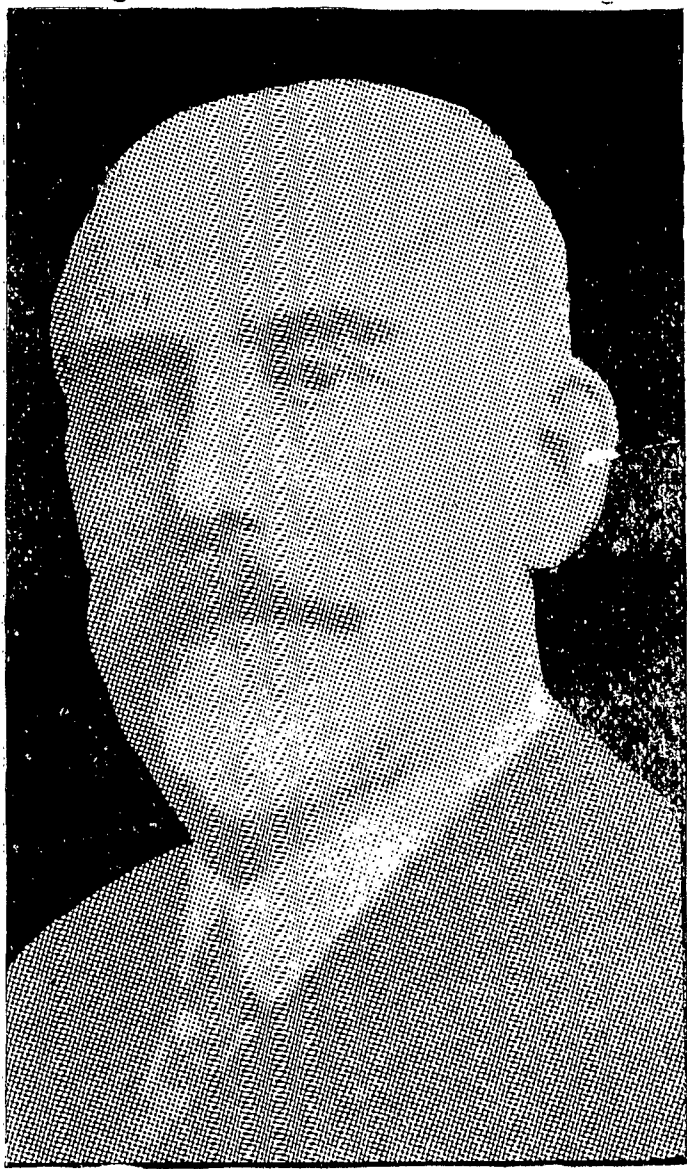
Zim—"Thank you."

Micky—"I'm glad to see you recognize that part of it as a gift."



## SENATOR FRANCHOT

State Senator Stanislaus P. Franchot died at Montreal on Tuesday morning, March 24, following an operation for paralysis. The funeral was held on Friday, March 27, from his late residence in Niagara Falls. The representatives of the State government attending the funeral included Governor Hughes, Lieutenant Governor Chanler, Speaker Wadsworth, practically all the members of the Senate and a committee of the Assembly, with several other State officials.



SENATOR STANISLAUS P. FRANCHOT

Senator Franchot represented the forty-seventh district in the State Senate, a district composed of Niagara and Orleans counties. He was born in Morris, Otsego county, N. Y., on January 30, 1851, was educated in the schools of Schenectady and graduated from Union College with the degree of Civil Engineer in 1871. For the past decade he has lived in Niagara Falls where he was the General Manager of the National

Electrolytic Company, a concern that manufactures chemicals.

Receiving the Republican nomination for Senator in the Fall of 1906, he was elected after a hard and bitter campaign. He at once became a leading member of the State Senate and served on the principal committees of that body.

Senator Franchot was a polished and accomplished gentleman, genial and companionable, astute and clever. As an after-dinner speaker he was especially entertaining.

Besides his own family he is survived by two sisters residing in this city, Mrs. John Keyes Paige and Miss Kate Franchot; and two brothers living at Olean, N. Y., former Superintendent of Public Works N. V. V. Franchot and Richard Franchot.

## D. M. C. A.

Last Sunday afternoon the Rev. Dr. Graves of the Lutheran Church conducted the vesper service at Silliman Hall.

