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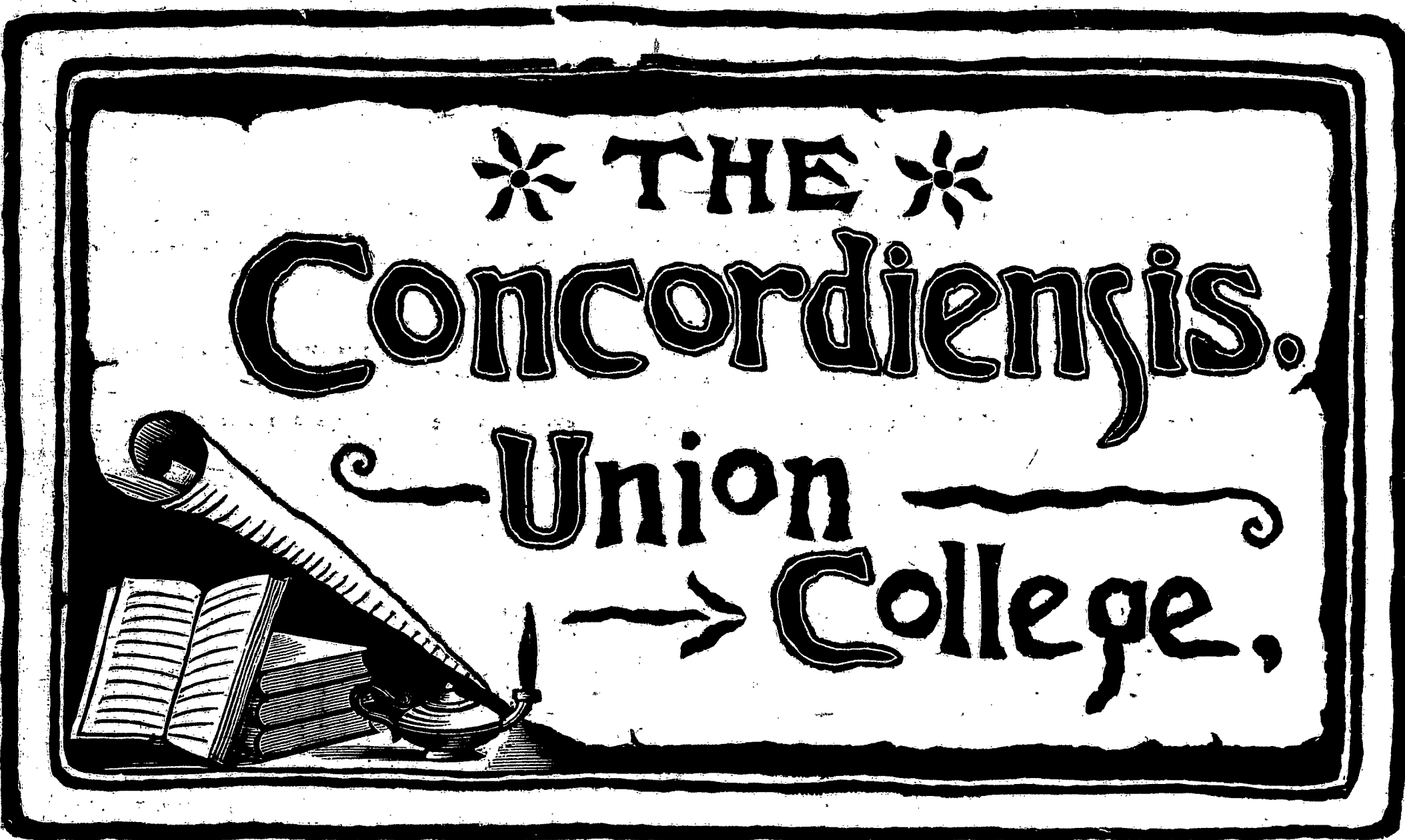
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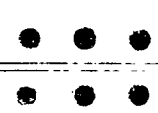
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## The College Senate.

### My Great Speech on the Pacific Railroad Bill.

It was a custom in our day, and I presume it is now, on Friday afternoons, to convert the Senior Class into the United States Senate as a school for practice, where budding statesmen—always the majority of every class—might prepare for the proper discharge of those solemn responsibilities to which an enlightened public—if it knows what's best for itself—must, sooner or later, inevitably call them. And I suppose there never was a class for which such provision was more appropriate than for ours. I have heard President Raymond, Wm. H. McElroy, Robert Alexander and others, on post-prandial occasions, laud their respective classes as something phenomenal. But how those gentlemen, even after dinner, could thus speak in the presence of a member of the Class of '54 was always beyond my comprehension. Undoubtedly that justly celebrated class contained more of what might be termed premonitory symptoms of statesmanship and other embryonic forms of greatness than any other class ever graduated by old Union.

