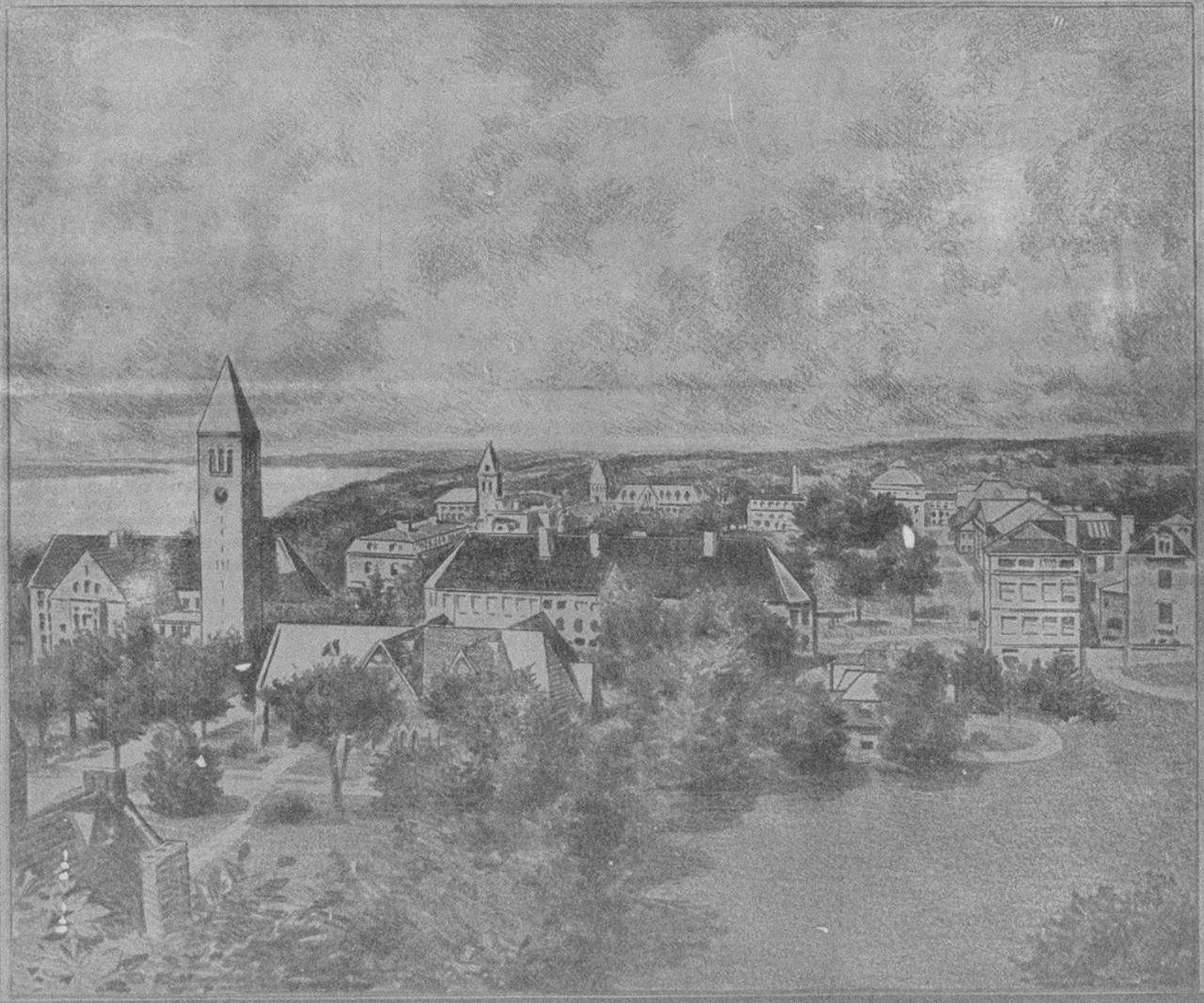


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CORNELL AND THE STATE.

Letters from Two Men Who Think the State Ought to Control University Teaching.

Below are printed two communications brought out by President Schurman's suggestion that the University tender a fuller measure of control to the State in return for appropriations of money:

"Democracy of Education."

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 17.

To the Editor of the Alumni News: The writer has, in common with most Cornellians, read with no little interest the digest of the President's report, in which he puts forward the proposition of making Cornell an out-and-out State University, appearing in a recent number of the ALUMNI NEWS, and the consensus of unfavorable comments that have since been ventured by various alumni and others upon the scheme.

He is sorry that none are found to commend and defend our President's course, since he is persuaded that in the last analysis it will be found the logical sequence of events and by no means a "betrayal of trust," as some have in their hasty size-up of the situation pronounced it, nor a step backwards, but a decided step forward towards the consummation of the ideal of democracy of education to which Cornell University was dedicated.