Tuesday evening the Dean held his Bible study class, continuing the work of last term.

The officers as elected last term for the ensuing year are as follows:

President—W. P. Faust, '09.

Vice-President—S. M. Cavert, '10.

Treasurer—J. L. Walton, '09.

Secretary—H. H. Chadwick, '11.

The Cabinet is as follows:

Membership—McIntosh.

Devotional—Not yet selected.

Bible Study—Walser.

Missionary—Chaffee.

Deputation—Mould.

Reading Room—Van Deusen.

Northfield—Cavert, S. M.

Finance—Walton.

Booker T. Washington, in his recent address before the Tuskegee Conference, argued that "academic culture must be wed with work." That is good advice for black or white and ought to be remembered by those affected by spring fever.

## THE OLD NOTT ELM.

### Life of This Famous Tree to Be Prolonged for 75 Years.

In response to an invitation sent him by the Junior Class, Mr. Hermann W. Merkel, tree expert of the New York Zoological Park paid a visit to the college last week and made a thorough examination of the Nott Elm which has been in a bad state of decay for some time.

The condition of the elm, it will be remembered, was first brought to the attention of the college by Dr. W. T. Hornaday, an authority on the preservation of trees, who declared that unless immediate steps were taken for its preservation, the life of the tree would be extinct in twenty years.

Mr. Merkel verified the statement made by Dr. Hornaday, but feels confident that the life of the famous old elm can be prolonged for at least seventy-five years. Following out his recommendations, workmen were immediately set to work under the direction of Dr. Stoller, and heroic measures were taken to retard the decay.

The large limb on the east side of the tree has been strengthened by an iron support. The decayed portions have been removed and cement substituted in its place. The tree will from time to time receive similar treatment whenever any signs of decay manifests itself.

Mr. Merkel will shortly forward a report on the exact condition of the tree to Welton, '09, who is chairman of the Nott Elm Committee, and he, in turn, will bring the report before the trustees of the college, who are deeply interested in the preservation of the elm.

The age of the elm was computed by Mr. Merkel to be approximately 400 and possibly 450 years old.

## JUNIOR BANQUET.

The Junior Class is making preparation for holding a large banquet which it is planned will partake of the nature of a general college affair. The banquet will doubtless be held in Albany, at either the Ten Eyck or the Hampton, in the latter part of April.

The committee in charge consists of Duane S. Gardinier, chairman; John T. McCormick and Ralph J. Ury.

## IMPORTANT MEETING OF ATHLETIC BOARD.

### "U"s Awarded, Number of College Teams Limited and Other Matters Considered.

At a meeting of the Athletic Board held last Friday evening, the baseball schedule for this spring was approved with the exception of the N. Y. U. game, April 21st. This will be changed if possible to May 20th, but if not, it will be dropped, inasmuch as there are at present four games during a period of eight days at this time.

There were some amendments to Faculty rules governing athletics, approved by the board. These were in regard to limiting the number of athletic teams so that there will be but three classes of teams, viz.: Varsity, Second, and Class Teams. Thus all the teams will be under the direct supervision of the Athletic Board. This limiting of the teams was done in order to do away with the promiscuous teams that are formed, and usually reflect very little credit upon the college.

The following eight men were awarded the "U" for basketball: Starbuck, W. Brown, Buck, Leon, Charest, Hequembourg, Micks, and Clowe. The "a.U.a" for basketball was awarded to Pettit and Johnson of the Medical School.

A report was given by the delegates, Dr. McComber and Mgr. La Roche, of the meeting of the N. Y. S. I. A. U., which was held in Utica on March 7th. At the next meeting of this union there will be discussed and voted upon, an amendment to the rules, providing that all members in the league make out a full schedule on football, baseball, basketball, and track, with all other colleges in the league. There are at present five colleges in the union—Hamilton, Colgate, Rochester, Hobart, and Union. This step is taken so that the league will be strengthened and will be of real importance to all of the colleges in it. An effort is also being made to make Utica the place for holding all track meets in the future.

