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## THE INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE.

[Purpose of the Debate—Methods Employed by the Cornell Team in Preparing: for the Debate.](#)

Now that the debate with Columbia is so soon to occur, the method by which Cornell has prepared for that debate should be a topic of interest. The method is no secret. Inter-collegiate debating is carried on here not so much as a means of winning glory and prominence for Cornell as of spreading and improving the standard of collegiate oratory throughout the country. Other universities are welcome to take advantage of Cornell's system and experiments, and to profit by her mistakes. In the first place, it is to be noted that the end in view in all the debate work of Cornell is the development, not of a debate, but of debaters. In the courses of argumentation and debate and in the interclub debates, the training is systematic, the object always being that students should acquire the habit of forensic thought. Experience is given in making briefs of many different questions, so that with those students who carry on the work to any extent the habit of grasping the details of an argument and of presenting them logically becomes second nature. Special contests, such as Friday's debate with Columbia, are but occasions on which principles which have already been established in the regular work are applied to a particular question. The task then becomes, not to seek for three good men to represent Cornell, but from all the capable men who are ready and able to take the positions to select the three best qualified.

In the preparation for the present contest it fell to the lot of Cornell to present the subject. After the selection of the team as a result of the '94 Memorial contest in January, the first work in the special preparation was the search for an evenly-balanced question which should be satisfactory from all standpoints. Each question proposed was studied carefully by the members of the team, and discussed by them and the Debate Council. Finally the question was adopted, "Resolved, That President Krueger's Ultimatum was Justified," and Columbia chose the affirmative. Then the Cornell speakers began their study of the negative side.

From that time on conferences were held with varying frequency between the team and Professor Lee and those who assist him in debate work. At the first of these conferences the meaning of the question, its bearings and limitations, were discussed at length, and a clear understanding was obtained of the points at issue and the burdens of proof which fall naturally to each side. Soon after, a Socratic debate was held between the team and other students in the University, at which by means of questions and answers the many points of difficulty were brought out and explained away. By these means it was endeavored to harmonize the opinions of the debaters and bring them together for effective team work.

A fortunate feature of the preparation was the debate between the sophomore and junior debate clubs, who chose for their subject the one on which the intercollegiate team was preparing. This enabled the latter to hear the arguments of both sides presented by able debaters in a well-contested match. The next evening the arguments of the affirmative in that debate were considered and answered at informal conference. The preliminary brief of the question as it was then understood was next made out by the team. It was, however, revised and the method of procedure altered at a later date. The next step in the work of the preparation was a formal practice debate with the sophomore team, which had supported the affirmative in the interclass contest.

The arguments were then drawn up and presented for criticism to members of the faculty appointed for that purpose. Here it should be noted that it is the debaters themselves who study up the question and formulate the arguments. The professors give their services simply as advisers and critics. The characterization which has been made of intercollegiate debates, that they are contests between the faculties of two institutions, as far as it relates to Cornell, is distinctly untrue. Professor Lee's motto, which is conscientiously lived up to, is "Help the team to help themselves."

Finally came the arrangements of the argument in the last brief, and practice of team work in presenting it. No set speeches were learned, however, and no addresses committed to memory. This is in line with the regular Cornell system, which requires that the debaters shall have a thorough grasp of every point of the subject but shall trust entirely to extemporaneous thought for the presentation of them.

The NEWS takes this opportunity to announce that it proposes to publish a special debate supplement giving the speeches of both sides verbatim. All who desire extra copies of this supplement will do well to notify the manager at once.

## THE CREWS.

### Summaries of the Week's Work — Other Matters of Interest.

The most important feature in the week's crew practice was the change made Tuesday in the Varsity orders. In the first boat, Beardslee was moved from his old seat at No. 6 to No. 4, English being transferred from the latter position to that of stroke in the second boat. English, it

will be remembered, stroked the 1901 freshman eight, and the Varsity four-oared last June. Francis, who stroked last year's freshmen, and has filled the same position thus far in the second boat occupied Beardslee's seat at No. 6 in the first. These changes have continued in effect throughout the week and Coach Courtney seems satisfied that, for the present at least, they are for the best.

The complete orders of the two 'Varsities are as follows : Stroke, Robbins, '01 ; 7 Dalzell, '00, (captain); 6, Francis, '02, 5, Smallwood, '00; 4, Beardslee, '00; 3, Petty, '02 ; 2, Vanderhoef, '01 ; bow, Hartley, '01 ; coxswain, Magoffin, '00 ; stroke, English, '01 ; 7, Toohill, '02 ; 6, Powley, '02 ; 5, Ayers, '00; 4, Chase, '02 ; 3, Beyer, '02 ; 2, Kugler, '02 ; bow, Brinckerhoff, '02 ; coxswain, Long, '02.

These crews were on the Lake four days of last week. On Monday, the two boats were given a hard mile- and-a-half race on the Lake, in which the second 'Varsity, although forging considerably ahead at the start, was beaten at the finish by several lengths. On the following day, the shells merely made the run to Glenwood and back.

On Friday, the practice was especially severe. Coach Courtney sent the two boats to Crowbar and throughout the trip to that point kept the launch in the closest possible position to the shells, giving especial attention to coaching the individual members of the first boat. Reaching Crowbar, the shells headed for the southern end of the Lake and began a four mile race, the second 'Varsity being given a small handicap. The first 'Varsity reduced this lead steadily, and finished four lengths ahead.

