PROFESSOR E. W. HUFFCUT.

Appreciation of the Dean-elect by Dean Francis M. Finch—Biographical Sketch.

The appointment of Professor Huffcut as director and dean of the College of Law, to fill the place which I shall leave vacant at the coming commencement, is an occasion which tempts me to say a few words about him, because I know so much of his work and of the duties and responsibilities which await him.

I have taken a deep interest in the Law Department of the University and in the young men who have come to it to fit themselves for their profession and to live upon the soil. I have watched the growth of the school largely the increase of the demand on the part of its students, and until the course of instruction from two years to three, facing an anticipated reduction of attendance, has been to a higher level the study and diligence requisite for its degree. All along this line of progress Professor Huffcut has an able and effective assistant. He has not only thoroughly approved of the changes made, but was always the resolute advocate of every measure tending to elevate our educational standard. He comes to his new duties with the advantage of a long experience in the School itself, and with the encouragement of all its students and successes and failures. He has seen it grow and has been a part of its growth.

He has watched the career of its graduates, and learned many lessons from the trend of their professional careers.

In later years he has largely managed the varied details of administration and teaching, and this has been a daily burden that grew heavier with advancing years. He is familiar with them all and will have none of them to be left.

He is a learned and scholarly lawyer, with a capacity for love of hard work and for the tact and courtesy which are so essential in the instruction and awakening enthusiasm in the learner which is the most valuable characteristic of the successful teacher.

I know of no man more thoroughly fitted to be the director of the Law School, or so certain to fill all its demands, and grow with the years into even a broader reputation than that already gained. It is a satisfaction to me, as I surrender control of the Law School, to know that I leave it in the hands of an able and vigorous successor, in the prime of his life and strength, and so thoroughly fitted to carry the department on to a success beyond any that it has yet attained.

FR. M. FINCH.

Biographical Sketch.

Ernest Wilson Huffcut was born November 21, 1866, in the town of Kent, Litchfield County, Connecticut. He prepared for college at the Alton Union School, Alton, N. Y.

The next two years following the completion of his preparatory course were devoted to teaching; and, then, in the fall of 1886, he entered Cornell University.

His work in the University was mainly in history and political science under President Andrew D. White, Moses Coit Tyler and Herbert Tottie. He was editor of the Cornell Daily Sun in 1881-2, and of the Cornell Era in 1882-3. In 1882 he joined the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. In June, 1884, he graduated from the University.

During the following year Professor Huffcut held the position of private secretary to President White, and in 1885, upon the resignation of Dr. White, he became an instructor in the English Department of the University, and continued as such until 1888.

In the meantime he began the study of law, first in the office of Newman & McLachlan (Jared T. Newman, Ph. B., '75), and then in the newly established College of Law at the University. In June, 1888, he graduated with the first class that left the new Law School, and in the same year was admitted to the bar.

Professor Huffcut moved to Minneapolis in the fall of 1888 where he formed a law partnership with Edward H. Crocker, B. A., B. L., '83. During the Presidential campaign of that year he stumped almost continuously throughout Minnesota for the Republican ticket. This work brought him into such prominence that he was appointed Judge Advocate General, with the rank of Brigadier General, on the staff of Governor Merriam.

In the fall of 1890, David Starr Jordan, M. S., '72, then President of the University of Indiana, called him to a professorship in the law department of that institution, where he remained until 1892. In 1892-3 he occupied a similar position at the Northwestern University College of Law. In 1893, Dr. Jordan, who in 1891 had become the President of Leland Stanford University, appointed Professor Huffcut to a law professorship at Leland Stanford.

At this juncture, however, a call came to a professorship in the Cornell University College of Law. Professor Huffcut secured a release from President Jordan, and returned to his alma mater in the fall of 1893.

Professor Huffcut was president of the Cornell Athletic Council from 1894 to 1900. In 1900-1 he was president of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. He is also an honorary member of Delta Chi and Quill and Dagger.

In the fall of 1901 he became secretary to President Jordan, and returned to his alma mater in the fall of 1893.

Professor Huffcut has been offered the deanship at three other prominent law schools with an increase of salary, and several professorships elsewhere, but he has declined them all, and has remained continuously at his work in the Cornell University College of Law from his appointment in 1892 to the present time.

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The following pledge: Supply yourselves with artesian water, have it installed in your boarding houses to be used by the Faculty. The Senior resolutions, and if you do not care to pay for it, send the bills to me and the Faculty will pay for it until further notice.

Inasmuch as many students say that they have not the means of special classes or summer session the students will be allowed to make arrangements with me. Whatever is possible, even the size of this audience shows his return. Whatever is possible, even his return. Whatever is possible, even his return.

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poses spring or other water brought to the city; (third) among those who have used well water exclusively for drinking purposes, and (fourth) among those who have used for several months past boiled city water only for drinking purposes.