This must be apparent to every careful observer, that for education to be thoroughly democratic, not only must it furnish "any person instruction in any subject," but it should be in so far as possible under the control of the sovereign people. The reasons against privately endowed and controlled lower education apply equally to privately endowed and controlled higher education: in either case, no matter how noble the original motive, the tendency is to aristocracy in education—which is educational effeteness. The foundation and life of our liberty and democracy

is free public education for all the people, which principle holds, or should hold, through the so-called higher education, so that our universities to remain virile and productive in this tremendously active, progressive, and practical age, must all come to State support and control, or be doomed to decay. The institution to-day that is dependent for its "sinews of war" upon the spontaneous generosity of the favored few, or the loyalty of its alumni, or both, must sooner or later sacrifice its democratic ideals and degenerate into a select finishing school or speedily lose class in the struggle for supremacy which grows daily keener.

It is the Cornell ideal to remain always progressive, practical, and democratic, to serve as a training school meet for an age that moves forward with ever accelerating pace. To keep abreast of the times, to adjust herself continually to the shifting environment, to remain the cradle of truth, she must at the earliest moment before unlimited in her scope of action [*sic*]. So long as she is at the mercy of a select group and an occasional spontaneous benefactor, must she continue hampered. Freedom is only possible by union with the sovereign people—in short the State. And the sooner it comes the better.

What can be the tangible objection to state control? Are not the State Colleges of Agriculture and Veterinary living proofs that it will work? Indeed, is not the remarkable virility of these two institutions to-day, compared with which some of the colleges proper of the University seem in divers respects impotent, convincing evidence that it will not only work but work well? It would so appear.

The writer for one is heartily in favor of President Schurman's proposal and can see only good come of it for the University and the Commonwealth of New York. The cry of Politics! is a bug-a-boo with no

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RESOLUTION OF THE CORNELL ASSOCIATION OF BROOKLYN.

CORNELL ASSOCIATION OF BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 18.

To the Editor of the Alumni News: In accordance with action taken at a meeting of this association on December 17th, I have the honor to request that the resolution, copy of which follows, be published in the next issue of the CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS:

Whereas, The President of Cornell University has suggested in his Annual Report to the University Trustees the possibility of turning the control of the University over to the State, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the Cornell Association of Brooklyn, hereby go on record as in most emphatic opposition to this proposition, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of the University, to the Board of Trustees, and be published in the CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS.

By the committee,
E. H. BARTLEY '73,
Chairman.

A. J. MACELROY '98,
EVARTS L. PRENTISS '83,
GEO. MILLARD DAVISON '92.
Faithfully yours,
W. A. MOSSCROP,
President.

Cornell Men Appointed.

Charles S. Whitman, the District Attorney-elect of New York county, has announced the make-up of his staff of assistants, each of whom receives a salary of \$7,500. Of the five men selected, two are Cornell men—Reuben Leslie Maynard, LL. B. '91, and William A. DeFord, LL. B. '92. Mr. Maynard has practiced law in New York city since 1891, his office now being at 141 Broadway. Mr. DeFord is also an attorney in New York city. He was an assistant to Attorney-General Jackson.



THE FRESHMAN CIVIL ENGINEERS STILL ADD PICTURESQUENESS TO THE CAMPUS. OUTDOOR WORK IS BEGINNING TO LOSE ITS CHARM FOR THEM.

AERIAL ENGINEERING.

Outline of New Course to Be Given During the First Term Next Year.

The *Sibley Journal* for December says: "Aerial Engineering is a new course which will be given in Sibley during the first term of 1910-1911. It opens with a general discussion of the whole field of aeronautics, including a brief resumé of the historical development; this discussion affording an opportunity to divide the subject of Aerial Engineering under the leading heads and sub-divisions, including: Physics of the atmosphere, its constituents and properties; circulation, general and local; distribution of pressures and velocities; physical properties and technique of gases used in aerostats and dirigible airships; aerodynamics or the theory of aerodynamic support and resistance encountered by bodies in motion; a discussion and analysis of the results of modern experimental research. Having completed the study of the scientific fundamentals, applications are then made to the various forms of air-craft, balloons, static and dirigible; aeroplanes, mono and multiple; helicopteres; their sustaining power, longitudinal and transverse stability, of propulsion, and

powering, including in the latter a study of the various forms of propelling agents, chiefly the screw propeller; also the various types of motors which have been found suitable for air-craft are passed in review. The construction of airships and aeroplanes and the materials used are taken up and discussed from the standpoint of strength and durability."

Society for the Study of Religions.

A new society has been formed on the Hill, "The Society of Comparative Theology and Philosophy"—one that promises to enlist the interest of many serious students. President Schurman said at the opening meeting: "The study of theology and philosophy is a very important field. It is one in which the East and the West meet. In many subjects, such as science, morals and politics, the East can teach us nothing, but in philosophy they stand pre-eminent as instructors."

It is to study the East's contribution to civilization that this society was formed. Mr. Shridhar V. Ketkar, the president, is himself from the Orient, and has recently published a book on "The Caste System in India." Many Faculty men



CAPTAIN SIMSON, FOOTBALL.

are interested in this new organization and plans are being laid to have a course of lectures on the Hill under its auspices.

On December 15, Professor Schmidt talked on "Mysticism." Later in the term, Professor Griswold, who has recently returned from a year's research work in the East, will deliver a lecture before the club on "Vedic Deities."

