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#### JUDGE FRANCIS M. FINCH.

#### A Sketch of His Life-Text of the Marshall Day Address.

Francis Miles Finch was born in Ithaca on June 9, 1827. He prepared for college at the Ithaca Academy and graduate from Yale with the class of 1849. The next year he began the practice of law in his native town and a few years later formed a partnership with Judge Douglass Boardman, who later became dean of the College of Law. During General Grant's first administration Mr. Finch was appointed Collector of Internal Revenue for the 26th District of New York. In the year 1880, Governor Cornell appointed him Judge of the Court of Appeals and the next year he was elected for the full term of fourteen years. His term expired in 1895 and he at once became dean of the College of Law. Last year he was elected President of the New York State Bar Association.

His first great success at the bar was won in the celebrated case of People v. Ruloff. (18 N. Y. 179.) This case was argued for the people by Daniel S. Dickinson of Binghamton, whose reputation as a lawyer was national. It was Judge Finch's first appearance before the Court of Appeals. The other counsel in the case were unwilling to allow him to argue the appeal and were opposed to his line of argument, but the defendant finally put his fate into the hands of the young attorney. Upon the argument Judge Finch admitted all the main points in Mr. Dickinson's brief and then, in his own way, attacked the vital point in the case and won the decision of the court. This case proved two things: that the best lawyers were not his superiors; and that no lawyer was more faithful to his client; for while Ruloff was on trial popular sentiment was strong against the prisoner, the people clamored for a conviction and the life of counsel was threatened; but Finch fought it through to the end and succeeded in freeing the defendant, thereby saving him from the gallows for the time being. His successful handling of the case led the way to a large practice in which he was actively engaged, as attorney for Cornell University, Ezra Cornell and his estate. and other large estates until his appointment as Judge of the Court of

Like Marshall, upon whom Judge Finch has recently pronounced a masterly eulogy, he had had no judicial experience before his appointment to the bench, but that fact in no way hampered him as a judge. It is probably not too much to say that Judge Finch, during his fifteen years as a member of the court of last resort of the State of New York brightened and renovated all branches of the common law as administered in this of John Marshall to the people of the state. The depth of his judicial reasoning, his keen insight and power of discrimination are well illustrated by his address on Marshall, in edly say that his greatest gift to the which he defends the position of the Chief Justice in Marbury v. Madison in a manner never before advocated although the matter has been debated

cision was rendered in 1803. His opinions are regarded by lawyers as the highest form of judicial style. His statement of the facts of a case lends interest to the dryest and most technical of legal controversies and his treatment of the issues involved is perfect in logical structure. opinions in People v. North River Sugar Refining Company, 121 N. Y. 582: Badger v. Badger, 88 N. Y. 546: White v. Rintoul, 108 N. Y. 222; Vanderpoel v. Loew, 112 N. Y. 167 are among the best ever delivered by any English speaking judge. In his utterances from the bench clearness fluency and precision of legal reasoning are charged with the glow of a rare imagination. Among the judicial writers of the last half century, Judge Finch and the late Lord Justice Bowen stand pre-eminent.

Judge Finch has been connected with Cornell University since its opening in 1868. He says himself that it was his fortune to be one of those who sat at the cradle of the University. From the first he was one of the trustees. During the early days the attacks upon the new institution were based upon legal as well as upon ethical and religious grounds. It was then that Judge Finch showed his loyalty to the founder and the ideas which he represented. stood by the side of Ezra Cornell and guided him through all that stormy period. After leaving the bench in 1895 he took up his duties as dean of the College of Law where he has since been the center of a loyal and devoted faculty and student body.

However great may be the reputation of a lawyer, his fame to a large extent must be limited to the members of his own profession, but Judge Finch is more fortunate in that he is more widely known as the author of two beautiful patriotic lyrics, Nathan Hale and the Blue and the Gray. He is endeared to all collegians as the author of the Smoking Song, and to Cornellians particularly, as the author of The Chimes. In an address at the recent banquet of the New York State Bar Association, Commander Wadhams of the United States Navy, turning to Judge Finch said: "I have been told by those capable of judging that you are the greatest law writer this state or this country has ever produced. While I would not dare to say I had enough intelligence to read those writings, I have sense of poetry enough to appreciate the Blue and the Gray." Now that the Judge's labors as a lawyer and judge are over, it may not be too much to hope that all his poems may be collected and given to the public.

In closing one may repeat President Schurman's remarks introducing Judge Finch at the recent Marshall Day celebration: "President John United States was the proudest act of his life and if ex-governor Cornell were here to-day, he would undoubtpeople of New York state was the appointment of Francis Miles Finch as a judge of the Court of Appeals."

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#### Reception by the Woodford Debate Club-The General Talks on the Early Days of the University.

The visit of General and Mrs. Stewart L. Woodford to the University last week proved very successful in every respect, and will long be remembered by the members of the Woodford Club and others as a most enjoyable event.

The visitors arrived Monday and were entertained in the evening by a reception held in their honor at the home of Professor and Mrs. Duncan C. Lee, On Tuesday General Woodford inspected the work of the department of Oratory, and at noon addressed a few words to the class in Formal Oratory. His principal theme was the need and the power of orators, even in this age of commercialism.

