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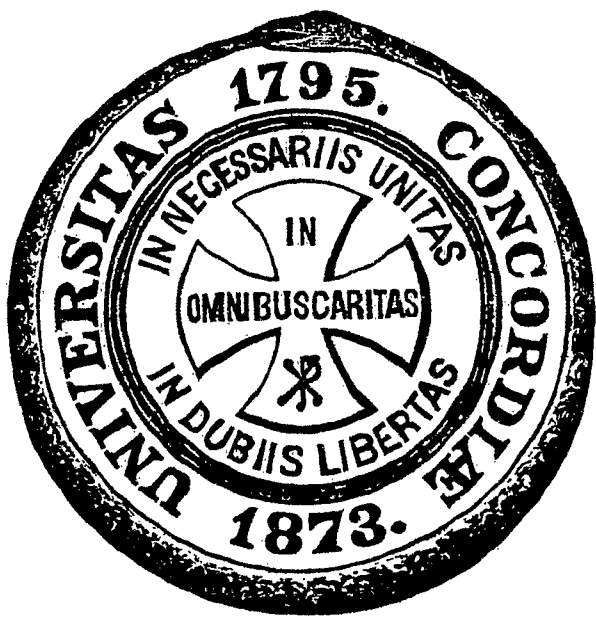
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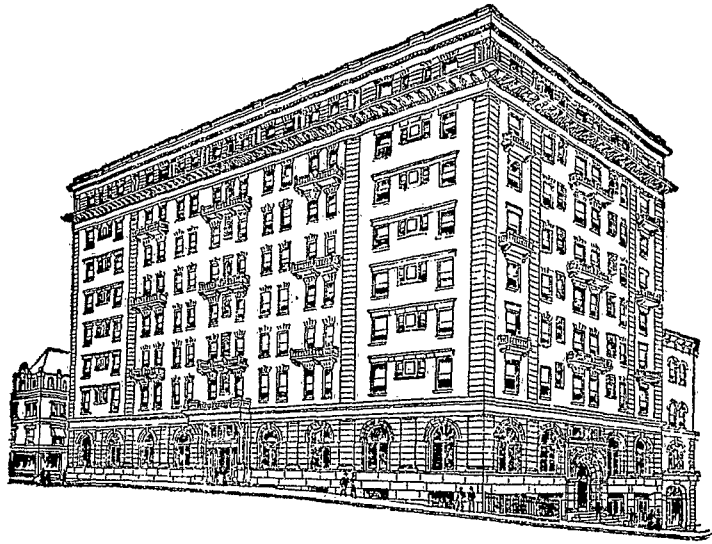
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## CHARTER DAY AND WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

### Hon. Fred. W. Seward, '49, Lectures.

In observance of Charter Day recitations were suspended on Friday, February 21, and the students assembled in the chapel in the morning at eleven o'clock. Brief services were held after which Hon. Frederick W. Seward, '49, assistant secretary of state when his father, William H. Seward, '20, was secretary of state in President Lincoln's cabinet, delivered an address on "Washington's Home in War Time." The lecture consisted for the most part of personal recollections of Lincoln. Mr. Seward said in part:

"It is a good old custom that when a steamer on the Potomac passes Mount Vernon, she stops her engines, dips her flag and tolls her bells as a salute to the Father of his Country. During the war, the Potomac was a scene of many a conflict, armies passed to and fro and disorder and confusion reigned, but at no time during the war was any attempt made by either army to fortify or to occupy Mount Vernon. The sacredness of the place was inviolate and the commanders of either army inculcated reverence for the spot in the hearts of their troops. It was the one place of neutral ground in the country. When Prince Jerome Napoleon with his suite came to Washington during the civil war he asked whether Mount Vernon was in Union or Confederate hands. He was told in neither. We could not divide the fame and reputation of Washington nor the country which he founded.

"Turning to an earlier day I will tell you how we spent February 21, 1861. The whole country was in a fever of unrest and alarm, as several states had already seceded. President Lincoln was elected, but not yet inaugurated, and was on his way from his home in Illinois to

Washington. On the morning of the twenty-first Senator Seward, my father, received a letter from Gen. Scott, commander of the army and Col. Charles P. Stone, who was organizing militia to preserve order in the capitol. In the letter Gen. Scott said there was a great conspiracy to mob and kill Lincoln in Baltimore. Such action would have been easy enough for the conspirators in the great mob could have forced their way into the great crowd, fired the fatal shot and retired.

"My father at once told me to proceed to meet Mr. Lincoln and give him the letter. He was to change the hour of his departure. I immediately started for Philadelphia. I learned that Lincoln was to stay at the Continental Hotel that night. I went up stairs to the room of Robert T. Lincoln, son of the president elect. He greeted me cordially and introduced me to Ward H. Lamon, his father's law partner.

"I waited in a secluded room for two hours for him to deliver my message. Then I heard Lincoln coming down the hall. I immediately recognized Lincoln from the pictures that I had seen of him in the newspapers during the campaign. I gave the letter to Lincoln. He read it over, laid it down, and said:

"'Did you hear how this information was obtained. Your father and Gen. Scott do not say who is in the plot. Did you hear any names mentioned, such a name as Pinkerton.'