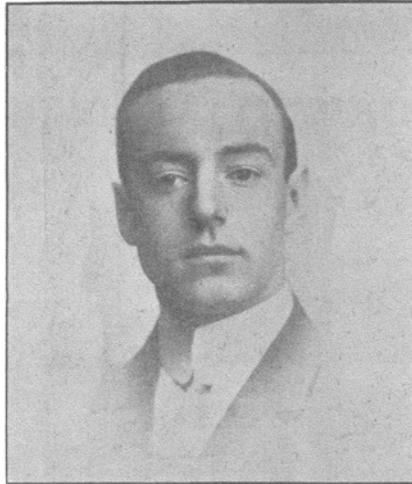
Dramatic Club Pleases a Large Audience.

The Cornell Dramatic Club presented Ibsen's "The Pillars of Society" to an enthusiastic audience at the Lyceum theater last Thursday night. A crowded house saw a performance that for dramatic quality, for keen appreciation of rôle, and for smoothness of execution, was worthy of a professional company. When one considers that this particular play of Ibsen's affords exceptional opportunity for strong acting, it is surprising that an undergraduate cast should do so well. Every little dig of satire was brought out clearly and vividly, every new element in the play introduced effectively and without a hitch. Too much cannot be said in praise of the coaching. Clean cut entrances and exits, fine stage grouping, all the little touches of "business" that give color to a play—showed dramatic instinct and untiring work on the part of the men who trained the players.

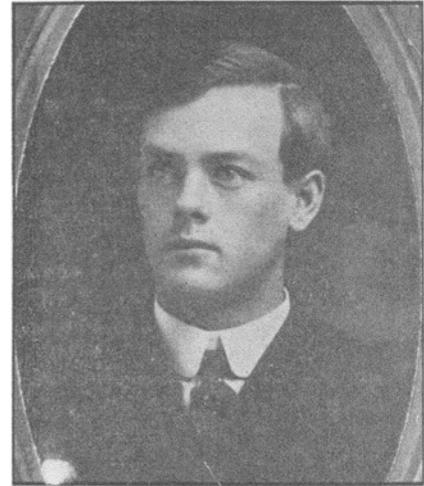
The palm in acting must go to Miss Sarah E. Barnholt, whose breezy, vivacious *Lona Hessel* really



CAPTAIN MATCHNEER, HOCKEY.



CAPTAIN CROSBY, BASKETBALL.



CAPTAIN BROWN, CROSS-COUNTRY.

“let air” into this Norwegian town, made stuffy by old conventions. Morton Freidenrich, as *Consul Bernick*, came second. His was the most difficult rôle in the play, and it is no wonder that he did not rise to it all through the four acts. His fourth act was just beyond the point where strong emotion shades into melodrama.

But it would be unfair to pick and choose. All were good. Miss F. D. Seigler, as *Dina Dorf*, gave a finished interpretation for an amateur. Julius Zieget, in the part of the moral *Dr. Roerlund*, was very good in little tricks of gesture and personality, and B. S. Van Rensselaer, as the eccentric *Hilmar Toennessen*, had the audience laughing at his every word.

All in all the Cornell Dramatic Club is to be congratulated on the treat it offered to the University and thanks are due to Mr. Smiley Blanton, the coach.

Two hundred students of the college of law attended the second annual smoker of the Law School Association in the Dutch Kitchen on Saturday evening. H. V. Bodine '10, was toastmaster. Among the speakers were J. L. Miner '10, president of the Law School Association; District Attorney Willard M. Kent '98, Professor Hayes and Lewis Henry '09, who is a student in the Columbia Law School. “Stunts” were given by various undergraduates.

CORNELL FIFTH IN SIZE.

Passes the 5,000 Mark in Student Registration—Some Comparative Figures:

Dr. Rudolf Tombo, jr., of Columbia University, in an article contributed to the *New York Evening Post* of December 11, compares the student attendance at twenty-eight representative universities. He finds that in general considerable gains over the figures of last year have been made by the universities, the colleges not having fared quite as well.

Including the summer session of 1909, and making due allowance for summer students who returned to work this fall, the 1909 registration at the ten largest universities is as follows: Columbia, 6,132; Harvard, 5,558; Chicago, 5,487; Michigan, 5,259; Cornell, 5,028; Pennsylvania, 4,857; Illinois, 4,502; Minnesota, 4,351; Wisconsin, 4,245; California, 4,084. For the second time in the history of American higher institutions of learning the six thousand mark has been exceeded, Columbia having prospects of attaining a total enrollment of 6,300 by the close of the year; Harvard had an attendance of 6,013 students in 1908, but has never reached that figure again since then. Cornell is the fifth institution to pass the five thousand mark, its total registration this year being 5,028; Harvard passed it a number of years ago; Columbia in 1907, and Chicago and Michigan last year.

