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PHILADELPHIA.
YIELDING gladly to the demands of the one absorbing subject of present interest about college, the Bulletin in its columns this month gives special prominence to commencement plans and prospects. In doing so its aim has been to publish all the arrangements for the occasion with accuracy and detail, and it is believed its efforts toward this end have been entirely successful. Some differences in times of meeting between the programme appearing in these pages and that sent out through the mails by the College, though of no moment to the general public, should be carefully noted by Directors and Alumni of the institution and the members of the Ursinus Union. The Bulletin's announcements in these particulars, as well as all others, are the later and corrected ones, to be followed by those interested in them.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT.

SUNDAY TO THURSDAY, JUNE 22-26, 1890.

Programme.

Sunday, June 22nd.
8 P. M., Commencement Tent.
Baccalaureate Sermon, by the President, the Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D., LL. D.

Monday, June 23rd.
1:30 P. M., President's Room.
Meetings of the Committees of the Board of Directors.
8 P. M., Commencement Tent.
Junior Class Exercises.

Tuesday, June 24th.
10 A. M., President's Room.
Annual Meeting of the Directors of the College.
8 P. M., Commencement Tent.
Address before the Literary Societies, by J. Freeman Hendricks, Esq., A. M., of Doylestown, Pa.

Wednesday, June 25th.
10 A. M., College Chapel.
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.
2 P. M., College Chapel.
BUSINESS MEETING OF THE URNISUS UNION.
4 P. M., Prospect Terrace.
ALUMNI BANQUET.
8 P. M., Commencement Tent.
ALUMNI ORATION, by the Rev. Francis C. Yost, A. M., ’76, Phoenixville, Chester County, Penna.

Thursday, June 26th.
9.30 A. M. Commencement Tent.
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.
Orations by the members of the Graduating Class.
Conferring of Degrees.
2.30 P. M., College Campus.
CONCERT BY THE EUREKA ORCHESTRA.
3.30 P. M., College Chapel.
REUNION OF THE GUESTS AND FRIENDS OF THE COLLEGE.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE OCCASION.

The College Commencement Committee for the year, consisting of Rev. J. H. Hendricks, Professors J. Shelly Weinberger and Samuel Vernon Ruby, and A. W. Bomberger, Esq., has satisfactorily arranged the general preliminary matters connected with the approaching festivities. The executive committee of the Alumni Association, at several recent meetings, took all necessary steps toward securing proper provision for the due celebration of Alumni Day; while the classes of Ninety and Ninety-one, as well as representatives of the Zwinglian and Schaff Societies have been carefully looking after their several parts in the week’s programme.

Mails from Collegeville have for sometime past been freighted with the different handsome invitations to the commencement issued respectively by the Seniors and Juniors and the President and Faculty of the College. The card sent out by the Graduating Class displays a beautifully unique design in blue and gold, containing a fine engraving of the Reformer Ursinus. That of the coming seniors of Ninety-one is also extremely neat and tasteful and the general one that goes forth from the institution appears in the same attractive style followed last year.

Besides these evidences thus shown of the desire that exists at the college to reach all friends with a request for their presence at its coming commencement, the BULLETIN is authorized to add its own effort in the same direction by extending a cordial invitation to every one at all interested in the institution to attend the exercises from beginning to end.

All the preparations are being well and successfully made and if fair weather rules throughout the week, it is believed the event will be altogether entertaining and enjoyable.

COMMENCEMENT TENT.

Pleasant experience last year and the year before having proved the advisability of holding the commencement exercises in a tent on the campus, this arrangement will again be brought into service. The tent this year will be furnished by the same firm that provided the one used in 1888. It is guaranteed to be new, commodious and in perfect order. It will be erected with extreme care and will be made more attractive by more elaborate interior decorations than heretofore. It will have seating capacity for about one thousand persons.
Full provision for railway excursion tickets has been made. The Philadelphia and Reading and the Pennsylvania Railroads have prepared for the commencement committee the usual printed orders on which excursion tickets may be purchased at one-third less than the regular fare, from Friday, June 20th, to Thursday, June 26th, inclusive, and good to return until June 28th.

The Lehigh Valley Railway at present issues five-day excursion tickets which will cover the needs of all friends on this road desiring to attend the commencement. Special orders from this Company have therefore not been deemed necessary this year.

