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CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Goes to Cornell. Yale, Princeton, Pennsylvania and Columbia Defeated.

Cornell won the first annual cross-country run of the Intercollegiate Cross Country Association, held Saturday on the Morris Park Steeplechase, New York. All honor is due the varsity team of Torrance '99, Sweet '01, Berry '01, Strowger '02, Juliard '00, Davis '00, whose earnest, quiet work made the victory possible.

It was the verdict of the experts who watched the race that the Cornell team far outclassed all others except Yale. From start to finish it was essentially a race between these two teams. The Ithaca men won on their merits. The ease with which the Cornell men took the obstacles was the cause of especial comment.

The points, were apportioned according to the position of the men at the finish, allowing one for the winner, two for second, and so on down to the last runner. For the leading four in each team they were as follows:—Cornell, 24; Yale, 32; University of Pennsylvania, 50; Columbia, 77, with none for Princeton. Following is the order in which the first four men of each team that qualified finished: Cornell—3, 5, 6 and 10; Yale—4, 7, 9 and 12; Pennsylvania—2, 11, 16 and 21; Columbia—17, 19, 20 and 21. Princeton's three runners finished 1, 18 and 15. Sweet finished third, to Cregan, of Princeton, who broke the record for the course, and Grant, of Pennsylvania. He thus won the third individual prize, Berry was the second Cornell man to finish, Torrance third, and Strowger fourth.

The course was a stiff one of six and two third miles. There were five laps, eight jumps to a lap, including the combination jump, which was a half bank with a hedge on top two feet high and with a ditch four feet wide on the landing side; the bank and hedge jumps of three feet and four feet; the Liverpool jump, which consisted in a wooden rail five feet high in front of a ditch two feet wide.

At the start of the race, the Cornell runners took the rail and started off well together, with Columbia, Yale, Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania following as named. At the end of the first lap, Sweet and Berry of Cornell were close together, ten yards ahead of Cregan, of Princeton, and Grant of Pennsylvania. Sweet led at the second mile, but Cregan had come into second place, with Grant and Berry close up. At the third lap, Sweet fell back to third place, and Cregan took the lead with Grant a few yards behind him. Berry was now fifty yards in the rear. H. P. Smith, of Yale, had bettered his position from seventh to even terms with Berry. At this point Grant and Cregan were running at a fast clip, each trying to outdo the other—a struggle which resulted at the fourth lap in the lead of Cregan which he maintained until the race was over. Grant was second, Sweet third. Berry and Torrance finished together a few seconds after Smith, and just

ahead of Waldron, of Yale. Strowger came in tenth. The summary:—

1—John F. Cregan, Princeton	34:05	2-5
2—Alex. Grant, U. of P.	34:40	
3—A. J. Sweet, Cornell	35:12	
4—H. P. Smith, Yale	35:32	1-5
5—A. O. Berry, Cornell	35:59	
6—C. C. Torrance, Cornell	35:59	1-5
7—W. D. Waldron, Yale	36:00	
8—J. M. Perry, Princeton	36:14	
9—P. Strong, Yale	36:15	1-5
10—E. P. Strowger, Cornell	36:36	
11—J. B. Baillie, U. of P.	36:43	
12—J. P. Adams, Yale	36:47	
13—B. G. Teel, Yale	36:51	
14—S. B. Crittenden, Yale	36:56	
15—G. A. Chamberlain, Princeton	37:15	
16—E. R. Bushnell, U. of P.	37:16	
17—J. C. Caldwell, Columbia	37:28	
18—G. G. Parkhurst, Yale	37:28	1-5
19—G. C. Atkins, Columbia	37:29	
20—L. S. Thurston, Columbia	37:57	
21—W. G. Stuart, U. of P.	38:05	
22—H. D. Mosenthal, Columbia	38:11	
23—L. Juliard, Cornell	39:28	
24—J. A. Standin, U. of P.	39:58	
25—J. C. Davis, Cornell	40:02	
26—S. G. Climenson, U. of P.	40:25	
27—E. A. Mechling, U. of P.	41:30	

There follows a brief sketch of the four winners.

A. J. Sweet, captain of the team, prepared at the Utica Free Academy entering Cornell with the class of 1901. He was on the A. A. U. cross country teams in the spring and fall of '98. His work against Pennsylvania the same year was notable, as he defeated Grant. He was also on last spring's track team. It was largely through his efforts that the Intercollegiate Cross Country Association was formed.

A. O. Berry entered with the class of 1901, receiving his preparation at the Holyoke High School, Holyoke, Mass. He did excellent work in the mile and two mile events last spring, and holds the University record for the latter distance. In the A. A. U. meet last fall, his place was fourth.

C. C. Torrance, '99, comes from Gowanda High School. He made the A. A. U. teams in the spring and fall of '98; ran against Pennsylvania in the fall of the same year, and was on last year's team in the two mile event. He is the most experienced man on the team.

E. P. Strowger, '02, received his preparation at Pittsford High School. This year he won the two mile run and made fourth place in the mile in the underclass meet.

Special Train to Philadelphia.

A special train, composed entirely of Pullman vestibuled sleeping cars, and to be known as the Cornell Musical Clubs' Special, will be run over the Lehigh Valley from Ithaca to Philadelphia, on account of the Thanksgiving Day game. The cars will be open for occupancy at 9 P. M., November 29th, and the train will leave at midnight, arriving in Philadelphia Thanksgiving morning at 7:30. This train will run through without stops, and will be the students' train. For rates and sleeping car reservations write C. D. Fisher, Manager Cornell Musical Clubs, 730 University Avenue.

University Chess.