At Saturday's practice visitors were: L. VV. Emerick, '91, of Syracuse, a former 'Varsity coxswain; E. R. Sweetland, '99, Syracuse University's crew and football coach; and Manager Cutler, of the Syracuse crew. At Mr. Cutler's request, the first 'Varsity brought out the new shell, recently completed for the Syracuse crew, and occupied it during a short trial spin on the Inlet. The Syracuse representatives seemed much pleased with the boat. Coach Courtney then took the first and second 'Varsities to the Lake. The water, however, proved too rough for hard practice and the crews were given an easy row for a mile and a half up the west shore.

Throughout the week, a third 'Varsity has always rowed, composed as follows: Stroke, Flowers, '02; 7, Taylor, '01; 6, Coleman, '02, (B. Smith, '03 ); 3, Edmonston, '02 ; 4, VanAlstyne, '03; 3, Rhodes, '01 ; 2, Burrows, '02 ; bow. Nichols, '02; coxswain, Price, '02. This combination held on the Inlet Thursday two races with the second 'Varsity crew over the quarter-mile course. The two crews proved more evenly matched than was expected, the second 'Varsity winning the first race by a third of a length and the second race by a little less than that distance.

The freshman combination has throughout the week rowed in the eight-oared barge, but will this week be placed in a shell. The order has been as follows: Merrill, stroke: Kuschke, 7; Benedict, 6; Hutton, 5; Frenzel, 4; Osborne, 3; Ballinger, 2; Longyear, bow; J. Smith, coxswain.

Now that the candidates have been on the water for over a month, a brief summary of their work may be of interest.

Contrary to expectation, the season has not been particularly late. While practice on the Inlet began late in March, about the same time as last year, the work on the Lake, which counts so much in the training, has begun considerably earlier this season, since the candidates were last year confined to the Inlet until April 25.

Another important point of difference between the '00 and the '99 training is in the relative amount of attention given by Coach Courtney to the 'Varsity and the freshman candidates. His usual custom has been to give the greater amount of personal coaching to the new men, and to hold a series of races between the first and second freshman crews over the quarter mile course on the Inlet. This year, however, he has given the freshmen comparatively little racing, and has made the list of drill exempts somewhat smaller than usual, in order to devote the greater part of his time to the first and second 'Varsity combinations. That the racing, usually so exciting a feature of the spring work, has to a great extent been omitted may largely account for the very noticeable absence of spectators at daily practice.

Regarding the improvement made by the crews, little new can be said. That the first 'Varsity is exhibiting, for this season of the year, remarkably good form and speed, seems to be the opinion generally expressed by those in position to judge. The second 'Varsity have not shown up so well as might be desired. They seem now, however, to be gradually but steadily bettering. The excellent work of the freshmen was apparent very early in the season, and their practice of the last few weeks has given no ground for a change of view.

On the whole, the prospects are encouraging. Determination to face the hardest of continued practice is everywhere present among the crew candidates, and there seems no inclination on the part of those in charge to make that practice any-thing but hard.

Nothing definite has yet been decided with reference to a dual race between Syracuse's 'varsity and some crew from Cornell. A conference was held at Ithaca on Saturday but the negotiations were merely tentative.

#### [Athletic Council.](#)

The Athletic Council held an important meeting on Friday night of last week. F.O. Affeld, '97, of New York City and H. L. Taylor, '88, of Buffalo were the out of town representatives present.

The athletic clubs having declined to send a representative to the council, it was voted that the additional undergraduate representative should be elected by the undergraduate wearers of the "C." It was voted also that a letter be sent to the alumni associations proposing that the alumni be asked only for subscriptions for equipment improvement and extra expenses, and that any deficit in any branch of University athletics be paid by student subscriptions. The

various associations were requested to reply to the overture and express an opinion thereon at the Council's May meeting.

The football schedule as amended was submitted and ratified, while Frederick Willis, '01, was elected football manager for next year. The track schedule was also approved. The proposed race with Syracuse on Cayuga Lake was referred to the Navy Committee.

## BASEBALL.

### [Coach Jennings leaves--The Week's Practice.](#)

Coach Hugh Jennings, of the baseball team, took final leave of Captain Bole and his men Monday evening, and went direct to New York to join the Brooklyn team for the season of 1900.

At training table Monday night Jennings was presented with two solid silver loving cups of attractive design. The larger, presented by Manager Wright on behalf of the team, bore the inscription, "To Hugh Jennings, in appreciation of his services as coach. From the Cornell 'varsity baseball team, 1900." The second, of the same design, but smaller, was offered by left-fielder Newton, on behalf of "the union." This subordinate organization is made up of Newton, Brown, Stratton and assistant manager Thomas. The three players mentioned were each credited with a home run on the Southern trip. On their cup was inscribed, "To Hugh Jennings, from the Cornell Union, in appreciation of special attention to the Union." Coach Jennings accepted the gifts with an appropriate response.

Harry L. Taylor, '88, has since taken charge of the team and under his direction the 'Varsity and scrub nines have been pitted against each other daily with varying results. The arrangement and composition of the 'Varsity has been often changed of late during the practice games owing to the confusion in plays and want of head work at critical moments on the part of some of the players. The coaches have been working hard to remedy this defect and have made notable progress in that direction. Ex-Captain Murtaugh, of the '99 team assisted in the coaching for a few days during the week.

The game with Boston College scheduled for Wednesday the 18th, was cancelled at the last moment owing to the refusal of the Boston faculty to permit the proposed trip.

