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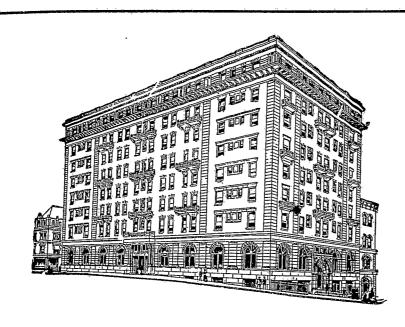
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UNION FIVE TAKE SCALP OF FAST ROCHESTER TEAM.

Final Score—Union, 20; Rochester, 18.

Fulfilling every early promise and showing better asketball than was looked for by even the most hopeful the Garnet five won the second game of the season by defeating the Rochester aggregation by the close score of 20-18. The game was a most exciting one and up to the very last few minutes of play the issue was in doubt. In the early part of the game, Union was in the lead, but a Rochester rally tied the score and then put the visitors in the lead. During the last ten minutes of play, however, our men took a brace and went to the front. From then on, although close, the game was practically decided. McKinstry played well for Union, while Edwards, the Rochester captain, was the shining light for the visitors.

The Rochester five, although defeated by Colgate on Friday, came here strong and ready for the game. Union was handicapped by the loss of Coward at guard, but "Beefy" Leon was in the game and proved conclusively that he could "come back." Neither side scored for the first few minutes, when McKinstry caged a free throw for the Garnet. Rochester retaliated, but McKinstry made another. Then the baskets began to come and each side caged two. At the end of the half, the score stood 8-7 in favor of Union. During the intermission, the enthusiasm of the students rose to overflowing at the prospect of a victory.

The second half was an illustration of the real game of basketball and the playing was fast and furious. From the very start it was touch and go. Rochester was in the lead until McKinstry caged a basket and later a foul. Then he threw another basket. This put the Garnet in the lead, and, although the playing was hard, the final score stood 20-18 in favor of the Garnet. During this half, Brumm replaced Leon at guard. Later Iramm injured his knee and his place was taken

Right Guard.

Leon, Brumm, Duchscherer___Edwards (Capt.)

Left Guard.

Baskets from field—McKinstry, 4; Fairbairn, 2; Micks, 1; Woodams, 1; Kaiser, 2; Schoen, 2. Baskets from fouls—McKinstry, 6; Woodams, 1; Schoen, 7. Referee—Tilden. Time of halves—20 minutes. Timers—Grout, Union; Patton, Rochester.

M. I. T. Here Today.

The game between Union and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the Armory this afternoon, promises to be a fast and exciting one. Basketball is considered the major sport at M. I. T. and she is always represented by a fast team.

The Garnet five are in better physical condition for this afternoon than they were in the Rochester game, and although Coward will not be in the game, they expect to make the fight of their lives, if necessary.

DRAMATICS.

The next performances of the Dramatic Association will be in Troy, February 1 and 2, under the auspices of the Republican Club. On the 10th and 11th, performances will be given at Harmanus Bleecher Hall, Albany, under the auspices of the Homeopathic Hospital. Those who take part in the show will be entertained at the University Club on the night after the last performance.

UNION'S DEBATERS WIN VICTORY FROM CORNELL.

Unanimous Decision in Ravor of Home Team.

The Union College debating team gained a decisive victory last Saturday night when they defeated the Cornell orators in the college chapel. This is the first time that our team has ever debated a college of Cornell's size, and the victory gives Union a reputation in debating work that is on a par with any other college in the state. During the past four years Union has defeated Rutgers, Albany Law School, Hamilton (three times), Colgate and Cornell, her only defeat being the one received from Colgate in the tri-league last year.

The subject for the debate was "Resolved, That the ownership of the forest and mineral lands, now belonging to the United States in the several states, should be retained by the Federal government." The speakers for Union on the affirmative were H. A. Gordon, '11; W. D. Cavert, '11; J. H. Potter, '12, and Ralph Streever, alternate. The following students from Cornell defended the negative: H. E. Griffith, '11, Arts; L. E. Neff, '12, Arts; G. H. Brown, '11, Law, and R. E. Pierce, alternate.