"He said: 'I may tell you why I ask. There were rumors before I started about people who wanted to do me injury. I thought nothing of it, but my friends hired a detective, Pinkerton, who brought the same news.'

"Lincoln then thought a few moments and said: 'Well, we haven't got to decide it tonight at any rate, and besides it is getting late, but I will promise you that I will think it over.'

"In the morning, on Washington's Birthday, Lincoln went over to Independence Hall and



delivered a short address. When he returned to the hotel he told me that he had accepted my advice and would change his route. He took the night train secretly, accompanied only by his law partner and a few friends, and passed through Baltimore several hours before he was expected there, thus baffling the conspirators. Four years later another but successful attempt was made upon his life, but not until he had completed his true work, until he had fulfilled his mission to humanity and until he had issued his proclamation of emancipation."

### COLLEGE TALK.

Metzger, '02, was in New York for a few days last week.

The thirty-third annual banquet of the Alpha chapter of the Alpha Zeta fraternity of the Union Classical Institute was held Wednesday at Devine's.

Frederick Edwards, C. E., instructor in Surveying, Drafting and Mathematics, has recently been made an associate member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Henry W. Darling, treasurer of the General Electric Co., will address the students on Sunday at the Vesper service upon the subject: "The Christian Man in Business."

The Glee and Mandolin Clubs assisted at the concert in the State Street Methodist Church Monday night. Both clubs were well received and heartily encored. They gave the first four numbers on the programme.

### DELTA UPSILON REUNION.

The third annual reunion of the Albany Club of the Delta Upsilon fraternity will be held at the Ten Eyck Friday evening, February 28. The officers of the club are: President, Frank H. Wood, Syracuse; vice-president, Robert J. Landon, Union '82; acting secretary and treasurer, W. B. Aspinwall, Harvard.

### ALLISON-FOOTE DEBATE.

On Friday evening, February 21, occurred the annual debate between representatives of the Adelphic and Philomathean literary societies. The question under debate was: Resolved, "That the Question of Anarchism in this Country cannot be satisfactorily settled by Direct Legislation." The speakers for the Adelphic society carried off both the \$50 individual and the society prize of \$50, Pearce, '03, winning the individual prize for making the best presentation of his side.

The Adelphic debaters showed a superiority to their opponents so that the result was plain even before the judges retired. Those who upheld the affirmative side were strong in argument and effective in delivery, and the superior leadership of Pearce won him a well deserved reward. The Philomathean debaters in general did well but lacked in direct argument, though Woolworth, '02, their readiest speaker, was at times very effective. The following were the speakers: Adelphic—affirmative: George W. Donnan, '03; Henry A. Pearce, '03; Glowacki Parker, '03. Philomathean—negative: Dickinson E. Griffith, '02; Lester W. Bloch, '02; Gilbert S. Woolworth, '02.

The debate was held in the State Street Methodist Church, Dr. Raymond presiding, first introducing H. M. Parsons, '02, president of the Adelphic society. The first speaker was G. W. Donnan, '03. He defined anarchism and said in part: "Under the limitations of our question all legislation must be direct and positive. Legislation intended to remove causes of discontent, better social conditions, or raise the intellectual standard of the masses cannot be accepted. We must bear in mind that it must also respect the rights of the American citizen to free speech, it must be entirely satisfactory, and it must bear directly upon the anarchist himself. Any attempt to root out anarchy by force will leave the social and economic conditions unchanged. Any legislation that does not improve the social conditions of society cannot hope to settle the question of anarchism as it is before us today."

W. H. Adams, '02, then introduced D. E. Griffith, for the Philomathean society. "Existence of laws means that there must be a power to enforce them. It is a man's duty to see that the anarchist cannot put into practice his violent principles. Before September last anarchism was a condition of the old world, but that it should be turned against our own government was not to be thought of for a moment. Many anarchists in America do not understand our government but it is enough for them that it is a government, since they are enemies to all law and order. Socialism is evolution, anarchy is revolution. It is with extremists that laws must deal as they do in Europe, for anarchy is a foreign product."

H. A. Pearce, '03, was the next speaker for the affirmative: "One scheme that deals with the question is by revising the immigration laws, but we assert that any legislation aimed at the anarchists as such will not reach the root of the matter. We must identify any class and anarchists are no exception to the general rule. Various test questions have been devised but these have in mind the sifting out of a class. Will the violent man hesitate to lie? It remains to show that the scheme is illogical. We could not allow that a Utopian state of affairs would settle the matter, for even in this land of the free and home of the brave do immigrants imbibe those tendencies."

"The truth or falsity of an anarchist's reasoning makes no difference before the law. So long as he does not advocate violence he is protected by the constitution. Further restriction would overthrow the constitution and also defeat its object."