At all points on the Perkiomen Railroad, excursion tickets will be sold without orders as heretofore between the dates above mentioned, and good to return until the 28th, to all persons going to the Ursinus Commencement.

On the Pennsylvania system in general tickets can be purchased to Perkiomen Station on the Schuylkill Valley Branch, which is but a short walk from Oaks Station, the third stop below Collegeville on the Perkiomen Railway.

On the Reading Road at the cities of Philadelphia and Reading and at Bridgeport tickets will be sold through to Collegeville. At all other points on the Reading, road to Perkiomen Junction only. The Lehigh Valley excursion tickets will be sold to East Penn Junction.

Persons travelling on the Pennsylvania line will consequently purchase tickets on the Perkiomen road at Oaks and use this road from there to Collegeville; Those coming by the Reading, (except friends living at Philadelphia, Norristown and Reading), must follow a similar rule at Perkiomen Junction, and those taking the Lehigh Valley route, at East Penn Junction. At all these three connecting points on the Perkiomen road every accommodation and ample time will be given to each one who desires to purchase the excursion ticket requisite to the completion of the journey to Ursinus.

All who intend using either the Reading or the Pennsylvania roads should write immediately to the "Commencement Committee," Collegeville, Montgomery County, Pa., for the orders above referred to, as by these only they can secure the advantage of the excursion rates. Every one who writes should specify particularly the number of orders required.

Trains leave Philadelphia from Broad and Callowhill streets at 4:10 and 7:40 A. M. and 1:40 and 5:20 P. M., and from Ninth and Green streets at 1:35 and 4:20 P. M., arriving at Collegeville at 7:39 and 9:02 A. M., 3:20 and 6:47 P. M. The 1:35 and 5:20 trains carry through cars to Collegeville; passengers taking the other trains must change at Perkiomen Junction.

Trains leave Allentown at 4:30, 6:30 and 11:00 A. M., and 2:45 P. M., arriving at Collegeville at 6:36 and 8:02 A. M. and 1:10 and 4:16 P. M.

Trains leave Reading at 5:00 and 7:15 A. M. and 12:45 and 3:15 P. M.; Columbia at 7:35 A. M. and 12:35 P. M.; Harrisburg 5:10 and 7:55 A. M. and 1:25 P. M., all of which connect with trains on the Perkiomen railroad, arriving at Collegeville at 9:02 A. M., 3:20 and 6:47 P. M.
ENTERTAINMENT.

Collegeville still contains the same general facilities for the accommodation of visitors as during the last few years. Those attending commencement from a distance will find reasonable terms and excellent provisions for their entertainment at Prospect Terrace, adjoining the college, and the other hotels and boarding houses in the village. More definite information on this point will be promptly sent to any who write for it to the Commencement Committee.

EXERCISES IN DETAIL.

A gradual increase of interest is sure to be the prevailing feature of each succeeding commencement of every successful and progressive college. This increase on such occasions is the natural attendant upon the corresponding growth that is shown in institution’s strength and the improvement going on in the processes of cultivation followed in its broadening field of influence and labor. Every new member added to the academic circle of alumni and students brings a new infusion of strength to the power of attraction of the Alma Mater at the centre. The enthusiasm and pleasure in the yearly festivities, which at first are to some extent limited by the fewness of numbers of those directly identified with the celebration, steadily gains in breadth and depth as the years roll by and the list of those lengthens who delight to return to their school-day home and the scenes of their college life.

For these general reasons, as well as because of the entire attractiveness of the programme arranged for the week, the Bulletin believes that the coming commencement will do what each one in the past tried at least to accomplish, to-wit, surpass in success all that may have preceded it. The character of certain other promised incidents of the approaching occasion, which do not appear in the published programme, but are none the less delightful to look forward to, lends additional weight to this prediction.

THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

President Bomberger will as usual inaugurate the festivities with the farewell discourse to the graduates on Sunday night, June 22d in the Commencement Tent. The music of the evening will consist of Sacred Anthems by the Choir of St. Luke’s Church, Trappe, led by Mr. C. A. Wismer.

JUNIOR CLASS EXERCISES.

On the following night the Exercises of the Class of Ninety-one will take place. This class which numbers eighteen, will go forth from the college next year as the largest body of seniors Ursinus has ever had. The Exercises, with which it will complete its present form of existence, will be presided over by Harry E. Jones, Easton, Pa., and will be opened by an invocation by Rev. Prof. M. Peters A. M.

