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The chief purposes of the Bulletin are: Shtably to furnish facts concerning the current life and work of Ursinus College; to promote closer fellowship between the College and its friends, and to stimulate zeal for the vital interests which it represents; to supply items of literary and religious news, with special regard to a higher Christian education and the evangelizing work of the Church; to afford members and friends of the College a medium for occasional contributions; and to give assuring proof of the fidelity of the institution to the principles and aims for which it was founded, and of its efficiency in their maintenance and pursuit.

Short contributions of items and articles in harmony with these purposes are solicited, not only from the Alumni, but from all the friends of Ursinus College. Thus they can help to make the Bulletin interesting and effective.

College Notes.

The vocal and instrumental Concert given in the College Hall, on the evening of May 14, was a decided success, at least so far as the singing of the Quartette and the performances of the Eureka Orchestra, of Allentown, were concerned. Both were enthusiastically appreciated by one of the largest audiences ever gathered in the Hall.

On May 20th, promptly on time, the Catalogue of Ursinus College for 1885-6 made its appearance. As an annual exhibit of the number of students in attendance and the educational work of the Institution, it will be a highly gratifying document to patrons and friends. Numerically it has been the most successful year of the existence of the College. And in other respects it compares favorably with any in the past. Throughout it has been a year of excellent domestic order, requiring but little exercise of discipline. It is worthy of special remark and commendation that an evangelic religious spirit has pervaded the School, showing its power in a cheerful and devout attendance upon the morning service with which each day's duties are opened. Without the least constraint, spontaneously, all seemed to find pleasure in the service, and to participate in it, not under the pressure of law, but under the impulse of love. The worship, of course, is free in distinction from ritualistic.

The final examination of the Senior Theological Class took place on Friday, May 21st, in the presence of the Visiting Committee. The Class consisted of Henry A. Bomberger, John O. Lindaman, James W. Meminger, Phaon W. Snyder and John J. Stauffer. They all gave satisfactory proof of proficiency in their studies and were awarded certificates of honorable dismissal, and commended
to their respective Classes as Candidates for Licensure. All enjoyed the cordial esteem of their Professors and of their fellow students, and will be followed to their several fields of Christian work with the best wishes for their welfare and success.

A complimentary entertainment was given to the graduating Theological and Collegiate Classes at the President's house, on Thursday evening, May 20. Of course, the company was very exclusively select, but it seemed to find the occasion none the less pleasant and enjoyable.

The following is the programme, as finally arranged, for the Fifteenth Commencement:

**Sunday Evening, June 20th.**
Baccalaureate Sermon by President Bomberger.

**Monday, June 21st.**
Meetings of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, and of the Standing and Special Committees of the Ursinus Union.
8 p.m., Junior Prize Contest.

**Tuesday, June 22d.**
8 p.m., Annual Address before the Literary Societies by Rev. H. H. W. Hibshman, D. D., Tiffin, Ohio.

**Wednesday, June 23d.**
10 a.m., Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors.
1.30 p.m., Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association.
3.30 p.m., Annual Meeting of the Ursinus Union.
8 p.m., Annual Oration before the Alumni by Rev. F. F. Bahner, A. M., of Waynesboro, Pa.
9.30 p.m., Alumni Banquet.

**Thursday, June 24th.**
10 a.m., Commencement, in Trinity Christian Church.

**ORDER OF EXERCISES.**

Invocation.

Oration—Miss May H. Royer, Trappe, Montgomery county, Pa.

Oration—Miss Lillie P. Eberly, Duriach, Lancaster county, Pa.


Scientific Oration—Miss Ella B. Price, Collegeville, Montgomery county, Pa.

Scientific Oration—George H. Miller, Weaversville, Northampton county, Pa.

Valedictory—Edwin Clark Hibshman, Tiffin, Seneca county, Ohio.

Confering of Degrees.

Benediction.

3 p.m., General Meeting of the Ursinus Union, and of the Guests and Friends of the College.
8 p.m., the President's Reception.