The Cornell depaters were all polished speakers and they presented a pleasing appearance on the stage, but their debate throughout showed a lack of team work and of constructive argument. The Union team, by devoting the second speech to the conservation of the forests and the third, to the conservation of the minerals was able to present the question more clearly and to keep both issues definitely before the minds of the judges.

Gordon, in opening the debate, showed that the only reasonable definition of the term "forest and mineral lands" was that only those lands which are more valuable for their forest and mineral products than for any other purpose, could be properly so called. He then proved that there is a pressing necessity for conserving our forest and mineral lands, and by a careful process of elimination showed that the forests would be best preserved if they were owned and developed by the Federal government, but that

the mineral situation could be best solved by having the nation own the mines and lease them under regulation to private interests.

Griffith, in opening the debate for the visitors, failed to outline any constructive argument. He opposed the question because of its enormity, and maintained that a government that can not efficiently run a post-office or build battleships as cheaply as individuals, should not be entrusted with the forest and mineral lands.

Cavert, Union's second speaker, confined himself to the question of the conservation of the forests. He showed that the preservation of the forests is essential for the protection of rivers, the preventing of erosion, and the insuring of our future timber supply, and that the Federal government can preserve the forests for these purposes better than any other owner. He further showed that the forests should be retained in order that the Federal government might have a place in which to carry on scientific investigations, and in order to aid in the development of the west.

Neff, the second speaker for the negative, showed in a humorous way that the affirmative were in favor of taking more radical steps than President Taft, President Van Hise of Wisconsin University, or any other federal conservationist were advocating. He also proved that private owners are not now as wasteful as they have formerly been, and that the Chicago Meat Packing. Company uses all of the pig but the squeal.

Potter closed the direct argument for the affrmative. He found the solution of the conservation of our mineral resources in a system whereby the Federal government should retain the ownership of the mines, but lease them to private interests under definite regulations. He showed that this method could prevent exportation and unnecessary waste, and that it was not a new and untried scheme.

Brown, in concluding the direct argument, tried to show by analogy that the proper solution of the question was regulation by the states, and not ownership by the Federal government. He proved that the state has the legal right, but failed to show that it has the physical power and the willingness to regulate.

The Reputtal.

Union had the better of the argument in the rebuttal speeches. The negative admitted the principle that the Federal government should own all forests essential for the protection of interstate rivers, but tried to show that there were many million acres which were not essential for such a purpose. The affirmative showed that all the national forests are essential for the protection of inter-state interests, and that where there are no rivers, there are no national forests. As for the mineral lands, they showed that no valid objections had been brought forward against a federal leasing system, and that they had shown no other way to prevent the exportation of minerals which should be kept in our own country.

Decision Unanimous.

The Board of Judges, consisting of Judge H. V. Borst of Amsterdam, chairman, Mr. James Potts of Troy, and Hon. John H. Burke of Ballston Spa, then withdrew, and after a short consultation rendered an unanimous decision in favor of Union. The victory was made the more decisive for the home team by the facts that Judge Borst is a Cornell alumnus, and that Mr. Potts now has two daug'tters in under-graduate courses at Cornell.

THE TRI-LEAGUE DEBATE.

First Try-Out Next Monday.

The first try-out for the triangular debate between Union, Colgate and Hamilton will be held in the chapel on next Monday afternoon. Each person will be allowed a speech of six minutes. Those who are out for the debate have been divided into two squads, one of which under the leadership of Potter is working on the negative, and the other, with Cavert as leader, on the affirmative.

Those working on the affirmative are Cavert, Streever, Blodgett, Davis, Butler, A. B. Mann, H. Mann, and those working on the negative are Potter, Shepard, Walser, Bray, A. D. Mann, Maxon and Barclay. It is expected that after defeating Cornell so decisively, that both Hamilton and Colgate will send their strongest teams against Union.

