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### TRIBUTE TO DEAN CRANE.

Faculty Presents an Address and a Pair of Silver Candlesticks.

About a hundred members of the Faculty and others met in the library of President White's residence on Saturday evening and presented to Dean Thomas Frederick Crane, as a token of the Faculty's respect and affection for him, a pair of silver candlesticks. The Faculty's good wishes for Dean Crane were conveyed in an address, an engrossed copy of which was also presented to him. He is to retire from active service in the Faculty at the coming Commencement.

President Schurman presided. Dr. White presented the candlesticks and spoke as follows:

DR. WHITE'S ADDRESS.

"The occasion which brings us together is one which deeply touches us all. The Faculty and various friends of Cornell University, represented by about one hundred persons especially interested in humane studies, wish to express their appreciation of our friend Thomas Frederick Crane.

"As we but too well know, he is now about to retire from active duty among us. He has well earned the right to retire from the cares of university administration and to devote himself henceforth to his chosen studies, for which he has already done so much. He carries with him the respect and admiration of you all. As the university officer who nominated him for his professorship, who was his colleague during more than forty years, I thank you most heartily for allowing me to join in this expression of love and gratitude.

"As a professor he has widely won honor for the University. His doctorate was given him by his own renowned Alma Mater, Princeton, for distinguished success as a teacher, as a historian, and as a man of letters, and that bestowal of honor has won the approval of all those

eminent in the fields he has cultivated, whether at home or abroad.

"In the hearts of us all tonight there is much more than respect and admiration: there is gratitude for wise administration, there is cordial remembrance of his wit and wisdom, which have enlivened the intervals of our labor, there is affection for the genial, friendly spirit which his presence has done so much to diffuse throughout the University community.

"It seems but yesterday that I first saw him sitting at his desk in an Ithaca law office. His bright intellect and sunny temper were soon evident to me, but what especially aroused my interest in him, at the very first, was the fact that lying on his desk were not only law books but volumes showing that he had found time to cultivate the great foreign literatures.

"And perhaps I may claim a knowledge of him gained at a later period, of a sort which others present do not possess. I have had occasion to be grateful for his suavity and tact in the capitals of Europe and for his skill and force in the mountain passes of Santo Domingo. Whether dealing with continental hotel keepers or West Indian muleteers I always found him resourceful and energetic.

"I need not detail his career among us here. It is wrought into the life of this University from the beginning until now: it forms a noble part of the very warp and woof of the fabric which has been woven here, in the loom of time, during nearly half a century.

"And now a most honorable and grateful duty devolves upon me [addressing Dean Crane]:

"To you, my dear friend and colleague of these many years, I am directed by those who are here present—who represent a still larger body who are absent—to deliver to you, first, this accompanying address of Faculty and friends, duly engrossed, which I will ask the Pres-

ident of the University to read, and this memorial of their respect, admiration, gratitude and affection. From these candlesticks of silver we trust that radiance will be spread over rich masses of material for your future studies—upon many more written and printed pages from your own pen—upon glad faces in your own household and upon social converse with troops of old and new friends during many, many happy and fruitful years to come."

THE FACULTY'S ADDRESS.

President Schurman then read the Faculty's address, as follows:

"Dear Dean Crane: We, your colleagues in the Cornell Faculty, feel that we cannot, without some expression of our respect and affection for you, allow you to put aside the laborious duties you have performed so loyally and so successfully for this University during the forty years of its existence.

"We wish to convey to you, not by formal resolution, but with intimate fellowship, the sense of our admiration for your thorough learning, so modestly borne. We want you to know how we realize that your graciousness, tact, and consideration have, in your daily administrative relations with us, humanized the machinery of Faculty organization. Nor have we failed to note, and at times indeed with a touch of envy, how in your social and official contact with the students, your quick sympathy has instantly found their point of view, while you have held to the essential prerogatives of the Faculty you represented. Finally we cherish the abiding remembrance that in times of misfortune or disaster your helpful presence has been ever ready with solace and care for the afflicted.

"Our great regret upon your retirement is, however, lightened by the thought that you are to remain for many years we hope, our neighbor and friend upon the campus where you have worked so long, and where, we trust, you may continue, in health and serene happiness, those scholarly pursuits which have been your chief and unfailing pleasure since boyhood."

PROFESSOR SAMPSON'S POEM.