Miss Lillian Preston, of Collegeville, will deliver a Salutatory. J. Manton Mensch, of Pennsburg, will give a Scientific Oration. Miss Hallie R. Vanderslice, of Collegeville, a Literary Oration; Horace T. Wagner, of Frederick, a Classical Oration; Irvin F. Wagner, of Mahanoy City, the Class Oration; and Frank H. Fisher, of
Gouglersville, the Valedictory Oration. The music of the evening will be furnished by the Phoenix Military Band, of Phoenixville, Prof. L. B. Vander-
THE GRADUATING EXERCISES.


The motto of the class is "Prorsum et Sursum."

All the graduates will give orations, but as the time of delivery will in each case be limited to six minutes the programme will not necessarily be any longer than is usual on such occasions. In deference to a generally expressed wish that the Eureka Orchestra, of Allentown, should once again furnish the musical part of the Commencement day festivities, that organization under the direction of Prof. E. Lehman Ruhe, will be present at the college this year in full force on Thursday, both morning and afternoon, to give its best selections in better style than ever before.

Let all come to the 19th Commencement. A pleasant time and a cordial welcome awaits them.

THE LITERARY SOCIETIES.

SCHAFF OPEN MEETING.

According to announcement, the Annual Open Meeting of the Schaff Literary Society was held at the College on Friday evening May 23, 1890. Promptly at 8 o'clock the society, headed by its officers, entered the chapel. The meeting having been called to order by the President, C. H. Brandt, the roll was gone over by the Secretary, H. H. Hartman, and devotional exercises were conducted by the Chaplain, Howard M. Wright. The following programme was then rendered:

Music, Piano Solo, Frank Barndt.
Music, Violin Solo, with Guitar accompaniment, I. C. Williams and P. M. Spangler.
Essay, "Dangers to our Country Arising from Catholicism," J. M. S. Isenberg.
Reading of the "Schaff Gazette" by the Editor, William F. Ruff.
Music, Guitar Duet, Joseph W. Royer and Paul M. Spangler.

The meeting adjourned with the singing of the Doxology.

The exercises of the evening showed again that Ursinus is still on the forward march. For all the performers, except the Editor, this was a first appearance before a Collegeville audience, yet they acquitted themselves like veterans. The productions were well prepared and delivered. The oration was a model piece of literary work. The orator reviewed th
changes ever taking place in nature and in man, and in conclusion spoke in a deeply interesting manner of the great transformation which will follow the dissolution of the soul from the body at death. The Gazette also commended itself to the good judgment of all. While it abounded in humor, it was remarkably free from the unpleasant personalities which are wont to appear in such papers. The music of the evening was furnished entirely by members of the society; and while it was not what would be expected from professionals, it was, nevertheless highly appreciated, and those who participated in it deserve much praise for their efforts. The large audience which was present dispersed with much apparent satisfaction at having spent another evening with the Schaff Society boys.

OLEVIAN NOTE.
The customary Spring Term picnic of the Olevian Literary Society will for various reasons be omitted this year.
The list of the recently elected officers of the society, which was published last month, should have contained the name of Miss Nellie L. Williams, as Vice-President.

NEWS ABOUT COLLEGE.

THEOLOGICAL GRADUATES.
The final examinations and graduation of this year's Theological Class of the College on Thursday, May 15, was attended by a visiting committee consisting of Rev. James I. Good D. D., and Rev. John H. Sechler, of Philadelphia; Rev. F. C. Yost, of Phoenixville; Rev. J. H. Hendricks, of Collegeville, and Rev. Henry T. Spangler, of Trappe.

All the members of the class passed the examination very creditably. They have since been licensed to preach the Gospel and several of them have already entered upon the work of fields to which they have been called. As stated last month, out of the graduates, Rev. Chas. B. Alspach will locate in the charge at Pleasantville, Bucks County, and Nathan W. Sechler in the Ringtown charge, Schuylkill County. Rev. Albert H. Hibshman is at this writing undecided whether to accept a call that has been placed in his hands. Rev. Joseph W. Bell has not yet definitely settled upon a field. All the class as it goes forth to active warfare has the warm good wishes of associates and friends left behind at the college.