At our first meeting the distinguished senators had an edifying rumpus over what the subject and title of our bill should be. The question of a Pacific railroad was then beginning to agitate the public mind; and upon the assurance of "Auty" Yates that the road should run round through the State of each member of the class, it was finally decided that

that should be the subject and title of our bill—and, at once, every really gifted member of the class, which meant the entire membership, went to work to prepare a speech. I prepared one, of course. As ours was a railroad bill, and railroads are usually built in "sections," I built my speech on that plan; and as each section was completed I committed it to memory, and would "get it off" up in my room, when I thought no one was near. At last I got the thing finished; and one Saturday afternoon I concluded to rehearse my effort—go over the whole road, as it were, and see how it went in its entirety. My looking-glass was a small one; a fact I regretted at the time, as it afforded but a partial view of the gestures which were to accompany the train. I placed it, however, in the best possible position, and started westward! I soon left the Atlantic coast and all the States circumjacent thereunto; I swept across the prairies; I scaled the Rocky Mountains, the Sierra Nevadas, and most of the other now elevated portions of our beloved country. With my throttle wide open I was rapidly descending the Pacific slope and, in the distance, could see the arms of the Golden Gate opening to receive me, when—suddenly, the door of my room burst open and in rushed those two unsympathetic idiots, Ed. Potter and Hal. Nott—two beloved cousins! They doubled themselves up, like a pair of animated jack-knives, with laughter; and on getting their breath, Ed. Potter said: "Charlie, what are you making such an

ass of yourself for?" I didn't know! The question, though pertinent, was somewhat premature; and being at the moment unprepared, I was unable to give a satisfactory reply. The tongue that a moment before was vocal with eloquence now clung to the roof of my mouth. I silently collected the pages of my manuscript, and, amid the hearty applause of my audience, wrapped about me the tattered remnants of my dignity and slid out into the circumambient. I didn't care so much for myself; but I did grieve over the loss then and there sustained by my beloved country—for my career as a statesman was ended.

CHAS. D. NOTT, '54.

### Our Cause.

Come, comrades raise your voices, all,  
And sing a lusty song  
'Till all the hills return again  
The shout three hundred strong.

Not as the bards of ancient time  
Sing we, of clash of arms,  
Of ringing shield and glancing blade,  
And battle's wild alarms.

A sterner war, a nobler cause  
Is ours to dare and fight;  
With powers of Sin and Ignorance  
We war for Truth and Right.

Not Islam's power, nor Moslem might  
Face we; Saladin's blade,  
Red with the rust of centuries,  
Resists no new Crusade.

The Will our shield, the Pen our sword.  
Advance we, fearless, true;  
Our armor bright in the Youth's clear light,  
Gleams as the hosts we view.

Not "Death to Mussulman!" our cry  
Sounds o'er the battle's din;  
"Truth and Old Union!" Rends the air.  
Tremble the hosts of sin.

And, when the sword is sheathed at last,  
Forth to the muster call  
Shall march old Union's sturdy men.  
Proven and faithful all.

BALLARD, '98.

### Chauncey M. Depew.

#### OBSERVATIONS MADE IN OTHER LANDS.

Seldom is it the privilege of travelers to make a journey with such an illustrious and instructive guide as Chauncey M. Depew; but this was the good fortune of the students of Union College on Friday, Jan. 11. For two hours the company journeyed through France and Italy, visiting the principal cities and noting all the places rendered famous by history.

Gen. Daniel Butterfield introduced to the audience Dr. Depew, who immediately gained the attention of all present by his commanding figure, his genial smile, and the rich tones of his voice. In an easy and pleasant way the speaker took his hearers across the ocean, through the inconvenience of a winter voyage, and landed them safely on the shores of France. Then followed a very interesting, amusing and vivid comparison of the European system with the elegant trains that speed across the American continent over Depew's own New York Central. He did not tarry long in France, but hastened to Italy, whose railways, he said, carry one along the shores of that sea which is fraught with so much of interest to all students. Italy and Greece are, of all countries, the most interesting to the college alumnus, because they are so intimately associated with the earliest teachings of the class room.

He visited Florence and Genoa; there, he said, one cared little for the modern things, but was interested more in "history crystalized." Here one passes by the tombs and statues of great generals and statesmen, but pauses before the tomb of Gallileo. It would be impossible to describe the eloquence with which Dr.

Depew referred to the work of the great scientist, and showed how he and similar men had made possible the civilization of the nineteenth century.

Then followed picturesque descriptions of Rome and its main objects of interest; the Appian Way, the Coliseum, the Forum, and St. Peter's. He contrasted the Roman and American civilizations, showing how the former was intellectual, but without heart or soul. He took his audience to the Forum and explained how that place was able to rule the world. Then followed the Coliseum, majestic in its ruins; and St. Peter's, a monument to the genius of Michael Angelo.

Dr. Depew visited the Pope. His method of gaining audience and the manner of his reception, as described, were purely American. But the tribute paid to the Pope, as to his intellectual powers, his insight into human character, and his knowledge of the affairs of men, was above national or denominational prejudices.

A strong plea was made for a more thorough study of oratory than is at present given that important subject. It was shown how great speeches had affected the history of nations, and how a great orator was of far more importance than is now generally supposed.

The whole lecture was filled with bursts of rare humor; again and again was the audience convulsed with laughter; then the speaker would suddenly change, and all were held in delight at some marvelous description or some magnificent climax. All united in pronouncing the lecture one of the best of this extraordinary course.

✓ B. Cleveland Sloan, '82, has been elected secretary of the Schenectady Board of Trade.

### Wealth and Its Uses.

When Gen. Butterfield stated, in his introductory remarks at the last Butterfield lecture, that the chief aim of this course was practicability, he struck the key note in the lecture then delivered. For there has probably been no other of the lectures so filled with practical life as that of Andrew Carnegie, Friday, Jan. 25, on "Wealth and Its Uses."

He said that wealth was the business of the world; that nine hundred and ninety-nine people out of every thousand are obliged to earn their bread by the sweat of their brows. He glorified poverty, in as much as it is from poverty's abodes, and not from the palaces of the millionaires, that comes all advancement.

"A man must live," he said, "by his own acts; and when a young man has decided this he has crossed the threshold of his career; but when he has decided his profession, he has taken the best step toward success." There were given four good aids to the acquirement of wealth; these were: After having made selection of a profession, concentration. Resolve to be king of his own branch. The next point was to always try to do a little more than one's duty required. "The man," he said, "who doesn't know more about the business of his department than his employer, has not the future of a millionaire in him." Again, we should never try to make too good a bargain; for a bargain should be of benefit to both parties. And above all, avoid speculations.