Professor Martin W. Sampson then read a poem written by him and addressed "To Professor Thomas Frederick Crane on the completion of forty years' service at Cornell." It follows:

Comrade of all of us, and friend most dear, We who have gathered here

Wish you Godspeed through many a fruitful year

In pastures near yet new; You have so kept your steadfast soul from

turning, So wrought in deeds your yearning, That each man feels who shares our quest of learning,

'Great part of this were you.'

And now good fortune bids you lay aside These tasks that were your pride,— Our own good fortune too that you abide

Neighbor upon our hill; Each man who walks the campus still shall know you,

Shall grateful honour show you,

The chimes still peal above you, and below you
The sunlit lake gleam still.

Walk now with your true poets of romance,

Letting their charm enhance

The tongue of your fair foster-country France

A thousand times again; Take now your meed of ample, golden leisure,

Adding to each day's treasure

Some portion of your fine and noble pleasure,

Your love of books and men.

And all the dreams that waited for this day,

Give them at last their way,

Finding among the dreamings grave and

The best of all dreams, truth; And sharing with us, as your best of giving,

Your high-souled way of living, Await the coming years with no misgiving, Since in your heart is youth!

The following resolutions adopted by the Graduate Students' Club were read by the president of the club, George W. Nasmyth:

"The members of the Graduate Club feel that it is peculiarly fitting that they should express to you at this time their appreciation of your services as head of the Graduate Department. It is indeed worthy of our appreciation that each of us has always been able to count upon you for sincere interest in our work; for unfailing courtesy in dealing with us; and for a willingness to help us, of which we have many times taken advantage. We recognize, too, your own high standard of scholarship, and shall hold it before us as one which we shall try to attain.

"The Graduate Club as an organization is especially indebted to you. Through many seasons, now, through successful and through less successful years, you have maintained your interest in the changing groups of students which have composed the club; you have counseled with its officers, you have addressed its meetings, you have, on occasions, organized the club; you have given freely of your time and the club has freely taken of it.

"All of this we appreciate, and we thank you heartily. To our appreciation we join our wish that you may add many happy, successful years to those that are past; that your lessened responsibilities may give you increased opportunities for your own work; and that we may have the pleasure and benefit of your continued interest in the graduate students and in the Graduate Club."

Dean Crane responded, expressing his gratitude for the testimonials of affection. His remarks were not recorded and so cannot be reproduced here.

### Director Bailey's Sabbatical Year.

A sabbatic leave of absence for the year 1909-10 has been granted to Professor L. H. Bailey, director of the College of Agriculture, and Professor Herbert John Webber has Heen appointed acting director of the college to serve during Mr. Bailev's absence. Mr. Bailev has not announced his plans for the year of his absence.

### Lacrosse Team Loses to Hobart.

After defeating Harvard and Stevens Institute, the 'varsity lacrosse team had the misfortune to lose the final game of the season and so the championship. Hobart was played at Geneva on Monday of last week. The game was tied, 3 to 3, at the end of the second half, and in an extra fifteen-minute period, Hobart scored three goals.

Football practice will begin on Monday, September 20.

### PRESIDENT'S FAREWELL.

In Address to Seniors He Defends the Newer Universities.

President Schurman made an informal farewell address to the graduating classes in Sage Chapel at noon last Sunday. He took occasion to speak of the charges made recently by certain educators that American universities and colleges are not adapting themselves to modern needs. He said in part:

"I make no attempt to determine whether these educators truly describe the conditions at their universities. But certain I am that their descriptions wholly misrepresent the conditions that prevail at American universities and colleges in general, and, confining attention to the universities, I would point out that they fall in two groups: the older universities of New England and New Jersey and the new universities founded by the Morrill land grant of 1862 and extending from Cornell to Wisconsin, from Wisconsin to Nebraska and from Nebraska to California. The growth of the latter institutions is one of the most remarkable phenomena in the history of higher education in America in the last twenty vears.

"I assert that the conditions which have been portrayed in such gloomy colors by the presidents of older universities do not exist in these universities. The reasons for the difference in the two groups are not far to seek.

"In the first place, the newer universities were created to be people's universities, that is, they were meant to minister to the intellectual needs of all classes of citizens—farmers, mechanics, manufacturers, transporters and builders, as well as lawyers, doctors and clergymen. Second, they are different from the older universities in meeting the varied demands made upon them by providing courses not only in letters and ancient discipline but in science and the manifold application of science to modern life. These courses appeal to the varied interests of students and spur them on to work with energy and zest.