Student interest in chess continues. A tournament with the Syracuse University Chess Club will be played at Syracuse on November 30. It will be a six board match. The men competing for the team are: Riedel, Karpinski, Lieder, Hebb, Scripture, Wood, Fitzpatrick and Story.

PROMINENT CORNELLIAN.

Cornell Men on the Supreme Court Bench, Hiscock, Sewell, Dunwell and Smith.

Cornell has ever stood for that kind of training which leads to efficiency in life. She was one of the first American institutions of learning to depart from the ancient ideal in education and to strive to furnish to the world not men and women who after their college days, would go to the cloister and spend the rest of their lives in "moody misty contemplation," but rather to equip men and women for strenuous endeavor in every field of honest labor, which would make them powers in their day and generation.



FRANK H. HISCOCK.

The consummation of her ideal can be seen most fully in the careers of her graduates. She has put forth not only engineers, although that is a staple product of hers, but also men learned in many other branches, not the least among whom are those wise in legislation and statecraft.

The following sketches present views of several Cornellians who today sit in high places among those who hold in their hands the delicate scales of justice. There are of Cornell men now justices of the Supreme Court of New York,

FRANK H. HISCOCK, '75.

The Hon. Frank H. Hiscock has been a Supreme Court Justice since January 1896, when he was appointed by Governor Morton to fill the vacancy caused by the elevation of Judge Irving G. Vann to the Court of Appeals bench, the term to expire in December following. In the fall of 1896 he was elected to a full fourteen year term, which will expire in 1910.

Justice Hiscock is forty-three years old, having been born in April 1856, in the town of Tully, this state. Moving with his family to Syracuse when he was two years old, he has been a resident there ever since. After a preparatory education he entered the classical course at Cornell when only 15 years of age, graduating with commencement honors in the class of '75.

While in college, he was regarded as something of a Beau Brummel, very polished in manner and withal a genial, whole-souled, sincere fellow,

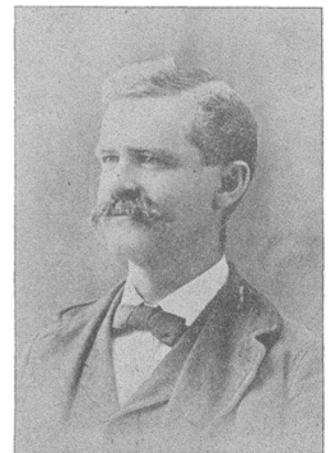
and most of all a worker, a student. He was a member of the Kappa Alpha society.

After graduation, he entered the law office of Hiscock, Gifford & Doherty,—the senior member being an uncle, Ex-Senator Frank Hiscock, where he studied until 1877, when he was admitted to the bar as an attorney. In the following year, on the score of proved ability, he was given membership in the firm, taking the place of William H. Gifford, who retired.

From that time on, the rise of Mr. Hiscock in the legal profession has been rapid but sure. He was early entrusted with a large part of the firm's important business. This marked ability as a trial lawyer has been freely conceded among professional associates. It was his rank as a legal light that brought him the honor of appointment and later of election to the Supreme Court bench.

The wisdom of the choice both of the Governor and of the people has been amply proved, since the opinion is freely expressed that Justice Hiscock has thus far been an honor to the bench and to his profession. His acuteness of mind and fine exercise of justice have made him exceedingly popular among lawyers, and for more than popularity on such grounds, no justice ever asks.

Being the nephew of a leading man in politics and being possessed of the qualities necessary for leadership and wise counsel, it was not strange that Mr. Hiscock should have been drawn into the field. He has been an active party man, having been, previous to his elevation to his present position, a member of the republican state committee.



ALBERT H. SEWELL.

From 1889 up to two or three years ago, he was one of the five alumni members of the Board of Trustees of Cornell.

Besides his legal interests, Mr. Hiscock has others in several banking and manufacturing concerns of Syracuse. He is a trustee of the State Bank of that city and of the Trust and Deposit Company, and a director of the Straight Line Engine Company and of the Whitman and Barnes Manufacturing Company.

ALBERT H. SEWELL, '71.

Another Cornellian upon whom has been bestowed the same high honor that fell to Justice Hiscock, is Albert H. Sewell, '71. He too, was first appointed and then elected to

the Supreme Court bench. Governor Roosevelt on August 9, this year, made the appointment to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice David L. Follett. The term was to run until December 31st of this year, but in the election just passed, the people saw fit to extend it fourteen years beyond this date.

Justice Sewell is another one of those "up-country" boys of which Cornell has never had reason to feel ashamed. He was born in Hamden, Delaware County, N. Y., October 30, 1847. After finishing his preparatory course at the Walton Academy, he entered Union College in 1867, but stayed there only one year, coming to Cornell in 1868. Then he took the general course in Arts and got his A.B. in 1871.

Those were the embryonic days of Cornell, when she was meagre in outward appearance. There were no sidewalks, no trees, no grass, and almost no buildings,—but yet there was up here on the rugged hill, what men called a University, and there were here too, many farmer lads as rugged and as ungainly as the institution under whose influence they had placed themselves. And just as out of the unpromising "school" was to develop something grand and great, so out of the unpolished students were to come *men*, strong and fine. The secret in all this was the fact of the existence here of a glorious corps of inspiring teachers and also of a band of earnest, knowledge-seeking students. These two elements go far toward making a university.

Justice Sewell was one of those rough diamonds. He had deliberately come here to be cut and polished,—and today he is a Judge of the Supreme Court. David Starr Jordan was another; today he is president of Leland Stanford University.

During his college days, Sewell was looked upon as a fellow who possessed a wealth of common sense, together with a big, generous heart, and it was these traits that won for him friends. His aggressiveness and power in debate and his vigorous prosecution of studies caused him to be looked upon with no little admiration. He was a member of one of the two open literary societies of the University,—the Philolathean, in which many a deep question was solved for the benefit of the universe.

