(or, if deceased, to the friend or relative who knew him best:)

Sir,—

It is the aim of the subscriber, in collecting the information asked for by the following questions, to obtain materials for a concise Biographical Catalogue of the Trustees, Presidents, Professors and Tutors of Union College;—of those who have received Honorary Degrees from it, and of all who have ever entered that Institution, whether Graduates or not.

That such a work would be interesting and useful to the Alumni, will not be denied; but whether it be practicable, will depend chiefly upon the ready aid which they shall impart. This circular will be sent to every Graduate whose residence is known, (or, if deceased, to some near connection,) and it is confidently expected that no one will neglect to return it in due time, with as full information as circumstances will allow,—some of the questions, indeed, it may not be possible to answer with certainty; others not at all: still, it is hoped that no important facts will be withheld because of their fearness.

Death has removed the twenty-four original Trustees, the first three Presidents, the early Professors and Tutors, and from eight hundred to one thousand of the Alumni of the College. Doubtless their friends and descendants will cheerfully contribute such information as may be necessary to illustrate the lives and services of the departed.

The subscriber desires every aid that may help to throw light upon the personal history of those concerned:—Obituary Notices; Biographical Sketches, Epitaphs, Funeral Sermons, Newspaper Notices of election to important offices or stations, Business Cards and Advertisements, also, copies of their Literary Works, Addresses, Sermons, Essays, Newspapers, engraved Portraits, &c.; all of which will be deposited and preserved in an Alcove of the College Library, to be set apart for "Graduates' Works."

He also requests that all future changes affecting the answers which shall be given, be made known to him from time to time:—especially the deaths of Graduates, and that the usual obituary notices or funeral sermons published on such occasions, be sent with the announcements, as it is his purpose to publish these deaths hereafter once a year.

JONATHAN PEARSON, Librarian.

UNION COLLEGE, SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

SPECIMENS OF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES FOR THE PROPOSED CATALOGUE.

John Glidden Brown was born in Quiniquek, N. Y., May 2, 1800; parents, James and Elizabeth (Glidden) Brown, who moved to Epsom, N. Y., in 1806. He was prepared for College at Heldenbergh High School, under the instruction of Rev. Moses Johnson, and entered Union College Jan. 1817. He studied law with Hon. Septimus H. Smith, of Great Falls; was admitted to the bar in 1821; and commenced the practice of law in Albany, with James S. Van Hoosen, Esq. In 1830 he moved to New-York City, which, thereafter, became his residence. He was Member of N. Y. Assembly 1832-5; State Senator 1836-8; Member of Congress 1839-41; and Judge of the Superior Court 1842-6. He died June 30, 1849, of cholera, aged 49 years. Besides occasional speeches, orations and opinions, he wrote a work on constitutional law, and edited the N. Y. State Papers. He received the Degree of L. L. D. from Hamilton College in 1846.

Joseph Henshaw Luther was born in Hanover, Mass., June 1, 1798; parents, Joseph and Madeline (Hossack) Luther; prepared for College at Yorkville Academy, John Alnay, Esq., Principal; and entered Union College Sept. 1814. He taught, 1818-29, in East Philadelphia, (Penn.) High School; graduated at Princeton Theological Seminary in 1823; and was ordained Sept. 25, 1823, at Marietta, N. Y.; and was Pastor of the Presbyterian Church till 1825. He was Pastor of the 1st Congregational Church of Hasekton, Conn., 1825-30; Professor of Rhetoric in Erie College 1831-40; residing on account of ill health, and now resides in Philadelphia, Pa. He has published six sermons on various occasions; a series of lectures on Rhetoric and Belles Lettres, and the "Communicant's Companion." He received the Degree of D. D. from the Hudson University in 1842.

Thomas Pennington Radway was born Feb. 23, 1778, in Benning, N. Y.; parents, John Harmony and Mary (Pennington) Radway; was prepared for College at High Holmes School, Rev. Hanover Kelton, Principal; entered Union College Sept. 1795; taught a few months in Suncook, Mass., in 1796; studied medicine with Dr. Jonas Physick and Dr. Abram Potocar, of Camerloone; attended medical lectures at the College of Surgeons and Physicians, and was admitted to, and commenced the practice of medicine in La Rhine, in 1806. He was Surgeon in the Army 1813-15, and returned to practice at Oldbury in 1815, where he has since resided. He lectured in the Fairhaven Medical School on Anatomy and Physiology, 1830-5, and has published several articles in the New-York Medical Review, and two larger works on the "Functions of the Brain," and on "Guashoi Wounds."

N. B. 1. Let the answers to the following questions be as full and authentic as possible; but when doubtful let them be marked thus (?).
2. When the person is deceased let some near relative or friend fill out the blanks to the best of his knowledge: if he have but one fact, let that be sent.
3. Let no undue delay be taken as may be found necessary for this purpose, and no more.
4. In cases where the answers to this circular shall be returned, the editor will be obliged to publish such names without any biographical notices, or to rely upon information, gathered from other sources, and, therefore, not always authentic.
I. Name.  
Ivy William Counce  

(LET THIS BE WRITTEN PLAINLY AND THE SMALL LETTERS IN SMALL.)

