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#### The Concert.

The concert given in the Van Curler Opera House, Tuesday, by the college musical clubs was a decided success. Every number on the programme was rendered with hardly a flaw. The audience, while it was not as large as it should have been upon such an occasion, was an appreciative one and applauded heartily.

The curtain rose at about 8:30 o'clock and immediately the Glee club filed in and took their place. They formed a large semi-circle which neatly filled the front of the stage.

The first selection, "Union Beside the Mohawk Vale," written by C. E. Franklin, '83, was well rendered. This was followed by a selection, entitled "That Little Peach," which highly pleased the audience. As the club filed off the stage they were loudly applauded. They responded with an encore.

The second number, "El Turia," by Granada, was rendered by the Mandolin club in such a manner as to call forth hearty applause, in response to which an encore was rendered.

The singing of Messrs. Greene, Hinman, MacMahon and Eames, who constituted the quartette, was thought by many to have been one of the main features of the evening's entertainment. They responded to the generous applause which followed by singing "Tenting on the Old Camp Grounds."

The Banjo club, always a favorite among collegiate musical clubs, rendered their first selection, "Coat of Arms March," without a flaw, and received well merited applause. They also responded with an encore.

Mr. Cook created a great deal of laughter by his rendition of the character sketch "Casey in Court." The audience insisted that he should return which he did giving a pathetic reading which, in conclusion, dropped from the sublime to the ridiculous.

"Wah Sid" (Chinese March), by Lautz, was fairly well rendered by the Mandolin club. In this piece the Guitars sounded somewhat louder than appeared necessary. The audience, however, were pleased with the selection and expressed their approval accordingly.

"Three Doughtie Men," which was sung in parts by the Glee club, was one of the best selections of the evening.

"Popular Pot-Pourri," arranged by Mr. O'Neil, '97, was well rendered by the Glee and Banjo clubs. It was in many respects the best number on the programme. Hearty applause followed but they could not be induced to return.

The "Ideal Serenade," was the most pleasing selection given by either Mandolin or Banjo club.

Mr. Heinz and the Glee club did excellent work in the number entitled "Wot Cher." They had to come back and give part of it over again.

"Love and Beauty Waltzes," by the Banjo club was excellent.

"The Hoarse Singers," was acted as well as sung and in a manner which fully merited the hearty applause which followed.

Mr. Cook again appeared and gave a reading entitled "Jimmie Brown's Prompt Obedience." Mr. Cook has a fine enunciation, and an easy manner upon the stage.

The Glee club sang the "Terrace Song" with spirit. Mr. MacMahon in the solo parts did well. The "Drinking Song" as well as the "Song to Old Union" were rendered with true college spirit.

Altogether the concert was one of the best that has ever been given in Schenectady by the college musical clubs.

On January 22, the clubs will give a concert at Canajoharie. A large crowd of students is expected to accompany the clubs on this trip.

#### The Evangelization of the Jew.

"The Evangelization of the Jew" was the subject of a very interesting paper read by the Rev. Walter H. Waygood, pastor of the East Avenue Presbyterian Church, at the chapel meeting, Sunday afternoon, Jan. 17. On account of the disagreable condition of the weather only twenty-five students were present.

There are at present seven millions of Jews scattered in all parts of the world, which is more than twice as many as were in Palestine at the time of David. One-half of the number live in Europe. There are one hundred and fifty missionaries for the conversion of the Jew stationed at one hundred and thirty-eight missions.

The work in the Orient is carried on chiefly by the eastward immigration of christianized Jews. England is doing the most in this mission field, but the best work is being done in New York by a small society of Hebrews. America the individual lovers of the Jewish race are doing the greater part of the undertaking. The missionaries find difficulty in procuring money for the cause, but many converted Jews are making missionary journeys at their own expense. The greatest difficulty is found in the dispersion of the nation. In countries where Jews have lived for centuries they are regarded as strangers by comparatively new comers, and this persecution by Christians has forced the Jews to abandon all hopes of merging with the Gentiles.