Omitting the summer session enrollment, the order is as follows:

	1909.	1908.
1. Columbia.....	4,650	4,540
2. Michigan.....	4,631	4,637
3. Pennsylvania.....	4,608	4,223
4. Harvard.....	4,518	4,336
5. Cornell.....	4,514	4,246
6. Illinois.....	4,173	4,052
7. Minnesota.....	4,036	4,355
8. Wisconsin.....	3,495	3,237
9. California.....	3,454	3,199
10. New York Univ.....	3,424	3,457
11. Yale.....	3,264	3,448
12. Syracuse.....	3,138	3,084
13. Northwestern.....	3,129	2,992
14. Nebraska.....	3,121	2,921
15. Chicago.....	2,804	2,663
16. Ohio State.....	2,644	2,442
17. Missouri.....	2,226	2,220
18. Iowa.....	2,024	2,122
19. Kansas.....	1,922	1,866
20. Texas.....	1,795
21. Stanford.....	1,604	1,532
22. Indiana.....	1,417	1,367
23. Princeton.....	1,398	1,314
24. Tulane.....	1,156
25. Western Reserve.....	1,083	1,016
26. Washington.....	1,003
27. Virginia.....	767	757
28. Johns Hopkins.....	710	698

The decrease in the Minnesota figures is undoubtedly due to the fact that the students registered for the short course in agriculture were included last year, but omitted this year.

A general depression is noticeable in the case of the engineering schools, Stanford being the only institution to exhibit a noteworthy gain, the increase in the case of Illinois, Syracuse, Virginia and Yale being insignificant, Cornell remaining stationary, and every one of the other universities showing a loss, which in the



GROUP OF STUDENTS IN FRONT OF WHITE HALL.

case of several is quite marked. Cornell continues to maintain its lead in the number of scientific students, Michigan and Illinois being the only other institutions to attract more than 1,000 to their schools of engineering; these are followed by Yale, Ohio, Pennsylvania, California, Wisconsin, Columbia, Minnesota, Missouri and Nebraska.

Thirteen of the medical schools and ten of the law schools exhibit a loss as against last year, while nine of the medical schools and twelve of the law schools have experienced an increase in attendance, there being a total loss of 185 students in medicine and of 79 students in law since last year.

Lueder '99 Tells of His Experiences in East Africa.

A. B. Lueder '99 gave an illustrated lecture on his two years' experience in Africa at a meeting of the Cornell Club of Northern New Jersey, held at Achtel-Stetter's, in Newark, on Saturday evening, December 11. Lueder was sent to British East Africa by the American Bridge Company to supervise the building of all the bridges on the Uganda railway line. Colonel Roosevelt is now hunting in the same district and is traveling over those bridges. Lueder has many good photographs and a large collection of

skins and heads, which he brought from his home in Morristown to the meeting in an automobile. The collection includes the head and skin of a lioness which he shot himself. There were about thirty men present, and after the lecture they sat down to an informal supper.

The annual meeting of the club was held on the same evening and the following officers were elected: president, Augustus Howe '75, of Elizabeth; vice-president, C. E. Timmerman '92, of East Orange; secretary and treasurer, H. Ezra Eberhardt '08, of Newark; members of the executive committee, to serve two years: John W. Heller '01, E. L. Quackenbush '00, and Fred S. Crum '93, all of Newark.

Many members of the Faculty will attend meetings of educational societies during the holidays. The Modern Language Association will meet at Cornell. The national scientific societies will meet at Boston, beginning on December 27. At Columbia will be held the annual meeting of the American Historical Society. The American Philosophical Association will meet at Yale.

The Agricultural College seniors held their annual banquet in the Alhambra on Friday evening.

Hobart Defeated in Basketball.

In the Armory on Saturday evening the 'varsity basketball team defeated the Hobart College five 39 to 17. Although Hobart was never in the lead, the scoring was even for some time, each team having eleven points to its credit at the end of fifteen minutes' play. Then Cornell forged ahead and the score at the end of the first half was 18 to 12. The Cornell line-up was: Blumenauer, left forward; Whinery, right forward; Gillies, center; Heath, left guard; Bennett, right guard. Six substitutes played in the second half. Cornell's points were made as follows: goals from field—Blumenauer 5, Whinery 3, Keasbey 3, Heath 2, Carvajal 2, Bennett 1; goals from fouls—Whinery 3, Heath 2, Blumenauer 1, Lewis 1. Charles Dowd, a professional from Cortland, coached the team last week. Following is the basketball schedule:

Dec. 22.—Rochester at Rochester.

Dec. 23.—Niagara at Niagara Falls.

Jan. 7.—St. Lawrence at Ithaca.

Jan. 13.—Penn. at Ithaca.

Jan. 14.—Wesleyan at Middletown.

Jan. 15.—Dartmouth at Hanover.

Jan. 29.—Penn State at Ithaca.

Feb. 5.—Tufts at Ithaca.

Feb. 11.—Oberlin at Ithaca.

Feb. 18.—

Feb. 19.—

Feb. 22.—Union at Ithaca.

Feb. 26.—Colgate at Ithaca.

March 4.—Lehigh at Bethlehem.

March 5.—Penn. at Philadelphia.

March 12.—Niagara at Ithaca.

Who Sent This Draft?