The lecturer then reviewed the subject of millionaires. He claimed that they were the servants of the people; that day and night their millions are sleeplessly at work opening new fields for the laborer.

But the day of sudden accumulation of fortunes is past. The day of distribution is at hand. Mr. Carnegie believes in the distribution of fortunes by their possessors before death, in order to know they were rightly used.

The speaker then divided young men into four classes: First, those who desire a modest competence, so as to be neither bothered by wealth nor poverty. The second class, those who wish to be millionaires just to see how it would seem. Third, those who worship nothing but fame, and will sacrifice anything to this end. And the last class, the "flower of humanity," who worship at the shrine of service. What concerns them is not to wear honor, but to make themselves worthy to wear honor.

### Track Athletics.

The outlook for track athletics the coming season is, to say the least, very encouraging. Of last year's team, with one or two exceptions, every man has returned to college, and the Freshman Class has lots of material which will develop well.

Kilpatrick comes back to us with a grand record for the past season, and he will run better this year than he has ever done before. The Class of '98 also has two men who ought, and no doubt will, carry the games to the front on many occasions. The first of these is George Sands, who comes to us with a national reputation for his work in the quarter-mile run, having made it in the fast time of  $50\frac{1}{5}$  seconds. The other man is Walter B. Lyon, who has a great record at the sprints.

About fifty men have announced themselves as candidates for the team. This is a great increase over the number for any preceding year, and it only goes to

show that track athletics are becoming more popular every season. These candidates have been taking light practice in the gymnasium every afternoon under Captain Twiford; and as the season advances, the work will be increased. The cross-country runs, which were taken by the team last fall, have been of great benefit to those who took them. At the mid-winter meet it is expected that some new men may be brought to the front. The most likely candidates are as follows: Sprints—Klein, '95; O'Neil, '97; Sands, '98; Lyon, '98; Walker, '95; Baker, '98; Holleran, '95.

Quarter and Half Mile—Allen, '95; Lane, '95; Sands, '98; Kilpatrick, '98; Booth, '98; Sweetland, '98; Lyon, '98; O'Neil, '97.

Mile Run—Kilpatrick, '98; Sommer, '96; Multer, '97; Wright, '95; Mallery, '98; Hortuagh, '98; Andrews, '98; Ensign, '98.

Mile Walk—Pollock, '96; McEwan, '95; Cotton, '97; Todd, '97; Turner, '98; Vrooman, '98.

Weights—Barnes, '95; Myers, '96; Beckwith, '96; Thomas, '98; Blodget, '97; Bennett, '96 Med.

Hurdles—Holleran, '95; Frey, '97; Pearse, '97; Lavery, '95; Twiford (Capt.), '96.

Jumps—Burgin, '95; Myers, '96; Spiegel, '98; Best, '98; Sylvester, '98; Scofield, '96; Pildain, '96; Yates, '98; Twiford (Capt.), '96.

Bicycle—Campbell, '96; Burtiss, '97; Ensign, '98; Sylvester, '98; Sommer, '98; Best, '98.

Pole Vault—McClintock, '96 Med.; Campbell, '96; Dann, '96; Sylvester, '98; Pildain, '96.

Stephen H. Doig, '93, of the Yale Law School, was in town recently.



## Base Ball at Union.

The candidates for the nine have begun systematic training under the efficient direction of Captain Howard. Parsons, '96, has returned, entering the Class of '98, and together with Creegan, Preston and Sturdevant will strive for honors in the box. The old players who have begun work are Enders, Kline, Beattie, Wilson and Sullivan; also Leips, '98, and Holcomb, '98. There is certainly a promising outlook for base ball at Union, and with conscientious work on the part of the candidates a winning team should result. As seen by the game schedule, Manager Allen has done some hustling in arranging games, giving the students opportunities to see the work of their nine on the campus, and pleasant trips for the men who, by ability and hard training, will comprise the nine.

Following is an incomplete list of games: Trinity at Schenectady, April 22, which will be the first game of the season; Amsterdam, May 7; West Point, May 11. Williams at Albany, June 1; Cuban Giants at Schenectady, June 14.

There is every reason to believe that suitable dates can be arranged with Amherst, Wesleyan and, perhaps, Cornell. Among the pleasant possibilities are a game on the campus during commencement week, which has been found inexpedient heretofore, and a trip to Washington the week after college closes, playing the Columbia A. C. and Georgetown University.

Prof. Charles E. Prosser has just published a twenty-six page bulletin on the Kansas river section of the Permo-carboniferous and Permian rocks of Kansas.

## The Parada.

Manager Day, of the foot ball team, has completed arrangements for a magnificent production of Captain Eddy's latest success, *The Parada*. This is a great improvement on the old kirmess, and Capt. Eddy intends to introduce songs, dances and scenery, entirely new and especially prepared for the performances. The cast requires four hundred people, and will be composed of the society people in town and many of the students.

Rehearsals are to begin on Jan. 28th, and will be continued every afternoon and evening until Feb. 18th, when the performance will be given for three, and perhaps five nights, in the Van Curler opera house. The dances are new, the costumes are pretty, and the steps and figures graceful and unique. The principal ones are: Gondoliers, Colonial Gavotte, Venetian, Cordovian, French dancing girls, Imperial, Flowers and Bees, The Cunning Cupids, Dances of the Graces, and many others. In addition a number of specialties will be introduced. The proceeds are to be devoted to the foot ball association and the Ellis Hospital.