The introduction of the Christian Sunday into the Jewish church is regarded by some of their number as the first nail in the coffin of their religion. Ezekiel prophesied the return of the Jews to Palestine, and certainly the prophecy is being fulfilled for at present there are thirty Jewish colonies there, and within fifteen or twenty years the whole nation will be in possession of their native land and will be reunited as a nation.

Centralization means easy evangelization. All that is necessary is that, first, the Jews return to Palestine as a nation; second, that they there became evangelized; and third, that they then go out into the world and preach the Gospel, each in his own tongue.

#### A Suggestion Worthy of Qareful Qonsideration.

Editor of The Concordiensis:-

My interest has been awakened in the matter of patronesses for the various undergraduate enter tainments, given throughout the college year; and I believe a word at the present time would not be amiss. Let me say in the first place I merely suggest, not criticise.

But to be frank, there are opportunities thrown away every time a dance is given, or a concert, not only to make the occasion itself more successful in all that the word implies, but to indirectly aid the college. This may sound fanciful and vague but it is profoundly true. Take an example. Mrs. X, let us say, is a lady of considerable wealth and position, who, by some sort of chance has never happened to have had her name on the patroness card of any college function.

Year after year she sees her neighbor's name among the favored few while she is never even asked. This too, while she recognizes her own greater willingness and ability to do something handsome both by the affair at hand and the college at large. I need not state the result.

The fact of the matter is Mr. Editor, the patronesses don't patronize, and the time is ripe for a shaking up. The fault lies, as suggested above, soley with the selection of the honored ones. I trust that any former patroness who reads this will not think for a moment that I mean herself. Far from it. I simply find fault with the aggregation.

Take our recent concert in the Van Curler. Outside of the students and their friends, and the faculty and their friends, how many were present? The answer is, half a handful. And this half handful represents the patronesses and their friends. Why such an humble social being as myself can name five or six ladies right here in Schenectady who would gladly have seen to the disposal of fifteen to fifty tickets. But no; they had not been asked as patronesses in former years, and so they were not in this. And let me add, with offense to none, I hope, that many of those who were asked, and who did serve (or rather, acquiesced) took it as a matter of course, and let the affair come and go with time-honored indifference.

Any one who has lived in Dorpie for more than a year should have a pretty definite knowledge of the cliques and clans that run (or ruin) the social side of the town.

And this knowledge could be used with great effect if a really diplomatic and courageous patroness committee were ever appointed.

In short, to act upon the suggestions humbly submitted in the above, would lift local college entertainments out of their present disheartening rut, would put a little new life into society generally, and would win for the college a few active Schenectady friends, at least. "98."

#### Obituary.

The Rev. Theodore S. Brown, '44, of Chatham, died Thursday, Jan. 14, at the Albany Hospital where he had undergone a surgical operation. He had completed the sixteenth year of his pastorate at Chatham and next spring would have completed his fiftieth year of service in the pulpit.

Mr. Brown graduated from the Princeton Theological Seminary. His five charges have been at New Concord, N. Y., Plainfield, N. J., Brooklyn, N. Y., Dunellen, N. J., and Chatham, N. Y.

He graduated from Union in the same class with Gen. James C. Duane, Chief Engineer of the Army of the Potomac, Ex-Governor Rice of Massachusetts, Prof. Lamoroux, Col. Samuel T. Richards, and Gen. Fred. Townsend.

The Hon. Joel T. Headley, '39, another of Union's oldest alumni, died Saturday morning, Jan. 16, at his home in Newburg, N. Y., after a lingering illness of several weeks. He was born at Walton, Delaware County, N. Y., Dec. 30, 1813, and after graduating from Union pursued a course at the Auburn Theological Seminary.

Mr. Headley was famous both politically and as a man of letters, having been assemblyman in 1854 and secretary of the state of New York in 1855-58, and author of many historical works. He was in early life pastor of a church at Stockbridge, Mass., but illness caused him to resign. He went abroad and while there wrote "Letters from Italy." He returned and became associate editor of the New York Tribune, then published by Horace Greeley, and after a year's service he resigned to devote his time to authorship.