Some time ago the ALUMNI NEWS received draft No. 6174 of the Central National Bank of Los Angeles, Cal., on the National Park Bank of New York, for \$3. The remittance came with nothing to show to whom it should be credited. The draft was bought by a man whose name does not appear on our subscription list, and we have failed to trace it to a subscriber.

At the annual novice fencing and wrestling meet held in the Armory on Friday evening, the junior fencing team won the interclass championship. The wrestling was not finished.

Simson Elected Football Captain.

LeGrand DeGraff Simson, of Tonawanda, the same town that ex-Captain George Henry Walder comes from, was elected captain of the 'varsity eleven at a meeting of the team held in the Athletic Office on Tuesday evening of last week. Simson played on the 'varsity for the first time this season, but he was not without previous football experience. At the Tonawanda High School he played fullback for four years, and in his first year at Cornell he was fullback and captain of the freshman team. When he made the freshman crew his interest was diverted from football. Last spring he rowed number 2 in the 'varsity eight which won its races at Philadelphia, Ithaca and Poughkeepsie. He was persuaded to come out for football last October, after the season had begun, and he played fullback in every game but the first. He is twenty-two years old, six feet tall and weighs 180 pounds. In its sophomore year he was president of the class of 1911. He is a member of the Zodiac fraternity, Aleph Samach and Dunstan. He is a junior in Sibley College.

Good Hockey Weather.

Cold weather has preserved and improved the ice on Beebe Lake and the hockey players have had good sport. During the Christmas vacation the 'varsity will play three practice games with the Yale seven on an indoor rink at Cleveland, O. The schedule, including Cornell's games in the league championship, follows:

- Jan. 1.—Yale at Cleveland.
- Jan. 3.—Yale at Cleveland.
- Jan. 4.—Yale at Cleveland.
- Jan. 5.—Princeton at New York.
- Jan. 8.—Harvard at New York.
- Feb. 5.—Yale at New York.
- Feb. 9.—Dartmouth at Boston.
- Feb. 19.—Columbia at New York.

A Phillips-Andover club has been organized by undergraduates of the University who prepared for college at the Phillips Academy, Andover, and a Poly Prep Club by students from the Brooklyn Polytechnic.

Leon R. Brown '11, of Mayfield, N. Y., has been elected captain of the 'varsity 'cross-country team for next year.

Working for the Foundation of a College of Agriculture in the Transvaal.

William Macdonald, M. S. A., '01, editor of the *Transvaal Agricultural Journal*, of Pretoria, is at the head of a movement to obtain a government grant of one million pounds sterling to establish a National College of Agriculture in the Transvaal. He spent several months in this country last spring and summer, getting advice and letters of encouragement from educators and public men. His report has been published in his journal and reprinted as a separate pamphlet. Among the men whose letters he includes in his report are ex-President White, President Schurman and Director Bailey. Portraits of Dr. White and Director Bailey are also included. From all the men whom he interviewed in this country Mr. Macdonald received encouragement in his project.

New Rule for Graduate Work.

The Faculty of the Graduate School has recently passed a resolution permitting undergraduates who have satisfied the 120 hours required for the baccalaureate degree, but have not completed the necessary eight terms of residence, to register for graduate work, and receive credit towards an advanced degree while they are satisfying the residence requirement. This step is based on the analogy of the relation of the Arts College to the technical schools. An Arts student can spend his fourth year in medicine and receive credit for both degrees. In a somewhat similar way, a man who has satisfied one of the Arts requirements for the A. B. degree may now begin work for his M. A. and at the same time satisfy the other.

Death of Miss Frances H. Colt.

Miss Frances H. Colt died at her home, 805 North Cayuga street, Ithaca, on December 4. For many years she was a painter of china, and her work was considered remarkable for taste and skill. She was a special student in the University in 1889-90.

The French play, which was to have been given by Les Cabotins about the middle of January, has been postponed for a month.

Fellowship in Plant Pathology.

The department of plant pathology of the College of Agriculture announces the establishment of a second temporary industrial fellowship. This fellowship, which is known as the C. W. Stuart & Company Fellowship, has been established by C. W. Stuart & Company, nurserymen, of Newark, N. Y. The purpose of this fellowship is the investigation of the diseases of nursery stock with particular reference to the fire blight or pear blight disease. This fellowship carries a salary of \$500 per year and \$250 per year for carrying on the work and is to continue for two years. Mr. V. B. Stewart, A. B. (Wabash '09), has been appointed fellow. He spent the summer of 1909 in one of the nurseries of this company.

Musical Clubs' Itinerary.

- Scranton, December 22.
- New Orleans, December 27.
- Mobile, December 28.
- Birmingham, December 29.
- Atlanta, December 30.
- Savannah, December 31.
- Brooklyn, January 4.

The Cornell Deutscher Verein held its annual Christmas celebration on Saturday night. A large number of undergraduates made merry in the Sage Gymnasium until midnight, and although the language was German, the fun was of the good old American kind. The feature of the evening was the arrival of Herr Professor Santa Claus Davidson, with regards from the North Pole and a large basket filled with presents.