II. Names of both Parents; thus:  
[John and Elizabeth (Haith) Johnson]

III. Birth Name.  
New Milford, Connecticut  
Birth Day and Year. Aug. 4, 1788

IV. Various residences and dates; thus:  
[Canfield, Mass., 1841-1843: New York, 1844-1860; New York City, 1858-1860]  
Dr. W. Counce, 1854-1864: London, England, 1854-1864  
Dr. W. Counce, 1864-1866: London, England, 1864-1866  
Dr. W. Counce, 1866-1868: London, England, 1866-1868  
Dr. W. Counce, 1874-1876: London, England, 1874-1876  
Dr. W. Counce, 1876-1878: London, England, 1876-1878  

V. At what Academy or Seminary or College, with Principals and dates; thus:  
[Albany Academy, Albany, N.Y., 1802-1803]  
Dr. W. Counce, 1802-1803: Albany Academy, Albany, N.Y., 1802-1803

VI. At what College he graduated, and when.  
Union College, July 1818

VII. The occupation he followed after leaving college before studying his profession; thus:  
[Teaching at Tuscumbia Academy, 1818-1819; or teaching in Mr. H. H. Douglass, 1819-1820]  
Dr. W. Counce, 1818-1819: Teaching at Tuscumbia Academy, 1818-1819  
Dr. W. Counce, 1819-1820: Teaching in Mr. H. H. Douglass, 1819-1820

VIII. The profession he studied; where; with whom; when; thus:  
[Theology at Presbyterian Theological Seminary, 1820-1821; or Law at Albany, N.Y., with Hon. Horace Mann, 1821-1822]  
Dr. W. Counce, 1820-1821: Theology at Presbyterian Theological Seminary, 1820-1821  
Dr. W. Counce, 1821-1822: Law at Albany, N.Y., with Horace Mann, 1821-1822  
Dr. W. Counce, 1822-1823: Law at Albany, N.Y., with Horace Mann, 1822-1823  
Dr. W. Counce, 1823-1824: Law at Albany, N.Y., 1823-1824  
Dr. W. Counce, 1824-1825: Law at Albany, N.Y., 1824-1825  
Dr. W. Counce, 1825-1826: Law at Albany, N.Y., 1825-1826  
Dr. W. Counce, 1826-1827: Law at Albany, N.Y., 1826-1827  
Dr. W. Counce, 1827-1828: Law at Albany, N.Y., 1827-1828

IX. Where he has practiced his profession, with dates; and in case he be a clergyman, mention the denomination to which he belongs; thus:  
Dr. W. Counce, 1828-1840: New York City, 1828-1840  
Dr. W. Counce, 1840-1850: New York City, 1840-1850  
Dr. W. Counce, 1850-1854: New York City, 1850-1854

X. The other occupations he has followed, when and where; thus:  
[Merchant, Rochester, N.Y., 1834-1835; or Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1825-1826]  
Dr. W. Counce, 1825-1826: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1825-1826  
Dr. W. Counce, 1826-1827: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1826-1827  
Dr. W. Counce, 1827-1828: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1827-1828  
Dr. W. Counce, 1828-1829: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1828-1829  
Dr. W. Counce, 1829-1830: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1829-1830  
Dr. W. Counce, 1830-1831: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1830-1831  
Dr. W. Counce, 1831-1832: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1831-1832  
Dr. W. Counce, 1832-1833: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1832-1833  
Dr. W. Counce, 1833-1834: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1833-1834  
Dr. W. Counce, 1834-1835: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1834-1835  
Dr. W. Counce, 1835-1836: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1835-1836  
Dr. W. Counce, 1836-1837: Familiar, Greensboro, N.Y., 1836-1837

XI. The important offices he has held, with dates; thus:  
[Secretary of Legislators Co., N.Y., 1836-1837; and 1845-1846; Member of Congress, N.Y., 1845-1846. Member of Assembly, N.Y., 1853-1854. Member of Senate, N.Y., 1854-1855]  
Dr. W. Counce, 1836-1837: Member of Legislature of Ohio, 1836-1837

XII. The literary or scientific works he has written or edited.  
[Copy or outline for the "Grammar School" in College Library]  

XIII. The names of his relatives who graduated at Union College.  

XIV. The literary, professional, or honorary titles he has received, from whom, with dates; thus:  
[H.D., from Albany Medical College, 1822; or LL.D. from Union College, 1838, etc.]  
Dr. W. Counce, 1822: H.D. from Albany Medical College, 1822  
Dr. W. Counce, 1838: LL.D. from Union College, 1838  

XV. Is there an engraved portrait of him?  
[Yes or no required, together with his autograph, are required for College Library]  

XVI. The date, circumstances, and place of his death.  
[Date any printed notice, biographical sketch, funeral sermon, etc., in many newspapers were space will be required to answer this and the three following questions, in which case any addition shall be added]
XVII. General information respecting character, services, success, interesting passages and events in his life, &c.