His principal works are, "Napoleon and his Marshals," "Washington and his Generals," "History of the War of 1812," "Sacred Mountains," "The Great Rebellion," "Grant and Sherman," "Life of Farragut," and "History of the Great Riots."

Mr. Headley has been president of the board of trustees of the Newburg Washington Head-quarters Association for over twenty-five years.

#### The Feneing Plub.

The fencing club has been reorganized and expects to purchase an entire new equipment of foils, masks, &c. There will be fencing bouts each week in the gym. and those who become proficient will have an opportunity to enter the mid-winter meet to earn points for their respective classes. It will be remembered that the mid-winter meet in 1895 was decided in favor of the class of '98 through the points won in the fencing contests.

Every man in college should subscribe to the general welfare of the fencing club by giving it the benefit of his membership. A new set of officers has been elected as follows: President, Charles J. Vrooman; secretary, William D. Reed; treasurer, R.S. Hoxie; steward, Walter M. Swann.

#### The Allison-Foote Prize.

The Allison-Foote prize was founded in 1895 by George F. Allison, '84, of New York city, and the Hon. Wallace T. Foote, '85, of Port Henry, N. Y., for the encouragement of debating in the literary societies at Union. The prize consists of \$100 in cash, and is to be awarded as the result of a public competition between the members of the Adelphic and Philomathean societies. \$50 will be awarded to the society presenting as a whole the strongest arguments and \$50 will be awarded to the debator who makes the best single speech, regardless of his society relations.

The prizes thus far have been won by the Adelphic society and its members. The Philomatheans are working very hard to win this year and an exciting debate is anticipated.

Two very interesting articles from the pen of Prof. Ashmore have appeared in the New York Tribune recently on Spanish atrocities. The last one, in the issue of Monday, Jan. 18, should be read in connection with the first to be appreciated.

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THE INSERT which we have published this week is an excellent picture of the musical clubs of the college. Subscribers will undoubtedly appreciate the efforts of the Board of Editors to make The Concordiensis as attractive as possible and will therefore send in their subscriptions at an early date.

IN ANOTHER column we print a letter which touches upon a very important matter. The careful selection of patronesses to college affairs might result in much benefit to the college. It certainly would be more apt to create a kindly interest in the affairs of the college than would the mere reprinting of a long list of names which have been listed for the past ten or fifteen years.

IN EARLY times what is now Ireland was called Scotia, and its inhabitants were known as Scoti, or Scots. A branch of this Scotic stock invading north Britain ultimately gave its name to all of what is now Scotland.—Daily Gazette.

From Scotland they came to America and settled on the banks of the Mohawk, when in time they were invaded by Mohawk Dutchmen from Schenectady. What is our Scotia across the river, Irish, Scotch or Dutch? The decision of the Court of Appeals in reference to the Fairweather will contest was handed down Tuesday. Union is again unlucky. The decision of the last court affirms the decision of Judge Truax who set aside the deed of gift made by the residuary legatees whereby Union was to have got \$100,000.

Such a sum of money would have been very acceptable to the college in its present financial condition.

It is rumored that a number of the Sophomore Soiree committee favor holding the annual ball, given by that class, in the Edison Hotel Dining room. Such a radical change should not be made without the most careful consideration of all those factors which go to make up a successful dance. Any change, which would tend to lessen the expense to the individual, would be a great advantage, but if such a change would, at the same time, lessen the attendance, the danger of running behind would be nearly as great. The experiment, however, might be well worth trying.