Prof. Ruhe's Eureka Orchestra will furnish the music of the day.

It is expected that there will be an enthusiastic rallying of the many friends of Ursinus.

The Invitation Card of the Graduating Class is gotten up in excellent style, and is indeed a gem of beauty and taste. In the centre of the card a finely executed engraving of a view on the Perkiomen creek first attracts the eye. On the left of this, above, a miniature picture of the College and the avenue leading to it occupies a prominent place, and gives some idea, though in very diminutive form, of the edifice. It was impossible, of course, to produce the 300 by 500 feet campus with the "umbrageous" trees thickly studding it in so small a space. Altogether the card may be taken as a symbolic exponent of the spirit animating the students. It is equally creditable to them and the College.

The annual number of students entered on the College rolls has, for the last eight years, been steadily increasing, until now for the year '85-6 the figures have reached 151, more than double the attendance for '78-9. Should the present ratio of progress continue for a like period in the future, Ursinus will have attained a position of prosperity and usefulness fully up to the fondest hopes of her staunchest supporters.
The Ursinus College Base Ball Club has been meeting with signal success. In the last three games played with rival teams it has in each case come off with laurels of victory. The club feels that its sphere of activity is too circumscribed, and it looks longingly at possible triumphs to be achieved over ambitious brother collegians.

Orders for excursion tickets on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, good for Commencement week, can be obtained by making application to the President of the College.

THE LITERARY SOCIETIES.

OPEN MEETING OF THE SCHAFF SOCIETY.

On Friday evening, May 21st, the regular yearly Open Meeting of the Schaff Literary Society was held in the College Chapel. The friends of the Society and College thronged in full force to the enjoyment of the occasion, so that the audience was all that could be desired. The fine appearance made by the large membership of the Society as it filed up the Chapel aisles drew forth the applause of those assembled. The opening exercises consisted of a piano solo by F. R. Sallade, the singing of a hymn by the audience, and the reading of the Scriptures and prayer by J. L. Fluck, Chaplain of the Society. The Literary part of the programme, as rendered, comprised a recitation, "The Dandy Fifth," by John Wagner; an essay, "The Art of Pleasing," by H. G. Allebach; a recitation, "The Execution of Montrose," by G. H. Meixell; an essay, "Self-Help," by Mayne Longstreth; a recitation, "The Red Jacket," by J. Ross Myers; an essay, "Waiting," by S. P. Stauffer; an oration, "Influence of Fashion," by J. L. Fluck; and the reading of the "Schaff Gazette," by its editor, Charles E. Wehler.

The Schaff Quartette, Messrs. H. A. Bomberger, S. L. Messinger, Chas. E. Wehler and P. C. Mensch, with Miss Kratz as accompanist, varied and enlivened the entertainment with choice vocal selections, while Mr. F. R. Sallade brought forth sweet melody from his tuneful zither, and an enthusiastic encore from the delighted audience. At the conclusion of the exercises Mr. Markley performed a piece on the new organ just purchased by the Society and used during the evening for the first time. The meeting was entirely satisfactory to all interested, and fully maintained the standard of excellence heretofore established by the Society in occasions of this nature.

The organ that now graces the Schaffite Hall is a neatly finished instrument, of good tone, and adds much to the enjoyment of the weekly meetings of the Society.

The Zwinglians have a By-Law by which all the financial receipts of each Spring Term must be devoted to the purchase of books for their library. A very wise provision.

Negotiations have already been opened by this Society toward securing a prominent orator to speak
at the College some time during next Fall Term.

OLEVIAN PICNIC.

The Olevian Society held its annual picnic on Tuesday afternoon, May 25th, at Glen Farm, the residence of Prof. Weinberger. Concerning the same, we clip from an exchange the following: "The young ladies had accepted the shade and shelter of Glen Farm for their picnic ground, so that the unfavorable weather did not interfere with the pleasures of the afternoon. The shrubbery furnished ample floral decorations, and as the Olevians filed out to supper and sat around the table they presented a charming picture with their flower-crowned heads. The hours were spent in pleasant gayety, and when the flower maidens departed with the coming of the evening shadows, they left lingering echoes of merriment within the old farm house."

