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For the life that is passing so merrily still
We cannot be leading for aye.
To Comrades we'll give what may be the last word,
And to Union we'll bid sad adieu,
But no farewells we'll make for in spirit we'll take
Alma Mater and Classmates too.

Chorus
For in Nineteen Three we are all of us
Union's sons,
And a Naughty Three man can't forget Alma Mater
while life's course runs.
No matter where struggles may lead us at last
We'll think of the days that belong to the past
And whatever we'll be, It will be Naughty Three—
Union, Naught Three urging on.
A. H. K. '03.

JAMES YOUNG SPEAKS IN SILLIMAN HALL.

James Young, the well known and popular actor, who appeared in the role of Joabin in Mrs. Fiske's "Mary of Magdala," last Thursday evening at the Van Curler, delivered an interesting and instructive lecture before an appreciative audience at Silliman hall in the afternoon on "A Defence of Shylock." Mr. Young is well known as a student and critic of Shakespeare. He has acted several characters of Shakespeare, notably "Hamlet" and "Shylock."

Mr. Young in his lecture did not talk about "The Merchant of Venice" as a play, but about the characters—the emotional qualities of the leading actors. He spoke in brief as follows:

"The true conception of Shylock is not what Shakespeare has made him. Shylock is the most honest and sincere of all the characters of the play. He has been looked upon as a monster, but he is exact and honest in his dealings. When the play is studied very closely, it will be seen that Shylock is not nearly as bad as he is thought to be, nor is Antonio as good and generous as he is believed to be.

"The Merchant of Venice is one of the most finished of Shakespeare's plays. It is pre-eminent among plays. The time that the play represents is the most prosperous epoch in the history of Venice, and bankers were necessary. The scene is at noon, the busiest time of the day. All venturers want to lend money from the bankers. Antonio insulted and spit upon Shylock when he first met the aged Hebrew. Jews, at that time, according to the laws of Venice, were forbidden to engage in any business except that of a money lender.

"Shylock felt as though he was an outcast from society. His great hopes in his daughter were shattered and he was a crushed man. The 3,000 ducats were given to Antonio without interest and bond, because Shylock wanted to get the good will of the influential Antonio. Was the bargain as to the pound of flesh made in the spirit of vindictiveness or that of a jest? In whatever way Shylock made the bond, there is no doubt but that Antonio and his friends took it in the form of a joke. Antonio invited Shylock to supper, not as a matter of friendship, but to lure the aged Jew away from his home, so that Antonio's friends might rob him and spirit away his daughter. The time for the return of the 3,000 ducats came around and it assumed a serious aspect. Portia came to the court room disguised as a lawyer and coached by the best legal talent. Shylock did not get justice; the forfeiture of his property..."
was an unjust decision. Shylock had committed no crime. Portia and her friends were not just and merciful as they pretended to be. They tried unworthily and cowardly to make Shylock a Christian. The aged Jew had nothing to sustain him, since all his property had been taken from him. He had left his religion only. Antonio had robbed Shylock not only of his 3,000 ducats and all of his property, but also of his daughter. Were not Antonio and Portia the guilty ones?

Shylock was an ill used man, a member of a despised race. He was called a dog and repeatedly insulted. Should he not take vengeance on his tormentor? He was not harsh; he was the product of age. He was hated by Antonio because the aged Jew worshipped Jehovah in the ancient way. Shylock was a tender father and devoted husband. He was a religious and upright man. Antonio was the disturber and destroyer of Shylock's domestic peace and happiness."

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**SEVENTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION IN THIS CITY OF PSI UPSILON.**

Delegates representing the Psi Upsilon fraternity will gather in this city on May 13, 14 and 15, to attend the seventieth annual convention of that organization, which was founded in this college. After the registration of the delegates, on their arrival Wednesday evening, May 13, there will be an informal "smoker" at the house of the local chapter, and business sessions will take place in the morning and afternoon of the succeeding day.

In the evening, a theatre party at the Van Curler opera house has been arranged for, to be followed by a reception and dance at the chapter house. The last executive session is to be held on Friday morning, when the convention photograph will be taken and the usual collation served.