THE CLASS OF NINETY.
Most of the members of the class have left the College for their homes, to return again a day or two before the opening of commencement week.

OUR PRESIDENT HONORED.

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, which began its Triennial Sessions at Lebanon, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, May 28th, organized by choosing Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger D. D., LL. D., of Ursinus College, its permanent presiding officer. In the election for the position held by the Synod, President Bomberger received seventy-five votes and Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Apple, of Franklin and Marshall College, the other nominee, sixty-nine.

The selection of our worthy President for the highest place in the gift of the representatives of our Church, fills Ursinus with honest pride. The extended reports of the proceedings of the Synod which have appeared in the daily papers contain the information that President Bomberger was invited to preach the opening sermon of the Synod in the absence of the retiring President, Rev. Dr. Welker, of North Carolina, who was kept away by ill health, and that he accepted the invitation although it was only received two hours before the services began and he consequently had but a very limited time to prepare for the occasion. The text of his discourse was the sixth verse of the Twenty-sixth Psalm: "I will wash my hands in innocency: so will I compass thine altar, O Lord."

"THE COMMENCEMENT HERALD."

Friends of the college will please not overlook what was said in our May issue with reference to the "Commencement Herald," the new publication at Ursinus that will make its first appearance on the approaching commencement day, June 26th. It promises to be a record full of interest and attraction. In order to run no chance of failing to secure copies of it, alumni and all identified with the institution should forward their requests for it now. If any are prevented from being present on the occasion the "Herald" will be mailed to them at the conclusion of the festivities. To such especially it will be rich with entertainment. The price for a single copy is fifteen cents; for two copies, twenty-five cents; and for ten copies one dollar. Address, G. H. Meixell, or R. G. Magee, Collegeville, Montgomery Co. Pa.

BASE BALL.

URSINUS VS. PHOENIXVILLE.

On the afternoon of May 24th, the college nine went to Phoenixville and suffered defeat at the hands of the strong Phoenix club of that place. Miller and Ruckle did splendid pitching. Ursinus lost through its numerous fielding errors, for which the miserable grounds were to a degree accountable. The score:

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EARNED RUNS—URSINUS. Stolen bases, Miller, Knife 2; Bomberger, Wiest, Clarey, Ruckles, Carney, O’Donnell. Base on balls, by Ruckles, 4, by Carney 1; by Miller, 3. Hit by pitched ball, Hendricks, Stauffer. Struck out, by Miller, 9; by Ruckles, 10. Left on bases—Ursinus, 3; Phoenix, 7. Passed balls, Hunsicker, 4; Davis, 1; Conway, 1. Double play, Conway to Carney. Time of game, two hours. Umpires, Messrs. Ruckles and Moulder.

* URSINUS VS. WEST CHESTER.

At West Chester, on the 31st ultimo, URSINUS defeated the State Normal School nine by superior batting and errorless fielding. Longaker and Knife made difficult catches at second. Welsh led in batting for our team, whilst Miller after the third inning, had the opposing batters at his mercy. Below is the record of the game:

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**MORE ABOUT THE CATALOGUE.**

Brief mention was made last month of the URSINUS catalogue for the current collegiate year, which was then, at the time of writing, still in the hands of the printer. It has since been completed and has gone out through the mail to alumni and other supporters of the institution on all sides. The publication is so worthy of commendation and so very near perfection in its sphere, that a few additional words about it are altogether in place. Its typography and dress are without a flaw, its sixty pages and covers being free from anything whatever tending to mar their beauty of appearance. Good taste in arrangement and expression are displayed on every page. Though in general outline it is substantially the same as the excellent edition issued last year, a number of modifications in details have been made, all of which are in the line of improvement. A gratifying page is that containing the list of scholarships, which has increased from eight to eleven. For the excellent form in which the catalogue appears the college is greatly indebted to the professor of the English Language and Literature.

Friends who desire copies of this newly issued record of a successful
year, can have them at any time by making application for them at the college or by sending for them by mail to the President.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Lawn Tennis still continues popular among the students. At a meeting of the association interested in this sport held last month, T. E. Kalbach was elected President and H. A. Fetters, Secretary and Treasurer. The Association numbers twenty members.

Prof. Peters filled the pulpit of Zion's Reformed Church, at Reading, the last Sunday in May, and Dr. Stibitz preached in Trinity Church, Collegeville, the same day.