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

A very pleasant re-union of the Class of '84 took place at the residence of Prof. J. Shelley Weinberger on Monday evening, May 10. Six members of the class, with invited guests, were present, and letters of regret were read from two others. A tastefully prepared banquet formed a part of the evening's entertainment, at the end of which Prof. Weinberger responded in happy vein to the toast "The Class of '84." Other toasts met with appropriate responses by different members of the class. The occasion was a most enjoyable one, and served to strengthen the spirit of friendly unity that has ever pervaded the ranks of '84.

The several sub-committees appointed at the April meeting of the Executive Committee are at work completing the arrangements for Commencement week. The Banquet of '86 will be held in the dining-hall of Prospect Terrace. An effort is being made to have the Eureka Orchestra on hand a little earlier than usual, that it may add its delightful strains to the festivities of Alumni night.

PERSONAL.

'73. Rev. F. F. Bahner, A. M., pastor of Trinity Reformed Church, Waynesboro, Pa., will deliver this year's oration before the Alumni Association on Wednesday night of Commencement week. At the late annual meeting of Mercersburg Classis Mr. Bahner was elected Vice-President of that body, and was also chosen as one of its delegates to the next meeting of the Synod of the Potomac.

'74. Rev. M. L. Fritch, a theological alumnus, is about beginning the erection of a new church at Gouglersville, Pa. The church when completed will be one of the finest in that section of country. In the last year Mr. Fritch has increased the
membership of his charge by 106 persons.

'74. Rev. J. H. Shuford, A. B., who moved from North Carolina to the West in '80, publishes a strong plea for "the Reformed Church in the Northwest" in a recent number of the Christian World.

'75. Rev. D. U. Wolff, A. M., who was compelled to resign his charge at New Oxford, Adams county, Pa., on account of impaired health, has removed to Myerstown, his native place, and hopes by out-door exercise and careful treatment to recuperate sufficiently to undertake pastoral work again.

'76. Rev. John H. Sechler, a theological alumnus, has been granted a vacation of three months by the members of Boehm's Reformed Church, Blue Bell, Pa., his pastorate.

'77. Rev. J. E. Smith, another theological alumnus, of Bath, Northampton county, Pa., was married to Miss Maria C. Bartholemew, of the same place, on May 12, 1886. If the Bulletin's congratulations are not too tardy, they are cordially extended.

'77. Rev. M. H. Mishler, a theological graduate, has received a call from Minersville, Pa., and will serve this congregation in connection with the Belleman Church near Reading. The Belleman congregation, on account of the difficulties prevailing there four years ago, was reduced to seventy-five. During the past year one hundred were added to its membership.

'77. Rev. A. B. Stoner, a graduate of the theological department, is meeting with increasing success in his pastorate at Mechanicstown, Md. Two of his congregations report thirty new subscribers to the Messenger, while at Easter nine members united with the charge.

'81. Rev. G. W. Stibitz, A. B., of Lehighton, Pa., recently received 33 new members into his congregation, and donated $20 as its contribution to missions.

'82. It was with surprise and deep regret that the Bulletin observed in a recent issue of the Presbyterian an obituary notice of Mrs. A. Carrie Kline, wife of I. W. Kline, Esq., A. B., of Lancaster. The paper speaks of Mrs. Kline as a most estimable lady, beloved by all her acquaintances. But a short time ago the Bulletin was afforded the pleasure of extending its congratulations on Mr. Kline's marriage, and now it must sorrowfully offer its heartfelt sympathy in his severe affliction.

'83. The address of Rev. B. Frank Davis, A. B., is Kingston, Ross county, Ohio. Lancaster Classis received him into its membership at a recent meeting. He has gone among a kind people, who will no doubt find in him a worthy pastor.