After leaving Cornell, Mr. Sewell studied law with the Hon. N. C. Marvin at Walton, N. Y., and later took a course at the Albany Law School. After graduation, he set up for himself in Sydney, N. Y., where he has lived and practiced up to the present time.

His ability as a lawyer has always been unquestioned. He has enjoyed a large all-around practice, being especially noted as an excellent trial lawyer. In 1878, he represented the First district of Delaware County in the State Assembly. In 1889, the people of this county elected him county judge, which office he held by reason of this and other elections, for ten consecutive years. It was his record, made in this capacity, that won for him his recent fine promotion.

In the Republican nominating convention a few months ago when a candidate had to be selected for the Supreme Court judgeship, Mr. Sewell was the only man really thought of. He was the man of the hour and he got the nomination without opposition. More than that, the Democrats in convention, ratified the nomination, and Mr. Sewell was simply pushed into the high place.

Conservative lawyers predict a fine judicial career for Justice Sewell, knowing as they do his excellent legal mind and fine sense of impartiality and justice. He has always been a close student, the habits contracted in college having ever remained with him.

And as good a word as any that we can say in conclusion is that spoken to us by one of his college mates, himself a lawyer: "The best thing about Justice Sewell is that the old 'Al' Sewell of '71 has not allowed honors to grow a hump on the back of the Hon. Albert H. Sewell, Judge of the Supreme Court."

To be Continued.

THE WEEK'S PRACTICE.

Haughton and Lewis Coaching— A Weak Scrub-Team Improving Slowly.

Until Thursday of last week the University eleven was given a complete rest, but on that day the men again reported for practice and all the men who had been in the Infirmary were out. Neither captain Starbuck nor coach Haughton were in town, but the team had hard practice just the same.

The first line up came on Saturday, and, although it was hard it was nothing in comparison to Monday's practice when both Starbuck and Haughton were on the field. The men clearly showed the effects of the recent rest, but the work was sufficient to get them into trim again. Starbuck, who has been unable to do any work since the Lafayette game, seemed to suffer the most, for there was little life left in him, when the teams were called to a halt. On the whole, however, the men were in fairly good condition and in excellent spirits.

DETAILS OF MONDAY'S WORK.

Signal practice opened up the work. In the places of Morrison, Young, and Davall, none of whom reported, Windsor, Short, and Wilson were substituted. Walbridge was worked sparingly, but he was unfortunate enough to hurt his leg again. While in the scrimmage work, he did admirable work on the defense. After the kick off, it took the first team about three minutes to wrest the ball from the second team and rush it over from the 40-yard line, Walbridge making the touchdown on a fifteen-yard end run. On the second kick off from the scrubs, Starbuck returned the ball to midfield. The 'Varsity held and secured it again, though it was lost on a fumble and the scrubs returned it to the 'Varsity 45-yard line.

From this point another touchdown was made by rushes through the tackles and center. As a whole, the 'Varsity defense was strong. In the last few minutes of the twenty played, however, the scrubs made an advance of 60 yards, thirty-five of which was made by Leuder, the left tackle, on a splendid run around the 'Varsity right end to the 'Varsity 35 yard line. Hard and fast playing carried it to the 'Varsity's ten yard line, where a stand was made.

Several fumbles marred the work of the 'Varsity, while the members of the backfield were slower than usual in getting under way, as well as regaining their feet after the downs.

The line up follows:

FIRST TEAM	Positions	SCRUBS
Wilson	left end	Marvin
Folger	left tackle	Lueder

Warner	left guard	Utz
Pierson	center	Kent
Caldwell	right guard	Hardie
Alexander	right tackle	Davitt
Taussig	right end	Hull
Short	quarterback	Thomas
Walbridge (Otis)	left halfback	Boire
Windsor	r. h. b. Callanan (Warren)	
Starbuck	fullback (Offutt) Schollkopf	

TUESDAY.

Tuesday's practice revealed improvement. Coach Lewis's presence seemed to inspire the men. The backs ran low and strongly. The scrub was unusually weak in their play, making poor work of the guards-back formations which Lewis taught them. The men are not in satisfactory condition and there is much to be accomplished before the form shown earlier in the season, can be regained. However, coaches and players show a determined spirit and our confidence is strong.

Sophomore and Freshman Elevens Play a Tie Game.

Loose playing and constant fumbling characterized the football game between 1902 and 1903 at Percy Field on Friday. It was the final contest of the underclass series and as the sophomores had won both baseball game and track meet, but little interest was centered in the event. The game was attended by none of the excitement aroused in previous years, there being only a meagre crowd present. Three halves of twenty, fifteen, and ten minutes each, were played. In the first, the sophomores carried the ball well down the field, then lost it on downs to the freshmen who returned it about the same distance. 1902 again secured the ball, and worked it steadily down towards the freshmen's goal. Time was called with the ball on 1903's fifteen yard line.

In the second half, the ball changed hands frequently. At nearly the close of the half, good rushing by the freshmen and a fumble by the sophomores brought the ball to 1902's ten yard line. 1902 advanced the ball ten yards, but made a bad fumble, and the ball went to 1903, on the six yard line. Here the sophomores rallied, and got the ball on downs just as time was called. The third half was a repetition of the first half, neither side scoring. The line up was as follows.

1902.		1903.
Beyer	l. e.	Pruyn
Fernow	l. t.	Lueder

Utz	l. g.	Mueden
Kent	c.	Roney (Capt.)
Hardy	r. g.	Wright
Starr	r. t.	Davitt
Toohill (Capt.)	r. e.	Hull
Watterson	q. b.	Finucane
Schoelkopf	l. h. b.	Callanan
Vail	r. h. b.	Bellinger
Offutt	f. b.	Costello

Referee, Davall; umpire, Folger.