Thus Cornell heights, the Campus, portions of the flats not having city water, and West Hill are exempt. Fewer cases have been restricted, with possibly rare exceptions, to those using city water for drinking purposes without first properly filtering or boiling.

"We are informed by the Water works company that there are three distinct zones in the city, one receiving water from Six Mile creek exclusively, one from Buttermilk creek exclusively, and one mixed water of the two streams. We find a large number of individuals living in these different zones in the city, and could easily have become infected with water fever.

"Dr. Moore and Chamot, however, assert that this hypothesis of water contamination by laboratory duties at the Cornell college might be demonstrated to be confined to at least one of the laborers who had suffered from typhoid fever, and all the laborers have returned to their homes in and about New York City this week. In the chain of evidence it cannot be supplied.

The water supply of the University comes from Fall creek, which is a different source from the water supply of the city. No cases of typhoid fever are known to have occurred among those who used exclusively the water supply of the University campus. No person at Sage College, in which more than 200 women students board and lodge, and which is supplied by this water, has had typhoid fever, and no case of typhoid fever is known to have occurred among those who used exclusively the water supply of the University campus.

Cornell University differs from most of the other larger institutions of learning in having no dormitory system or dining hall for its men, and they live in private houses situated over all parts of the city. There are about 2,000 students of Cornell University resident in Ithaca. Of these at least one-third have gone to their homes for the duration of the epidemic. The University authorities have advised all students who have been ill to remain in their homes, and the only students who have been apprehensive of illness to leave the University and many having been insane or otherwise incapacitated by their sufferings. Those of that remain in the University are on the sick list at Ithaca. Of this number 37 are con

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Cross Country Run.

If the weather is suitable, the annual handicap race of the Cross Country Club will be run off Saturday, February 28th. Only members of the club are eligible.

The distance has been shortened to eight miles in order that the men doing indoor track work may enter. The handicaps will be published during the latter part of this week. They are made out by the executive committee assisted by Trainer Mess

--As a result of deficiencies in the work of the first term of this year in the Department of Arts and Sciences, all students were denied permission to continue their work for the current term. Two students have been reinstated on a reconsideration of facts and three allowed to remain for a time on probation. A total, therefore, of 16 has been dropped for the term.
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Class Reunions.
The following will constitute the committees that will take charge of their respective class reunions in June, 1903:
Class of 1872—Edwin Gillette, Ithaca, N. Y.
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Calendar of Coming Events.
March 6. Basketball: Cornell vs. Yale, in New Haven, Conn.
March 26. Saturday—The spring country handicap race in Ithaca.
April 11. Saturday—Basketball: Cornell vs. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, in Troy.

A sketch of Professor Bailey's work and a more extended notice of his recent promotion to the directorship of the Agricultural College will appear in a subsequent issue.

FEVER EPIDEMIC.
A correct understanding of our alumnus of the fever situation at Ithaca has been rendered difficult by the mis-leadings and mis-statements, especially in the news papers, of the epidemic. We have endeavored in this issue to give a plain and concise statement of the more important facts in the hope that the erroneous impressions may be dispelled. In the main, we permit the facts to speak for themselves and leave our readers to draw their own conclusions. But a word of comment on some features of the situation may not be out of place.

It has been charged that the sick students do not receive proper care, that the hospital accommodations furnished by the University are inadequate, and that the members of the medical profession in Ithaca are not competent to treat typhoid.

As to the latter charge we feel that we can do no better than commend the physicians near us to the hands of our students. We have no doubt that the level of medical skill here is as high as or higher than in other communities of the same size.

As for the University's part, there can be no doubt that Cornell possesses a hospital plant as is maintained by any institution of learning in this country exclusively for the care of its ailing students. For all ordinary times the accommodations thus provided are ample. In the present epidemic, which has visited Ithaca with greater severity, both the Infirmary and the City Hospital have been over-crowded of necessity, and their facilities consequently overtaxed.

The University, however, took prompt steps to afford such relief as was possible under the circumstances. A large number of skilled nurses were brought from Buffalo, Philadelphia, and intervening cities, to augment the regular nursing staff of the Infirmary. Early in the epidemic a commodious building was opened as a second annex to the Sage Infirmary, as complete a hospital plant as is maintained by any hospital plant as is maintained by any institution of learning in this country exclusively for the care of its ailing students. For all ordinary times the accommodations thus provided are ample. In the present epidemic, which has visited Ithaca with greater severity, both the Infirmary and the City Hospital have been over-crowded of necessity, and their facilities consequently overtaxed.

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The President and the Trustees have spared no effort to discharge, in the most liberal spirit, every obligation the sick students.

