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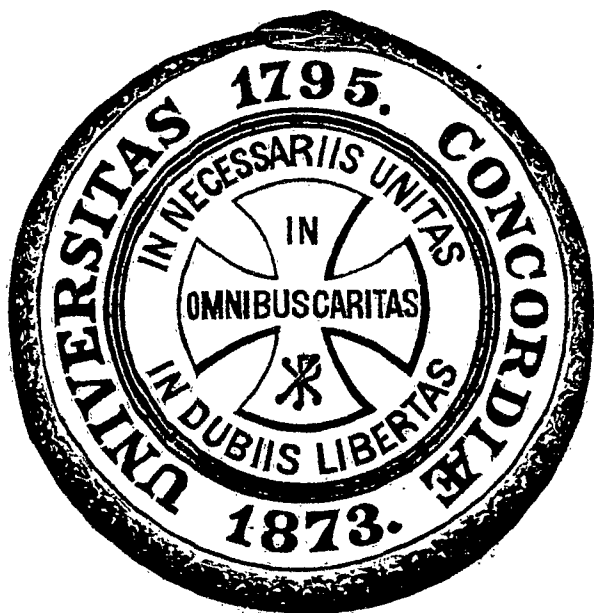
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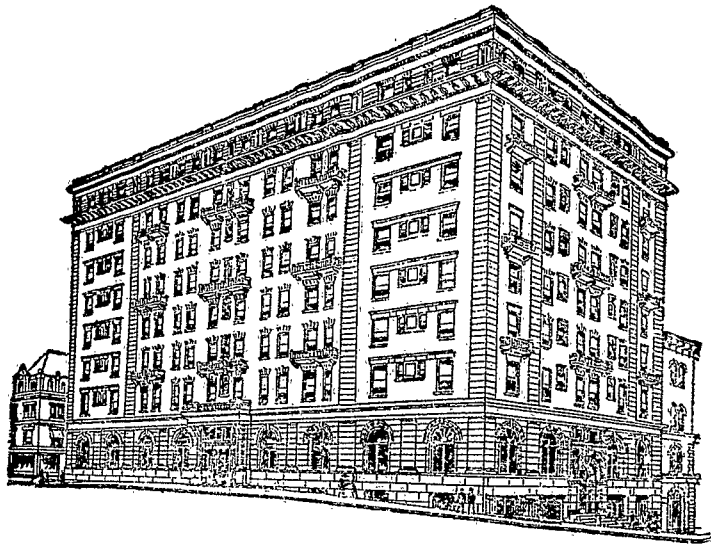
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CABINETS AND CABINET MAKING.

By Charles Emory Smith, Union, '61.

[Former Postmaster-General of the United States, in Saturday Evening Post for February 15, 1902.]

"Cabinet making is always a fascinating work to those who engage in it speculatively. It is the journalist's delight and the politician's game. But to the President, who has the real responsibility and whose Administration may be largely made or marred by his choice, it is often a most difficult and puzzling task.

"At first blush it would seem easy enough to pick out eight men from the whole country to sit around the Cabinet table. But once seriously undertaken the problem is found to involve factors which complicate and perplex it. The members of the Cabinet must be the personal choice of the President and yet men of right public relations. They must be agreeable to him in their personality and at the same time possess representative character. They are not only his Constitutional advisers and his executive arm in the administration of the Government, but his daily associates. Then they are expected to be geographically distributed over the country, if this unwritten law can be blended with other requisites. They must be selected with reference not merely to their fitness for their respective departments, but to their qualifications for the national council board. In short, they should combine personal acceptability, administrative capacity, broad judgment and experience, and sound public repute.

"When these tests are applied and the practical limitations are remembered, the range of choice is much narrower than would at first be imagined. There are plenty of men who would make good officials, but they either are not known or have not the right environment. These difficulties confront selections for other

high positions as well as for the Cabinet places. Through the exigencies and consequences of the Spanish War, President McKinley had many important appointments to make. He had to name the Peace Commission, the two Philippine Commissions, various Boards of Inquiry, and so on. No one knew the men of the country so well as he did; and yet as the field was scanned with his associates it was frequently remarked how few men available for places of rank were in sight. Most of those whose names naturally suggested themselves were already in place. Indeed, in making up the Peace Commission the President was constrained to go to the Senate for three of the five.