'Furthermore, the attention given to research has quickened the intellectual life of these universities in

man, instructors in civil engineering: a way that is almost impossible in institutions based on the literary traditions of Oxford and Cambridge. And I think it is a fact that the complaints of these educators of negleet of work on the part of students and distraction by outside activities apply almost entirely to literary courses or to colleges which have not escaped the exclusive literary influence of their origin. I hope you will understand that I value highly the importance of literature to human culture, but I recognize that it is impossible to make of it an exclusive curriculum for the American student of today.

"Finally, another difference between the oder New England and New Jersey universities and Cornell and the state universities: they are venerable institutions and consequently enjoy the prestige of age. They possess a social attractiveness which secures for them the sons of parents who desire for their children not so much intellectual training and the acquisition of knowledge as the adventitious social advantages which come from having pursued these objects, whether they gain them or not in these old, popular and fashionable institutions of learning.

"A considerable number of young men attend such a university not for the sake of the education it offers but for the social certificate which enrollment in that university confers. They necessarily affect the tone and quality of that institution: they inevitably lower its scholastic standards: they pervert its intellectual aims and they build up around it a world of social art which menaces its very existence. The president of such a university watching 'his young barbarians all at play' may be pardoned for thinking that among all American colleges and universities the times are out of joint.

"I believe the evil is a local one. I am certain that there is no just reason for extending this severe criticism to the newer universities like Cornell and the State universities founded on the Morrill act."

Twenty-six delegates from the Cornell University Christian Association will attend the Northfield conference in July.

### CHANGE AT SAGE COLLEGE.

Office of Warden Abolished – Mrs. Martin Appointed Adviser of Women.

At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Board of Trustees, the office of Warden of Sage College was abolished and two offices were created in its place, as follows: Adviser of Women and Matron or Housemother of Sage College. The functions of the Adviser of Women will correspond generally with the functions of the Dean of Women in the state universities, and she will be an adviser with respect to all the women students of the University and not merely to those living in Sage College. The Matron of Sage College will be appointed on the nomination of the Adviser of Women, and will have charge, subject to this Adviser, of the chaperonage and social life in Sage College.

The office of University Adviser of Women has been filled by the appointment of Mrs. Gertrude Shorb Martin, wife of Professor C. A. Martin, Director of the College of Archtecture. Mrs. Martin is a graduate of the University of Michigan of the class of 1894 and took the degree of doctor of philosophy at Cornell in 1900. She has not yet made a nomination for the office of Matron of Sage College.

### Faculty Appointments.

The following appointments in the University Faculty have been made by the Board of Trustees for the year 1909-10:

### ASSISTANT PROFESSORS.

M. Dresbach, assistant professor of pharmacology, promoted from an instructorship; C. P. Emerson, assistant professor of medicine.

### INSTRUCTORS.

J. F. Mason, instructor in the Romance languages; A. S. Fields, instructor in economics; L. R. Geissler, instructor in psychology, promoted from an assistant instructorship; A. S. Galadjikian, instructor in physics, promoted from an assistantship; E. H. Nichols and T. W. B. Welsh, instructors in chemistry, promoted from assistantships; G. R. Thompson, instructor in architecture; W. J. McKee and R. W. Bow-

G. T. Hider and F. B. Wetherill, instructors in machine design; T. B. Hyde, C. K. Carpenter and M. A. Lee, instructors in experimental engineering; J. C. McKelvay and L. L. Silverman, instructors in mathematics.

#### ASSISTANT INSTRUCTORS.

S. W. Moore, assistant in political economy and finance; W. S. Foster, assistant in psychology; A. H. Forman and Carl Zeller, assistants in physics; C. W. Bennett, G. J. Fink, F. E. Rice, E. F. Hitch, T. R. Briggs, G. A. Perley and B. H. Delong, assistants in chemistry; J. T. Barrett and H. G. Perry, assistants in botany; A. V. Chandler, assistant in neurology and vertebrate zoölogy; S. W. Allen, assistant in geology; R. A. Mordorff, assistant in physical geography; C. G. Coggeshall and H. G. Hadley, assistants in physical culture; H. W. Mayers, assistant in physiology and biochemistry; J. G. Pertsch, jr., assistant in electrical engineering.