Seats for the Pennsylvania Game.

On Wednesday Manager Porter placed on sale four hundred seats for the Pennsylvania game. The price of the tickets is \$1.50 and \$2.00, which includes admission. Graduates desiring tickets, may secure them through THE ALUMNI NEWS before November 27.

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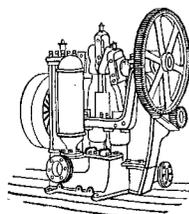
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THE ALUMNI.

One purpose of THE ALUMNI NEWS is to keep Cornell men informed about one another. Every Cornell man, therefore, is invited to contribute to this column news concerning himself or any other student, and every contributor should remember that in sending news items he is conferring a favor upon other Cornellians.

Ex. '73. James M. Dodge is president of the Link Belt engineering company of Nicetown, Pa. Mr. Dodge is on the committee of fifteen now holding the National export exposition at Philadelphia.

'74. Wallace Green, of the firm of Wiles & Greene, is a patent lawyer at Washington, D. C. Robert H. Wiles, '74, has the Chicago office.

'76. Theodore Stanton has changed his address to 9, Avenue du Trocadéro Paris, France.

'79. Alfred Millard is cashier of the Commercial National Bank of Omaha, Neb.

'82. D. S. Broadwell has just been elected clerk of the District Court of the First Congressional District of Omaha, Neb.

'87. B.S. Robert T. Hill, of the United States Geological Survey, and four companions have arrived at Langtry, Texas, having completed the second successful trip down the cañons of the Rio Grande ever attempted. After leaving Presidio, Texas, the party passed through five hundred miles of tortuous cañon without seeing a single human habitation. Veins of gold and of silver are seen at several points, and indications that the almost inaccessible cañons had once been occupied by cliff dwellers, but it was impossible to explore the ruins from below.

'88. Frank Gaylord Gilman is teaching English in the Newark High School, Newark, N. J.

'90. Sp. O. J. Blakeley is now superintendent of schools at La Junta, Colorado.

'90. Charles H. Bernheisel is associated with his father as an architect in the firm of Bernheisel & Son, Market Square, Harrisburg, Pa. During the Spanish-American war Mr. Bernheisel served in the commissary department of the Pennsylvania volunteers and he is now on the staff of Lieutenant-Governor Gobin.

'90. William A. Stevens is in the architect office of E. O. Fallis, Nasby Tower, Toledo, Ohio.

'92. LL. B. Frank A. Bell has been elected special County Judge of Tioga county. He is located at Waverly and is regarded as one of the most successful members of the Tioga bar.

Ex. '92. On October 25, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Thomas, Toledo, Ohio, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Miss Ada M. Thomas to Will A. Clarke, ex. '92. Mr. and Mrs. Clarke are making an extensive eastern trip, visiting Ithaca and Old Point Comfort. Mr. Clarke is the junior member of Clarke and Sons, lumber dealers, Toledo, O.

'93. C. E. A. H. Perkins is manager of the Mansfield Electric Company at Mansfield, Pa.

'93. B. S. Glenn A. Wilcox since graduation has been principal of schools in Iowa and Ohio, and now for three years at Sangerfield, N. Y.

He was a candidate on the Democratic ticket for school commissioner in the second district of Herkimer county this fall, and reduced the Republican majority in that party stronghold from its usual 1200 to 365. The only Democratic school commissioner elected in the district in the last forty years was Charles F. Wheelock, '73, now in the Regents office at Albany.

'94. M. E. Thomas Hall is superintendent of the Mansfield Machine Co., Mansfield, Ohio.

'94. William Herbert Dole, holder of the University traveling fellowship in architecture, has returned from Europe and is again registered in the University.

'94. M. E. E. B. Katte is assistant engineer in charge of pumping stations, New York Central R. R., Grand Central Station, New York.

'94. LL. B. Jonathan W. Sherwood is practicing law at Spring Valley, N. Y.

'94. Ph. D. Louise Hannum is teaching at the State Normal School at Greeley, Col.

'94. Thomas S. Clarke is an engineer in the construction department of the Manhattan Elevated railroad of New York City.

'94. Charles A. Wheelock is a member of the firm of Whitney & Wheelock, engaged in large deals in agricultural lands in Minnesota and Dakota, with headquarters at Fargo, North Dakota.

'94. Grad. Charles W. Stooke, who was taking special work in history and political science at Cornell in '94, took his degree later at Columbia and is now professor of international and constitutional law at the University of Illinois, Champaign, Ill.

'95. George Leo Patterson took the degree LL. B. from Harvard last June, and is now in a law office in Boston.

'95. M. E. E. W. Roberts is professor in the Correspondence School at Scranton, Pa. Mr. Roberts's present address is box 248, Scranton, Pa.

'95. The marriage of Edwin J. Marshall, '95 to Miss Helen Boardman was solemnized at the High Street Congregational church, Lowell, Mass., Nov. 8. After New Years, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall will be at home at 2345 Robinwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. Mr. Marshall is of the firm of Marshall & Frazer, prominent Toledo attorneys.

'95. C. E., '97, LL. B. Cards have just been received, announcing the marriage of Joshua Roger Lewis to Miss Ida May Barbey, at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. John Barbey, Reading, Pa., on November 15. Lester H. Lewis, '97, officiated as best man and the following acted as ushers: Charles H. Werner, '92, LL. B., and Clement A. Lawler, '97, A. B., '98, LL. B. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis will be "at home" after January 1, at 934 West End Avenue, New York City. Mr. Lewis is now associated in the practice of law with the firm of Norwood & Dilley, of New York City.