L. W. Bloch, '02, said in part: "The question of anarchy can be satisfactorily settled: First, by amending the immigration laws; second, by amending the naturalization laws; third, by amending the postal laws. We must restrict undesirable immigration. We should say that any one who violates his naturalization oath is guilty of a crime and should be deported, for the criminal code provides punishment by fine or imprisonment against the perjurer. We can amend the postal laws as we

have done away with the lottery schemes." G. Parker, '03, spoke for the affirmative: "We will consider two methods of restrictions—restriction of the press and amendment of the civil laws."

"But now how is it possible to define just what shall be published or not? The press is the greatest factor in the development of American institutions. It has grown and flourished on American soil, congress shall have no power to restrict free speech nor the right of the people to assemble peaceably."

"Changes are often made in laws with the intention that even if they fail no serious consequences will result. But often quite negative results have followed. If a man sees before him the death penalty in any case he will bend all his energies toward success. In no European country where the most stringent laws against anarchy have been passed has there been any decrease in lawlessness."

G. S. Woolworth, '02, then spoke for the Philomatheans: "Certain legislation can be enacted in this direction. Anarchists seek to overthrow all government through the head or that government. These laws now before congress governing and punishing complicity in crime we hold would stamp out anarchy from our country. Congress should enact that laws providing that any persons confederating or inciting to crime should be punished by death or life imprisonment. The function of government is to protect the citizen from harm intended rather than to punish him for harm done."

The judges of award were: Hon. Denis O'Brien, of Albany, Col. Robert Temple Emmet, and Rev. John Sheridan Zelig.

The officers of the Adelpic society are: President, Howard M. Parsons, 1902; vice-president, Otis F. Lewis, 1903; secretary, Claude N. Brown, 1904; treasurer, Thaddens G. Cowell, 1904.

Of the Philomathean society: President, W. Hooper Adams, 1902; vice-president, Neilson C. Hannay, 1902; secretary, James A. Barclay, 1904; treasurer, Cornelius L. Hays, 1904.



### MEDIC FRESHMEN BANQUET.

Again the freshman has outwitted the sophomore. Misled by a clever ruse played on them some weeks since, the Medical sophomores became fully satisfied in their own minds that the freshmen had sneaked away to some obscure corner of the city of Albany, and there had held an alleged banquet, fearful of sophomore interference. But the men of '04 were completely foiled by the careful management of the freshman executive committee, who arranged the affair completely without letting even their own class-mates know of the date and place of meeting until two or three days previous to Thursday the 20th inst., when the banquet came off at the Globe Hotel, Albany. Consequently not a soph could be found within sight or hearing of the banquet hall, save one, and he, fortunately for himself, succeeded in making his escape before he could be caught.

The interest manifested in the affair was general throughout the class, forty covers being laid, and there being just 48 men in the class.

The toast-list follow: Toastmaster, Edwin Barnes Wilson, Yale 1901, Hudson; "Class of 1905," Walter Ennis Hays, Union 1902, of Albany; "Cholechooduodenotomy," C. W. Louis Hacker, of Albany; "Class History," Herbert Bowen Reece, of Troy; "First Impressions of Medics," John F. Coughlin, of Troy; "Value of Lead in St. Vincent's Dance," James E. Maloney, of Albany; "Therapeutics of Harmony," Frank G. Schaible, of Albany; "The Ladies," Oscar Franklin Larson, Bowdoin, ex-1904, of Middle Granville; "Any Old Thing," George W. Papen, Jr., of Albany. Remarks were also made by other members of the class, among them Messrs. Blackfan, Rulison, Bushnell, Gray, Schirk, Garlock and White.

Those present were: Blackfan, Bushnell, Chappelle, Coughlin, Coffin, Cowell (Union 1902), Cornthwaite, Craine, Croissant, Dievendorf, Donahoe, Dwyer, Flanagan, Flynn, Garlock, Garvey, Gray, Hacker, Haynes, Hays (Union 1902), Hull, Hurlbut, Hurley, Larson, Maloney, Noonan, Papen, Reece, Rommel,

Rulison, Schaible, Schermerhorn, Schirk, Schuyler, Stratton, Sweet, Vine, Waterbury, Wilson and White.

The class officers are: President, Walter Ennis Hays; vice-president, Edwin B. Wilson; secretary, Kenneth D. Blackfan; treasurer, Walter A. Cowell; historian, Herbert B. Reece; marshal, C. W. L. Hacker; executive committee, Edwin B. Wilson, chairman, Oscar F. Larson, Herbert Reece, Frank G. Schaible, Walter E. Hays, ex-officio.

### CONFERENCE OF PRESIDENTS TO BE HELD AT UNION COLLEGE.

For several years the newly elected presidents and secretaries of the Y. M. C. A.'s of all the Eastern colleges have met for annual conference. Union College has extended an invitation to the International Committee to hold the session of this conference in Silliman Hall. The invitation has been accepted and the conference will be held April 3-6 inclusive. H. L. Crain, president of the Union Association, is now arranging for the entertainment of the delegates which will number about seventy-five men, including the representatives of the International Committee and the leaders of the conference, together with the officers of college associations.