### Class Debate Clubs Abolished.

At a recent meeting of the Debate Union it was decided to abolish the three upper class debating clubs. A freshman club will be organized each year, but it will be disbanded before the second year. The upper class clubs had become inactive. A new organization has recently been formed, to be known as The Owls. It will consist next fall of about eleven men who are interested in debating. and these men will make an effort to revive and keep up interest in this activity. It is to be a sort of honorary society and will be selfperpetuating. The Debate Union. the central body, has elected the following officers for next year: President, H. N. Wilson '10, Dansville; vice-president, C. R. Hugins '11, Ithaca; secretary, F. P. Murphy '12, Stamford; treasurer, G. H. Brown '11, Buffalo. As representatives on the Debate Council, the Union appointed H. W. Edgerton '10, Washington, D. C.; J. B. Kent, G., Ramona, S. D., and G. H. Brown. It was voted that members of intercollegiate debate teams should have the privilege of wearing a gold "C" stickpin as insignia.

### TO ALASKA THIS SUMMER.

## Plans for Professor Tarr's Third Tour of Investigation.

The research committee of the National Geographic Society has recently voted to make an annual appropriation of \$5,000 for geographical research, and in the belief that this is one of the most fruitful fields for physiographic research on the continent, has decided that the first work shall be upon the glaciers and glaciation of Alaska, continuing the work upon which Professor R. S. Tarr has been engaged for several years. Professor Tarr and Professor Lawrence Martin of the University of Wirconsin have been selected to take charge of this investigation for the present summer. Professor Martin is a Cornell graduate in the class of 1903 and in the summer of 1905 was a member of Professor Tarr's first expedition to

The party will leave about the middle of June and remain in the field until October, beginning work in the Mount Saint Elias region, the field of Professor Tarr's previous investigations, and the place where the largest glaciers in the world, outside of the frigid zones, are to be This region has already found. yielded scientific results of very high value. The last half of the summer will be spent in a new field-Prince William Sound-to the northwest of the Saint Elias region. At the very close of the summer a rapid reconnaissance will be made into the interior, along the Copper River, in order to lay plans for the next season's work, which, in view of Professor Tarr's absence on sabbatical leave, will probably be under the immediate direction of Professor Martin.

This will be Professor Tarr's third trip to Alaska. He will take as his assistant Mr. Oscar Von Engeln '07, instructor in physical geography. Professor Martin will be assisted by a graduate student from the University of Wisconsin. Professor Tarr's former investigations in Alaska were made under the United States Geological Survey. The present journey is the first one attempted under a fund for research recently started by the National Geographic Society.

### Athletic Council.

At a meeting of the Athletic Council on Saturday evening it was decided to renovate the club house on Percy Field during the summer. The house will be repaired and put in a sanitary condition, and perhaps it will be enlarged.

It was voted to present to every wearer of the 'varsity C who has left college a pass which will admit him to all games played in Ithaca under the auspices of the Athletic Association.

The following managers were elected for next year: In track athletics, A. C. Hastings, jr., Brooklyn; in baseball, H. H. Bennett, Port Huron, Mich.; in rowing, F. H. McCormick, Baltimore, Md. These men are all members of the class of 1910 and have all served as assistant managers during the past year. Mr. Hastings is a member of Kappa Alpha and Mr. Bennet and Mr. McCormick are members of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Assistant managers were elected as follows: Arthur M. Roberts, Birmingham, Ala., in track athletics, and W. F. Peterson, Wheeling, W. Va., in rowing. Mr. Roberts is a member of Kappa Sigma and Mr. Peterson of Alpha Delta Phi.

R. B. Holbrook '10, Newton Centre, Mass., was elected manager of the freshman baseball team, and J. G. Turnbull '11, Brooklyn, was made assistant manager. C. C. Keeler '10, Chicago, was elected manager of the freshman football team, with H. H. Vail '11, Poughkeepsie, as assistant.

The election of Edward T. Cook, jr., '10. Chillicothe, Ohio, as captain of the track team, was ratified.

The intercollegiate stripe and C were awarded to winners of places in the recent intercollegiate track meet, and the 'varsity C was awarded to winners of first places in the recent Princeton-Cornell meet. The junior 'varsity insignia was awarded to the members of the crew that won the recent race at Philadelphia.

There was an unconfirmed rumor in Ithaca during the week that the office of assistant director of the census had been offered to Professor Walter F. Willcox and that he had declined it. Professor Willcox and his family are in Europe.

### INTERCOLLEGE SPORT.

The Year's Championship Won by the Students of Civil Engineering.