### [Carlisle Indians Defeated in the Eighth Inning.](#)

Cornell defeated Carlisle Saturday afternoon by the score of 13 to 4. Bole was in the box for the home team and pitched with steadiness, Carlisle getting but few hits. Newton's fielding and Costello's work at third base were brilliant features of the game. Leroy, who pitched for the Indians, was at times puzzling.

In the first inning, hits by Robertson and Bole and a passed ball by Pierce scored two runs for Cornell. In the second inning neither side scored. In the third Robertson got a base on balls, stole second, and scored on Brown's three bagger; Brown scored on a passed ball by Pierce.

Miller singled, stole second and scored on Pierce's hit; Lubo made single and advanced Pierce to third, when a wild throw to second and a passed ball by Whinery let in two runs. Neither team scored in the fourth. In the seventh a wild throw by Whinery gave the Indians a run. Cornell won the game in the eighth inning by bunching its hits. Two more runs were made in the ninth by Cornell but the Indians failed to score.

Full score:

Cornell	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Newton l.f.	2	2	5	0	0
Bole p.	1	2	0	7	0
Roberston 1b.	2	0	13	1	1
Brown s.s.	2	1	1	0	1
Lyon c.f.	2	1	2	0	0
Patterson 2b.	1	2	1	1	0
Sauders r.f.	1	1	1	1	0
Costello 3 b.	1	0	3	4	0
Whinery c.	1	1	1	0	2
Totals	13	10	27	14	4

Carlisle Indians	R.	H.	P.O.	A.	E.
Miller 3 b.	1	1	1	2	0
Pierce c. and 1 b.	1	1	15	1	0
Lubo l.f.	1	0	1	0	3
Johnson 2 b.	0	2	1	1	1
Leroy p.	0	0	1	5	2
Roberts 1b. and c.	0	0	7	2	0
Pratt r.f.	0	1	1	0	0
Rogers c.f.	1	1	0	0	0
Black Chief s.s.	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	4	7	27	12	6

Summary—Two base hits, Newton, Patterson and Whinery; three base hits; Brown; first base on errors, Cornell, 4, Carlisle. 1; first base on balls, off Leroy, 4; off Bole, 1; hit by pitched ball. Brown: struck out, by Bole, 12; by Leroy, 10; passed balls. Whinery. 1; Pierce, 4; Roberts, 2; wild pitches, Bole and Leroy; stolen bases, Cornell. 4; Carlisle, 2; left on base, Cornell, 5; Carlisle, 4: time of game, 2 hours and ten minutes; umpire, Hoagland, of Auburn.

## FENCING.

### Cornell defeats Pennsylvania.

A large and enthusiastic audience filled Barnes Hall, Friday evening and witnessed the defeat by Cornell of the team from Pennsylvania. The contest though interesting was not especially close, Cornell winning seven out of nine bouts.

In addition to the contest proper, a varied program was rendered, consisting of musical selections, special fencing and cutlass exhibitions, and an address by Professor Morse Stephens.

In the first bout of the contest, Wieland, Davis and Knipe won from their respective opponents. In the second bout Stathers of Pennsylvania won from Knipe but Davis and Wieland were each successful. In the final bout Buckeridge of Pennsylvania won from Wieland but Davis and Knipe each won their bouts, making the final score 7-2 in favor of Cornell.

The individual scores were Cornell, Davis 3, Knipe 2, Wieland 2. Pennsylvania, Stathers 1, Buckeridge 1, Gilbert 0. The judges were Professor W. F. Durand and Dr. Jacob Segali.

At the close of the contest the Pennsylvanians were entertained by the home team at the Dutch Kitchen.

### Cornell Wins in Lacrosse.

The Cornell lacrosse team won the first game of its season last Friday afternoon defeating Hobart by a score of 2-1. In the first half the home team failed to score, and Hobart, by a series of good plays, succeeded in making their only goal, through a good throw by Simmons. The half was called with the ball in Hobart's territory.

In the second half Cornell was more aggressive and by good passes and long runs by Scoville and Magoffin succeeded in scoring two goals, both thrown by G. A. Smith. Cornell played a heady game but the goal shooting and catching of the ball was at times poor. A return game with Hobart will be played at Geneva April 28.

The positions of the teams and the men who filled them were:

HOBART	POSITIONS	CORNELL
Bougher	Goal	Briner
Boiscor	Point	McDougall
Coleman	Cover point	Forrest
Warner	1 <sup>st</sup> defense	Gratton
Wilson	2 <sup>nd</sup> defense	Magoffin
Bennett	3 <sup>rd</sup> defense	Peck
King	Centre	Boecher
Simons	3 <sup>rd</sup> attack	Scoville
Warren	2 <sup>nd</sup> attack	Simis, Dodge
Sosonwski (Capt.)	1 <sup>st</sup> attack	E.P Smith (Capt.)
Cook	Outside home	G.A. Smith
Whalley	Inside home	Wood

Time of game, 1 hour 10 minutes. Goal, by Simons 1; by G.A. Smith, 2. Referee, Dr. Layton. Umpire; Alexander. Cornell: Teller, Hobart.

## The University Orchestra.

Several times "during the past few years attempts have been made to establish at Cornell a University Orchestra, but none of them have met with very great success. The most earnest endeavor was made last year by Professor Trevor who succeeded in bringing together a full Symphony Orchestra but it was finally given up because of a lack of interest.

This year, however, an orchestra has been started which bids fair to become one of the established institutions of the University. With the aid of Mr. W. Grant Egbert, director of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music, a limited number of musicians was selected from the best talent in the University and Mr. Egbert was persuaded to undertake the duties of director. Since the early part of last term the work has been carried on with enthusiasm and the rehearsals have continued regularly down to the present.

