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ENGINEERING RESEARCH.

Mr. L. L. Nunn Building a Dormitory on the Campus for Investigators.

For the purpose of maintaining at Cornell University a number of students who are to pursue research work in engineering, Mr. L. L. Nunn, of Telluride, Colorado, is building on the campus and will endow a clubhouse in which the investigators that he sends here are to live. The house is to be situated directly north of the Delta Upsilon house, near West avenue.

Mr. Nunn is one of the proprietors of the Telluride Institute, a corporation which owns and operates a chain of power plants in Colorado and Utah. For years past electrical research work of an advanced kind has been done in connection with the operation of these plants. It is understood that Mr. Nunn wishes to have this work, or such of it as may be done where the results can be assured of permanent scientific as well as of immediately economic value, and that he has selected Cornell university for this purpose.

From the University Trustees Mr. Nunn has obtained a lease of a build-yards north of the Delta Upsilon house, and there he is erecting a dormitory. Ground was broken for the house last week. The plans are being drawn in the office of Mr. W. H. Miller, the architect, in Ithaca. They provide for a three story and basement structure measuring about 45 by 90 feet. It will be somewhat like a fraternity house, with living rooms on the first floor and about twenty sleeping rooms on the two upper floors. The house will be endowed by Mr. Nunn. It will be finished, if possible, so as to be put to use when the University reopens next fall.

The seniors in the College of Law are preparing for the bar examinations, which are to be held late this week.

Seats in the Observation Train, \$2.50.

The Cornell University Athletic Association was informed last week by the West Shore R. R. Company that the price of seats in the observation train at the Poughkeepsie Regatta this year will be \$2.50, an increase of 50 cents per seat over the price charged at former regattas. This notice came without previous warning and after the Athletic Association had received a number of remittances for seats at the former price. The railroad company is the sole authority as to the price to be charged. The Athletic Association receives no part of the money and has no voice in the fixing of prices. It acts merely as a distributor of tickets for the convenience of Cornellians.

The Graduate School.

A committee on administration of the new Graduate School has been named by the faculty of the school. It consists of Professor Ernest Merritt, dean of the school, as chairman, and Dean Charles H. Hull, Director E. E. Haskell, Director V. A. Moore and Professors M. W. Sampson, L. M. Dennis, G. P. Bristol, D. S. Kimball, J. W. Jenks, J. H. Comstock and E. L. Nichols.

Oscar A. Johannsen, assistant professor of civil engineering, has resigned to accept the professorship of entomology in the University of Maine. Although engineering and entomology are not closely related, Professor Johannsen is proficient in both, but entomology is his favorite study.

President Schurman and his family sailed last week Wednesday for Europe, where the President is to represent Cornell at several important university celebrations. They will make their headquarters in Paris.

STATE TRUSTEES NAMED.

Governor Hughes Makes Five Appointments Authorized by New Law.

Governor Hughes last Thursday announced his appointment of Frederick C. Stevens of Attica, Henry W. Sackett of New York, Thomas B. Wilson of Halls Corners, Almon R. Eastman of Waterville and John N. Carlisle of Watertown as trustees of Cornell University. These appointments were made under a law passed at the last session of the legislature which provides, without changing the number of the University's trustees, that five of them shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to the consent of the Senate. The Board itself will have the selection of five fewer members than before. The new appointees are to hold office for terms of one, two, three, four and five years respectively, but the Governor's announcement did not state the terms of office of the several men that he named. Hereafter the Governor each year will appoint one trustee for the full term of five years.

Frederick C. Stevens is Superintendent of Public Works of the State. He was born at Attica, N. Y., in 1856 and graduated at the Attica Collegiate Institute. He entered Cornell University as a student of mechanic arts in 1875, but remained only part of a year. He has been actively engaged in business enterprises in various parts of the country, especially in Washington, D. C., where he is president of the Commercial National Bank. He first established the West End National Bank, subsequently merged it with the Citizens', becoming president of that institution, and afterward selling it to the National Metropolitan, withdrawing from the concern and establishing the Commercial. He arranged the consolidation of all the city and suburban street railroad lines of Washington, with the exception of the Capital Traction Company, and withdrew, after plac-

ing the amalgamated lines on a good foundation. At one time he was largely interested in the Potomac Electric Lighting Company, and effected its consolidation with the United States Electric Lighting Company. He maintains a residence in Washington, but has his home at Attica. He has represented his district in the State Senate.