IN A previous editorial, mention was made of the dilapidated condition of the windows in the round building, and it was suggested that they be repaired so as to prevent injury which might come to the interior of building. We notice that repairs are at present in progress. It should have been done before this. During the strong wind which was blowing last Monday, one of the students saw a large portion of one of the upper windows blown out and broken into small pieces. The windows may not be of much service and hardly worth the expense of repairing, but the interior would be very seriously damaged if the windows were not covered so as to prevent the wind and rain from entering the building. The method of repairing may be more serviceable than ornamental. A little dark paint, however, would serve to cover the unsightly patches.

THE STUDENTS turned out well to the concert. We compliment all of those who went, upon their college spirit and evident intention to support college affairs. It is to be regretted, however, that there were any who stayed away. Perhaps some of those who did were obliged to on account of other more pressing engagements. If such was the case they will probably hand the manager the price of the ticket, notwithstanding the fact that they were not there.

So far as the towns-people are concerned, with the exception of five or six and perhaps a few more who were escorted to the Opera House by some of the students, they were conspicuous by their abscence. However, most of them will probably have ample opportunity to hear the clubs when they, in accordance with several outstanding invitations, kindly lend their services for the purpose of swelling the receipts of several church socials.

### Geological Work of Prof. Prosser.

In the second volume of the Kansas University Survey which is now passing through the press, will be found a report by Prof. Prosser of the Permian and Cretaceons rocks of Kansas.

The report will be illustrated by forty sections, maps and half-tones. This work was gathered during the past summer by a party of which Prof. Prosser had charge.

Another report describing part of the upper Deronian formations of eastern New York has also gone to the printer. This will appear in the 15th Annual Report of the State Geologists of New York, accompanied by a geological map and sections.

#### Banquet of the Qhi Psi Fraternity.

On Friday evening the Chi Psi fraternity association of northern and eastern New York will hold its annual banquet at the Kenmore, Albany. A business meeting will be held at 7 o'clock, the banquet beginning at 7.30 o'clock. President John H. Peck, of the Troy Polytechnic Institute, will preside. A large number of Chi Psi fraternity men will attend from Union and a general good time is expected.

There will also be a large delegation from Williams College and Cornell University where the fraternity is especially strong.

There will also be delegations of Chi Psi men from Troy, Hudson, Kingston, New York, Utica, Binghamton and Buffalo.

Manager Williams of the base ball team has arranged for the first game of the season with Princeton April 3, at Princeton.

#### **Qharter Day.**

The one hundred and second anniversary of the granting of the original charter to Union College will be celebrated Thursday, Feb. 18, with appropriate exercises.

The Rev. Henry Van Dyke will lecture in the afternoon and the annual Allison-Foote prize debate between the Adelphic and Philomathean societies will be held in the evening. The anniversary will be further commemorated by the Sophomore soiree the following evening.

Charter day was celebrated for the first time last year and the success of the undertaking warranted making it an annual event.

#### Medical College Notes.

The faculty of the Albany Medical College have made the following appointments for the '97 honor stage: Reuben H. Irish, Elizabethtown, N. Y.; John W. Travell, Troy, N. Y.; Richard Van Beusekom, McKnowlville, N. Y.; Francis J. McKnown, Slingerlands, N. Y.; Joseph A. O'Neill, Schenectady, N. Y.; Fred J. Guyer, Albany, N. Y.; Leonard McClintock, South Worcester, N. Y.; G. Burton Pearson, Cleveland, Ohio. Van Beusekom and McClintock graduated from Union College in the class of '94 and were on the honor stage. O'Neil was also a student at Union, a member of the class of '97.

The Wayne County Club celebrated with a spread on the evening of Jan. 17, the occasion being the birth-days of two of its members. Among others present were Williams, '97, O'Neill, '97, Closs, '98, Cullen, '98, Hartnagel, '98, Guttman, '98, Crothers, '99, Purchase, '99, and Thacher, 1900.

At the annual meeting of the American Economic Association held at Johns Hopkins University recently, two of Union's sons were honored with offices. Prof. Franklin H. Giddings, '77, was elected vice-president of the association and Dean Ripton was made a member of the council.