It was voted to place seventy-five dollars at the disposal of a "Diamond Committee," consisting of Prof. Opdyke, Mr. E. T. Grout, and Mgr. LaRoche for the purpose of getting and keeping

the diamond in good condition. The diamond will not be skinned this season, but as soon as it is possible, it will be rolled by a steam roller and a man will have constant charge of it.

In reference to baseball this year, an alumnus has expressed his opinion that funds can be readily be obtained to hire a baseball coach for this season. The name of Mr. Cregan an old alumnus has been suggested for coach. The matter has been placed in the hands of a committee consisting of Prof. Garris, Mgr. LaRoche, and Capt. Hildreth.

### ABSENCE RULES REVISED.

#### Preliminary Examinations Abolished, and a Committee on Excuses Created.

At a meeting of the faculty held recently it was unanimously decided that the rules governing absences were entirely inadequate to check the promiscuous "overbolting" which has been for some time prevalent. To this end the old rules were revised and made more drastic.

The most radical change under the new ruling is the complete abolishment of preliminary examinations. Hereafter only such work will be made up as is actually missed by absence, and at such a time during the term as the head of the department decrees.

Moreover, a Committee on Absences is provided which will have entire charge of the issuance of excuses. This committee, which is composed of Dr. Ellery, Prof. March and Prof. Ferguson, will meet every Monday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock in the chemical laboratory for the consideration of absences.

The entire set of absence rules hereafter in vogue, follows:

1. Attendance at all exercises is required; and it is expected that no student will be absent, except in case of unavoidable necessity. To provide for such cases of necessity, students will be allowed, each term, as many absences without excuse in any subject, as there are recitations per week in that subject. But this rule does not apply to examinations, or to recitations just before or after vacation or recess, or to any class as a whole at any time, and it is not to be

interpreted as remitting any part of the total work of the term.

"2. After the limit set in the last paragraph has been reached, however, as well as in those cases where the rule as stated does not apply, excuses may be granted only by the Absence Committee of the Faculty. No excuse will be granted except for protracted illness, or for reasons in every way exceptional; and no excuse will be given to provide for difficulties caused by the use of the allowance for unnecessary purposes. No excuse remits any work of the term.

"3. The work lost by reason of an allowed absence or an excused absence must be made up in a manner satisfactory to the head of the department concerned, unless the nature of the work renders this impossible, in which case the student's grade will suffer.

"4. Any absence not allowed or excused will count as a failure.

"5. After a number of unexcused absences equal to two weeks of recitations in that subject, the student will not be allowed to continue his work in that subject, but must take it with the succeeding class."

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## Editorial

With the advent of Spring our thoughts naturally tend toward baseball and we long once more to be out on that historic old battlefield—the campus where so many hard struggles have been fought and won, and make it once more resound with the yells and the songs of Old Union. The victories of the past are now but traditions. Our former baseball teams have been eminently successful. The present season is before us with its opportunity of materially adding to this list of victories and of upholding the baseball tradition of the college so strongly maintained by our predecessors.

It is generally conceded in baseball circles that the degree of preparedness with which a baseball team begins the season is, to a great extent, indicative of the amount of success which will follow the team during the season. Consequently it is to be hoped that the majority of students will turn out *en masse* to support the baseball team either by actual work on the various teams, or by being present at daily practice.

No positions on the team are thus far secure. The old men will be displaced just as soon as the new candidates show any degree of superiority, while the positions at present unfilled will be given to the best candidates available. By this means it is expected that when the weeding out process is completed, and the Garnet team faces West Point on April 11, it will be one of the strongest and most representative teams which Old Union has placed in the field in recent years.

The traditional and conservative policy hitherto pursued by the college with respect to spreading the name and fame Old Union is at last to be broken. Hitherto, the alumni and friends



of the college were almost wholly depended upon to make the excellent qualities of their beloved Alma Mater known, and though this may have proved sufficient in the early days, it is, obviously, entirely inadequate to cope with present conditions.

Fully cognizant of this fact, the faculty has officially set aside a particular day, May 30th this year, which will hereafter be known as Preparatory School Day, and which will be entirely given over to the entertainment of students of various high schools. The committee in charge of the day has already prepared an interesting program, and without doubt the visitors will be loyally entertained.