"In the earlier days members of the Cabinet were often drawn from the Senate. Webster twice passed from the one branch to the other. Clay had been in the Senate, but went from the House to the State Department. Buchanan, Clayton, Cass, Seward, Chase and Fessenden were called from the Senate to the Cabinet. Even in later days the roll is long. Blaine, Morrill, Sherman, Windom, Teller, Howe, Bayard, Garland, Lamar and Carlisle were all tempted from the Senate by Cabinet honors and opportunities.

"But this change becomes less and less common. The Senate grows in power and the Cabinet grows in work and responsibility. The Senate is a forum of debate and the Cabinet a theatre of action. Everything in the Senate is under the public eye and much of the Cabinet work is behind closed doors. With the prodigious growth of the country and the vast expansion of the public service in every direction the labor of the Cabinet official and the demands upon his time and watchfulness have increased enormously. The strong Senators shrink from the transfer, and the weak ones are not wanted. With this substantial elimination of the Senate from the field of choice, the range becomes still more limited.

GARFIELD'S ELEVENTH-HOUR CABINET.

"The President-elect thus passes most of the time from his election in November to his inauguration in March in constructing a Cabinet, and it is sometimes still unfinished or materially recast on the eve of his accession. The Cabinet of President Garfield might almost be called the Eleventh-Hour Cabinet. Three of its members were named and placed at the last minute. Senator Allison was sought for the Treasury, as he had been so many times. No other man of our day has been so often pressed to enter the Cabinet. His long experience, his broad knowledge of all public affairs, his sobriety of judgment, his equipoise, make him a conspicuously wise and safe counsellor, and every President of his party wants the advantage of his service.

"Presidents Harrison and McKinley both asked and urged him in vain to take the management of the nation's finances. Neither offer seriously attracted him, for his great position in the Senate was then securely fixed. But under Garfield, when he was considerably younger and his Senatorial career had not been so long and exceptional, he was strongly tempted. He had served in the House with the newly elected President, and both in the House and Senate with Blaine, who was the Premier, and the association of the trio in the three great executive offices looked inviting.

"But Allison, always wary and never lacking in insight, finally declined just before the inauguration, and his refusal seriously deranged the slate. Two changes were made necessary. Senator Windom, who had been selected for the Interior, was transferred to the Treasury, and Allison's colleague, Senator Kirkwood, was hurriedly decided on for the Interior. The time was so short that he was not even consulted, and the first he knew of his appointment was when his nomination was submitted to the body of which he was a member.

"These selections proved to be entirely judicious. The assassination of President Garfield cut short Mr. Windom's first term and gave him little opportunity. But in his second term, under President Harrison, he displayed marked

aptitude and capacity for financial administration, and his tragic death while expounding his policies at the Chamber of Commerce dinner in New York lent a halo to his public service.

"There was still another decision at the last moment. The designation of the Cabinet member from New York had hung fire from the first. Senator Conkling demanded that the Empire State should have nothing less than the Treasury, and he was disposed to be exacting and unyielding. This was his natural temper, and the consciousness of his great services made him the more self-assertive. He had gone into the Presidential campaign reluctantly, for he disliked Garfield; but when he finally smothered his feelings and stripped for the fight he fought like a gaint. His powerful speech at the great meeting with Grant at Warren, Ohio, was a trumpet blast, and his whole trip through the doubtful States was a conqueror's tour. His friends claimed that he had saved the day, and the return that he insisted on was that New York should have the Treasury portfolio. His candidate was Levi P. Morton, or, if that could not be, Charles J. Folger.

"But Garfield recoiled, for precisely the same reason which led President Roosevelt, in recently seeking a successor to Secretary Gage, to look away from New York. He did not want to expose himself to the imputation of placing the Treasury under the influence of Wall Street. He knew the strength of combining financial capacity with broader popular contract and sympathy. He therefore sought to escape the dilemma by recognizing the man and reserving the place. With this idea he tendered the Navy portfolio to Mr. Morton, who was disposed to accept it. But Mr. Conkling was tenacious and uncompromising, and under his influence Morton at last rejected the proffer. As an alternative, Thomas L. James, the model Postmaster of New York, had been considered for Postmaster-General, and this appointment, in the line of good public service and rational politics, was settled on the afternoon of the day before inauguration.