#### **Qollege Notes.**

The winner of the recent oratorical contest at Wabash College has been found to have plagia-rized one of Dr. Lyman Abbott's sermons. But he won on the point of delivery, the judges having marked him down on composition and thought. He was expelled but the judges were beyond discipline.— The Cornell Daily Sun.

The students of Lehigh University have become interested in debating to such an extent that it was necessary for the two clubs to have enlarged quarters. Last week took place the dedication of the Agora and Forum Debating Hall. Appropriate ceremonies were held which included an address by Dr. Brown, president of the university. Delegates were appointed from the two clubs to make arrangements with the annual Lafayette-Lehigh debate.

In the intercollegiate chess tournament held in New York this vacation Harvard proved herself an easy winner.

A very enjoyable musical was given at the University of Pennsylvania last term in aid of the Cuban fund, in memory of W. D. Osgood, '94.

#### AMERICAN SCHOOL AT ATHENS.

The fifteenth annual report of the American School at Athens has just been published. It is announced that Professor J. R. Sterrett, of Amherst, will act as Professor of the Greek Language and Literature in 1897, and Professor H. W. Smith, of Bryn Mawr, in 1898. Twenty-two American colleges and universities now belong to the association which supports this school.—The Exonion.

#### COURSE IN RAILROADING.

It has been proposed by several railway presidents to establish a college course for the education of young men in the science of railroading. This would be a new departure in America but would tend to raise the standard of railway work in the future.

The proposed course is to embrace most of the branches of study which lead to the degree of Bachelor of Science, together with the fundamental principles of civil and mechanical engineering. It is proposed to add to this a large range of special study in railroading; covering history, organization and administration, law

accounts and rates, the relations of the railroads to each other and to the states, and the history of associations and commissions.

Many railroad presidents have expressed opinions that young men can no longer get sufficient knowledge of the various departments of a railroad in the office, and that managers are handicapped by the fact that the ranks of railway employes are not filled by men of training and ambition.

It has been said that it is impossible to find enough subordinates with broad intelligence and trained minds.

#### NEW ENGLAND COLLEGES.

According to statistics gatherd by the World's Almanac for 1897, the colleges and other institutions of learning in this country have had considerable growth during the past year, notwithstanding the prevailing "hard times." The New England colleges in particular show, with only a few inconsiderable exceptions, an increase in the number of students registered. Benefactions in 1896 were, as a rule, smaller than usual, but the larger colleges, such as Harvard, Yale, Technology and Brown, have all received considerable financial aid. In round numbers, Harvard has been the gainer to the extent of \$250,000; Yale, \$290,000; Mass. Institute of Technology, \$86,000; Mt. Holyoke, \$55,000; Brown, Smith and Amherst, each \$40,000; Wesleyan, \$31,000; Dartmouth, \$30,-000; Tufts, \$25,000; Williams, \$24,000; Radcliffe, \$8000; Bates, \$7500; Boston, \$7370; Vermont, \$7250; Bowdoin and Colby, each \$1700; Trinity, \$400; and Middlebury, \$250.

The figures for registration for 1896 and 1897 are as follows:

	1897	1896
Harvard	3674	3290
Yale	2415	2400
Boston University	1270	1252
Mass. Inst. of Technology	1415	1200
Brown	910	850
Wellesley	818	788
Dartmouth	601	560
Tufts	500	450
Amherst	450	46 <b>0</b>
Williams	385	351
Bowdoin	378	363
Radcliffe	358	344
Mt. Holyoke	340	335
Wesleyan	306	300
Bates	280	350
Colby	225	260
Trinity	127	130
Middlebury	106	105
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#### Personals.

Whipple, '98, has left college.

Dr. Linhart's chickens are laying.

Gage, 1900, has joined the 37th Sep. Co., N. G., S. N. Y.

Reynolds, 1900, spent last week with friends at Buffalo.

Rogers, 1900, has been initiated into the Chi Psi fraternity.

A boxing class has been formed under the instruction of Dr. Linhart.