Ex. '95. George W. Borton was married on October 14 to Miss Elizabeth Acton Lippincott of Haddonfield, N. J., and is now residing at Plainfield N. J. Mr. Borton is associated in business with J. Wilbur Tierney, ex. '97, under the name of Borton & Tierney. The firm has two offices, one in New York at 149 Broadway, of which Mr. Borton has charge, and another in Philadelphia in the

Stephen Girard Building under the management of Mr. Tierney. They are agents for the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company's Compressed Air Machinery, the Williams Crusher Company's pulverizing machinery, and the Diamond Drill Company's crushing machinery. Both offices are doing an extensive business.

'96. M. E. F. L. Emory is professor of machine design in the University of West Virginia, Morgantown, W. Va.

'96. Milton W. Thompson recently married Miss Marion J. Mulford of Philadelphia. Mr. Thompson is now engaged in the manufacture of ice at Greensburg, N. C.

'96. M. E. F. E. Bausch is professor of mechanical engineering in the State Agricultural College, Clemsen, S. C.

Obituaries.

FREDERICK W. FROST '72.

Frederick W. Frost who died at Seattle, Wash., October 3, 1899, was born in Springfield, Mass., on January 8, 1852. Mr. Frost's early years were spent in Springfield, where he received his preparatory school education. He entered Cornell with her first class, in 1868 and after spending four years here was graduated in 1872, with the degree of B. C. E.

After graduation, Mr. Frost was very active in the practice of his profession and was considered an authority on his particular branch, mining engineering. From 1873 to 1875, he was assistant engineer of the Trans-Alleghany Canal Route. He spent the two following years as a draughtsman in the U. S. general land office. The next year found him engaged with other engineers in the location of the Dakota and Montana boundary line. In 1878 he was a draughtsman in the U. S. patent office and in the following year he received the appointment of U. S. assistant engineer. From 1881 to 1886, he acted as appraiser in the New York Custom House. In 1887, he was made assistant engineer of the New York aqueduct commission. This position he held until August 1, 1897, at which time he resigned to undertake a hunting and exploring expedition to Alaska. It was on this, his fifth trip to that place, that he was stricken down at Seattle. An operation was resorted to, but Mr. Frost failed to rally from the effects of it.

Mr. Frost besides being an engineer of high repute, was a man of rare character and power. A widow survives him.

ROBERT HENRY CARTWRIGHT, Ex. '81.

Robert Henry Cartwright came suddenly to his death on Sunday morning last, at his parents home in Rochester, N. Y. While under an attack of suicidal mania, he ended his life by severing the carotid artery, causing almost instant death. The disease was brought on from overwork and was also induced by the effects of a sunstroke sustained two years ago.

Mr. Cartwright was born in 1859, in Rochester, where his parents still reside. He entered Cornell in the fall of 1877 and spent three years here taking special work.

Upon graduation he engaged in the manufacturing business in Rochester and continued up to 1897. In that year, he formed a partnership with H. L. Babcock, to conduct an iron

and steel commission business in Buffalo. But, recently, he was obliged through illness to retire from active participation and accordingly sold out his store to his partner. He returned to Rochester on Saturday, a sick man and early Sunday morning sought relief from his suffering.

Mr. Cartwright was well known in society although domestic in his tastes. He was a member of the Genesee Valley Club and of Alpha Delta Phi fraternity. He was unmarried. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon.

FRANK MERRICK NEWTON, '86.

On the morning of Thursday, November 9, 1899, Frank Merrick Newton met a terrible death at Homer, N. Y. The trolley car in which he was riding was struck by a D. L. & W. R. R. train, and was completely demolished. The railway and trolley tracks run nearly parallel for half a mile north and south of the crossing and the train on the railway was in plain sight for nearly the whole of that distance. The trolley was running at a high rate of speed and instead of stopping the car before reaching the railway track as the law requires, the motorman was unable to check its speed and reached the other track just in front of the on-rushing train. The engine struck the trolley in the middle and completely demolished it. Mr. Newton was caught under the wheels which passed across his thighs cutting off both legs. He retained consciousness for a short time, but the injury and shock were so great that he died a few moments after reaching the hospital.

Mr. Newton was the son of Mr. Charles O. Newton of Homer, N. Y. He was born in that village April 20, 1863, and his early life was passed there. He prepared for college in the Homer Academy.

In the fall of 1882, he entered Cornell, and will be remembered by many as among the last of the Hillians, who occupied rooms in the college buildings of White and Morrill Halls. Although his course was that of Science, he devoted much of his time to historical studies and seminary work.

After leaving the University with the class of '86, Mr. Newton went to Junction City and later to Topeka, Kansas. There he entered the real estate business as one of the partners of Pierce Brothers & Co. For two years he remained in this business venture but then contracted malarial fever and soon afterwards, typhoid, also. He was brought back to his home in August, 1888, and for over four months hung between life and death. He finally rallied, but his convalescence was so slow that he severed his business relations in Kansas, and since 1889 has lived in Homer, acting as manager of his mother's extensive business interests.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 1898, he married at Lansingburgh, N. Y., Miss Hortense Olney, daughter of the Rev. Mr. E. C. Olney a former pastor of the Congregational church of Homer. Since then he has lived a short distance from his old home in Homer.

For a number of years Mr. Newton's business interests have been steadily broadening, and his ample means have enabled him to follow the promptings of a kind and generous nature, and to do many deeds of kindness to those less fortunate, who will greatly miss his sympathy and assistance. Mr. Newton was an only son, and his parents and wife have universally expressed sympathy in their sudden and severe bereavement.

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ANOTHER VICTORY.