"The Cabinet thus born through many throes had great strength, together with seeds of

schism. Mr. Blaine was inevitably a dominating figure wherever he was. Attorney-General MacVeagh, brilliant, skeptical, satirical, incisive, did not naturally affiliate with the Premier. Had there been no interruption it would have been interesting to watch the play of these two astute and dexterous men. But the assassination of Garfield, only four months after he took the oath, changed the whole face of affairs, and with the accession of President Arthur (Union, '48) the Cabinet soon went to pieces. Blaine was followed by the amiable graceful and feeble Frelinghuysen, who succeeded in upsetting all that his predecessors had done.

"The Treasury portfolio was handed over to New York, where Senator Conkling, backed by Vice-President Arthur, had originally tried to place it. Mr. Morton was away as Minister to France, and Judge Folger was called to the Cabinet.

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THE CLEVER GENERALSHIP OF LINCOLN.

"There are two theories of Cabinet-making. One is to group together the great and recognized party leaders and the possible or the actual Presidential competitors. The other is to choose strong and representative men, but rather with reference to their personal fitness and mutual accord than to their party leadership. Lincoln made up his Cabinet on the former theory. He took Seward (Union, '20), Chase, Cameron and Bates, who had all been candidates in the nominating convention against him, and called the energetic Stanton only when the necessities of the war compelled. It was a Cabinet of great distinction, but of dissension and conflict. Seward and Chase represented antagonistic elements of the party; they had their own rival ambitions; their friends were always quarrelling, and they shared in the struggle.

"Lincoln was great enough to manage even those powerful leaders, but it required all his tact and skill. A Senate cabal undertook to force Seward out of the Cabinet. Chase, who was a party to the movement, agreed to aid it. When Lyman Trumbull and the other Senatorial conspirators presented themselves to Lincoln

with Chase, and counted on the latter's positive and active advocacy, he shrunk from the direct issue, and they went away denouncing him. Seward was finally stung by the persistent opposition into placing his resignation into the President's hands.

"Lincoln then manœuvred to get Chase's resignation as well. In his play against Seward, Chase prepared it and went to the White House with no expectation of actually delivering it, but intending to use the possibility as a leverage against his rival. Lincoln managed to get hold of it, and then with the unwilling resignations of both in his possession he was master of the situation. Neither wanted to go out, and, with the club in this hands, Lincoln compelled them to cease their contest and then tore up the papers. But, illustrious as they were, it is doubtful whether a Cabinet thus constituted possesses the largest measure of efficiency.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MCKINLEY CABINET

"The McKinley Cabinet was constructed on the second theory. Through his long service in Congress and his wide journeyings on the stump President McKinley had an unequalled knowledge of the public men of the country. But with all his skill and knowledge the framing of his Cabinet was no easy task. He had four different men in mind at different stages of the construction for the Secretary of the Treasury, but returned in the end to the one toward whom his thought had first been directed. Mr. Bliss was first offered the Navy portfolio, and, though more attractive to him than any other, he declined that or any other place, and at last on the day before the inauguration was almost dragged into the Interior, and Judge McKenna, who had been designed for the Interior, took the Attorney-Generalship.

"When at length the Cabinet was completed substantially as President McKinley wanted it, it was marked, if not unique, in two respects—first, in its unselfish loyalty to its chief; and, second, in its absolute unity and concord. The members were supremely devoted to the President and to their work under him, and they were in perfect agreement among themselves. There were no conflicts, no bickerings and no

rivalries. If it were permissible, much might be said of some of the members by one of their colleagues, but it is unnecessary now, and their records speak for themselves. This much at least is in order, that, though other Cabinets have had members of longer standing and more distinguished public service, it is doubtful if among them all there has been a more harmonious and efficient working Cabinet.

"This was due in large part to the fine skill and leadership of President McKinley. He brought out the best in his associates. He recognized them as real advisers and responsible heads of departments, and not as mere agents of the Executive. He encouraged them to mark out their own lines and develop their own methods. There was not one of them but felt that the President was there, with his superior wisdom and consummate art of doing things, to suggest and modify and control. His judgment was sure to be the best judgment. He guided and moulded, and often pointed out both means and ends. No man was ever more thoroughly the President. But he liked and allowed freedom; he stimulated individual thought and effort; he sought and was ready to accept counsel, and he had that quality of greatness that strengthens and supports its own best with the best about it.