Moreover, it is the desire of the committee to make the day a success from every conceivable standpoint. To do this the co-operation and assistance of every student in college is needed. This will undoubtedly be forthcoming, for there should be, on this day, no lack of spirit and expression of loyalty to Old Union, and that this spirit and loyalty can be shown to no better advantage than on this day is especially apparent.

*Absences.* The members of the faculty have deemed it expedient to revise the absence rules of the college in vogue for so many years, and hitherto considered sufficiently adequate to restrain the tendency to "overbolt." The new ruling provides for the creation of an Absence Committee of which Dr. Ellery is chairman, which is to meet on Monday of each week. All applicants for excuses must come before this body, and only such excuses will be granted as are consistent with the committee's idea of justified absences, which are limited by the rulings.

The necessity which occasioned a more stringent application of absence rules is to be deplored. Manifestly, "overbolting" is not at all compatible with good scholar-

ship, for they rarely go hand in hand. The action of the faculty, therefore, does not rebound to the credit of the student body and it is to be hoped that those who have been the most flagrant violators of the old rules will now vindicate themselves and incidentally help to raise the standard of recitation attendance.

That the art of debate *The Debating Council* should receive the support that is, in any way, commensurate with its im-

portance, and that Union should be placed upon a par with other colleges in this line of activity, the formation of a Debating Council was recently conceived and executed. The formation of this council which occurred three months ago was undoubtedly one of the most momentous steps ever taken in the interests of debate at Union. The council is composed of two members of the faculty and three representatives of each debating society. The faculty members consist of Prof. McKean, the presiding officer and Prof. Hoffman. The success of the present council is largely due to their personal efforts.

The council aims, in particular, to promote the interests of the students in debate, and in general, to carry on debating relations with other colleges. Although it has been, but comparatively a short time in existence, its influence has been strongly manifest and debating has been placed on a stronger basis, and enjoyed more prominence in college activities than ever before. Of the two debates already held, that with Albany Law, and with Hamilton, both have resulted in victory. Two more debates are scheduled for the year, the Allison-Foote on April 11, and the Rutgers debate on May 1, and competition for places on either of these teams is now in progress. If present plans materialize, New York University will be included in next season's schedule.



## College Briefs

Moving Up day next.

Join the cross-country squad.

This issue of the "Concondy" was edited by Ury, '09.

James C. Hayward entered the Freshman Class in the B. S. course last week.

On April 11 the Garnet baseball team will meet West Point on the latter's diamond.

Faust, '09, attended the hearing on the anti-vivisection bills at Albany last Wednesday.

Manager Fuller has issued a call for candidates for assistant manager of the track team.

Burr M. Stark, ex-'09, who has been out of college for a year, has returned and enters with the class of 1910.

Last Saturday evening the Colgate Glee and Mandolin Club gave a concert in the Emmanuel Baptist Church in this city.

Meyer, '08, chairman of the Senior Cap and Gown Committee, is now receiving orders. All orders should be in his hands by April 15.

The matter of Union's entering the sphere of inter-collegiate boating is receiving considerable attention. Last Sunday's New York Tribune contains a favorable article on the re-organization of a crew.

The French Conversation Class, under the direction of Mr. Smith of the Modern Language Department, is to be continued in the spring term. The day of meeting has been changed from Thursday to Tuesday.

The latest addition to the Faculty is Hiram C. Mitchell, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, '05, who has been engaged as instructor in surveying. Since graduation Mr. Mitchell has been carrying on surveying work in Quebec, New York and British Columbia.

The New York Sun recently discussed "College Courtesy." Among the institutions where bowing or tipping the hat to the older members of the faculty prevails, are Columbia, Princeton, Cornell, Brown, Yale, Stanford, Pennsylvania, Purdue, Indiana, Colgate, Hobart and California. Harvard has no such custom, nor do most of the larger state institutions of the West.

## Library Notes

Librarian Clinton has repeatedly received requests concerning the college's collection of the New England Historical and Genealogical Register. The library contains, with the exception of five volumes, a full set of these registers, which in recent years have grown to be of considerable value, there being but few sets of these registers in existence.

A letter was recently received from an outside source in which the writer agreed to relieve the college of the burden of caring for these books and in return would present the college with volumes that were of more substantial interest to students. Needless to say the offer was declined.

Five different volumes were recently presented to the college which fills out five different sets of books hitherto incomplete.