Last year this conference met at Princeton and at Yale in 1900. Union was represented at both places.

### JOHNS HOPKINS CELEBRATION.

On February 21 and 22 occurred the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the university, and also the installation of the new president, Dr. Ira Remsen. Fully four thousand persons were present.

The foremost college presidents and educators of the country were in attendance, a large number of degrees were conferred on prominent educators, and a congratulatory address delivered by President Eliot, of Harvard.

Dr. Frederick R. Jones, Johns Hopkins, '96, was present from Union.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT OF COLUMBIA.

[President Nicholas Murray Butler to Columbia Students.]

College life should be the brightest spot in the lives of each of you. It should be abundant in happiness and inspiration. You are here not for formal study alone, but to come in contact with the spirit of the sciences and the arts of the ages. You should carry away as a precious possession a knowledge of the use of leisure. As Aristotle said, "Work in order to enjoy leisure." Learn to enjoy the free play of human spirit, which is the sign of culture today, but do not be too self-centred. Columbia does not stand and never stood for the training of narrow men and women. It stands for that broad and liberal culture which alone can make human beings of the right sort.

The university is essentially a democratic community. We all stand on the same level and are judged solely by our work and accomplishment. Give something that you may receive more abundantly. Columbia exists that it may serve the city, the state and the nation, and the student who carries away with him the fullest measure of the university's gift is he who has learned to answer this question, How can I learn that I may best serve?

## MUSICAL CLUBS CONCERT.

The members of the musical clubs have been hard at work the past few weeks preparing for a number of concerts to be given in the near future. Some members of the clubs assisted at a concert held in the State Street Methodist Church on February 24.

On Friday evening, February 28, the clubs will give a concert in Centennial Hall in Albany, under the auspices of the Albany alumni.

On Wednesday evening, March 5th, the clubs will give a concert in McClumpha's Opera House, Amsterdam. There are a large number of Union alumni in Amsterdam who are endeavoring to make the concert a success.

## Oom Paul.

[The Concordiensis had the opportunity of obtaining another poem from the pen of the Rev. Charles S. Vedder, '51, which is of timely interest.]

And has all Humanity "staggered," Oom Paul?  
Is it reeling with horror and shame,  
That your foe who so blustered and swaggered,  
Oom Paul,  
Resorts now to famine and flame?  
Have your women, fear-daunted and haggard,  
Oom Paul,  
And children, been hunted as game?

Have the homes where the peace of the skies, Oom Paul,  
Dwelt in faith of the true Home above,  
Where the tenderest, sacredest ties, Oom Paul,  
Knew the fetterless bondage of love,  
Been sacked as the warrior prize, Oom Paul,  
Of the hawk who has throttled the dove?

Has the soil which your dauntless heart flecked,  
Oom Paul,  
With fair cities and temples of grace,  
Whose wilderness loneliness you trecked, Oom Paul,  
With heroes who sprang from your race,  
With zeal that no savage foes checked, Oom Paul,  
That freedom might win her new place,  
Is it harried and wasted and wrecked, Oom Paul,  
Its name of renown to efface?

Yet your cause heirs the plaudit of years, Oom Paul,  
Though your land feels a conqueror's tread,  
Though your veldt be a valley of tears, Oom Paul,  
And billowed with graves of your dead,  
Still the shaft which the coming time rears, Oom Paul,  
Shall tell that not vainly they bled.

Your hills lift their turret heads high, Oom Paul,  
O'er your plains their firm fastnesses loom,  
And their tempests a requiem sigh, Oom Paul,  
Of grief at your liberty's doom.  
They will stand there forever and aye, Oom Paul,  
As columns of light in earth's gloom,  
To tell how brave freemen can die, Oom Paul,  
And nature can fashion their tomb.

—C. S. VEDDER, '51.

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**Appointments.** The editors take pleasure in appointing to the reportorial staff of the Concordiensis the following men: Harry S. Olmsted of the class of 1904 and Arthur L. Benning of the class of 1904. The editors are pleased to report that six men from the freshmen class have registered as applicants for appointment to the reportorial staff at the election in May. These men are now at work. Positions are still open on this board, but the list will close on March 15 after which date no one will be eligible.

**The Library.** Sometime when the student is in the stack-room of the Library and his voice is lending its own peculiar note to the general babel let him stop and listen a

moment thoughtfully, reflectively. It will then be easy for him to understand why the Library committee has announced its intention of adopting stringent measures to insure the reposeful calm and studious atmosphere usually associated with reading rooms in the minds of Unenlightened Ones who have never whiled away the pleasant hours around the Big Globe, or studied the laws of harmony on the green shades.

It is evident, then, that the custom must be stopped of using the Library for a drawing room or concert hall and confine it to the purpose for which Nature and the Faculty intended it. If the present state of affairs is not remedied soon this may be expected—admission to the Library will be limited to those having cards issued by professors and stating the specific work each one is to do.