'83. Rev. F. H. Keller, A. B., of the senior theological class just graduated at Tiffin, and a son of Rev. Eli Keller of the Visiting Committee of Ursinus, has received a call to Lyons, Kansas.

'84. Prof. Joseph E. Saylor, A. B., occupies the chair of Mathematics,
Astronomy and Book-Keeping in the Normal College, Huntingdon, Pa. The vicinity of Huntingdon is rich in plants, and the Professor, during his leisure hours, takes advantage of the opportunity presented for indulging his taste for botanizing.

'84. John A. Keiper, A. B., has finally chosen a business pursuit in life, having opened a store at his home, Elizabethville, Pa.

'84. Rev. Messrs. J. W. Meminger, A. B., J. J. Stauffer, A. B., and P. W. Snyder, A. B., have all successfully passed the examinations of their several Classes and received licensure.

'85. Titus C. Strock, B. S., is Principal of the Springtown Academy, Bucks county, Pa., and Professor of Latin, Greek and the Sciences in that Institution. He is quite successful in the educational work in which he is engaged. Fifty-four students are in attendance at the school this term. Mr. Strock is also one of the editors of the Springtown Times.

'86. Rev. John O. Lindaman, of this year's theological class, the latest addition to Ursinus Alumni, having been duly licensed by his Classis, has received and accepted a call to Bath, Northampton county, Pa.

In examinations at the University of Virginia the students sit together, unwatched. At the end of the paper each one writes with his signature: "I have neither given nor received assistance." The violation of this honor-pledge is almost unknown.

SPECIAL TOPICS.

THE CORDS LENGTHENING.

For the general public the influence of an annual Commencement season is but little, if at all, felt until the ushering in of the festive week or, in most cases, even of the royal day—coronation-day. But within the narrower circle of the College itself the moral power of the occasion strongly asserts its influence a full month earlier. It is then that those who have completed their Theological course of studies, pass their final examination, and quietly but thoughtfully leave the preparatory "school of the prophets" to enter, with the formal authority they may receive from their respective Classes, upon the cheerfully chosen and blessed, but earnest work to which they have consecrated their lives. And it is then that the Seniors in College, scattering for the (shall it be called absurdly long) vacation imposed by tradition to let them draw breath for the graduation day—virtually sunder the pleasant academic and class relations enjoyed during the previous year.

Such a time naturally prompts reflections both retrospective and relating to the future, personal and concerning the state and interests of the College in its general work and the results of its work.

From among these reflections let that indicated by the caption of this article be selected as worthy of special thought.

As each successive class of graduates goes forth from the Academic
or Theological Departments of the Institution a corresponding number is annually added to the growing family of Ursinus Alumni. The College was opened in 1870 under the pressure of a necessity, to set up a barrier to the hurtful and subversive innovations upon vital principles in the faith and culture of the Reformed Church. This fact of a partially past history is well known to some, ought to be known by those ignorant of it, and for many reasons should never be forgotten.

None could have deplored the origin and causes of that necessity so deeply, as those who yielded to it for the important ends to be secured by doing so, and founded Ursinus College with a Theological Department. They would gladly have given twice or thrice what it cost them, to the zealous furtherance of Christianity in their Church on the old gospel basis. But those responsible for the innovations persisted and left no choice but to yield to their disastrous consequences or to resist them. In the strong light of facts which glared like a conflagration there could be no doubt as to the line of duty. That line was followed and led, among other things, to the establishment of Ursinus College. The wisdom and advantages of its establishment have been justified and demonstrated by the results.