In the evening occurred the main event of the occasion, General Woodford's address to the students and the public. This was preceded by a short reception in the parlor of Barnes Hall, at which General and Mrs. Woodford and Professor and Mrs. Lee met the members of all the debate clubs and other students of the department of Oratory. A very pleasant half hour was thus spent in becoming acquainted with the distinguished visitor, after which the party adjourned to the auditorium of the Hall, where a large audience was waiting.

After the singing of "Alma Mater." Professor Lee introduced the speaker of the evening, telling of his distinguished career in the Civil War, and of his record in the diplomatic ser-

General Woodford began his address by remarking that his reminiscences would deal with the University, and not with the Civil War as had been announced, and spoke of the appearance of the Campus in 1868. In the place of the present magnificent group of buildings, unsurpassed by any University in the country, he said, there was on Inaugural Day only one permanent building and a frame structure for the chimes. Cornell University, he went on, was the forerunner of the great system of institutions now laying particular stress on the practical side of higher education. It took up the ideas partially worked out at the University of Michigan and carried them through to their fullest extent. Such institutions as Johns Hopkins in the East and the two great California universities in the West, he maintained, are the logical outcome of the movement inaugurated by Ezra Cornell and his colleagues.

The speaker then traced the history of certain features of the Univer- distinguished patron one of the Club Adams once said that the gift sity. Co-education had not been thought of at the beginning, and class numerals. The singing of the when considered was opposed by Evening Song concluded the events many of the trustees. The liberality of the evening. and generosity of Henry W. Sage, however, practically forced the authorities into the change now recognized as just and wise. Oratory and was delivered last week. It will be public speaking had also not been used by Syracuse this spring in trainincluded in the original plan of in- ing new men.

by lawyers and judges since the de- GENERAL WOODFORD'S VISIT. struction, but their need was quickly seen and gradually met.

Leaving the subject of the University, General Woodford then took up the topic of the spirit and the opportunities of the age, addressing himself particularly to the young people in the audience, and in a very optimistic strain. The age of chivalry, he said, was one in which the leaders were the strongest physically—an eraof brute force. The age of commercialism is one in which the leaders are the strongest intellectually. It is, moreover, one in which men are better housed, clothed, and fed than at any other period of the world's existence.

In regard to trusts, the speaker warned his hearers against going out into the world with any prejudice which might affect their success. Trusts certainly have their evils, but these will in time disappear. should not prevent any young man or woman from taking employment under them. In general, he advised young people to be careful not to acquire pessimistic habits of thought, not to believe that present industrial conditions would end in the failure of the republic and the misery of the people. Realize all the danger of the present situation. he said, yet still have absolute faith in the future of the nation. Every earnest effort will count as it always has done. There is just as good opportunity for young people to rise as there ever has been; there is just as much room at the top. High ideals and earnest work are sure of their reward, as ever has been the case.

After the address Professor Charles Mellen Tyler spoke a few words in tribute to the orator of the evening, telling of his recollections of him as a student at Yale, and as an officer in the war. General Woodford, he said. was never defeated in an engagement.

The evening closed with a separate meeting of the Woodford Club with the guests of the evening. Besides the members of the club there were present General and Mrs. Woodford, Professor and Mrs. Lee, Professor and Mrs. Tyler, Professor E. W. Huffcut, '84, Professor G. L. Burr, '81. Professor H. Morse Stephens, E. S. Mosher, '00, president of the Debate Union, and M. M. Wyvell, 'or, and S. S. Lowenthal, 'or, of the University debate team. After the serving of light refreshments, several toasts were responded to. R. H. Whitbeck of the Club spoke of its history and work: Professor Morse Stephens compared British and American oratory; Professor Huffcut told of debating in the early days of the University; and General Woodford explained the purposes and qualities of oratory. On behalf of the Woodford Club R. S. Kent then presented as a keepsake to its pins, which bear his initials and the of the evening.

The new pair-oared gig which Cornell has been building for Syracuse

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#### The Address.