"Most of the later Cabinets have been constructed more nearly on the McKinley theory than the Lincoln theory, though some of them have aimed to blend the two. President Hays did a wise thing in making John Sherman Secretary of the Treasury. He thus brought to his side the strength of a potential party leader and assured a capable administration of the finances at a critical time. Outside of Sherman the Cabinet was essentially individual. The two conspicuous men were Evarts and Schurz, both large public figures and giving the Administration the popular respect which goes with high character and purpose, but not representing a political following.

THE STRENGTH OF SHERMAN AND BLAINE.

"When President Harrison was elected it was universally expected that he would make Mr. Blaine Secretary of State. It was the

friends of Mr. Blaine who had nominated him and they counted on their leader being put at the head of the Cabinet. Did the President have some intuition of a possible clash? Whether he did or not, there was certainly very unusual delay in communicating the summons. November and December passed without bringing the invitation, and Mr. Blaine, who did not conceal his desire to return to the State Department to take up the work interrupted by Garfield's assassination, was troubled and anxious. When at last the letter came, near the middle of January, it was cordial and hearty, and removed all misgivings.

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"In making both his Cabinets President Cleveland combined the political and the personal elements. For the first he took three men of high reputation from the Senate, and one or two from his personal association. For the second he politically transformed Mr. Gresham, transplanted Mr. Carlisle from the Senate, and discovered Mr. Olney in the recesses of a Boston law office. This was a discovery of the first order. Others had varying degrees of success or otherwise, but Mr. Olney entered upon a career and left a fame.

"The blending of personal and political elements in the Cabinet is entirely harmonious with our American system. Under the English system the Cabinet represents the Parliament and is chosen from the leaders who have achieved position there. Under the American theory of the three coordinate legislative, executive and judicial branches, the Cabinet does not represent Congress, but constitutes the administrative force of the Executive, and the President should have, as he does have more and more distinctly, his personal choice."

PROF. MARCH TO LECTURE.

Prof. John Lewis March will lecture before the Shakespeare Club at the meeting to be held on the evening of February 25 in Silliman Hall. His subject will be "The Spirit of Shakespeare."

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS.

The schedule of examinations for this spring as arranged by the College Entrance Examination Board of the Middle States and Maryland begins on Monday, June 16th, and ends on Saturday, June 21st. The examinations may be taken part in one year and the finals in the second year. At the present time, with very few exceptions, every college and scientific school in the country accepts the examination of the Board as a satisfactory equivalent for its own separate admission requirements. The question papers for last year have been published in book-form.

The following institutions are now represented on the Board: Columbia University, President Butler, chairman, and Professor Thomas S. Fiske, secretary; Bryn Mawr College, President Thomas, vice-chairman; Barnard College, Dean Gill; Colgate University, Dean Crawshaw; Cornell University, Dean White; Johns Hopkins University, Dean Griffin; Lehigh University, President Drown; Mt. Holyoke College, President Woolley; New York University, Chancellor MacCracken; Rutgers College, President Scott; Swarthmore College, President Birdsall; Syracuse University, Chancellor Day; Union University, President Raymond; University of Pennsylvania, Professor Lamberton; Vassar College, President Taylor; Wellesley College, Dean Pendleton; Washington and Jefferson College, President Moffatt; Western University of Pennsylvania, Dean Carhart; and Woman's College, Baltimore, Dean Van Meter. The secondary schools are represented by Dr. Jusius Sachs, Wilson Farrand, James G. Crosswell, Samuel J. McPherson and James L. Patterson.

THE INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE.

The annual debate between Syracuse, Rochester and Union will take place on March 17. The preliminary trial will take place on February 27 in the chapel. Five men have so far signified their intention of entering the contest.

Joe Chamberlain, My Joe, Oh!

The following is a copy of a poem from the pen of the Rev. Charles S. Vedder:

Joe Chamberlain, my Joe, oh! when first we were
acquaint,

You had a touch of nobleness, but now your touch
is taint;

You thought none but a vandal
Would work the crime and scandal,
South Afric things to handle,

With aught but pride for those who made its
desert wildness grow,

To order, grace and beauty fair, and honor, "don't
you know?"