To limit the proof of this to a single fact at this time, the steady extension of the influence of the College by the graduates annually sent forth, and the still larger number of such as could take only a partial course of study, is silently perhaps, but effectively, making the principles and training of the School to be ever more widely felt. Its students are spreading in every direction, bearing, in fair degree and measure, whatever treasures of wisdom and knowledge, of sound principles and motives inciting to a pure and beneficent life, they may have gathered. So far as they prove true to their training, they will be found zealous co-workers with those who maintain the ancient gospel faith against perpetually revived error, however specious its latest drapery. No jack-o'-lantern bog-lights will easily tempt them even from the ruts sometimes met with in the King's highway, into the tracks less, treacherous mires of phosphorescent false philosophies. Favoring progress and all legitimate development, they will hold that the best and surest way of gaining it is by building on divine foundations long since laid, not by razing those foundations and putting in their place the "hay, wood and stubble" of vain carnal speculations. In whatever promises to make men and society really better and more happy by the suppression of vice and advancement in virtue, they will take part more or less energetically and boldly according to diversity of talent and temperament; but in doing so they will be careful to shun both rash fanaticism and petrifying formalism.

It is by striving to supply the ever thinning ranks of faithful laborers in the field of human life that Ursinus
College is doing good service for the best of causes. And as it finds its cords of influence thus lengthening and stretching North and South, East and West, rewards of joy richly repay for all the toils of the work.

On fair comparison with other Institutions of the Church the number sent forth and doing duty in their several spheres and professions is surprisingly large. It would, of course, have been larger if inimical hindrances had not been put in the way of the School from its very start. But instead of morbidly brooding over such unpleasant memories, there is much stimulating encouragement in the fact that the obstructions have been surmounted, and such success achieved under the favor of God has confounded many ill-tempered prognostications of other days.

And as the cords of the College tabernacle have thus been lengthening, a correspondent strengthening of the stake has not been neglected. But concerning this point the proceedings of the Board of Directors at its annual meeting during Commencement week may furnish matter for the July number of the Bulletin.

Somewhat to enliven the probable dullness of these prosaic Topics with the rhythm and melody of song, the following stanzas by “an Ursinus boy,” caught on the wing (that is, the stanzas, not the boy—though some might think that to soar as he does he must have pinions), are put in just here between the leaden columns. And though “the lad knew nothing of it” ’till he saw this page, it is hoped he will pardon the liberty taken with his lines. When doves fly away from their cots, they may expect to be caught.

WINTER-GREEN.

When the stern, piercing blast of all-pitiless Winter
Lays a hush on the song of each brooklet’s glad flow;
Bids the birds all cease singing; the flowers stop blooming,
And wraps the green meads in their cerements of snow;
When the storm-fiends shriek ’round each corner and casement,
And gloat o’er the grief in the homes of the poor;
Creep thro’ every crack; crawl in at each crevice,
And death comes to quiet what life fails to cure;
When with fast-falling flakes the skies are all leaden,
And the air, fierce with frost, chills the heart to its core,
I will hie me away to the land of the Orange,
Where balmiest summertime reigns evermore.

Where soft, piney breezes are ebbing and flowing,
With life-bracing salt of the sea in their breath.
One well may believe in the myth of DeLeon,
Where nature flings dauntless defiance to death.

I will scent the sweet perfumes from grove and from hammock;
I will hear the glad mocker’s melodious strain;
I will break with my paddle the lake’s waveless surface,
And cause it to smile,—and to smile yet again.
See the green of the groves and the blue of the heavens
Shine forth, as it mirrors each shadow and light;
See its ripples glance gold in the glint of the sunlight;
Or chase the bright beams of the Queen of the Night.

What a magical charm has this touch of the Tropics!
Earth and sky feel its spell and give tone to its voice.
The flowers seem ne’er to grow weary of blooming;
Sweet songsters trill lays in this land of their choice.

So, when winter comes down o’er the Northland’s bleak stretches,
Banning blossom and bird to a sunnier clime,
I will flee to the land of the Pine and the Orange,
Find the Fountain of Youth, throw the gauntlet to time.
LITERARY LARCENY.