WE wish to direct attention to the victory of our cross country team at New York city last Saturday. It is safe to assume that the contestants represented the best cross country talent that the eastern institutions can put forward, and the result warrants us in considering that in average ability our cross country runners are second to none in the country. Strenuous effort and strict training are necessary to fit one for a race of that nature, and the outcome demonstrates that our men have worked hard and trained faithfully. They won partly because they deserved to win. It is to be remembered in this connection that Trainer Moakley must receive a goodly share of our thanks.

The critics agree that the Cornell team outclassed all others except Yale. This fact makes all the more interesting the race which we understand has been arranged between the Cornell and Yale cross country teams to take place at Ithaca on December 2. This will undoubtedly be an exceedingly hard and close race, but the point for congratulation is that we have men at Cornell of such first-class ability that no team in the country can compete against them and feel at all confident of victory. Our men are sure to make uncertain the outcome of every cross country race they enter, with the uncertainty being rather more with the opposing team than with our own. We are convinced that the race with Yale on December 2, will be highly satisfactory to all Cornellians—and this, whether we win or lose. Let all of us show our cross country runners that we believe we have reason to be proud of them.

ALUMNI BANQUETS.

Now, Alumni, that the season of annual banquets is about to begin, let us have a word together about what may be done at these reunions.

Reminiscence is always in order—what would an alumni dinner be without it? There is sure, too, to be more or less conventional after-dinner oratory. Then, too, these banquets are the occasion upon which the alumni can most conveniently hear the voice of Alma Mater. President Schurman comes when he can. But it's a good plan to have two or three professors on hand,—and take no excuses from them. Cornell men have still a right to expect instruction from their teachers after they have paid their last fees, and taken their diplomas. When the voice of the faculty ceases, then the voice of the undergraduate should be heard, whether from the glee club, or from the captain of a crew or of a 'Varsity eleven.

Yet all this there may be and still an alumni banquet may fail of being or doing anything to be remembered. When the University has ceased talking to you, alumni, then do you talk back. Tell the representatives of faculty and student-body what ought to be done for the betterment of Cornell, and don't forget to tell them just what you are going to do about it. We have been present at banquets where everybody sat smiling and inert while the old jokes were told again, till suddenly some live man began to lay down the law about the Alumni Hall or something, and there was such a stir among the listening alumni that we could fairly hear the money turn over in their pockets.

But it stayed there. Four successive classes graduating from Cornell have underscored their endorsement of an Alumni Hall and Undergraduate Club House by dedicating to it their memorial funds. At \$500 a year that comes to about \$2,000. Where is the responding sign of interest in the great body of Alumni? President Schurman comes to you annually and tells you that Cornell is suffering for dormitories, for an Alumni Hall and Club House, for new halls of instruction, and all the other things. Why don't you form the habit of encouraging him by subscribing \$500 or \$5,000 on the spot to some live project? Many things are needed, but the Alumni Hall has the right of way. Can it not be made a special order at each banquet that Cornell men hold this winter, from New York to San Francisco. We all know that we want something. We all know what we want. Well, then!

Communication.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

To the Editor Cornell ALUMNI NEWS,
Ithaca, N. Y.:

Since the article on entrance examination, under date of October 12, and the editorial reply thereto, of October 18, there has been more or less discussion of the same between many of the St. Louis Alumni. They beg to state that they were at no time laboring under any error, but were familiar with the custom of receiving the certificates of reputable

schools. The percentage of students who go to Ithaca to take the examination is small, owing to the distance and expense, and we think, that the per cent who would like to take the same would be greatly increased, were such examinations offered at their door. The Alumni, however, only had in mind, when the article of October 12 was written, students who had no certificate of any school to offer. The suggestion that a student who had passed the examination for Yale, Harvard or Princeton will be received, does not meet with favor, as it would be doing an injustice to those institutions. Further, there would necessarily have to be more or less secrecy, if the student had decided to go to Cornell and went in to take the examination, here, of any the above mentioned institutions, for it is altogether likely that if the faculty or examining board of the other institution knew the same, that they would not give the student a certificate. It is not a fair suggestion in our minds.

The Alumni are, however, mindful of the present over-crowded condition of the University, and for that reason the authorities may not desire to hold such examinations, here. We think, however, that every ambitious student should be given the opportunity of taking advantage of the thorough training and curriculum of Cornell.

Meteoric Observations.

The recently predicted display of meteors was a disappointment. Either the meteors in this orbit through which the earth passed last week have become scattered, that is less bunched, or the supply of them is giving out. At any rate, the display was nothing in comparison with what it was thirty-three years ago.

At Ithaca, there was a further disappointment; the continued cloudy weather made observations difficult. Plans had been made to observe the shower of meteors and to photograph them. Professor Fuertes had divided his senior class into relays to watch the heavens. But in three nights' observations, scarcely a dozen meteors were sighted.

Other universities fared somewhat better. Professor Winslow at the Ladd Observatory, Brown University discovered fifteen meteors, mostly leonids on November 17. Professor Howe of the University of Denver saw eighteen leonids on November 16. The same night, observations were made and photographs were taken with some success, by the Princeton astronomers, who sighted twenty-seven leonids. The Harvard observatory records on November 26, sixty-four meteors, three quarters of which seemed to shoot out from the constellation of Leo. Sixty-nine leonids, out of one hundred and two meteors were discovered at the Flower Observatory, University of Pennsylvania.

The University Club Movement at Harvard.

The movement to organize a University Club at Harvard, which brought about the magnificent gift of \$150,000, was begun as far back as 1880. It was started at the suggestion of a graduate, who had visited such a club at Oxford; but the movement was only a movement and no club was organized. The matter was not allowed to drop however. In 1895, although there was no money in sight with which to erect a clubhouse, yet a constitution for the

proposed University Club was drawn up, and a committee was appointed to form the club. Eight months ago, the students of the University themselves revived the plan, the success of which is now assured.