TRUSTEES AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS BOTH MEET.

Bryce for Honorary Chancellor—Closer University Unity—Action Taken About Commons— Heating Plant to Be Moved—Graduate Council Plan Approved.

Matters of vital importance to Union College and Union University were discussed in Albany on last Tuesday when the regular January meet ings of both the Board of Trustees and the Board of Governors were held. There was a full attendance at the meeting of both boards.

Bryce for Chancellor.

The Board of Governors selected the Hon. James Bryce, ambassador to the United States from England, as honorary chancellor for the commencement next June. It will be remembered that Ambassador Bryce was chosen to fill this position last year, but was unable to act, owing to his being called to England on official duties as the result of the death of King Edward. Unless unforeseen engagements arise, it is expected that Mr. Bryce will act as Honorary Chancellor of the University next June.

Reports which were received from the different departments of the University show that the University as a whole is now in a prosperous condition. The movement for the erection of a new building in the medical department was heartily endorsed, and it was reported that \$7,000 had already been subscribed for the McDona'd Memorial Laboratory.

Closer University Unity.

A committee was appointed by the Board of Governors to consider the best means for bringing the different departments of the University into closer relations with each other. One plan which has been suggested is that there might be but one commencement for all of the departments. The members of this committee have not yet been announced, but they will soon be appointed and the matter of creating closer unity in the University will be carefully considered.

Our Present Urgent Needs.

In his report to the Board of Trustees, Dr. Richmond named the following as our most urgent needs at present: First, a new gymnasium and athletic field; second, a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons; fourth, a new themical to be a chapel; third, dormitory and commons and chapel; third, dormitory and commons are chapel; third, dormitory and commons are chapel; third, dormitory and chapel; third, dor

oratory; fifth, an addition to the electrical laboratory; sixth, an increase in our endowment of at least one million dollars; seventh, scholarship. "There is certainly no institution more worthy of generous support," said Dr. Richmond, and we believe that all these needs will be supplied in time."

The trustees expressed their approval of the present plans for the new gym, but no site for the building will be selected until a larger sum of money has been raised.

College Commons.

The petition for the establishment of a college commons, signed by one hundred and thirty under-graduates, was favorably received by the trustees. A committee was appointed to investigate the matter and to present a definite plan for the establishment of the commons. While there is no prospect of its being started this year, it is now certain that there will be a commons at Union within a very few years.

Graduate Council.

The President of Union's graduate council, the Hon. William P. Rudd, Supreme Court Justice, reported to the trustees on the organization of the council. The plans for the better organization of the Union Alumni were heartily endorsed by the trustees, who voted, in case it was necessayr, to finance the council for at least two years. In order that the Alumni may not be continually asked for contributions to different purposes, the graduate council will have charge of raising all funds from the graduates, endeavoring to persuade them to contribute a certain amount to the college each year.

Mr. Waldron, 'o6, secretary of the council, reported that three new Alumni organizations had been formed during the past year.

To Move Heating Plant.

President Richmond presented a scheme to the trustees for removing the college heating plant to the Locomotive Works. In case this should be done, the proposed plant would use the big smoke stack at the works, and the steam would be carried through conduits to the college buildings. This proposition met with the approval of the trustees, because it would not only move the eye-sore of the college grounds, but would in all probability result in a more efficient heating sys-

tem. More definite action on the matter will probably be taken at the June meeting.

A proposed revision of the by-laws of the board was made by ex-President Alexander. Dr. Alexander is in favor of holding three yearly meetings instead of two as at present. If three were held, the January and June meetings would be as at present, and a third would be held in Schenectady in October. The proposed also involved the appointing of an executive committee which would meet at the request of the President. The meetings of this committee would probably be held every month, and thus many important matters could be directly attended to without waiting for the meeting of the trustees.

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DR. ANGELL'S PSYCHOLOGY LECTURES WELL ATTENDED.