When a member of the legislature, originated the resolution upon which a Committee was appointed to report a bill for the establishment of the first of the Benevolent Institutions (Relief and Aims) of Ohio and as Chairman of such Committee, reported the bill which passed into a law the same session from which spring the whole pitcher of the Benevolent Institutions of the State. Confirmed, second to none in the Union at this time. Also prepared the bill which authorized the employment of the latter class of persons in the public works, upon the public works of the state. He directed the plan, and has contrived the execution at a comparatively small expense of the extensive public buildings of the state.

XVIII. Some account of his pedigree and family; its origin in this or the old country, &c., &c.

Ancestors emigrated from Wales to Bucks in the seventeenth century. Nov. great-grandfather Thomas moved from near Bolton Mass. to Springfield come in the early part of the 1745 century. His immediate father Thomas was born in the year 1745. His father William Smith was born of the 17th April 1789. His mother's ancestors emigrated from Mass. to New England.

She was born in March 1821 and elsewhere. She was of great kindness and sympathy, and firm in her character. She was a woman of great strength and firmness, and was beloved by all who knew her. She was a member of the church and was a great influence in the community.

XIX. List of such graduates as may not be widely known: their residences, professions, dates of deaths, &c.; the name and residence, also, of some near friend of the deceased, that further information may be sought for; thus:


George Boardman New Bedford, Conn. Graduated in 1818 or 19. Commenced the practice of law in New Bedford in 1822, &c. with most flattering prospects, but died shortly after. He was an uncle of the first major author of the New Bedford Press. He was a member of Congress, &c. living in New Haven and &c., Richardson an Episcopal clergyman of New York City, is his brother in law.

* Blindness struck him while he was engaged in the argument of a case at bar in 1821, and he has never recovered any sight, although he has consulted the most eminent Contests of that class.
Guy William Doane

Was born in New Milford, Conn., August 6, 1788, and died in Circleville, Ohio, February 4, 1862.

He married February 14, 1821, Charlotte Thrall, who died at Omaha, Nebraska, June 23, 1878. Mr. Doane entered the sophomore class, Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., under the venerable Dr. Nott, where he graduated with second honors in 1813, and received the college gold medal. After graduation, he studied law at Schenectady and at Litchfield, Conn., Law School. In 1815 he went to the then small town of Cincinnati, Ohio, and entered the law office of Judge Este, where he found the practice of law insufficiently remunerative to assure means of support, and removed to Chillicothe, Ohio, and there engaged as private tutor in the family of Gov. Worthington. From there he went in 1816 to Circleville, Ohio, and entered upon the practice of his profession, taking an active interest in the political controversies of Pickaway County and aiding in establishing the "Olive Branch," the first newspaper published in his county, of which he became editor and proprietor in 1817 and 1818. He served in the Legislature of Ohio in 1826 and 1827.

Mr. Doane continued the practice of law with marked success until 1844 when he became disabled by the loss of his remaining eye, the other having been injured by an accident when fourteen years of age. He was stricken with paralysis of the optic nerve while engaged in addressing the jury on an important trial and from which stroke he never recovered sight although treated by some of the best surgeons in the country. However, he continued his interest in business and was in the habit of regularly attending the sessions of court long after he became obliged to give up his own practice. Mr. Doane possessed a high appreciation of his profession, a conscientious regard of the duties imposed by the relation of attorney to client, and little apparent regard for the pecuniary profit derived therefrom. After the loss of his eyesight, his interest in all affairs of a public nature and in the political history of his country, seemed to increase. He was gratified by the daily attendance, who kept him thoroughly advised of all current news, by a course of systematic reading at certain hours each day. The bond of sympathy between them was very great, and her loving service continued till his death. He was independent and outspoken; his tastes would have led him into literary pursuits, had circumstances permitted. A few years after his death his widow went to Omaha, Nebr., and lived with their son, George W., the remainder of her life. To them were born ten children, of whom but five reached maturity.

Children, all born at Circleville, Ohio.
2. Cornelia, born April 7, 1823; died at Jasper, Ind., Jan. 20, 1860; married 1845 at Circleville, John Hanna; Child, George W.
5. Catherine Amelia, born July 25, 1828; died in infancy.
6. Noble, born Aug. 7, 1830; died at St. Louis, Mo.
7. Clement, born Nov. 11, 1832; married (1) at Jasper, Ind.
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Rachel Edmonson, married (2) Mary A. Crooks, of Jasper, who died March 18, 1883; residence Jasper.
2. Seratta, born Feb. 5, 1835; died in infancy.
9. Charles Augustus, born March 4, 1837; died in infancy.
10. Charles Augustus, born Nov. 19, 1839; died in infancy.

FROM Doane Family & Their Descendants
Alfred Alder Doane
Boston, Mass.
1902.

GUY W. DOANE, A.m., 1813, a resident of New Milford, Conn., was a member of the Philomathean Society. (Died: 1862)

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