On Tuesday evening, May 20th, Miss Havilah J. Curdy, '92, gave a reception to the members of the Sophomore class, who gladly availed themselves of so pleasant an opportunity for an evening's enjoyment, and unanimously attended the reception. It proved an exceedingly delightful occasion. It also presented the long anticipated time for effecting a proper organization of the class. The Sophs accordingly now display red and blue as their distinctive colors and talk about class-meetings.

In the past month one new member has been added to the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip, making the total membership at present 48. Its devotional meetings continue to be well attended.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

PERSONALS.

[Alumni and others can render a service by sending items of interest for this column. All such items, to receive prompt attention, must be addressed to Ursinus College Bulletin, Collegeville, Montg. Co., Pa.]

'74. Faithful ability and untiring devotion to duty on the part of its new minister, Rev. John H. Sechler, are already accomplishing many good things for the First Church, at Tenth and Wallace Streets, Philadelphia. The congregation has caught the spirit of its leader, and gratifying news comes of a lively, substantial growth and improvement going on in its midst.

'77. The last issue of Grace Church Quarterly, published by the Reformed Congregation at Columbiana, Ohio, over which Rev. John H. Bomberger presides, is rich in evidences of the steady and rapid progress with which this zealous pastor and people are blessed. The congregation plainly abounds in true Christian enterprise that is effectual and productive.

'79. Rev. A. R. Thompson, of Bridgewater, Virginia, on Sunday, June 1st, preached the Baccaluareate Sermon to the Graduating Class of the Shenandoah Institute of the United Brethren Church at Dayton, the same State.

'79. Rev. E. H. Stauffer is located at Ashland, Ohio, the county seat of Ashland County, where he is still engaged in earnest and fruitful work in the Gospel Ministry of the Methodist Church.

'79. Rev. W. H. Stauffer is now in the second year of his pastorate at South Bethlehem, Penna., where he serves two congregations, St. Luke's Evangelical church in the town and Zion's Evangelical Church at Free-
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mansburg. Last year forty-seven members were added to his churches and with the assistance of friends they raised over $2,100. Mr. Stauffer preaches in both English and German. Three hundred Sunday School scholars are enrolled in the charge; the people are active and energetic, and their interests are flourishing.

'82. Mr. Ira W. Kline, whose energetic work in behalf of the new Reformed Church in Cleveland, Ohio, was referred to last month, holds a responsible position in the business department of the Cleveland Leader, a paper that publishes both a morning and evening edition and has the largest circulation in the State. Mr. Kline has been connected with the Leader ever since he first came to Cleveland, about five years ago, starting as a reporter, then becoming one of its editors, and finally entering the position he at present occupies. His numerous acquaintances among the alumni and old students of the college wish him continued prosperity. His address is, Suite 22, "The Lincoln," Cleveland, Ohio.

'83. Rev. Morvin Custer has been for sometime pastor of the Presbyterian Church, at Ashley, Luzerne County, Penna., a town having a population of about seven thousand. He is meeting with much success in his work. His congregation has over four hundred members and the total number of scholars in the Sabbath School connected with it, is about five hundred. At the communion of the church in March last it received an accession of eighty-three. Mr. Custer is deeply interested in his new field of labor and his many Ursinus friends are greatly pleased to learn of the prosperous results that attend his efforts.

'86. Rev. Edwin C. Hibshman, of Philadelphia, recently contributed to the Reformed Church Record a series of four exceedingly readable and instructive articles on "Missionary Work in Smyrna."

'88. Mr. J. L. Fluck's appointment to missionary work for the summer in South Dakota, has been changed from La Grace to Mellette, where he will have charge of three congregations instead of one only, as at the former place. The Bulletin hopes that for the increase in his labors he may be rewarded by more even than a proportionate increase in good results.

'88. A. H. Hendricks, Esq., has successfully passed the final examinations at Norristown for admission to the Montgomery County Bar, and by the time this number appears he will in all probability have assumed the dignity and privileges of a full-fledged practicing attorney. The college offers him warm congratulations.

'88. Mr. Albert S. Bromer, having previously completed the second year of his Theological study at Yale College, returned to his home at Schwenksville, Penna., about the middle of last month.

