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The Musical Association.

During the past two years Union's Musical Association has attained a position among the best organizations of its kind in the country. In every town and city where our musical clubs have given concerts they have been enthusiastically received, splendidly entertained and well commended by the press.

The prospects for good clubs this year are excellent. The association has lost very few members since last year and has gained much good material from the freshman class. Mr. Joseph O'Neil, Med. '97, to whom so much is due for the past success of the organization, has again consented to act as leader of the Mandolin club. The Glee club has also secured a most capable director in Mr. Frank MacMahon, whose work with that club last year was so highly commended. The Banjo club at its first meeting, Monday evening, chose Mr. Clarence Stewart, 1900, to act as leader. Mr. Stewart played with that club last year and clearly showed the ability necessary for the office to which he has been elected. With such leaders as these the quality of music that will be offered by the clubs is certain to be of the finest.

Although the management has made no definite dates for this season's concerts, it has decided upon the places to be visited and the approximate times that the trips are to be taken. The first concert will be given in Schenectady at the Van Curler during the latter part of this term, then Albany, Amsterdam, Johnstown and Saratoga will be visited during the winter term; and the season will be closed by an extended trip during Easter vacation.

All that is necessary to insure the success of the Musical Association's plans is the hearty support of the students, which should be given freely and gladly to an organization that does so much to advance the interests of Old Union.

Committees of the Faculty for 1896-'97.

Education—Professors Ripton, Whitehorne, Wells, Truax, Patterson, Landreth and Perkins and Instructor Bennett.

Library—Professors Landreth, Truax and Ashmore.

Curriculum and Catalogue—Professors Hale and Ashmore and Instructors Opdyke and Walker.

Scholarships—Professors Ripton and Winans and Instructor Buck.

Stage Appointments—Professors Wright and Stoller and Instructor Cumings.

Athletics—Professors Mosher, Patterson and Perkins.

Rules—Professors Ashmore, Patterson, Prosser and Wright and Instructor McKenzie.

Senior Class—Professors Truax, Stoller and Instructor Buck.

Junior Class—Professors Hale, Landreth and Winans.

Sophomore Class—Professors Patterson, Perkins and Mosher.

Freshman Class—Professors Whitehorne and Pepper and Instructor Opdyke.

Bureau of Information for Preparatory Schools and Alumni—Instructors Reeves, Mosher, Bennett, Edwards, Opdyke, Walker, McKenzie and Linhart.

The Class in Hebrew.

A class in Hebrew has been formed among the Seniors who intend to continue their studies after graduating from Union. Rabbi Schaumburg of this city, who taught the class last year, has been engaged as instructor. The class has been formed in two divisions, each of which will recite two hours weekly. The members of the class are, Ames, Birch, Blodgett, Bowers, Brown, Cady, Fuller, Furbeck, Hotaling, Winn, D. L. Wood and Wyckoff.

Golf Club.

The golf club is a feature of the college sports that has been developed almost entirely by the faculty. The club has been reorganized and the faculty now cordially extend an associate membership to all students or others who are interested in golf. A match game was played on Saturday with a picked team of golfers from the General Electric Company. Romeling and Bishop did the best work for the General Electric team, while Professors Hale and Daly excelled for the college. The score:

Union College—Perkins, 0; Hale, 8; Linhart, 3; Daly, 10; Edwards, 0; Pepper, 5. Total, 26.

General Electric—Romeling, 8; Ondaw, 0; Davis, 0; Williams, 0; Bishop, 6; Green, 0. Total, 14.

Several other match games will be played during the fall. The officers of the club are: President, Professor Hale; secretary, Doctor Linhart; treasurer, Professor Edwards.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The prospects for the Y. M. C. A. years of 1896-'97 are very bright. The association has already gained over twenty new members, and the whole work is in a prosperous condition. The reception for new students, held at the house of Dr. Raymond, Friday evening, Sept. 18, was one of the most successful in the history of Y. M. C. A. work at Union. A large number of new students availed themselves of the opportunity of becoming better acquainted with each other, with the upper classmen and the faculty. The singing of college songs by a number of the glee club which were present lent enjoyment to the occasion and everybody present passed a profitable and enjoyable evening.