The following engineering journals have been added to those already received at the college library: American Railway Journal, Engineering Magazine, Electrical World, Fire and Water, Journal of the Association of Engineering Societies. These additions will materially add to the literature at command of engineering students.

"Dear father: please excuse," he wrote,  
 "The hurried shortness of this note;  
 My studies so demand attention  
 That I have hardly time to mention  
 That I am well, but add that I  
 Lack funds; please take the hint. Good bye.  
 Your loving son.

—, '98.

He signed his name.  
 And hastened to the foot ball game.—*Ex.*

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AFTER a delay of nearly two months the successor of "Father" Brown has been elected, and Josiah G. Beckwith, '96, of Litchfield, Conn., will captain the foot ball team next season. Beckwith is a representative Union man, combining the qualities of student and athlete. We believe that he will wear his honors gracefully, and that he will prove himself worthy of the confidence which his colleagues have placed in him.

THE New York *World* recently contained an article entitled "No More Diplomas Without Athletics," by Dr. D. A. Sargent, physical director at Harvard. Dr. Sargent is in favor of making physical culture a feature of the college curriculum, and says: "The weakness of this popular movement to-day is the undue prominence that is given to the sporting and spectacular side of athletics, and the almost entire absence in practice of the educational features of these valuable exercises."

And again, in speaking of the popularity of college athletics, the writer says: "In consequence of the wide public interest in athletics and the popular glamour surrounding the subject, a large number of young men upon entering college are fired with enthusiasm to become athletes and get on to the university athletic teams. In many cases the zeal of these young men is greatly in excess of their abilities, and in their efforts to get into university form and keep pace with the 'stars' they often do themselves injury."

In direct contrast to the system of athletics and physical culture at Harvard, is our own well-organized department of physical training presided over by Dr. Linhart. At Union, Human Anatomy, Physiology and Physical Culture are required in all courses. To make the work in physical culture more comprehensive, Physiology is taught in the freshman year, one hour a week being devoted to its study. This physical training continues through the freshman and sophomore years, and consists of theoretical and practical work in the gymnasium. The course includes calisthenics, light and heavy gymnastics, physiology of exercise, and physical examinations and measurements.

The gymnasium is open for general work, under the supervision of the instructor, every day during the college year, from 7 A. M. until 6 P. M. It is desired that every student in college avail himself of this opportunity to store up health, strength and endurance. Proper attention is given to athletics, but the principal object is to develop all, rather than to train a select few to do marvelous feats.

Dr. Sargent calls attention to the enormous sums yearly spent on coaches to perfect the physical condition of a few individuals, and the corresponding small sums which make up the salaries of physical directors and advisers whose duty it is to care for the physical condition of the student class, and says:

To be sure the money expended upon the athletic teams is contributed by the students and the public who pay to see the great games, while the college pays for the support of the gymnasium. But when it is considered that nearly a thousand dollars per man is expended yearly upon the training of a few score naturally vigorous athletes in order that they may be put in condition to make a "Roman holiday," while only four dollars per man is expended yearly upon the physical training of young men who are being prepared for the hard grinding duties of a professional life and responsible citizenship, which may well be termed a perpetual contest—there would seem to be a radical discrepancy between the actual performance and the realizable ideals in the conduct of physical training at our great universities. The most that can be done for the students who really need physical training, under our present system, is largely of an advisory nature. The sense of duty which each man owes to his present and future well-being is the only incentive to keep up regular, systematic efforts towards physical improvement.

It will be seen that Dr. Sargent laments the system of athletics which is in vogue at Harvard, whereby only eighty, of all her students, become identified with her athletic teams, which it costs fifty thousand dollars a year to maintain. In conclusion, he says "it is the duty of all persons interested in the welfare of our college youth to use their influence in staying the tide of concentrated athleticism, and try to give to the physical training of the mass of students who need it some part of the time and attention now given to the physical training of the favored few."

John Watkins, '98, is ill at his home in this city.

## Here and There.

### THE HORSE IS KING OF BEASTS.

Here is a little essay that will doubtless be appreciated by the overworked Freshman or sportive Soph. It was suggested to me by several *gems of verse* which have recently come before my notice, and which vividly recalled the days when I myself was no poor hand at holding the whip and ribbons. The subject is "The Horse." Not the kind of horse that Elbridge T. Gerry writes about in *Our Dumb Animals*; this horse is indeed a "dumb animal," although he speaks volumes, paradoxical as it may seem. He is a faithful and gentle animal, and can accomplish speedy and lengthy journeys without fatigue. Indeed, when great distances have to be covered—in, say one night—relays of horses are never posted, but always relays of riders. There has been many a midnight ride that would rival Paul Revere's if you only knew it. This noble beast of which I write is not like the Grecian horse that caused the ruin of ancient Troy: that horse wore his riders within; this one wears them out. To prove it let me quote from the *S. W. P. U. Journal*:

"My boy, you look weary and wan;  
You are working too hard with your Greek.  
To try, from constructions obscure,  
Some plausible meaning to seek."

"No, no," he wearily said,  
"The meaning I plainly can see;  
But I'm worn out trying to make  
The text and the pony agree."

Although there are many different breeds of this horse, there is ample opportunity for horse fanciers to breed still other kinds. One kind in particular would be appreciated and welcomed with delight down in Lafayette, from whence comes this plaintive lay:

He gets his Latin out with ease;  
His Greek with scarce a thought,  
And yet a grievous fault he sees,  
For Math. there is no trot.