The orchestra consists of twenty-five members: eight first violins, eight second violins, four violas, three cellos, and two double basses. It is the intention soon to add the wind instruments to this number, thus making it a complete symphony orchestra.

The kind of music which the orchestra has been studying can best be seen from the following program which has been arranged for the first concert, to be given in Barnes Hall on Thursday, May third:

7th Symphony, Finale - Haydn

Soprano Solo

Asa's Tod - Grieg

Anitra's Tanz - Grieg

Air (Violin) - Bach

Piano Concerto, Scherzo - Saint Saens

In The Mill - Gillett

Frühling - Grieg

SOLOISTS :

Mr. Wm. Grant Egbert - Violinist

Miss Sophie Fernow - Pianist

Mrs. A. B. Trowbridge - Soprano

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Dr. Wagner, of the Binghamton State Hospital, delivered in the Botanical Lecture Room Monday evening the second of his course of lectures on mental diseases. His subject was "The Manifestations of Insanity and the Significance of Delusions and Hallucinations."

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A few files of volume one of the Alumni News are still left. An early application must be made in order to secure one. Volume one will be sent postpaid upon the receipt of \$1.00.

## THE ALUMNI.

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

## COMMENCEMENT REUNIONS.

Those Who are Looking After the Reunions for this June.

'70. S. D. Halliday.

'75. E. L. Nichols.

'80. Wm. A. Finch.

'85. Anna Botsford Comstock.

E.H . Bostwick.

Geo. D. Atkinson.

'90. A. B. Trowbridge.

Edith A. Ellis.

P. A. Fish.

' 95. Wm. F. Atkinson.

Address any inquiries regarding reunions to any of the above at Ithaca. The detailed announcements calling these reunions were published in the NEWS of April 18. A copy of this number of the NEWS will be sent to any one upon application to the editor.

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'73, B.S. Francis W. Halsey has presented to the University Library a copy of a book, privately printed in a limited edition, memorial of his late wife Virginia Isabel Forbes.

Ex-'74. Reuben Frazer is principal of the Montgomery Union School.

'74, B.S. The News has received from Professor Herman LeRoy Fairchild, of the University of Rochester, secretary of the Geological Society of America, a pamphlet containing a list of his published writings. Dating from 1877, they number 64, mostly monographs published in newspapers and scientific journals.

'75, B.S., '77, M.S. Dudley R. Horton has transferred his law offices to the Park Row Building, New York City.

Ex-'77. William S. Boynton is treasurer and trustee of the Passumpsic Savings Bank, at St. Johnsbury, Vt.

'77, B.S. Charles Marion Cooper is a practicing attorney with offices at 51 Lombard Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

'78, B.Arch. The *Buffalo Express* of April 15 contains a full description, illustrated, of the Albright Art Gallery, soon to be erected in Delaware Park, Buffalo. "In designing it," says the *Express*, "a rare opportunity has come to Messrs. Green & Wicks to embody a beautiful and adequate idea in enduring stone." Edward Broadhead Green, '78, is the Green of the architectural firm.

'81, B.S. Dewitt Clinton Dommick is principal of the Walden Union School.

'81 and '91. Governor Roosevelt on April 16 announced the New York State tenement-house commission appointed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 279 of the laws of 1900, whose duties, in the words of the Statute, is to make a careful examination into the tenement houses in the cities of the first class, their condition as to construction, healthfulness, safety, rentals, and the effect of tenement life on the health, education, and morals of those who live in tenement houses and all other phases of the so-called tenement house question in New York and Buffalo that can affect the public welfare. Two Cornell men are on the commission: Otto M. Eidlitz, '81, builder, of the firm of Mark Eidlitz & Son, New York; and Raymond F. Almirall, '91, who, after graduating in architecture, studied at the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris, and has since pursued his profession in New York.

Ex-'87. E. E. E. Scribner, formerly principal of the Trumansburg High School, is now principal of that at Dunkirk, N. Y.

'87, B. S. Word has been received at Cornell that Robert T. Hill, of the United States Geological Survey, has recently discovered in Texas extensive and valuable quicksilver mines, and is now a large owner of these valuable properties.

'88, B.S. in Agr. Albert Elbracht Metzger is in the real estate, insurance and loan business, as head of the A. E. Metzger Agency, Indianapolis, Ind.

'90, E.E. Louis W. Healy is now at East Liverpool, O.

'90, B.L. J. DuPratt White, of Nyack has been nominated by Gov. Theodore Roosevelt and confirmed by the New York senate as a commissioner of the Palisades Interstate Park.

'90, M.E. William S. Monroe, now member of the firm of Rae & Monroe, electrical and mechanical engineers, is the author of a series of papers published lately in the *Engineering Record* on "Modern Practice in Steam Heating and Ventilation."

'91, E.E. Ernest H. Brown is now with the Allvy Smelting Company, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

'91 and '99. Louis W. Emerick and Edwin R. Sweetland were in Ithaca last Saturday representing the Syracuse University Navy in race negotiations.

'91, M.E. Since 1892, Warren H. Meeker has been assistant professor of mechanical engineering in the Iowa State College.

'92. M.E. Arthur H. Woodward is president of the International Register Company of Chicago.

'92, C. E. A son has been born to Roscoe C. Beebe of Athens, Pa.

'92, B.L. Deo. C. Kreidler, who for several years has been practicing law in Chicago, has accepted a position with the Lawyers' Co-operative Publishing Company, of Rochester, N. Y.