Henry Woodward Sackett is a graduate of Cornell of the class of 1875. He was already a member of the Board, having been elected by the alumni in 1899 and re-elected in 1904 and being just about to complete his second term when he was appointed by the Governor. He was born at Enfield, Tompkins county, on August 31, 1853, and was prepared for college at the Ithaca Academy. He was admitted to the New York bar in 1879. While pursuing his law studies he became a law writer and later editorial writer and counsel for the *New York Tribune*. In 1884 he became associated with Cornelius A. Runkle, counsel for the *Tribune*. He is now a member of the law firm of Sackett, Chapman & Stevens, both his partners being Cornell men. Mr. Sackett was for six years a member of Troop A and Squadron A, holding various positions. In 1897 he was appointed aide on the staff of Governor Black, with the rank of colonel. During the war with Spain he did recruiting service and also served as assistant paymaster general of New York in the Southern States. He lives at 515 Madison avenue, New York, and his country home is at Mamaroneck. His recreations are golf, horseback riding, arboriculture and horticulture.

Thomas B. Wilson lives at Halls Corners, Ontario county, and has been a leader among the horticulturists of the State.

Almon R. Eastman is a farmer and his home is in Waterville, Oneida county. He and his family are abroad at the present time. Mr. Wilson has shown an interest in Cornell, especially in the College of Agriculture. Last winter he founded in that college a prize of \$100 for excellence in public speaking, to be competed for every year.

John Nelson Carlisle is a lawyer and lives in Watertown. In politics

he is a Democrat. He was born in Preble, Cortland county, and was educated in the public schools of Watertown, graduating from the high school in 1884. He was admitted to the bar in 1889, and ever since then has practiced his profession in Watertown. In 1891-92 he was city attorney of that municipality. He has taken a considerable part in politics, having been a member of the Democratic State Committee from 1896 to 1906 and secretary of that body. In 1903 he was chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee. He was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor in 1906. He served three years, 1901-04, as a member of the board of education in the city of Watertown. In 1902 he was elected captain of Company C, 4th Battalion (39th Separate Company) of the National Guard and held that office for three years; he is now major of the 1st Regiment of Infantry. He is a director of the Watertown Sand Brick Company and president of the Carthage & Watertown Traction Company. He belongs to the Jefferson County Golf Club and the Black River Valley Club. His recreation is farming.

J. Andre Smith '02, as architect for the dean and trustees of the Cornell University Medical College, has filed plans for remodeling the first, third and fifth floors of the Loomis Laboratory of the college, opposite the new Bellevue Hospital, at 414 East Twenty-sixth street, New York, named in honor of the late Professor Loomis. The floors will contain professors' offices and new rooms for inoculation operations, special laboratory work, physiological research, and microphotography.

Mr. John B. Bell, a senior in the Veterinary College, has just been appointed a veterinarian in the Philippine service at a salary of \$1,600. Mr. Bell will take the New York State Board examination immediately after graduation and will sail from Seattle for the Philippines on July 6. Two other members of the senior class passed the Civil Service examination for positions in the Philippine service.

HEAD OF DARTMOUTH.

Dr. E. F. Nichols, a Cornell Alumnus, Elected President of College.

At a meeting of the trustees of Dartmouth College, held in Concord, N. H., on Tuesday evening of last week, Dr. Ernest Fox Nichols was unanimously elected president of Dartmouth College to succeed Dr. William Jewett Tucker, whose resignation has been compelled by failure of health. Dr. Nichols is now



professor of experimental physics in Columbia University. His training as a physicist was obtained largely at Cornell University, where he was a graduate student from 1889 to 1892. He received from Cornell the degree of Master of Science in 1893 and the degree of Doctor of Science in 1897. He held the Sibley Fellowship in 1891-92. Dr. Nichols will be inaugurated in October.

The following sketch of the career of Dr. Nichols was published by the committee that nominated him for the Dartmouth presidency:

Dr. Nichols was born in 1869 at Leavenworth, Kan. and was graduated at the age of nineteen from the Kansas Agricultural College, with the degree of B. S. The next year was spent in teaching, and the three following years as a graduate student in mathematics and physics at Cornell University, where he held the Erastus Brooks fellowship. He received from Cornell the degree of master of science in 1893 and of doctor of science in 1897, both taken in course. In 1892 he was appointed to the chair of physics and astronomy in

Colgate University. Dr. Nichols was at Colgate for six years, but two and a half years of the time were spent on leave of absence, studying under Planck and Rubens of the University of Berlin.

In 1898 Dr. Nichols was called to the professorship of physics in Dartmouth College. During the first two years at Dartmouth he made the first measurements of the heat received from several of the brighter stars and planets by using a radiometer of his own invention. These experiments were admittedly the most sensitive and delicate measurements of heat which have ever been made. In the new Wilder laboratory of Dartmouth College, Professor Nichols, working with Assistant Professor Hull, in 1901 discovered the pressure of a beam of light. This discovery and the difficult and accurate measurement of the new force won immediate and world-wide recognition for both men.