'89. Mr. O. H. E. Rauch, of Union Theological Seminary, was present at the last monthly missionary meeting of the Ursinus Y. M. C. A. and gave a very instructive and entertaining talk on mission work.
GENERAL TOPICS.

THE RELATION OF THE AMERICAN SCHOLAR TO HIS AGE AND COUNTRY.

[Extracts from an Address delivered before the Faculty and Students of Ursinus College, by Rev. Professor Francis Hendricks, A. M., at the opening of the Spring Session of 1890.]

Ascribing so much as we have to the training afforded by our institutions, we shall not touch the idea of a liberal education, popularly so called. The term is indefinite. The question with us is one of liberal studies.

A lively agitation is now going on in many colleges as to the proper adjustment of Mathematics, Physics, Ancient and Modern Languages and the other branches in the curriculum of studies; also as to electives, beginning with the Freshman year.

It is simply a question as to whether the adjustment of studies sanctioned by the higher institutions of learning for generations, does not fail to meet the demands of the times. The matter as to whether the vagaries of some leading and controlling minds are not unsettling all standards by which liberal studies can be measured, as to whether the permutations and combinations of College studies are not destroying the confidence of young men in liberal studies, is no longer in much doubt.

A few years since a prominent official in Harvard University, charging, it may be, the observed deficiency of many graduates in important branches of study to the time allotted to the Ancient Classics, relegated the language of Homer to the Shades. Within a few weeks a distinguished ex-official of a neighboring city, and newly elected President of a leading institution, has pronounced against the prominence given to the Latin and Greek Languages in the College courses of Study.

I may be constrained in this matter, to yield to such authority, but like Galileo before the Inquisition, with a decided mental protest and reservation. For we judge "the old wine better."

We have our decided preference as between two opposite Schools of opinion—the one making all intellectual training subservient to trade or profession, the other making it subservient to the mental and moral power of the pupil,—yet we hold that some studies are necessary constituents in a liberal education, and that optionals and electives should not infringe upon the claims of such studies. This is a rule which would save liberal studies from threatened ship-wreck. The position of the scholars and the College in relation to the age and the state, has to do with Citizenship—which with us, has a meaning peculiarly American. Though with us a birthright and indigenous to our soil, its sphere of duties and its possibilities demand that we pay the price of its preservation and perpetuation.

The price is the very best qualities of true manhood, high moral and intellectual attainment.

I should be grieved to learn that such is not the aim and legitimate tendency of the studies and the instruction in this and all other American Colleges, founded upon the doctrine of Man as set forth in the New Testament.
The predominance of Agnosticism and Rationalism in the professor’s chair would more than jeopardize the continuance of our free institutions. These, no more than Evangelical Christianity, can survive the divorce of the College and the Church. Their common field is humanity, their direct aim is the intellectual and moral renovation of society. This is their specific office in relation to the state, this the measure of responsibility they accept.

The Great Roman Republic was built up solidly out of materials gathered from all nations, from Greece to Egypt, through her genius for legislation and for arms. Like her, the Great Modern Republic is built out of elements as heterogeneous as Scandinavia and Italy afford, yet uniting all in one harmonious whole, by the one informing Spirit, “That God has made of one blood all nations of men.” Such is American Citizenship, in touch with the whole of humanity.

The sphere of the American scholar is the culture of a high-toned Christian manhood, whose obligations, if at anytime pressing, should be doubly felt by the American student as he goes forth to the competitions and conflicts of life with its countless probabilities. This one thing first. The particular calling or profession, afterward.

But it is charged that all this is merely theoretical. That with us, practically, Science, Literature, Aesthetics are worth to the American student, just as much as they will bring in market. And this is asserted in the very face of the fact, most patent in every department of human enterprise, whether of business, science, statesmanship or scholarship, that American training is broadly distinctive, productive, generous. In the bestowment of their confidence and honors our people upon the whole are intelligently discriminating.

The fact and the responsibility of citizenship are upon the whole appreciated. Every work of the beautiful in art, of the valuable and useful in the industries of life, has been wrought after some model. The measure of perfection has been reached only when by patient toil the artist or inventor has objectified the living image in his brain on the canvas or in the marble before him, or materialized it in the completed invention.