Considering this animal anatomically he is neither like the wooden horse of Troy, nor like Elbridge Gerry's beast of flesh and blood—he is mostly Boho! Under such circumstances I think he comes pretty high—one dollar per volume. Nevertheless this would be considered cheap for one of Mr. Gerry's horses. King Richard III, according to Shakespeare, once offered his kingdom for such a horse. The circumstance is dramatically related in *The Wabash*, as follows:

A Sophomore bold and careless and gay,  
One afternoon of a winter day,



Fixed himself up and went to the play,  
It was Richard III, and a matinee.

The Sophomore sat in the front parquet,  
All was serene as a day in May,  
Until King Richard began to pray,  
"A horse! a horse!" in a faithful way.

When the Sophomore sprang from his seat,  
they say,  
And cried, the poor king's fears to allay,  
"I'll get you a horse without delay,  
I know how it is—I have felt that way."

Although I spoke of this horse as being faithful  
and gentle, and while I still hold to the assertion  
that he is not possessed of many of the vicious  
traits of other animals, still, upon reading the  
following in *The Brunonian*, I am compelled to  
admit that he may yet kick, and thus destroy my  
confidence:

When the German horse and the Latin horse,  
And the French horse and the Greek,  
With the Spanish horse and the Hebrew horse,  
In council together speak,  
The question will be, "Shall we work so much,  
Unless our wages they raise?"  
The common opinion will then be such  
That the votes will all be "neighs."

### Resolutions of Respect.

The following resolutions were adopted by the  
resident members of the Class of '90, Saturday  
morning, Dec. 22d, 1894, relative to the death of  
Charles J. Brandmähl:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to re-  
move from our midst Charles J. Brandmähl, a  
classmate, who by his quiet, unassuming ways,  
his readiness to assist others, and his straightfor-  
wardness of character during four years of daily  
association had gained our respect and confidence;  
therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we hereby extend our heartfelt  
sympathies to the bereaved family; that we, as  
representatives of the class, attend the funeral  
services of our classmate: and be it further

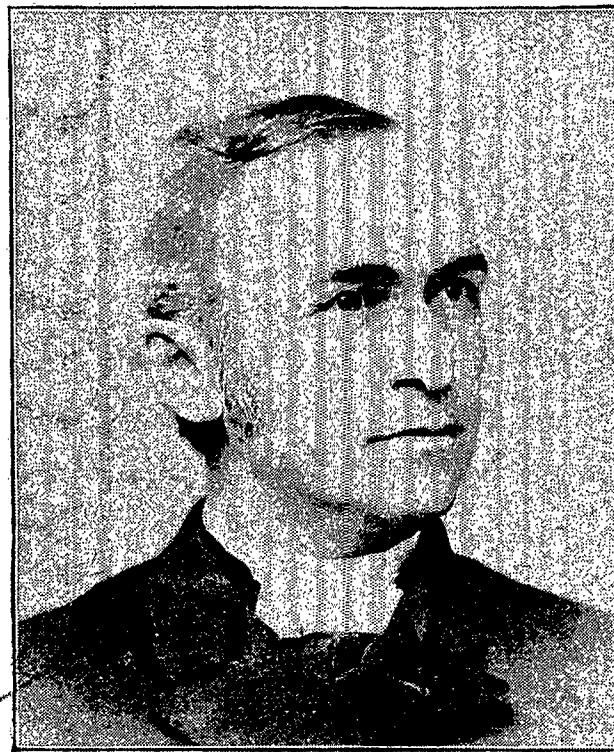
*Resolved*, That these resolutions be inserted in  
THE CONCORDIENSIS, of Union College, and that  
a copy be sent to the family of the deceased and  
to each of the non-resident members of the Class  
of '90.

ALBERT B. VAN VOAST,  
ALEXANDER McDONALD,  
HOWARD T. MOSHER,  
E. T. SCHWILK.

*Schenectady, N. Y.*

Nelson Waite, '89, has removed from  
Sandy Hill to Schenectady. He has taken  
a responsible position with the General  
Electric Company.

### Biographies of Our Trustees.



GEORGE ALEXANDER, D.D.

It is a simple task to write a history of the life  
of George Alexander, bearing upon its face the  
salient facts of his career, but it is impossible  
within the brief limits of this sketch to portray  
the man himself in all the elements of that strong  
and inspiring personality which has been for years  
such a potent force in the life of individuals and  
of institutions. It is true of him, as of all the  
worthiest among us, that the secret of power lies  
back of all expressions of that power in word or  
deed.

We cannot know Dr. Alexander without know-  
ing the home that gave him to the world. His  
strength of body and mind, his convictions and  
ideals were inherited. All who have come from  
that home have borne the same characteristics of  
inherent virtue. To say that these characteristics  
are Scotch, is to indicate a quality of thought and  
of life which the world recognizes and appreciates.  
But not all descendants of Scotch ancestry have  
supplemented their inheritance by such personal  
acquirements as has the subject of this sketch.  
He entered Union College as a Sophomore in 1863,  
and took at once high rank in his studies, and a  
rank no less high in character and influence among  
his fellow students. In 1866 he was graduated at  
the head of his class which, of course, secured his  
election to Phi Beta Kappa. In that year the  
Ingham Essay Prize was first offered, which is  
usually regarded as the highest prize open to Sen-  
iors, and George Alexander was the successful  
competitor—his subject being "The English Es-  
say."