After five years at Dartmouth Dr. Nichols was called to the chair of experimental physics in Columbia University, but before he assumed his new duties Dartmouth gave him the honorary degree of doctor of science. At Columbia he organized the Phoenix Research Laboratories, and has published many papers in his chosen field of investigation. His investigations and discoveries have brought him many distinctions, among which are the Rumford prize of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and membership in the American Philosophical Society and the National Academy of Science.

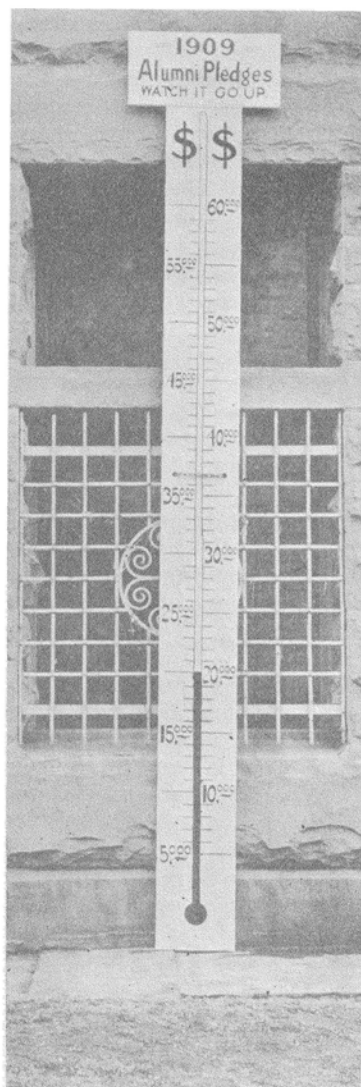
The year 1904-05 Dr. Nichols spent at Cambridge, England, and lectured both at the Royal Institution in London and the Cavendish laboratory of Cambridge University.

The new president of Dartmouth belongs to the most useful class of broad-minded scholars, whose interests are not confined by the boundaries of any one field of thought or activity, but extend over all fundamental problems of human concern.

The University has received from Senhor Dom Joaquim Nabuco, the Brazilian Ambassador, printed copies of the address which he delivered before the University on April 23, on the poetry of Camoens.

The Graduating Class's "Fundometer."

The class of 1909 has placed against the east wall of the Library a large "fundometer" which records from day to day the progress made in obtaining pledges for the class's contribution to the Alumni Fund. The class has started out to get \$25,000 pledged by next November, and up to last week about \$20,000 had been promised, so the outlook is



good. The principal sum pledged in each case is not to be payable save at the option of the giver; interest at the rate of 5 per cent. is to be paid each year. All pledges are conditional upon the sum of \$25,000 being promised, and it looks as if that mark would be reached. That would assure an annual contribution from the class of \$1,250.

ATHLETIC COUNCIL.

Dean Irvine Resigns and Dean Smith Is Elected President.

At a meeting of the Athletic Council on Tuesday evening, June 8, Professor Frank Irvine '80, president of the Council, tendered his resignation of membership. It was accepted, and Dean A. W. Smith '78 was elected to the presidency to succeed him. Dean Irvine will retain his office as the Cornell member of the Board of Stewards of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association. The following men were selected as faculty members and members at large of the Council for the next year:

Professor Herman Diederichs '97,
Mr. Charles E. Treman '89,
Professor W. W. Rowlee '88,
Mr. David F. Hoy '91,
Dean A. W. Smith '78,
Judge Charles H. Blood '88.

Dean Irvine said that he had resigned because of the pressure of other work. He had found that he could ill afford the time which his duties on the Council required, and he had, early in the year, expressed an intention of resigning. He has been president of the Council for the past five years, has given athletic matters close and careful attention and has been in demand as a speaker at undergraduate meetings.

Dean Smith, the new president of the Council, was, as every Cornell man knows, an oarsman. He rowed on the first Cornell freshman crew, which won at Saratoga in 1875, and he pulled an oar in the varsity shell that crossed the finish line first in the intercollegiate regatta of 1876. He has kept up his interest in athletics. For some time past he has been president of the Minor Sports Association, helping to put that organization in its present healthy condition.

The track C has been awarded by the Athletic Council to James Evans Mills '09, of Waterloo, N. Y., for special merit. Mills is a pole vaulter. He has been a hard-working member of the track team for three years, and although he did not succeed in getting his C, he kept on winning points for Cornell in dual meets.