One hundred years ago this winter day a new Chief Justice took his seat upon the Bench of the Federal Court at Wash-The Court room of the time was little better than a cavern, situated in a basement dark and dreary at the best, without ornament or touch of grace or dignity. The new occupant of the Bench dignity. The new occupant of the Bench took his seat quietly, careless of formal-ity or display, and at once addressed himself to the work before him. The few who looked on at this simple but grave assumption of duty saw nothing remarkable in the man himself, sitting there wrapped in the dusk of his gown. The head was not large; no massive dome of brow overhanging the eyes; small, rather, as crown of a tall and powerful form, and yet a form so emaciated and with muscles so relaxed as to make each movement somewhat awkward. Only in the bright-ness of the intensely black eyes, piercing and scintillant, shone a trace of the dominant and forceful soul, waiting in the dark background to make all men know and heed. Scarcely at all impressed were some of those who looked on, but others who knew the man and the life he had lived lifted a warning finger that said wait and you will see. For they remem-bered that he came to his new duties with an experience rich and full, with a preparation thorough and arduous, and with a brain of strongest and finest fiber. He had fought through many battles of the Revolution, displaying his young courage under the eye of that Great Chief who led his rustic riflemen against the veter-ans of an Empire and learning from him an indomitable patience, which has no better type than the familiar one of the obstructed river grinding its slow way through the rock. A lieutenant at nineteen, a captain at twenty-one, and often serving as Judge Advocate where the Courts Martial sat with their swords on the table, he shared in the unsuccessful defense of the fords of the Brandywine, in the desperate attack at Germantown,— beginning with victory but ending with a rout,—and then in the cold and famine of Valley Forge,—camp of bloody feet on the snows, camp of starvation for those who did not freeze, camp where treason and grumbling and envious ambition strove hard to overthrow the sad but determined leader of them all. Surely the young captain learned many lessons from the war. One learns fast in a fight, and lessons are plentiful, if hard, where hope wrestles with suffering and courage baffles despair. But before the war closed, and when it had for the moment drifted away from need of him, he began the study of law in the office of one soon to be Chancellor, and already a little gray with the cobwebs of equity, but a study broken more or less by occasional military service, and so mixing Law and War,—books and drums,—until Peace was declared and Law became the dominant pursuit. Not always dominant, for that happened to him which so often happens, that from the beach where Law borders on Politics and the sands touch the water, he was lifted by an incoming surge and swept out into the troubled waves of party warfare:—scene where another fight was on between We the People and We the States,—fight to demand of him the matured strength and vigor of his life. He was elected to a seat in the Virginia Legislature. They chose men in those Legislature. They chose men in those days, the best there were and with wills of their own, and the young man begin-ning his political career faced adversaries whose thrust and blow were the keenest and heaviest within the Virginian borders. More lessons and of a different sort were here learned, and one gravest of all, pushing up from the tangle of conflicting aims and snarling rivalries, that the existing Confederation of the States was but a rotten girdle which the weakest whim could break, and that someway and somehow a bond must be forged, ironlinked and steel-riveted, to concentrate and compact the restless and defiant sov-ereignties into one solid and controlling organism. Difficult lesson! but already the bond was being prepared. Difficult! the bond was being prepared. Difficult! for men like not to be governed and prefer to govern, and freedom is a word easy to misuse and a tempting lure for unreas-oning crowds not able to measure its meaning. And so when a written Constitution was framed about every word of which some struggle had swirled and combatants had gathered; framed so as to tie the separate States into regular orbits about a Sun of National control and stop their erratic and centrifugal

flights into the boundless space of unchecked liberty, there was war at once, war of words and of argument, war of sarcasm and invective, war everywhere of such giants as there were. Our young lawyer and legislator was drawn into this conflict in virtue of his place as a member of the Virginia convention to which the proposed Constitution was submitted for ratification. No doubt about his vote at least, but terrible doubt as to the final outcome. For a determined opposition to the new restraint and the untried system was led by Patrick Henry, that splendid orator whose brilliant eloquence blazed all through the war, and has become only a marvelous legend in these days when words are very sober things and common-place, and few dare to give them wings that they may sometimes fly and not eternally crawl. But the eloquence of Henry by no means stood alone.
It was backed and buttressed by the cooler arguments of Monroe and Mason and other champions of State sovereignty who rang the changes on what they were pleased to regard as the utter destruction of human rights. It needed strong men to confront these formidable adversaries especially since the Constitution was not popular among the people. It needed as it had the learning and ability of Madi-It needed as son, the earnest appeals of Randolph, the legal adroitness of Wythe and more than all the lucid and resistless logic of Marshall whose name at last was on all men's tongues. It is not too much to assert that he bore a leading part against the assault in a debate lasting twenty-five days, and that the narrow majority by which Virginia accepted the Constitution was largely due to his powerful advocacy He was no orator, he had no graces of rhetoric, the tones of his voice were neither mellow nor persuasive, no subtle magnetism flashed along the lines of his thought, but he was compelled to win, if win he did, by the sheer force of unanswerable argument, running crystal-clear, rising grandly over all obstructions, and floating truth to its harbor.

See again what lessons he was learning, all unconscious of their bearing on his future life and fame. Before such antagonists, certain to detect mistake or riddle fallacy, it was imperative that he should know the Constitution thoroughly in every word and line, that he should have precise views of its construction and of the scope and range of its operation, and this required prolonged study and patient and honest thought. How well he did the work all authorities agree. Even Henry praised his "candor" and awarded him "veneration and respect," and Wirt tells us the secret of his wonderful power. He saw always, at once and as if by intuition, the pivotal point of every controversy on which the conclusion was sure to swing, and, disdaining all artifice and discarding all incident or accident surroundings, moved straight upon it and enveloped it with a merciless logic. Every link in the chain of his reasoning was sound and clean, developed with a marvelous simplicity as clear as it was strong. There was no escape from the deadly sequence of his thought, and his masterful capacity lay in his power to convel conviction to force surrender.