'92, M.E., '93, M.M.E., '97, LL. B. Francis H. Boland is with Hoadly, Lauterbach & Johnson, attorneys at law, 22 William Street, New York City.

'92, A.B. Among the members of the Stanford faculty in attendance at the University of California summer school during the coming season will be Professor C. A. Duniway of the history department. He will give a course of thirty lectures, on "English History since 1485."

'92, B. S. in Arch. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bacon of Milwaukee announce the engagement of their daughter Florence, to William Waters, Jr., of Oshkosh. The wedding will take place in June.

'93, Ph.B. Emory M. Wilson is teaching in the High School of Washington, D. C.

'93, Nellie Ann Burr is principal of the Williamson Union School.

'93, M.E. Professor Guido H. Marx is working out a solution of the problem of water supply for the campus of Stanford University.

'93, M.M.E. Edson Fessenden Folsom has for the past three or four years been connected with the Brown-Ketchum Iron Works, Indianapolis, as mechanical engineer.

'93. Herbert C. Howe has an illustrated article on Cornell University in the April number of *Self Culture*. The article will be concluded in the May number.

'93, C. E. Lieut. William R. Doores, of the 5th Artillery, U. S. A., has returned from Puerto Rico, and is now stationed at Fort Wadsworth, Staten Island, N. Y.

'94, A.B. Leah L. Lindsey is a teacher in the Lockport Union School.

'94, Ph.D. W. B. Elkin has left the Teachers' College, New York City, and is now connected with the department of psychology and education, Hamilton College, at Clinton, N. Y;

'94, B. S. in Arch., '97, M. E. John Paul Young has left the Schon Pressed Steel Car Company, and is now with the Westinghouse Machine Company at Pittsburg, in the gas engine testing and erecting department.

'94, B.L. H. J. Hagerman, secretary of the Embassy of the United States in St. Petersburg, sails for America on the "St. Louis" from Cherbourg on June 2, to spend his vacation in America.

'95, M. L. Dr.. Thurston is in receipt of the first copy of a volume entitled "Gas Engine Handbook" edited by E. W. Roberts.

'95, M. E. Frederick James Emeny is mechanical engineer with the Deming Company at Salem, Ohio, not Salem, Oregon, as stated in a recent issue of the Alumni News.

'96, E.E. Alfred M. Roedelheim is connected with the Roxford Knitting Company, Lehigh Avenue and Front St., Philadelphia. He is at present traveling in Europe with his father, whose physician has ordered him thither for his health.

'96, M.E. Theodore Gustav Plate, of Newark, N. J., and Miss Clara L. Parson, of Binghamton, were married Wednesday evening, April 18, at the home of the bride's uncle in Binghamton. Mr. and Mrs. Plate visited Cornell on their wedding trip.

'96, M.E. The Dickson Locomotive Works of Scranton, Pa., are regretting the resignation of William E. Woodard, who has taken a position with the Schenectady Locomotive Works.

'97, Ph. B., '98, LL. B. Robert M. Snow, who opened offices as an attorney in Syracuse last winter, is now at the home of his parents in Fulton convalescing from an attack of pneumonia.

'98, Ph.B. Ernest Gustav Lorenzen has been appointed by President Schurman as Cornell delegate to the Second Congress of the International Students' Federation. The meeting will be held in August next in Paris under the auspices of the general association of students of Paris, of which Mr. Lorenzen is now a member.

Ex-'99· William S. Dunning, of Syracuse, has announced his engagement to Miss Florence Derinison, of that city.

'99, B.S.A. Ernest A. Pattengill is teaching in Iowa State College, at Ames, Ia.

'99, M.E. Francis E. Blake has resigned, the position recently held at the Montreal shops of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, to accept a place in the office of the master- mechanic of the Arnold Print Works, of North Adams, Mass.

'99, Ph.B. The engagement is announced of Royal Storrs Haynes to Miss Effie Murray Abrams, of Hartford, Conn., a former member of the class of 1902.

'99, A.B. The teacher of Latin and German in the Decatur (Ill.) High School, is Oscar F. Smith.

### Obituary.

CHARLES SEWARD HOYT, EX- 94.

On Tuesday, April 17, occurred the death of Charles Seward Hoyt, ex-'94, at Canandaigua, N.Y. The cause of the death was tuberculosis of the lungs. The funeral was held at the home of Mrs. Hoyt, 37 Howell St., Canandaigua, Thursday, April 19, and was attended by five members of the active chapter of Sigma Phi. The deceased is survived by a mother and two sisters.

Mr. Hoyt entered the University in the fall of '90, a candidate for the A.B. degree, and became a member of the Sigma Phi fraternity. He took an active interest in all student-affairs and was deservedly popular. Among other undergraduate interests with which he was identified, were the Junior Prom, committee, the '86 Memorial stage and the Masque. He was forced to leave college in the fall term of his senior year on account of ill health which prevented his taking his degree. Since leaving college he has spent most of his time in Colorado. In '93-'94 he was on a ranch at Golden, Col., and in '94 moved to Denver, where he remained until '97, engaged in teaching and doing newspaper work on the staff of the *Evening Post*. He went into the mining districts of Arizona in 1898, hoping that there he could find a more wholesome climate, but the change failed to prove beneficial. During this time his health had been growing gradually worse so that about a year ago he decided that the best thing to do was to return to his home in Canandaigua, which he then did. He has remained there until the time of his death, last Tuesday.