The ideal of American citizenship is not Utopian. It is clearly and distinctly formulated in our organic law, whose highest authority is the Law of Sinai as interpreted in New Testament Scriptures. We do not regard ourselves as having attained it, but we believe we are pressing on toward the mark and that we cannot now under the gathering shadows of this closing century in our national history shut our eyes to the marked advance already made and the encouraging promises of future progress that appear on all sides.

EXCHANGE NOTES.

The suggestion is kindly offered The Temple College News that it might greatly improve its pages by devoting more space to articles of a general literary character.

The Thielensain says, “If there is one thing which students need to overcome it is conceit. This fault
is the bane of many promising young men and the frequent cause of much failure among them.” It is to the regretted that the statement is only too true. Men in every college should examine into their lives to discover, and endeavor to destroy, any of this harmful spirit which may there exist.

The Peddie Chronicle among other interesting matter, contains a German poem, entitled “Zwei Geschichten,” giving the conversation between a glass of wine and of a glass of water.

The Ottawa Campus inserts advertisements among its College and Town notes. Readers in general do not favor this practice, and we believe that the extra money returns that may result from it hardly make up for its bad effects in other directions.

One of the best features of the Free Lance is its Exchange column. It condemns the practice of making this department a place for simple fault-finding or the other extreme, mutual admiration. It believes in honest criticism, given in a fair, sincere way and urges that if quotations be made from articles of merit, enough should be taken to give the reader a correct idea of the drift and sentiment of the production. The Lance very properly endeavors to set a good example, by taking the excellent prescription which it gives; as the character of its exchange notes clearly indicates.

The Baltimore City College Journal contains an article entitled “The Darktown Debating Club Adjourns until further Notice.” It is a contribution that should not find place in any under-graduate publication. Its slang and broken English are scarcely amusing and certainly in no way elevating or instructive. We do not doubt but that the Journal will have no trouble in finding better material for its columns.

A new board of editors have taken charge of the Swarthmore Phoenix, and from the many evidences contained in the first number issued under their direction, we believe they will win additional laurels for the worthy paper they represent.

The gentle rays of the Sunbeam continue to penetrate our sanctum at stated intervals. They always bring welcome warmth and light to its chilliness and gloom.

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—Heidelberg Journal.

The University Mirror publishes a steel engraving of Chauncey B. Ripley, LL. D. It also gives a biographical sketch of this efficient worker in colleges and universities for a quarter of a century. His life has been an active and useful one, full of interest and good for students in general.

GENERAL COLLEGE AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

Twenty-eight of the students of Wooster University are on the volunteer list for the foreign mission field.

A Law school has been established in connection with Dickinson College.
One hundred and seventy-five out of three hundred and sixty-five colleges in the United States, publish college papers.

Blaine is the only college graduate in Harrison's cabinet.—Exchange.

The University of Minnesota has fifty professors and one thousand students.

The University of Pennsylvania Archaeological Museum contains 10,000 specimens, collected mostly from North, South and Central America.

College journalism in America is growing in success. Harvard, Yale, Cornell and Princeton each issue a daily paper.

Vassar's new gymnasium is the largest building in this country which is used exclusively for the physical culture of women.

Four leading female colleges in the United States are Wellesley, with 620 students; Vassar, with 283; Smith, 376, and Bryn Mawr, with 79.

Of the 386 colleges in the United States, 331 are controlled by the different churches and 55 by States and sectarian corporations. Of those fostered by the church, the Methodist Episcopal church holds 61, the Baptist and Catholic each 47, the Presbyterian 40, and the Congregationalist 26.

Professor Crowell, of Amherst College, though totally blind, still hears his classes in Latin.

The city of Helena donated two hundred and fifty acres of land to the Montana University, which is now being built.

It is stated, that although the college men in the United States are only a fraction of one per cent. of the voters, yet they hold more than fifty per cent. of the highest offices.

The University of Pennsylvania catalogue, just published, gives the total number of students at 1,302.

Students are ranked on a scale of 4 at Yale. The highest rank ever given a student is 3.73, which grade was received by the valedictorian of the class of '88.

The New Jersey Legislature has taken action by which Rutgers will receive sixty new scholarships.

MONTHLY SUMMARY.

CONGREGATIONAL.

The Reformed church at Middletown, Md., which has undergone extensive repairs, was rededicated on Sunday, April 26th. Dr. J. S. Kieffer preached the sermon. The audience room of the building is now 52 by 64 feet; the pulpit has been enlarged; the ceiling and gallery have been greatly improved; stained glass windows have been added, and the walls have been frescoed. The exterior of the church has also been greatly beautified.