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But not yet was his preparation complete. It seemed almost as if some Providence was training him like an athlete for a struggle vital to a free Civilization. For he passed a term in Congress mingling with statesmen and with partisans and studying the ways of each: then went to France on a diplomatic mission and returned disgusted with a race which vilified everything American, and not for the last time either, as we were taught during our war with Spain and should not pardon quite so cheaply as we do; next was made Secretary of War and then Secretary of State where the methods of diplomacy and the doctrines of international law became familiar to his thought; and finally and at last, the preparation ended, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and the man whom we saw quietly taking his seat on the Bench.

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Let him sit there silent for a moment while we consider, as perhaps he was doing, the trouble behind him and the dangers in his front, for both threatened the success of his success of his judicial career. The Court itself was in its infancy—but twelve years old, just learning to walk alone. It had done little in that period, gained nothing in the popular estimation and not overmuch in its own. Its members had been constantly changing and refusal to serve was a common answer to judicial appointment. Even the great ability of John Jay and the respect which he inspired could not lift the dead weight of a position so humiliated that the Judges had been required to act as Commissioners of Pensions and to dole

out the nation's charities. Jay himself, on his resignation, spoke discouragingly of the tribunal and ventured to doubt whether defects in its organization would not inevitably impede its usefulness. Doubtless this was the prevailing impression though hardly a just one, for, in its brief life, it laid down some foundation principles of great value and which no successor was required to overrule or disregard. But after all these did not suffice to lift it to its true and destined place as one of the co-ordinate departments of the Government, or to secure for it the reputation and authority which was its due. Nobody feared it. Many gave it disrespect. That was the trouble which Marshall saw behind him:—a Court to be lifted from a low level into higher and serener air; a Court despised to be made Court respected; a tribunal of little ower to be transformed into an invincible guardian of National Justice and

The trouble in front of him was of a different sort. Great Judge as he was let us not forget that he was human. not try to make of him a bronze statue. swarthy and stern, for there were warm blood in his veins and sensitive vibrations in his nerves. He could love with an absorbing passion, and those who do that can at least dislike a little and on occasion. The man who for twenty years and in spite of his public toils could wrap about the invalid wife of his youth a most devoted affection and tender care was likely to be a man who would feel what he regarded as false or wrong down to the bone. And he surely foresaw that his patience and his temper as well as his intellect were to be subjected to a severe and continued strain. For he had not seen the rapid growth of party strife, so poisoned with venomous lies on both sides that the simple truth remains yet obscure, without recognizing that the head and front of the clamor for State Rights and for a strict construction of the Constitu-tion, so narrow as to throttle the instrument in its cradle, was Thomas Jefferson, popular idol and leader, who had rendered service great and brave in behalf of Independence, and now, about to take his seat in the Presidential chair, would be likely to wield the whole Executive force against a centralized national power; no man suspecting how much the sobering pressure of official responsibility would make his action better than his words and his doctrine disappear in his deeds. These two men did not like each other. They could not. They were made on different patterns. If for a time they treated each other with some politeness it was as thin and cold as the baby ice of a first freeze, and a collision was sure to come. And so, in front of the new occu-pant of the Bench, loomed up a dangerous and different struggle against an adversary astute and crafty, entrenched in the very fortress of power, and at the head of a party strong in the victory it had won, The Chief Justice had not only that hostility to face, but also to stand on guard, over his own fairness and impar-tiality, and to banish from his judgment every trace of such unconscious prejudice as might warp his thought with personal distrust or partisan desire; for the smoke of the battle hung yet about him and there were live coals in the ashes, but never again to be blown into a flame. In my study of the man I have been most strongly impressed with the swift and thorough way in which he put off the fighting partisan and put on the calm and thoughtful and rigidly impartial Judge.

The inevitable collision came, and over as little a matter as the appointment of a Justice of the Peace in the District of Columbia. President Adams, in the waning moon of his term and just before it ended, lent himself to a seizure of vanishing spoils by filling all possible offices with his own partisans and so leaving to the victorious enemy only the shouting but no booty. In a changed form the charming game has been played in our own day. Among these death-bed appointees was one man whose commission as Justice of the Peace for the District had been made out and signed by the President, after the nomination had been confirmed by the Senate, but not delivered to the anxious officer because it fell into the hands of Madison, the new Secretary of State, who, by his Chief's order, refused to deliver it, and so blasted the Continued on page 177.

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# Calendar of Coming Events.

Thursday, March 7:
Debate with Columbia in New York, at the Lenox Lyceum. Friday, March 8

Junior Smoker in the Armory. Thursday, March 14:

Dinner of Washington alumni at Cochran Hotel, Washington, D. C.

FRANCIS M. FINCH.

It is with great pleasure that we publish in full in this issue the address which Judge Finch delivered before the University on John Marshall Day, together with a short sketch of his life. In view of the unusual excellence of the address as a literary production and otherwise, and of Judge Finch's close connection with the University since its founding, we have thought that perhaps some of our alumni might desire to have the address and sketch in separate form, and so have arranged to issue a pamphlet containing them, together with a cut made from a photograph taken only a few days ago. To cover the additional expense of issuing this pamphlet we are obliged to charge ten cents a copy for the same. Application for the pamphlets should be made promptly.

THE 1900 DIRECTORY.