Librarian Clinton was presented with a vote of thanks by the Debating Council in recognition of his valuable assistance rendered in connection with the Hamilton-Union debate.

## ALLISON-FOOTE DEBATE.

### Immigration to Be Discussed.

The subject for the Allison-Foote debate as submitted by the Adelpic Society to the Philomatheans reads as follows:

Resolved: That the exclusion of the Chinese from the United States under the present system is detrimental to the best interests of the country.

Both societies at present are busy in preparation for the debate which will occur on April 15. The Philomatheans who have registered as candidates for the team are: Wright, '08; Cavert, '10; Lent, '10; Hotchkiss, '10; Bartlett, '11; Cohn, '11 and Faust '11. The Adelpic candidates are: Weyranch, '08; Davies, '08; LaCrosse, '08; Mould, '09, and Carmichael, '10.

The choice of sides rests with the Philomatheans, according to the provisions made by Messrs Allison and Foote. Fifty dollars is given to the society winning the debate, and fifty dollars to the best individual speaker.

## Athletics

### BASEBALL PROSPECTS BRIGHT.

#### Pitchers' Staff to Be Strengthened by Albany Department.

Baseball activity for the season was inaugurated last Thursday afternoon when the first call for candidates for the baseball team was issued. The following men responded: Clarke, King, Hoffman, Vogt, Bergan, Perry, Stark, LaDue, Stewart, Dennis, Anderson, Kelley, Tobin, Woodward, Duscherer, Bray, Chadwick, O'Connell, Dunn and Wallace.

Both Thursday and Friday afternoons, the candidates were worked out in the gymnasium, throwing and catching. Captain Hildroth expressed himself as being very well pleased with the prospects for a winning team and furthermore, stated that the various positions would be well supplied with players from the large number of candidates.

The position of pitcher which, it was hitherto though would be unsatisfactorily filled, would undoubtedly be successfully taken by candidates from the Albany Departments of the College. Winslow, from the Law School, have registered for this of the Medical School, have registered for this position and will, without doubt, add materially to the strength of the Garnet's pitching staff.

Outdoor training has already begun, a strong squad is out, and, everyone doing his best, there is no reason why we should not turn out a team creditable to Old Union.

### ADDITIONS TO BASEBALL SCHEDULE.

Manager La Roche of the basketball team has announced the addition of two more games to the basketball schedule as recently published: Colgate will be played on May 2 at Clinton, and on May 23, the Edison Club will line up against the Garnet team on the campus. This completes the schedule for the season.

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### THE TRACK PROSPECTS.

Captain Parsons of the track team issued a call for all candidates to begin outdoor work last Monday. This work for the present will consist in cross country runs, their length being determined by the condition of the men.

The team will be materially strengthened by the Freshmen who are showing great enthusiasm and form. The management hopes to make this the banner year, at least as far as the track work is concerned.

### BASKETBALL.

#### Freshman, 25; Juniors, 24.

In one of the most exciting basketball games of the inter-class series, the Freshmen last week defeated the Juniors by the score of 25 to 24. The upper classmen had the advantage in the first half, throwing baskets almost at will in spite of the strong resistance of their opponents.

The score at the end of the first half was 16 to 10 in favor of the Juniors.

In the beginning of the second half, however, the Freshmen took a decided brace, and before the Juniors were fully aware of the situation, they succeeded in throwing enough baskets to win the game by one point.

The line-up follows:

1909.	1911.
Potter .....	Wallace
Bergren .....	Weaver
forwards.	
Streibert .....	Micks
center.	
McCormick .....	Smith
Pettit .....	Brown
guards.	

Referee, Parsons, '09. Timekeeper, Allyn, '11.  
Time of halves, 15 minutes.

### UNION '11 VERSUS S. H. S. '08.

Monday afternoon the Union Freshmen played an interesting game of basketball with the Senior team of the Schenectady High School. The Freshman team was crippled by the absence of its center, Weaver, and one of its guards, O'Connell, but in spite of the difficulties under which they played, they put up a good game. In the absence of one of the members of the Senior High School team, Duchscherer '11 played with them in order to make the game more interesting. He succeeded in making ten points against his own team. The final score was 33 to 21. The line-up was as follows:

Union '11.	S. H. S. '08
<i>Forwards.</i>	
McConnell, Wallace, Brumm.	Duchscherer, Mann
<i>Center.</i>	
Hardenburg.	Mann
<i>Guards.</i>	
Smith, St. John.	Hequembourg, Stock

The Cornell-Columbia-Pennsylvania debating league has taken definite steps to prevent women from entering college debating. Cornell chose a woman debater recently, and the choice was protested by the other colleges. The Ithacans finally agreed not to let women try for the debating teams for five years.