The Masque held its annual smoker at the Dutch Kitchen last Friday evening. H. O. Walter '10 was the master of ceremonies. Among the entertainers were Professor Hirshfeld, H. J. Snyder '10, J. P. Swift '10, F. D. Burnet '11 and L. P. Ward '11.

After paying the expenses of the crew celebration held last October, the committee has a surplus of \$65.37 derived from the sale of program books and from advertising. The money will be given to the Athletic Association to be used in repairing the shower baths at the boathouse.



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ON ACCOUNT OF the Christmas recess, which begins to-morrow and includes Tuesday, January 4, 1910, publication of the ALUMNI NEWS will be omitted next week. Publication will be resumed with number 14 of the present volume on January 5.

WHAT THEY SAY AT MICHIGAN.

For seventy-odd years the University of Michigan has lived upon the same kind of sustenance that Dr. Draper and Dr. Schurman are now prescribing for Cornell, and yet the University of Michigan is at this moment complaining that she has been half-starved. An editorial in the December, 1909, number of the *Michigan Alumnus* reads as follows:

"In his recent speech at Saginaw, President Hutchins touched upon the necessity of an additional endowment for the University—a question which demands considerable emphasis. Michigan alumni have not been

taught, as they should, to look at the University as a possible candidate for surplus wealth; on the contrary, they have assumed that the benefactions were all to come in the other direction—from the University to themselves—as, in fact, has been the case in the past. And the good people of the state, in giving their three-eighths mill tax to the University, have been accustomed to settle back with a feeling that their whole duty is done. They have, it is true, been generous, but the University has lost almost entirely the relationship between personal benefactor and appreciative recipient which inspires so many gifts of incalculable value—those which come not merely in dollars and cents, but in a spirit of altruism, bringing those subtler refinements which the University cannot compass through the ordinary state appropriation.

"Right here lies the greatest limitation of the system of endowment by the State alone. It provides only for the immediate and necessary. Provision for the future—in so far as it is in any way a matter of conjecture—as well as any provision for the amenities of life—any emphasis on the cultural rather than the utilitarian, the creation of that subtle atmosphere of dignity and of true scholarship,—these cannot be expected except in a small degree from the State, as long as it views the University, as it does at present, through extremely practical glasses. If the State fails to rise to the occasion—and the opportunity, others must do so or the University will suffer."

The above, we repeat, is what the *Michigan Alumnus* says. The University of Michigan, after seventy years' experience of state support, yearns to be free. Cornell University, under pressure of immediate and perhaps only temporary necessity, puts a price upon her freedom.

TO ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS.

IT HAS BEEN suggested to us by several alumni that the Cornell alumni associations throughout the country obtain the opinions of their members on the subject of President Schurman's suggestion that control of the University be turned over to the state. One such association, that in Brooklyn, N. Y., has already done

so, and its resolution of "most emphatic opposition" to the President's suggestion is printed on another page.

Cornell Manual of American Literature.

The latest number of the *Mercure de France*, the well known Paris semi-monthly literary magazine, contains a second very complimentary notice of the "Tauchnitz Manual of American Literature," the exclusive work of Cornell men; "the Cornell University history of American Letters," as a western critic has named the volume. The *Mercure de France* reviewer of the Manual is M. Henry D. Davray, the Paris literary correspondent of the London *Times*, who makes a specialty of Anglo-American subjects in the French literary world. He closes his review with these words: "Ce Memorial Volume forme le manuel indispensable a quiconque est curieux de l'histoire litteraire des Etats-Unis." The members of the Cornell Faculty who have contributed to this volume are the late Professor Moses Coit Tyler, and Messrs. Clark S. Northup, Lane Cooper, Isaac M. Bentley, E. J. Bailey, E. G. Cox, and Joseph Q. Adams, with Theodore Stanton, as editor.

CORNELL AND THE STATE.

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We have before us the wholesome examples of the great state universities of the West, Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Nebraska, acknowledged leaders to-day in the realm of education. The great privately endowed and controlled universities of the East, on the other hand, are now recognized, by those in tune with the spirit of this age, as educationally effete. At present Cornell is half and half. That she cannot continue,

no more than the Union could exist half slave and half free: it is either one thing or the other. Present indications are that it will be the "other," that is, Cornell will join the procession of the virile West, and whether it will be from the perception of the principle of the thing, or financial compulsion, or partly both, fall in line she must soon.

HARRY FRANKLIN PORTER '05.

State Control as a Means to Freedom of Thought.

OMAHA, Dec. 13, 1909.

To the Editor of the *Alumni News*: Following the announcement of President Schurman's statement of his plans for the future of the University, it will probably be in order for Cornellians in general to express their views on the subject, and with this idea in mind I take the liberty of addressing you. I am not entitled to speak for anyone; I am not a graduate and cannot speak for the alumni; neither can I claim to represent that great body of non-graduates, who are none the less loyal Cornellians though their degrees have never reached them. I claim only to speak for myself; but I have strong hopes that my statements will reflect the views of many loyal sons of Cornell.