J. P. Swift '10 has been temporarily appointed head cheer leader.

MEDICAL COLLEGE.

Eleventh Commencement—Large Percentage of Successful Graduates.

The exercises of the eleventh annual commencement of the Cornell University Medical College were held last Wednesday afternoon, June 9, in the assembly hall of the college at Twenty-eighth street and First avenue, New York. Dean Crane presided, awarded the degrees and addressed the members of the graduating class.

Fifty-four students were graduated, of whom forty-seven, or about 87 per cent, received hospital appointments. The honor roll, composed of the ten who had attained the highest standing for the four years' study in the college, was:

1. Elbert Theodore Rulison, jr.
2. Mary Lucia Hamblet.
3. Albert C. Durand.
4. Harold Fairchild Budington.
5. Carl Esselstyn McCombs.
6. Farrand Baker Pierson.
7. Esmonde Bathgate Smith.
8. Clayton Morgan Axtell.
9. Edward Dowdle.
10. Luvia Margaret Willard.

To the winners of the first three places on the honor roll were awarded the first, second and third Polk prizes, consisting of \$300, \$125 and \$75 respectively. These prizes were founded in commemoration of John Metcalfe Polk, a graduate of the college and an instructor in it, who died in 1904. Dr. Rulison, the winner of the first prize, lives in Schenectady and is a graduate of Union College. He has received an appointment to Roosevelt Hospital, New York. Dr. Hamblet, who won the second prize, comes from Salem, Mass., and is a graduate of Wellesley College. Dr. Durand, the third prize winner, lives in Oberlin, Ohio.

Dr. Whiting's prizes of \$50 and \$25 for the best work in otology went respectively to John Stanley Kenney, of Newark, N. J., and Dr. Rulison. Dr. Dana's second prize of \$25 for the best work in neurology was awarded to Frank Denniston of New York. The first prize was not awarded.

In his address to the graduating class Dean Crane said in part:

"I was one of those who hoped that when the Medical College of Cornell University was founded in 1898 it might be upon the basis of

a graduate school; but the time did not seem propitious and it required the experiment of a decade to reach that conclusion. I am heartily glad that it has been reached, although my reasons will seem to some of you unsubstantial and fantastic. If the purpose of the present movement is merely to increase the technical equipment of the student I shall not rejoice so heartily, and I shall not rejoice at all if the result on the American college is to diminish the interest in liberal studies and to convert our institutions of higher learning into preparatory schools for technical education. I therefore hope that the new requirements for admission to the Medical College mean not only that the student is to be more widely and deeply prepared in the technical studies of his profession, but that he will have had in college a substantial amount of non-technical studies, which, I am convinced, will make him a happier and more useful man.

"The profession to which you have devoted yourselves is the noblest and most absorbing of all professions, making the most tremendous drafts upon your mental and physical resources, and requiring you to keep all your faculties at the highest point of efficiency. Your bodies will need rest and your minds recreation. The noblest form of recreation is to be found in social intercourse with our own contemporaries; but where that is impossible from lack of leisure or other reasons, we can still in the pages of literature commune with the greatest minds of all time. I am aware that a professional man who is known to have interests outside of his profession is sometimes regarded with suspicion, but I may be permitted to name two conspicuous exceptions; one, whose centenary was celebrated a few weeks ago at Cambridge, Massachusetts, the second still alive to confer lustre upon the medical profession and upon literature. Oliver Wendell Holmes, it is true, was a professor in a medical college, but his delightful essays and beautiful poems did not impair the value of his scientific work and afforded mental relaxation to himself as well as delight to his countrymen. The second is that of a practicing physician who

has won fame both in his profession and in letters. I refer to Dr. Weir Mitchell, who undoubtedly owes to his literary studies the remarkable freshness and vigor of his old age.

