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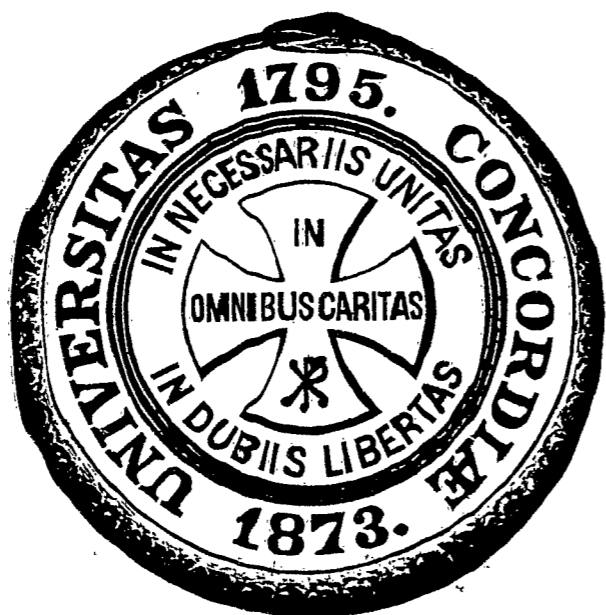
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KAPPA ALPHA REUNION.

Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Oldest Greek Letter Fraternity.

Large Number of Alumni Present at the Various Exercises.

The seventy-fifth anniversary of the Kappa Alpha society took place with the mother chapter at Union last week. A large representation of alumni and undergraduates from the chapters was present throughout the few days. On Saturday evening, November 24, the exercises were opened by a large reception and dance in Memorial hall. A large number of friends and alumni were in attendance.

Memorial hall was very tastefully decorated with the fraternity colors and evergreens. Several large banners on which were inscribed "Kappa Alpha, 1825-1900" were hung upon the walls. The dance began early and closed at twelve o'clock. The patronesses were:

Mrs. A. V. V. Raymond, Mrs. Charles Lewis, Mrs. Maurice Perkins, Mrs. Charles Linn, Mrs. I. I. Yates and Mrs. Lawrence.

Those present from out of town were:

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Cox, the Misses Smith, Patterson, and Francis; Mr. Don Ennis of Troy; the Misses Little and Warner of Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. Marcus T. Hun, the Misses Norton, Anderson, Kernochen, Jones, Stadt and Tucker of Albany. Besides this, the entire Williams chapter of Kappa Alpha and sections of other chapters.

Those present from this city were:

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Benedict, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. DeRemer, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dodd, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. T. Erben, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Featherstonhaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Langdon Gibson, Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Hale, Dr. and Mrs. F. S. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Levis, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lewis, Mr.

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OTHER EXERCISES.

The Rev. Dr. Timothy G. Darling, of the Auburn Theological Seminary, a Williams "Kap", preached the reunion sermon at the First Presbyterian Church, Sunday morning. A section of seats was reserved for members of the fraternity, though the sermon was open to all. Many availed themselves of this opportunity. Dr. Darling preached an intensely interesting sermon, taking for his text the lines from Romans 14:7, "For none of us liveth to himself and none dieth to himself." His closing words are of great import to fraternity men.

"I trust I shall not be violating the proprieties

of this service of worship if I keep in view the circumstances which has caused not a few college graduates to come together at this time reverently to express their indebtedness and to make their thanksgiving for the tender associations of their college days. With many of us now grown gray, the memory of those days is still an impulse and an inspiration, out of which with the unfading splendor of a sun which borrows not its light, the radiance still is streaming. Much of what is best and strongest and dearest in life dates back to the influence of noble lives that were not lived unto themselves. Many of those lives have entered into the blessedness of the Master's legacy to his disciples, 'Father, I will that they also whom thou hast given me be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory'—themselves no small part of the glory of him who most conspicuously lived not unto himself and died not unto himself. The tremulous haze of memory's perpetual Indian summer broods with sacred sadness o'er their graves; but in our hearts and lives their never dying hearts are beating the warm blood of courage and endeavor. No man may say how much of what in us is best in sincerity, in effect, in helpfulness. God sees these men living on as truly, if not as efficiently, as they lived in their own lives.

"Surely every social institution which invites men to give to it of their strength and substance should be able to vindicate to the moral judgment of mankind its right to continued existence. Every social organization, in or out of college, should have some sort of a corporative conscience demanding that it be a help and not a menace to a higher type of living, a type of life worthy of man's dignified place in creation. The influence and atmosphere of a family or a society is apt to control towards its type of character the subject of its influence, much as the organizing principle in cell or egg moulds to its own type all that nourishes its development. Few responsibilities are more serious than to invite one in the formative period of his character to bring himself under the powerful moulding influence of society life. No man can pass out as he entered; shall it be the