## SIGMA PHI.

### To Celebrate Its Seventy-Fifth Anniversary.

Sigma Phi will celebrate the seventy-fifth anniversary of its founding on the fourth or March. On Monday evening a reception will be held in Nott Memorial Hall, on Tuesday the annual convention will take place and on Tuesday night a banquet will be held.

## THE SNOW BALL SCRAP.

The annual contest known as the "Snow ball scrap" between the sophomore and freshman classes took place on Wednesday morning after chapel. The usual battle of snow balls rained, followed by a wild rush for the terrace. The sophomores were greatly outnumbered and consequently suffered defeat, though there was a liberal sprinkling of both classes that found themselves below the terrace unconscious of how they got there. The contest lasted about three-quarters of an hour and was culminated with the usual attempt of each class at forming a parade.

## 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.]*

'46—The Rev. Edward B. Palmer, the oldest clergyman in the State of Massachusetts, died February 18, in Jamaica Plains, a suburb of Boston. He prepared for college at South Berwick Seminary and after graduation from college he prepared for the ministry under Dr. Croswell. He was ordained in 1854. During his ministerial work his service covered Michigan and Massachusetts.

'48.—Alexander J. Thomson, one of Schenectady's most widely known and oldest citizens, died on February 24 at his home in this city.

Alexander J. Thomson was born at Niskayuna, December 10, 1823. His father, James Thomson, belonged to a family which had originally emigrated to the United States from Scotland and which had settled in Niskayuna about the year 1774. His mother, Elizabeth Yates, was of the famous Yates family, a stock which has extended its branches through every department of learning, worth and excellence in the state and which figures prominently in the varied history of the Mohawk valley.

His early life was spent on a farm until 1832 when he moved to the city of Schenectady, where as a clerk he worked in the drug store of C. S. Joslin from 1838 to 1840 and also in 1840, 1841, 1842 in the postoffice under John I. Yates and T. L. Thomson. The lessons which he abandoned for clerical work were resumed under the excellent instruction of D. H. Crutten-den, an instructor of acknowledged merit, and after a careful preparation he in 1845 entered the sophomore class of Union College, from which institution he graduated with honors in 1848, with Phi Beta Kappa. Among his classmates was President Chester A. Arthur. In 1846 and 1847, while a student at college, he

held the office of city treasurer, the duties of which he performed with eminent satisfaction. While at Union he also added to his regular collegiate studies that of the law, which he pursued in the office of James Fuller, Esq., and subsequently in the office of Judge Linn.

In college he affiliated with the Delta Phi fraternity. He was admitted to the bar in 1849, immediately settling in the city of New York where for two years he actively engaged in the practice of law. In 1851 he returned to Schenectady, upon invitation of Judge Linn, and where he has since resided, with the exception of two years, constantly engaged in the practice of his profession, which had grown to be extensive.

In 1856 Mr. Thomson accepted a call from the faculty of Union College to deliver a series of lectures before the members of the senior class, which he continued until 1861, when they were dropped from the curriculum. For a number of years he was the corresponding secretary of the alumni association of his alma mater. From 1860 to 1862 he was a member of the board of supervisors of Schenectady county and in 1865 he went south, where in company with his brother-in-law, B. F. Montgomery, he engaged in raising cotton. Returning in 1867, in the following year he was elected to the office of police justice.

In politics Mr. Thomson was always a staunch and sterling democrat, and a firm, earnest and sincere advocate of democratic principles. He was for some time publisher and editor of the Schenectady Democrat, a weekly newspaper published in the interest of his party. During the civil war he was a firm war democrat and a warm supporter of Lincoln's administration. He did effective service, by his ardent speeches, in arousing the inhabitants of Schenectady, Saratoga and Montgomery counties to a sense of their duty.

In 1873 he was a candidate for county judge, in 1876 he ran for congressman in the old Twentieth Congressional District and in the early nineties was selected by his party for assemblyman.

An interesting point in Mr. Thomson's career is that during President Cleveland's administra-



tion he was offered a consulate to a Canadian city, when by the connivance of the executive's secretary the letter of acceptance was inadvertently laid aside for several weeks until the president deeming that his offer had not met with approbation conferred the honor elsewhere. Later a second consulate was offered but being much inferior to the former one Mr. Thomson considered it inadvisable to accept. He was also a delegate to district, state and national presidential conventions.

The deceased is survived by his wife, three sons, James, Union '83, Philip Livingston, '00, Alex. J., '05, and one daughter, Miss Helen.

'64.—Charles Edward Pearse, former representative to Congress from Missouri, died at his home in St. Louis, January 15. Mr. Pearse was born in Oneida county, N. Y., and was graduated from Union in '63. From '63 to the end of the civil war he was actively engaged in the Union side. He was appointed captain of Sixteenth (N. Y.) Artillery and rose to major in '64. In '65 he was made provost marshal of East District, North Carolina. In the same year he went to St. Louis where he practiced law up to the time of his death. He was a Republican in politics and held many important offices. He was elected to the Fifty-first Congress and reelected to the Fifty-second.