"I have had occasion lately to read for the second time the recollections of a once famous London physician, Sir Henry Holland, who seems to me to have led an ideal life. He was not a great physician in the modern sense of the word, and he died on his eighty-fifth birthday in 1873, before the discoveries which have revolutionized the practice of medicine and surgery. But for an interesting and happy, as well as useful, life, I know of few which equal it. He was not a university man, and his fondness for the Greek and Latin classics was due mainly to private study. 'Three days each week', he says, 'were allotted to Greek and Latin reading, under the resolution never to let the day pass wholly without it, even though but ten minutes could be kept free from other business.' The alternate days were devoted to German and Italian, 'but with less close adherence to the rule.' He took his Greek and Latin books with him in his carriage until his eyes refused the Greek text, and he copied the passages which pleased him into a volume which he could glance at in odd moments. He found, he says, 'no difficulty in passing at once from the sorrows of Iphigenia or Dido to the ailments and complaints of a sick-room in Grosvenor Square; and even a genial connection in coming fresh from Horace, Catullus, or Lucretius, to the men of wit or learning with whom I have been so often associated.' He continues: 'The practice of a West End physician in London abounds, in truth, in cases which give little occasion for thought or solicitude, and are best relieved by a frequent half-hour of genial conversation; while in those more serious, the patient does not suffer by his physician bringing to his bedside a mind disengaged from the other maladies that have just been under his eye, or pressed anxiously on his consideration. Without presuming, then, to say how it may be with other physicians—for no two minds are exactly alike in this, or anything else—I venture to speak of the diver-

sion of thought so obtained as having been salutary to myself and in no way injurious, as I believe, to my patients.' Sir Henry's modesty did not allow him to say, what was the truth, that his travels and love for literature made him a delightful companion and kept his mind fresh and active so that he was able to practice with success his profession until the day of his death at the advanced age of eighty-five.

"In 1881, at the age of seventy-two and a year before his death, Charles Darwin wrote these melancholy words which the authority of the writer should cause to sink deeply into your minds. He says: 'To the age of thirty or beyond it, poetry gave me intense pleasure, and so, too, pictures and music. * * Now, however, I cannot read a line of verse. I have tried lately to read Shakespeare, and find it so intolerably dull that it nauseated me. I have also almost lost my taste for pictures and music * * *. The loss of these tastes', he concludes, 'is a loss of happiness, and may possibly be injurious to the intellect and more probably to the moral character by enfeebling the emotional part of our nature.'

"I may well stop here and leave you to ponder the words of Darwin, with, I trust, the determination not to commit his mistake. You are about entering upon the noblest of professions, with boundless opportunities for extending the domain of science in the interests of humanity. The broader your education, the loftier your ideals, the more symmetrical the development of all your capacities, the better will you fulfill the arduous claims of a profession which demands both learning and character."

The 'varsity and freshman crews are now on the Hudson, the squad having left Ithaca on Saturday evening. Including the oarsmen and all others who will be quartered with them at The Oaks for the next two weeks, there were about thirty-five persons in the party. Before he left Ithaca with the squad Coach Courtney gave no indication of any possible change in the 'varsity eight, and the same combination that defeated Harvard may be in the race on July 2.

CORNELL 2, HARVARD 1.

Baseball Team Defeats the Crimson on Its Own Grounds.

In a brilliantly played game at Cambridge on Saturday, the 'varsity nine defeated Harvard by a score of 2 to 1. Captain Caldwell pitched the entire game and held the Crimson batters to three hits. He scored one of Cornell's runs all alone with a home run in the first inning. Cornell played an errorless game, accepting no less than forty fielding chances. The contest was full of spectacular plays, including difficult catches of long liners by Judson. Gable and Aronson and clever handling of hot grounders by Magner and Fulton.

Caldwell's home run in the first inning was earned with a hot drive to far right. He was home before the ball had been returned to the infield. This gave Cornell a lead which was maintained till the fifth inning. Simons, the first man to bat for Harvard in that inning, drew a base on balls, went to second on Dana's sacrifice and scored on Briggs's three-bagger. Briggs took a lead off third before Howard had returned the ball to the pitcher and Howard tagged him out. This made two out, and after Crocker had gone to first on balls Hartford was thrown out by Magner.

Harvard had good chances to score in the eighth and the ninth. In the eighth Crocker drove a long, hard liner to left center, apparently good for a home run, but Judson, sprinting backward, made a difficult catch of it. Gable, in the ninth, took care of Currier's long drive to left in similar fashion.

Cornell had a chance to score in almost every inning. Four hits were made off Hartford in the first five innings, when Hicks took his place.

Judson, who was strong at the bat throughout the game, opened Cornell's fifth inning with a single and went to second on Howard's sacrifice. Magner flied out to Briggs. Ebeling reached first on Hartford's poor throw, sending Judson to third. Hartford took no chance of another home run by Caldwell and presented that clouter with a base on balls.