making or the marring of a man? If he carries out less of noble influence than he brought in, if he lowers the home ideals, if he loses courage in overcoming temptation, the organization stands condemned before God and man; the leprosy is in its walls for which the only medicine is annihilation. Certainly to the man, who is not a maelstrom of selfishness, to the man who, in the spirit of the text, counts giving a higher privilege than receiving, here is the opportunity of a lifetime. Who can measure the influence within a college society of a clean pure life of sincere aims interpreting life to younger men through a noble example? For intensity of influence, gentlemen, you will never again find such a chance. At graduation you will get down from your pedestal and be jostled by the crowd; I pray you while you stand upon it, show the figure of a man. Never, till I see my Master's face, shall I look upon a face with the same reverence, and ingenious confidence, and devotion which might have commanded any service in me as that with which I looked up to one of the seniors of my own society. The man who throws away such influence, despises the opportunity God covets, robs himself of the best work possible to him, loses out of life memories and gratitude which must still be pure and fragrant among the joys of heaven. As you looked up to the older men, the younger men looked up to you. Take your grip on them for good. Let the unconscious influence of your life—ever the strongest influence—be toward what is wholesome and purifying. You are not living to yourself. It is not enough for the Alpine climber roped to his fellows to stand firm for himself, he must so stand that if his comrades slip, he may bear the shock and hold them back from death. None of us liveth to himself and none dieth to himself. We cannot change that if we would. If we would make sure, eternally sure, that we would not change it if we could, let us say further with the apostle: 'For whether we live we live unto the Lord; or whether we die, we die unto the Lord; whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.'"

The fraternity held a memorial service in

Odd Fellows' hall, Sunday afternoon, as a tribute to the memory of the founders and deceased members.

The exercises of the reunion closed on Monday night with a large banquet in Odd Fellows' hall. About one hundred and fifty alumni and undergraduates of the fraternity were present.

COLLEGE CONCERT THURSDAY EVENING.

Attractive Musical Program Arranged and Farce to be Given.

The musical association will give its annual fall concert on Thursday evening, December 6, at the Van Curler and if training counts for anything it will be of an unusually high order. In addition to the regular selections by the glee and instrumental clubs there will be a farce entitled "Cabman No. 93, or Found in a Four Wheeler."

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Mr. Udolpho Halloway.....John Garside Green
A retired stock broker, a lover of the mysterious and sensational.

Joe Capsize "alias No. 93,"...Henry J. Langlois
Driver of a Four-Wheeler.

Clara, Halloway's Wife.....Charles E. Heath
Milly Meddlesome.....DeForest Weed
A servant in the Halloway household.

Synopsis:—Mr. Halloway, learning that his wife engaged a cabman for a three hours' drive, grows suspicious and attempts a solution by assuming the garb of the cabman. After the unexpected return of Mrs. Halloway the plot thickens, but the cabbie ultimately clears up all difficulties.

The farce has been under the supervision of H. L. Crain, 1902, who has had considerable experience in dramatic work, and will prove interesting to everybody.

✓ 1900.—Erskine C. Rogers, who has been lately engaged in stump-speaking, has entered the law office of his father, James C. Rogers, '60, at his home in Sandy Hill. On December 13, he expects to enter the Albany Law School.

REPARTEE AS A FINE ART.

William H. McElroy's Chapel Lecture.

The second of the series of lectures was delivered in the chapel on Friday afternoon by the Hon. William H. McElroy, Union, '60. The lecture was a most interesting one, for the speaker kept his audience in the best of spirits throughout the entire lecture as he gave instance after instance of brilliant repartee, drawing from the productions of past masters of the art. Dr. McElroy was introduced by Dr. Wells who called him "Mac, the King", as his name indicated.

He began by referring to the at-home feeling which he experienced in being in the college chapel. He said in part:

"As I stand here I recall those words of Emerson—'I have reached the middle age of man yet I am not less glad at the meeting of scholars than I was when I saw my own classmates graduate. Neither age nor books have succeeded in extirpating the thought then rooted in me, that the scholar is the favorite of heaven'.

"A great American once said that the best part of his speeches never came to him until he was riding home in the carriage. And this is typical of human nature. Your adversary is not floored; you fail to bring down the house; when the occasion comes for the display of your wits, they are not there. I am reminded of an occasion when Artemus Ward came before an audience and very solemnly said, 'Ladies and Gentlemen, I have brilliant powers—but I haven't got them with me this evening'. The words of our loved Ludlow come to us:

'While we wait for the napkin,
The soup grows cold;
While the button is matched,
The pattern grows old.'

"But this is pessimism. Things *do* come when they are wanted. Our wits are present sometimes when they are needed.

He then explained the manner in which he would deal with his subject, proposing to treat

it by example, giving some of those spontaneous out-bursts of the intellect.

"Some years ago while sitting around a wood fire with a party of friends the subject of wit and repartee came up and the question was asked 'who is the best exponent of repartee?' It was unanimously decided that the Virginian, John Randolph, of Roanoke, deserved the first place. Randolph was a great advocate of cotton and its possibilities, and remarked on one occasion that he would 'go a mile out of his way any time to kick a sheep'. While he was in Congress he was noted for his wit, his satire and bitter sarcasm. During his stay in Congress a member died and his successor, who was a great bully and had come with a chip on his shoulder and who made a great boast that he was not afraid of Randolph, sought every occasion to make an attack upon him. One day after the man had made a fierce fling at Randolph, the eccentric Virginian slowly laid down his pen, arose and said, 'Mr. Speaker, when the former Congressman was alive I refrained from praising him, but now when he is dead, I would like to pay a tribute to his memory'. There was no objection, and he proceeded to eulogize him as a public benefactor, a great and good man, a good father, a loving husband, his decease as a loss to his friends and to the whole country. Finally he said, 'Mr. Speaker, we, who were familiar with him, shall miss him sadly when we look over to his seat and find it vacant'.