On Monday and Tuesday evenings of the past week the first two of a series of eight psychology lectures were delivered by Dr. James R. Angell in the college chapel.

Dr. Angell, who is the head of the Psychology Department in the University of Chicago, comes to Union especially recommended for this lecture course by the late Professor James of Harvard, and the attendance of students and townspeople at the first two lectures clearly indicates that the people are awake to the privilege of listening to one of the best authorities in America on the subject of psychology.

In treating his subject Dr. Angell brings to bear the lucidity, consistency, and consecutiveness of a born logician, and together with smoothness of speech and perfect command of his mother tongue, renders the steps from the simple to the complex easy to follow.

The first two lectures of the course were on the subjects of "General Psychology" and "Psysiological Psychology," and the next two lectures which will be delivered on February sixth and seventh respectively will be on "Experimental Psychology" and "Abnormal Psychology." The full course of the eight lectures are all to be published under the seal of the college. thi ing

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PRESIDENT CHARLES A. AIKEN.

The Third in the Series of Articles on Men Famous in Union's History.

Rev. Charles A. Aiken, whose picture is the third one which adorns the chapel balcony, looking from the pulpit, was Union's President for two years, shortly after the Civil War. He was called to the presidency from Princeton where he was Professor of Latin Literature, at a trying and critical period in the history of the college, as the war had been a sad blow to old Union. The regular work of the college had been interrupted and the total number of students during the first year of his presidency was only one hundred and thirteen.

It was in large measure due to his interest and work in behalf of the college that Union was once more placed on a sound basis and the regular college work resumed. It was President Aiken who first instituted the custom of having an annual report submitted to the Board of Trustees by the President. The report which he submitted during the first year of his presidency, produced such a favorable effect on the trustees that they accorded him a vote of thanks and decided that in the future, a comprehensive report should be prepared each year by the head of the college.

At the close of his first report to the trustees, President arken said: "The short time annually given by the board to consultation and action on the interests of the college, appears to me quite insufficient for our emergencies. But if more frequent meetings are undesirable or impracticable, I would urge the appointing of a suitable executive committee with full powers to act on all important matters."

This it is seen that even at as early a period as this, President Aiken realized the necessity for a measure very similar to that which was recently advocated by Dr. Alexander at the meeting of the Board of Trustees—that an executive committee should be appointed with power to take action on all important matters without waiting for a meeting of the trustees.

The Terrace Council had their picture taken this year in caps and gowns.

NEW STAR CATALOG BY PROF. BOSS, UNIVERSITY ASTRONOMER.

Most Important Astronomical Work of the Year.

Prof. Lewis Boss, A. M., LL. D., of the Dudley Observatory, has presented to the college library a copy of his "General Catalog of 6188 Stars for the Epoch of 1900." This is the first publication of his valuable work for which he received a gold medal from the Royal Astronomical Society of London, as being the author of the "most important astronomical work of the year."

This catalog has been highly commended by many scientific magazines and has been called the most important work of the kind which has ever seen published. This volume is to be followed by others, which will catalog all together some 22,000 stars.

Other Additions to Library.

A book on the "Fundamentals of Education" las been presented to the library by its author, Prof. George L. Raymond of George Washington University, Washington, D. C.

The Rev. E. ... Rice, '54, a well known missionary, has presented the library of his college with his "Orientalisms in Bible Lands.'

The library has ordered and will receive as soon as it is printed, the new edition of the Encyclopedia Brittannica. Many other new books are also being ordered.

DR. KNOX OF UNION SEMINARY SPEAKS ON DAY OF PRAYER.

Dr. George W. Knox of Union Seminary delivered the sermon at the annual observance of the Day of Prayer for Colleges last Thursday in the chapel. Dr. Knox, who is an able speaker, delivered an impressive sermon on the text, "For he endured as seeing Him who is invisible."

Dr. Knox was a missionary in Japan for over fifteen years in the earlier part of his life, and has a wide reputation as the author of religious works in both English and Japanese. He is a graduate of Hamilton College and of the Auburn Theological Seminary.