The news of Mr. Hoyt's death comes as a shock to all who knew him. His genial and lovable disposition had made for him many warm friends who will feel deeply his loss. He was ever a loyal Cornellian and returned to the scenes of his college days as often as was possible, which includes several visits during the past year. Surely his loss is one which is regretted and mourned by all.

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#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 1900.

The Alumni News printed in its last issue the calls for the reunions, during Commencement week, June 17- 21, of the classes of '70, '75, '80, '85, '90 and '95. We shall continue to print a summary containing the essential information.

We trust that all readers of the News will feel the duty of co-operating with the reunion committees by placing this information in the hands of Cornellians less constantly in touch with Alma Mater, and by urging upon all—as well as personally setting the example—of returning to renew old friendships and old associations.

This is the word for members of all classes, not merely those holding set reunions. One's college friends are assuredly never limited to one's classmates. The principal feature of Alumni Day is to be found in the five-year reunions. But there is the general gathering to hear the reports of alumni trustees, etc., and there is that other general gathering, the annual alumni dinner, at which every class that ever graduated should answer to the roll. Moreover, experience shows that the most enjoyable part of a class reunion is usually the capture of one or more of the friendly foes with whom the reuniting class once waged its combats. The recounting of old deeds is savorless unless salted with an occasional derisive "Yah! Yah!" from the vanquished.

The Alumni News will gladly second the committees in all their efforts, and in especial, it will undertake, as its particular task, to advise and assist in the matter of railroad schedules, hotel accommodations, etc., the members of those classes which are not provided with committees for the purpose. Write us early and we will give the matter prompt attention.

### [The Ithaca Country Club - A Golf Links Laid Out.](#)

The faculty and students of the University will soon have the use of golf links near the Campus. Mr. John Harrison, the golf expert who was engaged to lay out the course for the Country Club of Ithaca, was in town recently, and during his stay of several days mapped out a nine-hole course, 2700 yards in length, on the grounds of the club just north of Cornell Heights. Work was at once begun by a force of men who are still busy removing the stones, planting grass, and rolling the ground. The grounds should be in condition for use about May 1. The grass, however, will not be in good shape until fall.

At a recent meeting of the Country Club Professors W. D. Bancroft and J. H. Tanner and Mr. C. H. Blood were appointed a committee to raise funds and secure plans for the building of a club house. The necessary amount has already been subscribed, the plans drawn by Professor Van Pelt, and the work of getting out the lumber begun. It is to be situated on a rise of ground just north of the Wyckoff residence, where it will command a superb view of the lake and valley. In style it will be rustic with a broad piazza on three sides. Inside it will contain locker rooms for both ladies and gentlemen, a kitchen and a spacious sitting room which may also be used for dancing.

The Country Club of Ithaca was organized last winter. It has a membership of nearly one hundred, about equally divided among faculty members and residents of Ithaca. Undergraduates of the University are not admitted to active membership, but a limited number will be granted associated membership and the use of the links for an annual fee of \$10.

### [New Manager of the Football 'Team.](#)

As is noted in another column, Frederick Willis, '01, has been elected manager of the '00-'01 football team. Mr. Willis entered the University in the fall of '97 from the Pomfret School, Pomfret Center, Conn., where he had left behind him an enviable record as manager of his school team. He was manager of his class football team in Sophomore year, and in the spring of '98 was chosen assistant manager of the University team, from which position he has just been promoted to the managership. Mr. Willis has also been business manager of the Alumni News since January 1, 1900, in which position he has worked faithfully and done much to establish the News on a firm financial basis. He is a member of the Sigma Phi fraternity. His home is at Flushing, Long Island.

### [New England Cornell Club.](#)

The New England Cornell Club is distributing the circular reprinted below:

The New England Cornell Club has completed the first year of its useful career, with a record of two successful banquets, which brought together the largest gathering of Cornellians ever held outside New York; established intimate relations between the President of the University and the New England alumni; lent advice and assistance to the athletic interests of the University; and brought into closer touch the graduates of Cornell, some 300 in number, who reside in New England.

It is the intention of the officers of the club to make it useful at all times to Cornellians, and to this end the list of members first printed March 1, 1900, will be revised once or twice a year and distributed to members of the club, thus keeping them informed of the whereabouts of fellow Cornellians.

To assist the secretary in keeping an accurate roll, you are asked to immediately communicate with him, giving your address, class, fraternity, also furnishing the names of any Cornell graduates or non-graduates with their addresses.

Active membership in the New England Cornell Club which insures early receipt of all official communications, notices of dinners and copies of all Club publications is \$1. Remittances should be made before May 1, 1900, for the ensuing year's dues, and the executive committee trusts that there will be an immediate and hearty response to enable it to carry out its plans.

The Cornell Alumni News for April 4, 1900, contains the completest report of the second dinner of the club, March 23.

The Secretary-Treasurer will be glad at all times to furnish information regarding the club, its members, or Cornell affairs. Members of the Executive Committee are also glad at all times to disseminate Cornell news among Cornell men and women.

Louie Erville Ware, '92,  
Secretary-Treasurer.  
108 Austin Street, Worcester, Mass.

[Of Interest to Those Who Intend Studying in Germany.](#)  
American Colony, Walkemuhlenweg 17, Goettingen, Germany.

Dear Sir:—I desire to call your attention to the organization known as the American Colony at Goettingen composed of American students and travellers, who come in such great numbers to enjoy the varied opportunities afforded by the University, the country, and the purity of the German spoken here. It is the purpose of the Colony to render every assistance in its power to new students in becoming acquainted with the language, customs, and institutions of the country, especially at the start, and in still keeping them in touch with their country and countrymen.