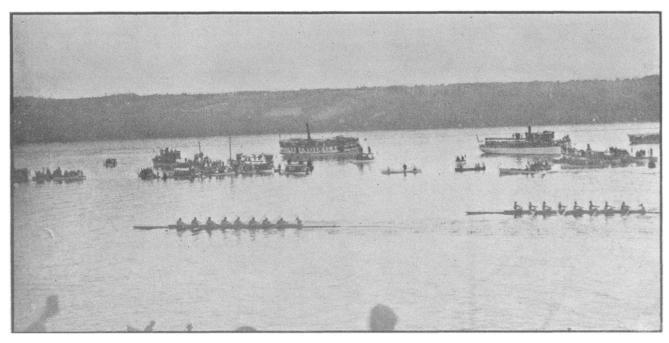
The intercollege athletic championship of the University has been won by the students of the College of Civil Engineering. As a trophy of its victory the college receives a handsome banner given for the purpose by Junius T. Auerbach '90, of Boston.

Under a system employed for the first time this year, intercollegiate contests were held in soccer football, 'cross-country running, basketball, track athletics, rowing and baseball and also in an indoor meet. The winner, and the trophy awarded in each, were as follows: Soccer football, Sibley College, the Sarmiento Cup; 'cross-country, Sibley College, the Ehrich Cup; basketball-Civil Engineering, the Elmira Cup; track, College of Arts, Faculty statuette; rowing, Civil Engineering, the Barr Cup; baseball, College of Law, the Deans' Cup; indoor meet. Veterinary College, two barrels of

Points are assigned each college according to its position in each of these events, and the championship goes to the college winning the largest total. The score for the year was as follows: Civil Engineering 49, Sibley 40, Arts 34, Agriculture 33, Law 30, Veterinary 17, and Architecture 14.

Some notion of the large part played by these intercollege sports in the life of the students may be formed from the fact that about eight hundred men took part in them. There were 205 entries in the 'cross-country race. Three of the colleges held preliminary interclass races in order to select their best men for the principal event. Some of the colleges gave "shingles" and others watch fobs to such of their men as won points in the intercollege race. Two hundred men entered as candidates for the intercollege crews.

Intercollege athletics are under the direction of a board composed of two faculty members, Professors John Craig and C. V. P. Young, Coach Moakley and a student representative of each of the colleges of the University. Professor Craigis president of the board.



CORNELL WINNING THE 'VARSITY RACE WITH HARVARD.

One enterprise now in progress in connection with intercollege athletics is the building of a boathouse for the college crews. A lot has been bought on the west bank of the Inlet, below Buffalo street, and the house will be ready for use in the fall, provided about \$600 more can be raised. A fund of \$3,400 has been subscribed, but this is not enough to complete the house.

### Successful Smoker.

(Contributed.)

The spring smoker of the Cornell Club of New England, held at the Boston Tavern on the evening of May 28, the night before the finals of the intercollegiate meet, was the most successful ever given by the club, from all points of view. The crowd began to gather about eight o'clock and praises for the track team on account of the valiant showing they had made in the preliminary trials were sung on all sides. It was not long before Jack Moakley appeared and he was treated to the new "little yell" invented by "Ken" Roberts '08. It went like this: "Yea-a-a-a! Cornell! Jack! Jack! Jack!" It is a good one for the purpose of cheering for an individual and was heard at the track meet and will be heard again at the CornellHarvard baseball and football games.

"Eddie" Savage '98 acted as informal toastmaster and there was so much talent offered that it was midnight before the gathering dispersed. "Ted" Lindorff '07 came on from New York especially to officiate at the piano and teach the earlier "grads" how to sing some of the later songs. He was all that he is cracked up to be and the club wants to see him again. Jack was heard from, of course, and he gave one of his characteristic talks.

One of the most popular talks of the evening was given by W. F. Garcelon, graduate manager Harvard athletics. He spoke sincerely and feelingly of the friendly spirit of fair play and rivalry that exists between Harvard and Cornell. Of the other invited guests who spoke, Manager Rockwell told of the progress of the new athletic field; Rogers '03. Porter '05 and Trube '08 all spoke of Cornell's athletic achievements both past and present and all gave a word of praise for Jack, and "Bob Dunbar" of the Boston Journal, who always has a good word for Cornell, spoke of his admiration for the prowess of the men from the hill overhanging Lake Cayuga. Romeyn Berry '04 gave some of his stories. Roberts '08

recited his famous Widow successes, and Browne '99 told the story that made the Masque famous. Furlong '99 told of his travels in Tierra del Fuego and of the strange peoples he had met there. The Cornell Club prize quartette sang its most fascinating ditties and the club as a whole got in some close harmony that made the undergraduates present envious. The hilarity was contagious, for everyone wore one of those happy, care-free smiles popularly supposed to work only during the four years lived on the hill.