We publish in this issue a directory of the class of 1900. The editors have spared no effort to reach every as one of the two alumni trustees to member of that class, and to ascer- be elected this spring. In 1891 Dr. tain his or her present address and occupation. Nothwithstanding these efforts, a large proportion of the class has not been heard from, and for alumni trustee whose term is about these nothing more has been possible than to give their addresses as left at the Registrar's office last June. These are in most instances the home addresses, and many of them are probably not the present addresses.

from have been put in a separate list. Although our letters of inquiry probably failed to reach some of these persons, the majority have evidently simply neglected to return the desired information. We deeply regret this display of indifference and this indisposition on the part of so many members of the class of 1900 to coöperate with us in our efforts to compile a complete and accurate directory of the class. We feel sure that there would not be this lack of interest did the delinquents realize the value of this directory to the University authorities as well as to other persons. The last class included in the third Ten-Year Book published by the University is the class of 1898. Of the members of the two subsequent classes the University authorities have very incomplete records. We have already published a directory of the class of 1899. It is our intention each year to compile a directory of the class graduating the previous year. It must be obvious that these directories will be a valuable supplement to the Ten-Year Books, and most useful to the University authorities in preparing the subsequent books of this series. We therefore urge persons having any information respecting the present addresses and occupations of those whose names appear in the supplemental list to forward this information to us at once. If sufficient information of this character is sent us to warrant it, we will embody it later in a directory to serve as supplemental to the one now published.

While we have been speaking with special reference to the members of the class of 1900, we urge Cornellians to advise us generally of any changes of address that may come to their attention from time to time. These changes will be noted upon our records. It is our desire to keep located every alumnus and alumna of the University so that he or she may be reached at any time by persons desirous of so doing. It is only by a cheerful and willing coöperation on the part of the alumni with the editors that this purpose can be accomplished. We ask for this kind of cooperation in all lines of our work.

# The Alumni Trusteeships.

Dr. Charles Gray Wagner, '80, has been nominated to succeed himself Wagner was appointed Supering ent of the Binghamton State Hospital for the Insane, and has acted in that capacity ever since. The other to expire is DeForest VanVleet, '77. The latter will not be a candidate for re-election, and Charles Hazen Blood, '88, has been nominated to fill the vacancy.

The Yale-Harvard boat race will It will be noticed that the names of take place on Thursday, June 27.

#### Obituary.

ALBERT ROOT WEST, '02.

Albert Root West, a member of the class of 1902, died at the Infirmary last Saturday night. Mr. West went to the Infirmary two weeks ago to have an operation performed; it had resulted favorably and his recovery was expected. Four days ago he suffered a relapse, and blood poisoning set in, which led to his death. For the past week his mother had been with him. She accompanied the remains to his home Monday.

Mr. West was a resident of Brooklyn and a graduate of the Brooklyn Boys' high school. At Cornell he was studying mechanical and marine engineering. He was a good student and a popular man.

#### Dinner of Washington Alumni.

The annual dinner of the Cornell Alumni of Washington, D. C., will be held on the evening of March 14 at the Cochran Hotel. There are more than 150 Cornellians in Washington, and their annual dinner is becoming quite an event. Senator Foraker is president of the Association.

### Sage Notes.

Alpha Phi gave an informal dance in the Sage gymnasium on the evening of the twenty-second. Among the guests were Miss Elizabeth Guest Drake, '99, Miss Nellie Hopkins, '99, Miss Ethelyn Kerr, 'oo, Miss Gertrude Cadogan, '00, and Miss Holtzman of the Woman's College of Baltimore.

Miss Marcia Vedder, '00, and Miss Adelaide Young, '99, spent Washington's Birthday at Sage, the guests of Kappa Alpha Theta.

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hopes of the waiting appointee. We may not blame Jefferson. What he could snatch from the last blaze of the Federal fire he had some reason to think was his. But the embryo official, after demanding delivery of his commission and getting a curt refusal, applied to the Court for a writ of mandamus to be directed to Madison commanding him to deliver the commission to the appointee. Jefferson was enraged. Naturally, what business had a court to question the orders of the President or summon his Secretary to answer at its Bar? And so the Secretary refused to answer, or even to appear in the proceeding, and the Attory General answered only as a witness and upon compulsion. It was long before the decision came, for, beyond this studied contempt of a constitutional tribunal, there was a deliberate and venomous attack upon the independence of the Judiciary which began with an act of Congress abolishing the August term of the Court, so that it was more than a year before the case was finally determined. But the time came at last and Marshall delivered the first of those opinions upon Constitu tional questions which have made his name famous and lifted the Court to its true place in the Republican system.