The delegates are to visit the works of the General Electric company in the afternoon of this day, spending their time going through the wonderland embraced in the great plant of that concern.

The delegates to the convention will join with the members of the Psi Upsilon Alumni association of Northeastern New York in a banquet at the Ten Eyck, Albany, where the toastmaster will be Hon. Timothy L. Woodruff and the list of speakers will include Governor Benjamin B. Odell, Jr., Senator Chauncey M. Depew, Herbert L. Bridgeman of the executive council, the Hon. John Clinton Gray of the state court of appeals, the Hon. Frederick W. Seward, the Hon. John B. Stanchfield and John Kendrick Bangs.

The delegates to the convention will doubtless have an enjoyable time during their stay in this city, and every effort will be made to make their visit a memorable one. The courtesies of the University club have been extended to them.

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**EGYPTIAN ENGINEERING.**

When the "laudator temporis acti" wants to silence the engineer, he says: "After all, Egypt can show the biggest engineering works in the world, and they are all 4,000 years old. When you can surpass them, you will have something to boast of." It is undoubtedly true that Egypt contains the largest structures in the world, and probably will for all time. It is not likely that we shall again see a building with 7,000,000 tons of stone in it, as has the pyramid of Gizeh, and it will be long before we have an irrigation reservoir of greater capacity than Lake Moeris, which, accepting the figures of Major Brown, R. E., held in 11,800,000,000 cubic meters (tons) of water between high and low water marks. What the Labyrinth was like we do not really know, but Herodotus classed it as a greater wonder than the Pyramids, although lesser than Lake Moeris.
Further, there is a tradition that in the dim past the Nile flowed at the foot of the Libyan hills, and that it was diverted from that course into its present bed and, if the account be true, the work was of enormous magnitude. The engineers of the past directed the forces of nature on a large scale, but, continues Engineering, to compare their work with ours to our advantage shows a complete ignorance of the science of engineering. The matter in which they excelled was the transportation and manipulation of heavy weights, a feat that appeals strongly to the law of imagination. Among the chief examples of such work are the columns of the Temple of Karnak. To cut a block of stone in a distant quarry, to work it to a cylinder 12 feet in diameter, float it down the Nile, land it and place it on the top of a column of similar stones, making a total height of 60 feet, was no small enterprise.

A still more difficult undertaking was the great obelisk now standing beside the Church of St. John Lateran, in Rome, with a height of 108 feet, and a weight of 450 tons. But the crowning example of Egyptian engineering was the colossal statue of Rameses II., at Thebes. Before it was broken it was a single block of red granite 60 feet in height, and it has been computed to weigh 887 tons. These were notable examples of engineering work, and a modern engineer might be proud of executing them. But it must be remembered that they were done very leisurely, and that labor was abundant. With the simple appliances that we may assume the Egyptians possessed, such as wedges, levers, ropes, and pulleys, great weights may be handled if we suppose that the time was no object. The City of Thebes was in course of building 2,000 years, and in such a place it would excite little comment if a year was spent in putting an obelisk in position. If a weight can be moved at all, no matter how little, it can be transported any distance, provided the same conditions persist for the whole route.
Hagar's home run and a score by Rider on a hit by Mahar in the third inning raised the hopes of the home team which were doomed to be crushed in the fourth inning by Columbia's score of twelve runs. In the fifth inning the "blue stockings" were again held, scoring but one run, while Union pounded out three runs to her credit. Columbia then made another spurt and ran up six more runs in the sixth inning, one being a home run by Frambach, while the "Garnet" failed to score. In the seventh and last inning Columbia's career was again checked, only scoring one run, while Rider and Griswold made flying trips around the diamond, adding two more runs to Union's score.

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**ANEMONE.**

No rose with fragrance rare
Nor violets compare

With thee, Anemone—
Modestly springing and tenderly clinging to air.
No fabled deep sea cave
Beneath the storied wave
Contains a jewel fair like thee in purity
And grace, Anemone.

I like thee, sweetheart,
When far from me thou art,
To pure Anemone,
Fully revealing and lovingly healing my heart.
When on the crowded pave
Thy presence near I crave,
Then 'tis so far apart I seem to see but thee,
My own Anemone.