Moreover, the University authorities have not merely directed or indirectly, asked students to remain in town. On the contrary, they have made every student feel that he was at liberty to go home if he or his parents considered it unsafe for him to remain in Ithaca. And in order to remove any slightest symptom of any non-contagious disease appeared. Likewise in his speech to the students last Thursday, President Schurman officially suspended the rule calling for the prompt payment of tuition and declared his willingness to make separate arrangements with each individual student in order that none should be under any financial pressure to remain in attendance at the University who would otherwise prefer to absent himself for a short time.

It cannot be too strongly stated that the gravity of the situation is fully realized by the President and other University authorities, and that every effort is being made to meet the emergency. It is now generally assumed that the epidemic has been occasioned by a contamination of the water supplied to the city of Ithaca in whose bosoms the majority of the students live. As is more fully stated in our news article no fever has yet been among the female students excepting the instructing staff living on the Campus or among the women students living in Sage College, who are supplied with water by the University from another source. Prompt and vigorous steps have been taken for the immediate supplying of pure water to all students and for the purification of the entire Ithaca water supply after the beginning of the next college year.

It should be borne in mind that Ithaca has always, as a matter of fact, been a healthy place. There is no inherent element of danger in the conditions usually prevailing here. The epidemic is traceable to a cause that can and will be effictually and permanently eradicated.

Greeting to Professor Hoffcut, the first Cornell graduate to be appointed Director of his own College and Dean of his own Faculty. He is an efficient executive and administrative officer, a scholarly lawyer and a brilliant teacher. Dean Finch's appreciation of him, published in this issue, indicates the pride in his great abilities which is entertained by the members of his own community. But his reputation is not confined to the narrow limits of the City of Ithaca. To say nothing of the numerous addresses which have been made by other law schools to lure him away from his alma mater, his enviable position in the legal community of the entire United States, especially on its educational side, is abundantly evidenced by the demands for his consultation accorded with his communications from his pen, by the frequent calls made upon him for addresses before learned societies, and by his appointment to important offices, as for instance, his chairmanship of the Section on Legal Education of the American Bar Association, and the secretariatship of the Association of American Law Schools, which latter office he has held since the foundation of the association. He enjoyed a great satisfaction to know that the beloved judge leaves the law department of the University "in the hands of an able and vigorous successor, in the prime of his life and strength, and so thoroughly fitted to carry the Department on to a success beyond any that it has yet attained."
formed about one another. Every

... the firm of Ford, Bacon & Davis, engineers, with offices at 149 Pearl street, New York City, have purchased an additional member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and has had the work on the construction of an important trunk road. B. L. Davis, a member of the firm, is now at the present machine designer for the Detroit State Machine Company, 150 Asylum street, Hartford, Conn. His home address is Southam, Mass.

86. A.B., '77.—Theodore Stanton, who resides in Paris, writes to a friend in this city, apropos of the recent death of Professor Fuertes, as follows: "One afternoon, some years ago, while walking along the Avenue de l'Opéra, when I was rather surprised to see standing on a corner of the street a man whom I would puzzle. So walking up to him, quietly, and taking him by the arm, the moment that I thought I had seen him before, whereas we had not met for years: 'How are you, Professor?' Without the slightest surprise he answered smilingly and in the same tone, 'Am glad to see you Mr. Stanton. I rather regarded the laugh as

87. A.B., '78.—Arthur Falkenau, member A. S. M. E., is president of the Falkenau-Singer Machine Company, 199-115 N. 22d street, Philadelphia. Mr. Falkenau built the first United States pneumatic postal system. He is a member of the Engineers' Club and Franklin Institute.

88. A.B., '79.—Clifton Price is in the Department of Latin at the University of California.

89. M.E.—E. H. Fisher, member of the A. I. E. E., is superintendent of the Pittsburg factory and electrical department of the Underground Cable Company. Mr. Fisher has invented apparatus for testing cables and heating faults. He has also made improvements in cable machinery. His address is 5401 Friendship avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

90. M.E.—A. C. Balch is managing director of the Pacific Light and Power Company of 254 South Los Angeles street, Los Angeles, Cal.

91. M.E.—Victor Ignatz Hahn is now division engineer with the White Pass and Yukon Railway, Skagway, Alaska.

92. M.E.—John Fisher is manager of the electrical engineering at the University of Minnesota. He is vice-president of the Minnesota Society of Electrical Engineers. He has also held office in the A. A. A. S. His address is 1103 4th street, Minneapolis.