The corner-stone laying of the new Reformed church at Schwenksville, Montgomery county, Pa., which was to have taken place on Monday, May 26th, was postponed on that day because of the extremely inclement weather.

The building committee for the proposed edifice, which promises to be one of the handsomest structures in the Perkiomen Valley, is composed of the following gentlemen—Albert Bromer, President; Val. G. Prizer, Secretary; J. Y. Gargies, Treasurer; Josiah E. Hunsicker and Abr. H. Keely.

During a recent severe rain storm Yocum's church, three miles southwest of Reading, was seriously damaged. The roof was carried away and the pulpit end of the building partially blown in. The rain fell in torrents and the entire interior of the church was flooded. Steps will at once be taken to repair the u-
age. The church was renovated a few years ago. Rev. W. J. Kershner is the Reformed pastor.

The Dr. Moses Kiefer Memorial church of Sioux City, Iowa, was dedicated on Sunday, April 2nd. The sermon was preached by T. F. Stauffer. Rev. F. W. Stump, of Rulfield Dakota, assisted in the services. The church is well located.

Several thousand people attended the corner-stone laying of Zion's (Siegfried's) Maxatawny church, about 4 miles east of Kutztown, on Sunday, May 18th. At the morning services Rev. A. J. Herman conducted the devotional exercises and Rev. Thomas N. Reber, of Allentown, preached the sermon. In the afternoon the services were conducted by Lutheran clergymen. The corner-stone of the old church was laid April 13, 1828. The new building will be very fine and attractive.

St. Mark's Reformed church, situated three miles east of Gettysburg, Pa., was recently dedicated in the presence of a large audience. The pastor, Rev. T. J. Barkley, conducted the services. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Rev. W. R. Deatrich, of Newport. The old church, upon the site of which the present edifice is built, was used as a place of worship for over 100 years.

At Shamokin, Pa., the new Sunday school chapel of St. John's Reformed church, has been consecrated to the service of the Lord. The pastor, Rev. T. J. Barkley, conducted the services. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Rev. W. R. Deatrich, of Newport. The new edifice is built substantially of brick and stands immediately back of the old church. The cost of the building was over $11,000, which amount is fully provided for by subscription, so that there is practically no debt. The Sunday school numbers over 600.

The new Plow church, nine miles southeast of Reading, was dedicated on May 25th.

On May 18th the Union church at Wessenersville, Berks county, Pa., was consecrated. This church was damaged by fire several years ago, and has been handsomely remodeled.

On Sunday, the date last above mentioned, the corner-stone of the new house of worship near Urban, Northumberland county, Pa., was laid. The congregation belongs to the Mahanoy charge, of which Rev. A. R. Hottenstine is the pastor. The proposed building is to cost about $3,000.

The corner-stone laying of the Reformed church at Reichels, in the Segerstown charge, Pa., took place on Sunday, May 4. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. H. Leader.

MINISTERIAL.

Bloom, Rev. N. W., address changed to Reedsburg, O.

Brugger, Louis, address changed to 612 Jackson St., Wausau, Wis.

Dotter, J., formerly pastor of Rebersburg charge, Pa., has moved to Madisonburg, Pa.

Fritch, M. L., Shillington, Pa., deposed from the Gospel ministry.

Gernant, E. A., pastor of Zion's Reformed Church, Allentown, resigned to enter the Episcopal Church.

Hahn, F. B., was installed as pastor of the Kutztown charge, Pa.

Keller, F. H., installed pastor of Zion's charge, Ohio.

Kifer, A. M., Rural Valley, Armstrong county, Pa., called to Greenville, Mercer county, Pa.

Loose, N. H., address is New Baltimore, Ohio.

Mackley, J. F., called to St. Thomas charge, Franklin county, Pa.

Mill, M. H., address changed to New Stanton, Westmoreland county, Pa.

Schnatz, Paul H., address changed to No. 234 West 47th St., New York.

Snyder, N. J., resigns pastorate of Freemansburg congregation, Northampton county, Pa.

Trautman, H., address changed to 115 Walton Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

Zahner, Dr. J. G., died May 7th, in Bloomsville, Ohio.
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