'51.—Levi Cooper Lane, M. D., LL, D., of San Francisco, died on February 18 after a long illness.

Dr. Levi Cooper Lane was a nephew of Dr. E. Cooper, one of the most famous surgeons of San Francisco's early days, in whose memory he called the great medical institution to whose founding and maintenance he gave so much of his time and substance.

Dr. Lane was born in the year 1833, and after graduating at Union College in 1851, later attended several schools and hospital courses in Europe.

With an equipment and experience up with the best of the time, he went out to San Francisco in the early sixties, where his uncle, Dr. E. Cooper, had long stood in the front rank of his profession, and associated with him soon

began to lay the foundation of fame as a surgeon that made his name known on both continents.

In 1875 he was made a member of the Royal Chirurgical Society of Great Britain and was also elected to membership in other societies, both at home and abroad.

Dr. Lane's whole life was one of constant effort for the enlargement of knowledge in his profession, and the lessening of the ills and sufferings of humanity.

This desire, in part, found practical and permanent manifestation in the founding of the great medical school with which he was so long identified. The project was conceived not long after the death of his uncle, Dr. Cooper, whose name and fame he with grateful heart determined to mark in this manner. To this end he put by each year in sacred trust a most generous part of his large income gained by his eminent abilities in his practice, until in the late 70's the sum in hand was sufficient to start the enterprise. The organization was effected and in due time the magnificent structure known as the Cooper Medical College reared its imposing dimensions on the corner of Sacramento and Webster streets in San Francisco.

Dr. Lane was the president and the first incumbent of the chair of surgery, and for the twenty years following continued to fill that position, until some two years ago, when failing health demanded his retirement from active duty in the lecture rooms.

The Lane Hospital, established six years ago, and called by the eminent surgeon by the insistence of his admiring friends and associates, is another grand monument to Dr. Lane's high standing as a practitioner and his practical ideas as a philanthropist. The good done and yet to be done by these two institutions, which owe their existence to Dr. Lane is inestimable.

'67.—Dr. Teunis S. Hamlin of the Church or the Covenant, Washington, D. C., is giving a series of Lenten lectures on the second part of Prophecy of Isaiah on Wednesday afternoons, beginning with Ash Wednesday, February 12.

'95.—At a banquet of Yale alumni held in Hartford on January 30 the Rev. Rockwell



Harmon Potter, pastor of the First Church of Christ of Hartford, responded to the toast "The American College man." Mr. Potter said in part:

"It is through the kindness of your very generous policy that I find myself permitted to be enrolled a member of this club, fortunately, you do not ask the circumstances of a man's leaving your alma mater when you grant your membership. It is enough if he was once able to get within her protecting walls. Moreover you grant fellowship of the Yale spirit to all who in any of the departments of the university have been permitted, though never so briefly, to drink something of your kindly mother's strength and inspiration. I speak as one who by this kindness is permitted to stand among you, and can call himself a Yale man only by virtue of the breadth and warmth of the Yale spirit which gives itself without stint and bestows itself without parsimony upon all American college men who may desire to share her benefit. For you do not ask me to renounce my allegiance to my own beloved academic Alma Mater, that I may share with you our common devotion to the great university to whose spirit we bring our homage tonight. Did Webster say of Dartmouth, 'She is a little college but there are those who love her?' There are thousands who can say of Union, and there are tens of thousands who can say, each of his own fair alma mater, 'She is a little college and therefore we love her.' For the American college man is loyal to his own college, whatever be the influences that in later life are thrown around him, whatever be the largeness of the associations and privileges that are granted him, he is loyal forever to that college and those men who first opened for him the pathway of truth, who first stirred for him the noblest enthusiasms, and who first enlisted him in serious life with earnestness of purpose and devotion to loftiest ideals. Each remembers the songs of one place, the history, the traditions, and the memories of one campus, the friendships, the fellowships and the comrades of one brotherhood.

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these 250 years by the toil, the service and sacrifice of all those who in any institution, academic or collegiate have labored for their discipline of the mind and the culture of the soul of those who shall constitute American citizenship. As the eldest sisters of the fellowship, bearing most loyally its virtues and its graces are those two New England shrines of learning, reaching on through the third century of their lives today, to honor one of which we have gathered tonight, included also in this fellowship is the younger group of eastern colleges, that studlike gems the rocky fastness or these New England hills and gleams as jewels along the valleys of the middle and central states, of which my own alma mater, Union, is proud to be counted as one."

'98—Charles H. Kilpatrick, graduate manager of the University of Wisconsin track team, who is the champion half-mile runner of the world, has been the recipient of laurels in Chicago, where his team, on February 14, to the complete surprise of Chicago, carried off the honors to the score of 47 to 30 in the athletic contests in that city.

'98.—Homer A. Crothers of Newark, N. J., was the guest of Delta Phi friends in this city last week.

'99—F. L. Greene, who is at Auburn Theological Seminary, spent Saturday on the hill.

'00.—Stephen S. Read, who is a senior at the Law School, spent a few days in the city last week.