This smoker closed the most successful year that the Cornell Club of New England has ever had. The credit for getting out the crowd of eighty men who attended and running the affair through smoothly is entirely due to the committee, composed of E. J. Savage, chairman; C. E. Parsons, A. P. Bryant, R. C. Fenner, K. L. Roberts and W. G. Ogden, secretary.

### No Certificates for Reunion.

In view of the certificate plan for rates on railroads having been raised to a fare and three-fifths plus 25 cents for validation, it has been found wise to discontinue for this year the use of any such certificate for the reunion.



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### THE COLLEGE UNDER FIRE.

During the week two university presidents, Dr. Wilson of Princeton and Mr. Lowell of Harvard, have, in public addresses, tried to take a glance at the future of the American college. Dr. Wilson is frankly pes-Speaking at Williams simistic. College, he said:

"I believe in athletics. I believe in all those things which relax energy that the facuties may be at their best when the energies are not relaxed, but only so far do I believe When the lad in these diversions. leaves school he should cease to be an athlete. The modern world is an exacting one, and the things it exacts are mostly intellectual.

'A danger surrounding our modern education is the danger of wealth. I am sorry for the lad who is going to inherit money. I fear that the kind of men who are to share in shaping the future are not largely exemplified in schools and colleges.

"So far as the colleges go, the

sideshows have swallowed up the circus, and we in the main tent do not know what is going on. And I do not know that I want to continue under those conditions as ringmaster. There are more honest occupations than teaching if you cannot teach.

"When once we have the gracious assistance of fathers and mothers we shall educate their sons. Given that assistance, in a generation we will change the entire character of American education. And it must be changed. Schools like this one and universities like Princeton must pass out of existence unless they adapt themselves to modern life."

President Lowell, in the course of the annual Phi Beta Kappa ad dress at Columbia University, suggested the stimulus of competition as a means of getting the public and through the public the student to believe that intellectual hard work in college is worth a man's best effort. His address is printed in the June number of the AtlanticMonthly.

Mr. Lowell does not believe "that young men have by nature a stronger desire for physical than for intellectual power, or a greater admiration for it." Yet, he says, "largely by the free use of competition, athletics, in the esteem both of undergraduates and of the community at large, has beaten scholarship out of sight." A normal young man, he says, longs for nothing so much as to devote himself to a cause that calls forth his enthusiasm, and the greater the sacrifice involved the more eagerly will he grasp it. This is the spirit, says Mr. Lowell, more than a desire for exercise or amusement, that makes college athletes. And it is the lack of a like stimulus to effort on the side of scholarship that causes the normal undergraduate to regard the college "grind" as a selfish person and to make a hero out of the football captain. The problem, as Mr. Lowell sees it, is to find a way of arousing the young man's enthusiasm for intellectual effort and accomplishment even as his imagination is stirred by a struggle of university champions.

Who is it, President Lowell asks, that makes football a dangerous and painful sport? Is it the faculty, or the players themselves? And he

answers his question in this way: "A young man wants to test himself on every side, in strength, in quickness, in skill, in courage, in endurance; and he will go through much to prove his merit. He wants to test himself, provided he has faith that the test is true, and that the quality tried is one that makes for manliness; otherwise he will have none of it. Now, we have not convinced him that high scholarship is a manly thing worthy of his devotion, or that our examinations are faithful tests of intellectual power; and in so far as we have failed in this, we have come short of what we ought to do. Universities stand for the eternal worth of thought, for the prëeminence of the prophet and the seer; but, instead of being thrilled by the eager search for truth, our classes too often sit listless on the bench. It is not because the lecturer is dull, but because the pupils do not prize the end enough to relish the drudgery required for skill in any great pursuit, or indeed in any sport. To make them see the greatness of that end, how fully it deserves the price that must be paid for it, how richly it rewards the man who may compete for it, we must learn- and herein lies the secret—we must learn the precious art of touching their imagination.'