**THE SLIP.**

The relations of the doctor to the patient were known to none. The former, a middle-aged man, with kindly eyes, iron-gray hair and tapering fingers of steel, was consulting surgeon in the great Sans Souci hospital. His position had been won after years of earnest research and the successful performance of delicate operations. He was well known—that is, in so far as his profession led him, on the dark side of life as well as the bright;—he was recognized as a man of wonderful energy, great daring and success in surgery and a kind man personally. Beyond this however little could be ascertained of his inner life. He was unmarried. Those who knew him best could never account for his manner at times and seek as they would to read his past, not a line of it could they decipher. Sometimes in moments of inaction, a sadness, mingled with a look of resignation seemed to come over him and then his face would be drawn into hard lines of determination and his thin straight lips would tighten with sternness. Such was the doctor. The patient, who had been brought in that day, lay on the white cot in the...
ward near the operating room. He was naturally a robust man but the agony of sickness and suffering had reduced his healthy body to the verge of emaciation. His case was critical. A great tumor of the left breast had eaten its way inward and was gradually mouldering its way into his lungs and heart. In itself, the growth was beautiful; a marble hemisphere interlaced with a meshwork of blue veins, but its contrast with the pallid hue of the patient's breast was sickening. An operation was necessary and that immediately.

The diagnosis being made, the consulting surgeon ordered the patient to be prepared at once for an operation. An hour later the sick man lay on the table, surrounded by white-capped nurses, white aproned attendants and young doctors. To one side stood a table on which were strewn various instruments; trocars, scapulas and amputating knives. The patient, who had been refused chloroform, lay moaning gently. The air was saturated with the odor of disinfectants. There was a lull in the whispered conversation in the room when the surgeon came forward. It was no new task for him. Years of such work had hardened his nerves and steeled his hands. He walked to the instrument table and selected a long, delicate knife, he dipped it in an antiseptic solution and stepped briskly towards the operation table. Without hesitation he drew down the sheet from the man's breast and disclosed the tumor. After determining his course he proceeded with the operation. When nearly through, he looked closely at the patient to see how he was standing it; he seemed to be quiet enough but the surgeon gasped and his hand trembled. He saw in the patient—the sick man lying before him—the man who had ruined his hopes; who, years before, without provocation had blasted his life by turning traitor to his friend and seducing the woman he loved. The surgeon had never forgiven him and had long waited for vengeance. Now he had his enemy before him,—at his mercy—but,—ah, the thought flashed through his brain—his enemy was down and sick unto death. With fiercely surging emotions and a hand not too steady, but with a determination in his eye the great surgeon cut deeper until he grazed the very life springs of the patient. Suddenly, however, his nerves gave way, he saw the woman he loved, far in the past; a mist came to his eyes, he struggled inwardly with himself; his knife clasped in his trembling hand slipped from its course and in a moment was driven deep in the patient's heart. Those who saw it said it was an accident. Perhaps it was.

KAPS ENTERTAIN.

The Kappa Alpha society entertained a small party of friends in their lodge on the evening of May rst. Dancing was enjoyed until the "wee small hours" of the morning. Light refreshments were served at midnight. Those present were:

Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Towne; the Misses Linn, Lawrence, Whitlock, Mary Button, Gates, Helena Kriegsmann, Anna Kriegsmann, Bates, Miss Robarts of Glens Falls, Miss Griffith of Albany and the Messrs W. C. Yates, A. B. Lawrence, W. S. Stothoff, R. Donnan, G. Donnan, Delbridge, Cool, Fiero, Lawsing, Rutledge, West, Hart, Simons, Dwight, Stoner, Mullen, Briggs, Sherman and Lundgren.

One of the interesting features of alumni day, June 9, will be the reunion of the members of the class of '63. This class, many members of which have become well known in their various professions and business careers, was the last of the larger classes for years. The Hon. Amasa J. Parker of Albany, and Charles L. Easton of New York, are the committee in charge to bring that well known class together on that day.
The financial calls for money are becoming so frequent that the students pay little or no attention to them. Now this is a serious question. It is all very well for those who are back in their subscriptions to smile cynically if their eyes chance upon this article, but if they are men they must acknowledge that it does not in the least overstate the case. Much criticism is heard on the way in which certain departments of athletics are being conducted but the prompt and spontaneous pledge to pay at an early date is too infrequent. Let every man in college treat this matter with the seriousness which it deserves. Rally to the support of your college! If you are unwilling to do that you do not belong here. Let there be less expenditure of energy in lobbying for favorite candidates for college honors and more straightforward and manly co-operation. Bury personal grievances and factional bickering and hit out straight from the shoulder at the growing vice of indifference and unreliability.