For two years after his graduation he was a  
tutor in the family of Lucius Robinson, of Elmira,  
afterward Governor of the State of New York. In  
1868 he entered Princeton Theological Seminary,



from which he was graduated in 1870, and at once assumed charge of a mission in Schenectady, which he organized into the East Avenue Presbyterian Church. His ability as a preacher and his worth as a man were quickly recognized, and the church grew rapidly under his ministry; always retaining, however, its missionary character. No pastor was ever more beloved by his people, and although many other and larger churches, some of them among the most prominent in the denomination, sought his services, he persistently declined all proposals for a term of fourteen years. During that period his influence in Schenectady and vicinity grew, until no name was better known or more highly honored. His interest in young men drew him often to the college, and he became, in a sense the college pastor, gaining the affectionate confidence of many of the students, who instinctively sought his counsel and help.

In 1877 he became the natural choice of the Trustees of the College for the vacant Professorship of Rhetoric, Logic and Belles Letters, which position he accepted while retaining his pastoral connection with the East Avenue church. Of his work and influence as Professor it is not easy to give an adequate account. Here, as everywhere, the man counted for more than anything else. His scholarly ideals, his love of truth, his sympathy with all that is ennobling, made his very presence an inspiration, for which many are unceasingly grateful. It was a severe loss to the college, as well as to his church in Schenectady, when in 1884 he accepted the unanimous call to the University Place Presbyterian Church, of New York city. But his usefulness to the college was not to be lost altogether, for he was immediately elected alumni trustee, and at the expiration of his term of four years was elected by the Board a Permanent, or Life Trustee. From the first his services as trustee have been of the utmost importance, as he has not spared time nor money nor strength to advance the interests of his Alma Mater. He is pre-eminently a working member, upon whom the college has learned to depend.

As Chairman of the Committee on Instruction he is brought into closer and more constant relations with the practical work of the college than almost any other trustee. With his ability and faithfulness it is not unnatural that other institutions should seek his help, and he is now a Trustee of the University of the City of New York, the Princeton Theological Seminary, and the College of Sao Paulo, Brazil, besides holding official relations with such important organizations as the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, the Phi Beta Kappa Society, and the Union Alumni Association of New York city. The

list of societies to which he belongs includes the Alpha Delta Phi, St. Andrew's, Chi Alpha, the Century Club, and the Adirondack League Club.

The claims of all other organizations, however, are never allowed to supersede the claims of the church which he serves. Although located far down town in the great metropolis, its sphere of influence is constantly increasing. He has fostered its life and developed its work under the most unfavorable conditions, until no church in the city is more vigorously aggressive, or widely useful.

The characteristic of Dr. Alexander's preaching is shown by the following incident: Two students of Union Theological Seminary heard one Sunday a minister of world-wide fame. As they came from the church one said, "I wish I could preach like that." The next Sunday they attended the University Place Presbyterian Church, and as they left, one said to the other, "I wish I were a better man." An inspiration to nobler manhood. This is the influence of the preaching and life of George Alexander.

### The Starin Rules.

The Class of '97, keenly appreciating the fact that the class spirit and rivalry in Union College was greatly enhanced by the class contests for the Starin cup last year, and that the chief motive which Mr. Starin had in presenting the cup has been realized, inasmuch as it has brought into prominence and active duty in College athletics much material which might otherwise have remained latent and undeveloped, and desiring that Mr. Starin's purpose may be put to greater usefulness and that the College may share the benefits of similar results in the future, makes the following offer:

#### THE STARIN CUP,

which is now known as the "Class of '97, Athletic Trophy," is hereby offered to the classes of Union College by the Class of '97 for competition annually in the games of football and baseball, subject to the following rules:

1. In the first or fall term of the collegiate year, each class shall play one game of football with each of the other classes, making in all six games of football; hereafter the schedule of the championship series shall be so arranged that the games shall commence during the week beginning with the second Monday in October, and that one game, at least, shall be so played every week thereafter until the six games have been played. Such schedule must never interfere with the regular college duties, without the consent of the Faculty.

2. In the third or spring term of the same year,

each of the four classes shall play one game of baseball with each of the other classes, making six games in all; the schedule of these games shall be so arranged that the first game of baseball in the championship series shall be played at least during the week beginning with the third Monday of April, and so as not to interfere with regular College duties without the consent of the Faculty.

3. No student actively playing on the "Varsity Football Eleven" or the "Varsity Baseball Team" shall be eligible to play on any class eleven or nine respectively in the championship series.

4. In order for any class to hold the Trophy, such class must win at least five of these six games which it plays against the other three classes in any one year; that is, it must win all three football games and at least two of the baseball games, or *vice versa*. In case of a tie the names of both classes shall appear on the cup in the space usually occupied by one name, but the champions of the previous year shall still hold the cup.

5. When the cup shall pass into the possession of any class under the rules prescribed above, such class shall have its name inscribed on the cup following that of the previous winner, and shall continue to hold the Trophy until another class secures the required number of points, when it shall pass into the possession of that class.

6. In June 1907, the cup will revert to the class of '97, who will at that time present it to the College as an adornment to the Trophy room.

7. These rules cannot be altered or amended, except by a unanimous consent of the Standing Committee, empowered by the class of '97 to act in its behalf. If amendments are ever desired, the Athletic Association shall confer with said committee.

December 14th, 1894.

H. H. BROWN,	} Standing Com.
H. C. TODD,	
G. E. WILLIAMS,	

State Secretary F. S. Goodman, of the Y. M. C. A., was at the College recently discussing matters of business with the local officers.

There will be a meeting of the New York State Inter-Collegiate Foot Ball League at Syracuse, Feb. 2, for the purpose of arranging a schedule of games for next season. Union will be represented by Manager R. S. Greenman.

### Local and Personal.

Dr. Cady Staley was in town recently.

H. D. Merchant, '93, was in town a short time ago.

R. S. Hoxie, '98, is ill at his home in Cambridge, N. Y.

Trumbull, '92, has been promoted to an assistant professorship at Case School, Cleveland, Ohio.