In the English universities one hundred years ago, Mr. Lowell said. a low state of scholarship was met by a resort to frank competition. A degree with honors awarded in several grades was established, and thev succeeded in making the honors not only a goal of ambition but an object of general respect. Oxford and Cambridge men are firmly persuaded that success at the bar, in public life, and in other fields, is closely connected with high honors at graduation. In our colleges, competition as an effective stimulus to scholarship suffers. Mr. Lowell thinks, from a widespread feeling among the students that the distinctions won are a test of industry rather than of superior intellectual power. And he sees a grain of truth in the feeling. "In our desire to ensure from every student a fair amount of work, we are too apt to use tests that measure mere diligence, with the result that

high rank in college is no sure measure of real ability. This has been to a great extent avoided in England by distinct honor and pass examinations, the questions in the former being of such a nature that industry alone cannot, it is believed, attain the highest grade; and this is an important matter if high rank is to command admiration.

### The Trusteeship.

We have been requested to publish the following:

As there seems to be a misunderstanding in regard to the endorsement of alumnae trustees the following statement may be in order. As long as Mrs. Miller was the only candidate in the field no action was taken by the Ithaca Club. Later, when other names were proposed as candidates, Dr. Emily Dunning Barringer was nominated by her friends in Ithaca, and her name filed in the Treasurer's office in February. Later, at a meeting of the Ithaca Cornell Alumnae Club held March 9, 1909, the name of Dr. Barringer was ratifield almost unanimously. Shortly afterwards a communication was received from the Rochester Club also supporting Dr. Barringer.

### Continuous Reunion Club.

The officers issue the customary summons to the membership to appear at Ithaca on June 16, in accordance with the section of the By-Laws, providing:

"If any member fails to attend a reunion during the said five (5) years he shall send a letter of regret to the Treasurer at each reunion, stating the reason for his absence, and enclose twenty-five (\$25.00) in approved legal tender, a fine for absence."

Signed by F. S. Adams, E. C. Batchelar, H. Beckwith, A. Jay A. F. Brinckerhoff, Boardman, Charles B. Brown, C. M. Brown, jr., Douglas K. Brown, Edward Burns, jr., Robert Burns, Charles Burns, H. G. Carpenter, H. B. Close, John Condon, jr., W. R. Couch, W. J.

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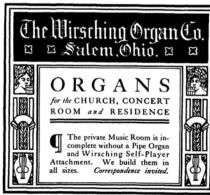
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### The Calendar.

(When not otherwise denoted, events take place in Ithaca.)

June 12—Baseball, Harvard at Cambridge.

June 13-Baccalaureate Sermon.

June 15-Class Day.

June 16-Alumni Day.

June 17-Commencement.

June 18—Baseball, Williams at Williamstown.

June 19—Baseball, Yale at New Haven

July 2 — Rowing, Intercollegiate Regatta at Poughkeepsie.

#### Poughkeepsie Regatta.

Thirteen cars have been assigned to Cornell in the observation train that will be run at the Poughkeepsie regatta on Friday, July 2. Tickets are not yet ready for distribution, but it is not too early to file applications for them.

The drawings for courses have been made. They are as follows: Varsity fours—Cornell, 1; Columbia, 2; Syracuse, 3; Pennsylvania, 4.

Freshman eights—Cornell, 1; Syracuse, 2; Columbia, 3; Wisconsin, 4; Pennsylvania, 5.

Varsity eights—Pennsylvania, 1; Wisconsin, 2; Cornell, 3; Columbia, 4; Syracuse, 5.

The courses number out from the Highland side. The New York Sun says: "Under some conditions of water it is well to be on the outside lanes, and Syracuse and Columbia have these stretches this time. Curiously enough, they were far out last year, when Syracuse finished first and Columbia second. The year before last the inside courses had the winning crews, Cornell finishing first and Columbia second."

### CORNELL ALUMNI NOTES.

'71, B. S.—Henry H. Seymour has changed his address in Buffalo to 367 Delaware avenue.

'82, A. B.—New York University last week conferred the degree of doctor of laws upon Hermann Michael Biggs. He was introduced as "lecturer and professor in the Bellevue hospital and the University Medical College continuously for twenty-four years, chief medical officer of the Health Department of New York city for the past six years, a director of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, fellow of medical societies in Europe. and this country, standing in the foremost rank among medical scientists, winning an international reputation in the war on tuberculosis.

'88, B. L.—H. C. Beauchamp has been elected president of the Jonesboro, Tenn., Board of Trade.