Major Higginson in speaking of the purposes of such a club said:—(We quote from the Harvard Crimson.)

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"It should be noted that the Harvard Union will in no way antagonize the other clubs, which are so pleasant and so useful, but it needs the support of the whole university world. Therefore, we will urge every living Harvard man to join us for his sake and ours. The setting up of such a meeting-house is a little matter, but the holding-up of it on a large-minded, generous, lasting basis is a great matter and is impossible unless you, one and all, make it easy.

"To whom the conception of a Harvard Union is due is beyond my knowledge, but we owe the fostering of the idea to many men, and we owe the grounds to the Corporation. As you see, it is the result of Harvard team work, of mutual reliance, the future abiding place of comradeship, and therefore let it never, and in no place, bear any name except that of John Harvard. We will open the doors of our house and will write over them: 'The Harvard Union Welcomes to its Home all Harvard men.'"

The club has also received from alumni gifts of \$10,000 and \$20,000, which are to go towards furnishing the club and providing it with a library.

Notice of Competitors for the '94 Memorial Debate.

The first competition for the debate stage will be held on Saturday evening, November 25, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. One five-minute argument will be required on the question, Resolved, That President Kruger was justified in rejecting the proposals of Great Britain. Twenty will be selected for the second competition to be held on December 8, when the question will be, Resolved, That the administration is justified in its Philippine policy. The '94 Memorial Prize Debate will occur on the evening preceding Founder's Day, Tuesday, January 10, 1900.

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UNIVERSITY LECTURES.

Lecture on the Philippines by Joseph Earle Stevens.

The first of a series of university lectures on the Philippines and other countries in the far east, was delivered in Library Hall, November 16, by Mr. Joseph Earle Stevens, the young author of "Yesterdays in the Philippines." Mr. Stevens proved himself a speaker of rare descriptive power and keen humor. His lecture was illustrated by a very excellent set of stereopticon views.

Dean White, in introducing the lecturer, made some brief references to the interest Cornellians have in the subject of the Philippines because of President Schurman's recent work on the Philippine Commission. After describing the voyage to the islands, Mr. Stevens gave a detailed account of Manila, of its houses and people. The houses, to guard against the frequent earthquakes, are roofed over with galvanized iron, while the partition walls are covered with cloth. The furniture is adapted entirely to the climate. The beds are always stretched over with netting, while a cool straw mat takes the place of a mattress. Living expenses are reduced to a minimum. Servants, houses, food, clothing, and supplies of all sorts, can be secured at wonderfully low figures. The people are extremely fond of amusements of all kinds, cock-fighting being perhaps the most popular. The action of the United States authorities in forbidding cock-fighting, the lecturer said, has injured our government exceedingly among the entire population.

While a resident of Manila, Mr. Stevens was engaged in the hemp business. This, he said, is one of the most important industries of the islands, and is carried on in the interior in great proportions. He discussed also the business methods of the Japanese and Chinese merchants, with which his firm had extensive dealings. The latter are remarkable for their strict honesty.

Mr. Stevens concluded his lecture by giving an account of the stringent rules imposed by the Spanish authorities before hostilities broke out, of the progress of the rebellion, and of the final appearance of Dewey's fleet.

Lecture on the State Banking Department by the Superintendent.

The second lecturer, in the course on the government of the State of New York, by prominent state officials, under the auspices of the department of political science, was the Hon. Frederick D. Kilburn, State Superintendent of banking. His subject was the State Banking Department.

The lecturer first gave a brief description, with the laws governing their establishment and their general methods of business, of the seven main classes of institutions coming under the supervision of his department, whose total assets amount to two and one-quarter billions of dollars. The banks of discount number 305, with a total capital of \$29,545,700; the trust companies number 52, with a capital of \$38,050,000.

To illustrate the department's powers and duties, Mr. Kilburn gave a detailed account of the department's treatment of banks of discount. These must by law be carefully examined at least once a year, or oftener at the discretion of the Superintendent. The examination requires a great amount of delicate work, especially in

ascertaining the actual value of the bank's securities. If after careful examination the Superintendent decides a bank to be unsafe, two alternatives are open to him. The one usually taken is to allow the directors to furnish among themselves a sum of money equal to the total amount which the examiners have judged of little or no value. These securities are charged up to the profit and loss account, and the bank's business proceeds. The superintendent's other alternative is to close the bank's doors and take possession, directing the Attorney General to institute legal proceedings.

Mr. Kilburn concluded his lecture by some interesting incidents which have come under the notice of his department.

This course is expected to include lectures by the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the assembly, the Controller, and the other prominent officials of the state government. The third lecture of the series will be delivered during the present week by the Hon. Adna F. Weber '94, Deputy Commissioner of Labor.

President Schurman Talks to the Students.

At noon on Tuesday President Schurman addressed the students of the University in a short talk, relative to Cornell life and Cornell interests, lasting about fifteen minutes. It is the intention of the President, to have these short talks with the students, from time to time as the occasion for them arises. The address, though brief, centered about Dr. Schurman's favorite theme—university unity. He spoke in general terms of the diversity of interests here, and the importance of each one. He dwelt on the value of athletics in our life here, as inculcating loyalty and unswerving devotion in times of defeat as well as in times of victory. He expressed the gratification of the faculty, at the recent action of the fraternities as expressed in their individual communications to that body.