The Fencing Club has appointed the following Committee on Constitution: Lane, '95; Anthony, '96; Twiford, '96, and Canfield, '97.

The Press Club at a recent meeting elected officers as follows: President, Crannell, '95; Vice-President, Twiford, '96; Secretary and Treasurer, Hall, '96.

The Fencing Club was reorganized recently with the following officers: President, Lane, '95; Vice-President, L. M. Schofield, '96; Secretary and Treasurer, Anthony, '96.

The Philomathean officers for the ensuing term are: President, J. A. Collins, '95; Vice-President, Bayles, '95; Secretary, Moulter, '96; Treasurer, Young, '96; Curator, Perry, '98; Judicial Bench, Sander-son, '95; Wood, '96; Merchant, '97.

The *Daily Union* has recently taken a decided course in regard to college matters. It publishes daily a readable budget of hill gossip and has paid particular attention to athletic matters. The stories on the track team and Varsity nine were very readable.

The third Junior hop was held in Fuller's Hall on Friday evening, January 25. There were present from the college twelve seniors, eight juniors, four sophomores and eight freshmen. Schenectady society was well represented. A large delegation of Albanians were also in attendance.

The third division of the American College Republican League met in the Edison Hotel on Saturday, Jan. 26, delegates from several of the clubs in the league being present. President Brown presided. A more thorough organization was perfected, and other business of importance was transacted.

Union Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi will soon be in possession of one of the finest chapter houses in the State, ground having been broken and the work of construction already begun. The site of the new building is on the college grounds, overlooking the campus. The new building will be completed about the middle of next summer.—*Amsterdam Democrat*.

Prof. Lamoreaux informs us that Gilbert K. Harroun, has presented the library with several valuable volumes. Dean Ripton and Bradley Martin, '63, have also contributed a number of books to the departments of Science and Literature. Several of our literary alumni have sent complete editions of their writings—an example that the librarian wishes would be followed by all graduates.

A meeting of the trustees of the college was held in the Medical Dept., Albany, Jan. 21st. The following trustees were present: Lieut.-Gov. Saxton, Dr. Geo. Alexander, S. B. Brownell, Col. C. E. Sprague, S. K. Williams, Hon. John A. DeRemer, R. C. Alexander, Rev. Denis Wortman, Clark Brooks and Charles C. Lester. At three o'clock the trustees went before the Senate Committee to discuss the Union College bill recently introduced by Senator Donaldson. Others present in the interest of Union were the Hon. J. N. Fiero, Albany; Judge Landon, Schenectady; and Treasurer G. K. Harroun.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hickok, aged ninety years, died yesterday, after a brief attack of influenza. She was the widow of the late Laurens P. Hickok, D.D., LL.D., one of the most learned of American philosophers, who was at different times Professor of Theology at the Western Reserve College, Professor of Christian Theology at Auburn Theological Seminary, and President and Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy of Union College. Mrs. Hickok was a woman of remarkable vigor, which enabled her, until her last sickness, to devote much time to charitable work, in all branches of which she was deeply interested.—*Tribune, Jan. 15*.

Treasurer Harroun is almost ready to consider it in the line of his duty to hand over to the city, together with "all the tenements and hereditaments thereunto appertaining," the plot of ground situated in front of the First Ward school. And he'll do it! Mark the prediction! And when he does it the Aldermen will iron-rail the plot, and fountain it, and erect a flag-pole in it, high up upon which will be run a silken pennant with the appropriate and euphonistic inscription—"College Square." There is nothing small about "old Union" or its pushing and energetic treasurer, and the *Star* stands ready to back the opinion.—*Long Island Star*.

The many friends of David N. Tallman, formerly a student at S. S. I. and a graduate of Union college in the class of '93, now connected with the Great Northern R. R., will read with pleasure the following taken from the Minnesota papers of the 28th: "Last evening, at the Episcopal chapel, occurred the marriage of Gertrude Clara Adelaide, only daughter of Andrew Larson, Wil-

mar's wealthiest merchant and banker, to David Newton Tallman, of West Superior. The bride wore a white ivory satin, pearl trimmed costume, and the bridesmaids, of which there were seven, were elegantly attired. After the ceremony a reception was given at the elegant home of the bride's parents to a number of invited guests. Many guests were present from abroad. The presents were numerous and costly, and the bride was presented by her father with \$10,000.—*Pine Plains Register*.

#### The Modern Maid.

Whene'er a man in days gone by  
Wished much to win a maiden fair,  
He sized her up with careful eye,  
Then ventured to her father's lair.  
And when he'd won their full consent  
He wooed the maiden for his bride,  
Until in happiness they went  
Along life's pathway, side by side.

Now, when you see a modern belle,  
Her beauties soon your heart enthrall;  
A talk, a walk, you know her well,  
And at her feet in worship fall.  
Then she is willing to be kissed,  
And takes caresses as her due,  
With foolish prudery dismissed,  
She knows her charms, and shows them too.

But when, at last, you ask her hand,  
And wish to wed your fairy pet,  
She smiles, and says, "Nay, nay," and—and—  
And asks you for a cigarette.

*Bowdoin Orient.*

#### The Three Students.

Three students went strolling down into the town—  
Down into the town by the moon's ascent;  
Each thought on the girl he called his own,  
And the "coppers" stood watching them as they  
went—  
For students will walk when they should be asleep,  
And the "coppers" must still their vigil keep,  
Though the winds be lightly moaning.

Three maidens stood on the street-corner wide  
As the students came by in the pale moonlight,  
Each man tipped his hat; and then, side by side,  
All six walked and talked till far into the night:  
For students will walk when they should be asleep,  
And maidens will ever their company keep,  
Though the winds through the tree tops be  
moaning.