'01.—John McNab, who is at the Auburn Theological Seminary, was recently in town.

'01—W. Guernsey, ex-'01, was on the hill last week visiting friends. He is now a student in the Medical Department of the University of Vermont.

Ex-'03—Carleton C. Garretson, ex-'03, is located in Harrington, Wash., where he is editor of a breezy western paper, "The Citizen."

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Columbia's fencing team will meet West Point at West Point on March 15th.

### ALBANY LAW SCHOOL.

Bryan, '03, visited friends in New York city recently.

The members of Delta Chi banquetted at Troy on Friday evening the 21st inst.

The marriage of Ezra A. Barnes, '02, to Miss Smith, of Watertown, N. Y., has been announced.

Luther S. Lakin, Jr., of Jamestown, N. Y., has entered the senior class, and Jason C. Cook, of Troy, N. Y., the junior class.

There are now 136 men in the Law School—2 post graduates, 79 seniors and 55 juniors. They are divided by states as follows; New York, 123; Connecticut, 5; Illinois, 2; Porto Rico, 2; Massachusetts, Kentucky, Kansas and Rhode Island, one each. As but 21 of these come from Albany and 7 from Troy, it is seen that the school is in no sense a local institution, which fact speaks most emphatically for its ever-broadening influence.

Mr. Stephen B. Griswold delivered a series of four lectures to the juniors and one-year men on February 18-21 on "Books and Their Uses." Mr. Griswold, being both a member of the bar and Law Librarian in the New York State Library, is well qualified to deliver lectures of this character, and his remarks proved to be of great interest to the students.

This course finds a place in the curricula of few if any law schools outside of the Albany Law School, and is one of the especial advantages afforded the student at this institution.

There are now two "Moot-Court Clubs" so-called, among the juniors, instead of one. The organization of the latest society of this character was perfected on Friday evening the 21st inst., and a case will be tried before the "Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the Department of Law of Union University" on the evening of March 1st. The arrangement decided upon calls for a regular rotation in office, so that each member of the club will have equal opportunity to argue the cases, and sit on the court that decides other cases. The present membership of the club includes Messrs. Lawless, Mills, Rogers, Casellas, Guardineer, Hotaling, Foster, Dyer, B. E. Smith, Nicholas DeVoe, Milton DeVoe, Thomas Odwell and Branch. The membership is only limited to those who show a desire to perfect themselves in legal argument, and other members of the class who are so inclined will be welcomed most heartily.

The alumni and students of Oberlin are planning to erect a monument to its graduates who were killed in the Boxers' riots in China.

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**THE MEDICAL.**

Benson and Soule, both 1905, have left college.

Thurman A. Hull, 1905, of Berlin, N. Y., has lately joined Phi Sigma Kappa.

Keens, 1904, college ex-1902, has recently recovered from a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Paquet, 1905, of Cohoes, who was operated on for appendicitis two months ago, has returned to college.

The dissection class has finished their second batch of "stiffs." Dr. Craig's demonstration in this line have been especially interesting.

As the Medical College is the only department of the University that is in session on Saturdays, the Medics were able to derive some benefit from Washington's Birthday, and no lectures occurred on that day.

**BASEBALL CAPTAIN.**

At a meeting of the 'varsity baseball team held on Thursday, February 20, Everett T. Grout, '02, of Cooperstown was elected captain of the team to fill the vacancy caused by Capt. Malery having left college. Captain Grout has been on the 'varsity team for three years past, playing third base and short stop, and is a good player and will undoubtedly turn out a winning team. He will issue a call for candidates in a few days. The prospects are for a very successful season.

**LITERARY NOTE.**

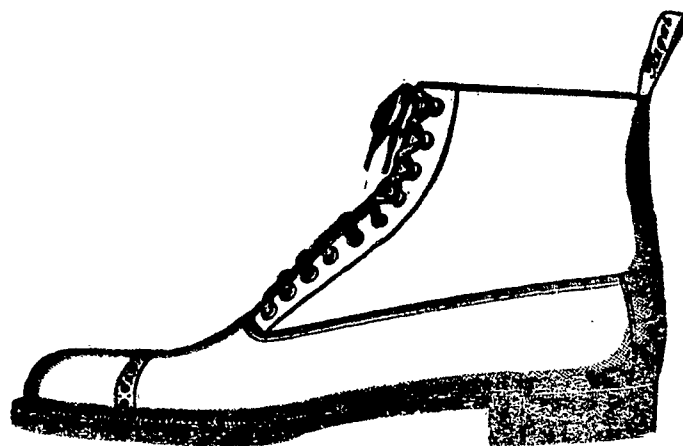
The character sketch in the March Review of Reviews is devoted to the interesting personality of the president of Harvard University. Mr. George P. Morris, the author of the sketch,

tells how narrowly President Eliot escaped a career in commerce and finance by accepting an academic position at a time when the trusteeship of a cotton mill was open to him! The article develops into a keen analysis of the remarkable administrative abilities displayed by the dean of our university presidents, and there is also a discriminating criticism of Dr. Eliot's literary qualities.