In closing his talk, he said it is his fondest dream as regards Cornell, that there should some day in the near future, be located upon this Campus, dining and residential halls, enough for all, centering about one large Alumni hall in which to foster and from which to spread that liberal, broad, generous spirit which is at the foundation of the great Cornell University Brotherhood.

The students received the President's remarks with much enthusiasm. It is to be hoped that the President will often gather the undergraduates together for these helpful talks.

Sage Chapel Organ Recital.

The twenty-sixth recital was given Thursday afternoon, November 16th, by Mr. Chadwick. Miss Margel Gluck was soloist. The program: Saint-Saëns, Sarabande, from the Orchestral Suite, op. 49. Mendelssohn, War March of the Priests, from "Athaliae." Walter Spinney, "The Village Harvest Home."
Bach, { a. Air from the Easter Cantata.
b. Air on the G string (Violin).
c. Prelude and Fugue, D major. (Edition Peters, Vol. IV., No. 5.)

Football Smoker.

Plans are well under way for a big smoker, given in honor of the football team at the Armory on the night of December 9. The committee having the matter in charge consists of Seward A. Simons '79, Clarence J. Shearn '90, E. P. Allen '92, G. L.

Baldwin '93, and F. D. Colson '97, together with the undergraduate managers and captains of baseball, crew and track athletics. Detailed plans of the gathering will appear next week.

Savage Club.

Francis Wilson and Edward H. Frye, the Boston monologist, were entertained by the Savage Club, at the Dutch Kitchen, on Thursday evening last.

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Billiard and Pool Tournament With Pennsylvania.

A team of four men from the University will go to Philadelphia on Thanksgiving Day to play a billiard and pool match with a team from the University of Pennsylvania. The games will be played at Houston Hall, Philadelphia, on the morning of Thanksgiving Day.

A tournament is being held in Ithaca this week, to determine what men shall represent the University. Considerable interest has been shown in the competition. The men left in the tournament are:—

Wagner, Wright, Butler, Fassett, Goldsmith, Dautel, Clinton.

A Cornell Trophy Room.

The growing sentiment for an open trophy room found definite expression last week in several of the University publications. But more than words came of this movement. At the Athletic Council meeting on Friday, the matter was referred to Professor Huffcut and Mr. Treman, who were instructed to confer with Dr. Hitchcock and to proceed with the necessary arrangements. In accordance with this action, the committee has secured a room in Barnes Hall on the north side, and have made preparations for the alterations.

At an early date, therefore, graduates returning to Ithaca, may see in a place, always accessible, the trophies long hidden away in the gymnasium or held in the possession of captains or players on the teams of the past.

Ever since Dr. Hitchcock's connection with the University, he has, as opportunity offered, collected such material as he could, toward the end of a complete record of the athletic work done by the students. This material consists of silver trophies, trophies of gold, mugs, cups, banners, flags, photographs, etc.; some of them the property of the graduates, others of undergraduates; some belonging to the Council, and some the result of private purchases of Dr. Hitchcock; while still others, like the "Francis" and "'89" Memorial medals are held by Dr. Hitchcock in trust to be awarded for competition. Many of these, for lack of suitable display room have been kept locked in Dr. Hitchcock's safe; the banners, some of them badly torn and faded, have been stored out of sight for safe keeping.

All these will be transferred to suit-

able show cases in the new trophy room in Barnes Hall. The photographs may be hung around the walls, but more probably will be placed in large albums, one for each activity, where, too, the records of the various teams and individuals will be inserted. Only a few of the footballs and baseballs, etc., of winning games are at hand. The committee is desirous of obtaining these inspiring reminders of glorious contests, from whatever graduates now hold them. Readers are asked to communicate with THE ALUMNI NEWS at once, as to the whereabouts of any of the trophies.

The Masque Coach.

The Masque council through its graduate member, Mr. Charles Blood, has been carrying on correspondence with various applicants for the position of coach. A number of experienced and competent men have applied to coach the cast for the Junior Week performance and the council has finally decided to make a contract with Mr. H. G. Hawn of Brooklyn.

Mr. Hawn comes with a reputation for great success in coaching college men in their amateur plays and his work made a decided hit at Columbia University and the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute last year. He has coached the "Poly." plays at Brooklyn for the past five years and has been eminently successful in all of them.

Mr. Hawn will conduct regular rehearsals at least once a week after Christmas vacation, and possibly a few before that time. Other rehearsals will be held by the stage manager between those coached by Mr. Hawn.

The play chosen will probably be a musical extravaganza which will give an opportunity for many "stunts," specialties and choruses. The talent in the Masque this year is very fine and there are a number of real artists among its members. Prospects are bright for an interesting play Junior Week.

The council will endeavor to secure an original play of purely local color for Senior Week.

Basketball News.

About forty men are now training daily in the gymnasium for the basketball team. The work is already hard and fast, and the men show exceptionally good form for such an early date. Among the men of last year's team now at work are Ludwig, Bodell,

Austin, Scoville and Ellis. The new material this year is some of the finest we have ever had. S. W. Townsend, who is trying for a place on the team, has played for four years on the crack team of the Pratt Polytechnic Institute. Burns, another new man, was last year captain of the Brooklyn Polytechnic team which defeated the winner of the Interscholastic Association. Morse also was a member of last year's Brooklyn team, and Steel played on the Mt. Vernon team. Stone, Burr and Kelly also are experienced players.

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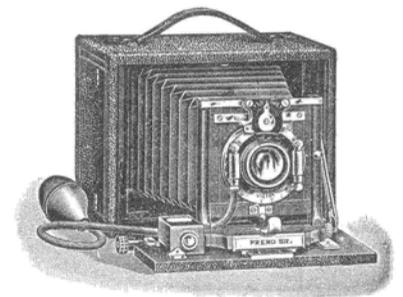
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