Three O's stand out on the book of the Prof  
On the following day when the lessons are o'er.  
As elegant "deads" as were ever struck off;  
And how could those students expect any more?  
For if students will walk when they should be  
asleep,  
"Whatever a man sows he also must reap;"  
And now those three students are groaning.  
—*Bowdoin Orient.*

How much a man is like his shoes:  
For instance, both a soul may lose;  
Both have been tanned, both are made tight  
By cobbler; both get left and right;  
Both need a mate to be complete,  
And both are made to go on feet.  
They both need heeling, oft are sold,  
And both in time will turn to mould.  
With shoes, the last is first; with men,  
The first shall be the last; and when  
The shoes wear out, they're mended new;  
When men wear out, they're men dead too.—*Ex.*

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If on the wind some little leaf be blown  
 Until it finds a haven at thy door,  
 If some sweet rose-bud, that thy breast hath known,  
 Dies at thy feet, discarded evermore—  
 If some stray breeze that wantons with thy hair—  
 If some poor waif that brings from thee a tear—  
 If dog, that kissed thy hand so sweet and fair—  
 Or, if, perchance, a bird thy lips drew near—  
 If one, or all, should come to me this day  
 And dare me: "Wilt thou change thy life for  
 mine?"  
 Dost think, sweet-heart, that I would say them  
 Nay!  
 I, who so long have worshipped at thy shrine?  
 What life hath value from which hope doth fly?  
 And what is love, if thy heart answers No!  
 Thy cold, hard heart, that doth thine eyes belie;  
 For have they not said: "I could love you so!"  
 O witching eyes! that dare me on to do  
 And then forbid me! Canst thou not divine  
 How much I love thee? How I sought to woo,  
 And dared but write, I am thy Valentine?

The Adelphic Literary society, according to custom, elected officers at the close of last term to serve during this term: President, R. Guernsey, '95; vice-president, George Dann, '96; secretary, J. S. Cotton, '97; treasurer, R. S. Hoxie, '98; executive committee, Orman West, '95, chairman with two others to be appointed.

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Saturday, Feb. 2d, return engagement of "Our Uncle Dudley," for the benefit of Track and Field Athletics of Union College.

Monday, Feb. 4th, the sweet singer, Chauncey Olcott, in "The Irish Artist."

Tuesday, Feb. 5th, "The Silver King," followed by "Coon Hollow," "In Old Kentucky," "Hoss and Hoss," "The Fast Mail," "The Ensign," Sol Smith Russell, Mrs. James Brown Potter and Kyle Bellew, "The Old Homestead," and many others.



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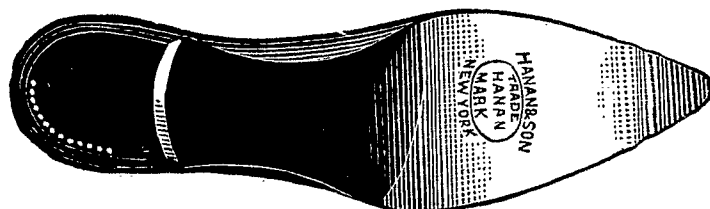
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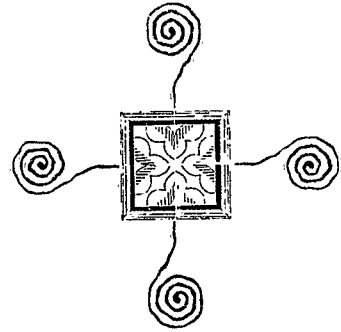
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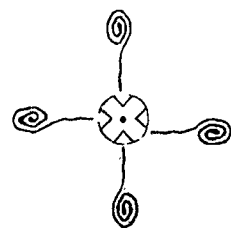
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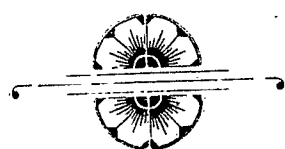
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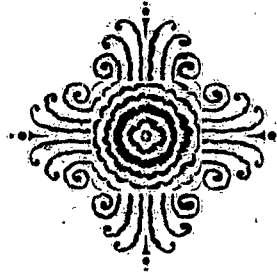
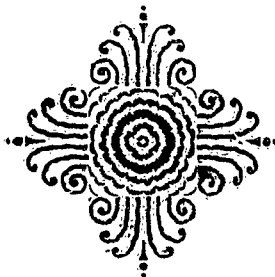
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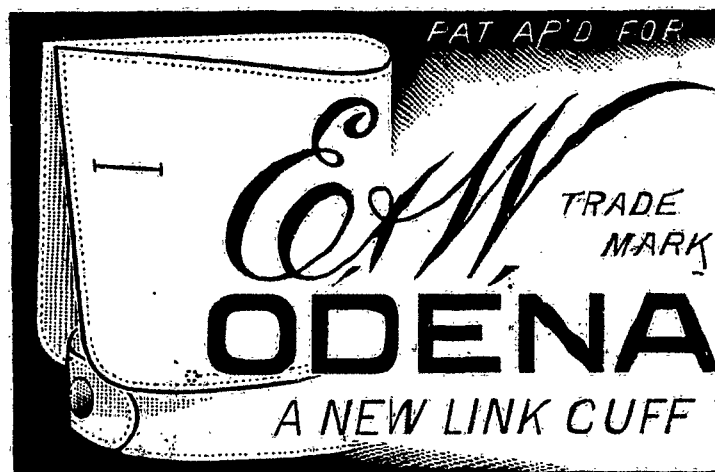
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