I would be glad to learn the names of any students of your University who intend to reside in Germany, but especially in Goettingen, during the coming Summer or later, and shall be glad to render them any assistance possible, in regard to expenses, rooms, private and university instruction, in my capacity of president, or "Patriarch," of the Colony, to which I have just been chosen.

Membership in the Colony is coincident with American citizenship and residence in Goettingen; and there are no compulsory dues, it being the sole purpose of the Colony to be mutually helpful in an informal manner.

Very respectfully yours,

Earle R. Hendrick.

Michigan, A. B., 1896, Harvard, A. M., 1898.

### [Detroit Alumni.](#)

At a meeting of the Cornell Alumni Association of Detroit, Mich., held in the St. Claire Hotel, April 7, the following officers were elected: president, M. F. Conklin '72 ; vice-president, A. H. Green, '92 ; secretary, and treasurer, E. E. Haskell '79.

It was decided to hold the annual banquet after the Michigan-Cornell baseball game in May. The association is now 29 strong.

On recommendation of the faculty of the College of Law, the Board of Trustees has provided that the fund now devoted to the law thesis prize shall hereafter be devoted to a senior law scholarship, to be awarded each June to that member of the junior class who has done the most satisfactory work during the first two years of his course. The sum of \$100, available this year, has been awarded to W. D. Cunningham of the class of '00, College of Law.

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### [President Cannon's Lectures on Banking.](#)

President Joseph G. Cannon of the Fourth National Bank of New York city delivered four special lectures illustrated by stereopticon views, to the class in Banking and Finance last week. The lectures were very practical, and the various ledgers and systems of accounts, together with the different blanks and documents used in transacting the business of a bank, were fully explained.

In explaining the various kinds of banking institutions, the lecturer pointed out the injustice of the law that does not require trust companies to carry a reserve fund, as national banks must do, thus lightening the taxes on the former. He also spoke of the abuses to which savings banks are subject. Being intended for poor people, the amount of deposit is limited to \$3000. Many rich people deposit up to the limit in a number of different savings banks, and thus escape paying taxes on a large part of their property.

In this third lecture Mr. Cannon dealt with the clearing house system. While the function of clearing houses is to settle the accounts of various banks with each other, they have also come to regulate banking in general. The amount of actual money needed to settle the balances is, on the average, in New York City, only 4 per cent of the total amount of the accounts, but is higher

in the clearing houses of other cities. The business of the New York Clearing House represents about \$100,000,000 daily.

Mr. Cannon in his last lecture said that 90 per cent of all business is transacted on credit. Credit is to business what mortar is to a wall. Properly administered, credit helps in the rapid development of a country, but its overcheapening results in the inflation which causes financial crises.

#### [Captain Zalinski's Lecture.](#)

The Sibley students and others who heard Captain Zalinski's illustrated lecture on "Torpedoes and Submarine Mines" on April 20, received much practical information as well as enjoyment therefrom. Captain Zalinski, whose name has been connected with many of the recent developments in explosives in this country, and who lectured here not long ago on the pneumatic dynamite gun, did not confine himself entirely to the matter indicated in the title, but talked also on explosives in general, giving some valuable hints to future mining engineers on the subject of blasting. The stereopticon views were very interesting, showing, beside diagrams of explosive mines and torpedoes and plans for their arrangement for harbor defence, instantaneous views of a torpedo shot from a vessel, in the various stages of its course; and some pictures of the havoc wrought by explosions of torpedoes under and near a vessel. Some views of the "Maine" showing the results of the explosion in Havana Harbor, were also shown, and some pictures of the torpedo gun, which Captain Zalinski believes to be the ideal weapon for coast defence. This gun, using compressed air as motive power, shoots a torpedo for a 'considerable distance and at such an angle that it enters the water before reaching its target, thus being effective against the port of any war-vessel which is vulnerable. Speaking of the lyddite shells whose use has called down so much criticism upon the British in South Africa, Captain Zalinski said that the much talked of noxious fumes were due to incomplete explosion, and were thus an accidental and not a desired feature of these shells.

#### [1900 Class Book.](#)

The 1900 Class Book Committee has found it impossible to carry out its intention of having the entire edition of the book bound in leather. The regular edition will therefore be bound in an extra buckram. Those who wish, however, may have copies bound in deep leather at a slight additional charge. Orders for books so bound must be in the hands of the committee by April 25.

The prize for the best write-up of any member of the class has been awarded to the competitor who wrote under the pen-name "Gavin Dishart." The prize-winner, without revealing his identity, has requested that the five dollars of which the prize consists be turned over to the Navy. This will be done. The prize writeup is not of the usual form, but consists of an obituary memorial to Clifton Beckwith Brown.

### 1901 Cornellian.

The work on the 1901 Cornellian is being vigorously continued and it is expected that the book will be on sale much earlier than usual. The volume will be a large one, containing as it does some three hundred pages exclusive of advertisements. It has been the aim of the editors to make the 1901 Cornellian as much as possible a book of University statistics and records, and it is hoped that the volume may thus be more serviceable as a reference book for alumni than has been the case in previous years.

Seldom, if ever, have there been so many men in the University with artistic ability as at the present time. Their work has been exceptionally good and if indications may be relied upon, the drawings and illustrations will be the best ever seen in a Cornellian.

Although the number of pages devoted to University statistics is greater than heretofore, yet the literary department does not suffer. The contributions have been very satisfactory as to both quantity and quality and those who have desired to see this department represented as formerly will not be disappointed.