Joe Chamberlain, my Joe, oh! in that true halcyon
day,

You boldly sought, successfully, oppression's hand
to stay;

You scorned the diamond broker,
The grasping gold mine stoker;
You were no ghastly joker

At rights which freemen grandly earned in travail,
toil and tears,

O'er burning sands and prowling beasts and ruth-
less savage spears.

Joe Chamberlain, my Joe, oh! you had some man-
hood then,

And well had claimed a place to hold with good
and noble men;

Than yours, no-better leader
Had bid his Britain speed her,
To where all right should need her,

But, ah, you left his glorious side in selfish thirst
of fame,

And 'spite your higher, better thought, contrived
your Britain's shame!

Joe Chamberlain, my Joe, oh! if eyes like yours
can weep,

And slumber come, with Lethe power, and woo
those eyes to sleep,

What tears shall greet thy waking,
Thy present dream off-shaking,
When Time, thy measure taking,

Shall weigh the widowed, orphaned lives, and
young hearts still and cold,

In balance 'gainst the wide world's hiss, and
diamond mines and gold,

The price, oh, God, the fearful price, the price, oh,
man, all told,

For which a juggling British man fair Britain's
honor sold!

—C. S. VEDDER, '51.

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Caps and Gowns. A new feature about the commencement exercises of the Medical last spring was the wearing for the first time by the graduates of caps and gowns. The Law men also wore them at their commencement exercises. This would seem to be a proof that caps and gowns are becoming more popular and that the different departments are approaching the true university standpoint. A fault to be found with the custom on the hill is that they are not worn enough. The senior class should certainly wear them from examination week through the final commencement exercises if not longer. Instead of being dropped they are gaining ground every year. Many colleges and universities are insisting that they be worn. The following is from a recent exchange: "The cap and gown is a

dignified uniform, marking the close of many years spent in study. Worn by seniors only, it serves to unite them more closely in the last days of their course. The chief argument against caps and gowns is that they are inconvenient in rainy and windy weather, and that they are too warm in hot weather. It is not necessary that they should be worn on stormy days, and in hot weather no coat need be worn beneath them. The costume is a democratic dress; it places all members of the class on the same plane; it brings a bond of fellowship that could not be had otherwise."

Debating vs. Athletics. The following appeared in a recent number of an exchange, The Pennsylvanian, and expresses the situation so concisely that it is taken *in toto*.

"The lack of interest taken in the career and success of intercollegiate debating teams, not only by the students of this University, but by the student bodies in general, is a matter for serious thought. Are college men really prouder of the physical prowess of their University or are they unwilling to display for public gaze their more serious attainments? We hardly think the latter condition exists, and reluctantly must come to the conclusion that there is more real interest in the daring tackle and the pluck race than there is in the brilliant argument.

"It is possible that the work of a debating team lies more along the lines of college work than that of the football eleven or the baseball nine, and it may be that there is a natural antipathy toward employing leisure time in more study. This argument does not cover enough, however, as the tremendous work of a football season is not undergone for the mere enjoyment of leisure time and the enjoyment of the sport. It might have started so, but today a man works night and day to make a place on a team for the *honor* of it.

"That is the root of the trouble. The honor of athletics has been magnified while that of the debate and oration has been allowed to fall into decay. And surely in the great world of intercollegiate activity there is room and honor enough

for both. The public and the press cannot be blamed for the condition of affairs. They simply reflect the sentiment of student bodies, and it is almost certain that if favor were be shown by editors and owners of papers it would incline to the debate.

"Men on the various athletic teams wear emblems. They are known; they are pointed out; they are heroes. The member of a college debating team wears no letter and he is known to only his immediate friends.

"Athletics are a good thing. The man who learns self-reliance, quick thought, the ability to last, and all the lessons that a 'Varsity team teaches, will find them good stock in trade for the battle of life. Yet their most ardent admirer cannot claim that they compare with the value of a thorough knowledge of debate and public speaking.

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CHARTER DAY AND WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY EXERCISES.

Hon. Fred. W. Seward to Speak.

The usual observance of February 21 as Charter Day will be observed this year by combining the exercises with the Washington Birthday exercises and holding them on Friday, February 21. The exercises will be held at 11 A. M. in the college chapel. The Hon. Frederick W. Seward, Union '48, is well known as the son of William H. Seward, Union, '20, Lincoln's famous secretary of state.

The subject of the address will be, "Washington Birthplace and Home during the Civil War."

COLLEGE TALK.