And this is how he did it. I may tell it, I think, so that no legal study or training will be needed for its comprehension; and I must tell it for a very grave reason which will develop itself in the process

the process. He began by stating the questions which the application raised in their natural and logical order. First: has the applicant a right to the commission which he demands. Second: if he has and the right has been violated does the law afford him a remedy. Third: if it does is that remedy the issue of a writ of mandamus by the Supreme Court. He discusses these questions in the order of their statement. As to the first he holds that the appointment was complete when, after confirmation of the nomination by the Senate, the President had signed the commission, and the Secretary of State had affixed the Great Seal, but that the recording of the document, and delivering it to the appointee were purely ministerial acts following the appointment, and not essential parts or elements of it, and therefore the applicant was duly appointed and so entitled to have his com-To the second question the Chief Justice answered that the right of the officer so duly appointed to his commission and his office was a valuable and a vested right which had been violated by a withholding of the commission, and for such violation the law gave a remedy by an action for damages, and where that could afford no adequate redress then by a writ of mandamus commanding performance of the duty refused. So far the applicant was successful, but when it came to the third question, now become vital and decisive and shown to be such, the Judge ruled that while an Act of Congress had authorized the Court, in a class of cases to which the one at bar belonged, to issue a writ of mandamus, yet that authority was ineffective because the Act in that respect was in violation of the Constitution and so was null and void; and since no such authority had been granted from any other source the Court had no right to issue the writ and the petition for it should therefore be denied. I spare you a detail of the argument, but call your attention to two of the vastly important doctrines thus established, and to a criticism of the opinion which has more or less prevailed, but which I believe to be without adequate foundation. The decision established that Congress was not like the English Parliamenl unlimited in its action and omnipotent in legislation, but was restrained by the limitations of the Constitution, the written evidence of the People's will; and that there was a tribunal, created by the same masterful will, which could enforce the restraint by annulling and retusing to act upon the illegal legislation. There was a two-fold value to this doctrine. It not only confined the National Legislature within the prescribed limits, but it provided also a peaceable solution of the inquiry, certain to continually arise, whether a specified enactment was or was not in accord with the Constitution: dispute likely to be rancorous and terminate in force if no other method of decision was provided. The opinion further established that no officer of the Government was shielded from legal accountability by his official character if he trampled upon the vested rights of the most humble citizen. It was not strange that

the new President and his followers looked askance at the looming up of this judicial supervision, and sought to break its force by the criticism that so much of the opinion as passed on the validity of the petitioner's appointment was extra-judicial, unnecessary to the decision, and so without authority, and introduced to vent some Federal spleen on the President, and drive him to a surrender of the offices which he withheld; because, said the assailants, if the Court had no juris diction, as it declared it had none, to issue the writ of mandamus at all. tered it whether the applicant was duly appointed or not, and what possible conern had the Judge with that inquiry The suggestion never in the least touched or weakened the magnificent force of the constitutional argument, but has cast a blur upon the legal excellance and accuracy of the opinion which has disturbed even devoted admirers of its author, and led sometimes almost to apology. In the Centennial history of the Court published with its approval the opinion is said to be respects obiter dictum,' the same thing is apparently conceded by the Court itself as late as 1880 in the case of United States v. Schurz (102 U. S. 375) though it is added that the ruling, although said to be extra-judicial, has been steadily followed. I do not admit the soundness of the criticism. I have no apologies to make, but insist that none are needed. I maintain the judicial correctness and propriety of the whole opinion and deny that there is a single word in it which is extra-judicial or unnecessary to the ultimate decision. Be patient with me, I pray you, while I venture to remove even the faintest film of suspicion from one of the ablest and fairest opinions ever traced by a judicial pen. I admit that ordinarily where the jurisdiction of the Court to grant the relief sought is challenged that becomes the first question to be determined, and if the Court is of the opinion that such jurisdiction does not exist the case is ended and comment upon the possible rights of the parties is immaterial, impertinent, and binds nobody. But that rule on oc-casion comes in collision with another rule to which it is necessarily subordinate; a rule of great value and of extremest wisdom, never to be consciously violated. That rule is that an Act of Legislature should never be declared unconstitutional and therefore void except where such declaration is absolutely and inevitably necessary to a determination of the case before the Court :-- that is to say that if the controversy can be determined on other grounds it must be determined on other grounds, and the consti-tutional question be left to some proper, because imperative occasion. The power to vindicate the Constitution against legislation which contravences it is the highest and most delicate power of the Judiciary. By the early Court it was spoken of with reverence as an "awful" power. It is no common thing, no cheap resource to be drawn on at will. It challenges the action of the People's representatives, of a co-ordinate department of the Government; it throttles a law by them enacted: it measures the act by the fundamental Indeed such a tremendous power should never be exerted without a necessity so imperative that from it there is no To that rule which Marshall himself afterward formulated he gave a just obedience as it was his duty to do. That duty demanded that before raising the Constitution question he should first determine whether to solve the case before him it was necessary to raise it; whether it might not be that the writ could be refused without touching the grave question of constitutional jurisdiction at all; in which event that question must be left, for the time at least, un-To perform that duty the judge was compelled first to ascertain whether, on the facts, the applicant was entitled to the issue of a mandamus. Only if he was did the further question arise whether the Court had power to issue it. For the inquiry was not whether there was general jurisdiction over the subject-matter of the dicant's right to his rammieeia body disputing that, but whether there existed the special jurisdiction to award a particular form of remedy, and so if the applicant was not entitled to that remedy, whether the court could give it or not, that would be the sufficient and proper answer. To add another obviously needless and yet involving a grave Constitutional question would be extra-judicial and rob the decision on that point of all authority. Obiter dictum! Jefferson would have shouted,—a Federal harangue tacked to an ended opinion!