Mr. Fred S. Goodman, assistant state secretary of New York will be at Union, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 3 and 4, and will speak to the students Sunday P. M. in the chapel.

Amusements at the Van Curler.

Oct. 1—The Burglar.

Oct. 6—Oliver Byron.

Personals.

G. M. Scofield, ex-'96, has returned to college.

W. G. Brown, '95, has taken the stump for McKinley.

Fred. M. Eames is taking a post-graduate course in mathematics.

J. C. Merchant, ex-'97, has returned and entered the Junior class.

R. B. Beattie, '96, has entered Princeton Theological Seminary.

A. T. G. Wemple, '96, has entered the Albany Medical College.

John G. Hilton, '96, has gone to Princeton Theological Seminary.

Noel, '99, will open a night school at the Y. M. C. A. about October 3.

Foley, '96, and Huggins, '96, have entered the Albany Medical College.

Walter L. McEwan, '95, was on the hill during the first days of the term.

A. G. Sommer, '96, is studying law in his father's office at North Tonawanda.

Peckham, '96, has entered the Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, Pa.

Holcombe, '98, is on the stump this fall and will not return to college until after election.

Dean Ripton was unable to meet his classes Tuesday and Wednesday on account of illness.

Van Vranken, '96, will enter the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York City, this fall.

Edwin Barhydt, the college errand boy, has left to take a course at the Albany Business College.

Theodore F. Bayles, '95, has filled the pulpit of the Prospect Hill Chapel during the summer months.

John M. Peacock, '99, has sailed for Paris where he will study the French language and literature.

Clarence V. Kirby, ex-'97, of Canajoharie, a student at the Art Students' League of New York, is visiting college friends.

The classical division of the Sophomore class have returned to college with the same number of students as they had during their freshman year.

Class Elections.

The Senior class held a meeting in the chapel Tuesday afternoon, and chose the following officers: President, Henry A. Frey; vice president, Pitson J. Cleaver; secretary, James C. Cooper; treasurer, J. Storrs Cotton; toastmaster, Hubbell Robinson; historian, Orlando B. Pershing; poet, Howard R. Furbeck; ivy orator, Elory G. Bowers; ivy poet, Abel Merchant, Jr.; pipe orator, Frank T. Cady; grand marshal, Monte J. Multer.

The meeting of the Sophomore class was held last Friday afternoon at 2:30 in the chapel.

After Ex-President Kellogg made a short farewell address, the class proceeded to the election of officers. President, G. W. Wiley, Jr.; vice-president, R. M. Huntley; secretary, F. Roy Champion; treasurer, C. A. Snyder; captain of base ball team, W. J. Smith; base ball manager, W. T. Purchase; foot ball captain, M. M. Price; foot ball manager, F. H. Fisk, Jr.; captain athletic team, L. T. Bradford; manager athletic team, H. J. Hinman; assistant business manager of THE CONCORDIENSIS, J. L. Sherwood; toastmaster, J. N. Vander Veer.

Foot Ball at the Medical.

Practice for the Medical College foot ball eleven began Monday. The season will be opened regularly Saturday, October 10 with the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy. Ten games will be played during the season and all but two of the dates are now filled. Cranston and West Point will probably be secured for these open dates. The schedule at present is: October 14, Union at Schenectady; October 17, Colgate at Hamilton; Oct. 24, Laureates at Troy; Oct. 28, Williams at Williamstown; Oct. 31, Union at Albany; November 3 (election day) open; November 7, R. P. I. at Troy; November 14, Laureates at Albany; November 21, open; Thanksgiving day, Laureates at West Troy.

Faculty Notes.

The regular meeting of the Faculty will be held on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Faculty have under consideration plans to increase the efficiency of the service in the library.

Athletics.

On Tuesday last, F. Packard Palmer was elected captain of the foot ball team. This is the fourth year that Palmer has played the game having made the team in his freshman year. George J. Sweetland was elected captain last fall but did not return this year.

Louis F. O'Neil was elected captain of the track team, Wednesday afternoon. It was a good selection as Louis is an enthusiastic athlete and fully qualified for the position.