"This is what I call a perfect repartee. There is no bitter word-play, no wrangling, but one clear, clean stroke and the man's head in the basket. One that may be bracketed with this is one of a western paper. A young poet had sent the editors a little sonnet entitled, 'Why do I live?' After waiting a reasonable length of time and receiving no reply, the anxious youth wrote to the editors wanting to know if they had received it. They sent him the following reply: 'You sent us a little sonnet entitled, 'Why do I live?' some time ago by mail. We would say that you live because you did not bring it to the office in person'.

"Douglass Jerrold has been called the most

famous master of repartee, but that is somewhat open to criticism, as his wit was of a too heavy kind, was the brutality of brightness. He, it was, that defined 'dogmatism as simply puppyism in maturity'.

Upon one occasion, at an English dinner party, someone exclaimed, 'Jerrold, I believe that you could pun on the signs of the Zodiac'. He replied, 'By Gemini, I can.'

"Sidney Smith's compliment to the lady in the garden was perfect in its way. They were walking in a garden and the lady remarked, 'I can never bring that rose to perfection'. He replied, 'Let me bring perfection to the rose'. This was perfect. It was simply the turning around of what the lady had said.

"Another example of the complimentary repartee. A lady was standing in the rear of a crowded concert hall when a gentleman near the front saw her and went to her and offered her his seat. She, in gratitude, said to him, 'You are a jewel'. He answered, 'Pardon me, I hate to contradict a lady, I am a jeweler.'

"We wonder whence come these witty replies—this bright inexplicable power. Like the wind, we know not whence it cometh or whither it goeth. Like that creature that sprang full-armed from the head of Jove, so, repartee springs, full-armed, from the brain of its author. Different definitions have been given to it. One might say that it was extemporaneousness raised to the n^{th} power. Depew, who is something of a railroad man as well as a wit, would say that it was the Empire State Express of the intellect. Repartee is one of those things that demonstrate how wonderfully and fearfully we are made. It is the art of putting things.

"In Congress wit is rare. What little there is, is too clumsy, too much of the 'you're another' in it. Thaddeus Stephens, or as he was familiarly called, 'Thad' Stephens, was responsible for some of the best gotten off there. One day when a Congressman had finished a long speech, Stephens enquired of him how he voted. The Congressman replied, 'I am paired with Mr. Brown'. Stephens returned, 'I should think from the way you spoke that you were paired with yourself.'

"When we come down to the law we are struck by the fact that it does not originate repartee any better than other professions. The pulpit is the origin of as much as the bar, bench or medical profession.

"A gentleman sent a set of Robert Ingersoll's works to a friend who was a clergyman in the West. Failing to hear from him he telegraphed this message, 'I sent you Ingersoll's works. Hope you received them safe and sound'. In a little time he received the answer, 'I received the books, safe, but not sound.'

"A priest was having an argument with a Methodist bishop and the bishop exclaimed, 'I can't believe your doctrine of purgatory'. The priest replied, 'You might go farther and fare worse.'

"Randolph Tucker, who came to us from Virginia in our great year of rejoicing and who was a LL. D. of Union, was the most absolute master of the art of story telling in America. He uttered a saying of which Holmes said that it was the high water mark of humor. Tucker was in Washington, in the Senate, and a senator was making a lengthy speech during which the historian entered and in a little time was nodding. Tucker's attention was called to this and he turned and remarked, 'Yes, history sleeps while fiction speaks.'

"There was one of those good old ladies, near whose house a railroad was being built, who conceived the idea of reading to the workmen during their rest at noontime. For the first day she chose 'Macbeth'. After she had finished reading the play she went up to a big Irishman and said, 'I hope you liked the play'. The fellow replied, 'This lady Macbeth you read about may have been a lady but she didn't prove so by her conduct.'

Mr. McElroy here referred to Dr. Holmes' "Visit to the Asylum for Decayed Punsters," and recommended it as a book overflowing with dry humor and repartee.

"Emerson says, 'Every man is a quotation from his ancestors'. And so we might say that the Deluge was a liquid repartee for all the sin and wickedness that preceded it. The French Revolution might be called a crimson

repartee. And for the reigns of the Georges, the tea steeped in Boston harbor, and Bunker Hill, were very effectual repartees."

Dr. McElroy closed his lecture with a touching reference and tribute to Robert C. Alexander, calling him the most loyal son that old Union ever had, that he was in a fine sense, in the world but not of it.

JOHNSTOWN Y. M. C. A., 10 ; SCRUB, 0.

Last Saturday the scrub was again defeated, this time by the Johnstown Y. M. C. A. by a score of 10 to 0. The Johnstown team was much heavier and this in a great measure accounts for the defeat. The scrub only had the ball in its possession once and then advanced it easily. They would have certainly scored but for an unfortunate mistake in signals. Mulvaney, Small and Sherrill played a hard, fast game for Union. The line-up follows:

JOHNSTOWN.	SCRUB.
E. Hornning.....left end.....	Meneses
N. Hornning.....left tackle.....	Watson
Horum.....left guard.....	Conway
Williams.....centre.....	Dickenson
Newhorn.....right guard.....	Merriman
Lingenfelter.....right tackle.....	G. Parker
Simons.....right end.....	Pritchard
Miller.....quarter.....	Sherrill
Berhrendt.....right half.....	Mulvaney
Cross... ..left half.....	Small (Capt.)
Sullivan.....full.....	Griffith

Referee, L. J. Weed. Umpire, Hursey. Time-keepers, Gould (Union); Hagadorn (Johnstown). Linesmen, D. Weed (Union); Rupert (Johnstown).

96.—R. B. Rowe of Clarksville, N. Y., is in Colorado with a party of scientists who are making a government survey.