This filled the bases, but there were two out, and Hartford's judgment was vindicated when Simons's sharp fielding of Williams's grounder retired the side without a run. In the sixth Hicks took the box and struck out three men. In the seventh, however, with the very same men batting as in the fifth, the winning run was gained. Judson took his base on balls and again went to second on a sacrifice by Howard. Magner drove a hot grounder to Simons, who let it go between his feet, and Judson scored. Magner went to second, from which base he tried to score a moment later when Simons fumbled Ebeling's grounder, but Simons threw to Currier in time to put Magner out. Caldwell was safe on Crocker's error, but Crocker threw Williams out at first. The score:

CORNELL	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Magner, ss.....	5	0	0	2	6	0
Ebeling, rf.....	5	0	0	0	0	0
Caldwell, p.....	3	1	1	1	3	0
Williams, c.....	4	0	0	2	2	0
Gable, lf.....	4	0	1	2	0	0
Thompson, 1b.....	4	0	0	13	0	0
Fulton, 2b.....	3	0	0	3	4	0
Judson, cf.....	3	1	2	2	0	0
Howard, 3b.....	1	0	0	2	0	0
	32	2	4	27	15	0
HARVARD	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Lanigan, 3b.....	4	0	1	1	2	0
Harvey, cf.....	3	0	1	1	0	0
Currier, c.....	4	1	0	9	1	0
Aronson, rf.....	4	0	0	2	0	0
Simons, ss.....	2	1	0	2	3	1
Dana, lf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0
Briggs, 1b.....	3	0	1	10	1	0
Crocker, 2b.....	2	0	0	2	3	1
Hartford, p.....	1	0	0	0	0	1
Hicks, p.....	2	0	0	0	0	0
	26	1	3	27	10	3

Cornell.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	—2
Harvard.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	—1

Two base hit—Gable. Three base hit—Briggs. Home run—Caldwell. Hits—Off Hartford, 4 in five innings. Sacrifice hits—Howard (2), Dana. Stolen bases—Magner, Howard, Harvey. Left on bases—Cornell, 9; Harvard, 3. First base on balls—Off Hartford, 1; off Hicks, 2; off Caldwell, 3. First base on errors—Cornell, 3. Hit by pitcher—Fulton, Dana. Struck out—By Hartford, 2; by Hicks, 5; by Caldwell, 2. Time—1 hour, 50 minutes. Umpire—Mr. Connolly.

The following Cornell men have just received the degree of Engineer of Mines at Columbia University: Joel Allan Battle, special '04-'07; Theodore Earle '08, George W. Roddewig '06 and J. J. Wolfersperger '06.



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VISITING COMMITTEES.

Efforts to arouse alumni interest are being made in most of the western state universities. The need there is not so much to obtain direct contributions of money as to get the alumni well acquainted with the condition and wants of the university so that the graduates may make those wants known effectively to the people and the legislators. But is not such intelligent and practical knowledge on the part of its alumni a need of every university, state or endowed? And how can it best be obtained? A plan which promises to come into general use is that of having visiting committees of alumni. Such a plan has been proposed at Michigan. The *Michigan Alumnus* says:

"At a recent dinner of Michigan alumni held at Chicago, April 17, 1909, Professor James R. Angell, of the University of Chicago, advocated the establishment of a Board of Alumni Visitors, designed to bring the University and its alumni into

a relationship more practical than the sentimental attachment of the alumnus for his Alma Mater. Instead of a memory about which cluster pleasant dreams, it will give him something to think about, and what is more, to act upon. This is a question which is being discussed by many of the state universities. Wisconsin has an elaborate series of alumni committees, particularly designed, not only to bring the benefits of alumni criticism home to the University in a practical way, but to keep alive the interest of the great alumni body in the University by giving as many of them as possible something practical to do for the University But it is not money that the University needs most from the alumni; it needs concerted thought and sympathetic effort applied to a definite end, to the furtherance of the real University as distinct from its house of brick and mortar upon the Campus."

At Harvard there has been for many years a system of visiting committees, arising from the right which the Board of Overseers enjoys of inspecting and criticising the work of members of the teaching staff. The members of the Harvard Board of Overseers are elected by the alumni. In a description of this system in his book, "University Administration," ex-President Eliot says:

"The Overseers' Visiting Committees have, however, a function which is more effective than that of criticism. In inquiring into the condition of any department—as of French, Physics, Zoölogy, Law, or Medicine—the Committee naturally puts itself into contact with the teachers of the department, confers with them, and learns from them the needs and hopes of the department as a whole. These needs the committee, as an impartial body appointed for purposes of inquiry and examination, can put before the President and Fellows, the other academic bodies, and the public much more effectively than the teachers themselves can. Thus the Visiting Committees become instrumentalities for coöperation with the departments in raising money to meet urgent needs, or make improvements. In an endowed institution the coöperation of such Committees in giving publicity

to needs is of great value. Over and over again the Visiting Committees of the Harvard Board of Overseers—now in one department and now in another—have procured additional resources for the University—sometimes by contributing themselves, but more frequently by calling upon public-spirited persons known to be interested in the objects the Committees were trying to promote. The Visiting Committees thus enlarge the circle of Harvard's benefactors, and place in the hands of the President and Fellows new resources, sometimes to be expended for immediate needs, and sometimes to be funded as permanent endowments. At Harvard there were forty-eight such Visiting Committees of the Board of Overseers during the year 1906-07, two Committees having three members, several having four, and the larger Committees numbering from nine to eleven members. The Committees generally have their interest in some department of the University's work much quickened, and this quickened interest they diffuse, each in his own circle of acquaintances; so that there results a large body of persons who have some exact knowledge of the University's work and needs, and are interested in supporting the University in every way."