'89, B. L.—The Rochester Post-Express has recently published a series of five articles written by Simon L. Adler, of Rochester, on the general subject of the direct pri-

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'92, B. L.—Houghton Mifflin Company has just published "Social Development and Education," by Professor Michael Vincent O'Shea, of the University of Wisconsin, author of "Suggestions for the Observation and Study of Children," "Aspects of Mental Economy," "Education as Adjustment," "Dynamic Factors in Education" and "Linguistic Development and Education." The author has studied various methods of training children at home and abroad, and his views as expressed in his new book are said to be based on actual experiments.

'95, LL. B.—Frank K. Nebeker, of Logan, Utah, went as a delegate from the State of Utah to attend the National Conference on Crime and Criminology held under the auspices of the Northwestern University at Chicago, Ill., on June 7, 8 and 9.

'96, Ph. B.—A son was born on May 22 to Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bailey, of Dansville, N. Y.

'96, LL. B.—Royal A. Gunnison retired on June 1 from the office of Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Alaska. He immediately resumed the general

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'97, LL. B.—A daughter was born on May 30 to Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Affeld, jr., of Brooklyn.

'97, A. B.—The year-book of the Burroughs School, just issued, is a pamphlet of forty-seven Charles Edward Burroughs is head master of the school, which occupies the building at 22 West Forty-Fifth street, New York. This house has recently been remodeled for the uses of the school, and is connected directly with the Berkeley Lyceum Gymnasium in West Forty-Fourth street. The faculty numbers eight.

'99-J. Allen Haines '99 and Norris B. Henrotin '05 are with the bond department of Finley Barrell & Company, bankers and brokers, Chicago. Their address is Room 3, Monadnock Block, Chicago.

'01, C. E .- Howard W. Underwood is secretary, treasurer and general manager of Field, Barker & Underwood, engineers and contractors, 718 Arcade building, Philadelphia.

'02, M. E.—The address of W. D. Whitney has been changed to 3209 Humbolt avenue, South, Minneapolis, Minn.

'02, D. V. M.-Robert J. Foster, veterinarian of the Twelfth United States Cavalry, is now with that regiment in Manila.

'04, G.-Lawrence Pumpelly, who has been an instructor in the department of chemistry during the past year, expects to spend next year in Paris.

'05-A daughter was born on May 22 to Mr. and Mrs. Milo L. Cleveland, of Brockport, N. Y.

'05, A. B.—B. C. Leonard is with Weil, Farrell & Company, note brokers, White Memorial Building, Svracuse, N. Y.

'05, A. B.—Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Charlotte C. Geuder, to Curt B. Mueller. Mr. Mueller's address has been changed to 414 Century Building, Cleveland, O., where he

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'06, M. E.—Henry Atwater is president and treasurer and LeRoy Woodland is vice-president of the Atwater Manufacturing Company, electrical and mechanical specialties, North Chicago, Ill.

'06, B. S. A.—The address of W. G. Brierley is 1704 A street, Pullman, Wash. He is assistant horticulturist in the Washington State College under Professor Walter S. Thornber '05. His work is in the picking, packing, storing and marketing of fruits of all kinds according to western methods.

'06, C. E.-R. H. Knowlton is now with the United Gas & Electric Company of New Albany, Ind.

'06. A. B.-F. E. Gallagher's address has been changed from Arlington, Mass., to 12 Russell Road, Newton, Mass.

'06. M. E .- The wedding of Edward T. Foote and Miss Carol Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Hamilton, was solemnized in St. Paul's Church, Milwaukee, on Tuesday evening, June 1. The ushers were Henry Schoellkopf '02, John Newhall '06, J. Harold Whitehead '06, William Clifford Stevens '06, George Lawson '06 and Ralph C. Turner '06. Mr. and Mrs. Foote will make their home at 490 Marshall street, Milwaukee.

'07, C. E.-W. S. Saxton is now located in Baldwinsville, N. Y.

'07, M. E.-E. W. Jansen is still with the Siemens Schuckert Werke G. m. b. H., but has been transferred to the office in the city of Magdeburg, Germany. His address now is Breiteweg 213, in care of Herrn Michaelis, Magdeburg, Germany.

'07-Edward J. Bird is with the United States Steel Corporation at Gary, Ind. He lives at the Hotel Victoria.

'08. Ph. D.—Albert A. Giesecke has been commissioned by the Peruvian Government to organize a system of commercial and technical education in Peru, and will leave this country in a short time for Lima. For the past three years Mr. Giesecke has been assistant to Professor Jenks in the department of political science.

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