The Juniors. Good wishes to the class of 1904.

Now that the burden of authority in college matters is rapidly being transferred to your shoulders, we of the class of 1903 wish you god-speed and good success. Only a few short weeks and you will be seniors, while we alas will go out from the dear old haunts which we have loved so well never to return to them again in the role of undergraduates. This is no valedictory, yet we bid you to profit by our mistakes, where you can discover them, and learn from our successes. Altho' small in numbers, you have a strong roster of men. With mingled regret and comfort, then, we leave the future to you: regret that we are so soon to join the ranks of graduates and comfort that so capable a class succeeds to our cares and duties.

College Meeting

The meeting opened with class yells for 1903 from all the classes. After a short time the Seniors rose and with Grand Marshal Griswold leading, marched and counter marched, singing the class song, while each of the other classes moved to the seats occupied by the next higher class. Next followed another round of cheers from the other classes, which was heartily answered by yells for 1904, 1905 and 1906 on the part of the seniors, and also by a class yell for Olmsted, President of the Junior class.

Led by Delbridge, the Seniors then followed the usual custom by singing "allowit," interspersed with College cheers and songs and then in single file marched from the chapel again singing the Senior song.

Pres. Olmsted took the chair and entertained the usual motion to adjourn.

After adjournment the entire student body assembled on the bleachers and Mgr. Tillott of
the Track Ass'n, Captain Griswold and Pres. Bolles addressed the students, emphasizing the need of money for the expenses of the track and baseball teams.

Griswold also criticised the freshmen for their failure to come out on the campus for baseball practice.

Then forming in single file with locked step the line of march was taken up across the campus to various recitation rooms and on the way Dr. Hoffman, Mr. Edwards, Mr. March, Dr. Hale, Dr. Ripton, Dr. Curtiss, Mr. Wheeler, Prof. Ashmore, and other members of the faculty were greeted with cheers and calls for speeches. Several classes were given "bolts" by their respective professors.

The morning was largely occupied with similar expressions of good feeling between the classes, the students marching downtown in line about 9 o'clock. The enmity between freshmen and sophomores was finally ended. The significant custom of painting the idol white being performed about 11 o'clock. The letters '07 were left on the pedestal of the idol to be effaced next fall by the first coat of green paint to be laid on by hapless members of the incoming freshman class.

The celebration of this old college custom, while largely impromptu, was by far the most successful of any of recent years, and will be one of the most potent factors, in the cultivation of a more harmonious class feeling and a more loyal college spirit.

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**CAMPUS NOTES.**

A regular meeting of the Schenectady branch of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers was held Tuesday evening, May 5, at 8 o'clock in Silliman hall. The subject for the evening was "Tendencies of Central Station Developments." Members and associate members of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, members of the General Electric Engineering society, and many students were in attendance.

Prof. B. H. Ripton, LL. D., dean of Union college, and a graduate of Syracuse University, responded to the toast "The Other Fellows" at the third annual reunion of the Albany alumni of Syracuse University in the chapel of the First M. E. church in Albany, last week.

Chancellor Day addressed the members of the association and during his address said that he was glad to meet the representative of Union (Dr. Ripton), a college that gave Syracuse Dean French. He said also that he had wanted Dr. Ripton for dean but could not get him, so he tied him up in a double knot by educating his daughter and making him an LL. D., in 1896. Miss Maud Ripton, '02, was elected 2nd vice president of the association.

The inter-collegiate oratorical contest between Syracuse, Rochester and Union Universities will be held tomorrow evening, May 7th, at Syracuse, not on the evening of May 20th as stated in the last issue of the Conordiensis.