## Alumni Notes

1858—A picture of Richmond Fisk of the class of 1858 has been received at the college office. Mr. Fisk is one of Union's oldest alumni and has always taken a deep interest in his Alma Mater.

1864—Judge Alonzo P. Strong and Edward Dinslow Paige have been spending a part of the winter season in Havana.

1893—The marriage of Miss Mabel Rice Gannon of Boston, formerly of Canton, N. Y., and Frank Cooper of this city, was quietly solemnized Thursday evening, March 19, in Saint Peter's Episcopal Church, Albany, by Dr. Battershall, the rector. Only the members of the two families were present. Mr. Cooper is the state committeeman of the Democratic party from this county. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper went on a wedding trip in the South. Mr. Cooper is well known in political circles in this section. His residence on this city is at 710 Union Street, and he has law offices in the Union Hall building. Mr. Cooper is a member of the Chi Psi Fraternity.

1893—Horace S. Van Voast, as the Mayor of Schenectady, will be a member of the Hudson-Fulton celebration commission. Mayor Van Voast is a member of Psi Upsilon.

1898—Charles H. Kilpatrick, Union's greatest runner, was the guest of his father-in-law, George S. Clare, of No. 1030 Eastern Avenue, two weeks ago. He is employed by A. G. Spaulding & Bros., the great sporting goods house, and left early last week for Chicopee, Mass., where he will study at the factory of this firm before going to Chicago as its western representative. He is a member of the Chicago Board of the A. A. U., and although his connection with Union College has been severed for a number of years, in an active way, he still retains a deep interest in his Alma Mater. He was a member of the class of 1898 of Union College, and during his course here, in 1895, he broke the world's record for the 880 yards dash, making it in 53 2-5 seconds. He also held another record for some time, but it was finally beaten. He still retains his record for 880 yards, however.

Dr. Charles P. Steinmetz attended the meeting of the Engineering Society of Boston held last week.

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### THE VALLEY OF THE EUPHRATES.

#### Dr. Cady's Eighth Lecture.

Dr. Cady gave his eighth illustrated lecture in the chapel at half-past four o'clock on Friday afternoon. He took as his subject: "The Valley of the Euphrates." The subject matter was very interesting and was handled in an able manner. Dr. Cady showed many fine views of the ruins which have been found in this valley and of the ancient tablets from which we have derived all our knowledge of the events in Assyrian and Babylonian history. He stated that those nations were once highly civilized, for not only the kings and princes but even the common people knew how to read and write. An old tablet has been discovered upon which one of the ancient kings has written a code of laws for the purpose, as the writer himself says, "That men may read and know what are their rights." From a few of the laws, the translations of which were read by Dr. Cady, it is evident that in those days persons guilty of any misdeed were very severely punished.

A large audience was present, the chapel being nearly filled with students and interested friends. All that attended the lecture went away feeling that the time was well spent in listening to Dr. Cady. He is certainly giving a fine course in Oriental Archaeology, and one which is well worth the attention of every student.

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and their conquests. This will probably be the last of the series. However, if the weather should be cold and the campus in a condition unsuitable for outdoor sports, the lectures may be continued for a few more weeks.

### Chapel Meeting

At the first chapel meeting of the spring term held Monday, H. Hildreth, '08 announced that circumstances compelled him to relinquish the captaincy of the baseball team, and that this position would be filled at a meeting of the team Tuesday. Manager Fuller of the track team requested that all candidates for assistant manager of the track team register with him immediately. Captain Parsons announced that cross-country runs would be held during the week, and Faust, '09, spoke on the Y. M. C. A.

### HEARD ON THE CAMPUS.

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First stude (in astonishment) "All of them?"

Second stude (earnestly) "Every single one of them!"

First stude (in admiration) "Billy, you're a hero."

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