I may possibly,—at the expense of some endurable repetition,—put the justification of the opinion as a whole in

another form. There were three methods of framing it and only three. First: the Judge might hold that the appointment was not complete until the commission was delivered and so the applicant had no right to a mandamus. That would end the case and the opinion, for since the writ was refused for one sufficient reason it was not permissible to give another involving the constitutionality of a statute. Second: he might pass over the question of the applicant's right in silence and go to the constitutional question. But in that event those who believed the applicant had no right could dispute the necessity of the constitutional argument and therefore deny its authority; saying that the Judge silently assumed what was false to justify his resort to the constitutional question, and did not dare either to assert or argue the proposition assumed. Or third: he could do as he did, first establish the applicant's right and then, the necessity of deciding the constitutional question being shown, proceed finally to the argument of that. And so I am confident that there is not and never has been any real foundation for the criticisms of enemies or the half-doubt of friends; that the opinion is not marred by the presence of a single needless or extra-judicial word; that from the beginning to the end it moves on its way with a logic as faultless as it is irresistible and with a simplicity that is massive and grand; a carving cut from flawless marble by a master hand.

We may take this case as a type and example and spare ourselves any discussion of those others which slowly but surely build up that solid edifice of Constitutional law which has proved to be the fortress and the glory of our Republican institutions. For thirty-four years he continued his judicial labors handing down from the Bench about five hundred opinions. They were models of judicial style. I often wondered how it happened that his severe reasoning and close and inexorable logic was clothed in words not only simple, but always apt to convey the thought, and flowing along with a movement as smooth and grand as that of a loop river unwexed by rock or rapids deep river unvexed by rock or rapids. Perhaps Judge Story has given us the explanation. He credits Marshall with much of literary taste, describing him as a persistent reader of the famous English authors and as specially fond of poetry even tempted into writing verses of his own. The fact tends to lessen our wonder at the lucid smoothness of his style, the even balance of his sentences, and now and then the dainty choice of an adjective. In one instance, at least, a flash of irony lit up the sober flow of his argument with an interjected phrase delicate indeed but having a cutting edge. And yet no grace or elegance of style was ever chosen for itself alone, but always as the fit vest-ment of close and logical thought. In that direction his opinions were remark-

able for many things and in many ways.

They exhibited on occasion a resolute and unflinching but calm and dignified courage. It was no light matter to face the hostile legislation of one of the older States practically defying a decision of the Court, and the order of a Governor calling out his troops to resist by force the execution of a Federal decree. Very grave but very firm were Marshall's words as he stated the momentous truth that if any State could at will so nullify a National judgment there was an end of the Court and of the Constitution, and the Nation was resolved into warring and colliding fragments; and somewhat stern his order that the judgment should be enforced. It took some courage, too, on the trial of Burr for treason to lay down a rule of evidence which made a conviction impossible in the face of a strong popular demand for such conviction. Burr was distrusted by Washington and Marshall revered Washington. Burr shot Hamilton and Marshall loved Hamilton. That Burr was at least quilty of some That Burr was at least guilty of some unlawful conspiracy was plain, and the whole force and energy of Jefferson's administration and of his party following was brought to bear against the man who by a sort of political treachery, had a most beaten Jefferson out of the Presidency. But there was the Constitutional definition of treason requiring some overt act to be proved by at least two witnesses,—a definition meant to protect the People against that horrible and dangerous doctrine of constructive treason which had stained the English records with blood and filled the English valleys with innocent graves. The steadfast Judge would not relax or weaken the rule and trials for treason are almost unknown in our legal records.

His opinions also are remarkable for their great reach into the future of the Nation and almost prophetic understand-

ing of its coming growth. When Jefferson bought of Napoleon the whole Orleans territory and so made American the mouths of the Great River he did a thing marvelously wise in its foresight and magnificent in its results. It was the victory of a fortunate moment. The President cornered the Emperor. Yet, so deep had the partisan spirit of the time sunk into Jefferson that we find him saying to his friends that he knew he had thereby violated the Constitution. Not so at all. He merely violated his own narrow and grudging construction of that instrument, and read it more correctly by his acts than his words. Marshall, with eyes looking far into the future, had settled all such questions. He said that the Constitution had made of the people of the States a Nation and it had a Nation's right to acquire territory by conquest or purchase. He said again: "the power of governing and of legislating for a territory is the inevitable consequence of the right to acquire and hold territory. Accordingly we find Congress possessing

and exercising the absolute and undisputed power of governing and legislating for the territory of Orleans." These wise and weighty words shine down upon us in the emergencies through which our National life is passing as if they had been kindled and aflame for the new summer of a new century. He who spoke them has been silent for more than sixty years, and yet they come to us as if he was yet alive and saw and felt their fitness for the new duties which have led us into untried ways. There is in them the light that will guide our hesitant steps, the strength that will brace all weariness or fear, the germ of a vital truth expanding before our eyes. They should encourage the man who shivers before the far-flying of the Nation's flag; they should shame the lips, few and scattered, spitting venom at the manliness of those who bear it; they should shame the mere demagogue though nothing can shame him; and they should serve as the warrant for that vig orous National growth which is both natural and necessary; for when a Nation ceases to grow that Nation begins to die.