Mulleneaux, '04, is out again after a week's illness.

Finegan, '02, spent a few days in New York this week.

Rev. W. B. Allis spoke at the Vesper service on Sunday afternoon.

Hinman, '99, Breeze, '99, and Thomson, '00, were on the hill recently.

The election of a captain of the 'varsity baseball team took place at the Beta Theta Pi house on Thursday afternoon.

THE RUTGERS DEBATE.

The debate between Rutgers and Union will probably occur on March 27 at New Brunswick, N. Y. Rutgers has selected her team which consists of F. W. Smith, '02, B. J. Hotaling, '03, M. L. Schenck, '04, and W. W. Bender, '05.

The question to be debated is: Resolved, That the Chinese should be excluded from this country."

LEVI PARSONS' FUND.

Secretary C. M. Parke of the Gloversville Free Library Association, in his annual report, has this to say of Levi Parsons scholarship fund at Union College:

"The Levi Parsons scholarship fund has yielded its income and the following gentlemen are now enjoying its benefits: F. J. Balz, Amsterdam, 1903; H. B. Cleveland, Amsterdam, 1902; W. C. Closson, Gloversville, 1904; James M. Gayen, Amsterdam, 1905; S. Handy, St. Johnsville, 1904; L. T. Hunt, Schenectady, 1903; C. Malcolm McGregor, Gloversville, 1905; F. Metzger, Freehold, 1902; J. F. Putman, Johnston, 1904."

It is possible for 1175 men to eat in Harvard's dining-hall at once.

LITERARY NOTE.

WILL THE PHILIPPINES PAY?

Senator Bacon, of Georgia, who has just returned from a tour of study in the Philippines, has written for the Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, a valuable paper on the business aspect of our insular affairs. He comes to the conclusion that our account with the Philippines must, for an indefinite time, be on the wrong side of the ledger. This article will appear in the issue for February 22. Other features of this number will be: Frictional Electricity, a clever humorous story by Max Adeler; How Trusts Promote Men, by Paul Latzke; When O'Connor Draws His Pay, by Holman F. Day; The Captain of the Gray Horse Troop, by Hamlin Garland; How Albert Edward Saw America, by Ren Bache; Letters from a Self-Made Merchant to His Son; Sophomores Abroad, by Charles Macomb Flandran, and the usual miscellany and departments.

UNION AT THE STUDENT VOLUNTEER CONVENTION.

Union will be represented at the World's Student Volunteer Movement Convention to be held in the city of Toronto, February 26 to March 1 inclusive. The following men will attend: Arthur L. South, '02, Neilson C. Hannay, '02, Bert W. Roy, '03, Henry A. Pearse, '03, and Morris T. Raymond, '05.

THE ALLISON-FOOTE DEBATE.

The Allison-Foote debate will take place in the State Street Methodist church on Friday night, February 21. The following men have been asked to serve as judges: Hon. Simon W. Rosendale, of Albany, Seymour Van Santvoord, Union, '78, of Troy, and Hon. Dennis O'Brien, of Albany.

Minnesota's fund for needy students amounts to \$50,000.

ALBANY LAW SCHOOL.

Fred C. Laurent, of Little Falls, N. Y., has entered the junior class.

Leland L. Boorn, 1903, is attending lectures again, after a short absence occasioned by illness.

John L. Cummings, 1903, and Lee F. Betts, 1903, are the latest additions to the Devil's Own.

Phi Delta Phi has opened a fraternity house at 84 South Swan street, scarcely half a dozen doors from the school. Eight of the members are domiciled at the new house.

The senior course in Real Property was concluded by Judge Tennant on Friday, the 14th, Criminal Law, by the same lecturer, taking its place. The examination in the former subject occurs this week.

Frank M. Hickok, 1902, is captain of the basket ball team of Company A, Tenth Battalion, N. G. N. Y. Basket ball is an experiment in military athletics, and Captain Hickok's team bids fair to set a fine example for local teams playing the game.

The list of base ball candidates as published in this publication for February 6th, shows what a prominent part the Law School is destined to take in 'Varsity base ball work this spring. It might be suggested that it is in order for the management to arrange a date to be played in Albany.

The University of Pennsylvania at the exercises on Washington's Birthday will confer degrees on Edwin A. Abbey, the noted artist, Joseph Wharton, a prominent Philadelphia merchant and Miss Agnes Repplier, the noted literary critic.