At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Princeton University Athletic Association, the following resolution was adopted: "No man who has attended recitations or lectures in any other college or university shall be eligible to represent Princeton in any branch of intercollegiate sports unless he has been a bona fide student in Princeton one full collegiate year." This rule will bar out Kilpatrick and Cregan, who left Union to enter Princeton this fall, from all the intercollegiate events of the year.

Tennis Tournament.

Preparations are being made to hold a Handicap Tennis Tournament very shortly. There are many fellows in college who have enjoyed the game, and among these are some expert players. A large number of entries are expected, and the tournament will be both interesting and exciting. The committee of arrangements consists of Fuller, '97, Campbell, '97, Hoxie, '98, Merriman, '98, Hinman, '99 and C. D. Stewart, 1900.

Dr. John Dever, med. '96, has been appointed house physician of the Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, vice Dr. Edward Wiencke resigned.

M. A. Twiford, '96, Ex-Editor-in-Chief of THE CONCORDIENSIS, and W. L. Huggins, '96, Ex-Business Manager of THE CONCORDIENSIS, were on the hill last Saturday, Sept. 26.

At Cobleskill on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock occurred the marriage of Loren C. Guernsey, '95, to Miss Minnie Scripture. The newly married couple will spend two years traveling in Europe, especially visiting the interesting places in Germany.

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THE Musical Association has had its first rehearsals and reports bright prospects for good clubs this year. We are glad to hear that so important a student organization has such a bright outlook for a successful season, and feel assured that with the hearty support of the student body the plans of the management for an extended trip during Easter vacation will be realized.

THE class of '98 is entitled to six members on THE CONCORDIENSIS staff of assistant editors. At present there are but four. If there are any other members of the class who wish to compete for the positions of Editor-in-Chief or Literary Editor they must send in their names immediately.

The class of '99 is also entitled to six representatives; at present there are three vacancies.

CHANGES are to be made in the College Library. The faculty have taken the matter into thoughtful consideration and decided that something must be done. There truly is much room for improvement as THE CONCORDIENSIS has from time to time pointed out, and we hope that while the faculty are giving their attention to this most important part of the college that they will not stop short of an entire new system. It is a change that must be made sooner or later. Why not make it now?

It is customary to renovate the various buildings of the college during the summer months. The students are away then and the work can be carried on to better advantage. The gymnasium seems to have been left entirely as it was last June. A few days work during the summer months would have placed the lockers in good repair. At present there are only a few of them which can be used. The doors to many of them have been broken and in some instances entirely torn from the hinges. About five of them are so they can be locked.

Unless something is done it is only a question of a few months before the gymnasium will become as useful to the student as is the bowling alley at the present time.

UNION COLLEGE, Sept. 27, '96.

To The Concordiensis:

I read the article in last week's CONCORDIENSIS regarding library rules and also the editorial written upon the same subject. As you said, the entire library system should be revised. There is one point however upon which you did not touch and which could be remedied immediately. I refer to the time of opening the library. Within the last ten days I have gone to the library five or six times in the morning and found the door locked. I may have gone too early, but on two occasions it was nearly ten o'clock. At one time I looked through the window and saw the librarian sitting at his desk, yet the door was locked and he would not come and open it.

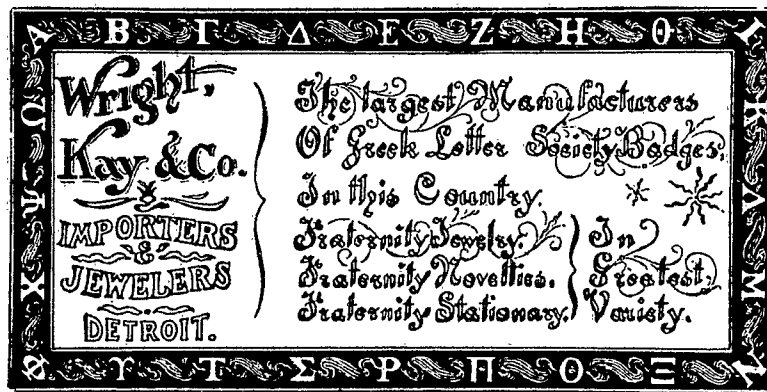
It seems to me that of all the departments of the college, there is none which should be made more open than the library. Eight o'clock is none too early to unlock the door. There are many students who have a vacant hour immediately after chapel. They could spend that time profitably in the library.