### American Club at Oxford.

An American Club has been formed at Oxford University, England, consisting of students from the different universities in the United States who are studying at that ancient seat of learning. The club now has about 25 members. As honorary members and advisors are Professor Dyer, who lectured at Cornell during Professor Wheeler's absence in Greece, and Mr. F. C. S. Schiller, formerly instructor in philosophy here, now a lecturer on Greek philosophy at Oxford.

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The Cornell Fencers' Club held the third dance of its series on Monday night at Assembly Hall.

The annual dance of Alpha Phi fraternity of Sage College, will be held on Wednesday night at Assembly Hall.

The Sage College Dramatic Club gave on Monday and Tuesday evenings two representations of Thackeray's "The Rose and the Ring."

Chester Torrance, '99, represented Cornell in the 25 mile Marathon race held at Boston Thursday under the auspices of the Boston Athletic Association. He finished tenth.

Ambassador Andrew D. White expects to leave Berlin during the second week of July. He plans to spend at Ithaca the greater part of August and probably the first ten days of September.

At a recent meeting of the academic committee of the alumnae of Bryn Mawr College, Miss Brownell, warden of Sage College, made a report on the investigations of the committee in the matter of self-government in women's colleges. Miss Brownell's full report will be published in the *Educational Review*.

The Department of Physics has recently received a request from the University of Odessa, Russia, asking for detailed information concerning the courses of laboratory practice in physics offered at Cornell. These data are to form a portion of the compilation made by Dr. Weinberg of the Department of Physics in the University of Odessa, which will afford a comparison of such courses in all the leading universities of the world.

The Cornell Graduate Club, at its meeting held Friday night, elected the following officers for the coming year : President, G. W. Stewart, De Pauw '98; first vice-president, W. B. Fite, Cornell '92; second vice-president, Miss L. W. Johnson, Michigan '91; secretary, Ivy Kellerman, Ohio State '98; treasurer, G. M. Howe, Indiana '94; additional executive committeemen, Miss A. M. Claypole, Buchtel '92, and C. L. Babcock, Cornell '95.

#### [To be Professor of Bryn Mawr College.](#)

Dr. David Irons, of the philosophical department, has been appointed associate in philosophy at Bryn Mawr College. He has been lecturer and instructor in philosophy at Cornell and employed on the *Philosophical Review*. Dr. Irons succeeds Dr. Charles Montague Bakewell, who returns to the University of California as full professor in philosophy.

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The second edition of the University Register for 1900 shows an increase of fifty students since the fall term.

Professor Moses Coit Tyler addressed the Contemporary Club of Philadelphia, April 10. The subject of his address was "The Naming of the Great Republic."

Forrest M. Towl, '96, engineer to the National Transit Company, lectured Friday before the College of Civil Engineering. His subject, which was ably discussed, was "Oil Wells and Refineries and the Pipe Line Systems of Transportation."

The 1900 competition for the '86 Memorial Prize in Declamation promises to be the most spirited ever held. The third preliminary contest took place last week, and from the forty candidates who then appeared, twenty have been chosen for the fourth preliminary.

The sixth lecture in the Philosophical Club's series on the "Mechanical Theories of the Universe," was given in the Psychological Lecture Room, Friday by Ira Mac Kay, A. M., alumnus of Dalhousie College and candidate for the doctorate at Cornell. His subject was "Mechanism in Ethics."

The officials of the New York State Interscholastic League have designated Harry L. Taylor, '88 and Hugh Jennings, to select the first and second all-scholastic baseball teams for this year. Both teams will come to Ithaca on June 9. when the first team will play the 'Varsity.

The College of Architecture has received from the sister of the late Clifton Brown, '00, the sum of \$1000, which will be used for the purchase of a collection of photographs. The views will be selected in Europe next summer by Professor Van Pelt, and the collection when completed will be known as the Clifton Brown Memorial Collection of Photographs.

Extensive building operations are in progress in the interior of Boardman Hall, by which the floor space of the Reference Law Library is to be substantially enlarged.

At a conference held Saturday between Mr. Henry G. Hawn, of Brooklyn, the Masque's Coach, and the officers of that organization, it was definitely decided to present the comedy entitled "The Man of Destiny" during Senior Week. A short farce will also be presented, in place of the vaudeville previously announced.

The *Era* board has announced that although the selection of new members to the board by competition will be held this year as usual, there will be no elections to its membership from the sophomore and junior classes. This action is preparatory to the proposed merging of the *Era* and *Cornell Magazine* boards.

The members of the Phi Delta Phi fraternity, their five-year lease having expired on the brick residence, No. 115 Quarry Street, are not rooming together this term. They will lease a new chapter house next September, but have not yet decided on the house. The fraternity hopes to build within a year or two in the Edgemoor Lane district.

Professor Nathaniel Schmidt begins in the April number of *The Coming Age* a series of papers dealing with the Hebrew philosophers. He discusses first, "Job as a Poet," and in succeeding essays will write of "The Philosopher as a Critic: Ecclesiastes." "The Philosopher as an Allegorist: Philo." and "The Philosopher as a Mystic: John."

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Haverford will probably send a cricket team to England next summer to play the public schools. A visit to Ireland and Scotland is also probable.

The students of the University of Michigan have presented a petition to the faculty requesting that work for the intercollegiate debates be allowed to count towards a degree.

The athletic management of the University of Pennsylvania has engaged W. A. Latham, well-known as a baseball and track athlete, to succeed Murphy as coach and trainer for the track team.

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