An important meeting of the Tennis Association was held last week to make preliminary arrangements for the spring tournament and also to consider a challenge from the University of Vermont to a tournament, to be held at Burlington, the week beginning May 11th. No final action in regard to the challenge was taken but there is some probability that a team of four men will be sent to compete with Vermont.
In pursuance of a motion carried at college meeting, April 27th, a chess tournament is in progress. The three best players will constitute the team to represent Union at Amherst.

Assistant Treasurer Pond of Union college has announced that the college trustees will not allow the grounds to be used for athletic purposes by the city high school boys.

The baseball team is practicing daily for its games with Colgate and Cornell. The former will be played Thursday afternoon at Albany and the latter at Ithaca on Saturday. It is unfortunate that "Charley" Heath will be unable to play at Cornell because of the fact that the track meet with Rutgers at New Brunswick is held the same day, in which he is entered. Dr. Towne gives valuable assistance each day on the diamond, and if conscientious and faithful work are worth anything, Captain Griswold's men will make a creditable showing for the remainder of the season. The next game on the campus will be played with our old rival, Hamilton, Wednesday, May 13th.

President Bolles of the Senior Class has appointed Mulleneaux and Rulison, both of 1904, as the representatives of the student body on the permanent intercollegiate debate committee, which, it is intended, will have entire charge of all future oratorical contests and debates between Union and other colleges.

Mr. Roy C. Finch, formerly of the class of 1903, visited friends on the campus last week.

It has been decided to hold the election for leaders of the two musical clubs after the June concert, thus following the precedent set by the various athletic teams of electing the captains for the next year after the last game of the season.

The election of the Concordiensis board will be held in Silliman Hall, Monday, May 18th, at 5 P.M. The new board will take charge first for the commencement number.

The local senior society, Idol's Head, has initiated into its number Messrs. Gardenier, Mulleneaux, Olmsted and Palmer, of the class of 1904. The members from the class of 1903 are: Barrett, Bishop, Griswold, Gulnac, Howe, Parker, Peck and Pearce.

"ALPHA DELT" INFORMAL.

The active chapter of Alpha Delta Phi entertained informally at their chapter house last Saturday evening. The following were present: Mrs. Edward E. Hale, Jr., Mrs. Hubbel Robinson, Miss Eleanor Smith, Miss Helena Fuller, Miss Elizabeth Ostrom, Miss Belle Gates, Miss Greason, of Schenectady; Miss Henrietta White, Miss Faustine Payn, Miss Ruth Burns of Albany; Miss Madeline Hildreth of Herkimer and Miss Florence Woods of Watervliet; Messrs Case, J. C. Van Voast, Huntley, J. G. Green, Dudley Hill, Gulnac, Howe, Palmer, Patton, Brooks, M. T. Raymond, E. T. King, M. King, Wadsworth, S. J. Raymond, Waldron, W. King, J. T. Wright, von Dannenberg.

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At a meeting of the musical association, held Monday evening, in Silliman Hall, the
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Raise the standards high!
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Make the oath to die!

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Leap the war swords forth,
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Forth unto the field
Fare you brave and strong,
Spearsmen skilled to wield,
Sing the battle song!

Fierce into the fens,
Where the fensmen dwell
Deep within their dens,
Drive from field and fell!

Slay the scornful thralls!
See their smoke afar!
Burn their boastful halls
Blot on vale and scar!

Wreak the wrongs so deep,
Wrought by Eldwulf's death!
Still he sleeps the sleep,
Shorn he lies of breath.

Out upon our foe,
Ours must be the deed!
Wedia sees our woe,
War, I hear his rede!

Bearsark be we all,
Bide the battle's brunt!
Wind the war horn's call,
Bid from hall and hunt!

Bid the bold men forth,
Bind by Eldwulf's death
Hengst and sons of Hjorth
Foremost on the heath!

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When morning with its golden beams
Doth deck thee with a pearly hue;
When the fair sun o'er thee gleams
It touches thee with lights anew.

III
When night comes falling as a cloud;
Fast rolling o'er thee like the wave,
Thou seem'st a snowy shroud
New risen from a holy grave.

IV
Would that my life were pure as thine,
Oh fair magnolia there on high!
Would that such peace of heart were mine,
To live in Hope, in Faith to die.

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