Dunham, 1900, and Cullings, 1900, spent Saturday, Jan. 16, with friends at Troy.

Pomeroy, 1900, has recovered from a recent attack of fever and will return to college in a few days.

Klipphahn, 1900, has returned to college after a two months confinement at the Ellis hospital with typhoid fever.

The candidates for the base ball team are considering plans for the coming season and have begun light practice.

Breeze, '99, received a bath in the Mohawk while out skating last week. He did not know the air hole was there.

Glazier, '97, led the prayer meeting of the Luther league at the First English Lutheran church last Sunday evening.

Charles Emory Smith, Union '61, is talked of as a candidate for the Treasury portfolio in President-elect McKinley's cabinet.

The annual banquet of the Albany Medical College Alumni will be held at the Hotel Savoy, New York, Thursday evening, Jan. 21.

"Constructive Rhetoric" by Prof. Edward Everett Hale, Jr., receives complimentary notice in the January number of the School Review.

Dr. Linhart has been engaged by the Washington Continentals to instruct in the gym. A new system of athletic work will be instituted.

The semi-annual meeting of the trustees of Union College will be held at Albany, Tuesday, Jan. 26. The board of governors will meet at the same time.

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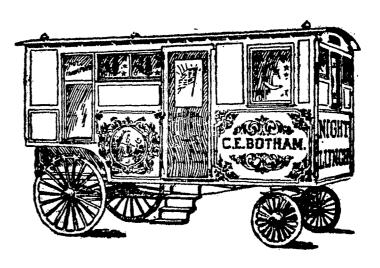
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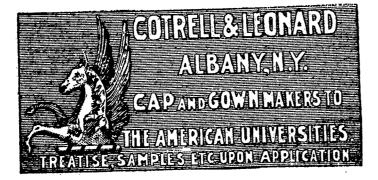
C. E. BOTHAM, 214 CLINTON STREET. Hutton, '98, Parsons, '98, Tucker, '99, Campbell, '97. Burtiss, ex-'97, and Smith, ex-'97, have recently been elected members of the 36th Sep. Co., N. G., N. Y.

Cregan, ex-'99, won 2d place in the 28 yds. dash at the Princeton Athletic meet held in the Princeton Casino, Jan. 4. Kilpatrick, ex-'98, also competed in the same event.

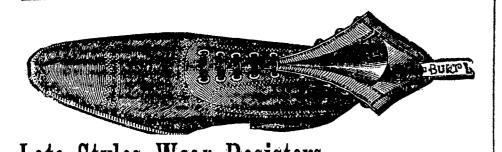
The subjects for the Sophomore essays for this term have been given out. They are, "The Cuban Revolution," "The Late Presidential Election," and "The Early Life of Lincoln."

The fiftieth anniversary of the pastorate of the Rev. Horace G. Day at the Frst Baptist church in Schenectady, Jan. 10–13, was participated in by a large number of Union alumni, among whom were the Rev. George Alexander, '66, of New York; President Raymond; Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, 84, of Albany; Rev. Dr. Henry B. Graham, '62, and Maj. Austin A. Yates, '41, of Schenectady.

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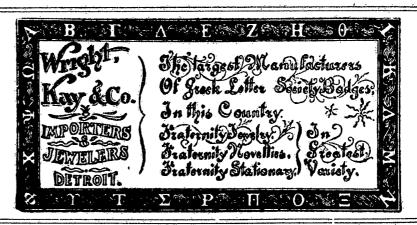
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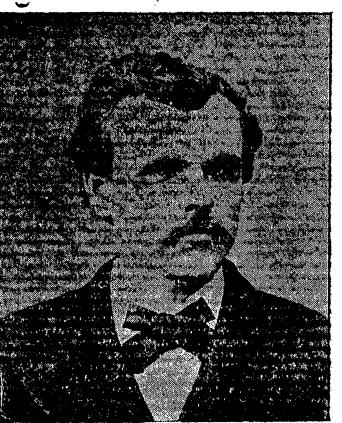
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