A portrait of the late Professor George Chapman Caldwell has been painted, for presentation to the University by his colleagues and former students. The ceremony of presentation was announced for Wednesday morning of this week in Goldwin Smith Auditorium—Dr. Andrew D. White to make the presentation address and Dean Crane to receive the portrait on behalf of the University.

Hugh D. Reed, assistant professor of neurology and vetebrate zoology, will leave this country on July 22 for study in Europe. He will be absent about a year and a half. Six months of this time will be spent at the Naples Marine Laboratory, but most of Professor Reed's work will be done under Herrn Wiedersheim and Gaupp at Freiburg.

The Board of Trustees will meet on Thursday of this week.

J. P. HARRIS RESIGNS.

Office of Secretary of the University Discontinued—R. C. Edlund Appointed.

Announcement was made during the week of the resignation, to take effect at the end of the present academic year, of J. P. Harris, Secretary of the University. Mr. Harris, who was formerly connected with the bond sales department of the New York banking house of N. W. Harris & Company, will, after a vacation, return to the investment bond business.

To succeed Mr. Harris, the Trustees of the University have appointed Mr. Roscoe C. Edlund, of Brooklyn, N. Y., President's Secretary and University Publisher. Mr. Edlund will receive the degree of A. B. from the University at the present commencement, and will enter upon the duties of his new office with the opening of the Summer Session in July. Mr. Edlund is well known in the student body, and has been especially prominent in debating circles. He was the winner of the Congress Declamation Medal in his sophomore year, the '94 Memorial Prize in Debate in his junior year, and the Woodford Prize in Oratory in his senior year, and he was a member of the Cornell intercollegiate debate teams during both his junior and senior years, and served as alternate during his sophomore year. Mr. Edlund has also served as President of the English Club during the past two years, and from 1906 to 1908 was on the editorial staff of the *Cornell Era*. He is a member of the Aloha Chi Rho Fraternity, and, was this year elected to the honorary society, Phi Beta Kappa.

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at hand. What the Cornell Committee has been doing has been duplicated by committees representing Yale, Harvard, Princeton and other universities. A.

Commencement Week Program.

SUNDAY, JUNE 13.

Baccalaureate Sermon, the Very Rev. Samuel S. Marquis, D. D., dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, Mich., 4 p. m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15.

Class Day Exercises in the Armory, 9:30 a. m., and in the Quadrangle, 11 a. m.

Meeting of the Cornellian Council, main building of the College of Agriculture, 2:30 p. m.

Meeting of the Cornell Association of Class Secretaries, Town and Gown Club, 3:30 p. m.

Meeting of the Cornell Alumni Football Association, Town and Gown Club, 5 p. m.

Class dinners, '79, '84, '94.

Performance by the Masque, Lyceum theater, 8 p. m.

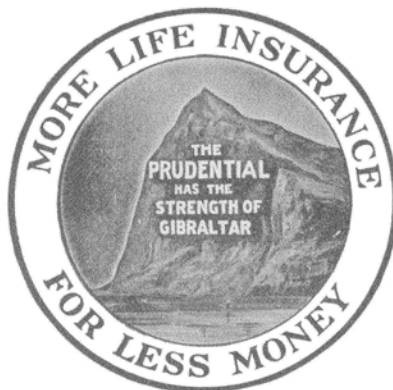
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'99 Breakfast, Gymnasium, 9 a. m.

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Annual meeting of the Associate Alumni, auditorium of the College of Agriculture, 9:30 a. m.

'89 Dinner, Gymnasium, noon.

Buffet luncheon, to which all alumni are invited by the Department of Home Economics, main building, College of Agriculture, 12:30 p. m.

Grand parade, forming on the Playground, 1:30 p. m.

Interclass baseball, Playground, 2 p. m.

Alumni-varsity baseball, Playground, 2:45 p. m.

Business meeting of the Cornell Women Graduates' Association, Sage College, 4 p. m., and annual dinner, 5:30 p. m.