Cornell should be a state institution. This not only that she may be supported and governed by the state—for there can be no real government without such support—but that freedom of thought may be the keynote of her college life. In the commercial evolution of our country, many economic and social problems have arisen to challenge the attention of those who would carry on the noble work which the colonists began in 1776. True patriots in this day have no national independence to gain; but they have an economic independence to maintain, and in the development of this movement the endowed college cannot help.

There are several reasons for this condition, of which most are obvious, but it should be impressed upon the youth of the land in no uncertain terms, that the swollen fortunes of the age, and their creators, are excrescences on the body politic which denote a national unhealthfulness; a condition of the national blood which needs purification.

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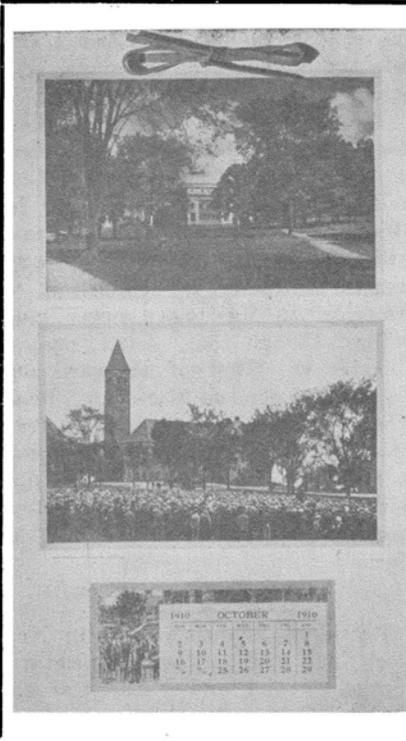
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JAMES RICHARDSON, ex-'01.

President Schurman was in New York last week, attending meetings of the Council and Faculty of the Medical College

The freshmen won the underclass 'cross-country race last Saturday, defeating the sophomores 17 to 19.

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'82, Sp.—Walter Gifford Smith has resigned as editor of the *Pacific Commercial Advertiser*, of Honolulu, and is now connected with the editorial staff of the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

'89, M. E.—William E. Reed has removed from Cleveland, O., to the Vandyck, 175 West Seventy-second street, New York.

'94, B. L.—Mr. Jesse Kilgore Barker announces the marriage of his

sister, Stella Herbst, to Walter Chase Dreier on Saturday, November 13, at Kingston, Jamaica.

'97, M. E.—David R. Richie is in charge of experimental work and designing for S. L. Allen & Company, of Philadelphia, manufacturers of "Planet Junior" agricultural implements and "Flexible Flyer" coasters. He lives at 18 Pennock Terrace, Lansdowne, Pa.

'98, M. E.—Fred W. Midgley is chief draftsman of the Otis Elevator Company, Yonkers, N. Y.

'99, B. S.—Allen Norton Drake was married to Miss Helen Gertrude Gibbons in Buffalo on December 15. Mr. and Mrs. Drake will be at home after April 1 at 857 Delaware avenue, Buffalo.

'00, B. S.—C. H. Catlin's address is 1842 Monroe street, Chicago.

'00, A. B.—A. M. Garretson is with the Street Railways Advertising Company in New York. He lives at 139 West Fifty-fifth street.

'00.—H. A. Lyon's address is 527 Wabasha street, St. Paul, Minn. He is deputy county surveyor.

'00, B. S. A.—A. W. Stephens is manager of the Spring Cottage Farm, R. F. D. 2, Hebron, O.

'02, A. B.—A daughter was born to Dr. and Mrs. Percy E Raymond, of Pittsburg, on November 5. Mrs. Raymond was Miss Grace Good-enough '02.

'02, A. B.—A daughter was born on October 15 to Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Ferriss, of St. Louis. She has been named Ann Chittenden.

'02.—Alden H. Little, of St. Louis, recently assisted in organizing and is secretary and treasurer of the Carter Carburetor Company, manufacturers of automobile carburetors.

'02, LL. B.—The name of Godfrey Goldmark appears as collaborator in the seventh edition of "White on Corporations," the standard work on New York corporation law recently published by Baker, Voorhis & Company. Mr. Goldmark is a member of Steele, DeFriese & Steele, 32 Liberty street, New York.

'04, A. B.; '06, M. E.—B. E. Fernow has recently entered the employment of the Cutler-Hammer Manufacturing Company in Milwaukee.

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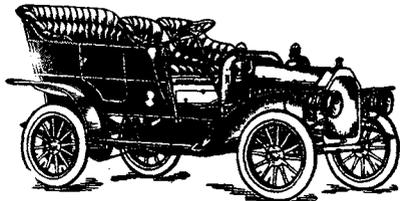
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'04, M. E.—William Foster Steel is mechanical engineer with the Velter Manufacturing Company in Milwaukee. His address is 415 Logan avenue.

'04, A. B.—Mary Noel, daughter of Edwin M. and Beatrice (Gilson) Slocombe, died at Augusta, Maine, on Sunday, December 12, aged eleven months.

'05, A. B.—The present address of Hester P. Tefft is 2429 Channing Way, Berkeley, Cal.