THE ALUMNI COLUMN.

Interesting News About Union Graduates.

[Every alumnus and undergraduate of Union is invited to send to the Alumni Editor items of interest for insertion in this department. News of a personal nature, about any alumnus, will be gladly received and printed.]

'47.—Warren G. Brown, formerly consulting counsel of the law firm of Fletcher, McCutchen & Brown, died on February 15 at his home, at No. 111 West Ninety-third street. Mr. Brown was born at Cherry Valley, N. Y., in 1823, and was graduated from Union College with the class of '47. He was professor of English literature at Union College until 1853, and then became professor of evidence at the New York Law School, a post which he occupied until 1857. He subsequently took up the practice of law in New York. He was senior partner of the firm of Brown & Pease, at No. 170 Broadway. Owing to his failing health Mr. Brown retired from active practice some years ago.

'61.—Charles W. Gillet is the congressman from the Twenty-ninth District of New York.

'61.—William H. McElroy, formerly editor of the New York Mail and Express, was present at a reception given on February 13 by the Authors Club of New York to Andrew Carnegie.

'52.—Silas B. Brownell, A. M., LL. D., of New York city, has been elected as the vice-

presidents of the Board of Directors of the Princeton Theological Seminary.

'67.—In a recent number of the Evangelist there is a page-and-a-half article on "The Reasonable Observance of the Lord's Day" by the Rev. Teunis S. Hamlin, D. D., of the Church of the Covenant, Washington, D. C.

Ex-'01 Law.—George H. Witbeck, Union's crack pitcher last year, has signed with the Portland, Ore., team on the Pacific-Northwest for the coming season. He had many offers, among those who made them were the managers of the Montreal, Kansas City, Newark, Rochester, Buffalo, Utica, Ilion, Troy and Albany teams and of the Cleveland and Detroit American League teams. As Witbeck desired to locate in the West he accepted the offer of the Portland team. Of him the Daily Gazette says: "Witbeck is one of the most promising young pitchers in the country and undoubtedly will make good friends in the fast company he will meet in the west."

Professor Stau, the famous anthropologist, has been adopted by the Iroquois Indians among whom he has conducted extensive researches.

Professor Edmund J. James, of the University of Chicago, has recently been chosen president of the Northwestern University.

There is a strong under-graduate sentiment in favor of Yale meeting Pennsylvania on the baseball diamond this year. These colleges have not met on the baseball field for some years because of a disagreement years ago.

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The seniors present were: Adams, Bloch, Bothwell, Clute, Crain, Gillespie, Griffith, Guthrie, Grout, Hawkes, Hinman, Ostrander, Raymond, Small, South, Woolworth, R. C. Yates, W. S. Yates. S. B. Howe, Jr., '03, furnished the music.

NEW BUILDING FOR THE UNIVERSITY

The bill authorizing the city of Albany to sell or lease six acres of land of the almshouse farm to Union University, which was passed by the legislature last week was approved unanimously by the Common Council of Albany Monday night. The conditions are that the building shall be erected in five years and that the Commissioner of Public Works shall have power to superintend the outlay and maintainance of the grounds. The city will give the land and the building, which will cost about \$40,000 and will be third in the group now including Dudley Observatory and the Bender Laboratory.

INTER-COLLEGIATE.

Harvard will have class relay swimming teams. A water polo team will also be formed.

Thirty-one men have reported for baseball practice at the University of Pennsylvania. Six of these were members of last year's 'Varsity nine.

The Finance Committee of the Yale Bi-centennial reported a surplus of \$262 over and above all expenses. This surplus will be used to purchase a bronze tablet commemorating the Bi-centennial.

Robert Ellis Jones, president of Hobart College, has handed in his resignation to the trustees. Action was deferred until the next meeting of the Board of Trustees in June. Dr. Jones resigned on account of ill health.

By a recent decision of the Chinese directors, all of the foreign professors at the Peking Imperial University, except the president, Rev. W. A. P. Martin, have been dismissed. The directors' explanation is that elementary schools are most needed and they wish to devote their entire attention to such branches.