It is a trite saying, that the fruits of a man's honest labor are his own property. The custom of applying this axiom to intellectual, as well as physical activity, is, in these days of new ideas, also trite—a worn-out usage. But, with due respect to progressive practices!—the old way had its good parts; it deserved not to be thus cast aside, and its past record of achievement and influence entitles it to a word of support.

There has ever been a well-defined property in the written expression of the mind,—a property for which there now exists, besides its rightful tenants, a class of fraudulent owners distinct in itself. We refer not, for the present, to those, who, gratuitously or for a consideration, come honestly into possession of the offspring of another's brain, and then dishonestly palm it off as the creature of their own making; but to those more conscienceless individuals who steal their brother's most noble chattel, the work of his immortal nature, and then, with the true instinct of a thief, use falsehood to hide their sin, and with audacious boldness make capital for themselves out of their ill-gotten gains.

They are in no fear of punishment for their crime, and as a consequence act with impunity. Feloniously take from a man his purse, and the discovery of your theft will bring its due reward. But deprive your fellow-mortal of his dearest treasure, the honor and glory gained by the original expression of his own thoughts, that has cost him hours and days of weary effort, that has been wrought into perfection by the sweat of his brow,—and the hand of justice is motionless before your sin. The law prescribes no penalty for the secret literary petty-larceny that from one end of this broad land of ours to another, in pulpit and rostrum, on platform and stage, at school and college, is universally indulged in. Of course, there are copy-right statutes, but they do not reach the unrighteousness here deprecated. What defense has the author against the minister, the public speaker, the student, or the school-boy, who steals his literary production, not for mercenary profit, but to capture for himself the applause of an audience? It is an offense in its nature so little and contemptible, as to be beneath the dignity of him injured to resent or the avenger of his wrong to correct.

It is, however, none the less a crime. A man's original ideas, clothed in his own language, are just as truly his rightful property as the other products of his mind made tangible through the instrumentality of the body. A literary work really original will always have some singularities and marks that characterize it, that fix and establish its identity, and as such its artisan is its owner. This appropriating to one's self the work of another is full of evil result. It induces the practice of deception, it deadens the moral sense, and it acquires for the individual a reputation that is a standing lie. Nor do its bad effects end here. It leads
a man to under-estimate his own ability and allow a mind that might be growing in force and power by exercise and work, to become enervated and dull by idleness.

Literary larceny is injurious in both directions—to the perpetrator and the victim. A check should be placed on its increasing prevalence, and a principle of manly, honorable reliance on its own intellectual resources be instilled into the rising generation.

GENERAL COLLEGE NEWS.

Hobart has two Seniors.

Commencement festivities are at hand.

All Europe has fewer Colleges than Illinois.

Harvard’s total income for the year 1885 was $1,170,245.60.

There are 813 students in the University of the City of New York.

The Faculty of Amherst consists of none but graduates of that College.

Prof. Brainard has been elected President of Middlebury College, Vermont.

About six thousand volumes are added to the library of Yale College every year.

The Rev. Dr. E. E. Hale is to be the Commencement orator at Colby University.

Base ball practice has been forbidden within the College Campus at the University of Pennsylvania.

Seventeen of the students of Yale Theological Seminary have pledged themselves to go out as foreign missionaries.

On May 21st, Professor Timothy Dwight was unanimously elected President of Yale College, to succeed Dr. Noah Porter, whose resignation takes effect at the close of the College year in June. Professor Dwight is a Congregational clergyman and a man of progressive ideas in college government. He is 58 years old and is a grandson of President Dwight, who governed the college in the early part of the century. Previous to his election to the presidency he was Buckingham professor of Sacred Literature in the Theological Department of the college. He was the choice of President Porter.

MONTHLY SUMMARY.

COLLEGIATE.

The annual commencement of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., took place on Thursday, May 13th. Rev. J. H. Vincent, D.D., of the M. E. church, delivered the address before the Society of Inquiry. Eleven young men graduated, most of whom already have calls to pastoral charges.