98.—R. S. Hoxie is connected with the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad.

98.—R. E. Bradford, who is now engaged in business in Amsterdam, was in town over Sunday.

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PARTICULAR attention is requested to the article "Pedagogy and Soap," which appears in another column. It points out a flaw in our *educational* system which ought to be immediately remedied.

THE musical clubs are hard at work preparing for their initial appearance of the season in public concert. It is difficult to appreciate the amount of preparation that is necessary to put the clubs into the required form for public exhibition. Yet the results of that preparation ought to, and usually do, repay the members for the time they devote to the work. The several extended trips of the association are always delightful affairs to look back upon; and these trips have much more value than this. The management, in the selection of the towns which the association is to visit, selects

places from which it may be reasonably expected the college will draw students. Preparatory men go to these concerts, they meet the Union men at the usual dances which follow; and consequently, they become interested in the college. The direct or indirect influence of these concert tours is not to be belittled.

The undergraduates have a special duty with regard to the concert to be given at the Van Curler opera house Thursday evening. The management needs money to start the clubs on the short Christmas tour. The association needs practical encouragement from the students. Attend the concert if possible, but buy a ticket at any rate.

THE "mother of fraternities" may very justly congratulate the New York Alpha of Kappa Alpha on the seventy-fifth anniversary of her foundation. The secret society idea, though in a way indebted to Phi Beta Kappa, really owes its original conception to the few Union students who banded themselves together in November, 1825. The spread of that idea throughout the colleges of the land has proven a great source of strength to the American college. Kappa Alpha may congratulate herself upon the unique character of her foundation and upon the influence her example has given to the building of American student character.

'98.—The following clipping from a New York paper refers to a '98 man who is now studying theology and selling gold bonds.

"According to a decision made by Magistrate Duel in the Yorkville court, students at educational institutions cannot vote at the coming election. The case in which the magistrate rendered his decision was that of Orrin Giddings Cox, a student in the Union Theological seminary. Cox lives in Schenectady county and registered as living in the seminary. He was summoned to court and the decision made. Cox promised not to vote and was discharged."

PURITY IN UNION POLITICS.

A Scheme to Be Proposed at the Next College Meeting.

The following set of resolutions has been drawn up by a Committee of the Undergraduate Council, and will be brought before the student body at the next college meeting. They are published now so that every student may have an opportunity to become thoroughly acquainted with them and to think them over carefully so as to be able to vote intelligently upon them. They are thus :

"Inasmuch as the general system of college politics now in practice has proven detrimental to the best interests of college organizations and has been the cause of personal and factional discord throughout the college, the Undergraduate Council respectfully submits to the student body the following resolutions :

Resolved, first, that the canvassing for votes by candidates for office or by their friends be discouraged by the students individually and collectively.

Secondly, that the several fraternities and other organizations of the college pledge themselves to abstain from all participation in deals and combinations for college and class offices.

Thirdly, that candidates for assistant managerships of the several athletic organizations of the college shall report to the respective managers at least before the beginning of the season previous to their election, that suitable work to test their ability and earnestness be assigned them, and that upon these candidates the Athletic Board shall make recommendations to the student body on the day of regular elections.

The ratification of clause 2 of this resolution shall be made final after a committee of the council has waited upon the fraternities and other organizations and received their pledges.

And it is further recommended that candidates for assistant managerships of the musical association and Concordiensis report and act in the same way."

It is obvious that the purpose of the above plan is the abolition of politics, which have, up

to this time, been so detrimental to securing good college officers. If the students individually, and the fraternities, as units, do not pledge their votes, all will come to the elections free to vote for whomever they consider the candidate most capable to fill the office, and will undoubtedly so vote.

If the candidates have worked under the managers for a season, every student, and every member of the Athletic Board will have formed a pretty fair idea of their fitness for the positions by the time the elections come round. It should be noted that the Athletic Board may make more than one recommendation, so that if all the candidates are good men the Board can, and undoubtedly will recommend all of them, and the ultimate choice will rest with the student body. And, furthermore, the student body may reject all of the names recommended by the Board, so that the students have the powers of choice entirely in their own hands, in case their opinion does not coincide with that of the Athletic Board.

The main objects of the proposed 3d clause are, first, to get the candidates early at work ; secondly, to have their abilities judged by those who are competent to judge, and lastly, to elect the best men for the officers.

The entire plan seems feasible, and certainly ought to be fairly tested by the students at Union.

CAMPUS NOTES.

Dr. Wright is spending a few weeks at Atlantic city.

Michael Monahan of Albany will lecture on "Doctor Maginn and Father Prout" in the chapel Friday afternoon.

Dr. Jones delivered an address Sunday afternoon before the Labor Forum, on the subject: "Governmental Control of Public Utilities."

G. LeRoy Shelby, 1901, and Gilbert S Woolworth, 1902, were delegates to the Phi Delta Theta convention in Louisville, Ky., during the Thanksgiving vacation.

PEDAGOGY AND SOAP.

We quote the following from an interesting editorial paragraph in a recent number of the New York Evening Post, in regard to the resignation of President Gilman of Johns Hopkins:

"Early Hopkinsonians, if not 'evil entreated', studied almost 'in caves, and the holes of the earth', and in fact it is only of recent years that the university has been decently housed; but in each of these shabby rooms were the necessary books, and a great specialist with his disciples and co-workers. He (President Gilman) proved, as the *Nation* said at the time, that a body of instructors was the real thing, and that you might have a university 'and a pretty good one, under a tent with a library of five hundred volumes kept in soap-boxes'."