Silent for more than sixty years! alas, yes! For death came to the great Chief Justice as it comes to all; found him with the harness on, struggling against weakness to drag his accustomed load; left him asleep under the Virginian sod every blade of which he loved with a Virginian's love for his native soil; left him with a simple and modest stone carved with the simple and modest words dictated by himself to mark his resting place. We may say of it as Goldwin Smith has beautifully said of the plain tomb of the first Edward: "Pass it not by for its simplicity: there is no nobler dust."

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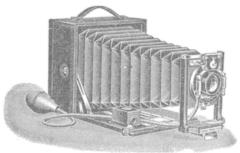
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The trip of the hockey team last week could not have been more successful. Thee games were played, one each with Swarthmore, Pennsylvania and Princeton, all in Philadelphia. The first of the three games, that with Swarthmore, was played on Thursday evening and from the beginning Cornell had the best of it, keeping the play in their opponents' territory nearly all the time. The final score was 4 to 1. Of the four goals Whitman scored 2 and Wood 2.

On Friday evening the University of Pennsylvania was defeated by a score of 4 to 1. In the first half Cornell scored two goals and Pennsylvania one. In the second half the better condition of the Cornell men was apparent and the play was almost entirely near Pennsylvania's goal. The playing of Kier at goal for Pennsylvania was magnificent throughout and doubtless affected the score. Cornell's goals were scored as follows: Brown 2, Whitman 1, Wood 1.

The third and last game was played on Saturday night against Princeton, Cornell winning by a score of 4 to 2. Brown scored twice, Whitman once and Lee once. This was much the fastest game of the three, Princeton playing harder and generally better than either of the other teams Cornell had met.

The most noticeable point about the playing of the Cornell men was the magnificent team work which they put up. This more than anything else was responsible for the success they achieved. Another feature worthy of note was the excellent physical condition of all the Cornell men, due to two weeks of hard daily practice on the outdoor rink at Beebe Lake. The advantage of this was shown in each of the three games when, in the second half, the Cornell men were in much better condition than their opponents. Throughout the series, there were brilliant individual plays. Brown's work was fast and clever, and at goal Day strengthened the team greatly. Ellis also played a good game at cover point. The work of the forwards without exception was excellent.

The attendance at all of the games was good, but especially so on Saturday night when Princeton was played. Hawley Taussig, '98, and Wiley Wakeman, '99, were instrumental in gathering a large crowd of rooters, an act which was greatly appreciated by the team. They also did a great deal to make the team's stay in Philadelphia as pleasant as possible.

Yale may be played in about two weeks if warm weather does not interfere with the practice.

In the Pennsylvania and Princeton games Roberts was injured, his place being filled by Lee.

Brown University has accepted Yale's challenge for a dual chess match to be played during the Easter vacation in Providence.

Cornell Wins at Georgetown.

The Cornell relay team again defeated Columbia on Saturday night at the annual indoor games of Georgetown University. Although Cornell led from the start, the race was closely contested. Young, who ran first for Cornell, lead by half a yard on the first relay. Warren increased the advantage by another half yard and Sears opened up ten yards on Van Cise. Marshall struggled gamely to overcome the lead, but it was too much for him and Hastings finished four yards ahead. The summary follows:

Relay race—Won by Cornell; Young, Warren, Sears, Hastings. Columbia—Bishop, Earle, VanCise, Marshall, second. Time, 3 minutes 38 1-5 seconds.

In the individual events Hastings finished second in the 880 yard run, which was won by Marshall of Montclair in 2:10 4-5. The event of the evening, however, was the 50-yard dash which was won by Duffy of Georgetown, in the remarkable time of 5 seconds. This breaks the world's record of 5 1-4 seconds which was held by H. M. Johnson and L. Myers, and has stood since 1884.

## Debate News.

The debate team that is to represent Cornell in the contest with Columbia tomorrow evening left for New York today. The preliminary work is practically completed.

The judges as agreed upon by the two colleges are General Francis V. Greene, Mr. Edward M. Shepard, and Mr. Albert M. Stickney, all of New York.

The debate, which will be held in the Lenox Lyceum on Madison Avenue near 59th street, will be free to the public. While no delegation will attend the debate from Ithaca, a large number of Cornell men will be present from the medical college in New York to aid the alumni in the cheering.

Friday evening, March 8, a Cornell smoker will be held in honor of the team at 49 West 43rd street. The Cornell Club of New York extends an invitation to all members of the University to be present.

The final interclass debate will occur March 15. The subject chosen is: "Resolved, That the liquor canteen should have been abolished." The Andrew D. White Club, 1901, represented by F. E. Cardullo, M. J. Gilliam, and G. A. Oldham, will support the negative and F. L. Carlisle, G. H. Sabine, and W. A. Frayer will uphold the affirmative, for the J. G. Schurman Club, 1903.





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