'05, Sp.; '06, A. B.—Mr. and Mrs. William Lynham Allen (Belle Hanigan '06) and son, Robert Joseph, have removed from San Francisco to Redlands in Southern California, where Mr. Allen is engaged in orange growing. Their address is Bellevue Road, Redlands.

'05, C. E.—Melvin Rich is with Marshall & Marshall, civil engineers. His address is 1448 Harvard street, Washington, D. C.

'05, M. E.—W. O. Kurtz is with the Bell Telephone Company in Syracuse, N. Y.

'05, A. B.—W. W. Gail is news editor of the *Evening Herald*, a new daily published by the Gazette Publishing Company, of Colorado Springs, and editorial writer for both papers.

'06, M. E.—Hugh Fitzhugh is now living at 1437 Rhode Island avenue, Washington, D. C.

'06, M. E.—E. T. Foote, of the Cutler-Hammer Manufacturing Company, Milwaukee, expects to start a course in electrical engineering at Marquette University in February.

'06, A. B.—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Preston Nichols, at Glenside, Pa., on November 11. Mr. Nichols is associated with Norman Macbeth, illuminating engineer, Weightman Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

'06, A. B.—David C. Munson announces that he has associated him-

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'06, M. E.—Edward W. Campion is now with the Buckeye Steel Castings Company in Columbus, O.

'06, M. E.—W. A. Robinson was married to Miss Bessie L. Burdick, at Pasadena, Cal., on November 2. He is in the engineering department of the Charter Gas Engine Company, Sterling, Ill.

'07, M. E.—Howard Duryea is now living at 51 West Eighty-second street, New York.

'07, B. S. A.—Horace F. Prince has gone to Clear Lake, Idaho, to be superintendent of the Clear Lake Orchard Company, of which he is also secretary and treasurer. The company expects to develop six hundred acres of land in the Snake River Canyon in the center of the Twin Falls district.

'07, A. B. Mabel F. Yeomans is teacher of elocution in the high school at Oneonta, N. Y.

'07, B. Arch. Ralph D. Vaughan's address is changed to Box 135, Spartanburg, S. C.

'07, C. E. Alvin W. King, as-

sociate editor of *The Contractor*, has been transferred from the Chicago to the New York office of that periodical. His address is 42 Broadway, New York.

'07, C. E.—John H. Rice is engaged in irrigation work in Wyoming. His address is Box 894, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

'08, M. E.—Leland F. Brahmer is located at 108 Victory avenue, Schenectady, N. Y.

'08, A. B.—M. Gertrude Rand's address in Brooklyn is changed to 483 Putnam avenue.

'08, M. E.—William Bayard Sturgis is superintendent of the Dover White Marble Company, at Wingdale, Dutchess county, N. Y.

'08, M. E.—H. L. Trube, formerly with the Crane Valve Company, Bridgeport, Conn., is now with the Emerson Company, efficiency engineers, 30 Church street, New York.

'08, M. E.—A. T. Waight is an engineer with the General Electric Company and lives at the Y. M. C. A. Building in Lynn, Mass.

'09, C. E.—Benjamin G. Danis has removed from Pittsfield, Mass., to 39 Ravine avenue, Yonkers, N. Y.

'09, M. E.—Richard Bragaw returned from Texas early in November and is now with the Otis Elevator Company, Yonkers, N. Y.

'09, M. E.—The present address of Robert S. Mounce is 73 Auburn street, Paterson, N. J.

'09, B. S. A.—Edward H. Thomson has changed his address from Durham, N. H., to Y. M. C. A. Building, Washington, D. C.

'09, C. E.—A. Clinton Decker has recently accepted a position as chemist and bacteriologist at the Birmingham laboratory of the American Water Works & Guarantee Company of Pittsburg. His address is 2114 First avenue, Birmingham, Ala.

'09, C. E.—Charles Clark has removed from Lackawanna, N. Y., to 526 Columbus avenue, Sandusky, Ohio.

'09, A. B.—H. R. Weaver is teaching in the Barnard School for Boys and lives at 511 West 122nd street, New York.

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'09, M. E.—Ellwood Diment is located at 5510 Margarett street, Pittsburg, Pa.

'09, M. E.—A. M. Hamilton has removed from Schenectady to 24 Maple street, Hornell, N. Y.

'09, M. E.—The address of Walter D. Wood is 2249 Warren avenue, Chicago. He is with the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company.

'09, C. E.—E. R. Bowerman is with the Idaho Irrigation Company, in Richfield, Idaho.

'09, A. B.—Walter L. Todd has returned from abroad and his address is 525 East avenue, Rochester, N. Y.

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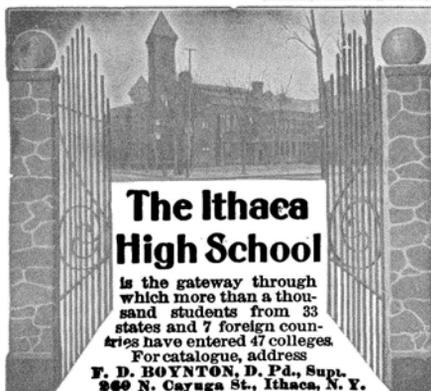
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