Just so, just so. A body of instructors is the first requisite, even if the instructors hold forth in tents. Indeed we take rather more kindly to this tent idea, than to that other strictly open air idea of a log with Mark Hopkins at one end of it and a student at the other. A library, certainly of not less than five hundred volumes, is the second requisite, even though it be kept in soap boxes. No doubt too, this instructor tent five hundred volume soap-box combination would be rather preferable to the up-to-date millionaire appanage where the members of the faculty take their tips from the sleek capitalist or the unamiable old widow who happens to be "the head and front of the offending."

To be sure, we expect rather more of a university nowadays than an instructor, a tent, a book and a soap-box, but after all the chief defect of the tent-log idea, is not lack of learning, nor lack of funds, but lack of plumbing. How's a fellow to get a bath? And who's fool enough now to believe that a man is educated if he doesn't bathe? Pagans knew better than that two thousand years ago, and now that we Americans have reached the idea that the unwashed man is almost as uneducated as the unflogged man, by all means let's keep our gain. We beg to suggest therefore, that in fitting out a university the soap-boxes be got full of soap, and that the library of five hundred volumes be

not installed, perhaps not even bought until the educational virtues of the soap have been tried.

But what is this to us clean fellows? What indeed? Look into the North College bath room (the South College bath room is perhaps a shade better) and see. Bathing is a strenuous performance here. Cleanliness here as elsewhere is next to godliness, but one must go through a penitential purgatory to attain to it. Will those who are in authority take an occasional peep into the North College bath-room? Perhaps if they should take an occasional bath there, it would help to bring the matter home. A peep at the immediate suburbs of the bath-room would do no harm either.

Who is to blame? The students? In this particular matter they are to blame just to this extent. Some dirt will come off a man when he bathes. If all of it stays in the bath-room, if none of it is ever taken away, then the bather has indeed made an unwholesome bequest to posterity. It is customary in well regulated households, we believe, to clean out the bath tub and even the bath room occasionally; not so in our little family shower-baths.

This is the proposition. There's a corollary to it. The students have been apt learners, not mere parrots. The college has taught the principle, the students have applied it. The dormitories are old and perhaps a bit dirty. Make them dirtier. Pile ashes in the halls. Throw stoves downstairs. Do anything in fact that will add to the generally down-at-the-heel look of things, or contribute to the discomfort of oneself and one's neighbors. The garbage boxes are not neatly covered as they should be, but open, and heaped high with all manner of unsightly stuff. Therefore throw dirty water, tin cans, papers, broken dishes, anything, everything out of your back window.

Here's a chance for the Undergraduate Council. Here's a home mission field for the Y. M. C. A. And yet it isn't altogether home missionary work, is it? *Sic itur ad astra.*

'99.—George C. Rowell, a former editor of The Concordiensis, is in town for a few days.

UNION, 11 ; RUTGERS, 6.

The Garnet Finishes a Most Successful Season With a Victory at New Brunswick.

Captain Carver's men celebrated the close of the football season at New Brunswick by winning the game with Rutgers. It was the game of the season for Rutgers, and she had been working hard to bring about a satisfactory outcome. Though the men from New Brunswick put up a hard fight, there was little doubt of the result from the very start. Union did the greater part of the forcing. Rutgers, except on the touchdown made on a Union man's fumble, could not succeed in bringing the ball for any distance into the Garnet's territory. Burnett made this touchdown after Mallery had called "Down" and then dropped the ball. The referee would not allow Union's protest. The Garnet also claimed another touchdown. Paige went over the line on a straight buck but it was decided that Anderson had made a forward pass. Captain Carver's protest went for naught.

The Rutgers adherents exhibited much enthusiasm throughout the contest. A brass band kept time for the students as they sang some verses written especially for the occasion. The day was a miserable one for good football.

Mallery made the first touchdown for Union in the middle of the first half. Paige went over the line for what was apparently another, but the official took the ball back to the three yard line and gave it to Rutgers on a forward pass. After being held twice, Burnett kicked out. Union quickly rushed the ball back and was very near the line when time was called.

Rutgers made her score in the beginning of the second half. Union carried the ball to the center of the field and Mallery went about tackle for fifteen more yards. He had called "Down" but Burnett picked up the ball and went down the field without opposition. The decision was against the Garnet. Quarterback Mann kicked an easy goal. After the kick-off, Union quickly got possession of the ball, and Mallery was

shortly sent about Patterson for twenty yards and the second touchdown. Rutgers was going fast at the close of the half.

Patterson, the right tackle, played a brilliant game for Rutgers. The Garnet played together well. Paige and Anderson each made a poor catch of a punt. The line-up and summary :

UNION.	RUTGERS.
Thebo.....	left end.....Herbert
Finnegan.....	left tackle..... Poland
Shaw.....	left guard..... Hitchner
Griswold.....	centre...Ransom, (Stewart)
Collier.....	right guard .. Adams
Fenton.....	right tackle.....Patterson
Olmsted.....	right end.....Morris
Anderson.....	quarter.....Mann (Capt.)
Carver (Capt.).....	right half..... Conger
Mallery.....	left half.....Hart
Paige.....	full.....Burnett

Score, Union, 11; Rutgers, 6. Touchdowns, Mallery (2), Burnett (1). Goals by Carver and Mann.

THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

Dr. Raymond spoke to the students last week on the pleasure that a personal talk with President McKinley afforded him. The president seemed filled rather with the consciousness of his responsibilities than with a spirit of gratification at his re-election.

"Mr. McKinley," said Dr. Raymond, "especially realizes the task of getting competent men, self-sacrificing enough to undertake the development of our recently acquired territory. He especially feels the inability of the civil service to help him in his selections. For there is no great salary attached to such positions, and the best of our educated men are unwilling to enter a competitive examination for office. Take for example your college professors, would they be willing to get in a wild scramble after civil appointments? The skilled draughtsman will not take the risk of getting a government position, when there are comparatively secure ones all about him in private life. Hence we see the steadily increasing need for college men who are willing to sacrifice themselves in the service of the government."

"ALPHA DELT" DANCE.

Alpha Delta Phi gave an enjoyable dance at its chapter house on the campus last Tuesday evening. A number of out-of-town guests were present. Zita furnished the music.

Among those present were: Prof. and Mrs. S. B. Howe, Mr. and Mrs. Willis T. Hanson, Mrs. DeRemer, Mr. and Mrs. Hubbel Robinson; the Misses Payn and Wagoner of Albany; Nickerson of Boston; Sherman of Chicago, and Fitcham of Ballston.

From Schenectady were: The Misses Walker, Ostrom, Schoolcraft, Florence Veeder, Jeannette Veeder, Miller, Strain, Clark, Case, Button, VanDuesen, Pitkin, Fuller, Linn, Alexander, Horstman, Horstmeyer.

The alumni were: Messrs. Walker, '95; Johnson, '94; Johnson, '97; Angle, '86; VanVoast, '87; Smith, Cornell; McGuire, Hobart; Hinman, '99; Huntley, '99; Bender, 1900; Leavenworth, 1901; Patten, Rensselaer; Bryant, Cornell.

From town and college were: W. T. Hanson, Jr., Alexander, Prof. Hale, Prof. Jones, Prof. Towne, Parker, Merriman, Barrett, Weed, Warner, Golden, Brown, Ostrander, Small, Yates, Bothwell, Stiles.

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.]

'44.—Judge William Hilliard Wood, for forty years trustee of the Ira Couch estate in Chicago, died on November 25 at his residence in that city. Judge Wood was born in 1822 in the village of Hinsdale, Cattaraugus county, N. Y. He entered Hobart college at Geneva, N. Y., where he remained through his freshman year. In 1840 he entered the sophomore class in Union college, Schenectady, N. Y., from which

institution he was graduated in 1844. While in college he was a member of the Kappa Alpha and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities.

In 1854 he removed to Belvidere, Boone county, Ill., with his family and formed a law partnership with Allen C. Fulker. In 1860 he came to Chicago to take charge of the Ira Couch estate. The estate of Ira Couch, who died in 1857, was left in the form of a trust and Mr. Wood was named as one of the trustees. The active charge of the estate devolved upon Mr. Wood, who found the property heavily involved with indebtedness. He succeeded in clearing the estate before the great fire which swept all the buildings on the property away, including among others the Tremont House.

During the war he was compelled to remain in Chicago on account of the estate, but paid for a substitute, who served throughout the war. He was a strong supporter of President Lincoln's administration. In 1869 he purchased the residence in Oak Park, where he lived until his death. He served as Supervisor of the Town of Cicero and as County Commissioner of Cook County. He was a Mason and was a member of the Union League club from 1880 until about a year ago. He was a vestryman in Bishop Cheney's church at the time he withdrew from the Episcopal church and followed his Bishop.

'58.—Major Thomas Benton Brooks, engineer, geologist, soldier and scientific investigator, died at his home in New Windsor, November 21. Major Brooks was the principal engineer in the siege of Fort Wagner, and the Union officer who planned the works from which shot and shell were fired into the city of Charleston and its defences.

Major Brooks led a strenuous life, ever devoting himself to the best interests of the community and of contemporary science. He was born in Monroe, N. Y., June 19, 1836. As a boy he was a hard worker on his father's farm. He did light surveying work when but fifteen years of age. During his sixteenth year, he taught in the district school of Eagle Valley. During the next four years, he assisted in construction work on the New York and Oswego and Erie railroads. Before he was twenty, he

became city surveyor of Paterson, N. J. Later he was an observer for an U. S. Coast Survey party working on the Gulf of Mexico. Feeling that he must learn more of the theory of his chosen profession, he entered the junior class in the engineering department at Union. He was instructor in field work during part of his course. He graduated with '58 with the highest marks. Professor Gillespie urged young Brooks to continue at Union as instructor and wanted him to be his successor as head of the engineering department. Had Mr. Brooks been willing, he could undoubtedly have had the position. He spent the next winter at the University of Pennsylvania taking a lecture course, and there became interested in the study of rocks, to which later he devoted all his energies.

The disastrous battle of Bull Run pointed out to Brooks his duty to enlist in his country's service. He served with distinction at the siege of Fort Pulaski and Fort Wagner, in the expedition against Fort Royal; and while on General Butler's staff, was wounded at Drury's Bluff, Va. Yet his military fame could rest alone upon the part he took in the siege of Charleston. Gen. Peter S. Michie of West Point said of him: "Unquestionably the central engineer in the siege of Fort Wagner, defending Charleston, is our gallant comrade, Col. Brooks. Ordinary language cannot do justice to his self-sacrificing devotion in the dangerous and difficult service to which he was assigned, nor to the full measure of his manhood in its successful performance. Endowed with an active mind and extraordinary energy, with vigorous physical powers, these were continually drawn upon until he had almost reached the limit of human endurance. He was a most indefatigable worker, peculiarly fertile in expedients and in emergencies, indifferent to personal danger when duty demanded it, and in every respect an inspiration to the whole command."