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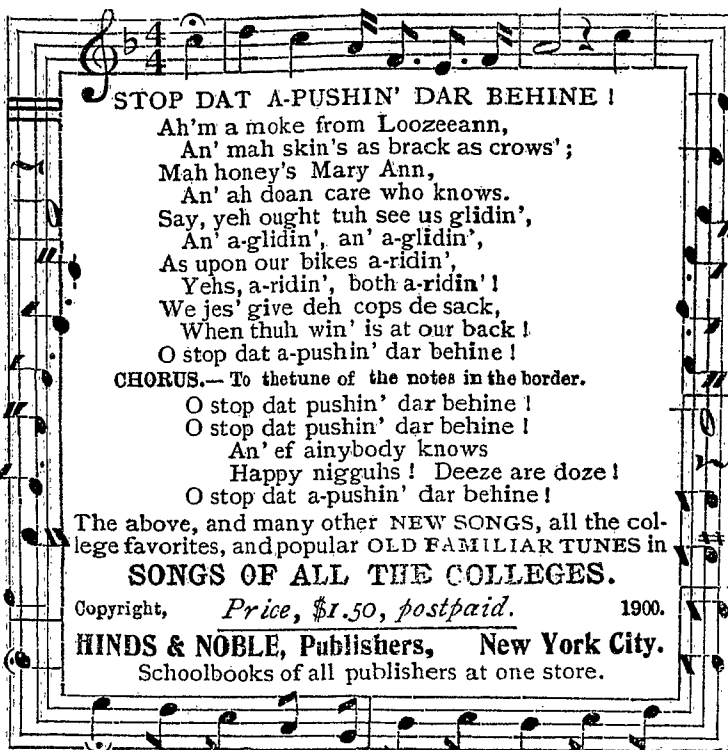
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No. 45, Syracuse Express	2:00 p m
*No. 3, Fast Mail	12:30 p m
No. 7, Day Express	3:15 p m
*No. 47, N. Y. & Syracuse Accommodation	5:20 p m
*No. 21, N. Y. & Chicago Express	6:15 p m
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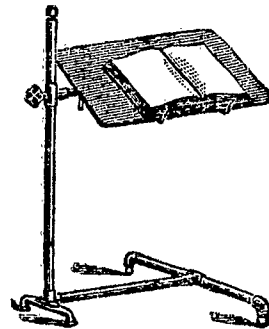
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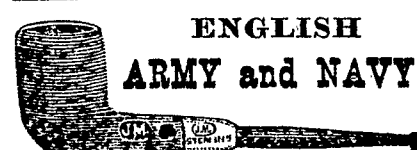
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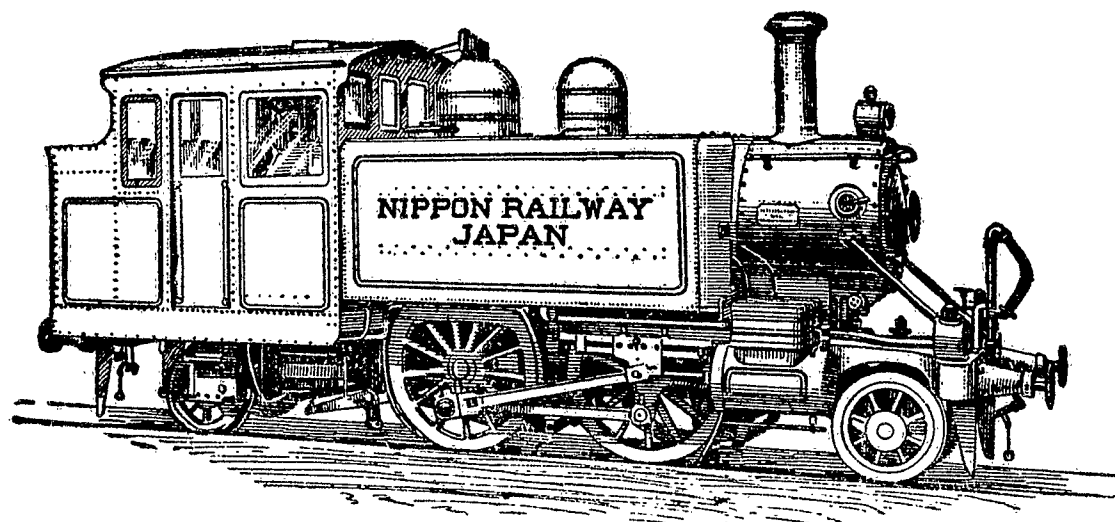
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