'74 Dinner, College of Agriculture, 6 p. m.

'06 Dinner, 6:30 p. m.

'99 Dinner, Alhambra, 6:30 p. m.

Concert by the Musical Clubs, Lyceum theater, 8:30 p. m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17.

Forty-first Commencement, the Armory, 10:30 a. m.

Indications are that the attendance at the Summer Session will be as large as last year or larger.

CORNELL ALUMNI NOTES.

'91—Roger P. Clark of Binghamton has been promoted by Attorney General O'Malley to the position of third deputy attorney general, a post which was created by the legislature at the last session. The salary is \$4,500 per year.

'95, Ph. D.—The address of Mrs. P. L. Windsor (Margaret Boynton Windsor) will be 704 South Lincoln avenue, Urbana, Ill. Mr. Windsor has lately received the appointment of librarian of the University of Illinois.

'95, Sp.—Stuart H. Brown has moved his office to the factory of the Standard Electric Accumulator Company, with which he is connected, at 93 Mercer street, New York.

'96, C. E.—E. E. Haslam is resident engineer of the State Water Supply Commission of New York. His present address is Box 235, Tupper Lake, N. Y.

'01, B. Arch.—It was announced last week in New York that a group of the foremost banking houses in the United States, including J. P.



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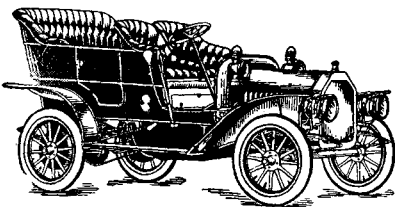
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'02, C. E.—The wedding of Guy Edwin Long, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and Miss Marion Major, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Major, of Ithaca, took place at the Congregational Church in Ithaca on Thursday evening, June 10. Mr. and Mrs. Long will make their home in Wilkes-Barre.

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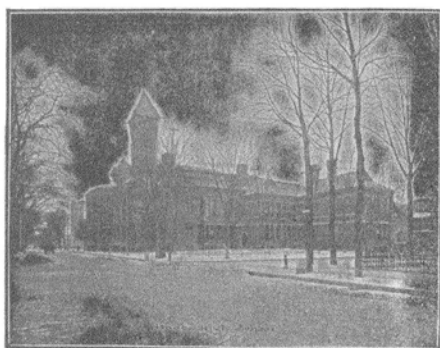
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'03, M. E.—Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Jackson, of Denver, Col., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Helen, to Stuart Hazlewood, formerly of Denver and now of Seattle.

'03, A. B.—E. C. Wixom, who has been principal of the Oneonta High School, has accepted the position of head master of the Winchester, Mass., High School for next year. He and Mrs. Wixom are to spend the summer in Europe.

'04, D. V. M.—The following is taken from the *Nevada State Journal* for May: "The legislature at its recent session enacted a law creating a state hygienic laboratory at the University of Nevada, providing the services of a bacteriologist for the diagnosis of infectious diseases for the physicians and health officers of the State and for research into the nature, cause and control of such diseases. Dr. W. B. Mack, professor of bacteriology at the University, was appointed director. Dr. Mack came here from Cornell University in the fall of 1906."

'04, M. E.; '05 M. M. E.—Mrs. Alice Ocuppaugh Munson announces the marriage of her daughter, Harriette Page, and Charles Harold Day, on Tuesday evening, June 8, at Rochester, N. Y. Mr. Day is a member of the faculty of the Carnegie Technical Schools in Pittsburgh.

'04, A. B.—Eugene C. Howe, who has been pursuing a post-graduate course in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has changed his address from Allston, Mass., to Dublin, N. H.

'04, A. B.—Karl W. Woodward's address is now in care of the United States Forest Service at Missoula, Mont.

'05, B. Arch.—A daughter, Marjorie McElroy, was born on April 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Hann, of Buffalo.

'06—Roy Dane Lamb was married on June 9 to Miss Edith Bradley,

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'08, C. E.—George C. Hanson, of Bridgeport, Conn., has been appointed by President Taft one of two student interpreters to go to Japan for and at the expense of the United States Government to learn the Japanese language and the customs of the people for future service to this country. The selection of these two men was made from a list of several hundred applicants after a civil service examination and a supplementary educational test. Mr. Hanson stood at the head of the list. Since his graduation he has been employed by the General Fireproofing Company at Youngstown, Ohio, and the American Huhn Metallic Packing Company of New York. After attending the reunion this week he will leave Ithaca for Seattle and Japan. He will spend the next five years in the Orient, being stationed at the American Embassy in Tokio.

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