Major Brooks resigned in the latter part of '64, at his family's request. He soon became general manager of the Trenton Iron company, through the influence of Peter Cooper. Samuel J. Tilden induced him to go to the iron regions of Lake Superior in the interests of a large

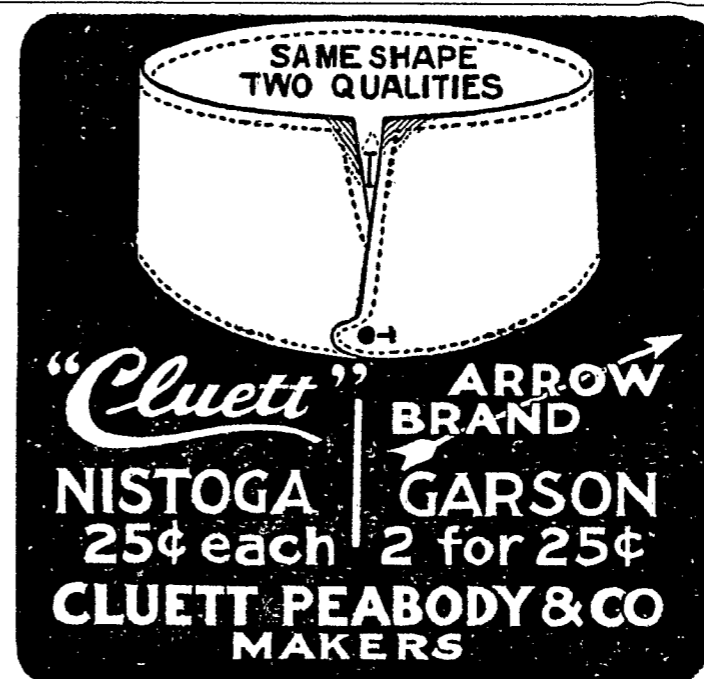
company. He remained there three years, doing much to develop the iron industry in that section.

His severe early career broke the Major's health. Accordingly, he married and spent a number of years in foreign travel. Though weakened in strength, he returned to America and devoted much of his time to geological investigation. In 1887, he married again, and retired from active life. Major Brooks was made a fellow of the London Geological Society.