Dr. Ashmore has been rapidly gaining strength during the past few weeks. He was able to walk about on the porch for the first time last Mon-

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QUO VADIS? A word of hearty and unstinted commendation of the Ichabod Spencer Lecture-ship on Psychology seems quite apropos, now that Dr Angell has been with us and has delivered the first two of his series of lectures. No further evidence of the interest that has been aroused in these lectures is needed than the fact that on both evenings the college chapel has held larger audiences than have probably ever gathered there for any other purpose.

But it is quite noticeable, and very much to be regretted, that the student body has not been as keen in its appreciation of the great value of these lectures as the Schenectady public has been. Hardly one-fourth of the audience has been made up of our students. Is it not a significant comment upon the trend of modern college sentiment, not only at Union but in practically all of our American universities, that a student body will turn out en masse to witness a football game, but only a small percentage of the students will avail themselves voluntarily of such rare opportunities for deeper knowledge and broader view-point as the masterful lectures of Dr Angell afford?

No college man can afford to be ignorant of such a broad and culture-giving subject as modern psychology. Is it not wise for us all to stop and give a few minutes of serious thought as to what is our real purpose in being at Union College?

JUNIOR WEEK! Once more the festive time of the college year has returned, and thoughts are turned from the daily routine of study, even from athletics, to the lighter events of theatre parties, fraternity dances, the Soiree and the Prom.

Junior Week serves a real purpose in college lite. Coming as it does at the middle of the college year, it affords a few days of welcome freedom from the ordinary tasks and bids us think only of mirth and delightful social times together. No one would say that the main purpose of four years at college is to attain social culture, and yet the social graces are not to be ignored. Junior Week gives to all an opportunity of entering into the social festivities, and, at their close, of returning to college work with a new enthusiasm and zeal.

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THE SOUTHERN TRIP

OF THE PRESIDENT.

Dr. Richmond will leave on the 28th of this month to visit three Alumni Associations that are holding dinners in his honor. The first of these will be at Washington on the 30th, and from there he will go to Charleston, S. C., for an Alumni meeting on February 2nd. Owing to the efforts of Morton M. Price, '99, the Alumni of Philadelphia are to meet at the Hotel Wilton on February 6th to welcome the President. Dr. Richmond is looking forward to these meetings with pleasure, as it is one of his special desires to know all the Alumni.

PAST ALUMNI MEETINGS.

On December 30th, the Alumni attending the meeting of the State Teachers' Association at Syracuse, held a dinner at the Jefferson House, to which the President and Prof. Hoffman came as guests of honor. It has been the custom for several years to hold this dinner and it was hoped that the local Alumni might come in force this year and form a local association. This was not done, but the opportunity for an association in Syracuse is so good that it is hoped one will be formed next year.

Mr. Wm. J. Kline of Amsterdam, N. Y., gave a reception for Dr. Richmond on January 4th. Twenty Alumni and many friends of the College were present.

DIED.

1858. John J. Pinkerton died at his home in West Chester, Pa., on November 30th, 1910. Mr. Pinkerton moved to West Chester in 1860 and for nearly 50 years he was an active member of the Chester County Bar Association.

1864. Selah Howell died at West Roxbury, Mass., during the past year.

NOTES.

1854. E. W. Rice, D. D., has presented the college library with a copy of his latest book, "Present Orientalism in Bible Lands." Dr. Rice is a well-known authority on Bible subjects and the author of many standard religious books.

County, Pa. Mr. Tubbs has been actively engaged in politics since 1870 and in 1900 was a candidate for U. S. Senator from Pennsylvania. As a writer on local history he is well known, and in 1909 published a volume on "Wellsboro and the Wells Family."

1881. John Sawyer is editor of the Cherry Valley Gazette and President of the Village of Cherry Valley, N. Y. Mr. Sawyer has sent his two sons to his Alma Mater, the younger of whom is a member of the class of 1912.