**SENIOR CLASS BOOK.**

The class book committee of the senior class held its first meeting on Tuesday afternoon at the Chi Psi lodge. The committee discussed plans for the book, improvements over former book and new features. They decided that it was impracticable to get out a book costing over \$6.50. The committee is composed of William H. Gillespie, chairman, Henry C. Hoyt, John D. Guthrie and D. Vedder Clute.

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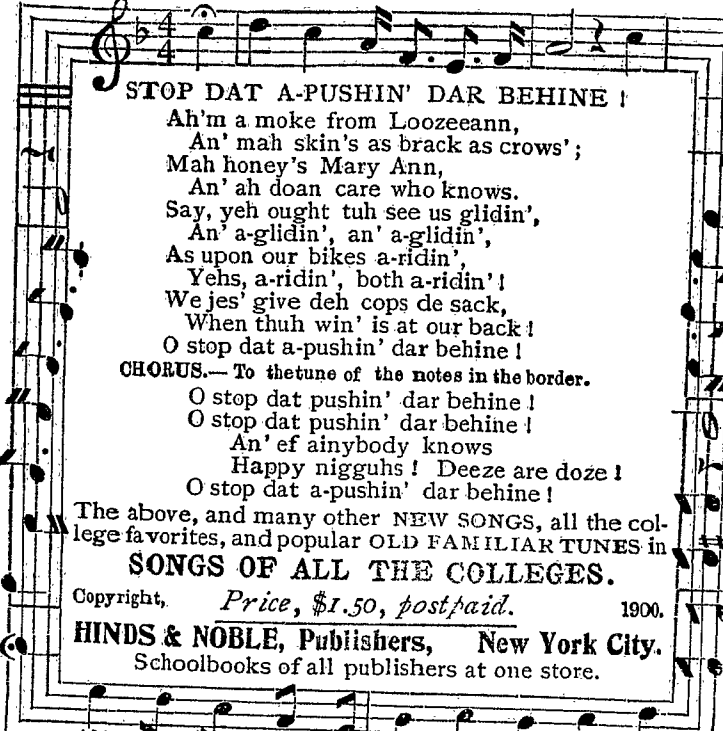
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*No. 3, Fast Mail	12:30 p m
No. 7, Day Express	3:15 p m
*No. 47, N. Y. & Syracuse Accommodation	5:20 p m
*No. 21, N. Y. & Chicago Express	6:15 p m
*No. 17, N. Y. & Detroit Special	b 8:20 p m
*No. 67, Oneida Express	8:27 p m
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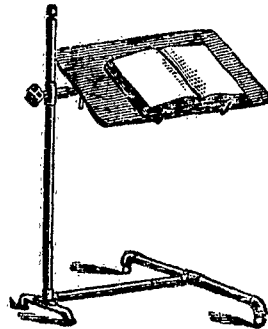
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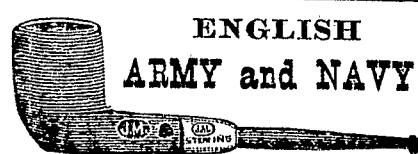
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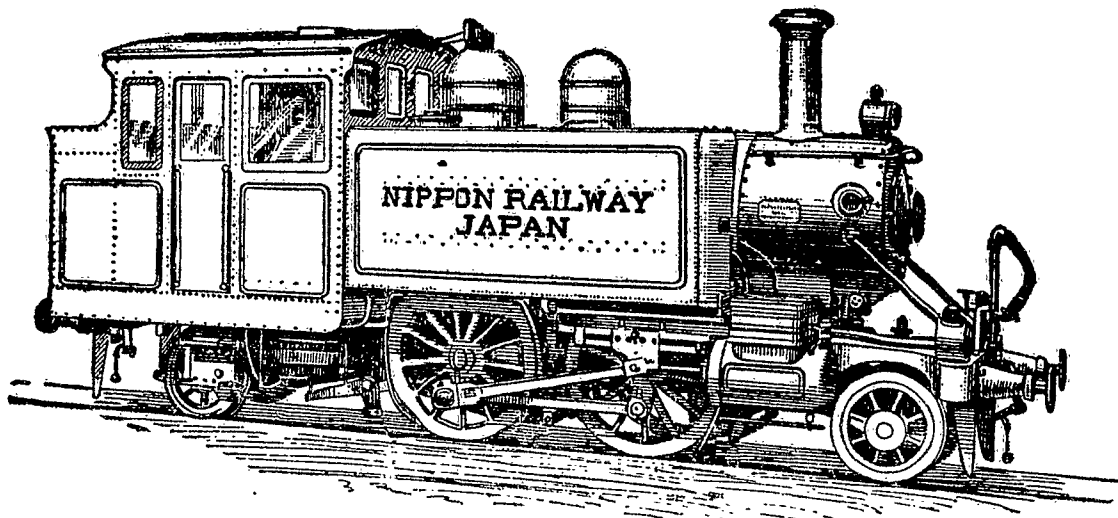
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