The closing exercises of the Theological Seminary at Tiffin, O., took place on the 12th ult., under the direction of Prof. H. Rust, D.D. Ten students finished their course and delivered addresses, and about half of them enter immediately upon the active work of the ministry.

The Catalogue of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., reports the largest attendance of students the institution has ever had. For the year ’85-’86 there were enrolled in the College 82, in the Academy 96, in the Seminary 15, total 193.

 Catawba College, at Newton, North Carolina, has just issued its annual catalogue for 1885–86. It shows a very prosperous condition of the Institution. The Faculty numbers seven instructors. The total attendance for the year was 184. Of this number 76 were ladies and 108 gentlemen.
The Heidelberg Commencement programme follows:

**Sunday, June 13th.**
Baccalaureate Sermon in the Chapel of the new College Building.

**Monday Evening, June 14th.**
Address before the Literary Societies by J. H. Crider, Esq., Fort Scott, Kansas.

**Tuesday Evening, June 15th.**
Address before the Alumni by Valentine Hay, Esq., Somerset, Pa.

**Wednesday, June 16th.**
Exercises of the Dedication of the new College Building, consisting of, Report of Building Committee, by Rev. I. H. Reiter, D. D., in which the Building will be given over to the Trustees; Acceptance of the Building by Rev. S. C. Goss, A. M., in behalf of the Trustees; Dedication of the Building by President Geo. W. Williard, D. D.; Address of the day by Rev. Dr. J. H. A. Bomberger.

**Thursday, June 17th.**
Commencement, at which the Senior Class of twelve members will be graduated.

The following is the Commencement programme of Franklin and Marshall College:

**Sunday, June 13th.**
10.30 a. m., Baccalaureate Sermon by the President.

**Monday, June 14th.**
8 p. m., Junior Oratorical Contest in the College Chapel.

**Tuesday, June 15th.**
2 p. m., Meeting of the Board of Trustees in the First Reformed Church. 3 p. m., Class-Day Exercises on the Campus. 8 p. m., Address before the Literary Societies in the Court House, by Charles Emory Smith, Esq., of the Philadelphia Press.

**Wednesday, June 16th.**
8.30 a.m., Society Reunions. 10 a.m., Alumni Meeting. 12.30 p. m., Alumni Dinner. 2.30 p.m., Dedication of the Observatory; Address by Dr. C. A. Young, of Princeton. 8 p.m., Alumni Address in the College Chapel, by Prof. S. H. Guilford, A. M., D. D. S., of Philadelphia.

**Thursday, June 17th.**
9 a.m., Commencement. One session.
The Graduating Class numbers 28, of whom 10 will deliver orations.

**Congregational.**
In one of the violent storms which visited the state of Ohio during the month of May, Zion's church, near Dayton, Rev. J. B. Henry pastor, was almost totally destroyed, and will have to be rebuilt from the foundation.

The Canal Fulton, O., charge is vacant and solicits correspondence with ministers desiring fields of labor. Address E. R. Held for information.

The Sunday School of the First Reformed church, Philadelphia, has celebrated its 80th anniversary. D. Van Horne, D. D., is pastor, and J. Harry Buckingham Superintendent.

The Reformed church at Sunbury, Pa., J. Calvin Leinbach pastor, was rededicated May 16th.
The repairs cost $8,000, of which $1,800 was raised on the day of dedication.