STUDENT.

The above letter touches upon a point concerning the library management which could be easily rectified. The faculty in the past have never refused to consider the requests of the students when it was in their power to do so. THE CONCORDIENSIS also urges the early opening of the library.

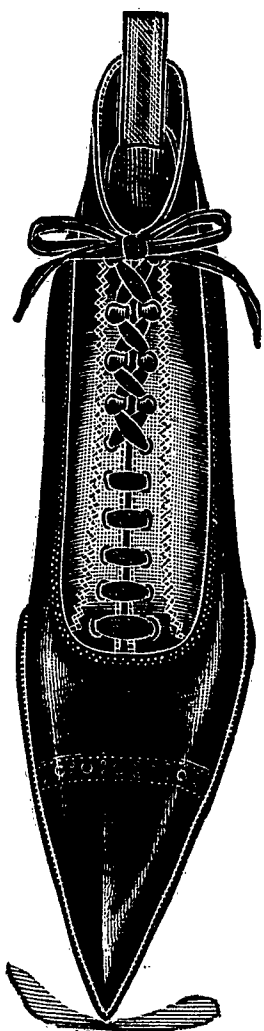
It is the duty of every Christian student to ally himself with the Christian work of the college. That we are students of Union College implies, that we are performing the duties that devolve upon us as students. If we are Christians ought it not to imply that we are performing the duties that Christ has assigned to us. There is no place in life where a man can better put his Christianity into practice than in college. Nowhere are the opportunities greater, nowhere the reward so great. And if a man does not do this work in college, is it reasonable to suppose that he will when he leaves college? It is not necessary that a student should devote himself entirely to intellectual pursuits and religious work and neglect that portion of a college life which is so essential to a well developed man. Christianity stands for activity and interest in college sports and college affairs, and THE CONCORDIENSIS believes that the Y. M. C. A. stands for college spirit and college enthusiasm. The new students especially are needed in the work, and the development that comes from such work may benefit you.

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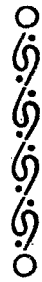
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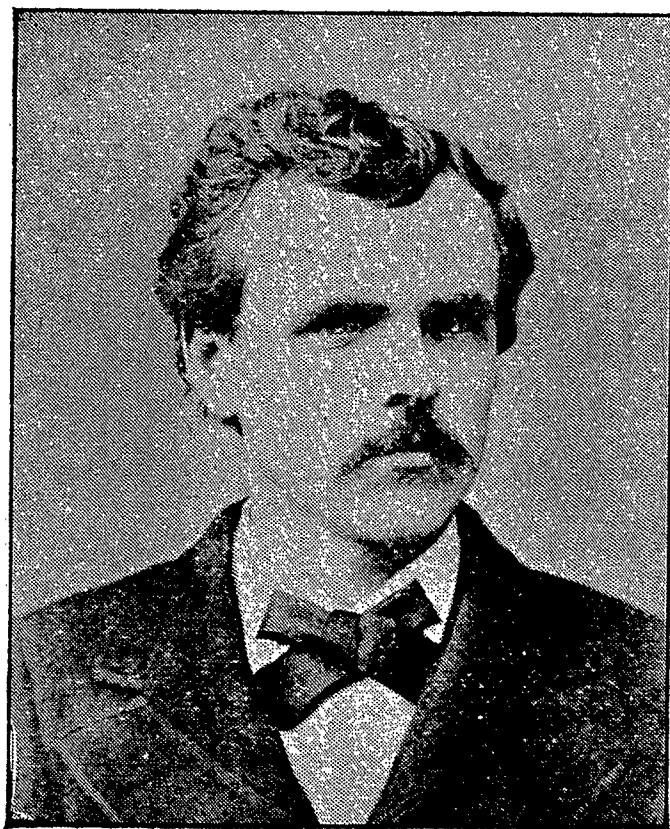
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