94. M.E.—E. C. Fisher is deputy division superintendent of the division of Rural and Lagus, and is also superintendent of schools, Laguna province, Philippine Islands. His home address is 27-29 Washington

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96. M.E.—J. C. Rammelkamp has an article in the January number of the Southern Pacific Journal of Science. Mr. Rammelkamp is now assistant professor in the Electrical Engineering Department of the University of California. Mr. Rammelkamp is now assistant professor in the Electrical Engineering Department of the University of California. Mr. Rammelkamp is now assistant professor in the Electrical Engineering Department of the University of California. Mr. Rammelkamp is now assistant professor in the Electrical Engineering Department of the University of California. Mr. Rammelkamp is now assistant professor in the Electrical Engineering Department of the University of California.
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vide or to furnish opportunities to the students for obtaining pure water; that the means for caring for sick students and that the number of nurses sup-
pied by the University were inad-
quate.

Every one of these statements is absolutely without foundation. It is the privilege of the Board of Trustees to own whatever stock is in any stock in any stock company that there is an investment in bonds of the company and that is the only bond held by the University in that company. It has an investment in bonds of other water companies in different parts of the country. The water supply of the University comes from Fall creek, which is a different source from the water supply of the city. No case of typhoid fever has been reported among those who used exclusively the water sup-
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SYRACUSE AND SEVENTY-FOURTH-REGIMENT ATHLETIC TEAMS Defeated in Buffalo Meet.

Eight thousand persons witnessed the signal victory of the Cornell track teams over the members of the University of Syracuse and of the Seventy-Fourth-Regiment Athletic Association in Buffalo on Saturday night.

Capt. Warren's men won first place in every event in which they entered, excepting the high jump, which resulted in a tie. The work of the Cornell teams as a whole was excellent, and several individual members of the team distinguished themselves.

Chief among the notable performances were those of McCarthy, who won both sprints in good time, and of Schutt, who captured the one-mile and two-mile runs. Schutt's figures for the one-mile event were 4:18:8-5, while in the two mile run he covered the distance in 10:00:2-5, which is within two-fifths of the Cornell outside record held by A. B. Gallagher, Cornell '01.

Cairns, '06, won the low hurdles handily, while Philips, '06, captured the pole vault, clearing the bar at 11 feet. Cairns' victory was easy. Rogers in the quarter-mile also made an excellent showing.

The Cornell men surprised even their best friends. It was known that some of the capable members of the team, men like Ketcham in the hurdles, McKeeman in the runs, Knap in the high jump, Frederick, Carroll and Meissner in the pole vault would be unable to compete, and it was feared that the Red and White would be severely handicapped. This proved not to be the case, however, and the defeat of our two rivals was not expected.

The Final Score.

The points were counted five for first, three for second and one for third. The final score was: Cornell, 45; Syracuse, 33, and the Seventy-Fourth Regiment A.A., 24.

The Cornell relay team which defeated Princeton at the high school meet in Ithaca, N. Y. on Monday was reported Sunday night. Mr. Schwartz was reported to have been found with fever in Cleveland, from which he is cheering.

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case had been dangerous for several days, when his parents were summoned.

The body was taken to Brewster, N. Y., Saturday noon, accompanied by the parents of the deceased and by John Tinkler, Jr., '05, and H. A. Walker, '05, and G. W. Stark, '06.

Mr. Maher was born October 27, 1883, and passed his boyhood at Cornell, the Brewster High School. He had registered for the Medical course in the University and was a member of the Omega Upsilon Phi fraternity.

Last fall he won his numerales in the 220 yards dash at the underclass track meet. He was also a member of the Cornell Medical Society and of the University Orchestra.

The old north college dormitory at Union is being extensively reno-
TRUSTEES MEET.

Gift To Pension Professors—Change In Campus Plans—Appointments To Faculty.

The annual winter meeting of the Board of Trustees of Cornell University was held Saturday. The meeting continued until evening.

The department of English literature, hitherto in charge of Professor Corson, was consolidated with the department of rhetoric and English philology, now in charge of Professor Hart, to take effect at the close of the present academic year.

Appointments and promotions were made to take effect at the close of the present academic year as follows:

Professor W. E. Huffcutt was appointed director of college law and dean of faculty of law, to succeed Judge F. M. Finch, retired.

Professor L. H. Bailey was appointed director of college of agriculture, and dean of faculty of agriculture, to succeed Professor I. H. Roberts, retired.

Professor Dennis was made the head of the department of chemistry to succeed Professor Caldwell. Assistant Professor W. D. Bancroft was promoted to a professorship in organic and physiologic chemistry.

Assistant Professor J. P. Merritt was given a professorship of English language and literature.

Instructor J. T. Parson was promoted to an assistant professorship in civil engineering, and Instructor A. C. Phelps was promoted to an assistant professorship in architecture.

The following out-of-town trustees were in attendance: Miss Ruth Patton of New York, H. W. Sackett of New York, C. G. Wagner of Binghamton, W. L. Ransom of Albany, C. E. Carter of New York, and Charles S. Langworthy of Alfred, who was promoted to an assistant professorship in physics.

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Columbia Debate Competition.

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