**Ministerial.**
Crum, R. E., of the Seminary at Lancaster, called to the mission at Du Bois, Pa.
Hottenstein, A. R., address changed from Green briar to Mahanoy, Northumberland county, Pa.
Hinske, C. R., removed from Prairie City, Mo., to 1795 Brown street, Milwaukee, Wis.
Keller, C. F., address, 96 N. Noble street, Indianapolis, Ind.
Keller, F. H., of the Seminary at Tiffin, O., called to Lyons, Kansas.
Keener, H. F., called to New Centerville, Somerset county, Pa.
Lefevre, D. P., address changed from Iomogene, Ia., to 115 Valley street, Baltimore, Md.
Mishler, M. H., removed to Minersville, Schuylkill county, Pa.
Maurer, F., settled at Neosho, Newton county, Mo.
Mill, M. H., of the Seminary at Lancaster, accepts call to S. Easton, Pa.
Richards, J., address changed from Lindsay to Lakeside, O.
Rettig, G., removed from Monticello, Ia., to Salzburg, West Bay City, Mich.
Snyder, S. U., address changed to 2839 N. Eleventh street, Philadelphia.
Schaaf, C. M., N. Lima, O., appointed missionary to California.
Stahl, J. P., of the Seminary of Tiffin, Ohio, settled at Glenford, Somerset county, O.
Seeman, S. W., of the Seminary at Tiffin, called to Thornville, Somerset county, O.
Souders, D. A., of the Seminary at Lancaster, settled at Union Bridge, Md.
Schwedes, G. A., of the Seminary at Lancaster, settled at Frostburg, Md.
Watermuelder, L., removed from Forreston, Ill., to Sheboygan, Wis.

As the last page of the Bulletin is going to press, tidings arrive of the death of the Rev. Dr. John W. Nevin, at his residence, near Lancaster, on June 6. He had passed the 84th year of his age, and has long been known as a theological writer of great influence in his native and adjacent States, and especially as the chief founder and head of the so-called Mercersburg School of theology and philosophy.

Greatly as many in the Reformed Church, including those represented by the Bulletin, may have differed from the peculiar system of doctrine, metaphysics and ecclesiology he advocated with successive variations, and strongly as they were constrained by conscientious convictions to oppose many of his views, for Dr. Nevin personally they ever entertained sentiments of sincere regard. And now that he has been removed at a ripe old age to the higher and clearer atmoshere of the heavenly world, they join in the deep regret felt at his death, and in offering hearty sympathies to bereaved, sorrowing survivors.

BOOK AND LITERARY NOTICES.

[In noticing Books the Bulletin is not limited to such only as are received for that purpose from publishers. For sufficient reasons others may be mentioned favorably or unfavorably, according to the Bulletin's estimate of their merits.]

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Holland has furnished, during the centuries immediately following the Reformation, a vast amount of thrilling material for the secular and political historian. And the facts largely composing that material were all more or less closely connected with the introduction and spread of Reformed principles and doctrines into and over the country. But besides the heroism of men occupying prominent positions, and those achievements which were so brilliant as to attract the gaze of all Europe, deeds were done and sufferings endured in the humbler walks of life, and in places hidden from public view, which nevertheless wrought more lasting results than many which receive far greater praise and credit. It is well to turn aside at times from more conspicuous characters and exploits, and draw such lowlier illustrations of pious devotion to the Gospel faith out of their obscurity. Often by doing so the blessed cause may be better served than in any other way. An effort to do so is successfully made in the volume before us. And it supplies both young and old with a book which, like similar volumes issued before it, will serve to entertain those who read it, and to inspire them with intenser zeal for a pure Protestant Christianity.

"Ah! but the story is calculated, like other Reformation annals, to revive old anti-Romish, or rather anti-Jesuit bitterness, &c. Why not let bygones be forgotten?"

This is the specious objection to such books often repeated in these days of a liberalistic truth-betraying charity. When foes of the faith have found their satanic schemes frustrated, they wish it to be forgotten that such devices were ever invented or tried. When their brutal persecutions have not only failed of their purpose, but recoiled upon themselves, they ask succeeding generations to allow their dark and bloody deeds to sink into oblivion.

And if the descendants of those fiendish foes of true Christianity gave proof that they were not only men of another spirit, but that they denounced and discarded, without qualification, the wicked passions and principles by which their ecclesiastical predecessors were ruled, the past might be cheerfully permitted to be forgotten. But this has not been done. Their fathers slew the prophets, and Jesuit children garnish the murderers' sepulochres.

It is well, therefore, to guard the present age against the viper which is not dead but only in a feigned torpidity.

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