1005. Frank Bailey, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, has been spending the winter in Europe.

1899. Morton M. Price is undertaking the task of organizing an Alumni Association at Philadelphia.

1910. Chester Moore was married on September 28th to Miss Cecile Huyig of Castorland, N. Y.

1911. Edward B. Lefferts was married October 26th to Miss Francis L. Weills of Norfolk, Neb.

OPPENHEIM LEAVES COLLEGE.

Oppenheim, '13, has announced that he will soon leave college in order to enter business. During his two years at college "Oppie" has been popular among his classmates, and has been actively interested in many of the student activities. He will be especially missed by the Concordiensis Board, of which he has been a member for two years, and by the Press Club, as he is now secretary of that organization.

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Owing to the fact the editor's space is diminished this week by new advertisements, THE OPTIC had to be omitted. It will be continued next week.

SOPHOMORES DEFEAT FRESHMEN.

The representative basketball teams of the Sophomore and Freshman classes played the first of a series of underclass games as a preliminary to the Union-Rochester game in the Armory Saturday. The game resulted in a decisive victory for the Sophomores by a score of 16-2.

Gould showed up well for the 1914 men, while the second year players displayed good team-work and accurate shooting, Davis being especially good. The next game will be contested this Saturday in the Armory before the start of the Union-M. I. T. game.

WORK AMONG THE FOREIGNERS.

The classes for teaching foreigners English have so far been very successful. The movement has been well supported by the students, and the foreigners have shown great aptitude for learning and understanding English words and phrases. There are now six classes, having in all sixty-five members. They are:

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Lithuanians, at their club rooms on Windsor Terrace: English, taught by Shepard. '12; Civics, by Hardy, '12; Arithmetic, by Fink, '11.

At the Italian Mission of the First Presbyterian Church on Park Place, there is a Sunday School class for Italian boys, taught by Duchscherer.

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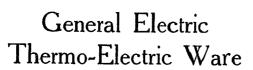
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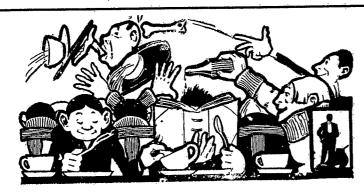
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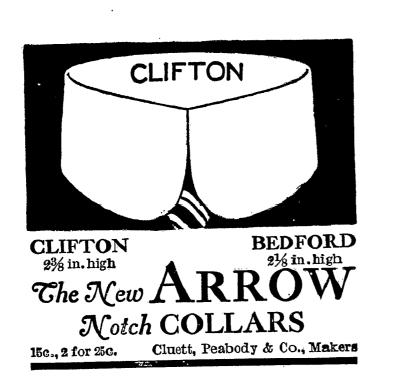
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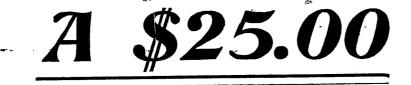
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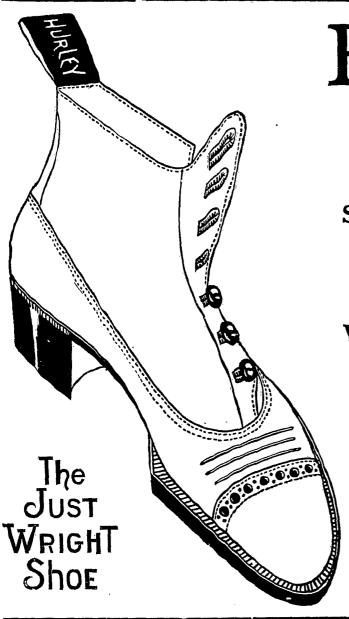
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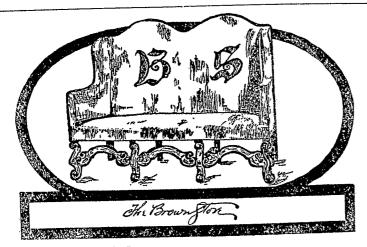
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