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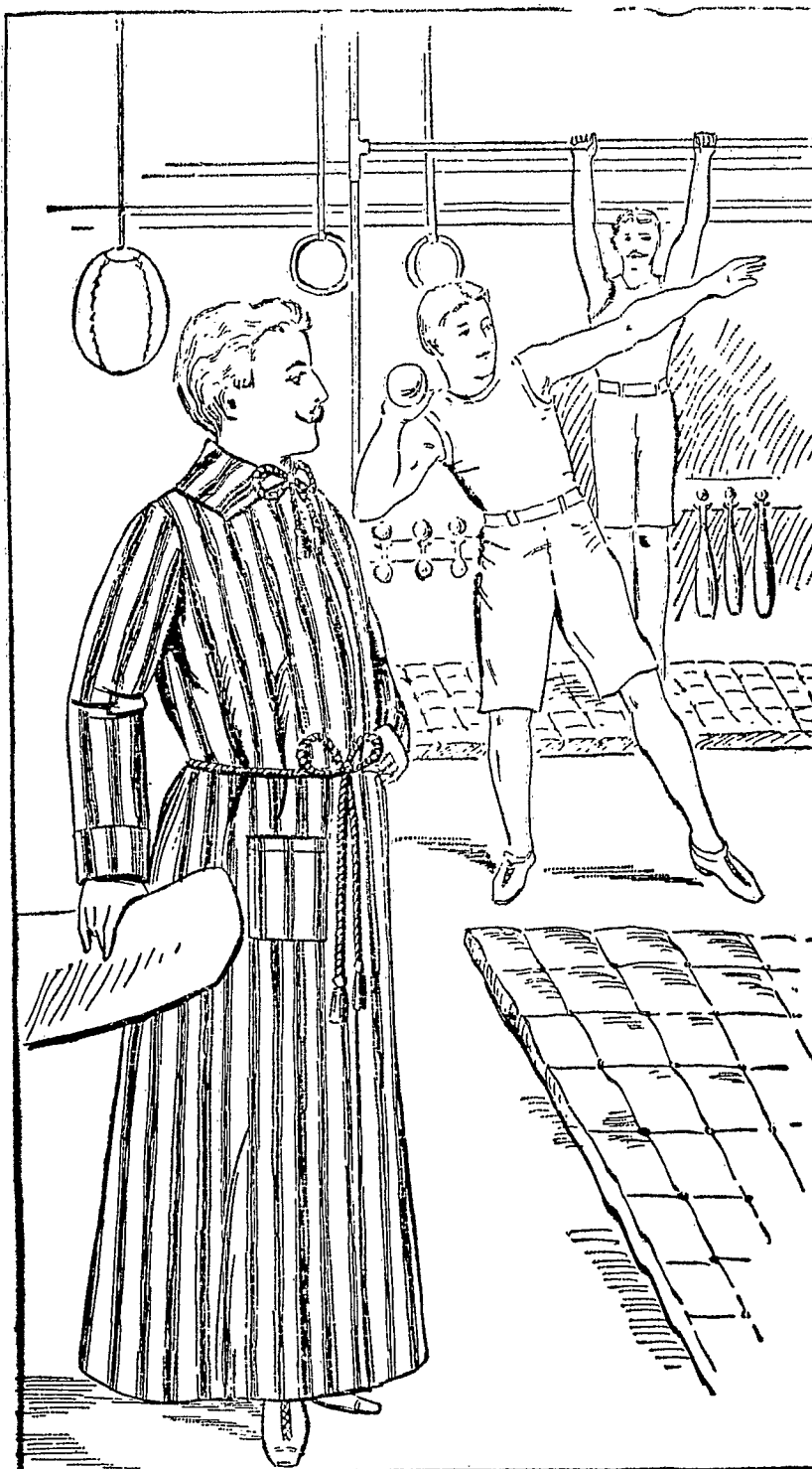
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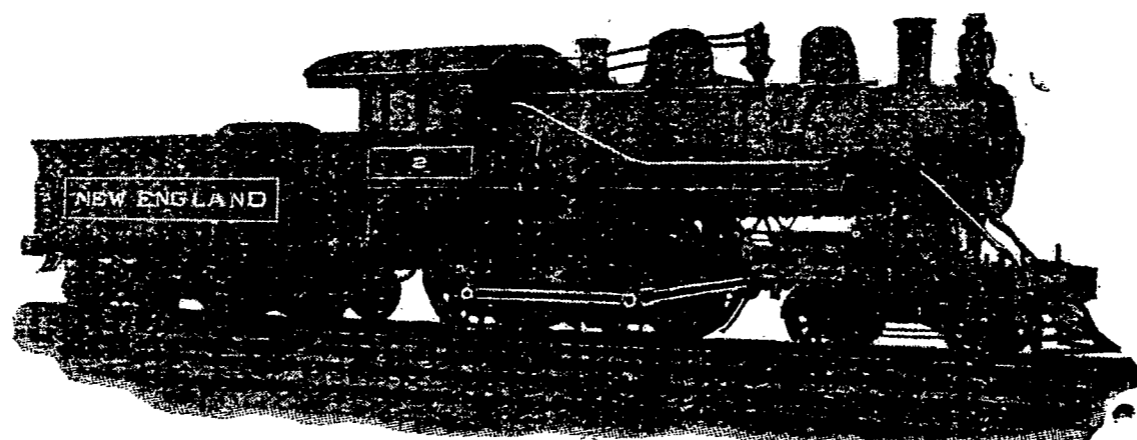
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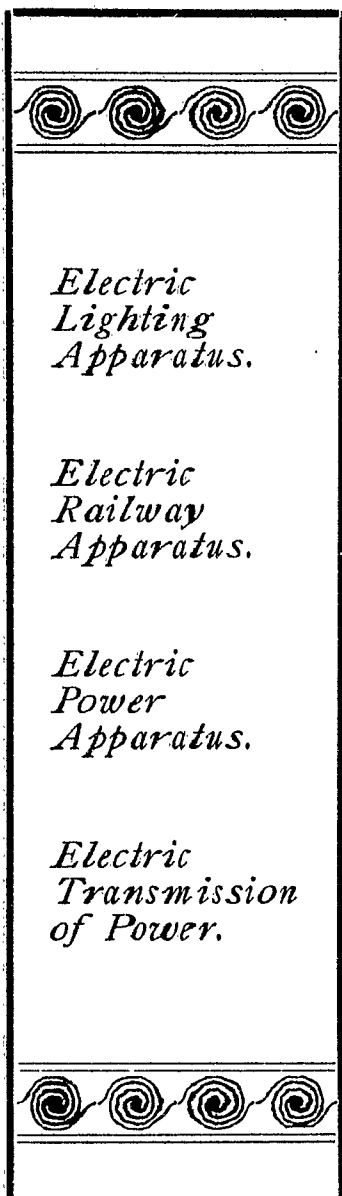
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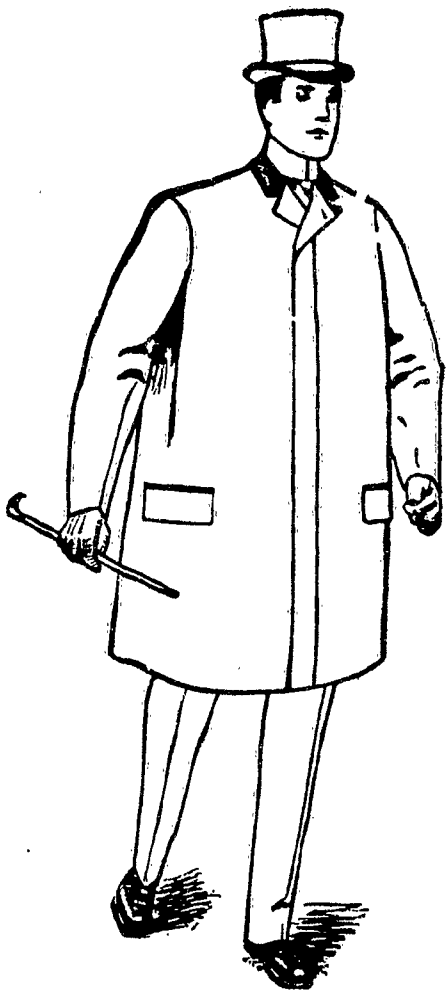
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